

QUIPS AND CRANKS.

Babes in arms: The infantry.

Mr. Fury: I want to know what you mean by kissing my housemaid, sir? Mr. Cheeky: I mistook her for your wife, sir!

Lady (engaging nurse): Have you any experience with children? Irishwoman: Oh, Yis, mum! Oi used to be a child me-sitt wanst!

What do you think will be the biggest thing you will see at the World's Fair? said Mrs. Fucash. My hotel-bill, replied her husband.

The Rev. Mr. Arlington: You should always be particular about details, Miss Tucker. It is little things that tell. Nellie: I know that. I have three little sisters.

Jones: How are you succeeding, Mr. Horablower, in your work? Rev. Mr. Horablower: Magnificently. There's a great awakening at the close of every sermon!

Irate Customer: Do you call this butter? It is not fit to eat. Sentimental Cheesemonger: The poet says, 'To the pure all things are pure.' Irate Customer: Bosh!

Lady (interviewing housemaid): I'm afraid you're too small. Housemaid (humbly): Yes, mum, I know I'm very small, but I've got a large appetite, an' I'll grow.

I wish I were an ostrich, said Hicks, angrily, as he tried to eat one of his wife's biscuits and couldn't.

I wish you were, returned Mrs. Hicks, I'd get a few feathers for my hat.

New Magistrate at the Court: Drunk again? Five shillings or seven days. Prisoner: Oh, shure, I have only two shillings in the world. Magistrate: Well, you must just go to prison. If you hadn't got drunk with your silver, you'd have had quite enough to pay the fine.

In a cathedral one day, after service, a boy, the bellows-blower, said to the organist: I think we have done very well to-day. We, said the organist, in no small surprise at the impudence of his mental: How can you pretend to have any merit in the performance? Never let me hear you say such a thing again. The boy said nothing more at the time, but when they were next playing, he suddenly intermitted in his task of inflating the organ. The organist rose in wrath to order him to proceed, when the fellow, putting his head from behind the curtain, asked slyly: Who's we now?

It's sometimes said patent medicines are for the ignorant. The doctors foster this idea. "The people," we're told, "are mostly ignorant when it comes to medical science."

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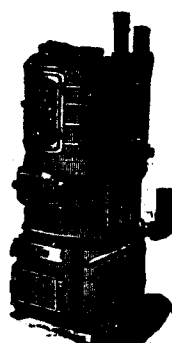
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