

WIT, HUMOR AND FUN

LIFE'S COMIC SIDE TREATED BY CLEVER PENS

PA'S SNORE

My pa's got somepin' in his nose that's fassened there to stay, That all the neighbors wishes he would lose or give away. Some sort o' bellerin' affair, like bulls has in their throats, Or like a big bass horn, except it never plays no notes.

An Irishman was brought before the magistrate for stealing a piece of meat.

In defence he said:
"Your worship, the last piece of meat I had since I landed in England was a roast potato, boiled 'ard, which I ate three days ago, and if you don't believe me I have it in my pocket. I can show it to you."

Dismissed.

Patient—"My wife insists that my sickness is purely imaginary."

Doctor—"Don't let that worry you. There will be nothing imaginary about my bill."

Ostend—Pa, what's an infernal machine?

Pa—Why, a phonograph running after midnight, my son.

Ernie—Why did she refuse him? I thought she said he was a man with sterling qualities.

Helen—Yes, but she found a man with sterling silver.

First Physician—So the operation was just in the nick of time?

Second Physician—Yes, in another twenty-four hours the patient would have recovered without it.

"Kc'k!" chuckled the Old Codger, in the midst of his perusal of the village newspaper. "I sh'ud judge that here's mention about the peculiarest critter ever born in captivity! A feller is advertisin' for sale a Jersey cow, givin' 'leven quarts of milk a day, couple of tons of hay, a jump-seat buggy, four hives of bees, and a good second-hand harrow. Pretty unusual sort of a cow I sh'ud surmise. Kc'k,"

"I see ye got a new sody fountain down your way, Hank."

"Yaas, but it's purty hard gettin' the village gals edicated up to them new drinks."

"That so, do tell."

"Waal, ye know Bill Jones's darter, she's goin' with Harry Cornacre. He asked her to have a drink at the new fountain. He asked the drug store feller for an egg phosfit."

"Waal, ain't that all right?"

"Yaas, but gee whiz, his gal said she'd take hers scrambled."

"Why, Joseph!" cries the wife, who has sat up until three A. M. to greet her husband on his return from the lodge, "I am surprised to see you in this condition. I never thought you would do such a thing. I am quite beside myself."

"B'shude 'shelf?" asks the husband, with painstaking enunciation; b'shude 'shelf? I'm sho glad! At frsht I shought I wash sheein' double, b' jingsh!"

"Yes, and after she refused me she waved her hand in farewell." "Sort of a cold wave, wasn't it?"

"Yes, sir, I have made up my mind to cut you off with a dollar." "Can't spare the dollar right now, can you, dad?"

"Waiter, these are mighty small oysters." "Yes, sir." "And they don't appear to be fresh, either." "Then it's lucky they're small, ain't it, sir?"

"What good was my vermiform appendix, anyway, doctor?" "It wasn't any good to you," replied the surgeon, "but it's worth about \$500 to me."

"I never thought," said the conceited lecturer, "that my voice would fill that hall." "No," replied the candid man, "I thought at one time it would empty it."

"Your money or your life!" growled the footpad. "Take me life," responded the Irishman. "I'm savin' me money for me old age!"

"Cheer up, old man," said the friend, to the sick Billville citizen, "you ain't dead yet!" "No," gasped the sick man, "but five doctors has got me!"

Cholly—"I s-say, guide; I think we are following these bear-tracks in the wrong direction." Guide—"Oh, no. We will soon catch up with him." Cholly—"T-that's what I m-meant."

He—"He vos frighdfully extrafant!" She—"So?" He—"Awful! Ven a man owes feefty t'ousand dollars, you would expegt dot he would haf saved a good deal of der money, but he hasn't vun centd."

"Betty, why do you sit up at this hour of the night darning your stockings?" said mother, sharply; "don't you know it's twelve o'clock?" "Oh, yes," laughed Betty, "but it's never too late to mend!"

"Rose," she said, "how was it that I saw you treating your friends last night to my ice cream and cake?" The cook, with a hoarse laugh, answered: "Indeed, ma'am, I don't know how it was, for I'm sure I stuffed the keyhole."

"The lady ain't got the money now," said Bridget, "but ye kin l'ave the ice an' she'll pay on Saturday." "But," protested the new ice man, "s'posin' she ain't got the money then?" "Well, if she ain't, ye kin take yer ice back."

"Have you a library in your town?" asked the New York man. "Oh, yes," replied the westerner. "A circulating one?" "Well, it wasn't intended for that sort of a library, but we had two or three cyclones out our way that circulated it considerably."

A well-known Bishop, as he was going about his diocese, stopped the porter of a lunatic asylum and asked how a chaplain whom he, the Bishop, had lately appointed, was getting on. "Oh, my lord," said the man, "his preaching is most successful. The hidioits henjoys it partickler."

The Tramp—"Please, ma'am, could youse gimme er bite to eat?" The Lady—"I haven't a thing in the house to eat." The Tramp—"Well I ain't one uv dem kind of guys wor'll stand eroun' and see er woman starve, ma'am. Gimme a ole basket an' I'll hustle eround an' steal somethin' fer youse an' me."

"What we want most in this country," said the political reformer, "is an honest count."

"They ain't no sech thing," remarked Nuritch. "I know all about them counts 'cause my daughter married one of them. They're no good."

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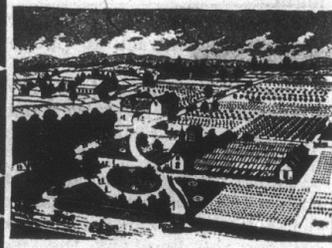
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