

GERALDINE'S BOOTS.

They nearly strike me dumb—
I tremble when they come
Pit a-pat :
This palpitation means
These boots are Geraldine's—
Think of that!

Oh, where did hunter win
So delicate a skin
For her feet?
You lucky little kid,
You perish'd, so you did,
For my sweet.

The fairy stitching gleams
On the sides, and in the seams,
And reveals
That the Pixies were the wags
Who tipt these funny tags
And these heels.

What soles to charm an elf!—
Had Crusoe, sick of self,
Chanced to view
One printed near the tide,
Oh, how hard he would have tried
For the two.

For Gerry's debona.r,
And innocent and fair
As a rose;
She's an angel in a frock,
She's an angel with a clock
To her hose!

The simpletons who squeeze
Their pretty toes to please
Mandarins
Would positively flinch
From venturing to pinch
Geraldine's.

Cinderella's lefts and rights
To Geraldine's were frights,
And I trow
The damsel, deftly shod,
Has dutifully trod
Until now.

Come, Gerry, since it suits
Such a pretty Puss (in boots)
These to don,
Set your dainty hand awhile
On my shoulder, dear, and I'll
Put them on.

WAHT MRS. GRUNDY SAYS.

That many people would be less disagreeable
if they knew more.

That men who cannot pay dues and fines
have no right to belong to clubs.

That the "set" to which a girl belongs is of
small consequence if she is a lady.

That no way of "making money" these days
is too mean or contemptible.

That sometimes a clergyman's life is far more
influential than his sermons.

That man continues to gather up riches, not
knowing who will enjoy them.

That not to have some kind of a family skele-
ton is to be out of the fashion.

That some philanthropists never perform
without brass band accompaniment.

That he is a brave swell who wears old
clothes until he can pay for new ones.

That as soon as a mistress is familiar with
her servants she loses control of them.

That if the girl of the period talked less and
read more it would be better for her.

That in these days you can tell a lady or gen-
tlemen before they open their mouths.

That men who are generous with other peo-
ple's money are not to be commended.

That people who make themselves most
ridiculous are those unaccustomed to wealth.

That the idea of ladies taking lessons in
skirt dancing is as absurd as it is disgusting.

That the world never knows how many saints
have lived on earth until obituaries are pub-
lished.

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