

REVISED AND CORRECTED.

"He who by the plough would thrive,
Himself must either hold or drive,"
The proverb said of old;
But in these modern days 'tis found
That those whose labor tills the ground
Win very little gold.

The way that things are going now,
The man who holds or drives the plough
Reaps but a scanty store;
While idle hands receive the spoil
Filched from the tillers of the soil,
And ever seek for more.

No, he who by the plough would thrive,
Himself must neither hold nor drive.
If you to wealth would rise,
With aid of labor's strong right arm,
Just get a mortgage on the farm
Or corner wheat supplies.

PHUNNY ECHOES.

Can a man who falls off a roof be called
an eaves-dropper?

To the indolent man every movement is a
labor movement.

He (proudly)—My motto is live and let
live. She (wearily)—I wish it was sleep
and let sleep.

Tommy—What part of speech is woman?
Papa—Woman is no part of speech at all,
my son. She is the whole of it.

Jack (the facetious)—I wonder what State
they run the lottery of love in? Pauline
(the cynical)—In every State, I guess, ex-
cept the married state.

Johnny, said the pretty teacher, what is a
kiss? I can't exactly put it in words, re-
turned the boy, but if yer really want'er
know I can show yer.

I cannot imagine why you should discour-
age him. He seems to be a young man of
steady habits. Yes, that is so, mamma,
dear. And bachelorhood is one of them, I
think.

Ikey—I am going, now, to pay you a
peautiful diamant engagement ring, Rebe-
ca. Rebecca—Don't forget, Ikey, that my
fader sells them cheaper than anyone else in
town.

It strikes me, my dear, said he sarcasti-
cally, as the cries of the baby arose above
the lullaby she was trying to sing to it, that
your voice is something of a Jonah—it is
swallowed up by a wail.

Four year old Charlotte had been having
some trouble with her English, but she has
entirely passed her difficulties in one point.
I see how it is now, mamma, she said the
other day. Hens set and lay. Yes. And
people sit and lie, don't they, mamma?

Began With "A."

In London one evening, writes a corres-
pondent, I was looking for the Alhambra.
Not knowing exactly in what direction it
was, I stopped to inquire of a passer by,
when suddenly the name of the theatre es-
caped me entirely.

The situation was awkward, but I said:
Do you know where that large theatre is
near here? The name begins with "A."
The man replied at once:
Oh, you mean the 'Aymarket, sir.

It Wasn't Exactly Murder.

Murder!
One afternoon recently this cry in a hotel
in the neighborhood of Broadway, proceed-
ing from a room on the third floor, caught
the ears of several chambermaids and cre-
ated instant consternation. Yes, there was
no mistaking it. It was the voice of a man
who shrieked the word from room 40, and
the chambermaids at once sent a messenger
to the office with the news that murder was
being committed!

Don't kill me by inches!
These words alarmed others besides the
chambermaids, and the group of three or
four presently grew to a dozen. Who oc-
cupied the room? One of the chambermaids
recalled seeing a black bearded man of
somewhat piratical look, accompanied by a
woman closely veiled, enter the room. Was
he killing her?

Oh, oh—you are killing me!
It was the voice of the man. The veiled
woman had him in her power and seemed to
be submitting him to some torture. Several
of the crowd knocked at the door, and one
of the chambermaids demanded in a falsetto
voice that it should be opened at once.
There was a ha, ha, ha! from the veiled
woman, and the voice of the man cried out:
What! do you mock at my misery?

The manager came from the office and de-
manded admittance in the name of the law,
and after some little delay the door was
opened and a woman stood in the opening
and asked what was wanted.

What's going on in there? Who's being
hurt? demanded the manager.

She laughed her ha, ha, ha! again, and it
was echoed by the voice of a man behind
her.

What's all this about? shouted the man-
ager.

Why, what do you all want? she replied
demurely, I was only pulling a porous plaster
off my husband's back.

LABOR AND WAGES.

AMERICAN.

Fifty-two cards were deposited with Ty-
pographical Union No. 6, New York, last
week and thirty-eight were withdrawn.
Members John Carrigan and Cornelius A.
Day have died.

Canmakers' Assembly No 1304, K. of L.,
has passed resolutions condemning the ac-
tion of the electricians belonging to the or-
der who favored a petition to Congress to
repeal laws that may exclude able bodied
immigrants from this country.

The Homebraker & Keener File Co., of
Middletown, N. Y., has adopted the File-
makers' Union's stamp and made their shop
a strictly K. of L. shop.

The nine hour rule has gone into effect for
the carpenters, joiners and calkers at the
shipyards in Baltimore.

The Philadelphia Branch of the National
Lithographic Artists' and Engravers' Asso-
ciation has resolved to have its work done in
printing offices employing none but union
men.

The Central Council of the Knights of
Labor in Chicago is to be abolished and its
functions will be vested in D. A. 24.

The Bakers' Union of San Francisco have
established a school of oratory.

The Joint Executive Board of the New
York Bakers' unions has applied for per-
mission from the State Bureau of Labor to
take up statistics in regard to the condition
of bake shops in that city.

The Cloakmakers' Union of New York
has reduced its branches to five, composed of
operators, tailors, pressers, Italians and
ladies. These branches are to elect three
delegates each, who are to propose a plan of
reorganization. The dues were reduced
from 10 to 5 cents a week. Joseph Baro-
ness has notified the Union that he will not
again accept any office in the organization.

EUROPEAN.

The Bakers' National Union of Germany
has adopted a union label.

The Melbourne unskilled labor unions
have formed a federation with a political
platform.

The carpenters' strike in London is in its
twenty-seventh week. About 3,600 men are
out and over \$150,000 have been paid them
from the strike fund.

Delegates of the Employers' Associations
of New South Wales have held a secret
meeting, adopting a "plan" with a view of
"overthrowing unionism and anarchy."

The labor representatives in New South
Wales Parliament have agreed that no mem-
ber of the party be permitted to accept a
salariated office while being a member of Par-
liament.

The dockers of Havre, France, have struck
on account of wages. The employers offered
slight concessions, which the dockers re-
fused. The mayor is endeavoring to nego-
tiate a settlement.

The New Unionism is marching on in
Australia. The Croydon Miners' Union has
seceded from the Amalgamated Miners' As-
sociation, which does not allow politics to be
discussed at the meetings of its affiliated
unions, and joined the political Australian
Labor Federation.

About \$41,000 was sent from the southern
colonies in Australia to the bush workers to
aid them during their strike. Some remis-
sances were sent direct to the seat of war,
and when the balance sheet appears it will
probably be shown that \$50,000 was sub-
scribed by workers of the south to carry on
the futile but memorable struggle.

The Australian Workman, the organ of
the Sydney Trades and Labor Council, is
involved in a libel action, which has arisen
out of an article which attempted to prove
that the well known Ardill, who was con-
nected with a home for women and other
charitable institutions had been miscon-
ducting himself, and was not the agent for
good that he professed to be. Damages are
laid at \$10,000.

A trades union of barmaids, the name
given to that numerous army of young ladies
who dispense the cup that cheers and like-
wise inebriates over the bar, was brought
into existence last week in London, Eng-
land. It is to be called the "Barmaids'
Guild." Its objects are to keep the scale of
wages up to a specified standard, to grant
weekly allowances to members out of em-
ployment, and to provide legal counsel for
girls unjustly and illegally discharged from
situations; 200 good looking barmaids
signed the roll as charter members.

The unemployed of Melbourne have been
interviewing the Premier of Victoria with
respect to the opening up of public works,
to afford opportunity of work to those who
are unable to procure employment from private
capitalists. Mr. Munro informed the men,
through the deputation, that wood cutting
would be offered the men; but
nothing beyond that would be done. The
difficult part of the unemployed question is
that large numbers of the unfortunates are
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