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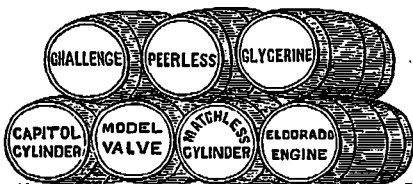
Fact!—People who give tone to society rarely give anything else.

Louis XIV. asked Count Mahony one day if he understood Italian. "Yes, please your majesty," answered the count, "if it was spoken in Irish."

New York dancing masters frequently have men over forty years of age come to them to be taught to waltz. They are tired of seeing their wives capering around with other men, it is said, but from what we know of New Yorkers, we believe they're more anxious to caper with other men's wives.—*Boston Post.*

"I can't live without her," he said to a friendly adviser, "and I am sure that away down in her heart she has a little feeling for me; I am going to test her." He pulled out a pistol, saying, "I am going to her with this and say, 'Here, shoot me down; I cannot live without you.'" "You had better not," said the friend: "she might pull the trigger." "I don't care for that," replied the heart-broken lover; "I don't care for that; I have filled the weapon with blank cartridges."

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WHAT STOPPED IT.

One day last fall a number of Virginians got together at Wheeling and organized a railroad company with a capital of \$30,000,000. Directors and officers were elected, prospectus written, a memorial asking for a charter drawn up, and the meeting adjourned for one week. Two or three days later the president met one of the most enthusiastic of his co-laborers and said:

"Our whole project is dished!"

"No!"

"Sure's you live!"

"How's that?"

"Why, yesterday I got a horse and rode over the first five miles of the proposed line. I discovered that we should need ten cattle guards, six culverts, and a \$500 bridge in that distance, making an outlay of at least \$1,000, and we might as well lay down our cards."

"Why, colonel?"

"Why? Because the whole idiotic gang of us will be dead-broke by the time we pay for the printing of that prospectus and give a reporter \$5 for booming the project."

"That's so—that's so," mused the other.

"Why, colonel, I never had the remotest idea that we should want to use a dollar except to buy French mirrors for the President's office."
 —*Wall Street News.*

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Did you ever see a word in which the letter q was used but that it was followed by the letter u? Q-u-rious, isn't it?—*Breakfast Table.*

Headlines in the Hartford Post. "Inhuman use of an ax. An intoxicated man lays open the head of his son-in-law." It does strike one that the Post is right; it was inhuman.—*Boston Post.*

Scene, a restaurant; characters, two high livers who have eaten—and imbibed generously: First High Liver, with maudlin solemnity, "And y'uve no chil'len! Too bad! So sad to think nobody 'll come after yer!" Second High Liver, argumentatively, "Doanno bout 'at, F'i doan git home soon shoos wonner if m' wife came after me."—*Boston Gazette.*

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