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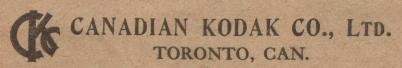


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STORIETTES

HE sympathetic prison visitor went THE sympathetic prison visitor went from cell to cell interviewing the inmates. To one penitent-looking individual she put the usual question: "What brought you here?" "Borrowing money, lady," was the reply. "But good gracious!" she exclaimed, "they don't put people in prison for borrowing money." "Not ordinarily," said the man, "but I had to knock a man down three or four times before he would lend it to me."

I T was his first play—a heavy drama along classical lines—and he was as nervous as a man sitting in a dentist's chair while the dentist is laying out the instruments he intends to use. After the curtain had rung down on the second act there was a long silence. Then came a wild outburst of applause. "Hooray!" cried the playwright, dancing a hilarious jig behind the scenes. "What are you hooraying about?" asked the leading man. "My play. It's a success. Don't you hear the applause?" "Certainly I hear it, but it isn't for your play. They're applauding because the manager has just announced that your piece will be taken off to-morrow night to make way for a new musical comedy by the author of "The Girl from Piffleburg."

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*** TOMMY on furlough entered a jeweler's shop, and, placing a much battered gold watch on the counter, said, "I want this 'ere mended." After a careful survey the watchmaker said, "I am afraid, sir, the cost of repairing will be double what you gave for it." "I don't mind that," said the soldier. "Will you mend it?" "Yes," said the jeweler, "at the price." "Well," remarked Tommy, smiling, "I gave a German a punch on the bloomin' nose for it, and I'm ready to give you two if you'll mend it."

THE famous botanist was pacing slowly along the country road, his eyes, as usual, roaming from side to side for new plants to study. Sud-denly an eager look swept across his denly an eager look swept across his features, and he leaned over the low fence enclosing a cottage garden. He had found a plant he did not know. What could it be? If only he had a specimen of it to study! At that moment a shock-headed lad strolled along the road and stopped to gaze open-mouthed at him. "I say!" called the botanist, urgently. "See that plant there—that palle pink one in the corner? Do you know it?" "Aye." said the country boy, briefly. "What's its name? Do you know what family it belongs to?" The lad jerked a grubby thumb over his shoulder toward the little cottage as he spoke more briefly still: "Higginses!"

THE reform warden always made it a point to give each new arrival a chance to do the work with which he was familiar, if the penitentiary dealt in his line. A tailor named Levinski arrived, and it was ordered that he be employed at that trade, if there was an opening. There wasn't. He was asked if he was adept at anything else. "Yes," he replied, with a smile, "I am a crackerjack traveling salesman."

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A S rats did much damage to his papers, the Hindu clerk in charge of the official documents in one of the more remote Indian towns obtained permission to keep two cats, the larger of them receiving rather better rations. A few weeks later, the head office at Delhi received this dispatch: "I have the honour to inform you that "I have the honour to inform you that the senior cat is absent without leave. What shall I do?" To this problem there was vouchsafed no answer. After waiting a few days, the Hindu sent off a proposal. "In re absence cat. I propose to propose the inviter cat. propose to promote the junior cat, and in the meantime to take into government service a probationer cat on full rations."

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