

WITTICAT AND CHUCKLES.

"LOVE IS ENOUGH."

The groom was loving, the bride was fair,
Her eyes met his with a witching air;
She was tender and meek as a maid should be,
And she had no more sense than a babe of three.

"Youngster, beware!" the old men said,
"We've tried the pass"—but he shook his head,
He shook his head oracularly;
"In marriage, 'Love is enough,'" quoth he.

Breakfast at home. How strange and sweet
But something was wrong with the things to eat;
Something was queer in coffee and tea—
"Nay, give me a kiss instead," said he.

Dinner at home—but he could not eat,
O rawish potatoes! O kiln-dried meat!
"You've left out the taste from the soup," moaned he.
"I'll make it all right with a kiss," smiled she.

Supper at home, and he could not eat,
O bread like putty! O mush of wheat!
O slimy pickles! O tea of tan!
He rose from the table a starving man.

Alack, what aileth that bridegroom now?
He stamps and roars as he knits his brow,
"Go home to your mother, and say from me
That love is not nearly enough," quoth he.

—(Good Housekeeping.)

When a girl elopes with her coachman some other man is saved from getting a mighty poor wife.

"That the way of the transgressor is hard I agree;
And no wonder—it's tramped so heavily."

"I am surprised that they leave that Venus in so public a place as the library." "Yes, they ought to move her in to the ball-room where she would not be so conspicuous."

O'Flynn (reading a death notice): "Poor Jim! It says he left a wife and two children." Mrs. O'Flynn: "Och, ye might know that. He was too mean to iver take thim anywhere wid him."

She: "Indeed, it's not an easy thing for a girl to get a husband." He: "Why, a pretty girl can make her choice of four out of every five men she meets." She: "But it's the fifth that she wants."

Doctor Squills: "There is nothing serious, sir; your wife has merely bitten a little skin off the end of her tongue." Mr Henpeck: "End of her tongue! Great Scott! I didn't know there was any end to it."

Know Him Well.—Friend—"How did you come to know Scudder so well? is he a member of your church?" Rev. Mr. Knotem (of Chicago)—"Yes, but that has nothing to do with it. He got me to marry him now and then."

"Has it not struck you, Herr Lieutenant, that for the first week or two one baby is as like another as two peas?" "Donnerwetter, Fraulein! if that is so, I feel immensely flattered at the thought that I resembled you once in my life time!"

The Empress of Austria is the best housekeeper among European royalties. She employed fifty cooks—twenty-five men and twenty-five women. She pays strict attention when in Vienna to the details of her huge household and is a very clever manager.

Food for thought.—Rev. Mr. Winkwunk—My hearers, I shall have to ask your indulgence for a few minutes. I forgot my manuscript and have sent my little boy for it. His son (coming in)—Mama couldn't find the writin', but here's the book you copied it from.

Helping him out.—The young man (argumentatively)—But don't you see, Miss Bessie, that when you reason in that way you are only begging the question! The young woman (blushing beautifully)—I am sure, Mr. Peduncle, I—I didn't intend to—to beg you to—to ask me any question! (Sudden mustering up of courage on the part of the bashful Mr. Peduncle and agitated propounding of question Miss Bessie had been waiting to hear.)

A purist writes to The Boston Transcript criticising the phrase, "It would seem." "Say 'it does seem,' and have done with it," is his doctrine. "What a poor, stiff and starchy thing our grand old mother tongue would be if we were to lop off every word and phrase that the word cranks object to," comments The New York Tribune. It would seem to be their mission—there, we have used the phrase objected to, and what's more, we will work it in every chance we get.

The original British tar who nailed the colors of old England to the mast was Jack Crawford, a seaman on Admiral Duncan's flagship the "Venerable." It was at the battle of Camperdown, in 1797. The enemy had shot away the vessel's ensign, when Jack climbed the mast with another and nailed it to the mast with the butt end of a pistol. A bronze statue has just been erected to his memory in Sunderland, his native place, and Lord Camperdown was among those who participated in the ceremony.

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