

TIT-BITS.

Weather report—A clap of thunder.

A special train—A lady's court dress.

Weights that are dark—The coal dealers.

The telephone operator has a perpetual holler day.

So far as we know, Jonah was made the first secretary of the interior.

A Dutchman repeated the adage—"Birds mit one foddor goos mit domselves."

Any one who is quick at repartee must necessarily have a great response ability.

Prisoner (to warder who is giving him his rations). "Wot! ent that? Not me! I'll leave the jail first."

"Did the audience strike you favorably?" Orator: "Not very; I had my best suit on, and the rotten eggs don't wash off easily."

An unconscionable punster says that the wife of the Japanese Minister took the cake when she got married. That is, she took a Kuki.

More than four thousand devices for coupling have been patented, and yet thousands of bachelors and maidens go it alone in this country.

"Look here, Judge," said the burglar, "I ain't so bad as you think I am. Only give me time, and I'll reform." And the Judge gave him fifteen years.

If you wish to have a shoe made of durable materials, you should use the upper leather of the mouth of a hard drinker, for that never lets in water.

"Pa," said Bobby, sleepily, "can't I ask you one more question, if it ain't foolish?" "Yaas, one more." "How much older is a ripe old age than a green old age?"—*Life*.

"I feel like mother earth," said a defeated candidate to a friend the morning after the election. "How is that?" asked his friend. "I have been flattened at the polls," was the reply.

It is a beautiful sight to behold the Executive with his chin in air posing peacefully while the first lady of the land sews on a missing button. This is true Jeffersonian simplicity.—*New York Journal*.

"See here," he said to his clerk, "I don't mind letting you off a day now and then, to attend your grandmother's funeral; but I think you ought to have the courtesy to send a few of the fish around to my house."

"First-rate spectacles! cheap spectacles! who'll buy?" cried a Jew in the street. A wag stopped to ask, "What is to be seen with them?" "Anything you like," was the reply. Our jokist tried on a pair, and said, looking straight at the Jew, "All I can see with them is a scamp!" But no sooner had he returned his glasses to the son of Abraham, than the latter, putting them on, and looking at the wag in his turn, exclaimed: "He is right, sure enough!"

Warden: "Ah, ha! Got nabbed at last, did you? Guess a week in a cell will do you good? What did you do? Steal a coat?" Newly arrived prisoner: "Ce it! coat! I have not had any coat but my own in my possession." Warden: "Robbed a till, perhaps?" Prisoner: "Certainly not, sir. I ran away with \$5,000,000, but did not run far enough, that is all." Warden: "Ah, beg pardon. Would you like your apartments single or en suite? Here, Mike, take the gentleman's hat and put the champagne on ice."

A couple from the humbler walks of life came before a justice of the peace to be married. When the ceremony being over, the bride began to weep copiously. "What's the matter?" asked the new husband. "I never told you that I don't know how to cook," sobbed the bride. "Don't fret! I'll not have anything for you to cook! I'm a poet."

They had been engaged to be married fifteen years, and still he had not mustered up courage enough to ask her to name the happy day. One evening he called in a peculiar frame of mind, and asked her to sing something tender and touching, something that would "move him." She sat down at the piano and sang, "Darling, I am growing old."

"Just to think!" said a Vassar graduate, "here is an account of a train being thrown from the track by a misplaced switch. How utterly careless some women are about leaving their hair around." And she went on reading and eating caramels.

The reason why the word "honeymoon" is only applied to married people, is because the moon affects the tied."

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