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HUMOROUS.

It comes kind o' sudden like, just as the congregation have finished singing "Salvation's free," to have the preacher announce that "the collection will now be taken up."

-Boston Transcript. Married couples resemble a pair of shears, so joined that they cannot be separated, often moving in oppositie directions, yet always punishing any one who comes between them.

It is claimed that a man never looses anything by politeness, but this has proved to be a mistake. As an old Philadelphian lifted his hat to a young lady, the wind carried off his wig.

"There is something inexpressibly touching in the fallen leaves," sighs an esteemed authority. There is. And when you slip on one of the fallen leaves, the "inexpressibly touching" is generally the pavement.

Butcher: "Come, John, be lively now; break the bones in Mr. Williamson's chops, and put Mr. Smith's ribs in the basket for him." John (briskly); "All right sir, just as soon as I've sawed off Mrs. Murphy's

A Lady consulted Dr. Abernethy. "You know my usual fee?" said he. Two guineas were instantly laid on the table. He put them in his pocket, and pulling out a sixpence, put it into her hands. "There," said he, "go and buy a skipping-rope, for all your illness proceeds from want of exercise. "Pa, dear," asked his son and heir, "tell

"Pa, dear," asked his son and herr, "en me what is the difference between an accident and a misfortune?" "Pa, dear," gave it up. "Well," said his son and heir, "if my pressing tailor, Mr. Snippson, were to fall into a deep pond, it would be an accident; but if any one were to pull him out, it would be a misfortune."

A celebrated French preacher, in a sermon on the duties of wives, said, "I see in this congregation a woman who has been guilty of disobedience to her husband, and in order to point her out I will fling my breviary at her head." He lifted his book, and every female head instantly durked.

At dinner she had a doctor at either hand, one of whom remarked that they were well served, since they had a duck between them. "Yes," she broke in between them. "Yes," she broke in—her wit is of the sort that comes in flashes—"and I am between two quacks." The silence fell.—Boston Transcript.

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Sheridan happening to meet two royal dukes walking in St. James's street, London, one of them thus flippantly addressed him: "I say Sherry, we have just been discussing whether you are a greater foot or rogue; what is your opinion my boy? Sheridan, having bowed and smiled at the compliment, took each of them by the arm, and quitely replied: "Why, I think I'm between both!"

A friend tells us the following anecdote, which we pronounced decidedly good: One of the storekeepers of this place a few days since purchased of an Irish-woman a quantity of butter, the lumps of which, intended for pounds, he "weighed in the balance and found wanting."
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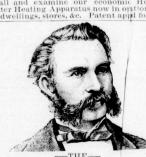
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