



A PLAIN STATEMENT OF THE FACTS IN THE MATTER OF THE "STREAMS BILL."

THE CIRCLE SQUARED.

Come list to my ditty, ye scientists singular,
Though rather peculiar the rhymes of my jingle are,
For I have done something not yet done by man:
Nay, wreath not your lips with those smiles that are
skeptical,
He who does what I've done, him a skillful adept I call,
For many have failed in devising a plan
For making rectangular figures elliptical.
Yes, for squaring the circle I've hit on a plan.
Now don't get excited: Keep cool and sang froidical,
As all should who tackle these figures rhomboidal,
Angular, circular, what shape you please;
Keep calm, and allay all your feelings excitable,
Don't drink, (you'll get nothing but water at my table.)
I'll point out my plan with the greatest of ease.
Don't drink, as I've said; you may eat all that's biteable,
And I'll square you the circle with consummate ea-e.

Now the plan that I've hit on for squaring the circle is
A simple affair, not a labor for Hercules,
It's as plain as a pikestaff by day to the eye;
Sit down to a table well spread with such luxuries,
Such things as are made by good housekeeping *wives*,
And amongst them, be sure, have a round rabbit pie.
Then, as quick as that trip that we read of of Puck's or his
Chums, make a square meal of a round rabbit pie.
And you've well fared,
And the circle's squared. (Q. E. D.)

THE DIFFERENCE.

"In our country," said the Englishman, as
he leaned back in his chair, "before we marry
we arrange to settle a certain sum upon the
wife."
"Yes, I know," replied the American, "but
with us it is different. It is after we are mar-
ried that we settle everything on the wife and
arrange to beat our creditors."
"Haw! I see. And how do the creditors
take it?"
"They never find anything to take."

Letter from a well-loved young French
lady to her lover: "Finally, my ownest own,
understand that I love you more for your de-
fects than your moral qualities, and thus judge
of the boundlessness of my love for you!"

Teacher, teaching boy to say the ten com-
mandments, asks the boy to repeat "Honor
thy father and mother," etc.

Boy, having been treated badly by his
parents, sharply—"Honor to whom honor is
due."

THE WRONG HOT PLACE.

At a dinner party in London there were two
sisters present, one a widow who had just
emerged from her weeds, the other not long
married, whose husband had lately gone out
to India for a short term.

A young barrister present was deputed to
take the young widow in to dinner. Unfortu-
nately, he was under the impression that his
partner was the married lady whose husband
had just arrived in India.

The conversation between them commenced
by the lady remarking how extremely hot it
was.

"Yes, it is very hot," replied the barrister.
Then a happy thought suggested itself to
him, and he added, with a cheerful smile:

"But not so hot as the place to which your
husband has gone."

The look with which the lady answered this
lively sa'ly will haunt that unhappy youth till
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