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## In Lighter Vein

**Hon. "Sam" Blake and the Camel.**—The Hon. S. H. Blake, in spite of his eighty-nine years, carries on a large correspondence with friends and strangers in all parts of the world. He has largely retired from business affairs, but retains a keen interest in missionary movements and other Christian work. Many of the letters he receives each day are from missionaries in various parts of the world who endeavour to interest him in their enterprises.

One morning recently Mr. Blake received a letter from a missionary in southern India asking him to supply the necessary funds for the purchase of a camel, which the man could use in making the round of his district. The distinguished jurist was puzzled what to reply.

"Now, I don't know what a camel costs," he reflected, "and if I bought one, I suppose I would be liable for its support. Then, also, there might in time be little camels, which would also have to be cared for. In the end, when my camel died, I should certainly have to give him a Christian burial, considering that he had been a missionary camel. Altogether, I think it problematical whether the necessary money could not be invested to better advantage for the good of the cause."

Yet some persons say that jurists have no sense of humour!—Toronto Star Weekly.

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**He Got a Job.**—When Sir Edmund Walker, now president of the Bank of Commerce, was general manager of that institution, he was rather unpleasantly surprised one busy morning. In response to a brisk knock at his private office and invitation to come in, there appeared a bright boy about fourteen years of age, poorly but neatly dressed.

"Well, sir," said the banker, not unkindly. "What can I do for you?"

"Please, I want a job, sir."

"How did you happen to come in here, and who sent you?"

"No one, sir."

"Then how did you find your way up?"

"By the same way as you did, sir."

"What way is that?"

"Why, you have it printed on the door downstairs," remarked the urchin.

"What's on the door?"

"Push," replied the lad. The clever chap was given a position before he left the building.—Toronto Star Weekly.

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**Slow Growth.**—Barefaced Junior—"Yes, I'm trying to raise a mustache and I'm wondering what colour it will be when it comes out."

Miss Green—"Gray, I should say, at the rate it appears to be growing."—Yale Record.

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**Outclassed.**—On a street railway job two gangs, Italian and Irish, were at work in the same block. The former were smaller than their Hibernian neighbours, and when it came to lifting a section of track they were unable to raise it. Their foreman then called the Irish crew to assist. "We don't need any help," said their leader. With a united heave they lifted the rails, ties and all, and carried the mass to one side. As they walked away their foreman jerked his thumb over his shoulder and said contemptuously: "An' thim's the fellers they make Popes av!"—The Argonaut.

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**Nothing in the Name.**—A Spug by any other name would give as little.—New York Tribune.

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**Hard Times.**—"We don't have honest elections in dis town like we used to," said Mr. Erastus Pinkley. "Like you used to?" "Yassuh. It used to be dat when dey promised you \$2 foh yeh vote you'd get it. Now dey won't even promise!"—Washington Star.



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