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GRIP'S CLIPS.

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Always in Use—the letter "s."

A man lately made a statement that he had seen a horse going at his greatest speed while a dog was sitting on his tail; and, strange as it may seem, it was true; but the dog sat on his own tail.

"I declare, John, I never saw such a man! You are always getting some wrinkle." And the brute calmly replied, "Matilda, you are not, thank fortune. If you had a new wrinkle you would have no place to put it, dear."

A lecturer, addressing a Mechanics' Institute, contended, with tiresome prolixity, that "Art could not improve Nature," until one of the audience, losing all patience, set the room in a roar by exclaiming—"How would you look without your wig?"

"Have you brought your gimlet with you?" "Hush, Johnnie," said Mrs. Yegger. "Go to bed, sir," remarked Colonel Yegger. "What do you mean?" asked Gus. "I don't mean nuffin, except I heard pa say you were coming up this evening to bore us all."

A model surgical operation—To take the cheek out of a young man, and the jaw out of a woman.

A political discussion at a club, which grew warm and threatening, was happily pleasantly stopped by a bon mot of a peacemaker, who exclaimed, "I am opposed to the Bonapartists for this reason, which I hold to be financially profound—the Bonapartists gave us but three Napoleons, while the Monarchists gave us eighteen Louis."

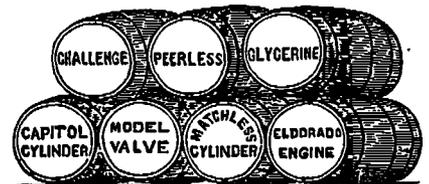
A humane man seized a club, jumped up and killed a goat that was chasing a man, who carried a red handkerchief in his coat-tail pocket, down the street. And the man came back and asked him why he did it. "To save you," replied the humane man. "Save me be hanged!" cried the other. "I've just bought that goat, and was coaxing him home."

A sharp student was called up by the worthy professor of a celebrated college, and asked the question—"Can a man see without eyes?" "Yes, sir," was the prompt reply. "How, sir?" cried the astonished professor, "can a man see without eyes? Pray, sir, how do you make that out?" "He can see with one, sir," replied the ready-witted youth. And the whole class shouted with delight at the triumph over metaphysics.

It was in the Carolina backwoods. A country couple and parson. When he had finished the ceremony he said—"An' them uns who God have joined—" "Stop thar, parson," said the groom; "don't say them 'uns—say these 'uns." "John," said the parson, "I tech you at school, and I say them 'uns." "Them 'uns," shouted the groom, drawing his pistol. The parson, seeing the movement, fired through his surplice, and the groom dropped dead, winging the parson as he went down. There was a lively fusillade of, perhaps, thirty shots. When the smoke cleared half a dozen men were on the floor. The bride, peeping over the pulpit, to which she had fled for refuge, gazed mournfully on the scene, and said—"Them a-self-cockin' pistols is a playin'—with my prospects."

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