

MR. MUNSEY!!

Oh! Mr. Munsey don't you think you feel too magnified
About your rubbish magazine, to be so full of pride?
For a page of Harper's, Scribner's, Century, the Strand and the McClures
Is worth a manure car load of rubbish such as yours.

You give us lots of pictures of actresses galore,
And lots of soap advertisements to make us sleep and snore;
There has been lots of people in this silly world before
That stood up just as high as you, and fell flat on the floor.

Of course some silly news men at present, as of yore,
Will work without a profit, and still they encore
The Munsey, Quaker, Argossy and Puritanic bore,
For Common Sense in business seems to be no more.

Our own George Newness, Windsor and London News,
Give far better reading than Munsey and his crew;
And my old friends the Appletons, the Humboldt Library too,
Do always give us something good, no rubbish such as yours.

Mr. Munsey's boom is over and a thing now of the past,
His circulation here in Canada is disappearing fast;
His Munsey, Quaker, Argossy will soon be at half mast,
The Argossy, what does it mean? not worth a chicken's cast.

One year we had a Jubilee to celebrate our Queen,
He did not think it worth his while to say such thing has been;
Mr. Munsey may be smart and with his pride begin,
But in the end he may find out we are not quite so green.

And while I am at my rhyming I might also say,
That there are also others who do good in their day;
For instance, Chambers' Magazine, in its own solid way,
With neither ads nor actresses it manages to pay.

And now to close my story, I want you all to know
That I supply such literature as has some vim and go;
I also write occasionally some verses and some prose,
And a Bible commentary to write I propose.

I have ceased to look to Moses for guidance or for help,
The five books of the Pentateuch! not worth their weight in kelp;
The churches all I abhor with their Bishops, Priests and Popes,
But the Carpenter of Gallilee I still admire I hope.

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