

WIT, HUMOR AND FUN

LIFE'S COMIC SIDE TREATED BY CLEVER PENS

"Don't you think Miss Lingerlong's face looks rather worn?" "Well, she has been wearing it since 1868."

Justice—Do you understand the nature of an oath, little girl?

Little Girl—It's something you say when you hit your head against the mantel.

"Now then, children," said the teacher, "what is it we want most in this world to make us perfectly happy?" "De things we ain't got," shouted the bright boy in the back seat.

Rooster—Don't you know you're sitting on a litter of glass eggs?

Hen—Sh! Don't mention it! As long as the hired man takes me for a fool he'll bring me my meals, and I won't have to grub for a living.

Brown—I say, old man, who's that very plain elderly lady you were walking with—now sitting there?

Smith (the impecunious, who married money)—Oh, that's my wife.

Brown—Your wife! But—(lowering his voice) she has only one eye and so awfully—I beg your pardon—but—

Smith (pleasantly)—You needn't whisper, old man. She's deaf!

Eleven-thirty P. M. — "Still here, young man?" "As still as possible, sir."

Her (at the piano)—"Don't you think this refrain is beautiful?" Him—"Yes. I'd rather have you refrain than sing".

Cholly—"I wish, doncherknow, that I could find something to absorb my mind." Molly—"Have you thought of trying blotting paper?"

She—"Why do they call them safety razors, dear?" He—"Simply because a man's wife can't use them to cut her corns with, my pet."

Mr. Bashleigh—"Miss Dora, I couldn't begin to—tell you how much I—I—" Dora Hope—"You certainly have been a long time beginning, my poor boy. Go ahead."

"An editor has very little chance in Russia." "Very little," said the foreign visitor. "The only recognition he is able to get is transportation one way on the Siberian Railway."

"And do you find married life all you expected it to be?" asked the bachelor friend. "More, replied the ex-bachelor. "I find it a whole lot of things I never dreamed of."

George—"So you love that fellow from the bottom of your heart? Where do I come in then?" Hilda—"There's always room at the top, you know."

"De doctor tell me, dat ter eat six water-millions at one time would sho' kill me." "An' what you gwine to do 'bout it?" "I gwine ter die game!"

Green—"Jones was run over by a trolley car yesterday. They say he cannot recover." Brown—"Who said he couldn't recover, his doctor or his lawyer?"

Biggs—"Your friend Enpeck speaks four or five languages, doesn't he?" Diggs—"He did before his marriage, but he seldom gets a chance to speak any now."

"Do you suppose the time will ever come when all the nations of the earth will be at peace with one another?" "Well, its possible, of course, that there may be only one nation left."

Tramp—"Would youse give er pore man wot is starvin' somethin' to eat?"

Physician—"Certainly. That is the proper thing to give him under the circumstances. Two dollars, please."

"Mah goodness!" exclaimed little Rastus Johnsing, "Ah wisht Ah wuz lak de little boy in dis hyar story-book!" "Whuffer?" asked his mother. "Kase, hit sez he went ter bed wif de chickens."

Jaggles—"Did you ever know any one to be benefited by this absent treatment?"

Waggles—"Yes, indeed. Look how poor Henpeck picks up every summer as soon as he has sent his wife away to the country!"

"Do you think that wealth is essential to happiness?" From some of the letters I receive," said Mr. Dustin Stax, "I am inclined to think a number of people consider some of my wealth essential to their happiness."

"The desert of Sahara must be a terrible place," said meandering Mike. "Well," answered Plodding Pete, "there's one good thing to be said for it. There ain't a lot of people there on the lookout fur farm hands."

Barber—"Is the razor hurting you any, sir?" Customer—"I'd never know there was a razor on my face." Barber—"That's good!" Customer—"It reminds me more of the time when I used to try to shave with father's old jackknife."

A learned clergyman was talking with an illiterate preacher who professed to despise education.

"You have been to college, I suppose?" asked the latter.

"I have, sir," was the curt answer.

"I am thankful," said the ignorant one, "that the Lord has opened my mouth to preach without learning."

"A similar event occurred in Balaam's time," was the retort.

Pausing uncertainly before a desk in the big insurance office, the Hibernian visitor said to the clerk, "Oi want to tek out a pawley."

"Life, fire or marine," drawled the dapper clerk with infinite sarcasm.

"All three, Oi'm thinkin'," retorted the applicant. "Oi'm goin'fer a stoker in th' navy."

Two practical jokers once, when at a railway station, observed a rustic-looking personage, who stood gaping around at everybody and everything in evident astonishment.

Thinking to have some fun, they walked up, and stationing themselves on each side of him, proceeded to have their sport.

"Paddy," said one, "are you a fool or an ass?"

"Neither," replied the peasant, "but I'm between the two."

The jokers were observed walking away in evident disgust and looking very small.

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