

## HUMOUROUS.

**MISTRESS:** Why can't you remember, Bridget, when I tell you a thousand times? I don't like to be always scolding you for forgetting. Amiable but forgetful servant: Faith, mum, you don't scold. It's quite pleasant you are, mum. The last lady I lived wid used to come into the kitchen and stamp her feet and throw things at me.

**"CHARLEY,"** cautioned his mother, "the bishop is to dine with us to-day, and you must be very quiet at the table. I want him to think you are a good little boy." Very much impressed, Charley ate his dinner in silence until his plate needed replenishing. "Pa," he said, devoutly, "will you give me some more string beans, for of such is the kingdom of heaven?"

In a small town in Baden a minister closed his sermon the other day with these words: "We would be pleased, moreover, to have the young man who is now standing outside the door come in and make certain whether she is here or not. That would be a great deal better than opening the door half an inch and exposing the people in the last row of seats to a draught."

**THAT AWFUL BROTHER.**—"I hope you will pardon my late arrival," said the young man, as he seated himself in the easiest chair. "I forgot my umbrella, and had to stand in a stairway until the shower was over." "That's one on you, Jennie," shouted Tommy, in great glee. "I told you so. Of course, he had sense enough to go in when it rained." And the silence that followed was plainly felt.

**SERMONS IN STONES.**—Tourist (of an inquiring and antiquarian turn of mind): Now, I suppose, Farmer, that large cairn of stones has some history? Highland Farmer: Och, aye, that buig o' stanes has a gran' history, whatever. Tourist (eagerly): Indeed! I should like to—What is the legend—? Farmer: Just a gran' history. (Solemnly) It took a' ma' cairts full and horses sax months to gather them aff the land and pit them the-r-re!

**THE REASON WHY.**—The late Dr. Rankin of Carluke was possessed of a remarkable fund of dry Scotch humour. On one occasion, when visiting one of his patients, who was something of a hypochondriac, he put her the customary question as to how she was getting on. "Oh, no' weel at a', doctor. I had an awfu' nicht o't. My een never gaed thegither a' nicht." "Neither did mine, my good woman, neither did mine," replied the doctor. "D'ye tell me that? What was the reason o' that, doctor? Were you badly too?" "Oh, no," replied the doctor; "my nose was between them."



A SORE HEAD.

**STUDENT:** (To Professor who is uncovering bust) "How do you like my head?"  
**PROFESSOR:** "It's cracked, you had better soak it for a while."

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### ENTRY.

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### DUTIES.

Under the present law homestead duties may be performed in three ways:

1. Three years' cultivation and residence, during which period the settler may not be absent for more than six months in any one year without forfeiting the entry.

2. Residence for three years within two miles of the homestead quarter section and afterwards next prior to application for patent, residing for 3 months in a habitable house erected upon it. Ten acres must be broken the first year after entry, 15 acres additional in the second, and 15 in the third year; 10 acres to be in crop the second year, and 25 acres the third year.

3. A settler may reside anywhere for the first two years, in the first year breaking 5 acres, in the second cropping said 5 acres and breaking additional 10 acres, also building a habitable house. The entry is forfeited if residence is not commenced at the expiration of two years from date of entry. Thereafter the settler must reside upon and cultivate his homestead for at least six months in each year for three years.

### APPLICATION FOR PATENT

may be made before the local agent, any homestead inspector, or the intelligence officer at Medicine Hat or Qu'Appelle Station.

Six months' notice must be given in writing to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands by a settler of his intention prior to making application for patent.

Intelligence offices are situate at Winnipeg, Qu'Appelle Station and Medicine Hat. Newly arrived immigrants will receive, at any of these offices, information as to the lands that are open for entry, and from the officers in charge, free of expense, advice and assistance in securing lands to suit them.

### A SECOND HOMESTEAD

may be taken by any one who has received a homestead patent or a certificate of recommendation, countersigned by the Commissioner of Dominion Lands, upon application for patent made by him prior to the second day of June, 1887.

All communications having reference to lands under control of the Dominion Government, lying between the eastern boundary of Manitoba and the Pacific Coast, should be addressed to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to H. H. Smith, Commissioner of Dominion Lands, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

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Deputy Minister of the Interior

Department of the Interior,  
Ottawa, Sept. 2, 1889.