

CHIT-CHAT AND CHUCKLES.

A WOMAN'S REASON.

Her manner was so pensive,
So sober was her air,
That I began to wonder
What grief she had to bear.

She was not dressed in mourning
But in the latest style,
She wore a Paris costume,
But she did not wear a smile.

She looked quite chic and dainty,
Her hands were neatly gloved.
But, somehow, she looked just as if
She never had been loved.

And so at last I asked her if
She'd lost her next of kin,
"Oh, no!" she sighed, "its only
These boots I'm breaking in."

"None but the brave deserve the fair." And even the brave can't live with some of 'em.

Every man is "hunting for a girl" until he is married. Then he takes a rest and his wife hogins.

The surest way to create a lively, popular interest in missionary work is to send Prof. John L. Sullivan out to labor with the heathen.

Mrs. Blonde (wildly)—"Where did this black hair come from?" Mr. Blonde—"I was riding behind a black horse, and he switched his tail—" "This is fine hair." "Yes, it was a fine horse."

Cabby (who has received his correct fare)—"Call yourself a gentleman? Why, I keeps a better gentleman than you to clean my boots." Fare—"Pity you don't keep another to wash your face!"

This is the way the Chicago Times disposes of another cherished delusion. "It is now rumored that the beautiful Lady Jane Grey of our boyhood's imagination was short and thin and had a mole on the end of her nose."

Fifteen young Hindoo ladies have been admitted to the new female class of the Campbell Medical Schools at Calcutta, and are studying medicine. Many of them are Brahmins. Ten have obtained scholarships, and the others are admitted as free students.

Anxious mother—"I wish, Susau, that when you give baby a bath you would be careful to ascertain whether the water is at the proper temperature." Susau—"Oh, don't you worry about that, ma'am. I don't need no 'mometers. If the little one turns red the water is too hot, if it turns blue it's too cold; and that's all there is about it!"

Pious fraud—Young lady (approaching a seat in the park on which three young gentlemen are reclining)—"Ach, could you sit a little closer?" Gents (simultaneously)—"With the greatest of pleasure!" Young lady (turning to an elderly companion)—"So, Aunt Lina, come; the gentlemen have made room for you! When I have had my music lesson I will come back here to fetch you. Good-bye for the present!"

Visitors to the Paris Exhibition may get a pretty fair idea of how our earth looks to the residents of the nearest planet. The globe in the Paris Exhibition is nearly 100 feet in diameter. Paris occupies about a third of an inch. All the great lines of communication by land and sea are shown in detail. The earth's daily rotation will be precisely imitated by clock-work, a point on the globe's equator moving an eightieth of an inch per second.

A leading clergymen of Boston, not long since preached a powerful sermon in New York State which affected many of the congregation. But one stolid man, an impenitent sinner, probably a printer, appeared quite unconcerned by the warning that he must be born again. After service a friend rebuked him for his stubbornness, reminding him that he must be born again or lost. "You forget," he replied, "where I was raised. A man who was born in Boston don't have to be born again."

One of the most curious among all the curious presents which the Emperor of Germany has recently received as products of his African possessions, is a transparent walking-stick made of rhinoceros skin. It appears that "Reichscommissar Hauptmann Wissmann" sent a large piece of skin over to a friend at Hamburg, who gave it into the hands of a clever turner to be made into walking sticks. By means of some novel process the turner has rendered the skin transparent and of a beautiful amber color, which has been done before, but never without changing color in a very short time, while in the present case the yellow is steady and unchanging.

So ARTLESS.—He stood in a doorway on Woodward avenue the other rainy day with an umbrella in his hand, and he seemed to be waiting for an opportunity. One soon came tripping along. She had no umbrella, and he stepped out, raised his own and began:

"Excuse me, but——"
"Oh, certainly," she laughingly exclaimed. "You are very, very kind. I shall always remember it. Good-bye."

And she took the umbrella from his grasp and tripped away without ever once looking back, and he returned to the shelter of the doorway to exclaim:

"There goes a \$5 umbrella and here stands an idiot who has been sold for a cent."

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