

QUIPS AND CRANKS.

Police headquarters—The helmet.
 "I'm so sorry," said Mrs. Parvenu, bidding good-bye to some of her guests after an "At Home," "that the rain has kept all our best people away!"
 Amateur Artist: I should like to present the last picture I painted to some worthy charitable institution; now, which would you recommend? Cruel Lady Friend: The blind asylum.
 Employer: You put that note where it will be sure to attract Mr. Smith's attention when he comes in, didn't you? Office Boy: Yes, sir. I stuck a pin up through it, and put it in his chair.
 The merit of Hood's Sarsaparilla is proven by the many wonderful cures it is accomplishing. It is just the medicine for you.

Mr. Doughy: I'd ask you home to lunch, but my wife can't cook at all. Mr. Old Boy: Well, what does that matter?
 Mr. Doughy: Oh, a lot; because she thinks she can.

Teacher: Do you know what steam is?
 Little Girl: Yes'm; it's something that crack, aw'it and never gets warm. Humph! Where did you get that idea? Our flat is heated by it.

Guest: Say, waiter, are you positive that this is wild duck I am eating? Waiter: Oh, yes, sir; so wild, in fact, we had to chase it round the back yard for fifteen minutes before we could catch it.

INDIGESTION CURED.
 Gentlemen:—I was thoroughly cured of indigestion by using only three bottles of B. B. B., and truthfully recommend it to all suffering from the same malady.
 Mrs. Davidson, Winnipeg, Man.

A tradesman who was very fond of his glass presented a cheque at a Boston banking house, and being asked, as usual, "How will you have it?" replied: "Hot, without sugar."

"Just as the twig is bent the tree is inclined."
 Ah, Mr. Pope! some educators find this paraphrase more worthy their assent—"The twig's inclined just as the body's bent."

It may sound like American humour, but still it is a fact that there is a pensioner of the United States Government who has been receiving nineteen dollars a month for damages, and at the same time drew a salary of \$1,800 a year for attending a telephone.

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We asked an old colored preacher the other day how his church was getting on, and his answer was: "Mighty, poor, mighty poor, brudder." We ventured to ask the trouble, and he replied: "De cleties, de cleties. Dey is jes drawin' all the fatness an' marrow outen de body an' bones ob de blessed Lord's body. We can't do nuffin' widout de clety. Dar is de Lincum Clety, wid Sister Jones an' Brudder Brown to run it; Sister Williams mus' march in front ob de Daughters of Rebecca. Den dar is de Dorcas, de Marthas, de Daughters of Ham an' de Liberian Ladies." "Well, you have the brethren to help in the church," we suggested, "No, sah. Dere am de Masons, de Odd Fellows, de Sons of Ham an' de Oklahoma Promis' Land Pilgrims. Why, brudder, by de time de brudders an' sisters pays all de dues an' tends all de meetins' dere is nuffin left for Mount Pisgah Church, but jist de cob; de corn has all been shelled off an' frowed to dese speckled chickens."—Bible Reader.

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