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SOME EXTRAORDINARY BULLS.
And They Are Not All Made by Irishmen
Either.
Every one knows the story of the Irish baronet who boasted that it was "hereditary in his family to have no children," and that Irish duelist who offered to stand six paces

near his severance than the latter did him. But it is a cruel injustice to poor Adam to speak of him as genuine "blunder" as the distinctly Irish "blunder" is sometimes called. The same kind of blunder, not a whit less startling, are to be found elsewhere. Milton himself erred as grievously as any one in the way when he wrote the famous passage, "Adam, the goodliest man of men since born, His sons—the fairest of her daughters Eve."

A naval dispatch of last century from the west coast of Africa speaks of a native vessel which was "entirely manned by women." It was a Scotchman who described a very square and thickest man as being "just as broad he was narrow." It was a Scotchman who

west coast of Africa speaks of a native vessel which was "entirely manned by women." It was a Scotchman who described a very square and thickest man as being "just as broad as he was narrow." It was a Scotchman who at a public meeting, gravely propounded a scheme for increasing the British revenue by "laying the dog tax on cats." It was an Englishman who said of Napoleon that he might have been a better man if he had not been quite so bad, and it was also an Englishman who declared that the best way to walk down the Thames to London was to go in a boat. The French school teacher who is a bit

The French school teacher who, in a fit of rage, threatened to send all his pupils to the foot of the class, was fully equaled by the school boy who after correctly stating that the customary mode of saluting an ancient Persian king was to exclaim, "O king, I'm forever!" added, on his own authority, "And immediately the king lived forever." But even these "prize bulls" are completely eclipsed by others which have come within the range of my own personal experience. I have

in my own personal experience. I HAVE seen a man in an English provincial newspaper the announcement that "the cabman who was killed on that Thursday is dead." I once heard a man speak of having watched a haunted house at midnight, "expecting every moment the appearance of an invisible spirit;" and not long after this another man remarked in my presence—alluding to his own sufferings in prison—wedge in a crowd at the door of a conference hall—that he would much rather walk five miles than stand five.—David Ker in *Harper's*



Magazine.

No Sooner Said Than Done.

Juliet—Swear not, George; or if thou wouldst swear, swear by thyself, who art the god of my idolatry.

George—By George! I will.—Time.

With Regard to the Unities.

His Pet Waiter (to Monsieur Rapiere, the Sword Swallower)—Ah, my dear monsieur bon jour. I have you made a sandweel today to ze best of my appropriateness! Judge.

Betting on Kain.
A writer in The Times of India describes a system of gambling in Calcutta.

with a compound" off the Burra bazaar, where, when a rain cloud comes, the crowd collects of eager, excited men; some rush about frantically, some perch themselves high on adjoining roofs and gesticulate wildly to their friends below, while all gaze anxiously at the sky. There are the suits, the speculators, and the system, as explained by the losses of the compound.

ound in which it is carried on, is extremely simple. On the roof of his office there is a ditch which will hold eight surs of water. If a raincloud bursts and the fall exceeds this amount, the overflow is discharged into the compound by a spout. This decides all the bets, those who wagered it would rain winning. The bets are entered by the proprietor in a book, the commission being one piece.

rupees, and the transactions being all settled at 10 o'clock the following morning. A defaulter is hardly ever known; the gamblers are mostly money lenders, men of substance and well known to each other. They are a class by themselves, and the stakes are usually inconsiderable, whereas in Bombay it is not unusual to have thousands of rupees on the rain. The system has one advantage—rainclouds

cannot be manipulated; they cannot be loaded like dice, or "faked" like horses; there are no handicappers, no starters, no owners and no jockeys.—*London Globe.*

Conclusive.

Careful Papa—But which loves Clara more—
Brown, Jones or Smith!
Observant Mamma—Why, Mr. Smith, to

"How can you make that out? Last night Brown asked and pleaded with her to sing when she finished, Jones was enthusiastic in praise; but Smith didn't say a word!"

"No, but to-night he asked her to sing again!"

"Poor Smith, he must indeed love her!"—Light.

Just as Good.

"Any fried oysters?" he asked of the keeper

at an eating stall on the market.
 "Well, no, not exactly fried oysters," she answered.
 "What is it?"
 "Cold corned beef."
 "Oh, that's near enough; and you may as well make me off some. I expect it's all in the name, anyway."—*Detroit Free Press.*

More Appropriate Anyway.
 Mr. Winter (aged 67)—Make me happy, please! I tell me that you can care for me.

Not Quite Old Enough.

John.—By the way, that was quite an original joke you were telling me the other day—about the countryman in the city, you know? I wonder why they don't use it on the stage in the minstrel troupes!

Jack—It probably isn't old enough.—*Yankee Blade.*

A Season of Rumiliation.

"So you are going away for two or three months! Going for health?"


"Oh, no. My health is all right, but I'm going to keep out of sight while I am raising a beard."—*Boston Herald.*

A Suggestion.

First Bull—Here comes a man. What

shall we do?
Second Ball—Let's toss up.—New York
Sun.

He Was Going Far Away.



"Good by, Miss Gillyflower, I am going far away—I will not return."
"But you will write to me often, won't you, Mr. Mushy?"
"Oh, may I! I did not dare to ask—Oh, Miss Gillyflower! Your feelings toward us must have changed that you permit it."
"Oh, no. You see some of us girls are to get a hundred dollars for the Patagonians; we collect a million postage stamps, and every one will help, you know."—*Life*.
