

GRATEFUL FOR HIS LUCK.

"And you swear you never accepted a bribe in the late election?" asked the Judge.

"I'd swear it all day long, Yer Honner!"

"Did you not have \$100 in your pocket on the morning of election, when you did not possess a dollar in the world previous to that?"

"I did, Yer Honner, but I found it in the big road nigh the candide's house, an' when I tol' him 'bout it he said: 'All right—findin' is keepin'. Jest go 'long with it! An' I wuz so grateful ter him, Yer Honner, that I rolled up my sleeves an' give him the best votes I had in the family!"—*Atlanta Constitution.*

WHAT HE WAS LOOKING FOR.

"I tell you, sir," he said, "the girls of to-day are not properly educated. Before I marry I want to find a girl who is able to cook."

"Yes," returned the other disinterestedly.

"Den't you?"

"Can't say that I care particularly about that."

"What kind of a girl do you want, then?"

"What kind do I want? Oh, I want a girl who is able to hire a cook, and incidentally a butler and a coachman and a footman and all the rest that go to make life comfortable."—*Chicago Post.*

HE HAD REFORMED.

Colonel Bell, the United States consul at Sydney, caused some amusement in court recently. He was called as a witness in a divorce court to say whether a marriage certificate produced would be accepted in the American courts as proof of marriage.

"You are a lawyer, I think, Colonel Bell?" asked the Judge.

"Well, no sir," he said, slowly and thoughtfully; "I was once, but I have reformed."—*British Australasian.*

"It beats me!" he said, as he laid down his newspaper thoughtfully.

"Whut air ye talkin' about?" asked his wife anxiously.

"L'teratoor," he answered. "'Course we've seen it showed up in the newspapers, time and ag'in, how all an' editor does is ter set down with a pot o' paste an' a pair o' scissors, an' cut out things ter put inter 'is paper."

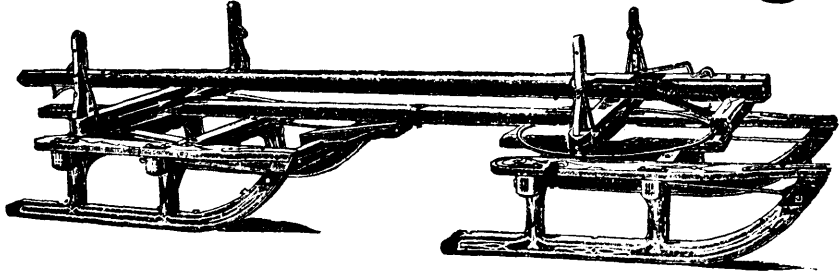
"Certainly. I don't see nothin' so beatin' about that."

"But this is the question. Some feller hez ter git them pieces up in the fust place. It never struck me afore, but I'd like ter know who the feller is that starts in an' gits up them there things for the editors ter cut out."—*Detroit Free Press.*

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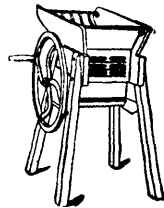
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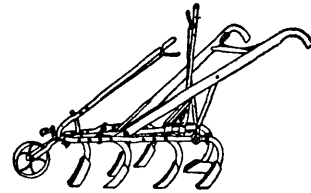
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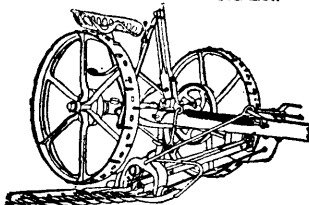
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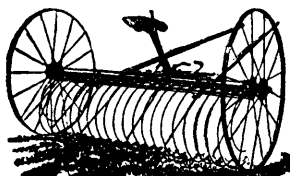
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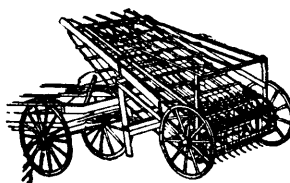
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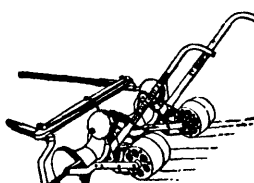
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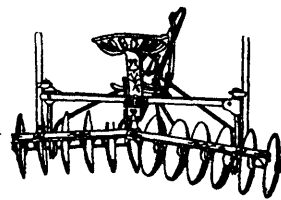
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