

EMERSON—No excuse can be taken. The court has a specified time.

JUDGE—(to Clarence), What is your excuse?

CLARENCE—Your Honor, I had to boil a pot of beans for my man to sow.

EMERSON—Why boiled beans won't bring any fruit.

CLARENCE—And boiled eggs won't bring any chickens.

The court is excited.

HARRIS—(to Ludwig), Who is that young man defending you, Ludwig?

LUDWIG—I'll tell you later.

JUDGE—I'm astonished to hear a case of this kind being tried in my court. Making out that \$20,000 worth of chickens can be had out of six boiled eggs. Dismissed without cost.

EMERSON—(to Peter), Why didn't you tell me that the eggs were boiled?

PETER—Well, I didn't know.

SIMPSON—You must pay all costs, so that you find out next time.

JUDGE—What is the next case?

CLERK—That of Ludwig Frankenschneider and Jerry Ryan for bear skin or \$50 for beer and whiskey.

EMERSON—Mr. Lang values the bear skin at \$50. It was promised to him in return for as much to eat and drink as they desired. They gave no bear skin so he demands the \$50.

LUDWIG—Jerry paid for the drinks.

JUDGE—Where is your receipt?

LUDWIG—We couldn't find it.

EMERSON—(aside), Guess you had none to find.

Enter Jane from L. H. with a paper.

JANE—Your Honor, (bowing), I found this paper. It may be of some use in the case against Ludwig and Jerry, (handing paper to Judge).

JUDGE—Why! this is the receipt.

EMERSON—(to Jane), Where did you find it?

JANE—In Jerry's room.

SIMPSON—Mr. Lang, who gave the receipt?

PETER—(looking at paper), My wife, she never told me that it was paid.

JUDGE—Well, the drinks were paid for, so that claim is also settled. Dismissed.

JANE—(waving her hand and dancing), Hi! we'll roast the hind quarter of the fat calf in honor.

SCENE V—Parlor from R. 3 E. to L. 3 E., with folding doors or draperies at C. D., which, when opened or drawn aside, the dining-room is seen.