

CHITCHAT AND CHUCKLES

How seldom do our dreams come true!  
The very thing our fancy lets  
Us hope in time will be our own  
Some other fellow always gets.

We fall in love; the mind's diseased,  
The brain is in a foolish whirl;  
And while we worship from afar  
Some other fellow gets the girl.

Ah! what a torment life would be  
If we were of the hope bereft  
That in some fairer land than this  
That other fellow would get left!

The mosquito is never asked to call again when he presents his bill.

Tangle—What a pretty little carriage Miss Tiff has! Mrs Tangle—Yes; that must be the carte blanche she told me her papa had given her.

"Doctor, might not a sudden fright bring on my trouble again?" "Very certainly!" "Then of course you will make out your bill accordingly."

Magistrate—"What sort of a man was it you saw commit the assault?"  
Witness—"Shure, yer honor, he was a small insignificant craythur about yer own size, yer honor."

The newest use which has been made of luminous paint is its application to harness. By this means the position of the horse is plainly seen at night, and the animal is not alarmed by its bright equipment.

Mr. B.—"My dear Mrs. Croesus, may I not put your name down for tickets for Professor Pundit's course of lectures on Buddhism?" Mrs. C.—"Oh, by all means! You know how passionately fond I am of flowers!"

The Elgin marbles are the most precious collection in the world of specimens of Greek art. They were brought from Greece by Thomas, seventh earl of Elgin, and purchased for the British Museum by the English Government in 1816 for £35,000.

"Funny name for a place."

"What?"

"Yuma."

"H'm yes, but your ma isn't always funny."

The Lawrence, Maes., American appears to be responsible for this:

The tramp climbed over the garden wall,  
With the fruit to have some sport.  
When he went back he had no pants,  
And the bulldog's pants were short.

A correspondent says that the English when they dance have not the grace of the American, and lack the gemuthlichkeit of the Germans. If they had the grace of the American we should think they could get along without that peculiar German thing, and still be happy.

An old molasses candy woman used to ask her juvenile customers whether they wanted "sticks or gobs." One day her niece took her place and put the question in this way: "Will you have elongated pieces or condensed masses?" and the youngsters agreed that she was stuck-up.

The minister was a great hand-shaker—shutting down like a vice. One day he shook a boy's hand and gave it an awful squeeze as he said; "My little fellow, I hope you are pretty well to day." With tears in his eyes the little boy answered; "I was until you shook hands with me."

SATISFACTORY EXPLANATION.

"No, no!" she cried, with cheeks aflame,  
Unto his plea for one caress;  
But he took the kisses all the same  
And told her he was not to blame,  
For double negatives mean "yea."

A new megaphone has been placed on the market in England, by which the human voice can be so magnified that it may be heard at a distance of several miles. On its appearance a poor haupecked Englishman wrote to the papers and said that if the electricians had on hand or in view an instrument that would so diminish the human voice that it couldn't be heard at all, he was willing to pay a good deal of money for it.

This year is the 200th anniversary of the invention of the improved tobacco pipe—the bowl, the tube and the mouthpiece. Up to the year 1690 the only medium of enjoying the fragrant weed was by means of a cylindrical instrument fashioned from the crude clay, and smelling of the earth earthy. The inventor of the present combination pipe was a physician, Dr. Vilarius of Vienna. The first tobacco pipe manufactory was established in 1690.

The moment a girl has a secret from her mother, or has received a letter she dares not let her mother read, or has a friend of whom her mother does not know, she is in certain danger. A secret is not a good thing for a girl to have. The fewer secrets that lie in the heart of woman at any age the better. It is almost a test of purity. She who has none of her own is best and happiest. In girlhood hide nothing from your mother: do nothing that if discovered by your father would make you blush—*Farm and Fireside.*

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