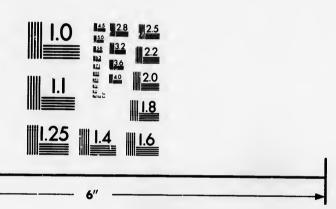


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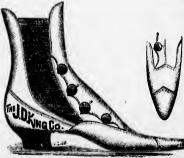
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"I hate gloomy men," she said, "I like to see men bright and jolly and cheerful, like you I think a man's business creeps into his manner to a considerable extent, don't you?"

"Um, well, I don't know," he said, "it

may, but you can't always tell."

'I can, 'she said cheerfully. "At least I can generally come pretty close to it. Now, you take that funereal, solemn-looking man that we see on the veranda every night he looks and acts as if he had lost his last friend and never expected to have another. He is sombre in his dressing, too. His manner shows how seriously he looks at life, and if an observing person can't tell exactly what his business is, she ought to be able to get somewhere near it, anyway."

"What should you think he was?"

"An undertaker, or a tombstone manufacturer, or a divorce lawyer, or probably a heavy tracedian."

heavy tragedian."
"Well, he isn't any one of them."

"Do you know him? What is he?" she asked eagerly.

"He is a professional humorist."

"Dear me, how surprising. Now, I should have thought that might have been your business, but certainly not his. What is your business?"

"Oh. I am an undertaker."—Chicago Times-Herald.

TOMMY'S BREAK.

(From Puck.)

I got fired from Sunday-school
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Never liked it, anyhow—
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Teacher asked who Samson was— S'pose I made a bad mistake— But I told her what I thought: Samson was a bloomin' fake.

Judge—Name? Prisoner—Smith. Judge
—Occupation? Prisoner—Locksmith. Judge
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SHE OUGHT TO.

Tagleigh-That girl dresses out of sight, doesn't she?

Wagleigh-Of course she does. Where would you have her dress?

Flossie – Mamma, tan I have a new dollie? Mamma—No! Your doll is just as good s new.

Flossie-Well I'se dest as dood as new, but Dod dave 'oo another little dirl.

First horse—"Well, they took poor old Dobbin to the slaughter-house to-day" Second horse—"That's too bad." First horse—"It is bad, but worse remains. They mean to make his hide into bicycle-saddles."

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can't agree to contract for your wheat at seventy

"Why not? It's goin' up to a dollar an' you'll make thirty cents a bushel. Ain't that enough?"

"Oh, yes; but you see that seventy cents is only a speculative price. It ain't what they pay for real wheat."
"Don't pay that for real wheat? What in

thunder do they pay for, then?"
"Why, for options."

"Well, what the blazes are options?"

"Why, they're promises to get wheat and sell it for such and such a price.

"Well, then, they got to get the wheat, ain't they?"

"No; they sell the promises again, accord-

ing as the market rises or falls."
"An' don't they buy an' sell any real wheat at all?"

" Not much."

"Just buy an' sell wind at seventy cents a bushel?"

"That's about it."

"Thunder an' Mars, wish I'd knowed that last fall. I wouldn't a-sowed any wheat. I'd tizd my grain bags to the back o' my fannin mill an' kept the boy turnin' it all winter, till I'd filled all the bags I could get hold of. But it ain't too late yet. By gosh, if it's wind they want 'stead of wheat, I can supply the market for the hull country right off my farm!"

First citizen (in the near future)-" Who is that they're goin' to string up?" Second citizen—"That's the man that stole Tornado Pete's bicycle."

"War," said the lecturing philanthropist, is a horrible evil. The warrior is a survival of barparism-What's that! A drum! Soldiers coming!! Open the window. I want to see them. -- Boston Transcript.

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Oh, woman, lovely woman, were it not for thee, Man, indeed would have a fit and die from apathy.

Thou art fair as the lily, and beauteous as the rose,

For, coming down to beauty, you're in it, "I'll tell you those."

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Oh, woman, lovely woman, thy charms are ever great,

Thou dost keep the men all guessing sometimes at a lively rate.

How often hast thou caught them with thy smile so fair to see,

Oh, woman, lovely woman, come, wilt "smile with me?"

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