







LONG AND SHORT.

Bob Short, he was a whole-souled man. A considerable trader. He hit in love with Mary Long—She was a dairy maid.

Their names were most well approved. Such are Dame Nature's tricks. That Short, he measured six feet four, While Long was four feet six.

Her Short, she said, would soon get Long When he hit the Mary court. And he declared his little Long was not at all too short.

He told her he would bind his heart To her beyond recall, And then they would be double-headed Each other's all in all.

He said no jeweller as proud Of gems, as he of Mary, Who she sat in her deary's lap He was her lapidary.

One night, he swore he'd deck her out In dresses rich, a score—She said, she was getting late, She'd best reply "I'm sorry."

Her friends were to break of the match And many reasons found—They said he was understanding lacked, His appers were unbound.

She was a very fool to wish To be his better-half, For if she married she'd be bound To him, but in half-calf.

But she replied she was the one To judge of her own woe—And till death severed their life's thread She'd stick to him like wax.

And so in spite of wit and tongue, They married as they ought, And children were as happy, and That is the long and short.

Interesting Items.

"I've buried my best friend," as the undertaker said when he entered the quack doctor.

A legal wag calls his marriage certificate "a writ of attainder."

We learn from the Grand Falls Express that the mining operations on Little River were going on prosperously.

A breeder of Shagbuns says, that one of these birds when eating corn takes one peck at a time.

An exchange paper says: "Never let people work for you gratis. Two years ago a man carried a bundle for us, and we have been lending him two shillings a week ever since."

A few days ago some contemptible villians entered the vineyard of Mr. E. Buelson, of Brantford, and destroyed with a knife some two acres of vines.

A splendid ship named the Brazil intended for the South American trade, has been lately launched at Clements port, N. B.

Quebec was in a lively state on Sunday last a cannon having got abroad to the effect that another Fenian raid had taken place on the frontier.

The time for holding the general election in Prince Edward's Island has not been appointed. The Hon. J. C. Pope, leader of the Government, has left for England, and the elections will not take place until his return.

The recent rains throughout the greater part of New Brunswick have early interfered with harvesting operations, so that much of the remains unsecured. Other crops are in a very flourishing state.

Great preparations are being made in Chicago for the Douglas Monument ceremonies which are to take place on the 10th proximo. Rooms have been engaged for President Johnson at the Sherman House.

Two well dressed showmen being in the company of some gentlemen, were asked their profession; says one of them, "I practice the healing art." "And I," says the other, "I labor for the good of my fellow-men."

A man who had applied for work to a blacksmith, the latter showed him some handiwork, and desired to know if he ever made anything of the kind. "Why, yes, sir," said the other, scratching his head, "I've had a hand in them."

In a tavern in a small town at a farmer, who was played upon by a number of gamblers who were present. "Well," said the farmer at last, "I've got the best of all of you." "How so?" asked all. "In me you have only got got a fool, while in you I've got a doctor."

An Irish preacher once broke off the thread of his discourse, and said to his hearers, "My dear friends, let me tell you that I am half through with my sermon, but seeing your impatience, I will say that the remaining half is not more than quarter as long as you have heard."

A domestic rarely engaged presented his master with a pair of boots, the leg of one of which was much longer than the other. "How comes it that these boots are not of the same length?" I really don't know, sir, but what bothers me most is that the pair don't draw in the same size."

"A new and scientific way to light cigars and pipes without smoking them, has been discovered on the tobacco in the bowl of the latter, which, by quietly breathing gently upon it, becomes smokescent, and is in a condition to light."

"A miser having threatened to give a poor laborer some blows with a stick. "I don't believe you," said the other, "for you never give anything, and an eye like an asterisk; but such things often come from a tender heart than a tender heart."

An elderly gentleman travelling in a stage coach, was annoyed by the constant fire of words kept up by two ladies. One of them at last kindly inquired if their conversation did not make his head ache, when he answered, "but such things often come from a tender heart than a tender heart."

"A donkey carrying a load of books as respectable an animal as the person whose head is so encumbered with learning that he does not understand."

"Don't put too much confidence in a lover's vows and sighs," said Mrs. Partington to her niece. "Let him tell you that you have lips like strawberries and cream, cheeks like a terraced, and an eye like an asterisk; but such things often come from a tender heart than a tender heart."

The District of Bedford Times says of the crops: "The weather for the last week has been extremely unfavorable for the farmers. A great quantity had been cut but had to be laid out for a week, undergoing considerable deterioration. The other crops are all looking well, but it is feared if this rainy weather continues much longer potatoes will suffer. Even now in some places they are looking rusty."

SINGULAR DETAILS OF A CASE OF CHOLERA.—W. J. Decker, formerly a rebel soldier, from Alabama, was attacked with cholera in St. Louis, Mo., last Thursday, and was taken to the Health office. He begged for something to eat, and a glass of water, and was given a spoonful of brandy. He still pleaded for something more to drink, anything that would cool him, and a glass of water, and was given a drink of ice water, and he immediately turned over and breathed his last.

SHERIFF'S SALE OF LANDS FOR TAXES.

United Counties of Huron and Bruce, bearing date the Seventeenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty six, and to me directed for the collection of Arrears of Taxes due upon the following Lands in the said United Counties of Huron and Bruce, I shall on

Tuesday, the 20th day of November next, at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon, at the Court Room, in the Town of Goderich, proceed to sell the following Lands or so much thereof as may be necessary for the payment of such arrears of taxes unless the same with all lawful charges thereon be sooner paid.

All the Lands in the annexed List are Patented.

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