

HOW HE FOUND THEM OUT.

A word spoken at random has often proved of more utility than the best concerted plans; hence it happens that fools often prosper when men of talent fail. Here is an illustration.

A poor simple peasant, of the name of Benhasen, being tired of his daily fare of brown bread and water, resolved, whatever might be the consequence, to procure for himself, by hook or by crook, even at the expense of a broken head, three sumptuous meals. Having taken the courageous and noble resolution, the next thing was to devise a plan to put it into execution; and here his good fortune befriended him. The wife of a rich ivory merchant, in the neighborhood of his cottage, had during the absence of her husband, lost a valuable diamond ring. She offered great rewards to any person who could recover it, or give any tidings of the jewel; but no one was likely to do either, for three eunuchs, of whose fidelity she had not the smallest doubt, had stolen it. The loss soon reached our glutton's ears.

"I'll go," cries he; "I'll say I am a conjuror and that I will discover where the gem is hidden, on condition of first receiving three splendid meals. I shall fail, 'tis true. What then? I shall be treated as an impostor; my back and sides may say 'How I've done?' to the bastinado, but my hungry stomach will be filled."

To concoct his scheme and put it in practice was but the work of moments. The merchant still was absent. The lady, anxious for the recovery of the ring, accepted the proffered terms. A sumptuous dinner was prepared; expensive plates of every sort were placed upon the sideboard. Allah! how he ate! An attentive footman, one of the secret thieves, filled him sherbet; our conjuror, gorged, exclaimed:

"This well! I have the first!"

The servant trembled at the ambiguous words, and ran to his companions.

"He has found out, dear friends," he cried - "He is a cunning man. He said he had the first. What could he mean but me?"

"It looks like it," replied the second thief - "I'll wait on him to-night as yet you may have mistaken his meaning. Should he speak in the same strain, we must decamp."

At night a supper fit for the caliph was set before the greedy Benhasen, who filled until he could eat no more. The second footman watched him all the while. When satisfied he rose, exclaiming:

"The second's in my sack, and cannot escape me."

"Away flew the affrighted robber. "Our heels alone can save us!"

"Not so," answered the third. "If we fly and are caught, we lose our heads. I'll tend him to-morrow's morn'g, and should he then speak as before, I'll own the theft to him, and offer some great reward to screen us from punishment, and that he may deliver the jewel to the lady without betraying us."

They all agreed. On the morrow Benhasen's appetite was still the same. At last quite full he exclaimed:

"My task is done; the third, thank Allah is here!"

"Oh," said the culprit, "behold the ring; but hide our shame, and you shall never want good fare again."

"Besilent," exclaimed the astonished Benhasen, who little thought that what he had spoken of his meals could have made the plunderers betray themselves. "The silent! I have it!"

Some grose were feeding before the window he went on and having seized the largest fowl, the ring down his neck, then declared that the largest grose had swallowed the jewel. In the meantime, the husband returned, and was incredulous.

"Some crafty knave, O wife!" said he, "either the thief himself, or his abettor, has, with a well concerted scheme, wrought on your easy faith. But I'll soon provide him with a meal likewy."

No sooner said than done; between two dishes the mysterious fare was hidden. The false conjuror was told to declare what was the concealed cheer on pain of being well beaten should he fail.

"Alas!" he muttered out - "Benhasen, thou art a pig; thou art dead," referring to himself, and calling himself names.

"He's right," the merchant cried. "Give him a purse of gold; I honor talents such as his."

It was pork in the dish. Thus our glutton, by three random speeches, gained three hearty meals, a heavy purse, comfort for life, and a most brilliant reputation as a cunning man.

JOSH BILLINGS ON LINCIN PINS.

I want to bet three dollars that no man ever matched himself agin the devil, but what he got bet.

And I want to bet one dollar and seventy five cents more that there iz no villain on airth so grateful mean as he who recommends a vice that he has too much prudence to indulge in himself.

I lay held that if a man is virtuous, he can't be ignorant; and I still hold to it.

Aim ih, if you strike low. The man who undertakes ten jump three hundred and seventy-five feet ahead, will certainly make a good try.

I never kan a man who was always anxious tew report of his sins before he had committed them, who didn't want the sharpest kind of watching.

"Don't put oph till to-morrow what kan be did to-day." It is better even to do a foolish thing at onst, if you have possitlyly made up yure mind to do it.

I never bet any stumps on the man who iz always telling what he would have did if he had been there.

Faith don't appear to me tew be anything more than tip top good sense; and the faith there is in this world won't keep a man from falling to the bottom of a well if he lets go of the gurb to spiff on his hands.

When I git to not having any good luck, it does seem to me that I kan have more or it than any man I ever kan, and not half try; I suppose it seems jist so to you, my friend, don't it?

I kan't think of any talent now, that iz so apt to descend from father to son, untarnished, as the gift of exagoration.

"There sint anything ut under the sun." The old fellow in Connecticut, who carried the same old jack knife for forty-three years, and wore out nine new handles and twelve sets of blades, says so.

There aint, after all, but one right way to dew things. I have seen kows that you could milk on both sides, but they want more than half broke.

A man may have a perfect right to be born stogle, but I dough whether he has a right tew conjunioy on so.

I take it, that the excellence of human nature consists in lifting the greatest amount of sorrow with the least amount of grin.

Times are so dull in Bowling Green, Ky, that hens lay last year's eggs.

MRS. SMITH'S OPINIONS.

The other day I made a call, As ladies sometimes do, To hear the news my friends could tell, And tell them what I knew.

And as we sat in social chat, Of steaming cups of tea, "I don't know what we're coming to!" Says Mrs. Smith, says she.

"They're making laws at such a rate, It almost drives me wild; They do not care for God, I think, For woman, man, or child.

They've forced the negroes in the cars Along with you and me; And who knows where they'll force them next?" Says Mrs. Smith, says she.

"Their children are to go to school Along with yours and mine, And if we white folks should object, Our rights we can resign.

All social lines must be removed Because the blacks are free; Such things are not to be endured," Says Mrs. Smith, says she.

"And not content with all these gifts, Bestowed with lavish hand, The negroes must be fed and clothed Throughout the Southern land.

The taxes now are high enough, But what they yet may be 'Tis not in human power to guess," Says Mrs. Smith, says she.

Philadelphia Sunday Mercury

CORN FOR SALE.

From 1,000 to 1,500 bushels of CORN for sale. Apply to the subscriber at Morganton, N. C. TOD R. CALDWELL. April 29, 1867.

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GROCERIES

At night a supper fit for the caliph was set before the greedy Benhasen, who filled until he could eat no more. The second footman watched him all the while. When satisfied he rose, exclaiming:

LIME, CORN, &c.

Thomasston Lime, Corn and Flour, for sale at the lowest price at the Charlotte & S. C. Railroad Depot. Feb 25, 1867. W. W. PEGRAM.

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Is now offering his fine Stock of READY-MADE CLOTHING Below New York cost. I am compelled to sacrifice my Goods to raise funds. Persons desirous of obtaining good Clothing at remarkably low figures, will find it to their advantage to call before purchasing and be convinced.

I am prepared to make up to order my superior stock of Cloths and Cassimeres in the latest style, and at greatly reduced prices; and to offer my fine assortment of

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Invite the attention of Wholesale and Retail buyers to their extensive and magnificent stock of

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GROCERIES.

And a general assortment of Merchandise suitable for the Trade, all of which has been carefully selected, and will be sold, "not less than cost," but truly at VERY SMALL PROFITS.

An examination of our Goods and Prices will satisfy our old customers and the general public that they can SAVE MONEY by calling to see ELIAS & COHEN.

LETTER PAPER.

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Which will be sold at a small advance on New York Prices. Their stock consists of everything belonging to Ladies' and Gentlemen's wear.

Our Stock of DRY GOODS consists in part of Cloths, Dresses, Foulards, Challies, Cambrics, Bleached and Unbleached Domestic, Irish Linens, Table Linen, full stock of Jaquet Edging, Poplins and Insertings, together with a large lot of Hosiery, &c., &c.

LADIES' TRIMMINGS,

Buttons, Fringes, Tassels and Bugle Trimmings. Ladies' and Gentlemen's HATS, of the most improved styles.

Clothing for Men and Boys, of the latest Paris styles. None kept but of the best qualities, and we can guarantee satisfaction to all that are willing to give us a trial.

Boots and Shoes for Both Sexes.

In this line we cannot be undersold. We keep only those made of the best material, and for neatness of fit cannot be surpassed. We invite the citizens of Charlotte and surrounding country to give us a call; we are positive you will not go away dissatisfied.

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Wishing to change my business, I will sell 250 Acres of LAND in and adjoining the Town of Charlotte, (100 acres in corporation) On the Tract there is a good Mill-site, 22 feet fall, with a first rate Dam recently built, and race dug, and all the large timber for a Mill House on the ground. The Tract can be divided. It is worth the attention of any one wishing a paying property, or as an investment. Any information can be had by applying to the subscriber. W. F. PIPHER. Sept 10, 1866.

Grocery and Provision Store,

Under the Mansion House, opposite the Springs Building. I have on hand, and will constantly keep, Corn Meal, Flour, Bacon, Lard, and Country Produce generally. Also, Sugar, Coffee, Crackers, Molasses, and in fact everything in the Grocery line a family may want.

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SPRING AND SUMMER FASHIONS

J. W. Bradley's Duplex Elliptic SKIRTS!

They will not bend or break, like the single springs, but will ever preserve their perfect and beautiful shape, where three or four ordinary skirts are thrown aside as useless. They combine elasticity, comfort, durability and economy, with that elegance of shape which has made the "DUPLEX ELLIPTIC" the STANDARD SKIRT OF THE FASHIONABLE WORLD. LATEST STYLES BRADLEY'S

Invincible Trail for Street Dress and, Empress Trail for Evening Dress.

WESTS, BRADLEY & CARY,

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CAUTION.

Be particular to notice that Skirts offered as DUPLEX have the red ink stamp, viz: "J. W. BRADLEY'S Duplex Elliptic Skirt Springs" upon the waistband; also notice that each hoop will admit a pin being run through the centre of each Hoop, thereby proving that they are Duplex, or double springs braided together therein, which is the secret of their superior grace, flexibility and durability.

These Skirts are kept on hand in large supply For Sale in Charlotte

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Wholesale and Retail Dealers in FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC

Staple and Fancy Dry Goods, Clothing, Embroidery, Hoop Skirts, Notions, Carpets, Hats, Boots, Shoes, &c. They keep the largest Stock and cheapest Goods to be found in the city. At Brem's Old Stand on Trade street. April 22, 1867.

Medical Notice.

Dr. H. C. WALKUP has commenced the practice of Medicine in Sharon neighborhood, Mecklenburg county. He can be found, when not professionally engaged, at the residence of Mr. Hugh Kirkpatrick. April 22, 1867.

BONES WANTED. A Chance to Make Money.

The subscriber will purchase Bones at 50 cents per hundred, delivered at Concord Factory, or at any Railroad Depot between Charlotte and Greensboro. Cash paid on delivery.

Those who will accumulate Bones in quantities at any point on the Railroad lines, and inform the subscriber, arrangements will be made for their purchase. R. E. McONALD. April 1, 1867.

MILLER & BLACK, CHARLOTTE, N. C.

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GRAIN, heavy Groceries & Provisions,

at wholesale and retail. Orders from a distance for Grain, will be promptly filled. They will also buy and sell all articles in their line on Commission. Consignments solicited. The best of references given. Feb 11, 1867.

WILSON, CALLAWAY & CO., Bankers and Commission Merchants,

No. 41 Broad Street, NEW YORK. R. T. WILSON, B. F. WILSON, J. M. JOHNSON, New York; THOS. H. CALLAWAY, Cleveland, Tenn.; W. P. OGLE, Atlanta, Georgia.

MESSRS J. Y. BRYCE & CO., will make liberal advances on Shipments to our House.

PERUVIAN GUANO SUBSTITUTE!

BAUGH'S RAW BONE SUPER-PHOSPHATE OF LIME.

Manufactured under the formula originated in 1854 and patented by

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This old established MANURE is manufactured from bones that have not been burned or steamed, and it contains all their original organic matter. It is active in its operation, and is a fertilizer of great durability. It does not exhaust the soil like Peruvian Guano, but on the contrary permanently improves it.

Previous to 1861 it was introduced into the Southern States to considerable extent, and again in 1865, where it has been used with remarkable success upon

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A trial will convince any planter of its merits. Pamphlets containing well known Southern evidence furnished upon application to New York or Philadelphia offices.

Sold by dealers in all the principal cities and towns throughout the United States and British Provinces. BAUGH & SONS, sole Manufacturers, Office No. 20 South Delaware Avenue, Philadelphia.

Baugh Brothers & Co.,

General Wholesale Agents, 181 Pearl Street, NEW YORK. For sale in Charlotte, N. C., by HUTCHISON, BURROUGHS & CO. February 18, 1867.

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A general assortment, always on hand, at SCARR'S DRUG STORE. TAYLOR & DUNCAN, CHARLOTTE, N. C.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN DRY GOODS,

Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps, Hardware, Crockery, &c.,

Respectfully inform the public that they keep constantly on hand a general assortment of Goods in the above lines, which they will sell at wholesale or retail on favorable terms for cash.

They invite attention to their large stock of Dry Goods, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps, Hardware, and Crockery, and request those wishing to purchase to give them a call.

Tin and Sheet-Iron Ware.

In this department every article can be found that may be desired. All sorts of Tin and Sheet-Iron Job Work done at short notice. Cooking Stoves, Of all sizes and patterns, furniture complete, in general assortment. Fairbanks' Scales. We are Agents for the sale of the celebrated Fairbanks' Scales, all sizes. TAYLOR & DUNCAN. May 14, 1866.

Cheap! Cheaper!! Cheapest!!!

B. KOOPMANN

Has opened his SPRING STOCK, and has spared no pains to make such selections as he feels confident will give universal satisfaction. CHEAP GOODS!

GOOD GOODS! FASHIONABLE GOODS! Such Goods as the people want and will suit the times. My stock is complete in all its branches, and every day fresh and attractive goods are added.

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I offer Lawns, Jaconets, Muslins, Barges, Challies, Grenadines, Mozambiquees, Tamaritues, Delainees, &c.

MILINERY GOODS,

In every variety and of every description. Ladies and Gents Furnishing Goods, READY-MADE CLOTHING, HATS AND CAPS, BOOTS AND SHOES, Hardware, Groceries, Notions, &c.

To my old and numerous patrons I would say, that I shall try to deserve further the flattering confidence which they have given me, by selling only such goods as I can guarantee to give satisfaction, and at such prices as will compare favorably with those of any store in this city.

My long acquaintance with the city and country trade, as well as with that of the surrounding counties, encourages me to believe that I fully understand the wants and necessities of every farmer, as well as their patronage, and I would respectfully request a call in order to fully convince one and all that I have only said what I can and intend to do.

COUNTRY MERCHANTS are invited to examine my Stock. The advantages I can offer them this season will fully repay them for the trouble. April 29, 1867. B. KOOPMANN.

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The next Session of this Institution will commence on the 1st of January next, and the sessions hereafter commence regularly on the first Monday of January and July respectively. We are happy to inform the public that the School is in a flourishing condition, and that the plan of messing, which enables board to be secured for half the usual rates, or less, continues to be the favorite of every farmer who adopts it, and to the success of the School.

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We keep on hand a large supply of Fertilizers—such as Peruvia and Pacific Guano, Raw-Bone Phosphate and Super-Phosphate of Lime, and Gypsum—which we offer to Farmers on reasonable terms.

We will supply responsible parties for one-half cash, and wait for the balance until the crop is made. We also keep a large supply of Bacon, Corn and Seed Oats, at wholesale. J. Y. BRYCE & CO. Charlotte, Feb. 25, 1867.

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FAMILY GROCERIES.

A store of the public patronage solicited. I have been long in business here, and am determined to keep up my reputation for selling good articles at fair prices. M. D. L. MOODY. Sept 24, 1866.

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French black and colored Cloth Saques, Basques and Circulars, Silk Saques and Basques. RICH DRESS GOODS. We have now in store one of the largest Stocks of fine Dress Goods ever offered in Charlotte. Our Stock consists in part of all Wool Delaines, Embrassades, Poplins, Poppinets, Alpaccas, Lustres, together with a general assortment of all the low priced Domestic, DeLaines, Prints, &c., &c.

GLOVES AND HOSIERY.

Best Kid Gloves in all colors, Ladies' Beeced line Silk, Lisle, Bull and Woolen Gloves, Merino Gloves. Superior English Hosiery for Ladies' and Misses', all of which are equal to any ever offered in this city.

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Of every description Table Cloths and Table Linen, Towels, Toweling, Knappkins, &c., &c. Of every description Frock and Sack Coats, Cassimere Suits, Coats, Pants and Vests, and a complete line of

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Boots, Shoes and Hats, all of which we offer at enormously low prices at Wholesale and Retail.

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Of every description received every week, and sold at prices warranted to prove satisfactory to our purchasers. We take great pleasure in showing our Goods to those who will favor us with a call. A. WEILL & CO. Kahnweiler & Bro's Old Stand, Trade St. Nov 25, 1865.

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Consisting of Silks, for Bonnets, assorted colors, Fringes, crystal, pearl and amber amber and crystal Drops, Ornaments, straw and pearl; Flowers, new assortment; Wreaths, Ribbon and Dress Trimmings of every kind.

BONNETS AND HATS:

Infants Florets, Infants Restora, ladies and misses white Glassa Verino, split straw Stella, white Marcellite Verino, white Glassa Patties, white Glassa Almas, Canton Almas, Pedal Almas, Florence Almas, black and white Glassa Seaside, Coberg Pomonaed, Pedal Shade Hats, Coberg Subseams, fancy clipped Persepo, fancy hair and edged Glassa Veriginas, Glassa Morning Glory, black and white Morning Glory, Neapolitan Beaded, Neapolitan Trimmed Beaded, broad Cobergs, edged C. L. Pedal, Also, Bonnet Frames, assorted. Also,

Dry Goods,

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Expenses per Term of Twenty Weeks: Board, including every expense except washing, \$105 00 Tuition in Collegiate Department, 25 00 " in Primary, 20 00 Music, Modern Languages, Drawing and Painting, taught by competent and thorough instructors. For Circular and Catalogue containing full particulars, address Rev. R. BURWELL & SONS. Jan 7, 1867. Charlotte, N. C.

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