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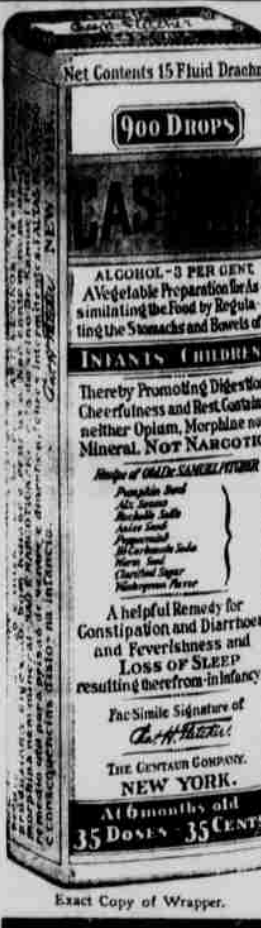
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### UNCLE MOSE LOST NO TIME.

Although Old and Crippled With Rheumatism, He Could Travel Some When Bear Appeared.

Some Georgia boys were going coon hunting and stopped at the cabin of another colored boy. "Come 'long Sambo; we's gwine coon huntin'."

"Ah caint. Ah has to stay 'wid Uncle Mose."

"Bring him 'long, niggah."

Uncle Mose was very old and crippled with the rheumatism, but he was finally persuaded to hobble along and the party set off.

The dogs soon began barking furiously at a great distance and all hurried to the tree. Even Uncle Mose seemed to regain something of his youthful energy and hobbled along at a surprising rate.

The boys threw sticks and stones into the tree and suddenly a large animal sprang down among the dogs with fierce growls and snarls.

The dogs scattered and ran. The boys, scared out of their wits, yelled:

"Look out o' dat bear!" and never stopped until completely out of breath.

"Po' old Uncle Mose! Dat bear's suah got him," said one.

"Suah, a good old man! But dar ain't no use gwine back," said another one.

"Dat bear' eat him all up by dis time," said a third.

So they proceeded sadly to Sambo's cabin; but what was their astonishment when the door opened and Uncle Mose himself stood before them. Some of the more superstitious, believing it to be his ghost, were inclined to run; but old Uncle Mose quickly reassured them by asking this question:

"'Wh' you chilluns been all dis time?"

"'Fo' de lan's sake, Uncle Mose! How you all git heah?"

Uncle Mose drew himself up with a somewhat scornful haughty demeanor and replied: "Huh! Dai's easy 'nuff. Ah kem wid de dogs!"—Country Gentleman.

### EXCUSES POOR.

Johnny B., who has seen eight summers go by, not very long ago developed a fondness for playing hooky from school. After two or three offenses of this kind he was taken to task by his teacher.

"Jonny," she said, "the next time you are absent I want you to bring me an excuse from your father telling me why you were not here."

"I don't want to bring an excuse from my father," protested the boy.

"Why not?" asked the teacher, her suspicion plain.

"Cause father isn't any good at making excuses."

### WHY THEY BURIED HIM.

"It is a rule to which most good lawyers adhere," observed a well-known attorney, "never to tell more than one knows. There was an incident in a Western town where a lawyer carried the rule to the extreme.

"Counsel for one side objected to a person, whose name was on the court's register for some purpose or other, on the ground that he was dead. The counsel on the other side declined to accept the assurance and demanded conclusive testimony on the point.

"Whereupon counsel for the other side arose and gave corroborative evidence as to the decease of the man in question.

"But, sir, how do you know the man's dead?" demanded opposing counsel.

"Well," was the reply. "I don't know. It's very difficult to prove."

"As I suspected. You don't know whether he's dead or not."

"No. But I know this—they buried him about a month ago on suspicion!"

### THE BEST PARABLE.

Parson—Do you know the parables, my child?

Johnnie—Yes, sir.

Parson—And which of the parables do you like best?

Johnnie—I like the one where somebody loafs and fishes.

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## Too Many Operations

The Right Medicine in Many Cases Does Better than the Surgeon's Knife. Tribute to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

### Doctor Said Operation or Death—But Medicine Cured.

Des Moines, Iowa.—"My husband says I would have been in my grave today had it not been for Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I suffered from a serious female trouble and the doctors said I could not live one year without an operation. My husband objected to the operation and had me try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I soon commenced to get better and am now well and able to do my own housework. I can recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to any woman as a wonderful health restorer."—Mrs. BLANCHIE JEFFERSON, 703 Lyon St., Des Moines, Iowa.

### Another Operation Avoided.

Richmond, Ind.—"For two years I was so sick and weak from female troubles that when going up stairs I had to go very slowly with my hands on the steps, then sit down at the top to rest. The doctor said he thought I should have an operation, and my friends thought I would not live to move into our new house. My daughter asked me to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound as she had taken it with good results. I did so, my weakness disappeared, I gained in strength, moved into our new home, do all kinds of garden work, and raised hundreds of chickens and ducks. I cannot say enough in praise of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."—Mrs. M. O. JOHNSON, Route D, Box 190, Richmond, Ind.

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### ARE YOU?

Are you just the same at home as you are upon the streets  
Just as smiling and as pleasant and as sweet?  
Are you just the same at home to your family as you are to comrades and the strangers that you meet in shop and car?  
Are you just as kind and thoughtful to your children and your wife  
As you are to total strangers in this every day of life?  
Are you just the same at home as you were down town today?  
Just as happy and as hopeful, just as full of joy and play  
Are you just the same at home to the loved ones that need it so,  
Just as comforting and cheering, just as full of love and glow  
Are you just as true and loving to the ones that need your care  
As you were to some acquaintance in the burly burly there.  
Are you just the same at home as you were with us tonight  
In the sparkle of revel in the glamour and the light  
Are you just the same at home as you are to friend and foe  
Whom you meet along the highway in the paths you have to go.  
Are you just as fond and tender to the hearts you owe it to  
As you are to all the others as they smile and bow at you.

### AN OLD-FASHIONED MAN.

When I am far away from town, as far as I can be,  
There is a heap of lonesomeness that goes around with me,  
And nighttimes, when I know at home the prayers are being said,  
And it is just about the time the children go to bed,  
I slam my hat down on my head and I go out, and go  
Through my town I am in, just walking to and fro  
And seeing pictures of the kids all in their nightgowns white,  
And wishing daddy was at home to kiss them all goodnight.

The town that I am in may be a city all alight,  
And it may have a broad white way which makes day of night,  
And every kind of show may be along that city's street,  
But all the glare and blaze and noise don't coax my homesick feet:  
I turn into a quiet street that wends away from town  
When it's time my baby kneels and says her "Lay me down."  
And I can see my children kneel, the soft light on their hair,  
And I reach out my arms sometimes and wish that I was there.

And in the morning when the sun goes climbing up the sky,  
And there's a baby bird outside just learning how to fly,  
I stand there looking at the world—not doing anything—  
Just thinking of my little ones: I hear their voices ring,  
I see their little hands held out, I see their glad eyes shine,  
And with a laugh and run and jump they're in these arms of mine;  
And always I get back to them the quickest way I can—  
I guess I'm nothing much but just a plain old-fashioned man.

### HIS FALL UNCHECKED.

Two insurance agents—a Yankee and an Englishman—were bragging about their rival methods. The Britisher was holding forth on the system of prompt payment carried out by his people—no trouble, no fuss, no attempt to wriggle out of settlement.

"If the man died tonight," he continued, "his widow would receive her money by the first post tomorrow morning."

"You don't say?" drawled the Yankee. "See here, now, you talk of prompt payment! Well, our office is on the third floor of a building forty-nine stories high. One of our clients lived in that forty-ninth story, he fell out of the window. We handed him a check as he passed.

They were dancing the one step. The music was heavenly. The swish of her silken skirts was divine. The fragrance of the roses upon her bosom was really intoxicating.

"Ah," she smiled sweetly, with an arch look up into his face, "you remind me of one of Whitman's poems."

A sudden dizziness seemed to seize him. It was as if he were floating in a dream. When he had sufficiently gained his breath he spoke:

"Which one?"

"Oh, any one," she replied. "The feet are mixed in all of them."—Everybody's Magazine.

**Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA**  
Treat a dog kindly and he will not desert you when your money is gone.

### BROTHER-IN-LAWS.

He Had Suffered Enough.

A man was arraigned before a judge on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses. He had just entered a store, pretending to be a customer, but proved to be a thief.

"Your name is Jim Lickmore?" said the judge.

"Yes, sir."

"And you are charged with a crime that merits a long term in the penitentiary?"

"Yes, sir."

"And you are guilty of the crime?"

"I am."

"And you ask for no mercy?"

"No, sir."

"You have had a great deal of trouble within the last two years?"

"Yes, sir, I have."

"You have often wished that you were dead?"

"I have, please your honor."

"You wanted to steal enough to take you away from this city?"

"You are right, judge."

"If a man had stepped up and shot you just as you entered the store, you would have said, 'Thank you, sir?'"

"Yes, sir, I would. But, judge, how did you find our so much about me?"

"Some time ago," said the judge, with a solemn air, "I was divorced from my wife. Shortly afterward you married her. The result is conclusive. I discharge you. Here, take this \$50 bill. You have suffered enough!"

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