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THE MERRY SIDE OF LIFE.

STORIES THAT ARE TOLD BY THE FUNNY MEN OF THE PRESS.

The Bull Dog's Break—Had Opinions of His Own—Accounted For—Not Usual, Etc., Etc.

The dog was a beauty in truth, but papa, he killed him one day, because he attacked the wrong youth and drove a rich marriage away. —New York Herald.

HAD OPINIONS OF HIS OWN.
 "That man makes me sick."
 "Why?"
 "He always disagrees with me."

ACCOUNTED FOR.
 "Bridget, this chair is covered with dust."
 "Yessum. Nobody's sat in it lately."

FOR HIS HEALTH.
 Mrs. Puggsly—"I am going to Europe this summer."
 Mrs. Spannel—"Indeed?"
 Mrs. Puggsly—"Yes. The doctor has recommended a sea voyage for Fido."

NOT USUAL.
 "What are you reading, dear?"
 "A letter from mother, John."
 "What does she say?"
 "Oh, nothing!"
 "That isn't like your mother, is it?" —Puck.

THE INDULGENT FRIEND.
 Bingham—"Carson, you must excuse my tardiness—just as soon as I can get hold of that hundred you borrowed I can pay you that fifty I owe you."
 Carson—"Tut! Tut! Don't mention it." —Life.

A SLANDER REFUTED.
 Goodman—"Badderly, I'm sorry to hear that you sometimes drink too much."
 Badderly—"Quite a mistake. On the contrary, I can never get enough." —Munsey's Weekly.

THE MYSTERY UNRAVELED.
 Simpson—"I wonder what kind of a line it is that Budkins uses when he goes fishing. It always breaks just as he is landing the 'biggest fish you ever saw.'"
 Sniffer—"It's nothing but 'yarn.'" —Detroit Free Press.

BAGGY.
 Knowles—"The rhinoceros is a native of England, isn't it?"
 Towles—"Why, man alive, whatever put such an idea into your head?"
 Knowles—"Why, just look how his clothes fit him." —Scribner's Magazine.

CONSCIENTIOUS.
 Mrs. Nucleo—"Why do you always appear in your worst gown when going out with me, Bridget?"
 Bridget—"Sure, I'm always afraid the people might mistake me for th' mistress if I wore me foine driss." —Puck.

EXPENSIVE EMULATION.
 Dashaway—"That was a beautiful dress your friend, Mrs. Wickstaff, had on the other night."
 Bingo—"Yes. It cost me \$100."
 Dashaway—"How so?"
 Bingo—"My wife saw it." —Cloak Review.

FIXED FOR LIFE.
 The Lady—"Jack, why don't you write a book, or paint a picture, or do something clever?"
 The Gentleman—"Because I selected a millionaire for a father, and I think that was clever enough to last a lifetime." —Life.

ON THE RIO GRANDE.
 First Cowboy—"Do you remember Texas Pete, the road agent, who took a vow that he was goin' to reform? Did he stick to it?"
 Second Cowboy—"No. For a while he kept straight, but then he went to Santa Fe an' started in as a lawyer." —Munsey's Weekly.

HE WAS WILLING.
 Miss Scadds (to the minister)—"Mr. Hunker and I are going on a ramble. Will you join us?"
 Rev. Dr. Thirdly (who caught only the last sentence)—"With pleasure. Do you wish the ceremony performed in the church?" —Judge.

OF ONE MIND.
 Mr. Peterkin—"Oh, I like to sit by you, Miss Bell."
 Miss Bell (who is exclusive)—"And so do I."
 Mr. Peterkin (puzzled for the moment)—"But—er—how's that?"
 Miss Bell—"I like to sit by myself." —Puck.

CAUSE FOR WEARINESS.
 Collector—"I tell you this bill is positively tired of coming here."
 Deadbroke—"You're tired of bringing it, I suppose you mean."
 Collector—"I mean what I say. This bill is tired because it has been standing so long." —Chicago Saturday Evening Herald.

NO TIME-LOCK FOR HIM.
 A certain official was bothered almost to death by people running in on him at all times of the day and he was expressing himself emphatically on the subject.
 "Why don't you put a time-lock on your door so they can get in only at a stated hour?" suggested a friend.
 "Time-lock, nothing," he exclaimed, "what I want is an eternity lock." —Washington Star.

IN THE SAME NEIGHBORHOOD.
 Two wretched looking tramps were brought up before a Texas justice of the

peace. Addressing the worst looking one, the justice asked:
 "Where do you live?"
 "Nowhere."
 "And where do you live?" inquired the justice, turning to the other.
 "Oh, I've got the room above him." —Texas Sittings.

A GIFTED STORY TELLER.
 Jack (who has been called in for punishment and regaled with an account of his misdoings)—"Did Dick Van Twiller tell you that, mamma?"
 Mamma—"Yes, Jack."
 Jack (reproachfully)—"And you believed him?"
 Mamma—"Yes, Jack."
 Jack—"Well, I don't blame you for believing him, mamma. He's the most beautiful liar in the whole school!" —Boston Beacon.

THE MISTAKE CORRECTED.
 The ruler of a small German State made his entry into a certain town. Just as the Burgomaster was delivering himself of a speech an ass began to bray most horribly, until the Prince at last exclaimed:
 "Will someone make that donkey be quiet?"
 The poor Burgomaster made a sudden pause in his speech, and inquired, in evident alarm:
 "Does your Highness mean me?"
 "No, the other one," the Prince replied. —Humoristisches.

WISE WORDS.
 The rattlesnake is no flatterer.
 There is no easy path leading out of life.

A rainy day is a shadow across happiness.
 What would a man do without playthings?
 Carve your name on hearts and not on marble.

Tact is genius, but genius is often devoid of it.
 There is no rainbow without a cloud and a storm.
 Remember the world has no use for gloomy people.
 Error may be clasped so close we cannot see its face.

The universality of wisdom, like all other rules, has its exceptions.
 Listen to the winds; they are either fresh or salt, if you can but imagine it.
 Holiness is love welling up in the heart, and pouring forth crystal streams.
 Nothing but the infinite pity is sufficient for the infinite pathos of human life.

You may as well separate burning and shining from fire as works from faith.
 His size, weight, color of hair and eyes—even his intellect—No; but his heart, yes.

Hymns to Quiet Stamped Herds.
 "There is one peculiarity in reference to cattle on the range that is known to few save cattlemen," said R. S. Carton of New Mexico, "which helps us greatly in handling a large herd on the trail. When a lot of cattle are gathered up there is always danger of a night stampede, and if this occurs it is a very serious matter, for not only will the herd become greatly scattered, but also many of the steers will die. More timid animals than stamped cattle it is difficult to imagine, and once thoroughly stampeded scores of them will run until they drop dead in their tracks. The signs of an approaching stampede are familiar to every man who has been much on the trail. First a few cattle will begin to low, or rather to utter a sort of roar. All through the herd single animals will get up and begin to move around. The others become restless, and if something is not done to check them the whole herd will within a short time be rushing headlong over the plain.

"The most soothing influence that can be exerted is the human voice, and when these ominous mutterings are heard every one on night watch begins to sing. It may well be imagined that cowboy music would have anything but a quieting effect upon musical ears, but it amply satisfies the cattle. As soon as songs are heard the nervous animals become quiet, one by one they lie down, and soon all are at rest, fairly sung to sleep. A peculiar feature of the singing is that every cowboy, no matter how rough and lawless, knows a variety of hymns, and it is with church music that the stampede is prevented." —St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Coffee-Cup Barometer.
 According to the bright little Spanish building journal, the *Gaceta de Obras Publicas*, a cup of pure coffee, with the addition of a lump of sugar, forms an excellent barometer. The sugar should be put into the coffee without stirring, and a moment afterwards, a quantity of bubbles, due to the air contained in the sugar, will be seen to rise to the surface of the liquid. If the bubbles collect in the middle of the cup, the weather will be fair; if, on the contrary, they leave the centre and adhere to the sides of the cup, forming a ring of bubbles, with a clear space in the middle, there will be rain; if they scatter themselves indifferently on the surface, the weather will be variable, while a cluster of bubbles at one side of the cup indicates rain. No one, apparently, has attempted to explain the connection between the behavior of the bubbles and atmospheric conditions, but it is said that the indications of the coffee-cup barometer generally agree with those of a mercurial barometer placed near by.

A Clock of Bread Crumbs.
 The Milan museum has recently come into the possession of a remarkable clock. This unique timepiece is made entirely of bread crumbs. A poor Italian workman made it. Every day he set apart a portion of his modest meal in order to carry out his curious project. The bread crumbs saved by him he hardened by the addition of salt, and at last his tedious task is completed. —Chicago Herald.

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