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SOME EXCUSES. [All married men and all contemplating matrimony will find it to their advantage to carefully memorize the following list of plausible excuses for coming home at 2 a. m. or later. They have been compiled for Tid-Bits by a benefactor of long experience.]

You may state that: You dropped in to see a friend and found him dangerously ill with rheumatism, and remained at his urgent request to cheer him with sprightly repartee.

LOOK OUT! Compare this with your purchase:



REDMONT WAGON. MADE AT HICKORY, N. C. CAN'T BE BEAT! They stand where they ought to, right square AT THE FRONT! It was a Hard Fight But They Have Won It!

The Faithful Engineer. BY WILL E. HAYES. Life is like a crooked railroad, And the engineer is brave, Who can make a trip successful, From the cradle to the grave.

Name your engine "True Religion." When you're running day or night, Use the coal of faith for fuel, And she'll always run you right.

We are glad to see the farmers of the State organizing and endeavoring to promote their mutual interests. It is a good move and should result in good.

The Last Indian Battle of Old Kentucky. The ability of the renegade Simon Girty combined the warlike tribes beyond the Ohio in an expedition which he ably commanded. No name was more abhorred or dreaded than his.

went to the spring with their buckets, and rarely the men; that the one would be regarded by the Indians as a proof that their ambuscade and plan of attack was unsuspected while the other would bring on the attack in open ground.

The buckets were dipped one after another in the spring and loaded with the precious burden the brave women returned toward the front. It was not until the thick cane was again passed, and the bushes and tall weeds left behind, that their composure was disturbed.

As the fight opened, the little garrison of forty men held out stoutly against such odds, two brave fellows, Bell and Tomlinson, mounted their horses to carry the news to other stations and bring up help.

The civil war ended August 20, 1865. The President of the United States on that day issued his proclamation, saying: "Therefore, I do hereby proclaim and declare that the insurrection which heretofore existed in the States of (naming them) is at an end, and hence forth to be so regarded."

Expectation Table. Long and careful observation have shown that though the life of any given individual is proverbially uncertain, yet that, if a large number of persons in ordinary circumstances at a given age be taken, there is a law, fixed and uniform, determining within very narrow limits the average number of years of life remaining to them.

Catching Convicts with Bloodhounds. A Huntsville (Texas) correspondent of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat writes: Every gang of convicts in the State, inside or outside of the walls, is provided with three or more trained hounds, sometimes bloodhounds, but more ordinarily common deer hounds, for they are harder and stand the work for which they are trained much better than the blooded stock.

Work, says one who is accustomed to it, is the true philosopher's stone, whether you handle a pick or a pen, a wheelbarrow or a set of books, digging, ditching, or editing a newspaper. Friendship is the golden coin that brightens with using.

CARELESS, GOOD-NATURED, SASSY.

The Kind of People One Meets in South Western Missouri. Southwestern Missouri has developed a type of careless individuality little different from the conventional unconcern of the "old time" Arkansas squatter.

"Yes, since 5 o'clock this morning, I am a large dealer in salt and ———." "Reckon that about all yer've got with yer is melted by this time."

The most hideous industry in this country is a snake farm near Galton, Illinois. The proprietor raises snakes of various kinds, but makes a specialty of rattlesnakes. A firm in Philadelphia has given a standing order for all the rattlesnakes he can produce.

Labor disgraces no man; unfortunately you occasionally find men who disgrace labor.

Truth for Husbands.

MR. BURDETTE DESCRIBES A COMMON HABIT—A WONDER WHY IT IS. Mr. Burdette insists that he overheard a woman lecturing as follows on board a train: "Now I'll tell you why I wouldn't go into the restaurant and have a cup of coffee with you while we were waiting for the train."

Rejected Suitors. A woman never quite forgets the man who has once loved her. She may not have loved him; she may, indeed, have given him the "no" instead of the "yes."

In one week Ely's Cream Balm opened a passage in one nostril through which I had not breathed in three years, subdued an inflammation in my head and throat, the result of Catarrh.—Colonel O. M. NEILLIAY, Oswego, N. Y. (See adv.)

Life is too short to be spent in mindling other people's business. Advertisement for Ely's Cream Balm, mentioning its effectiveness for various ailments.

North Carolina Grange Encampment and Farmers' Institute.

TO BE HELD AT MOUNT HOLLY GASTON CO., ON WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, AUG. 10TH, 11TH, 12TH AND 13TH, 1887.

The main purpose of this Encampment is: First.—To enable the farmers of North Carolina to annually meet together at a time when there is little work to do on the farm and compare experiences. To hear addresses from practical men, who have given special study to some particular branch of agriculture.

About a Mortgage. The editor of the Santa Ana Standard, having just succeeded in paying a mortgage on his ranch in Orange-tropolis, rejoices in the full ownership of "61 acres of as fine land as California boasts."

Learn from the earliest days to inure your principles against the perils of idleness; you can no more exercise your reason if you live in the constant dread of laughter, than you can enjoy your life if you are in the constant terror of death.

Advertisement for 'FOR THE BLOOD' medicine, featuring the text 'ECZEMA ERADICATED.' and a large graphic of the product name.

Advertisement for 'VIGOROUS HEALTH' medicine, mentioning 'DR. HENRY W. SWANN' and 'MARRIS REMEDY CO.'