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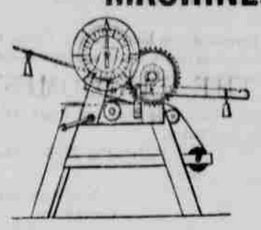

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I give great honor and glory and tears.

Give glory and honor and pitiful tears
To all who fail in their deeds sublime,
Their ghosts are many in the van of years,
They were born with Time in advance of Time.

Oh, great is the hero who wins a name,
But greater many and many a time
Some pale faced fellow who dies in shame
And lets God finish the thought sublime.

And great is the man with a sword undrawn,
And good is the man who refrains from wine;
But the man who fails and yet still fights on,
Lo, he is the twin-born brother of mine.

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The St. Louis Herald wants "a real good boy to make a devil of."

A lady with a fine set of teeth will often laugh at a very poor joke.

No Zincola. A man does not receive a back pension because he was shot in the back.

Men who have little business are great talkers. The more one thinks the less one speaks.

Ideas are the great warriors of the world, and a war that has no idea behind it is simply brutality.

What should a lady do if she wants to sneeze in church? Why she should take some cayenne pepper to church with her.

Be clearness of a man's eye doan al'ers come from his soul, De hawk has got a mighty keen eye, but Lawd, what a rascal he is!

A man having fallen from his berth in a sleeping car, hurt his knee rather badly, and at once claimed that he was lame from his berth.

"'Pa," said little Harry, "what is a soldier of fortune?" "A soldier of fortune, my son, is a soldier that never has any fortune at all."

Japan has a weather bureau also; but it is wise and discreet, and doesn't predict rain until after the rain has soaked things for a day or two.

The attention of John L. Sullivan is respectfully called to the fact that lots of women are ready to make matches with men twice their size.

The corpulence that is gaining upon two or three of the professional runners was not unexpected. It has long been known that haste makes waist.

"Ah!" remarked Fogg, as he gazed bashfully at the ballet girls, how I understand the full significance of the passage, 'the body is more than raiment.'"

One of the rules of Chinese etiquette is that a youngster when walking on the street, must not turn her head around. It would be a good custom to import.

People talk about the "new moon" when there isn't any new moon. It is the same old moon with a tallow dip nose, that has been circling around this world for ages.

The "laying on of hands cure" is not the failure some persons believe it to be. Many a wise and excellent mother has used it with great success in the treatment off a refractory offspring.

It was lucky for her husband that the fat woman died before Christmas, for it was much cheaper for him to pay her funeral expenses than it would be to fill her stockings with presents.

A German professor has figured it out that man came from the bear, and while we can scarcely bear to think of such a thing, it may be so, for surely men and women love to hug as bears do.

She—"I am fond of poetry." He—"Are you, indeed? So am I. Do you like Burns?" She—"No, indeed; they are so extressing. But, then, I am not troubled much with them, as ma does all the cooking."

The language of flowers: "You are not quite so large as a whole city," said a big sunflower scornfully to an humble violet. "No, sir," said the violet, modestly lowering its head. "I am only a sub-herb."

A man in Liverpool has been sentenced to a week's imprisonment for having bought another man's wife for a glass of beer. The punishment was merited. If a wife isn't worth two glasses of beer, she isn't worth anything.

It is said that the sixty damsels who were recently compelled to fly from the fire in the Milwaukee Female Seminary in their night dresses did not mind it much. Most of them had their garments beautifully edged with real lace.

When a Boston girl is presented with a bouquet, she says: "Oh, how decidedly sweet. It's fragrance impenetrates the entire atmosphere of the room." A Kansas girl simply says: It smells scrumptious; thanks Reuben."

Jamestown has a beautiful young lady named Plow, and the young men of that town who have always borne a hatred to farm work are now every one of them eager and anxious to spend a portion of their time holding the Plow.

Quite a difference: "Oh, will he bite?" exclaimed one of Middletown's sweetest girls, with a look of alarm when she saw one of the dancing bears on the street the other day. "No," said her escort, "he cannot bite—he is muzzled; but he can hug." "Oh," she said, with a distracting smile, "I don't mind that."

Sniffen (in his own estimation the rising poet of America): "Ah, do you know, Miss Bracing, that my fancies always come to me in my dreams?" Miss Bracing: "Yes? that is perhaps why they make other people so sleepy." Sniffen, after a moment's hesitation, concludes that it would be well to retire for a while.

SENATOR DWIGHT M. SABIN.

Official Head of the Republican National Committee.

AND A TALKED OF CANDIDATE FOR THE PRESIDENCY.

Dwight May Sabin came into this world April 25, 1843, at Manlius, Lasalle county, Illinois, and not in Connecticut as many papers have stated. His father was a farmer on a large scale in Illinois when Dwight was born, and the son grew up on the farm, a hard worker during the crop seasons and a close student as the country school during the winter months. He was not satisfied with the range of studies taught, and devoted his evenings at home to the mastery of the higher branches of mathematics, and civil engineering. After his father's death, the son located in Stillwater, Minnesota, in 1867, he then being about 25 years of age. He began dealing in lumber on a limited scale and capital, but so successful was the venture that his business gradually increased and grew to large proportions, so that at the present time, after 15 years, he is doing a business of over $10,000,000 annually. Besides being the owner of a large number of mills in the pineries, he is the heaviest stockholder in the Northwestern Car Company of his State, and enjoys an annual income from the profits of his various enterprises of nearly $2,500,000.

Mr. Sabin in early life became identified with politics in Minnesota, and was elected a representative three terms in the State legislature, and two terms to the State Senate.

He has been for several years a member of the Republican National Committee for Minnesota, and a delegate to the Republican National Convention of 1872, 1876, and 1880 respectively. Was elected Chairman of the Republican National Committee, Dec. 12th, 1883, by a unanimous vote, and since that has been considered, Mr. Sabin's availability as a candidate for the nomination for the Presidency at the Convention in Chicago next June is being advocated by a large number of papers.

Mr. Sabin was elected to the United States Senate to succeed William Windom, and took his seat March 3rd, 1883, his term expiring March 4th, 1889. He is a little over 40 years of age, and reputed to be worth $10,000,000.

ONE BY ONE THEY GO.

Marrying and Mating as the World Revolves.

BY HILL ARP.

She took our daylight with her,
The smiles that we love best,
With morning blushes on her cheek
And pearls upon her breast."

One by one they go. They are always going, for the boys will run after the girls, and they pull 'em, beg 'em, and flatter 'em, until they surrender, and then marry and go. There is a sweet sadness about it, and for a while the house seems desolate and the good old father and mother wander around and look lost and say nothing. I came by one of these deserted homes last night and saw the old folks through the window. The mother was knitting in the corner and the old man looking fixedly in the blazing fire and smoking his pipe. I knew well what they were thinking about, for a young man had come after their child and carried her far away—the child they had nourished and loved so long and done all they could for, and now she was gone, gone for good. It is the course of nature, but somehow it humbles a fond parent in spite of nature, for a man is a stranger to his blood, to step in between and steal a daughter's purest, tenderest love, and take her away. Somehow it reminds us of our age and infirmity. The old pillars that sustained the house are decaying and growing weak, and the child seeks a new and more vigorous support. One by one they go, the boys and the girls; and the old homestead is but a place to visit and then go away again. We are thankful and happy when they come, and we know they love us still, but it is most always a sacrifice of time and money and puts in peril their business and opportunities. Nevertheless, they ought to come, "for life is short and time is fleeting," and the old folks will soon be gone. This devotion to aged parents is mighty sweet to me. I know a man of our town—a lawyer of standing and distinction—who every month, goes in my house in a hired buggy and spends a day and a night with his aged mother in the mountains, and comforts her, and she looks forward with delight to his monthly visits and fondles him to her bosom and blesses him, and when he leaves her to return to his wife and children he knows that her prayers follow him and they rise to heaven like incense and he feels better and nobler for his pilgrimage. I respect that man because he respects that good old mother, and if I had a case for court I would submit it to him with all confidence, and if I had a large estate and wanted a faithful executor, I would choose him. I can't help ruminating over these things sometimes, for a feeling of sadness comes over me when I think of our own children who have left us, and now domiciled in five different states—from New York to Florida. When shall we meet again? And there are more to leave us, and by and by they will all be gone and our hopes and joys will flutter and fall like the leaves upon a withered tree. That is the way I feel at times, but it is not the way we ought to feel. It is not the way I talk to other people.

"Brace up old gentleman," I say brace up. Why, they will keep coming and going, and your grandchildren will come to see you and you must make things lively. Frolic with 'em play horse and bear, and go hunting with 'em, and tell 'em stories, and hold your head up like a patriarch. Grow old gracefully and be always ready to brighten up the family hearth with a venerable smile. We don't want any long faces in this sublunary world. Cheer up, and makes folks glad to see you. Never say die until your time comes, and when it does come draw the drapery of your couch about you as the poet says and lie down to pleasant dreams.

As a dude was passing a residence in Lawrence, Mass., a little girl came to the door and cried: "Monkey, Monkey, Monkey, come in the house!" The dude was hopping mad, and was just about to ring the bell and demand apolgies of the family, when he saw that the girl was calling a little pug dog in the street. He can't get over his own mistake though.

PECK'S BAD BOY AGAIN.

HE RELIEVES THE SUFFERINGS OF AN OLD SCHOOLMATE.

"You say a word against that poor girl, and down comes your grocery," said the bad boy to the grocery man. "She is a Christian, that girl is, though she don't put on airs and go to church with silk dresses and rich duds. But she prays, by jings, better than any of 'em. You see her father is a drunkard, and he takes half she makes peddling apples, to buy gin, and her grandmother has got the consumption, and that takes the other half to support her. I know that girl when I went to school, and yesterday she come to me crying, and said she was going to ask a favor of me 'cause I had a heart to me. It seems her drunken father had taken all her money, and had gone on an awful bum, and she didn't have any to buy some of those cough syrup lozenges for her grandma, and the old lady was chokin' up pretty rough, and she wanted me to lend her a dollar till she could wedge on the apples she was going to get trusted for. Probably you have noticed I haven't got any watch this morning. I have got my chain, with a bunch of keys on it in my pocket, but nobody will know I haven't got any watch unless they ask me what time it is, and then I will tell them it has run down, and I guess it has, 'cause pawnbrokers never wind up watches. Well, sir, I got four dollars on my watch, and I went and bought apples for her and medicine for her grandma, and then I went down home with her. When I went in the little room, where the old lady was on a bed, and heard her let off one of those regular hark-from-the-tombs coughs, that sounded away down cellar, where it is damp and mouldy, I tell you it made me feel serious. And when that ragged little girl got down on her knees and prayed there in the dirt, and asked God to bless the friend that had risen up and lifted such a load off the sufferer, do you know, I felt as though I had swallowed a piece of turnip or something hard, and couldn't get it up or down, and the tears came to my eyes just like when you peel onions.

"She didn't use any of this highfalutin language, such as the high salaried preachers use, where you want a dictionary in your pew to find what the words mean. It was no fall dress, formal prayer. The little girl got right down on her kees, and said: 'Oh Father in Heaven,' just as though God was sitting right there in front of her on a three-legged stool, and seemed confident that the Heavenly Father heard her. She didn't tell God anything about my pawning my watch and buying the apples, and she didn't mention my name at all, but I could imagine that He who watches even the sparrow fall, was onto the bunch of keys in my vest pocket, hitched to the chain, bigger than a house. I could have listened to that dirty, ragged girl pray for an hour, she was so natural and pitiful, and talked so God could understand it whether He had ever graduated at college or not. But she wasn't talking against time, for wages, and she just seemed to have a little conversation with the good Lord just as a child would with its father, and then she got up and fired some medicine down her grandma, and made her a cup of tea on an oil stove, and toasted a piece of bread and poached an egg while I sat there thinking. Do you know she broke me all up. If it wasn't for that old camel's knees, and the shoes run over at the heel, and the moth-eaten stockings, I should have thought she was an angel; and by gum, I will pawn everything I have for her to get things for her grandpma, but somebody else has got to chip in to buy gin for the old man. I can't run a hospital and a distillery both, on one cheap watch, but I am going to work for the Humane society next week, and that girl can have all the money I make, as long as the old lady's cough hangs on.

"Say, do you think there is any bathroom in heaven where they can take such a dirty girl as that make an angel of her that will pass in a crowd? Take the dirt out from under her finger nails and soak her hands in hot water, and put cold cream on them, and let her sleep a few nights with rubber gloves on, and I suppose they could make her pass as an angel. Well, I have got to go down to the Humane society office. I was in a street car the other night, and the car was full, and got off the track, and the mules couldn't pull it. All the men sat there and wouldn't get out. They read papers and acted mad, while the driver pounded the mules; I was on the back step, and I yelled, 'The members of the Humane society are requested to get out of the car and help push. You ought to have seen. They all looked at each other, and then they all got out, and some of them looked ashamed, but they helped the mules. The boss of the Humane society heard of it, and he said he would give me a job watching for butchers who maul cattle. I guess I can work my way up so I will finally hold the grand position of looking after lame horses that draw swill wagons. Well, I must go and send a doctor down the alley, to sound the old lady's cough, and have him charge it to pa."

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MY MOTHER.

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