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## HIS CONSCIENCE.

He Would Not Spoil His Prayers  
For All the Cod Fish in the Atlantic Ocean.

There was once in Boston, an old codfish dealer, a very earnest and sincere man, who lived prayerfully every day. One of the great joys of his life was the family worship hour. One year two other merchants persuaded him to go into a deal with them, by which they could control all the codfish in the market, and greatly increase the price. The plan was succeeding well, when this good old man learned that many poor persons in Boston were suffering because of the great advance in the price of codfish. It troubled him so that he broke down in trying to pray at the family altar, and went straight to the men who had led him into the plot, and told them he could not go on with it. Said the old man: "I can't afford to do anything which interferes with my family prayers. And this morning when I got down on my knees and tried to pray, there was a mountain of codfish before me, high enough to shut out the throne of God, and I could not pray. I tried my best to get around it, or get over it, but every time I started to pray, that codfish loomed up before me and my God. I wouldn't have my family prayers spoiled for all the codfish in the Atlantic Ocean, and I shall have nothing more to do with it, or with any money made out of it."—Home Herald.

## STYLE IN ATCHISON.

It is said that Mrs. Lysander Appleton wears her waist line so fashionably low that her children climb on her ankles and think they are sitting in her lap.—Atkinson Globe.

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## THE EMPIRE GOWN.

Oh, where is the girl of the shapely bust,  
Or the girl of the curving charms?  
Oh, where are the shapes of a twelve-months back?  
All now take the shape of an empty sack,  
Or the trunks of the tapering palms.

The girl that we loved—and the girl we kissed—  
Was a vision, as all well know,  
She's hips and a bust, and a curving waist—  
Just once in a while, perhaps, too much laced,  
But always a lovely show.

But now, woe is me, all the curves have gone  
And there's nothing but straight lines left;  
A keyhole is just such a shape, I ween,  
With waist right up under her armpits seen—  
And our senses are clear bereft.

In starting to hug her, we don't know where  
Is the place for our trembling arm;  
We're likely as not to score a miss  
And meet with a frost in the place of bliss  
From the girl of the straight-waist charm.

But, spite of it all, she is still our queen,  
With her tresses of black or brown  
Hid under a tent-like peach crate hat,  
Enough to make Solomon murmur "Scar"  
And "Away with that Empire gown."

This thing cannot last to the end of time  
And I hope that we'll live to see  
The beautiful shapes that we used to know—  
The smooth-flowing curves that attracted so—  
And in this, I know all agree.

H. H. Brimley.

## DE GRE'T HOUSE ON DE HILL.

Speaking suh, about old master;  
Yes suh, he air living still;  
But he don't liv at the gre't house,  
Standin' up dar on the hill,  
Passin' years has brought gre't changes  
Reckon you might know de cause—  
I don't 'zackly—but dere's diff'rence,  
Things ain't like as once dey was.

Gre't house windows now all brok out,  
And you never see de light  
Beamin' through dem lak a welcome,  
As it use ter shine at night;  
Ricky de doahs an' poaches,  
An' de win' howls round it shrill,  
Lak it proud it drive de music  
From de gre't house on de hill.

Gre't house 'minds me of old master,  
Standin' up dar all alone,  
Jes' lak ev'ything done lef' it  
Dat makes in dis worl' a home;  
Empty rooms an' empty heart, sah—  
House and marster's waitin' till  
Bofe shall lie in dust together  
'Neaf de trees upon de hill.

But, sah, naim been lak dat al'ays,  
'Fore dese changes come along  
At de gre't house all was brightness  
All aroun' was laugh an' song;  
Patterin' foats and merry voices,  
Eechoed where now all's so still,  
Dar's when we was all together  
At de gre't house on de hill.

All de merry voices hush'd now;  
All de patterin' foats is gone;  
No one lef', 'cept me an' 'master,  
An' I 'spect we'll follow soon.  
It gets mighty lonesome here, suh,  
Jes' waitin', waitin' till  
We is called to rest beside dem,  
Sleepin' up dar on de hill.

But you spoke, sah, 'bout ole marster;  
Yes, sir, he air livin' still,  
But he don't mind 'bout de gre't house  
Standin' up dar on de hill.  
'Pears he al'ays looks above it  
To de sky so blue and calm,  
Lak he sees de ole-time house folks  
Waitin' for him jes' beyon'—  
Looks above de oak trees yonder  
'Cont de grave-stones white and chill  
Lak he pints to hopes gone higher  
Dan de gre't house on de hill.

Philip Cady Mills, in National Magazine.

## CONTINUAL DOUBT.

"How many children have you?" said the tourist, affably.  
"I dunno exactly," answered the tired-looking woman.  
"You don't know?"  
"Not for certain. Willie's gone fishin', Tommy's breakin' in a colt, Georgie's borrowed his father's shot-gun to go huntin' an' Esmeralda Annis thinkin' of elopin'. I never know how many I've got till supper time comes, so's I can count 'em."

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## THE YOUNG DREAM.

The light was soft in the conservatory.  
"But," said the young girl, nervously plucking to pieces a mauve orchid, "but there are microbes in kisses."  
The plashing of the fountain mingled with the low, deep voice of the youth.  
"My microbes," he murmured, passionately, "are so lonely."—Puck.

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When respect departs, love packs its grip and takes a vacation.  
Everybody's business is nobody's business except the busybody's.  
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## EVIDENTLY A SOUTHERNER.

The Old Fashion "Corn Pone" that the Old Southern Cooks Know So Well How to Make

The Washington Post is a great newspaper and on its staff there are some bright and able writers. The writer of the following tribute to the "corn pone" as it is known in the South, is evidently a Southerner to the manner born, for no other could be qualified to speak "by the book" as he does. Hear him:

"The Chicago wheat corner that so recently demoralized the market in that cereal has caused another discussion of the feasibility of substituting corn meal for wheat flour in the economy of the kitchen. The thing would be as good as done if there were mills to grind corn meal and cooks to bake real corn bread—the old fashion 'corn pone' that the old fashion Southern cooks know so well how to make.

There are few such mills at the South and many such cooks there; but the commercial meal in cities, ground very fine and bolted at the mill, cannot be converted into bread fit to eat by the most skillful cook, and that is the reason why the North has so long rejected corn bread other than an execrable stuff, compounded of eggs, milk, baking powder, and a flour they call corn meal.

Real corn bread is made of coarse meal, ground on a horse or water mill, the utmost capacity of which is not over 20 bushels per diem. The corn must be sound and carefully picked from the bin. Take that meal, sift it, mix it to a rather stiff batter with pure cold water, and bake the "pone" in an intensely hot oven. Every atom of the meal, as it heats, splits open like a kernel of popcorn, and when exactly done the bread is simply delicious. Most cooks add a little salt to the meal before mixing it with water, and most people prefer the salt; but that was long ago voted plebeian, perhaps that accounts for its popularity, the plebeian being in a large majority in this glorious Union of ours.

But corn bread will never become popular as pone, or hockecake, or Johnny cake, or egg bread or batter cake, so long as the meal comes from mills that grind the grain at terrific speed and cook the grist in the process of turning the grain into meal. Nobody can make real corn bread of that stuff, and that is why the great majority of our people will continue to look to wheat as the staff of life.

## THE TELEPHONE GIRL.

The telephone girl sits in her chair and listens to voices from everywhere. She hears all the gossip, she hears all the news, she knows who is happy and who has the blues, she knows all our sorrows, all our joys, she knows every girl who is chasing the boys; she knows of our troubles, she knows of our strife, she knows every man who talks mean to his wife; she knows every time we are out with "the boys," she hears the excuses each fellow employs; she knows every woman who has a dark past; she knows every man who is inclined to be "fast" in fact, there's a great secret beneath each saucy curl of that quiet, demure-looking telephone girl. If the telephone girl told all she knows it would turn half our friends into bitterest foes; she could sow a small wind that would soon be a gale, engulf us in trouble and land us in jail; she could let go a story which, gaining in force, would cause half our wives to sue for divorce; she could get all our churches mixed up in a fight and turn all our days into sorrowing night, in fact, she could keep the whole town in a stew if she'd tell a tenth part of the things that she knew. Oh, brother, now doesn't it make your head whirl, when you think what you owe to the telephone girl.

## Trouble Makers Ousted.

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Often a pickpocket puts his foot in it while trying to get his hand in.  
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## TELL THE GOOD NEWS.

This Is the Spirit That Will Convert The World.

A New Zealand girl was brought over to England to be educated. While attending school she became a true Christian. When she was about to return, some of her schoolmates tried to dissuade her. They said: "Why do you ever go back to New Zealand? You are now accustomed to England. You love its shady lanes and clover fields. It suits your health. You may be shipwrecked on the ocean. You may be killed and eaten by your own people. Everybody will have forgotten you there. Why not stay where you are and enjoy life?"

"Why?" she answered, "do you think I could keep the good news to myself? Do you think that I could be content with having found pardon and peace and eternal life for myself, and not go and tell my father and mother how they can find it, too? Do not try to hinder me, for I must go and tell my people the good news."

That is the spirit that will convert the world to Jesus. What the church needs is not more machinery, but more of the spirit which controlled the life of this New Zealand girl. It was the spirit that led Andrew to find his brother Simon, and which later led that brother to preach the word of life to the thousands gathered together on the day of Pentecost. When that spirit takes possession of us, we need no urging to persuade us to go to the perishing and tell them of Him who came to save.—St. Louis Advocate.

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