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### NEVER MIND.

What's the use of always fretting  
 As the trials we shall find  
 Ever strewn along our pathway?  
 Travel on, and never mind.

'Travel onward!—working, hoping;  
 Cast no lingering glance behind  
 At the trials once encountered;  
 Look ahead and never mind.

What is past is past forever!  
 Let all fretting be resigned;  
 It will never help the matter—  
 Do your best, and never mind.

And if those who might befriend you,  
 Whom the ties of nature bind,  
 Should refuse to do their duty,  
 Look to heaven, and never mind.

Friendly words are often spoken  
 When the feelings are unkind;  
 Take them for their real value,  
 Pass them on, and never mind.

Fate may threaten, clouds may lower,  
 Enemies may be combined,  
 If your trust in God is steadfast,  
 He will help you, never mind.

The United States Supreme Court has decided that marriage is simply an agreement between one man and one woman to live together as man and wife, and upon their mutual declaration and living together, the marriage is perfected, and it is not necessary to have license, to publish bans, or to have a magistrate or witnesses, or any other form of solemnization whatever. So parties will govern themselves accordingly.— [Farmer and Mechanic.

### JOSH BILLINGS TO THE GIRLS.

Hear girls, are you in search of a husband?  
 That is a pumper, and you are not requested to say "yes" out loud, but are expected to throw your eyes down onto the earth as tho you was looking for a pin, and reply to the interrogatory with a kind of draulin sigh.  
 Not to press so tender a theme

until it bekums a thorn in the flesh we will presume (to avoid argument) that you are on the lookout for something in the male line. Let me give you some small chunks of advice how to spot your future husband:

1. The man who is jellus ov every little attenshun which you git from some other feller, yu will find after yu are married to him he luvv himself better than he duz yu, and what yu mistook for solissitude, yu will discover has changed to indifference.

Jellosy ain't a heart diseze, it is a liver komplaint.

2. A mustash is not indispensible; it is only a little more hair, and is much like moss and other overgrowths. Often do the best on aile that won't rise any thing else. Don't forget that those things which you admire in a feller before marriage, you will probably in a in a husband after, and a mustash will get to be a very weak diet after a long time.

3. If husbands could be took on trial as Irish-cooks are, two thir's ov them would probably be returned; but there don't seem to be any law for this. Therefore, girls, yu will see that after yu get a man yu hav got to keep him, even if yu luv on him. Consequently, if yu have got enny kold vittles in the house, try him on them once in a while during courtin' season, and, if he swallows them well and sez he will take sum more, he iz a man who, when blue Monday comes will wash well.

4. Don't marry a phellar who is alwas tellin how his mether doz things. It iz too hard to wean a yung one.

5. If a man can beat you playin on a piananer, and kant hear a fish horn playing on the street without turning a summerset on account of the musick that iz in him, I say to

leave him; he might answer to tend babe, and if you see him to hoeing out the garden, you will find you have got to do it yourself. A man whose whole best lies in musick, (and not too hefty at that), ain't no better than a seed-litz powder; but if he luvv to listen while you sing some gentle ballad yu will find him mellow and not soft. But don't marry ennybody for one virtue eny quicker than you would flop a man for jist one fault.

6. It is one of the most tuffest things for a female to be an old maid successfully. A great many has tried it, and made a bad job of it, and had a hard time. Everybody seems to look upon old maids jist as they do upon dried herbs in the garret—handy for sickness—and therefore, girls, it ain't a mistake that yu shud be willing to swop yourself oph with some true-hearted phellow, for a husband. The swop iz a good one; but don't swop for any man who is respektable jist becauz hiz father iz. You had better be an old maid for four-thousand years and then join the Shakers then to buy repentance at this price. No woman ever made this trade who didn't get either a fool, a mean cuss or a clown for a husband.—Banner of Liberty

Holla, stranger: you appear to be traveling? Yes; I always travel when I'm on a journey. I think I have seen you somewhere. 'Very like, I've often been there.' 'Might your name be Smith?' 'Well, it might—if it wasn't something else.' 'Have you been long in these parts?' 'Never longer than at present—five foot nine.' 'Do you calculate to remain there some time?' 'Well, I guess I'll stay till I'm ready to leave.'

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