

Flashes of Fun.

—Sponge cake is that made with borrowed eggs.

—The British Parliament is fond of chestnuts. That's the reason the queen gives them a speech every year.

—If it were not for the church belles a good many young men would not be drawn to Sunday meeting.

—"It is somewhat unfair that people possessed of the least health have the largest amount of sickness to bear."

—It doesn't cost anything to remember the poor, but if you want the poor to remember you it will cost you something.

—An Irishman wrote home to friends over the sea that in this blessed land everybody is so honest that a reward has to be offered for thieves.

—A mule kicked over a can of dynamite in the oil country the other day, and for 200 rods in every direction there wasn't anything left but the mule.

—Every to-morrow has two handles, faith and anxiety. If you grasp either one you are likely to wish you had taken the other before the day is over.

—"Mamma, in what land does the dried-apple tree grow?"

"Don't ask foolish questions?"

"Oh! I suppose it must be in some swell country, any way."

—The goose is called a fool bird, and when you talk science to her she is; but she never lays more eggs than she can cover, and never bites off more grass than she can chew.

—The railway companies want to lay their tracks with hardened sleepers. One of the New Haven ministers says his congregation has material enough to set up a whole parallel road.

—"This is a very healthy place," observed a boarding mistress. "Yes—for chickens," said a boarder. "I have been here for two years and haven't seen a dead one yet." She took the hint.

—Some newspaper in the future, in its anxiety to get ahead of its esteemed contemporary, will publish the telegraphic news a week ahead, and will hire a special prophet to accomplish that object.

—An old lady was asked what she would do with all the corn if it could not be made into whiskey. She replied: "I would make it into starch to stiffen the backbone of the temperance people."

—"What a fresh complexion Miss B. has," said a gentleman to a young lady at a party.

"Yes," replied the lady, who was rival of Miss B's; "it is quite early in the evening yet, you know, and it hasn't had time to dry."

—Husband (airily): they had just returned from their wedding trip—"If I'm not home from the club by—ah—ten, love, you won't wait—" Wife (quietly)—"No, dear," (but with appalling firmness), "I'll come for you!" He was back at 9:45 sharp.

—"Well, Pat," was asked of a recently-arrived immigrant, "and how do you like America?" "It's a fine country, sor." "Have you succeeded in getting work yet?" "No, sor; but I have a friend in Washington who is afther getting me a pension."

—A Texas preacher caught four or five boys in his peach trees. He did not punish them, but merely said: "You ought to be ashamed of yourselves, particularly the big boys. Which of you boys here is the oldest?" "He ain't here at all, sir. He didn't know that we were coming."

—A farmer writing to a friend, to whom he felt under obligations for introducing a variety of swine, thus unbosomed himself: "Respected sir, I went to the fair at Monson. I found several pigs of your species. There was a great variety of beasts, and I was astonished at not seeing you there."

—The fob chain has come again. Now the watch-pocket which the tailors have gone on making for years will be of some use again as the receptacle of a time-keeper. Its value, however, to stow away a fifty or a hundred dollar note, where a wife may overlook it in her midnight search, has departed.

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NORTH CAROLINA, } In the Superior
FORSYTH COUNTY. } Court.

Emil Magnus & Thomas Lloyd, trading as Lloyd & Magnus, vs. David Darby, Benjamin F. Darby, & Phillip Darby, trading as Darby & Co. Notice.

The Defendants above named will take notice, That an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Forsyth County for the purpose of setting aside two chattel mortgages executed by J. B. Burch to the Defendants Darby & Co., and dated respectively February 4th, 1884, and February 5th, 1885, and of recovering of the Defendants the sum of One Hundred and Ninety seven (\$197) Dollars, with interest; and the said Defendants will further take notice, that they are required to appear at the next Term of the Superior Court of said county, to be held on the 7th Monday after the 1st Monday in September, at the Court House of said county, in Winston, N. C., and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the Plaintiffs will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint. This 11th day of August, 1886.

C. S. HAUSER, Clerk of Superior Court. J. L. PATTERSON, Atty. for Plaintiffs. 28—6w.

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