flashes of fun.

Smith-I hear Mrs. B. has returned from the country. Brown-Yes, "the melancholy days have come, the saddest of the year."-Boston Budget. .

"Bridget, you are never in the kitchen when I want you. How is it?"

"Sure, mum, it's for the raison there's no tellin' when you're a wantin' me."-The Epoch.

"Aren't you tired of this vacation, ma?" asked a little fellow. "I am tired of the noise you make, that's all." "And I'm tired of the noise you make trying to stop the noise I make." Honors were easy.— Hartford Post.

"Come in, my poor man," said a beneyolent lady to a ragged tramp," and I will give you something to eat. I suppose your life has been full of trials?"

"Yis, mum; an' the wust of it all wuz, I allus got convicted!"

"Please sir, have you seen a gentleman without a little girl?"

"Well, and what if I have, little one?" "My Uncle John has lost me, and I thouget if you'd seen a gentleman without a little girl, you could tell me where he was."-Harpers Young People.

Summer hotel manager-"I declare, I don't know what I am going to do next winter; the hotel hasn't paid me anything.'

Head waiter-"Well, if you get hard up I'll give you a lift. It shan't be said that there's no honor among thieves so long as I have a dollar."

A boy was being examined as a witness in a New York court. The point involved was proving the date of an affray. Lawyer-How do you know that the fight occured on Sunday? "Because it was the day I had to go to the side door of the saloon for beer." "That settles it," remarked the judge. - Texas Siftings.

Doctor: "Did you give the patient that white powder at 10 o'clock? Nurse: "Yes sir." Doctor: "And the liquid at 11?" Nurse: "No, sir." Doctor: Didn't? You rascal? I want it understood that my orders are to be obeyed. Why did you not give the liquid? Answer me.' Nurse: "The patient died at 10.05."-

Briggs-"Tompkins has been talking

"Has he? The idiotic old liar! What

did he say?" "Why, he said you were the best look-

ing man in the block." "Wh-Oh, I see! Well, you know Mr. Tompkins was always conceded to have a great deal of taste."-Judge.

"Darling," he whispered, "did you ever feel a fluttering sensation of the heart -an inward sinking, so to speak?"

"Yes, love," she murmured: "Why?" "Because if you have, I know how to

prevent it." 'Oh, John, tell me how!'

"Why, just use plenty of pepper when you eat green cucumbers."-Arkansaw Traveier.

Customer (to tailor)—Do you make the new style dress coat, designed to distinguish a gentleman from a waiter? Tailor -Yes, sir. Customer-I believe you may take my measure. Tailor (taking his measure)—Where may I have the pleasure of sending the coat, sir? Customer-The Hoffman. Tailor-You are a guest there, I suppose, sir? Customer—No, I'm one of the waiters.

A .- "I see that in the preface to your book you state it is written to fill a longfelt want."

B.—"Yes; and so it is." "What do you mean by filling a long-

want?"—Siftings.

"What do I mean? Why, I've been needing a square meal for the past two years. Don't you call that a long-felt

"What brought you to this place, my friend?" inquired a visitor at the penitentiary of a convict.

"A mere matter of opinion got me here, sir."

"Impossible!" "No, sir. I expressed the opinion that I was innocent, and the jury expressed the opinion that I wasn't. It's a cold world, sir."—Life.

rain. He eved the clouded sky somewhat blankly, and said: "De fac' is, boss, disk meather is got so free lately you can't count on it for steddy work." Very correct. Superfluous freedom, either in the rect. Superfluous freedom, either rect. Superfluous freedom, either in the for an ornamental appendage at parties, weather or any other American citizen, is not the best preparation for steady work.

—Dr. Hatcher, in Baltimore Baptist.

A cheerful view, if not a strictly cor-rect one, is taken of a seeming misfortune by a Texas paper, which observes: "It is a good thing that the cattle in Texas are dying off, for when they die off they decrease in number, when they decrease in number they become more valuable, when they become more valuable their owner becomes wealtheir. Therefore it is a good thing for the cattle to die off."

Proud father—Welcome back to the old farm, my boy. So you got through college all right?

Father's son—Yes, father. Proud father-Ye know I told ye to of land. What do you think of that flat sary for some one to apologize to the aumeeder there, for instance?

a ball game!—Tid-Bits.

a eminent citizen advertisin' for a faithful watch dog.

Second Burglar-Well, I hate to part with my dog again, but I'll have to. "Well, I'll take him oround and sell him to him. Y'r sure he's faithful, are

"Every time. He'll be faithful to us every time we want to climb in the windows."-Omaha World.

"Then I am not to call on you any more," he said, as he twirled his hat in his hand.

"That is what I intended to say," she

replied, coolly.

"And our engagement is all over?" "Well," she said, with some asperity, "if you've gone and talked about it to everybody, I suppose it is. I'm sure, I haven't said anything about it. If it is all over, it's your own fault."- Washington Critic.

Intending Emigrant—"Did you ever see a cyclone?"

Man from Dakota—"Only one, but it was a regular old-timer with all modern improvements."

"Did it strike your house?" "I should say it did!"

"Ruined you, of course; swept everything away?"

"No, sir; didn't take a thing. The sheriff had been there that very morning, and he did the sweeping. You never saw a cyclone so disappointed in your life!"—Harper's Bazar.

A man with a package of Price's baking powder in his hand rang the bell at the door of the Peterby mansion in a Texas town.

"I've got something that every good housekeeper ought to have," he said. "What is it? asked Mrs. Peterby.

"It is a new kind of baking powder." "None for me, if you please. I slipped up on some baking powder not long ago. It was of no account in the world." "Is that so? Is it possible that I have

been here before?" "Tompkinson," said a somewhat rapid traveling man to a friend, whose tastes and habits were much like his own, "I'm

very much worried." "I wouldn't cultivate it, my dear fellow. But what's the trouble?" "Debts. I'm overwhelmed with them.

I can't turn a corner without running into a creditor. There's the patter, and the tailor, and the gents' furnisher, and the florist, and the liveryman-in fact I don't see but one way out the difficulty.' "What is that?"

"I've a good notion to commit suicide." "And add the undertaker to the list! My dear fellow, at least be reasonable." -Merchant Traveler.

A man came to the house of a prominent New York gentleman, who was renowned for not paying his debts, and knocking at the door, asked the boy who appeared if his father was in.

"No, sir, he has left town to be gone a month. He is in Chicago right now." "I am sorry, for I wanted to pay a lit tle bill I was owing him." "O, you want to pay him money, do

"Yes, certainly. Here it is."

"Well, then, I'll run in and ask him if

he hasn't got back.' The man had got back from Chicago, but the visitor, who was a deputy sheriff, served a citation on him for house rent. -Texas Siftings.

"Well-er," said the youth, rising, "I er—guess I'd better go. It's 10 o'clock." "Oh, you need not hurry unless you want to," said the young lady.

"But-er-your father may object to my staying any longer," rejoined the youth. "I have-er-read so much about stern fathers coming downstairs and-er forcibly ejecting from their houses young men who stayed rather late in company with their daughters, that-er-I am rather afraid to remain longer."

"Oh!" exclaimed the beautiful maiden, with a laugh, "you needen't be afraid There are seven girls of us still unmarried, and pa would rather invite you to a late lunch than do anything to render your visit unpleasant. He always keeps himself carefully out of the way when young men call at the house."

"And you-aw-say that cannot be mine," said Mr. Fitzpoodle, as he with-We ventured to ask a colored brother drew the knob of his cane from his mouth last week if he thought it was going to and examined it attentively to see whether he had removed any of the var-

hops and so forth, but I am afraid you would not wear well as a husband."

"Yet-aw-I have heard you say that I possessed one admirable quality."
"Yes, you have one admirable quality.

You are considerate to your enemy."
"Considerate to my enemy?" "Yes, you never put an enemy in your nouth to steal away you brains.'

"No, nevah." And that shows you to be very considrate to your enemy."

"In what respect?" "In not imposing on your enemy an impossible task."—Boston Courier.

The following incident is told of Signor Brignoli, the tenor: He was singing in concert for a charitable object, when the study up on chemistry and things so you'd know best what to do with different kinds singers' sore throat, and it became necesdience. The manager declared that he Father's son-Cracky, what a place for was suffering from nervousness and could not do it; and he begged Bignoli to

First Omaha Burglar-Say, Bill here's make the explanation. The tenor, going forward, said

"Ladies an' gentlemen, I'regret to zay zat Mme. W—— eez a leetle horse diz

Peals of laughter greeted this announcemisunderstood.

He advanced once more and, with thundering voice, roared out: "I-zay-zat-Mme:-W-eezleetle-horse-dis-evenin'!"

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