

HUMOROUS.

It is said that the late General Sherman...

A wealthy old farmer, who had seven good sons...

—Judge—Presented to the bar, have you anything to say...

—Bishop Cameron—“I can't be mistaken. Aren't you a son of the winners of Richmond?”

—Major McTear—“Mr. Fitch, I want you to know the Regiments of Cavalry, one of our most eminent disciples of Bradman.”

—Cushman (stopping Mr. Dunley)—“By the way, Dunley, I see that your bank account is overdrawn to the tune of a hundred and fifty dollars.”

—Philosophy (to a woman)—“A woman is like a pocket watch. It is not until it is open that you know what it is worth.”

—Miss Dimpsey—“I suppose you are going to play?”

—Miss Dimpsey—“You are, probably?”

—Miss Dimpsey—“Well, then, I suppose you will play?”

—Miss Dimpsey—“You ought to play.”

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Why, so flagrant a dereliction would produce social war, the knife and the bill, “I would explain robbery of an engagement, which could not be tolerated for a moment.”

At these feasts, the greatest good will and hilarity are indulged and they are never marred by besotted, less. They give and take jokes with the friendliest freedom, and go into the farmer with a very greasy crop, or who is markedly belated in any part of his cropping operations.

Not only is great benefit derived from the interchange of thought and the discussion of ways and means to produce best results in an agricultural line, but these gatherings establish neighborhood regard, one for another and find a class together for mutual protection and interests. And this consummation is devoutly to be wished, when it is considered that the farmers are a class upon whom all the land, whom nearly all plunder.

Then, hurrah for the Edgecombe farmer and his “cue! Long may they wave.”

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“Your smoke house! What do you mean?”

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