

A prominent stranger who has the reputation of knowing all about horses, was coming down Woodward street the other day when a stranger hailed him, inquired if he was Mr. So and so, and added: "I have walked seven miles this morning to secure your advice. Will you go to the harness shop with me?"

The citizen turned back and walked three blocks to the shop. The stranger then showed him two horse-brushes and said: "This brush is twenty cents and that one two shillings. Which would you advise me to purchase?"

"I'd take the dearer," said the disgusted adviser. "Did you bring me here simply to settle that question?" "Oh, no I had about all ready made up my mind to get a brush with a landscape painted on the back. Now about currycombs. The object of a currycomb is to agitate a horse, I suppose, but what particular style do you advise? Here are both red and blue handle currycombs, and I will be guided by what you say."

"Did you ever own a horse?" ask the citizen. "Mercy, no!" "Do you own one now?" "Why, no!" "Then, what in fixation do you want of those things?"

"Well, that's another matter on which I want your valuable advice. Isn't it better to buy a brush and currycomb in the winter and then buy the horse in the spring, or would you buy all at once?"

"You'd better buy a saw-horse!" remarked the indignant citizen as he walked off.

"Just see that!" gasped the man who had walked seven miles. "Why, I was intending after we got through to ask him to take a glass of beer, and he walks off as if he took me for a dead-beat! What other man in Detroit knows all about horses?"

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