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"I have often heard this spoken of as light literature", he remarked as he read his gas bill through the second time, but it always comes right home to a man.

"Yellowy said a short while ago that he was too poor to go to the World's Fair, but I guess he will go now". "What makes you think so?" "He has just failed".

Jack—"How would it do for me to speak to your farther to-night?" Jess—"Best time in the world; he got the bill for my new bonnet just before we started for our drive".

What's the difference between a cat and a legal document?" Answer—"The one has clawses at the end of its pawses; the other has pauses at the end of its clauses".

Davis—"Who says the day of miracles is passed? Judge Williams performed one yesterday". Hending—"No! What was it?" Davis—"He gave a deaf man a hearing,

She—"I notice that you are always glancing at the clock". He—"You don't suspect for a moment that I am weary of your company?" She—"No; but I suspect that you have pawned your watch".

Colored Party—"What yo' fishin' fo', boss?" Fisherman (carelessly)—"Oh just for recreation". Colored party—"Well, yo, won't kotch none. Dere's nuffin in dat creek 'ceptin' mudells an' suckers."

The City Editor—"What have you written about the death of that bright young Jenkins?" The Irish Reporter—"Something nate, sir—windin'up with these words, 'He leaves a brilliant future behind'".

Wife—"An phwy do yez be takin' thim pills when yez are well again". Husband—"Faith, would ye be after havin' me let a dollar's worth of pills go to waste? It's a thriftless family oi married into sure".

"Henry", said the physician's wife earnestly, "why don't you go into politics?" "why that isn't usually considered advisable for a young doctor". "Isn't it? I thought you might get an appointment to be one of the ward healers who seem so important".

Sinking Far Out at Sea.

On August 4th the North German Lloyd steamship Saale crashed into the Norwegian bark Tortoise-shell off the bank of Newfoundland. The crew of the sailing vessel were saved, but the bark sank. A young woman on board thus describes the wreck:

"We were all at dinner, when there came a thud, and the ship stopped. We had been moving very slowly, and the shock stopped us, but not with enough of a jerk to spill the water in the glasses or tip anything over. A number of people screamed, and began running around. Somebody looked out of a port-hole, and then told me to come on deck to see the other vessel sink.

"It was a magnificent sight. The vessel had all sails set. When we reached the upper deck all of the men had been rescued, so we could appreciate the sight. The beautiful thing acted as if living. It leaned first to one side and then to the other, rocking like a creature in pain, and then slowly righted itself, and, trembling like an aspen, began to slip out of sight.

"There was not a sound on the Saale except the "hush-hush-hush" of a little escaping steam. Slowly, and yet, oh, so swiftly, the vessel sank into the water, which was blue as sapphires, and dimpled as if smiling. The shipwrecked sailors removed their caps and saluted, then remained uncovered until the last bit of masts and rigging had disappeared, and not a ripple on the surface of the water betrayed their loss.

"It was only four and a half minutes from the time of the collision until the last thread of sail had disappeared, yet it seemed very long. It brought tears to the eyes of men, as well as women, to see that beautiful ship slip out of sight as it did."

A Knotty Question.

A dispute involving the possession of a large fortune is shortly to come before the courts. It arises out of the loss of two lives in the recent appalling disaster at Battle Creek, Mich. Two of the victims were husband and wife, both of whom had considerable independent estates. They had no children, are the claimants for their property are distant relatives. According to the terms of the husband's will his property would, at his death, pass absolutely to his wife if she survived him, and the wife had also made a will making her husband her heir. If there had been any considerable interval between the deaths of the two, the personal relatives of the survivor, in the event of no later will being made, would inherit the combined estate, to the exclusion of the relatives of the one who died first. The question to be decided is whether it is probable that one died before the other, and, if so, which of the two. Or if they died simultaneously, which set of relatives is entitled to inherit. Apparently the decision of the court will be based on probabilities.

An Amateur Robinson Crusoe.

Small boys who have read Robinson Crusoe, and who feel that they wouldn't mind being cast away themselves, will be interested in the following account of his experience in that line narrated to a reporter of the St. Louis Globe Democrat by Mr. Charles P. Cartwright:

"I was raised," said Mr. Cartwright, "in North Carolina, near the coast, and about five miles out was a long low island, called Plum Island, because a great deal of that fruit grew there. I read De Foe's wonderful story when about twelve years of age, and determined to become an island recluse. My father owned a number of slaves, and among them a tall gawky boy of fourteen, named Pete, black as the ace of spades, and lazy as an alligator. I selected Pete as my man Friday, and Plum Island as the realm over which I would rule. Pete was perfectly willing to become my subject, on condition that there should be little to do and plenty to eat; so one night we loaded an old scow with provisions, sneaked a single-barrelled shot-gun, and set out on our voyage. We reached the island all right, landed our provisions, broke up the scow, and built a hut. We then amused ourselves hunting and fishing, and lived like lords.

"After the first month we began to get lonesome, and pined for civilization. There were no savages to slay or goats to domesticate, and the mosquitoes were terribly bad. But five miles of water intervened between us and the mainland, and we had no boat. We tore down the hut, and tried to reconstruct the scow, but could not make it seaworthy. Our provisions gave out, and we had to live altogether on the sea-fowl we shot and the fish we caught, and the diet soon became very monotonous. Finally our powder gave out, and we were reduced to a fish diet exclusively. I was monarch of all I surveyed, but I would gladly have bartered my crown for a piece of 'corn pone' and a rasher of bacon. Just before the plums were ripe, a party came over from the farm to gather them, and I went out of the Crusoe business permanently."

What Women can Do.

Here are some things a woman can do:

Shop all day long and not spend more than 50 cents.

Walk the floor with the baby half the night and not be bad tempered at breakfast next morning.

Entertain unwelcome visitors and make them fell welcome.

Dance for hours in shoes two sizes too small and yet have "a perfectly lovely time."

Make her mother in-law like her.

Talk about servant girls and woman suffrage in the same breath.

Have a nervous headache and go to a matinee and forget all about it.

Subsist on a diet composed chiefly of cakes, buns, pickles and tea.

Sleep peacefully with steel prongs sticking into the head, their purpose being to crimp the hair.

Wear thin-soled shoes and wonder why she has neuralgia.

Do fancy work for four months before Christmas and yet enjoy that holiday when it comes.

Keep house, rear the children, attend church, sew, belong to several clubs and then feel sorry for "poor John" because he has to work so hard.

Here are some things a man can do:

Sharpen a pencil.

Drive a nail.

Take his sweetheart to the theatre and never once leave her side.

Take the same sweetheart to the theatre a year afterward, when she has become his wife, and go out between every act.

Be positive that he knows more about the silver question than any of the other fellows.

Smoke $2 worth of cigars a day and wonder how some people can be extravagant.

Go to a baseball game and howl like a Comanche Indian from pure enjoyment.

Spend his last $5 for a good dinner and think it well spent.

Wear a chrysanthemum the size of a young cabbage and not feel conspicuous.

Make more trouble about a slight cold in the head than a woman would if she had typhoid fever.

Wear loose, warm, comfortable clothes in Winter, and thin, equally sensible and comfortable clothes in Summer.

Pay little or no attention to fashions and yet be always well dressed.

Be generous and fair where his wife's relatives are concerned.

Admire other women and adore his wife.

Talk about the hard times to his wife when she hints about a new bonnet and tell all his men friends that he has not felt the stringency in the money market at all.

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A young English girl afflicted with unbecoming "fleshiness" has succeeded in ridding herself of a large amount of it without injuring her health by following the regime given below. She began by getting up at 6 o'clock every morning and taking a three mile walk before breakfast without considering the weather. At 9 o'clock she had a large cup of coffee, with very little sugar, and a slice of dry bread. Then she occupied herself as she liked until two o'clock, when more bread and some vegetables composed her meal. At 4 30 she was off for another long walk, followed by a cup of tea and a few dry biscuits. Ninety days of this regimen reduced her weight from 186 to 145 pounds.

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