

# FUNNY SIDE OF ZION CITY.

Dowie Himself Has a Name as a Humorist—The Pun His Favorite Form of Wit.

There are few places in the world where wit and humor are more appreciated than in the little city of the Dozies. The absence of the theater, dance and other forms of entertainment, the introduction of cards, billiards, pool and other games, the disfavor in which newspapers and comic periodicals have been held, and perhaps most of all the natural reaction from frequent and long "voluntaries" seems to have created a humor hunger among the people.

The most successful leaders of these "voluntaries" have been those who make them laugh loudest, and as all the world knows, John Dowie is a humorist. He has a broad sense of humor, and a sense of humor that is not only a source of amusement to his audience, but a source of amusement to himself. He has a sense of humor that is not only a source of amusement to his audience, but a source of amusement to himself.

Several ludicrous blunders of Dr. Dowie's interpreters on his foreign trips have become classic in Zion City. During one of the doctor's meetings in Paris his remarks were being done into French by a young Parisian who had studied English a few months in London. In the course of his address the prophet of Zion City got on the trail of "the unspeakable hog." Among other things he had against the porker was his immunity from rattlesnake poison. The word rattlesnake was a new one to his interpreter, but this was no time for consulting dictionaries. Something had to be supplied, and that immediately. In desperation the young man used the French word for flea. He had read somewhere that swine were bothered by these festive insects, so he put in the word. The following is a free English translation of what that astonished Parisian audience heard the interpreter say for the famous preacher from America:

"The pig is so poisonous himself that he does not suffer any harm from the bites of a flea. There is an island in the Detroit river, in the United States, that was once so infested with fleas that no one dared to go there. It was a beautiful island, and the owner wanted to reclaim it, so he introduced pigs. These filthy animals luxuriated in the fleas. When a flea would bite one of the pigs the pig would just laugh at it, turn around and eat the flea from snout to tail. Finally the pigs ate up all the fleas, clearing the island of them. Then the pigs were sent to Chicago and made hams. The hams were sent to Paris, and you ate meat from swine fattened on fleas—and thought it good."

In Lausanne, Switzerland, the general overseer had as interpreter an English gentleman who had spent many years in France, and was fairly well versed in the French language. He was a little rusty, however, on some of the fine points, as is shown by the following: There are several colleges of medicine in and about Lausanne, and there were many medical students at the lecture. It was for their benefit that Dr. Dowie was telling the experience of a certain newspaper woman in New York City who went to five different physicians for consultation when she was in perfect health, and returned with a diagnosis and prescription for a different disease from each. This is the English of what the audience heard from the interpreter:

"She went to the first. He looked at her tongue. He thumped her chest. He listened to her heart. He took her temperature. He felt her chicken."

At this point the story was interrupted by a shout of laughter from the students. The interpreter had said poule, meaning hen or chicken, instead of pouls, meaning the pulse.

**A SHOW FOR BACKWARD PUPILS.**

Writing of Springfield, the "City of Special Schools," in Everybody's for September, Marion Mellus says:

"It was found that in the grammar and primary grades the teachers were often hampered in their work by pupils considerably older than others of the



GENERAL PORFIRIO DIAZ

## TROUBLESOME MEXICANS OVER THE BORDER.

Much uneasiness is being felt in southern Arizona as a result of the failure of the Mexican government to suppress the Mexican border bands of organized robbers and marauders which for months have been harassing that portion of the American state with raids and threatened raids. Although the Republic of Mexico would unhesitatingly disavow any acts of the outlaws, the fact remains that the border bandits have not yet felt the iron hand of President Diaz, who in his twenty years in the executive saddle has often demonstrated his ability to crush disorder in his country.

same grade. They were generally pupils who needed more individual help from the teacher than it is possible to give in a regular grade; and their size, as well as their age, made them conspicuous as dull and backward pupils. To give these children the individual help needed, and to relieve the primary and grammar teachers, a room was reserved for them in one of the regular school buildings, this room to be known as the "grammar preparatory." There are now four grammar preparatory schools, and in them dull pupils are being rapidly transformed into bright, interesting boys and girls.

"There are many reasons why these children are backward. Some have not been able to attend school regularly, on account of illness; others have come from towns where the school system is wholly different from Springfield's, and they do not meet the requirements of the grade in which they have been placed; others have moved about from place to place so much that they have dropped behind in their studies; still others are foreigners who have been hindered by ignorance of the English language, and then there is the boy or girl who needs individual attention because of his or her peculiar disposition. So soon as a pupil is brought into one of these schools the teacher studies him to discover the precise cause of his backwardness and then tries to remove this cause. If he does not know the language, she

## NEXT WEEK IN HISTORY.

- SEPTEMBER 16.**
- 1736—Gabriel Daniel Fahrenheit, noted for thermometers, died in Amsterdam; born 1686.
  - 1812—Burning of Moscow; over 20,000 buildings destroyed; loss \$150,000,000.
  - 1822—Charles Crocker, the eminent railroad builder, was born in Troy, N. Y.; died 1888.
  - 1824—Louis XVIII, king of France, died, and Charles V succeeded.
  - 1864—Carnegie John Hanning Speke, the famous African explorer, accidentally killed by the discharge of his fowling piece while hunting at Neston park, England.
  - 1882—Dr. Pusey, famous high churchman, died; born 1800.
  - 1890—The palace of the Alhambra, in Granada, damaged by fire to the extent of \$250,000.
  - 1895—6,000,000 acres opened to settlers in the Cherokee strip.
- SEPTEMBER 17.**
- 1621—Cardinal Robert Bellarmine, celebrated for works defending the Roman Catholic church, died in Rome.
  - 1665—Philip IV of France died.
  - 1743—Jean Antoine, marquis de Condorcet, mathematician and friend of Benjamin Franklin, was born in Mors, died by poison, self administered, while imprisoned by Robespierre, 1794.
  - 1783—Samuel Proul, famous painter in water colors, died; born 1728.
  - 1826—Lucius Quintus Cincinnatus Lamar, statesman and jurist, born in Putnam county, Ga., died 1893.
  - 1882—Battle of Antietam.
  - 1884—Walter Savage Landor, scholar and poet, died at Florence; born 1775.
  - 1871—Mont Canis tunnel opened.
  - 1894—Remarkable naval battle in the Yalu river between Chinese and Japanese.
  - 1900—A strike involving 140,000 members of the United Mine Workers' association begun in the anthracite coal region of Pennsylvania.
  - 1902—George MacDonald, English novelist, died at Sagamore, Surrey, England; born 1824.
- SEPTEMBER 18.**
- 1567—Founding of St. Augustine, Fla., the oldest town in the United States.
  - 1709—Dr. Samuel Johnson born at Litchfield, England; died 1784.
  - 1830—William Hazlitt, English author, died in London; born 1768.
  - 1873—Financial crash in New York; beginning of great panic and five years of "hard times."
  - 1879—Daniel Drew, American capitalist, died in New York City; born at Carmel, N. Y., 1788.
  - 1882—The steamer A.M. A. foundered in a gale on Lake Erie; 95 passengers drowned.
  - 1890—Dion Boucicault, actor and playwright, died in New York; born 1820.
  - 1898—Captain Allyn Capron, whose battery shelled the Spaniards out of El Caney, died at Fort Myer, Va.
  - 1903—Professor Alexander Bain, noted instructor in logic and English literature, died at Aberdeen, Scotland; born 1818.
- SEPTEMBER 19.**
- 1519—Magellan sailed from San Lucar, Spain, on his voyage around the world.
  - 1665—On this day the great plague in London reached its worst, over 2,000 dying and about 10,000 in the week ending this day.
  - 1881—James Abram Garfield, twentieth president of the United States, died at Elberon, N. J.; born 1829.
  - 1890—Turkish man-of-war Ertogroul foundered, and its crew of 500 men was drowned.
  - 1902—President McKinley buried in Woodlawn cemetery at Canton, O.
  - 1905—Dr. Thomas John Barnardo, founder of numerous homes for poor boys in English cities, died in London; born 1845.
- SEPTEMBER 20.**
- 84—Antoninus Pius, Roman emperor, died.
  - 358 B. C.—Alexander the Great was born at Pella; died at 32.
  - 1643—Battle of Newberry and death of Lord Falkland, the royalist leader.
  - 1662—Bishop John Gauden, author of the noted "Elkon Basilike," long attributed to Charles I, died.
- SEPTEMBER 21.**
- The united tidal action of sun and moon on the atmosphere is greatest at this date, which some take to be the cause of the "equinoctial storm."
  - 1520—Sultan Selim I, Turkish national hero, died.
  - 1561—The famous Charles V of Germany, etc., died at the monastery of San Juste, Spain; born 1501.
  - 1697—Treaty of Ryswick, France, with England, Spain, Holland, etc.
  - 1756—John Loudon Macadam, famous for improvements on the English roads, born; died 1836.
  - 1776—Great fire in New York from the battery northward, along North river; Trinity church and 500 other buildings burned.
  - 1778—Louis Bonaparte, brother of the emperor, king of Spain and father of Louis Napoleon, born at Ajaccio, Corsica; died 1844.
  - 1832—Sir Walter Scott, eminent Scottish romancer and poet, died; born 1771.
  - 1888—William Warren, eminent American actor, died in Boston; born in Philadelphia, 1812.
  - 1901—Simon Sterne, an authority upon railroad and constitutional law, died in New York City; born 1839.
- SEPTEMBER 22.**
- 1761—Coronation of George III.
  - 1776—Nathan Hale executed at New York.
  - 1828—Major Theodore Winthrop, author and soldier, born; killed at Big Bethel, Va., June 19, 1861.
  - 1862—President Lincoln issued his warning proclamation of emancipation, which was perfected Jan. 1, 1863, freeing the slaves in all states in rebellion at the last named date.
  - 1897—General Bourbaki, noted French leader in the war of 1870, died at Bayonne, France; born 1816.
  - 1906—Marshal Martinez Campos, noted Spanish soldier and former captain-general of Cuba, died at Zaraus.
- Doctoring Wild Animals.**
- "The most interesting part of our work, the doctoring part," said Henry Love, the Philadelphia zoo-keeper, "is a thing that the public never sees. How would you like to see, for instance, a lion getting his claws cut, or an elephant having a tusk filled?"
- "These things take place often in zoos. The animals, getting so little exercise, are seized with all kinds of complaints. We are continually doctoring them."
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- "From lack of exercise the claws of lions, tigers and leopards grow too long and pierce the flesh. We then tie the animals up and manœuvre them with shears—an exciting job."
- "Sometimes we even doctor the fish. In the aquarium, taking them out in our hands and dropping a little castor oil down their throats, or else medicating the water they live in—a method that some specialists consider the best one for fish ailments."

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