

"Here is your writ of attachment," said a town clerk, as he handed a lover a marriage license.

A doctor went out for a day's hunting, and on coming home, complained that he hadn't killed anything. "That's because you didn't attend to your legitimate business," said his wife.

The people of the United States annually spend \$596,000,000 for spiritous liquors. When it is considered that during the same time the enormous sum of \$300,000,000 is actually squandered for bread, it is easy to see where the country is going to.

There's a fellow in Keokuk who knows everything—one of those men to whom you can't tell anything, and some of his friends have wagered that when he gets there, the first thing he will do will be to try and teach Satan how to build a fire.—Keokuk Constitution.

"George," she said to the perspiring young man, "I love you just the same, but as our city relatives are coming east next week, mother thinks you'd better stay away, because your long hair and freckled face might make them think our acquaintances weren't very high-toned." The young man is staying.

As the story goes, Colonel Ethan Allen was greatly taken aback one day. While in a self-gratulatory mood, he observed that there were never seven other such born of any woman as he and his six brothers. "You are mistaken," said a Scotch officer, who was standing by, "Mary Magdalene was delivered of seven exactly like you."

During the last rehearsal of a new piece at a London transpontine theatre the manager asked if all the properties were ready. "Everything I have on my list," replied the property man, with some hesitation, "is ready, but I have just heard Mr. X. ask about the acoustic properties, and I have not yet heard a word about those." "Let them be got at once and hang the expense," exclaimed the energetic manager.

A little five-year old friend of ours, whose mother was sick, remarked very soberly the other day, "Mamma, if you don't get well pretty quick I'm afraid you'll die, won't you?" "I'm afraid so," was the answer. "Well," said the little one, with a sigh, "I wish you would wait till sister and I get a little older, for I don't know who'd take care of us; grandma could, but she won't live long, I'm afraid, so I 'spose God will have to, but I should rather have some one in the house."—Greenfield Times.

"Fellow citizens," said a stump orator, "we have the best country in the world, and the best government. No persons on the face of the globe enjoy more privileges than we do. Here we have the liberty of speech and liberty of press, without onerous despotism. What, fellow citizens, is more desirable than this? Do you want anything more, my countrymen?"

"Yes, sir-ee," said one of the hearers, "I want a suck out of that flask sticking out of your coat pocket behind."

D—, a Parisian, wanted to get rid of his nephew, who cost him a lot of money every year. All offers he had made him about getting married had been declined under the pretext that the girls were either too old or too young, or too bad-tempered, etc. In despair D— went to a matrimonial agent, who showed him his register and photographs of some of his clients. The surprise of the dear uncle is hardly possible to describe when he discovered his own wife's likeness. Nearly out of his mind he goes home and sternly demands an explanation. "I can't deny the fact," the wife said gently; "but it was last year, my dear, when you had been given up by all the doctors."

Here is a scene that recently occurred in a railway car and for which the comic editor of the Christian at Work is responsible: A young woman enters and flounces into her seat, throws up her hands and exclaims to her companion with a loud voice which all in the car can hear, "Did you ever know anything so hot? I'm stifling! Can't you open this window? Whew! It's dreadful, isn't it? It's always so in these cars—awful!"

When this kind of remark had been made at some length for the edification of the company, a voice was heard from the other end of car—"Yes'm, it's awful. But we must try to bear up. 'Taint nothing to the sufferings of the early Christians." A general laugh followed, and nothing further was heard from that young woman.

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