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Poetry.

A TALE.

BY F. E. B.

One little college girl,
Gay as a lark,
Walking so merrily,
Home in the dark.

One little college boy,
Out by himself,
Walking so lustily,
Just for his health.

Around the church corner,
They hap'nd to meet,
Then they together went,
Down the back street.

Now on the college porch,
Two forms I see,
Now in the office door,
One form there be.

The Dean she now appears,
Girl goes to bed,
The boy he knows its true,
All that I've said.

Now the moral is this,
"Get a permit,"
For sure as you do not,
The faculty "sit."

JUDGE NOT.

BY ETOILE.

Judge not! condemn not! for how can you know
One atom, at most, of a part
Of the sorrow and grief that stifled, at last,
The hope that once thrilled in his heart.
The life that God gave him, to make or to mar,
Has perished in anguish and shame;
Was he born with a defect, or under some star,
In fate, or fatality's name?

Judge not! least the judgment return unto you.
Our lives are a riddle unguessed.
We toil on our journey to death's doubtful goal,
With sorrow anguish oppressed.
Who knows that his love had turned unto lust,
And mocked him, and laughed at his pain?
I wot that his idols were low in the dust.
Insanity shrouding his brain.

Editorial.

Notwithstanding the noise of the hammer, the falling of pieces from above, and the dripping of water, the student of Willamette makes no complaints. The school has progressed with steady activity. The students this year are enthusiastic in their work, making every effort to succeed. Much credit is due our President for his management so far in the affairs of Willamette. We have the mansard roof on now, and things are looking prosperous. Contributions are coming in for the new building, which we know will improve our city and will be greatly appreciated by the students.

Energy moves many obstacles. It is the energetic man that is doing the business of our cities to-day. The energetic man pushes

a little farther in his trade, and accomplishes his end. A few minutes in the morning is sometimes the success of the day. It is better to be ahead than behind. The energetic newsboy shouts his papers through the streets and puts out his paper, "have a paper sir," five cents! He shoves the nickel into his trowsers and is off for another sale, while the indolent boy still sits and misses the opportunity. There are latent powers in us all of which we have not put into action. Hundreds of young men do not succeed from lack of energy. Opportunities are open on every side if they would take hold. Many young men by a little push and energy might soon find a good standing among men.

The oak, with its leaves fresh and green, its branches strong, and reaching in all directions, with its roots deep in the soil, is picturesque to behold, but it may be the first blow of the ax that tells it is decayed within. The apple with its russet brown, golden yellow or blushing red, awakens a desire for the same, we apply the knife but it is rotten to the core. How this illustrates some lives, a beautiful form appareled in rich attire, an ideal man to the outward appearance, but his word discloses the fact that corruption is within. Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.

Why is it that the college student is so anxious to finish his course! It is the thought of being in the busy stream of life. Concealed in his or her bosom is a thought of making something in life; it may be to fill a public position, or a place among the trades or professions; the thought of standing beside other men shoulder to shoulder with them in the great activities of life causes the heart to beat with new vigor. Time, "though silently," is passing us from our youth, and impresses us that we are on the threshold of our life-work. It stands us in hand to be steady and careful for these ministers will never return again; when the day is spent it is gone forever. Fill each moment well for somewhere in the future each has its reward.

Society.

The societies have been doing good work during the past month. On October 2d the Philodosians discussed the following question: "Resolved, That Whittier was a greater poet than Longfellow." The affirmative leader was Miss Rilla McCulloch and the negative Miss Belle Aitken.

Many reasons were put forth on each side and the judges decided in favor of the negative.

On October 16th the Philodosians discussed the much agitated question: "Resolved, That the women of America should be allowed to vote." Miss Lula Sargent leading the affirmative and Miss Anna Alderson the negative. It was not our privelege to hear this debate with note book in hand, but we have no doubt the question was discussed with interest and enthusiasm. The decision was rendered in favor of the affirmative.

The Philodorians have been exercising their oratorial powers on various questions, political and otherwise. On October 16th they debated the question: "Resolved, That more men have died from the effect of strong drink than in battle." D. L. Amon led the affirmative and W. G. Hibbard the negative. The various debaters pro and con, brought up argument dating back to when Noah got drunk and Xerxes led his vast army over the Hellespont, and extending to a future war in China, and analyzing a strong drink used in Central Africa. The question was decided in favor of the negative.

The following week H. N. Rounds as affirmative leader and John Whitaker as negative leader, with their respective assistants, discussed the question: "Resolved, That we as a nation are approaching a political crisis in the history of the United States." The negative in the course of the debate made a plea about beardless youths arguing against experienced politicians, but notwithstanding, the president decided in favor of the affirmative.

The question for October 30th is: "Resolved, That the government should own the railroads." G. W. Jones being affirmative leader and J. W. Reynolds negative leader. At time of going to press, the decision had not been rendered.

The Philodorian meetings are now held in the conservatory and are enlivened by frequent strains of music from other parts of the conservatory.

A decree has recently come forth that society meetings shall be closed by 10 P. M. Thus lengthy speakers must hereafter limit themselves.

Since the fire the members of the societies have been deprived of the use of the society library. These books will soon be put into circulation again.

The Philodosians are "pushing" their new society hall. Their plan is to have a hall next to the Philodorian so arranged that they may be thrown together on extra occasions. Their committees are actively at work and if this move is successfull Willamette will have just cause for feeling proud of her literary societies.

Since the last open meeting the younger members of the societies have concluded that the dean's watch can keep better time that the study room clock.

Exchange.

As the college year advances our exchanges become much more numerous. We see many of our old friends again, while a few we fear, are defunct.

We wonder if Solomon was looking over a great pile of exchanges when he exclaimed: "There is nothing new under the sun." —*Ex.*

The *Emory Phoenix* contains a strong plea for the ladies under the caption, "The Province of Woman."

Athletics form the subject of a great deal of thought in college journalism this year. About one-half of the reading matter of *The Haverfordian*, for October, is devoted to this subject.

In the question drawer of *The Young Men's Era* we find a very interesting discussion as to the advisability of using the billiard table in the Y. M. C. A's. The following article seems to voice the general sentiments on the subject:

"*H. G. Hicks, physical director, St. Louis:* It seems to me the chief objection against introducing billiard tables into association work is the existing sentiment against them among Christian people. Any association introducing them will incur a grave responsibility, as it would seriously affect the work in some of our weaker associations, and might even cause some of them to go out of existence. There are a few others I might mention, but this is to me objection enough to keep them out of the Young Men's Christian Associations."

We gladly welcome *The Palo Alto*, whose motto is worthy of commendation. It is, "for, to, of, with and by the students of Leland Stanford, Jr., University." It is profusely illustrated, containing portraits of Senator and Mrs. Stanford, Leland Stanford Jr., and President Jordan

The *Hamilton College Advance* has as a frontispiece, in each of its numbers yet received at our sanctum, an engraving of one of the college buildings. This is an example worthy of emulation.

Especially conspicuous in *The Mephistophelean* appears a strangely mixed article entitled, "Tale of a 'Possum:" author unknown.

The Reflector, of the University of Oregon, contains a column of short biographies of the members of the senior class. If it were not for the immense size of our senior class we should be tempted to follow suit.

How many hours a day do you spend in the library?—*Ex.*

Have you done anything to make even ONE new student feel more at home among us?—*Ex.*

The Crescent opens with a short biography of the new president of Pacific College, followed by his inaugural address.

The Laureutian, of Lawrence University Appleton, Wisconsin, announces the completion of a new observatory building.

The Czar has sent to tne Stanford University in California a magnificent collection of rare minerals valued at $35,000. There are more than 800 specimens in the collection. In return for this liberal gift, Mrs. Stanford intends to present a collection of California precious stones and minerals to the St. Petersburg National Museum.

The Delphi contains two spicy articles entitled, "If I Were a Man," and "If I were a Woman."

Go to fictional literature once in a while and cool your brains. Physical exercise is not the ultimatum for leisure moments. Undoubtedly it will take out all the kinks that have creased into a sitting body. But —the mind needs uncreasing also. Imagination is probably the the least used of all the brain faculties in study. Don't let it kink up or get overfed with one kind of food. There are more things in heaven and earth than you have dreamed of, and there may be a utility in romance which you know nothing about.—*The Breeze.*

A young lady whose parents were common people, had just graduated from college. Her proud parents determined to invite their friends to a party given in her honor. Before the appointed time the daughter, fearing her father's ignorance would be found out, called him aside and said, "Now father, whenever you say anything, be sure and add, 'present company always excepted.'" On the evening of the party the host arrived home while the guests were at the supper table and being asked as to the cause of his being late, replied, "A neighbor called me in to see his hogs, and they are the finest hogs I have ever seen, 'present company always excepted.'"—*Ex.*

The *Dalhousie Gazette* has been enlarged and improved generally.

The stars and stripes will float eleven hundred feet above the ground at the top of a tower to be erected on the grounds of the World's Columbian Exposition. Andrew Carnegie will be the builder, and the tower will cost about $1,500,000. There will be three landings, the first 200 feet above the ground, where 4,000 people may be accommodated at one time. The highest public landing will be 1,000 feet above the earth and will accommodate 1,200 people. There will be prromenades, hotels, restaurants, etc., in the tower, besides offices for the signal service and for the scientific investigation, and just below the flag staff, which overtops all, will be the most powerful revolving light ever constructed.—*Ex.*

To us it is disgusting to see the affectation of some people who say "good afternoon" from noon until about sunset, and pretend to be surprised at others for saying "good evening" during the same hours, while the

same affected people never say "good afternoon" at any time of day. They should either be consistent or less affected. Northerners and their apes are responsible for this affectation and inconsistency. — Marshall (Texas) *Gazette*. Pshaw ! !

I can't write an article for *The Delphic* but I can send something to the *Forum*, and there I want to tell a few things. First, I want to tell people who don't know it that the faculty are quite highly civilized, and will do most anything for a fellow, if he happens to be of their kind of a fellow. "The Board," too, are all right, and manage about as well as could the students who blame them for all they don't do. If I were an old student who had a lot to say against the faculity or board, I'd get out of the hearing of new students to say it. If I were a new student and couldn't tell the difference between an old student who talked to me with purely friendly motives and one who had "method in his talking" I'd leave them all alone till I knew something of human nature, as seen at college.—*Delphic!* Tell it, brother.

A freshman arrived at his family nest and acted the howling swell. He'd stolen two signs, had sampled some wines, and such terrible actions could tell! As he recounted his feats to admiring friends, ahd said, I'm a bird' they say," some sophs. who heard, said, "yes, you're a bird, but the bird you're like is a jay !"—*Yale Record*.

How would jail bird do?

Literary.

CRAMMING IN COLLEGE.

BY JOHN W. REYNOLDS.

We have chosen a subject which pertain very closely to this, our school life. When we see students doubling and hurrying through school, the question very naturally arises in our mind whether or not they are doing the best thing for themselves. We first ask for what purpose do they come to college? The object of coming to an institution of this kind is to broaden and improve the mind, to develop all those faculties and natural talents which may be of use to us hereafter. We are here to prepare ourselves to do in the best possible manner that which is to be our life-work. What we do at school, the discipline and habits formed, will perhaps in a great measure determine our future success.

Then how necessary it is that we should put plenty of time and careful work on this preparation.

As health is nature's first law, we will speak first on that line. Students often permanently injuire their constitution by attempting to take too many studies. We should never become so absorbed in our lessons as not to take sufficient exercise. The harder we study the more time we should take in exercise. The requirements of health should always take precedence of our school work; for the benefit of learning and culture would not be great to one who had become an invalid in gaining these. Strength of body is as essential to success as strength of mind. Take for instance the case of Publius Comelius Scipio. Cicero tells us that he was of great mental powers and of more extensive acquirements than his father, Scipio Africanus, and but for ill-health must have been as bright a light of the state.

In most colleges there is a large gymnasium in which the students may exercise, and it is to be hoped that we shall soon have one here, for it is almost necessary to a good school. Often those who double in order to finish their course sooner, by too close confinement, bring on sickness and lose, rather than gain time. The gain of one or possibly two years amounts to but little in a lifetime. The one who has hurried through school is at a great disadvantage; he knows a great deal less than he should when he finishes his

education. The more time there is spent on anything the more good there is obtained. It is as poor policy to take two years in one, as it is to eat three meals in succession to save time. While we are at college is the time of all our lives, when we ought to be thorough and take plenty of time. We will never have such another opportunity to learn. Any person who has doubled in the curriculum will tell you that if he had it to do again, he would spend more time on his education. In music, it is not how fast a piece is played, but how well. It is about the same in our school work. But even when sufficient exercise is taken, the mind must not be forced. It should grow slowly like the oak tree, but also become strong like the oak. Did the question never occur to you what becomes of the prodigies which do such wonderful things in their childhood?

We never hear of them after they have grown to manhood or womaahood, perhaps because they all die young. Those men who have done great things are the ones who were not uncommonly bright when boys, but who had what may rightly be called the *genius* of perseverance. We readily recall one who was precocious—Horace Greely—but, as "great wit to madness nearly is allied," his mind became unbalanced in the last years of his life. Since when we take several studies, we cannot get them so well as if we were taking only a few, we must neglect some of them. Thus is formed the habit of only skimming over our lessons which is retained after we have left school, and is a great fault to correct. The habit of doing everything thoroughly cannot be overestimated. Then hurrying through school is likely to cause habits which may be a detriment to us. We find that many of the great men did not finish school until rather late in life; that it is not well to crowd the mind too much; that time should be no object; that health is essential to success, and doubling is almost sure to injure the health. We are not working for a diploma or the name of having been through school, but to obtain the best education possible. Therefore the best course is to take only a few studies and master those.

Miscellaneous.

FREE COINAGE.

BY G. W. JONES.

Of all that has been said on the great financial question of the United States, perhaps no part of it has received more thorough discussion than the question of "free coinage of silver." I will not attempt to discuss the practicabily of such a measure, but my chief aim will be to determine what is meant by the expression "free coinage." The two words have a greater signification than it seems possible for two words to express. It may be necessary before going farther to explain how gold and silver came to be used as the medium of exchange among the nations of the world.

In the earliest civilization there was no money in use. All commercial transactions were made by barter, that is, if one man has more wheat than is necessary for his own consumption, and he is in need of a horse, he would find some man who had a horse to dispose of, and knowing wheat to be valuable all over the world, would exchange with him. In this way nearly all articles that were of use became mediums of exchange.

Gold and silver were first used as ornaments, but since they could be divided with ease, and were not readily destroyed, they began to be used as a medium of exchange instead of grain and other useful articles.

Thus a transaction could be made by naming the weight of the metal that entered the transaction.

Finally it became necessary for the government to determine the quality of the

metal and to form it into various sizes, having the exact weight stamped on them. After a while some simple names were given to certain coins; then value was expressed by a number of certain coins.

The first unit of value of the United States was the "silver dollar," but in 1849 a law was enacted directing the coinage of a gold dollar, and in 1873 this gold dollar was made the unit of value instead of the silver dollar. That was the demonetization of silver. Since that time silver has depreciated very much in value, and the nation has become a gold standard nation, and great quantities of silver have been coined into silver dollars containing the same amount of silver as they did when it was the unit of value of the nation. The siver bullion from which they have been made was purchased by the government at its gold value. But the government does not put this silver dollar at as much value as it does the gold dollar (the unit of value.)

So we have much money that will pass for its face in the United States, but in the markets of the world it is worth less than 75 cents on the dollar. Now since in time of its deficiencies in money can issue promissory notes or greenbacks, and make them a legal tender in payment of all debts, both public and private, it has made an impression among many people of the United States that the government can give actual value to gold or silver without regard to quality. And they ask the governmeut to make the silver dollar the unit of value, and declare it equal in value to the gold dollar, without regard to the price of silver in the markets of the world. They also ask the government to permit each man who will bring to the mints of the United States, for every 371¼ grains, to receive a silver dollar which would be a legal tender in payment of all debts, then the two dollars would become equal in value all over the world.

CURIOUS PLANT LIFE.

BY MISS COOK MARTZALL.

It is interesting and often amusing to study the different features of plant life and compare them with human life. So many habits—if we may say a plant has habits—of each are similar. Take the stinging tree of Australia, wherever you come in contact with it, you receive a poison sting, the pain of which is maddening. And as you journey through life how many people are found who, when you come in contact with them, sting you with some unfeeling speech or sharp word. These dangerous stinging trees are beautiful to the eye, so, also may be the person who tries your patience with sharp words. Then take some of our common trees that bear fruit and serve for shade. They may not be so beautiful to look at, but charm by means of their luscious fruit and quiet service. Many people are thus the same, they go quietly through life cheering those around them, and when your eyes rest on them you have a feeling of peace. About half a century ago, in England, the story was told of a groaning tree. The people could not find out what caused the groaning as neither condition of weather nor seasons seemed to effect it. And 'tis the same with some of our fellow beings, they groan and complain, while a real and different cause would be hard to find. If you never have done it, go to a forest and note how well the carriage of the different trees will compare with the carriage of different persons. One tree stands erect, and holds its head with dignity and grace; while another leans this way or that and seems ready to use its neighbor for a support. This of course takes some imagination, but McCosh says: "Imagination widens the horizon of mental vision. It expands the mind by expanding the boundary of thought and by opening an ideal outside this real world." To enjoy life in the real sense of the word one

must possess a well developed imagination. If he does not possess it he should cultivate it.

Among other curious and interesting plants are the laughing trees and whistling trees. The latter grows in Nubia, and when the wind is blowing very hard over a forest of these, the flute-like sound produced on the hollow branches is wonderful. In China they have what is called the tallow tree, it has bright red, heart shaped leaves and the fruit is enclosed in a pod, which contains three grains; inside of these is found a substance like tallow, from which the Chinese make their candles. Alexander Humbolt tells of a wonderful tree he saw in Venzuela. It is called the cow tree, and if a deep incision is made in it, in a few hours quite a quantity of milk will flow from it. This milk is very rich and has a flavor almost like the flavor of cows milk. Cream will raise on it if allowed to stand and from this butter may be made. In the Canary Islands is found a fountain tree which would be quite a convenience in some parts of our western country. There is enough water distilled from the leaves to supply the inhabitants of the place in which it grows. We have around us in the vegetable kingdom much more than one would think until he begins to notice and study the character of its inhabitants.

To be successful in life, to rise above the common herd of mankind, a young man require certain elements of character. He must possess integrity that he may win public confidence; intelligence, that he may command respect, industry, that he may collect honey from the flowers of trade; Economy and frugality, to preserve his gains; energy by which he may surmount obstacles; and tact to enable him to adapt himself to the openings of providence, and to make him the man for the hour of opportunity. These qualifications are, to success in life, as foundations of jasper to a royal palace. Whoever possesses them cannot be an inferior man. To that man who retains them, life cannot be a failure. Nay, he must rise to social superiority; he must win a commanding influence.

Look upon the bright side of your condition; then your discontent will disperse. Pore not upon your losses, but recount your mercies.

It is clearly the law of our nature that the triumphs of intellect are to be gained only by laborious thought, and by the gains of one generation being made the starting point for the accusation of the next.

Willamette University in the death of Mr. R. S. Wallace has lost one of its honorabie trustees and one of its staunches friends.

With closest mental penetration he comprehended the entire situation in the recent discussion concerning the changes proposed for the University and ably advocated those measures which the unprejudiced must ever recognized as essential to its prosperity and to that of this beautiful city. He has ever been proved one of our truest friends and wisest counsellors, and his loss will be no where, outside of his immediate circle, more seriously felt than from our efficient board, of which he was one of its highest ornaments.

The work of restoring the roof of our University building has met a check in the profusion of rain of the last two weeks. The roof is however up and tinned with the exception of the turrets in the corners. The shingling of the mansard part of the roof is so far advanced that upon most of it the drippings from the roof fall ontside.

The tower will be begun as soon as the other work is sufficiently advanced. At this stage of advancement our friends are passing many expressions of praise on the improved appearanee of our main building. We are

well assured all lips will praise the structure when it is completed.

Plans are in contemplation far improving the interior, including easy flights of stairs.

When completed Willamette will have one of the most serviceable buildings for school purposes.

Arrangements are afoot to secure an excellent bell. Fire ruined the old friend whose familliar tones for so many years invited the students to study recitation and prayer.

It is hoped its successes will stimulate many multiples of the former long list of students to classic duties. The Philodosian society hopes to secure a separate but adjoining room from the Philodorians. The thorough refitting of this building and the erection of the new $25,000 building for new building for new session rooms, and chapel, will furnishes Willamette University with facilities never before enjoyed.

Personal and Local.

New roof.

Willamette in the dry.

The inconveniences from the fire almost forgotten.

Miss Olsen, of Moscow, Idaho, entered school last week.

Rick wears knickerbockers no more.

Miss Tilda Johnson has been out of school several days on account of sickness.

Mr. Gardner made a trip home last week to welcome a new brother-in-law.

When nothing else requires your attention "breathe."

Miss Rosa Moore, of the teachers course of '91, is wielding the birch in the public school at Scio, Oregon.

Rhetoricals were executed by the busy B's last week.

Mr. W. E. Burke, freshman '91, is preaching at Mehama, Oregon.

The recital given by Miss N. Stella Ames, assisted by members of the conservatory, was a decided success. Miss Ames acquitting herself with ease and grace. The proceeds of this entertainment will be expended in periodicals for the reading room of the Willamette University.

Chapel exercises were closed with appropriate Benedict-ions on two days of last week.

Mr. A. W. Prescott and Miss Harter entered school last week.

Miss Nellie Reinhart, of third year '91, is out of school this year on account of her eyes; she is now in San Francisco, Cal., undergoing medical treatment. May she soon be able to return to school.

Delicious Brown-Coffey at the secretary's table in the Philodorian society.

Mr. I. U. Temple, business course '91, is keeping books in Pendleton. He intends returning next year to take a thorough college course.

All below the third year performed their regular rhetoricals in their respective session rooms on Thursday afternoon of this week.

W. A. Calder, business college '91, is now the flourishing editor and partner of the *Brownsville Times*.

Miss Eva Paul, teacher's course '91, is enjoying the quiet of life at home this winter. Her sister Ida who was unable to finish her course on account of severe illness, is teaching near Walla Walla, Washington, and thinks of returning to school the last of the year.

The organization of a brass band was effected this week with ten members.

Prof. Arnold.—Has anyone seen anything of a stuffed fish swimming around in my session room? Ask G. W. J.

Mr. J. T. Starr, after seventeen years as a sailor, climbing the ropes of a vessel, has just entered school to try his hand at climbing the ropes of Old Willamette.

Prof. Hawley has not been able to hear his classes for the last three days, on account of illness.

There is a (White) colored gentleman now in attendance.

Boarding hall boy (to outsider)—We had meat pie for dinner to-day! Outsider (puzzled)—A meat pie; let me see, that's a pie with meat in it isn't it? Boarding hall boy (in disgust)—No! its a pie in which the crusts meet.

Miss Myra Albert, a former student of the conservatory and also of the art department, has gone to New York to enter an art school preparatory to a complete course in German. Miss Albert is one of Salems popular young ladies and her absence will indeed be felt in all social circles. She leaves with the best wishes of all.

Mrs. Rev. Dr. Thompson entertained the students last Friday afternoon, with a very pleasing and instructive lecture on the Y. W. C. A., and at its close effected the organization of an association in the school, with twenty-three young ladies enrolled. May success attend her most excellent work.

Mr. Geo. G. Basket and Mr. Fred A. Legg, former students of Willamette are now attending a school of pharmacy at Philadelphia. After finishing their course they expect to return to Salem. Mr. Legg entering the drug store of Brooks & Legg, of which he is a partner, and Mr. Basket the drug store of Geo. E. Good.

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Miss Edith Frizell has gone to Albany as a delegate to the State convention of the Y. P. S. C. E. from the Christian church.

During the past week four students, Misses Field and Frizzell, Messrs Field and Dearborn, have ascended the steps leading to the chapel platform, bowed themselves into the presence of the honored faculty and after giving their orations or reading their essays have descended from the platform heaving a sigh of relief.

The two societies are contemplating furnishing their halls anew, especially as to carpet, the old carpet being considered altogether too sacred for further use *as a carpet*. The Philodosians volunteer to make pincushions out of the old carpet and H. N. Rounds is to furnish the ribbon and lace.

Miss Bradshaw's many friends will be glad to know she has entirely recovered from her illness, and will enter school at the middle of the year.

Friday the Philodosians debated the question: "Resolved, That the people of Salem care enough for Willamette University to erect new buildings." Debate decided in favor of the affirmative.

Owing to the extreme dampness the lady students have been compelled to wear their rubber over shoes while in the building, and they threaten to carry umbrellas to protect their bangs from the damp air, until the

roof is completed. This caused them considerable unpleasantness but they were consoled on hearing a young gentleman remark that the ladies reminded him of water nymph, stepping around over the pools of water that came in their way.

Wise and Otherwise.

"WHAT do you learn from the parable of the wise and foolish vergins?" was recently asked in a Texas Sunday school. "That we must watch every hour for the coming of the bridegroom," a blushing Galveston girl replied.—*Galveston News.*

Bad for Georgia: Mr. Gotham—"I see that a law in Georgia prohibits the selling of liquor within three miles of a church or schoolhouse." Col. Kaintuck (of Louisville)—"My stars! That's a terrible blow to Georgia." Mr. Gotham—"Think so?" Col. Kaintuck—"Mercy, yes! In five years there won't be a church or schoolhouse left in the state"—*New*

Wool—"That Hughson seems a pushing sort of fellow since he married." Van Velt—"Hadn't noticed it. What does he do?" Wool—"Pushes the lawn mower half the time and the baby carrige the other half."—*Jury.*

Mamma (tearfully)—"It pains me, Tommy. just as much as it does you to have to whip you." Tommy (also tearfully)—"May-be it does but not in the same place."—*Chicago News.*

"Where are you going my pretty maid?" "I'm going to sneeze, kind sir," she said. "At whom will you sneeze my pretty maid?" "Atchoo atchoo, kind sir," she said—*Boston Journal.*

Polly—"So you are really and truly engaged—how did it come about?" Patsy—"Well, papa said he didn't care, mama said she didn't care, Jack said he didn't care, and I'm sure I didn't care, so we became engaged."—Puck.

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