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Thare izent mutch difference twixt bein as dum az a mule, and in knowin a hull lot that aint so.

The wicktems ov other menze greed are often drove by the appetite God give em too brake the lawze made by men ov greed.

In boyhood we kin wash away owr sorrowz with a splash of handy teanze, but in old age we must feed them till them or we fade away.

If men wurkt az hard too dig Justis out ov a hole az thay wurk to keep her hold up, thar wud be no yuse for law books and law soots.

Faith sticks to a man like pitch too Sunday trouzerze, and it takes a hull sea ov dout, and rubbed on with the brush ov reason, to wash it away.

If the evolooshun ov the yooman race iz troo, then that garden ov Eden story iz a fabull. Evolushun starts man at the bottom. Eden starts him at the top.

The onest man hoo kin look out over the sivilized wurld ov skinflintism, and applod the skinnin ov the un-kind, must hev a soft snap hisself, and iz holdin' hiz jaw shut to hold his job.

If thare wuz no good dun in the wurld, 'sept that dun in the church, yooman love and yooman charity wud trubbull only a small majority, and a beggar would starv on the cold stun steps.

Thar is hardly ever a law too reach the ritch wen thay ottoo be punisht, or taxt, and hardly ever a law too reach the poor man wen thay shud be rewarded. The law seemze to be short at both ends.

It duzent look mutch like sivilizashun too see a big stout woman doin nuthin but fondle a blear-ide pug dorg, wile only wun block away a poor consumptive mother iz dyin at her bench in a sweat shop.

APHORISMS FROM GOLDSMITH.

Handsome is that handsome does.

The jests of the rich are ever successful.

Seeming calamities may be real blessings.

Disproportioned friendships ever end in disgust.

Hospitality is one of the first Christian duties.

Some are born to command and others to obey.

Superior finery ever seems to confer superior breeding.

I felt a secret pleasure in doing my duty without reward.

Good counsel rejected returns to enrich the giver's bosom.

Premature consolation is but the remembrance of sorrow.

Olivia vanquished by a single blow; Sophia by efforts successfully repeated.

That virtue which requires to be ever guarded is scarcely worth the sentinel.

There is no character more contemptible than a man who is a fortune hunter.

The nakedness of the indigent world might be clothed from the trimmings of the vain.

We are not to judge of the feelings of others by what we might feel in their place.

He loved all mankind; for fortune prevented him from knowing that there were rascals.

Adulation ever follows the ambitious; for such alone receive most pleasure from flattery.

DEFINITIONS IN EPIGRAM.

Public opinion is a conscience owned by a syndicate.

An optimist is a man who has succeeded in associating with humanity for some time without becoming a cynic.

Love is the ... angel of life that rolls away all the stones of sorrow and suffering from the pathway of duty.

Regret is but the light of fuller wisdom from our past, illumining our future. The life without regret is the life without gain.

Worry is forethought gone to seed. Worry is discounting possible future sorrows so that the individual may ... present misery.

... is the confession of inferiority. It is an unnecessary proclamation that the individual is not living the life he pretends to live.

... looks at life as a debt to be paid; love sees life as a debt to be collected. Duty is constantly paying assessments; love is constantly counting its premiums.—William George Jordan.

WISE OR OTHERWISE.

A young man's best girl is never too good to be true.

A loafer never allows himself to get out of practice.

The man who pays ... sometimes goes broke.

Most things come to those who hustle while they wait.

Contentment ... things might be worse.

Two heads may be better than one, but not in the same family.

The funniest thing about some ... is their efforts to be funny.

The individual who repeats a ... stamps it with his approval.

Poverty may be a blessing, but ... when it clings to our enemies.

The more a man tries to prove that he isn't a fool the more he proves he is.

It makes a great difference whether glasses are used over or under the nose.

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SOME GOOD STORIES FOR OUR JUNIOR READERS.

Called in Haste—A Physician's Somewhat Amusing Experience—A Lesson in Politeness—Something That Young People Should Learn to do.

A Study-Hour.

Oh! what a mystery
The study is of history!
How the kings go ravaging
And savaging about!
Plantagenet or Tudor,
I can't tell which was ruder,
But Richard Third
Upon my word,
Was worst of all the rout.

Called in Haste.

A Lesson in Politeness.

... fool's cap put on his own head and laugh at himself in the mirror on his own bureau, is a yet greater hero. Legion is the number of children that have gone to the bad through the fear of being laughed at for doing right.—Boston Herald.

How Ants Know Their Own Family.

It is known that ants recognize each other very easily. When an ant enters a colony which is not its own, it is almost immediately put to death. A German naturalist has discovered and has established that it is by the sense of smell that this subtle recognition takes place. If an ant touches water it is invariably attacked by its sisters on its return to the colony; the water having removed from the ant the special property on which depended the recognition. The following experiment would prove it. Some ants were crushed and with the juice thus obtained an ant was smeared and placed in a strange colony. If the ant were perfumed with the juice of this colony it was well received; if not, it was at once attacked. An ant washed with alcohol at ... degrees was ... attacked ...

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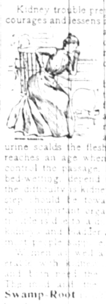

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