HUMOR OF THE DAY

Best-Paying Part of the Business.

"How are you finding business, doctor?" was asked of a physician.

"Capital," he replied. "I have all that I can attend to."

"I didn't understand that there was much sickness about."

"No, there isn't. But we physicians do not depend upon sickness for an income. O, no; most of our money is made from people who have nothing the matter with them."

Silence Is Golden.

Mrs. Housekeeper—John, you really must have the landlord come and see for himself the damage the rain did to our ceiling.

Mr. Housekeeper—I can't without letting him see the damage the children have done to the rest of the house.

Slight Misunderstanding.

"Uncle, will you have some pate de foie gras?" asked the fair hostess of a relative who was dining with her.

"Will I have a plate fer grass!" echoed the old man, who was slightly deaf. "Say, sis, do you think I'm Nebuchadnezzar or a hoss?"

Merry Yuletide.

La Montt—I see you up to Edna's home a great deal. Don't you know there are judgments hanging over her father's head?

Le Moyne—It matters not so long as mistletoe is hanging over Edna's head.

Hard Work.

Mother—Willie, I'm so glad you study "Moral Philosophy." I put a $10 bill in it and I see the money's gone.

Willie—Yes, ma, and I wish you'd put the stuff nearer the front. I had to turn over 243 pages to find it.

Modern Way.

"Shall we notify the count's relatives that he is being held for ransom?" asked the trusty lieutenant.

"I should say not," replied the bandit chief. "Advertise him for sale in one of those American journals devoted to the interests of title-seeking heiresses. See?"

Always Pushing On.

Fond mother—Well, Harold, how are you succeeding at school?

Harold—Master says I'm getting well up in figures.

Fond Mother—Indeed?

Harold—Yes; I used to be seventh in my class, and now I'm sixteenth.

Quick Change.

Sweet Singer—"Did you notice the new diamonds in my ears?"

Comedian—"Yes, they are very large and attract a great deal of attention."

Sweet Singer—"Thank you."

Comedian—"I means the ears."

Gratitude.

Jings—Did the man that brought back your dog get his reward?

Jangs—I should say so! He got out of the yard alive!

Supply vs. Demand.

"Poets are born, not made, you know," remarked the quotation fiend.

"Of course," rejoined the philosophical person. "No sane man would think of disputing that assertion."

"Why not?" asked the p. f.

"Because it would be the height of folly to manufacture an article for which there was no demand," answered the wise guy.

A Bad Outlook for the Bailiff.

"Why is this witness not in court?" the judge angrily demanded. "Bailiff, go immediately and bring him here. His absence is inexcusable, and I shall not——"

"If your honor please," interrupted counsel for the defense, "I am afraid your bailiff will never be able to reach him. He has gone to heaven."

An Honest Confession.

The village scene of the comic opera was occupying the stage.

"Where is the milkmaid?" asked the villain, between cigarette puffs.

"Well," replied the inkeeper, "I don't mind telling you that about half of it is made at the pump in the back yard."

Summer and Winter.

"Who is this man who is telling us that he has found a way of exterminating mosquitoes?"

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