



TICKLE GRASS
BY BYRON WILLIAMS

There's hope of joy in this life of ours
Faded by sorrow
An' 'st pick th' flower!

Naughty Uncle Rubs.
Desoon Handicrabble—"I s'pose ye heard about Uncle Rubben Costain's disgrace down to th' metropolis?"
Desoon Squeezethard—"Lawsy sakes, no! Do tell what's com' over Uncle Rubben?"
"Wen't Chelcawo last week, an' by mistake he drunk water off 'm th' 'fire extinguisher!"
"Yes!"
"Yes, it was at th' hotel ye know."



"FOR THE LAND BARKER"
an' he thought it was one of 'em there new fangled ice-water fidgets—an' when he cum bum an' told about it they church'd him!"
"Church'd him?"
"Yes, for drinkin' fire water!"

Somehow I always reminds us of our boyhood days down on the Cedar river. May I we always began driving the cow to pasture. These were hard and trying days for mother, as it invariably took three calls and a threatened whipping to get us up in time to make a respectable showing with the neighbors' boys. At Sweet days of Arcadia, they are gone forever!

A Chinaman bought a wife for \$200, paying \$3 a week, and when the last \$3 was paid, John declared he was not sick of his bargain. It might be well to add, that he did not get the maid until he had paid for her! Otherwise—Ouch! Lemme go!

Making the Garden.
Oh, gosh! such luck I never saw! A boy to that a day's work!
He's got to dig and work like an' man, most every time he gets 't the garden.
An' left me workin' with this spade!
Oh my! I wonder which'll win, With hammers down I day my hax!
I wish there wold'n' nothin' grow out anywhere upon this place!

Doggone th' garden anyhow, Just now when I have got a bite, An' suckers him! Gosh, what a fat fat I can't never go to his denot 'till this here garden work is done!



"DOGGONE THIS GARDEN ANYMORE?"
This never was a game of ball but that I got tired I should stay home and help with this or that, for one gosh in my new 'st' wood!

An' when th' circus is in town I better leave there, 'as allows, About an hour before the dark, I go and hustle home then covey! Oh, what a pain! I'm sick in my head! I'm tired now, 'specially in my head! I guess I'm sick, 'specially in my head! I'm tired now, 'specially in my head!

You bet! The score was 10 to 10, I walked 'em out every play! I made a home run, too, by the way, I'm glad that I was sick to-day!

Just about the time we get used to a man's looks with a full beard, he visits the barber and we have to begin all over again.

We don't care if the old mill never grinds with the water that is past, so long as there is plenty of water yet to come.

It is the things we do under adverse circumstances that show the metal of which we are made.

Many a man would sacrifice the blouses mother used to make for the dough that uncle made.

Make the most of the small opportunities. They, in turn, will help you to greater ones.

A good way to keep the boy on the farm is to hire a pretty dairy maid.

The golden rule south men live by is merely stated.

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DON'TS.

- Don't ignore little chances for big opportunities.
- Don't be too smart—that would prove you foolish.
- Don't preach—outwitting the devil is more interesting.
- Don't be jealous—if she is not trust worthy, plenty are.
- Don't marry for a home—it may cost you double its price.
- Don't malign the absent, especially women—men hate it.
- Don't devilize yourself—you may be a demon; don't tell it.
- Don't nag—a natter is thistle-down compared to a nagger.
- Don't smile too often at Bacchus—it cheapens any woman.
- Don't meet a lover halfway—make him come three quarters.
- Don't be on the lookout for evil, but when you see it cut it.
- Don't overdo—on an over-doed woman both age and vulgarizes herself thereby.
- Don't put a woman upon a pedestal—women would prefer you to support them for life.
- Don't be a pride—don't talk of spades if you can help it, when you do, call them so.
- Don't snub—for heaven's sake never gush over men—any man would prefer a whipping—Minna Thomas Antrim in Chicago Record-Herald.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Those who don't pay their money often take their choice.

The moth hasn't much use for a man who has but one suit of clothes.

The average man seems to think it his duty to help the Lord punish sinners.

Real estate dealers wax fat at the expense of people who want the earth.

Occasionally men die of thirst, but more often they drink themselves to death.

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