## QUIPS and CRANKS.

Crre to our coffin adds a nail no doubt
A ${ }^{2}$ devery
Aace Jats St-She: Whisky has kille mol rather be full of whisky than full of id rathe
bulipts.
At the Horse Fair.-Pat: An' what re ye axin' for the ould bag $o^{\prime}$ ' bones? Mike : Nivve4 moind! More dan de lik av you cud give, annyhow : Pat: That's
where yer'e wrong, me darlin'! Oi,ve a where yer e wrong, me darin' oi, ve a
good bright dellar in me pocket this yood bright dol
bessed minnut
"Penny wise"-For a golden penn of the thirteenth century somebody gav £250. at the famous Montagu colleotio sale, At this rate, some of us could live on
twopence for a considerable time, with wopence for a considerable time, wit out much extravagance.
Partially Obeerved.-'Young man said the temperance reformer, solemnly Avoid whisky and water ; it is a pern cions mixtuze." "I do," replied the young man-"especially the water.
Not So Bad"as That.-"You see," emarked the amateur angler, "Welle Foreston with a lunch hamper, two bot tles of whisky, and our fishing-tackle." "Have pretty fair sport?" ventured the uest. "Fair! Glorious! Only at the start some infernal raseal went to work an stole our" - "Hamper-eh?" "Oh, no not so bad as that! Only, our fishing-tac

Amateur "Xifinimus Roety" (who has Amatem mise , fro has called at the once twice a week for three mine? Editor (ruthlessly determined that his shall be lis finat visit) : Oh I think 5o. There are two or three broken pane of glass, and a hole in the skylight. How of glass, and
large is it ?
Jabez Balfour, who was visited in pri son, reported not to have lost flesh. H little luxur, to whimpagne, and othe littieluxu.
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eystomed.
Not settled. Magistrate : I must, of course, commit you for trial, when th jury will decide whether this is a case of manslaughter or myrder. It has been clearly shown that it was from your blow with the poker that your wife was settled to effect a marriage settlement.
At the Empire Music Hall the othe evening a man who had a̧ seat bet ween his wife and daughter left at the termon ation of a certain turn for a trip-down stairs. When he returned he found a vac ant seat between two women, and dropped into it with the remark, "AS I was saying when_I went out ; it's_none of your basiness what other people wear. Because someone else makes a fool of herself by wearing cotton stockings in the winter, it does'nt follow that you must do the same.", "Sir!" came from both sides of him qt once, and the way he got out of that seat made the soles of his boots red hot.
Not Easiluy Bioken.-"Come, cap'n take something with us." Well، I don't much keer ef I dew, long's won't break my rule. Id never drink onless I was either alone by myself $p^{r}$ with somebody."
Not So Strict.-The following story about the late Duke of Hamilton and his
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ing the races at Hamilton one yeay his ing the races at Hamilton one yeay his
Grace invited a number of the tenant farmers to Hamilton Palace to witnes the sport. Among the those who eam
were pne or two elders in the Kirk, and were pue or two elders in the Kirk, anc
one who held a similar office in the Free Kirk. Just before leaving the Dukp aske he rep "Gchun, how he had enjoye himself. "Grand, your Grace-grand but dinna let on abpot jt to onybody, for but dinna let on aboot it to onyboy t, fo
l'm an elder." "Tuts, never mind that " l'm an elder." "Tuts, never mand So-and-s
said the Duke. "So-and-so and So haid the been betting too, and they also ar have been betting too, and they also are
elders." "Oh, ay, they are elders, nae doot; but they are And kict aboot their
they're no nearly so strict they're no nearly sork folk
duties as us Free Kirk foke for making Boots and shoes, but the skin of the Banana is only good for Slippers,

The whole atmosphere of our localit is fuil of politics, and meetings are a every day occureme. Of course the prin ciple tumber
ima) cotisequently no in camera, (obscira) conisequently not
having the password. I lave not been privileged to enter the sacred precinc $\ddagger$ o what I hear both sides are confident of
whem what I hear both sides are confident o
success on the 23 rd ; but there is no doub success on the 23 rd ; but there is no doubt
that one of the political parties are doomed to disappointment. The conservativ element are sanguine of carrying thei andidate. Thave been idiotip enough to isk a bottle of "Strong Waters" on the esult and of course have a bias, So that my opinion may be looked upon as being "The Widh Shasperean priniciple, "The Wish is father to the thought. robably the Safest way would be side, I have tried to already. but our iberal friends are too conservative to risk their chink on the chances of a polijijea contest. Perhape if it was a horse race
they would have a little more of the sportsman about thom
asked with any reference to another "Oak Hall" contest but refers more paricularly to the 23rd. of June. And i a subject in which the Electors take great deal of interest. It also interes County $I$ Prominent Citizens of our County. I have formed a puzzle whic contains the nawes of those gentleme sinn who seuds thorrect answer befo The wo sers ther the dgy of Electic

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