

MODERN FABLES, - BY GEORGE ADE.

The Manœuvres of Joel and the Disappointed Orphan Asylum.

An old Residenter who owned a Section of Improved Land and some Town Property besides was getting too Feeble to go out and roast the Hired Hands, so he turned the Job over to his Son. This Son was named Joel. He was Foolish, the same as a Fox. Any one who got ahead of Joel had to leave a 4.30 Call and start on a Lops. When it came to Skin Gamas, he was the original High-Binder. Joel took the Old Gentleman aside one Day and said to him, "Father you are not long for this World and to save Lawyer Fees and avoid a tie up in the Probate Court, I think you ought to cut up your Estate your own self and then you will know it is done Right."

"How had I better divide it?" asked the Old Gentleman.

"You can put the whole Shooting-Match in my Name," suggested Joel. "That will save a lot of Writing. Then if any other Relatives need anything, they can come to me and try to Borrow it."

Joel sent for a cut-rate Shyster who brought a bundle of Papers tied with a Green Braid and assured the Old Gentleman that the Proceeding was a Mere Formality. When a Legal Wolf wants to work the Do-Do on a Soft Thing he always springs that gag about a Mere Formality.

Joe and the Shell-Worker moved the Old Gentleman up to a Table in the Front Room and put a Cushion under him and slipped a Pen into his Hand and showed him where to Sign.

After he got thru filling the Blank Space with his John Hancock, he didn't have a Window to hoist or a Fence to lean on. He was simply sponging on Joel.

This went on for about a Month, and then Joel began to fret.

"I don't think I am getting a Square Deal," said Joel. "Here is an Ancient Party without any Assets who lives with me Week in and Week out and doesn't pay my Board. He is getting too Old and Wobbly to do Odd Jobs around the Place and it looks to me like an awful Imposition."

So he went to the Old Gentleman and said: "Father, I know the Children must annoy you a good deal; they make so much Noise when they play House. Sometimes we want to use the Piano after it is your Bed-Time and of course that breaks your Rest, so I have been thinking that you would be a lot better off in some Institution where they make a Speciality of looking after Has-Beens. I have discovered a nice, quiet Place. You will live in a large Brick Building with a lovely Cupola on top. There is a very pretty Lawn with Flower-Beds and also an ornamental Iron Fence, so that the Dogs cannot break in and bite you. You will be given a nice Suit of Clothes, the same as all the others are wearing, and if you over-sleep yourself in the Morning, a Man will come around and call you."

"In other words, send me to the Poor House," said the Old Residenter.

"You need not call it that unless you want to," said Joel. "If you choose, you may speak of it as the Home for Aged Persons who got Foolish with their Fountain Pens."

So Joel put his Father into the Spring Wagon and hauled him over the Hills to the Charity Pavilion, where all the Old Gentleman had to do was sit around in the Sun, looking at the Pictures in last year's Illustrated Papers and telling what a Chump he had been.

But sometimes a Man is not all in, simply because he looks to be wrinkled and Joddering. Joel's Father had a few Things coming to him. Altho he had been double-crossed and put thru the Ropes, he still had a Punch left. He sent for a Lawyer who was even more Crafty than the one employed by Joel, and he said to him: "There is a Loop Hole in every Written Instrument, if one only knows how to find it. I want you to set aside that fool Deed."

Next Day the Lawyer came for him in a double-seated Carriage, and said: "They forgot to put on a Revenue Stamp, and so the Transfer is off."

"And do I get all my Property back again?" asked the Old Residenter.

"You get half and I get half," was the Reply of the Lawyer.

"Give me mine," said the Old Residenter.

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"I'm from Wisconsin, and I want it in the Hand. Whatever I own from this time on, I carry right in my Clothes, and any Relative who separates me from it will have to get his Request to Music." Then he went to a physician.

"Doc," he says, "they are counting 9 on me, but I figure that before I cash in I have time to spend all that I have. Look me over and tell me how long I would last on a Waldorf Diet. I want to gauge my Expenses so as to leave nothing behind for Joel except a Ha-Ha Message and a few Heirlooms."

"If you want to eucure your Family, why don't you leave it to an Orphan Asylum?" suggested the Lawyer.

"Nix the Orphan Asylum," said the Old Residenter. "They would bring a million witnesses to prove that I had been out of my head for 20 years, and I wouldn't be there to contradict them. I learn that, by a singular Coincidence, and the Old People who leave their Money to Hospitals and the like are Mentally Irresponsible. In order to prove that I am in my right Senses, I will Blow mine." So he went to Palm Beach and other Winter Resorts, at which they charge by the Minute, and wherever he went he gave a faithful imitation of the Cowboy's first Night in Town.

He bought himself a hot Raglan with a Surcingle around it and a very doggy line of Cravats, and when he went into the Dining Room he picked out a Table which commanded a View of the Door at which the Girls came in.

All this time, Joel was worried. It seemed a Sin and a Shame for an Old Man to go around spending his own money.

The Residenter had so much Fun during his second time on earth, that he decided to make it a sure-enough Renaissance, so he married a Typewriter 19 years old, that he met in a Hotel Lobby, and then Joel did go up in the Air.

When she began to pick out Snake Rings and Diamond Wish-Bones, the Old Gentleman saw that there was no longer any hope for Joel.

MORAL: When bankoing a Relative, always be sure that the Knock-Out Drops are Regulation Strength.

GOLD IN YOUR GARRET.

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One at a Time, Gentlemen.

A ticket-seller in a theatre once owned a parrot that was quick at learning to repeat phrases he heard. The ticket man went to the country for a summer holiday and took the parrot. One day the bird got out of the cage and disappeared. His owner searched about for him, and, finally, towards evening, found him, dispoiled of half his feathers, sitting far out on the limb of a tree, while a dozen crows were pecking at him whenever they could get a chance, and all this time the poor parrot, with his back humped up, was edging away from the crows, and constantly exclaiming, in imitation of his master: "One at a time, gentlemen; one at a time."—[Sydney Sunday Times.]

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"A p-p partial c-c course," "How much of partial course?" "Enough s-so that w-when I go to a f-f-f-f- florist's and ask for a c-c-c-chry-s-s-anth- (whistle here) e-m-m-m-m, the th-thing won't w-wilt b-before I g-get it."—New York Independent.

Cigarette Law in Iceland.

It seems that girls, as well as boys, of Reykjavik, Iceland, have contracted the habit of smoking cigarettes, and the law allows any adult man or woman who finds a boy or girl smoking to give the young offender a scound spanking and to seize and destroy any cigarette found in his or her possession.

Professional Men.



It's the constant strain and worry under which the professional man labors, the irregularity of habits and loss of rest that makes him peculiarly susceptible to kidney troubles. First it's backache, then urinary difficulties, then—unless it's attended to—Bright's Disease and—death.

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"Please, Mr. French."

When General French was engaged in his big drive in the Ermelo-Amsterdam districts early last year his headquarters were pitched one day close to one of the many pretty farms in this the most fertile and picturesque portion of the two new colonies. During the hot afternoon General French was lying reading in his tent. Suddenly a small shadow darkened the entrance to the tent, while a soft little voice piped, "Please, Mr. French, can you let me have just a little sugar? I have got two shillings." A little six-year-old lass with the great clear blue eyes typical of her race, was standing timidly in the doorway. Those who know our great-hearted cavalry leader will not need to be told that, although at that moment sugar was a rare commodity even with the headquarters staff, the little maiden went back to her mother rejoicing in the possession both of two shilling and a pound of sugar.—'Navy and Army.'

SPECIAL FROM NORWICH, ONT. The recovery of Mr. Norman Batty, Hardware Merchant, one of Norwich's oldest and most successful citizens, has excited much comment. For years Mr. Batty had been an unceasing sufferer from Catarrhal Asthma and although no end of time and money was spent relief was not obtained until Mr. Batty commenced Catarrhozone treatment which completely cured him. This case is only equalled by that of Mrs. Bannon, wife of J. J. Bannon, Druggist, who was also cured of Asthma and Hay Fever by Catarrhozone after thirty years' suffering. Fully a hundred persons in this town have been cured of Catarrhal troubles by Catarrhozone which is a remarkable proof of its value. Two months' treatment, Price \$1. Small size 25c. Sold by all Druggists or by mail from Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont.

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The growing fancy for wearing an abundance of rings during the daytime as well as for evening affairs makes special care of the gems they encase very necessary.

If you want your rings to last well do not wear them under gloves. That is what a prominent jeweller says. But if you decide that gloves are a necessity, as probably you will, he adds, then send your rings twice a year to be overhauled. The reason for this warning is that the friction of the glove wears the tiny points that hold the stones in place, and the result is that the stones fall out, unless they are constantly looked after. Their wearers might not detect a loose stone, but a jeweller would at once, and by a little timely intervention might prevent the loss of a valuable gem.

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An Embarrassing Honor.

A certain head of a government department was invited to dine with others at a table with a cabinet minister. During the dinner the former, who happened to be placed between a door and a window, and had said nothing at all, began to sneeze.

"Are you taking cold, Mr. Brown?" asked the cabinet minister. "I believe I have that honor and pleasure," answered Mr. Brown, bowing very respectfully.

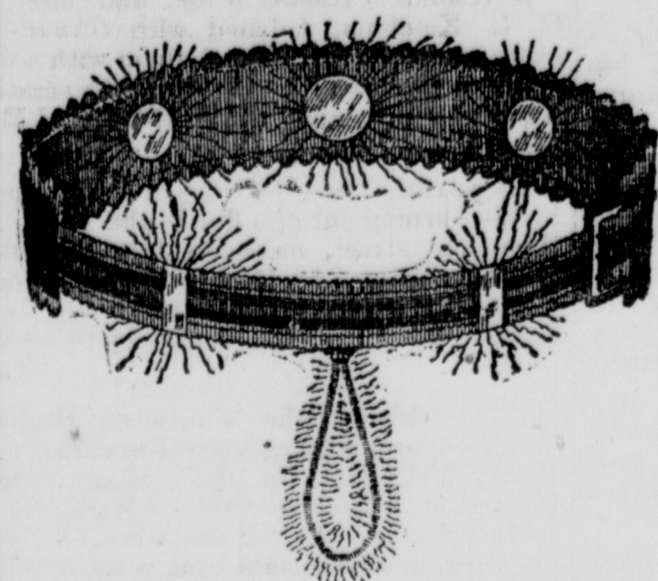
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