

KEEP TO THE RIGHT

HOW TWO BIG WASHINGTONIANS SETTLED THIS POINT.

The Rule of the Road Crank Insisted on His Rights, but He Had Met His Match and Finally Had to Walk to the Left.

A big, broad shouldered man swung along Pennsylvania avenue in front of the White House at about 8:45 the other morning. He kept close to the coping of the iron fence, and as he was traveling in an easterly direction it was not difficult to see that he belonged to the keep to the right school.

Another big, broad shouldered man approached from the opposite direction. Now, it was up to this man to pass to the right and to permit the man going east to retain the coping. But he gave no indication whatever that he was going to do any such thing as he bore down upon the rule of the road crank. He was close to the fence coping himself, and his whole attitude as he approached the other man was that he intended to keep the coping, rule of the road or any other old rule.

The two big men met and came to a standstill within two feet of each other. The rule of the road crank indicated by a gesture that the other man was to pass to the right of him. The other man set his jaw hard and shook his head. The two men glared at each other for fully a minute. Then each sat back in a leaning posture against the coping and gazed over at Lafayette square. If they could have known how utterly silly they looked, they would probably have hastened to yield the point each to the other.

After scowling for some time at Lafayette square the rule of the road crank turned and tried to wilt the other man with a look.

"Say," he said, "did you ever hear of the rule that requires civilized human beings, walking on civilized thoroughfares, to keep to the right?"

"Yep," replied the man who was in the wrong. "Been hearing that for about 30 years now."

"You have, hey?" said the keep to the right precisian. "Well, why don't you abide by the rule, then? Haven't I got the right to walk to the right of you?"

"Sure thing," replied the other. "You've got the right to do any old thing you can."

"D'you mean to say that I can't walk to the right of you?" snapped the keep to the right man, looking threateningly.

"Well, it looks a heap like it, doesn't it, now?" responded the other man cheerfully as he pulled a cigar out of his vest pocket, examined it carefully for points and then coolly lighted it.

The man who was technically in the right looked very ferocious for about half a minute, and then he calmed down and lighted a cigar himself. He went the other man one better by pulling a morning paper out of his top coat pocket and beginning to read it with every evidence of great interest. However, this move was called by the other, who also took out a paper and began to read. At length the rule of the road crank remarked as he turned over a page of his newspaper:

"I s'pose you work for a living, don't you?"

"Bright guess," replied the other, flicking the ash from his cigar.

"Due at your office at 9, I suppose?"

"Uh-huh—when I can make it," replied the other, turning to the editorial page.

"Don't s'pose you know it's 9 now, eh?"

"Well, I figured it was about that."

Then they went on reading and smoking, each occasionally shooting a glance at the other out of the tail of his eye.

"Haven't got much of a sense of common justice, have you?" remarked the rule of the road precisian after awhile.

"Oh, yes, some," replied the other, "but I don't stand for having it pumped into me on the king's highway. It wouldn't kill you to walk to the left of me, nor would it break me up in business to walk to the right of you. But I saw that you were determined to have me walk to the right of you, which is why I didn't do it. See?"

The keep to the right crank had no fitting words at hand to reply to this, so he again applied himself to his newspaper.

They read and smoked, leaning there against the coping of the White House fence, for about ten minutes longer, and then the man who was technically in the right gave the first evidence of caving by looking nervously at his watch.

"Say," he growled to the other man, pulling a quarter out of his pocket, "I've got a family to take care of, and I've got to work to take care of 'em, and I'm 25 minutes overdue at my office now. I'll match you for it."

"You're on," replied the other man, folding up his newspaper and producing his quarter. "Who's matching, me or you?"

"You," said the keep to the right crank, and they matched. The man who was technically wrong won, and he grinned in a Mephistophelian manner at the rule of the road chap, who looked daggers at him as he restored his coin to his pocket.

"You win, all right," said the rule of the road man hoarsely, swallowing a gulp and moving out to let the other pass to the left of him, "but if I'd had had time I'd never let it come to matching for what belonged to me by right. I'd have had a caterer serve my meals right here, and I'd have barked here, and I'd have smoked you out if it took me 4,000,000,000 years."

The other stubborn man only smiledardonically again, however, and then they went their ways, and the ridiculous incident was at an end.—Washington Post.

Change Admitted.

"In your wife's divorce petition she says you have trampled upon her affections," said the lawyer.

"Yes," assented the client, "I'll admit it. All the affection she has is centered in a little hairy dog, and the way I've trampled on him has been frightful."—Indianapolis Sun.

A Test.

Hewitt—How can I find out whether a girl loves me or not?

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Parental Sorrow.

"Don't you know it will hurt me almost as much as it does you if I have to punish you," said the father.

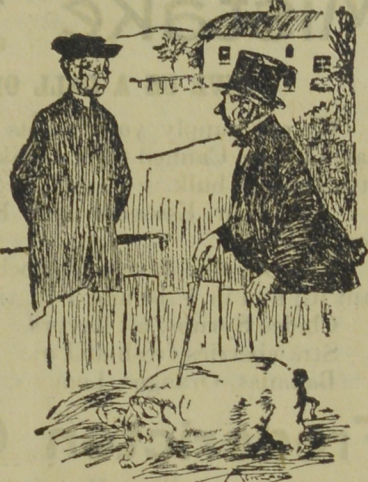
"Yes," answered the precocious boy. "I am sure of it. My recollection is that you said you would not take me to the circus if I was not good."—Washington Star.

Tart.

A quarrel recently occurred between two maiden ladies. Said the younger one: "I wonder if I shall lose my looks, too, when I get your age."

The Elder One—You will be lucky if you do.—London Tit-Bits.

Rustic Morality.



Rector (going his rounds)—Fine pig that, Mr. Dibbles, uncommon fine.

Mr. Dibbles—Ah, yes, sir; if we was only as fit to die as 'im, sur!

Explained.

Passenger—This train is very slow, guard.

Guard—Yes, sir; it's them sleeping carriages behind.—Tit-Bits.

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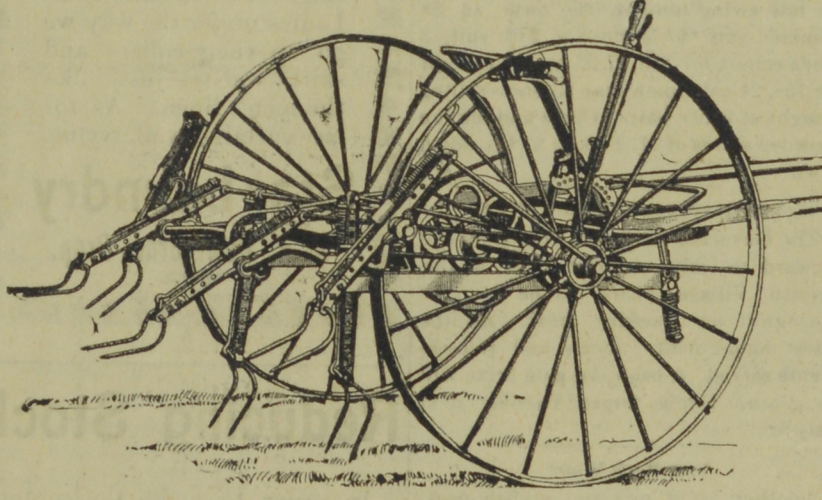
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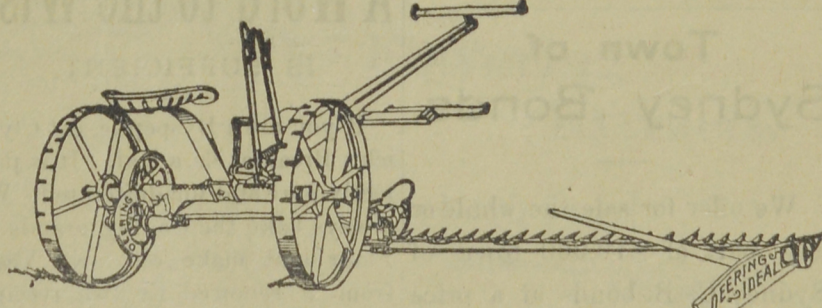
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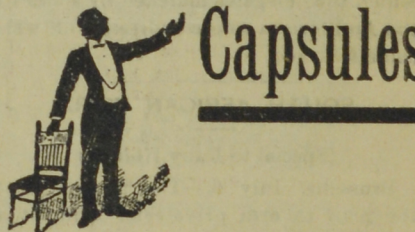
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