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Willie—Pa, what are false eyes made of?

Pa—Glass.

Willie—But what kind of glass?

Pa—Oh!—er looking glass, I suppose. Now, run off to bed.
—*Philadelphia Press*.

“That's waiter's a bird.”

“Well, that may be, but he'll measure a long way from tip to tip as far as I am concerned—*Yale Record*.

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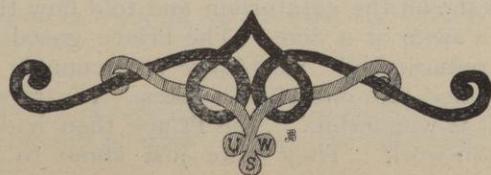
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An Exalted Crush.

A girl there was, and she made her prayer,
Even as you and I,
To capture the Prince who walked into her lair,
Even as you and I.
But she soon found out that he didn't care,
And preferred not to understand.

—*a la Kipling.*





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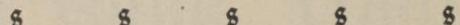
Always remember that this is only pretence, so that you are not to believe a word of it, even if it is true.—Kingsley.



The visit of Prince Henry of Prussia to the University of Wisconsin, last week, was an event which will be long remembered by those fortunate enough to share in the celebration. The Prince was all that the reports and papers have said, and it would be difficult to find a more entertaining man. He never hesitated about expressing his feelings, and his surprise at many of our local objects of interest was very gratifying to the entertainment committee. His charming personality and naive expressions attracted every one, and he made friends by the hundred during his short stay here. His ride through the principal streets of the city was one continual ovation, and never since the day when Wisconsin won the baseball championship was there such noise and enthusiasm.



But the success of the visit of Prince Henry and his charming personality are very secondary in effect when compared to the unconscious criticisms he made of some of the different phases of the university life. His remarks seemed to be made more to himself than to his hearers, and it was difficult at times to understand perfectly what he meant, and to what he referred; for instance, when the committee was showing him the gymnasium and had reached the bath-room and was telling the prince of the advantages of a hot bath after exercise, and praising the bath-room in general, the Prince was heard mumbling to himself, "Yes, that is true, but don't you think it would be a good idea to give the floor of the bath-room a bath first?"



Then the Prince was shown the natatorium and told how the men in the winter time frequented this place for a swim or a dive. The Prince gazed at the water a long time and finally said, "Isn't it remarkable! How large your country is! I never knew till now that the Chicago river emptied into one of your lakes. I learn something new every moment of my stay here. It is wonderful." The Prince then had the pleasure of watching the freshman class at gym-work. They were just about to begin their exercise. A

young man with a book in his hand was seen going around the room looking at the numbers on the floor and occasionally making an entry in his book. The Prince was very much interested in what the young man was doing. One of the committee explained that each member of the class had a number and was expected to be on that number at the gym classes, and if he was not, a record was made of his absence. "A clever system," said the Prince. "But please tell me why that young student over there ran out of the room when the young man with the book finished that section?" The committee not being able to explain, the Prince made a note of it in his memory book and said he would try to figure it out himself.

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The committee then took the Prince to Main Hall where a class in history was visited, which the Prince evidently enjoyed as the lesson was on the Franco-Prussian war. He interrupted the class at one time and asked a student what country he thought was the most progressive next to the United States. The student, William Brainduster, of Arcadia, Wis., hesitated not a moment but said: "Why, your country, Prince, for you have a steady Germi-nation." The Prince was very much pleased with the answer and gave the young man a dachshund as a reward. When the committee asked the Prince how he enjoyed the recitation he answered "very much, but why did some of the students flock around the professor's desk after the class, and say, 'Will you please excuse me for being absent yesterday? My father was visiting me;' or 'I could not get my lesson yesterday, professor, because I could not get a book.' Do all the students have to hand in excuses like that? I thought this was a University. We don't do that in our German Universities." The committee explained that such was the custom here, but the Prince apparently did not think much of the custom.

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The Prince was then shown the new Historical Library and his delight at its beauty was very pleasant to see. "A beautiful building, a remarkable structure. No wonder you turn out such fine students with such library advantages as these; your students are very fortunate. But please tell me, gentlemen, why the students talk and whisper to each other. Does it not disturb the others? Is this not a library for study?" The committee blushed with shame for they had long known of this custom, and could not explain it to the Prince, so they hurried him from the building. As they reached the street again a young man, a very young man, was seen coming toward them. He wore on his coat a huge pin with the words imprinted thereon, "Janesville High School, 1901." The Prince saw the pin and suddenly stopped, and stood at attention and respectfully saluted the young man. The committee were astounded and asked the reason for this strange behavior. "Why," said the Prince, "isn't that young man a member of the army, and hasn't he performed some brave feat? I distinctly saw his badge of honor." When the committee told the true story of the pin, the Prince gravely shook his head and said: "Most peculiar. I think I visit a university and I find men with high school badges. Most peculiar."

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While the Prince was at Madison, he was shown a copy of THE SPHINX, and displayed such an enthusiasm upon looking her over, that she immediately invited him to become an honorary member of the board, which invitation he accepted.

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The Prince learned much from his inspection of the university. But who can say whether the Prince learned more from us, or we from the Prince?

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THE SPHINX wishes to say at this time that the young ladies of the staff had nothing whatever to do with the Woman's number. Please do not blame them.

The Bold Engineer.

You've all heard of wise men like Moses and such,
And heroes by hundreds. Russ, English and Jew,
Greek, Saxon and Roman, French, Spanish and
Dutch,

But I sing of the mightiest one of the crew.
Do listen, my children, and then you shall hear
The tale of his talents—the bold engineer!

He's easy to pick, by his "I am it." air,
By his general manner of owning the place,
By the tilt of his hat and the way he can swear,
By his prize fighter's walk and the pipe in his face,
Whenever a mortal like this doth appear,
You can bet your sweet life its the bold engineer!



"He Can Stand All the Drink."

If he chances to talk to a girl who has "Aims,"
He knows how to hint of his "Higher Ideals."
Yet he knows how to jolly the jolliest dames.
He suits to all tempers the "Josh" he unreels,
So the feminine judges all vote him a "dear"
This fickle deceiver—this bold Engineer.

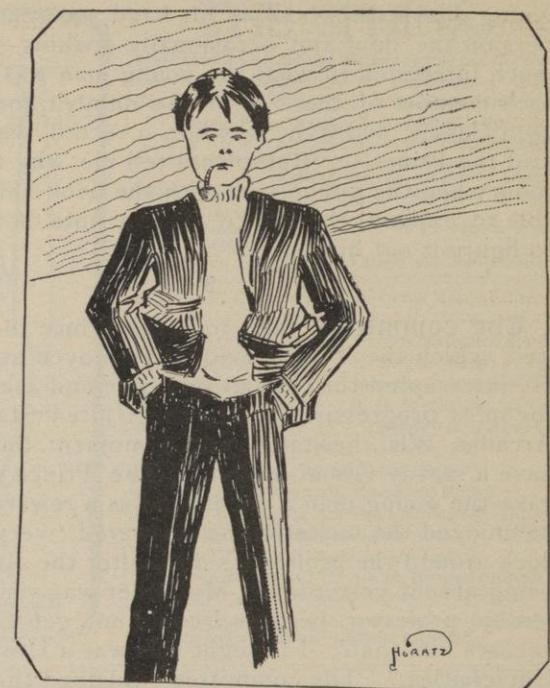
He runs the class meetings, athletics, the "Prom"
He gets all the plums on the Varsity tree,
He carries the laundry for Harry, Dick, Tom.
He goes to all functions and wiggles in free.
"What's the use of a pull if I don't use it here
I shan't let it lapse," says the bold Engineer.

He can row, he can skate, he can run, he can swim,
Or manage the Badger and act in a play.
He can even brave "John" as he stands in the Gym.
He's the cock of the walk and the King of the day.
But he'll find the great world just as hard work I
fear

As the rest of us mortals,—the bold Engineer.

He's a peach and a whale, he's a wonder, a star.
He can bluff out a flush with an ace and a deuce,
He can stand all the drinks that are mixed at the bar,
But when drunk he is Hades and Satan broke loose.
He can throw down the cocktail and guzzle the beer
By quarts and by gallons—this bold engineer.

"He's Easy to Pick."



Are you short for the crew? He can row like a dream.
Would you win a debate? He can spout by the hour,
He plays in the Haresfoot or plays on the team,
And in either position his strength is a tower.
When some one is wanted to work or to cheer,
The man that they seek, is the bold engineer.
He can measure the power of rivers and seas,
He can figure how often to cut without harm,
He can measure the atom or figure his fees,
Or measure a fair co-ed's waist with his arm,
He can stab like a dago or buck like a steer;
There's nothing can rattle the bold engineer.



"Or Measure a Fair Co-ed's Waist."

**How the Sorry Quarantined Do While
Away the Time.**

(Extracts from the daily chronicle, composed anonymously, and left on the Kappa steps daily during the siege).

AT THE LIBRARY.

The days are very dreary and the nights are very dull.
The thesis "bizz" goes slowly and there seem to be a lull.
For the Kappas, mighty buckers (?), all at home are staying now,
And no longer through big columns do they vigorously plow.

AT THE HOUSE.

For they's keeping Lent in earnest, to no parties do they go.
To no dances, to no quizzes, but they stay at home and sew.
Sew it is from morn till evening, sew it is from dawn till dark.
But on March the twenty-second then they'll get out on a lark.

WHEN WE WERE TWENTY-ONE, (OR TWO).

Oh, the days went mighty slowly, when we were twenty one.
Each day we longed more madly for the setting of the sun.
The play itself may be all right but the fact is not much fun.
For it 'twas really mighty dreary, when we were twenty one.



Enough.

"Why do the French eat only one egg for breakfast?"

"Can't guess. Why?"

"Because one egg is un oeuf."



"I trust young man, that none of the money which you have so generously contributed was won at cards?"

"No indeed sir; I am ten dollars behind the game."

The Kappa girls live at the phone.
The Kappa girls live all alone.
And they say "It's so queer
To be shut up in here,
Do talk to us over the phone."

S S S

Superfluous.

"Say, I'm going to invent a meter to attach to telephones."

"Yes, great idea. But why telephone if you can meet her."

S S S

THE *Cardinal*, speaking of Prof. Haskins' final call to Harvard, said, among other things: "Prof. Haskins is one of the best authorities on European history in the country."

C a l e n d a r



February 24.—Prince Heinrich approaches. Bulletin to German Dep't. New uniforms for janitors of U. W. buildings.

February 26.—Germanistche Gesellschaft in session. Formal invite to "unser Heinrich" to come out once.

February 27.—Prince cables Prof. Voss, German dep't: "Look oud onst, I been coming."

February 28.—Haresfeet banquet before Heinrich's arrival, just to show they don't care.

March 1.—At least three former valets of Prince attend U. W., petition Board of Regents for holiday. Notre Dame six better than us. What do we care?

March 3.—"Mary Jackson, '01" busy explaining that "woman's number" of SPHINX was really a joke after all.

March 4.—Committee of German-American citizens, Ferd. Kestner, chairman, lease two breweries and Scheutzen park for the Prince's coming. Now in Milwaukee. So near and yet so far.

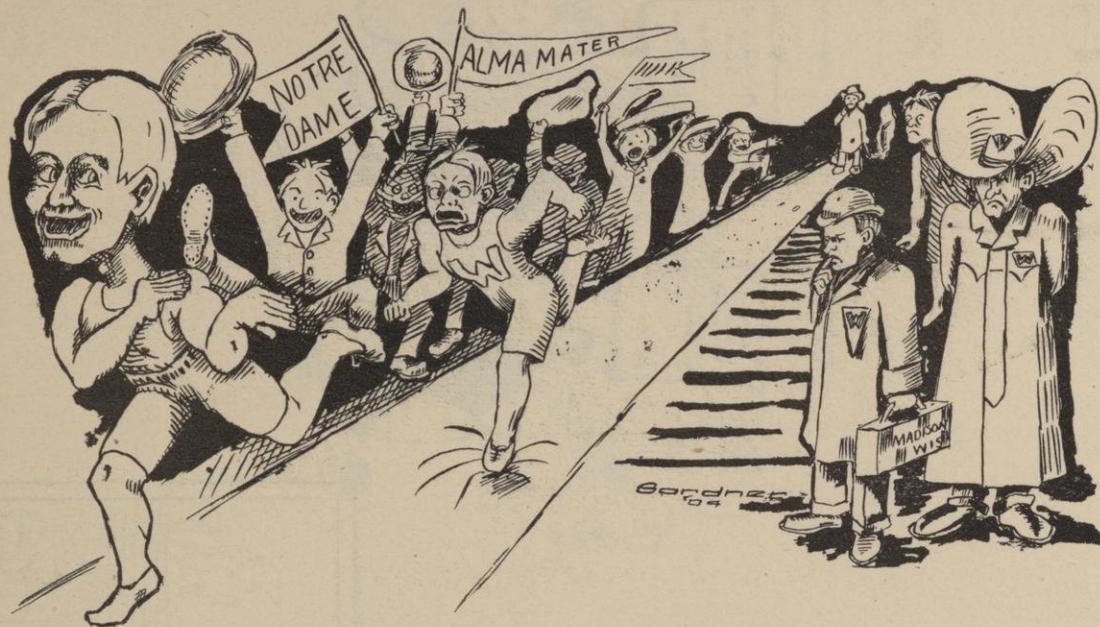
March 5.—Co-op. opens up rummage sale of German dictionaries. Steins with Liver wurst also on sale.

March 6.—Prince cut his date with us, preferring Harvard's L. L. D.

March 7.—General indignation and anti-Kaiser demonstration by Greek and French dep'ts.

March 8.—Effects of dissatisfaction at Prince's failure to attend: 1. Football dance at Kehl's. 2. Kappa house quarantined for small-pox. 3. Adjournment of gesellschaft indefinitely.





The Autocrat at the Boarding House.

(Extracts adapted.)

The only thing you find in pastry you don't put in yourself is flies.

Men with long beards shouldn't butter their green corn.



Personnel of the Prince's Escort.

(All tin-horn demonstrations barred.)

Line up:

1. At least three Madison police in platoon.

(These curiosities obtained at great expense; please don't handle roughly.)

2. Herr Nitschke's grand band. (Ten pieces.)

3. German dep't en mass. Herr Voss commanding.

4. Der Prinze.

(In carriage for purpose.)

5. Guard of Honor.

German-American students, Chi Psi leading.

6. Deutchen Kiriager Verein.

“ Manner “

“ “ Chor.

Und so weiter (till we got tired).

An agric once ate a big pear.
He bit off as much as he'd dare.
When asked "Is there more?"
He said—"Here's the core,
There is only one bite to a pear."



Apropos of the Prince.

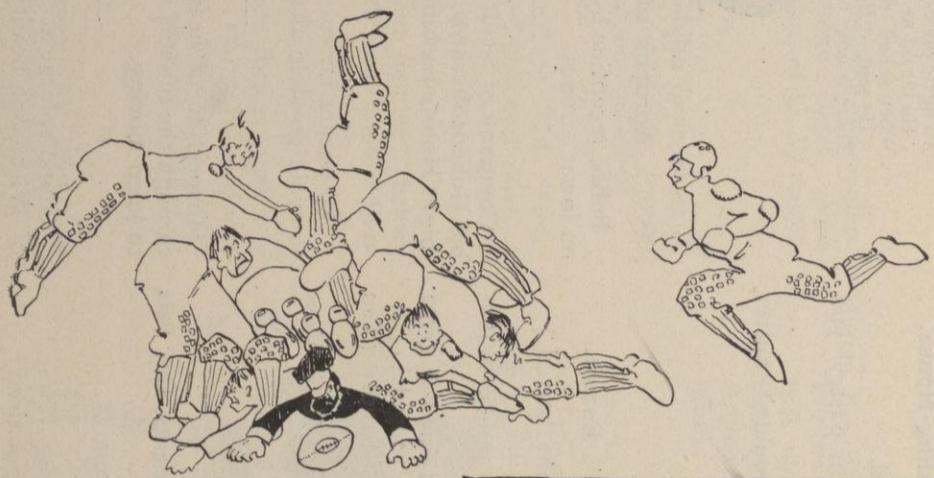
Public reception by the university janitors on lower campus.

Company of faculty "spotters" to protect his Hohenzollerness, from the Co-eds, who might Hobsonize him.

All pocket knives must be left at home to avoid possible anarchistic outbreaks.

Inspection of heating plant, with relays through the tunnels at all intersections, just to keep moving.

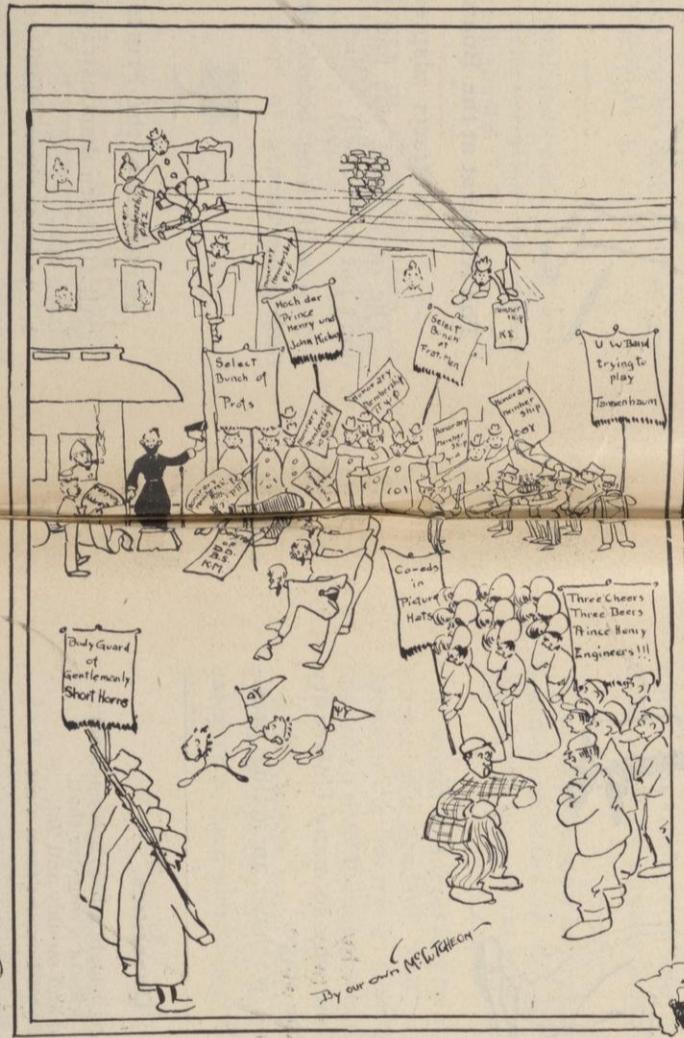
Grand splurge at Chadbourne. Glimpses of Wisconsin beauty in its native haunts.



Honorary Center on Football Squad



Honorary member of S.G.A.



By our own M.W. Telleen



Reception by Kappa Mu sorority



Entertained by the Phi Tappa Keg fraternity

Ein Brief (not legal).

A letter from Prince Henry to a former valet now attending the University.

Schloss Einstein 28 Jan.

Mein lieber Gustav,

Now as I take in my hand my Feder I will schreib you einige Zeilen to let you know that, — du weisst ja ich werde pretty soon America einen Besuch machen. Brother Willie could not come, also he sent me for him to make a visit instead. The trip über den Ocean will I make by water on a sogenanter Oceansteamer, I land in New York und dann werde ich mich nach Washington begeben. Here I will make by the president a Besuch and then start to see the grössten cities of the United States.

Now as our first etwas länger Amholt we make by Madison, I would like to make an asking of you to see dass ich auch nice entertain will be. But you will know wie die Sache best can be did. As a suggestion kannst du it not arrange that Prof. Gitschke's Capelle mich vom Bahnhoff to the hotel accompanies. Have also the employees of Fauerbach and Hausmann march in a row behind my carriage. Der deutsche Krieger-Verein muss also marchen.

Have however not too much of Gitschke's music because mich macht it a little nervous solchen Lärm zu listen to.

Wie du schon know I will in the evening be entertained by a club called "Die Germanistische Gesellschaft." Prof. Voss an old Freund is a Mitglied and will you make to the arranging committee a request that the Professor bei me in my carriage sits.

After the literarische Unterhaltung der Germanistischen Gesellschaft we will make ourselves to the Bismarck wo a big banquet is to take Platz. Mine Zug geht in the morning about five ab und our next stop will be made bei Bier-Athen Milwaukee. Now Gustav if du etwas Raum to spare hast you can let it be so fixed dass a few of der Faculty auch beim Banquet sein kann. Aber nicht zu many.

Adieu mein alter Freund
ich verbliebe dein
PRINZ HEINY.



"Please tell me why so many University people go on the stage."

"Oh, because we have an acting president, I suppose."

Queerities.

The Thing-a-ma-gig bought a blue bottomed hat;
He paid the mere price of a song for that.
The song was loud and mouldy and flat,
Not even the kind you'd expect from a cat.

The blue bottomed hat was a loud blue too;
It blue so hard it blew right through;
It isn't recorded where the thing got to,
But it didn't blow itself for anything new.



The jolly Compop was a giddy young thing,
Who wore his boots on the end of a string,
But if the Compop chose to do as he did,
I can't see the reason for any more said.

You surely can't question the Compop's jollitee,
Smile broad as a mile and high as a tree,
A comprehensive sort of a thing,
That he wore wrapped about him ready to fling.

Soph—istries.

If a girl isn't sure whether to speak to a man or not, she looks as though she had just recognized him when it is just too late to bow.

If a girl is going to cut a man, she is sure to see him coming half a block away.

The senior whose thesis is finished in January, is generally the sort of person who will work twice as hard as anyone else the last semester anyway.

A girl never reads the paper for information. She reads it to find out how something she knew already looks in print.

You usually see a boy reading the bulletin board down stairs in the library with one eye on the door of the girls cloakroom.

It would be interesting to analyze the conscience of a student who hides reference books in the library so that he will have a chance to read them conscientiously.

The Kappas have been voted the most exclusive sorority here, and it is only because they have something that nobody else wants.

S S S

Not Two Faced.

Jack (observing an exceptionally homely man)—"Well, that fellow is certainly not two faced."

Ethel—"Why?"

Jack—"Because if he were, he wouldn't be wearing that one."

S S S

THE history department promises sumptuous repasts, with Fish and Sellery for beginning courses.

A Chicago city official dying not long ago, the committee in charge of the obsequies selected a Philadelphia quick-step as a suitable funeral march.

If Prince Henry wishes to see the life of the people at close range he must go into their kitchens, though that might get him into hot water, and he would stand a chance of getting fired. This is no roast.

A sneak thief recently entered a certain sorority house, but took nothing but smallpox.



He—When I don't know what my professors ask me I never "stab," I always say "I dont know."

She—Don't your recitations get monotonous after a time?

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College Verse.

"I dislike girls who dote on things,
As dogs, men, bon-bons, diamond rings."
She looked at me across the room
And in that look I read my doom.
"I think," said she (O, how it smote!)-
"You'd make a dandy antidote."
—*Widow.*

I sat one day by a laughing stream,
The home of nymphs, they say,
To muse awhile—perchance to dream,
Of a dainty water fay.

And while I mused, from out the brook,
The fairest face arose,
And spoke the nymph with anguished
look,
"You're sitting on my clothes!"
—*Yale Record.*

Carelessness.

Bobby like a Burgess Goop,
Put lead soldiers in Pa's soup.
Pa has joined an angel troop—
Mamma doesn't give a whoop.—*Ex.*

Snakes and fleas are not alike;
We need not analyze them far—
Snakes on their own bellies crawl,
While fleas are not particular.
—*Widow.*

College Verse.

Good girls all love their brothers,
But I so good have grown
That I love other girls' brothers
Much better than my own.
—*Punch Bowl.*

"Heav'n help the wretched Hottentots!"
The missionary said:
But the Hottentots all helped them-
selves
Soon after he was dead.
—*Lampoon.*

"Why is your buttons at the door,
When he receives one's notes,
So very blue," the guests remarked,
Removing hats and coats.

"I am a bachelor," the host replied,
While lighting a cigar,
"Tis natural quite he should be blue,
Most bachelor's buttons are."—*Widow.*

When Adam gave in Eden's shade
Each animal its name,
He noticed one among the rest,
That travel had made lame.
For it staggered as it walked along,
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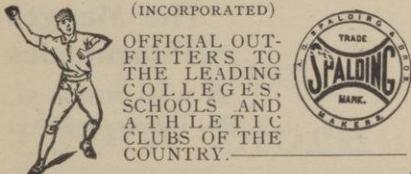
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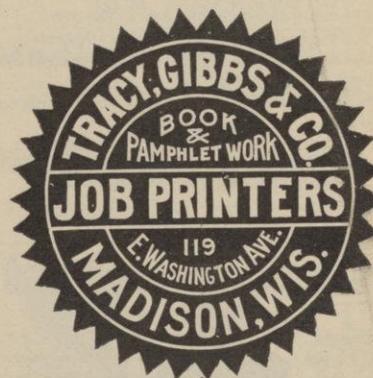
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