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PHUNNY-GRAPHS.

There linger we fondly our
Wound by a doubtful falsehood,
For Theodore of this tale
Adored but dared not Ella.

At last we grow upon the point
In manner some be pleaded
Hark give up Paul to was her lake
Her love was fated be traded.

I wish that the heart to give,
Take herself she Belle—
'Ill Pinkie Lent am a Bet
He to will close in death."

Hal Come Randall little while
As Time be was Abel.
From his big Orlo a tender Luke
Samuel Tom reason safe.
He sense Adelaide he sue
About her want so sleeve,
Ah! Ella Pauline Lake may—
He wouldn't in a Bet.

In sale dal be for Mary Sue—
The Dudley Swan 'tis?
"Oh, Hugo Ira Hal," I cried,
"I never said Alfred."

He not or once Mary love again
And never also sue;
And Isabella gave Grace Theodore and she
While she's green Evelina.
—Mr. Lowe Time-Fortune.

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Golden Text—"Hold that fast which thou hast that no man take thy crown." Rev. 3: 11.

Central Truth—The reward and blessedness of those who overcome.

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Pergamos was a city of Mysia, famous for its splendid library, for magnificent temples to Jupiter, Apollo, and Minerva, and for the seat of the worship of Esculapius. Little is known of the later history of its church, and but a few of the people retain the Christian name of Antipas.

Thyatira was in Lydia, between Pergamos and Sardis, devoted to trade and purple.

Philadelphia was 28 miles from Sardis, and is still a very flourishing town. Its church was once one of the most faithful of Oriental cities. Some time in River Decision, with its golden capital. Now it is a collection of mud huts inhabited by Turkish Sardis people.

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But even in Sardis there are a few faithful souls, for whom a sweet promise is made (v. 5): "They shall walk with me in white, for they are worthy."

1. Christ's knowledge of his churches (v. 1): "Unto the church Ephesus write, saith he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks." Ephesus was addressed "in him that overcometh," and it is repeated to all the churches. In this case it is that the victorious believer shall be clothed in white raiment, and that his name shall not be blotted out of the Book of Life, but confessed before the Father and his angels.

Then follows the address to the church in Philadelphia (vs. 7-13). It is to a very different—a more strain of commendation. Philadelphia was a church, though small, had left Christ's name, but had kept the word of his patience, and was therefore to be kept from time of trial, and preserved in the days of bitter persecution, which were never at hand.

To the overcoming Christian in the church in Philadelphia (v. 12) is promised of being made a pillar in the temple of God, of being inscribed with the name of the heavenly Jerusalem, and with the "new name" of the Redeemer himself.

Laodicea offers a remedial, and not a destructive application. It is a fidelity, and are satisfied with the result.

Of all those ancient cities, Philadelphia is the only one that has remained uninjured and unmodified. Her promise has been fulfilled.

I Is a good thing when a church is alive and growing.

A large congregation, a beautiful cantonary, an overflowing treasury, an eloquent preacher, elaborate music, and a showy ritual, do not necessarily prove a church alive. Such a church may have a name to live, and may be dead.

The test of life of a church is its living and active piety of its members.

2. Twice over Christ says that he (referring to "strengthen the things that remain, that are ready to die").

3. Instead of lamenting that they have not a wider or a more hopeful field, ministers would labor more earnestly to build up what they have, they would be more faithful to their charge. There may be "a few" in every church in Sardis that have not defiled their garments. They may be found for blessed place, but they may be the life of the church. One earnest, praying Christian, one devoted, aggressive Sunday-school teacher, one faithful teacher of reading and reviving as saints church.

4. Christ will not forget his faithful servants, even when they seem to be few and feeble.

The handful of devoted saints "even in Sardis" are to be kept in remembrance. They shall walk with me in white, for they are worthy."

5. The Christian life is always a warfare, but there are trophies and victories to be gained.

6. Men are always fight better when they fight in his name and a hope of victory. The Christian may have to battle. Paul said: "I have fought a good fight." A good fight makes a good fighter. The Christian warrior must be clothed in the armor of God, and that he is upon a source of courage and of strength.

7. No church or Christian is safe, not an open door of usefulness, and to neglect such a wider door will be severed.

8. Men responsible for fidelity each to their opportunity. Many sigh for larger opportunities who are non-making the most of what they have.

9. To use and exercise "a little strength, either in physical or spiritual, is the way to get more. Christian work is a work which grows by exercise, and the more it is done, the more it is able to do. Attempt achieve was at least able to carry a full grown ox. Attempt to carry a calf, even a little lamb, and you can do it.

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Would by a tasteful fellor,
For Theodore of this title
Adored but cared not Ella.

At last one eve upon the porch
In answer tones he pleaded
"Ella, I love thee, love thee but
The love was said too loaded.

"I wish that I in heart be girl,
Unto yourself also be hurl,
"If Thaba Lett me be girl
Ella it will then be lovely."

HAS Come Baseball little while
As Time he was Aladdin
From his leg Clap a twofer Lake
Dammed Dam tresses subtle

So mouse Aslumbe ha ann
Adorn her wand so sweet,
Then up she Rose Andrew away—
She wouldn't have it sweet

In min Aslu ha ne Mrs.
Ella foolish Press triple,
"Oh, Hope Ice Hall," she jeered,
"I never could Alcapin."

He inter mine Mary love upon
And swear ever sure—
And he's green Green some that and clay,
While steel green Irvine.

—[St. Louis Transcript.

IN winter nights for Janet
Lighting upon my house and hall
Its girl is hard to answer that
And that she serious marry me.

A rolling stone cannot certainly be called a dirty member, for it gathers no moss.—Yalton Times.

The land-plies of intemperance is the only one that keeps pace with society.—New York Sun.

In asking a man to settle his bill the thing is "no sooner said than done."—Cliffland Commercial.

The boy who is well grounded fully realizes the deep meaning of the phrase—Hackensack Republican.

An exchange speaks of the "height of impudence." Not, we believe, in ticket, especially when they are for charity, is too high.—Boston Post.

We have enough Home for the Friendless, we need more Friends for the Homeless.—Marathon Independent.

No man has ever yet broken so wide an ice knew how much he knew himself, and how little he knew his neighbor.—Job Billings.

However a young couple may blaze away in their married marriage, they generally pair to cordwage afterwards.—Toronto Graphic.

The individual who wrote, "No subscribers, where are the pleasures of life?" is a business man who failed to advertise.—Cincinnati Saturday Night.

The barber and the newspaper editor send both do business by clipping from other books, but the barber is an honest man.—Whitehall Times.

The *Herald* has not yet given us a long article on the subject of a man who was knocked down and run over in the gaslight, and discovered on coming to that he is gaslooked.—K. Mac Kittrick.

The latest things in [illegible] daily newspapers about the size of old fashion fajjacks, one-half baker New York and the other half the Lord only knows where.—Port Chester Journal.

When a newspaper paragraph opens in language as soft as the bloom of lice, and so sweet as the tinkle of a woodland brook, it is always safe to conclude that the virtues of some patent medicine are boomed out.—[illegible]—New York Commercial.

It was a very mean man who slipped his hand between the heads of a young man and young lady in the front seat, as the train entered a tunnel. He said afterward the young man's head was very stiff, but the possessor on the other side of his hand was the type of a flat tie.—Old Cap Derrick.

We contemplate opening a school to educate young men how to conduct a newspaper. We have engaged several learned Blanchos and professors, and the future occupants of tops of sugar barrels in corner groceries will impart their vast knowledge to the rising generation of the world.—Whitehall Times.

A New Yorker who robbed the other day of twenty-eight thousand dollars, is broad daylight, and he didn't discover the theft until a few hours afterwards. We should like to know how a man could carelessly throw away twenty-eight thousand dollars in broad daylight, and in carelessness.—Tuttletown Herald.

In Germany women "saw and split wood, carry water, wood, and manure on their heads, thrash the grain, etc. Here women split wood and make the fire, carry dead people to church, and do all for their husbands. And sleep—plus one hundred husbands doesn't thrash her.—Kerrytown Herald.

Nearest Africa to Joe.—By and moon, Joe, got married if you have not heard it, and we hope you will be happy, enjoy unpleasantness from your husband, and the shiver is over. There ain't any more trick of getting married after you've ready then there is of getting married. Many men go about shivering on the shore till the tide comes in, and then they get married in spite them her all been [illegible] Remember, Joe, married is married. Do not sass your lady exclusively; bary is like a spiritual slipper, and shows doubt. Don't be a fool, Joe, and think you can be a bachelor in a rocking stove, and be married when the fire gives out. Set the mixture for some beauty beyond the reach of any man with blood in his system, a good spoiler, handy and modest; pure, pious, and pleasant; a good cooker, a good sewer, and a good [illegible]; add to the mixture a good temper, and you have a compound that will do in any climate and stand any amount of pressure. Put in a little religion, a little [illegible] and a little [illegible] and you have a compound that will be good for a lifetime. Remember, Joe, that a good wife is the best thing a man can have in this world, and the best she can give in return is her love. Be good to her, Joe, and she will be good to you. Be true to her, and she will be true to you. Be what you want your wife to be, and you will be what you should be. Married life is what you make it. It is what you find it. It is what you bring to it. It is what you take from it. It is what you leave it. It is what it is, and not what it should be, or might be, or could be, or would be, or will be when we get married. Married life is married life, Joe, and there is no other kind. Take it as it comes, and if you can't get what you like, like what you get. Don't be a fool, Joe, and think you can do better by being single. Married life is married life everywhere, Joe, and there is no escape from it except by dying or by being married to a widow with a mortgage on her husband. And sleep—plus one hundred husbands doesn't thrash her.—Kerrytown Herald.

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The National Democrat.

RAHWAY, N. J., DECEMBER 4, 1878.

The Louisiana election contest yesterday, in which Van Trump claimed the seat by from 20,000 to 25,000 majority.

Ex-Senator Doolittle of Wisconsin, thinks Parker, Tilden, Bayard and Thurman are the strongest men that could be nominated as a Democratic ticket for President.

The Democratic carnival New Haven at the election on Tuesday for the first time in three years, the majority ranges from 500 to 800.

As an evidence of the loose management of matters in Washington a report that Congress's message was stolen and sold for a newspaper publication, appears in the New York Times published in a full column, a day before it was delivered to Congress. At the daily papers published in Monday morning, when it was not officially received by Congress until noon of that day.

The New York Democratic Convention has very appropriately decided to introduce a temperance lesson back to the public schools of that city. The work will cost a Mr. Rich, minister, and Mr. Cuyler, a Presbyterian minister, who will be paid for the service, and report to the Commissioner of Schools.

At the charter election in Plainfield, on Tuesday, the Republicans made a clean sweep, Dayton, Dunham, Dunham, Hoagland, Pope being defeated by Democrats Van Cleef, Dunham, the present incumbent, who was defeated in a contest for the Assembly, and the Republicans made a straight ticket, and the Democrats a straight ticket, Van Winkle being the latter.

Tuesday following the application for the enactment of laws at the approach of session of the Legislature should be put in operation with the issue of the statutes, taken up and considered in the order in which they appeared session. Such action would reduce a correct statement of the general object of the bill, and be signed by at least one of the persons who intend to apply for its passage, and be published at least seven in each week for four consecutive weeks before the Legislature shall have taken up for action the bill to which it is the application.

CONGRESS.

Congress has met, as the Tribune announces that we are found numerous, Mr. Hayes' message, though it was rather a stale document, as it had appeared in full in the papers the day before, and had a general circulation in advance of its delivery. The message was in a very beautiful production, and it was well received by the Democrats, who have not space to devote to unpopular expenditures, but gave the following as some of the most important suggestions:

Its recommends Congress to enforce the adoption of the coinage of silver dollars, and the international agreement can be made, and to provide for the issue of silver to the full legal equal to gold dollars, on the retirement of United States bills, a step which would be imposed upon us alone, and with a view to the maintenance of the floating fund issued. In his attention to Indian matters he urges the issue under the advice of the Secretary of the Interior of the Indian, underlay Homestead act, that the Indian may homestead, and that the Indian be given a right to the land, and that the Indian be in a limited way to participate in the benefits of the homestead act, and that the Indian be made citizens of the United States. The part of the message relating to the Department of Justice, with the protest that the Supreme Court is overcrowded with cases, recommends an increase in the number of the United States Circuit Courts, and that the Supreme Court be allowed certain fees adverse of any salaries, and a small one, the President thinks, would be beneficial to defend from clogging the calendar. The paragraph about the matter is to the effect that no no Federal officers have been held since last year, the failure of the Senate to confirm the money of the nominees for the contrary, for not unusual much inconvenience, and the President thinks it would be well for Congress to provide that the appropriations will not be withdrawn again. The President's language treating this matter is remarkably bold and conciliatory. Under the subject of Indian affairs the Congressional congratulates the country on the removal of the Indian tribes from the Ohio and Tennessee by the arrival of a number from the country whose service, it is hoped, will be valuable in the development of the great country and project. It is clearly indicated that in the President's opinion the Nicaraguan route is the only practicable one, and the hope is expressed that the Nicaraguan Canal Company will be allowed to complete the work, and that it may be reached at an early day for the commerce of world, the importance of which to the commercial interests of all our seaports and the world at large is fully recognized.

A little mention is made of Great Britain further than that he hoped that the only difference between the governments, the fishery questions, may be speedily adjusted. The gift of the obelisk to New York by the Government of Egypt should be regarded, the President says, as a generous mark of esteem for our country. The Mormon question, he says, that the transgression may be checked with reason. A great part of the message is devoted to the subject of civil service in the early days of the Government it was quite component of the Executive to appoints appointment, but with the present extent of the country and the vastness of the patronage the Executive is overwhelmed with applications in most matters. It is recommended that some system of civil service based on a legal of a Civil Service Commission be adopted. The component appointed for this purpose is now inoperative for lack of means to proceed with its work. He urges much larger appropriations for means and for the expenses of the Department of Justice, and the Department of Interior. The duty of making appropriations, it is urged, should be lifted from the shoulders of the Executive, and a withdrawal of the great mass of office-holders from politics, as it is claimed, they are by holding positions necessary contributions from them. The President recommends that the Constitution be amended so that the President and Vice President shall be elected by popular vote, and that official terms be made uniform upon a certain date, and participation in any caucus whatever in political campaigns. His personal belief is that the Constitution be so much so as to make it impossible for any President to be re-elected. That both be voted second on his off-year mid-term by the Senate. He does not believe that even such officers should be obliged to contribute or take part in the assessments for political purposes, but he thinks they ought to advise or both with assessments. He recommends that the Constitution be so amended as to allow the appointment of Vice President, and that the Senate be allowed to appoint in the absence of the Vice President, and that the President be allowed to appoint in the absence of the Senate. The President's language is very bold and conciliatory. Under the subject of Indian affairs the Congressional congratulates the country on the removal of the Indian tribes from the Ohio and Tennessee by the arrival of a number from the country whose service, it is hoped, will be valuable in the development of the great country and project. It is clearly indicated that in the President's opinion the Nicaraguan route is the only practicable one, and the hope is expressed that the Nicaraguan Canal Company will be allowed to complete the work, and that it may be reached at an early day for the commerce of world, the importance of which to the commercial interests of all our seaports and the world at large is fully recognized.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30th, 1878.

So few of the Congressmen arrived in Washington yesterday to indicate that there has not been a full attendance of members, in anticipation of unusually exciting political topics around the hotel lobbies. The Democrats have all the committee business committees for officers of the House, and have enough of all hats up for the very opening of Congress. Among the Republicans there is a good deal of talk about the selection of the committee on ways and means, which is usually dull

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"FLOWERS OF MEMORY."

The dirkest snow, in falling flaky
Old Winter sows out lavishly.
Our dainty flowers shall go to sleep,
And not see what he's sowing.

The soft blue sky he's torn to grey,
The kinsman sun to hide,
Then sent to meet them, cruel sway
And no warm beams to guide.

The steps Persons, one by one,
Are hidden by the drifting snow,
And not a sound is heard to run
Along the garden walk.

The flower corpse grow dead and cold,
The snow blankets lightly lows,
And freezing breezes blow.

The Tulips will shed petal their fine,
The winter winds are high;
What being heart of beauty live
In memory laid by?

LADY MARGERY.

"Lady Vignaux!" Lady Margery's hand trembled slightly, and her face grew colorless; but she did not glance up from her earthbiere where she was writing invitations upon satiny, perfumed rose-sheets bearing the gilded coronet of her ancestral house. "Who is he, my dear?" she continued carelessly of her indolent, Marmion husband who lounged long stock in hand, smoking fragrant cigarettes.

"Why, Lady Margery—Lady Margery—I don't know! I met him on the Pelham train."

"But a man can hat full enough, Gustave! Of course, I will invite him if you wish, but do you think it was quite the thing for a married man to make a little, now that Mamma—"

"As a baby pet," laughingly interrupt her husband. "Why, Margery, you know I'm a regular Bluebeard, and that you are my fifth wife, and I'm going to make a second choice and marry the pretty Mamma."

"You never shall!"

Lady Elise face was full now, of indignant color.

"Gustave, I'm sick with vanity—my nerves are unstrung—I'm a perfect nervous wreck! Don't tease me, cautione, I have seen the girl daily for years, and know her mind and body by rule of the most Mamma-ish mamma! Margery is a pet and principal Marjorie, I know, we once knew she so crazy to remove friends and the world for my sake."

Lady Elise regarded him for a moment in silence.

"Gustave, do not doubt the man's sincerity! Mamma has capable of deadly fascination and duplicity.

"Shall I take Margery from you and from herself?" at last.

"Do you love her?" Have you assumed that? I think it is too large a sacrifice for you to make, I know it is about as great a sacrifice as I can ever make! I will! I would! I will! I will! I will! I will!

"Gustave, I cannot waste time in lamentations! Margery is a child, but I my husband all the tender affection I have left in my heart! I believe the stranger her husband is—I believe he will make her happy—I believe in fate! Let Margery be happy! Let Elise be happy! Let Mamma be happy! Let Gustave be happy! Let the stranger her husband be happy! Let everybody be happy! Let Elise be happy! Let Mamma be happy! Let Margery be happy! Let everybody be happy!"

"Let Elise, allow me. Mamma Vignaux, I have just myself! I have lost one, one of the SIX crosses—I have lost the pearler in."

"Ah, madam, Lord Elise has been necessary to remove the pearler! The large gray eyes of Margery Vignaux, the dangle, dazed, semi-conscious, dreamy, half-dreaming, half-dreaming a lonesome?" and the French-man's voice grew tender.

Yet not the most observant watch-dog could have guessed that these lovers were lovers.

Only Lady Margery knew that these two brilliant beings were something unconscious within their depth of love, and that Lady Elise was as much in great distrust Elise, and as the greatest her own.

No matter that the cloud over chandelaire—the cloud that Mamma Vignaux—the cloud that would meet her fate in the end.

And this laughty epics factor Lady Margery.

Knowing to the full his power over the beautiful Margery, he had taken her high and hilarious happy position on the cold platform and dagger-like.

And watching her, he detected the shadow of a cloud, and felt a sudden pang of remorse. He had teased her, with the intagrity in of the Mamma-ish Mamma, and made her a cousinly sky, fitted into the cloud.

Lady Elise, who knew this man better than Margery, knew the tender, lingering fancy for pun that "I could make a pun of Margery!" Lady Elise regarded the man away, and her face grew pale.

"Margery! Margery! Margery! I am a coward, and you know yourself slave! Margery! Margery! Margery! I am a coward, and you know yourself slave! Margery! Margery! Margery! I am a coward, and you know yourself slave!