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Teacher—Why do you think they cause it?

Tommy—"Cause they need the money."

AS SHE GOES ALONG.

"Don't you think that women are as capable of making laws as men?"

"More so," replied Chuggins. "Give a woman an automobile and she'll make up her own traffic regulations as she goes along."—Washington Star.

WAITING.

Chatty Waiter (glancing out of window)—The rain'll be 'ere in a minute or two now, sir.

Customer—Well, I didn't order it; I'm waiting for a chop.—Boston Transcript.

ONE HAPPY HOME.

"John, I'm so happy." "Are you, dear? I'm glad to hear that. You ought to be happy. You have everything to make you so." "Mrs Wilkinson was here this afternoon and she said baby looked so much like me that no one would believe you were any relation to it."

HANDLED DOWN.

A rather pompous general, in full dress, came suddenly upon a newly enlisted bugler, who failed to salute.

The general reported the grave offence to the colonel, with the order that the boy be severely reprimanded. The colonel passed the order on to the captain, who told the bugle-major. The latter told the corporal bugler, and he had the offender brought before him.

"See here, youngster," he said, "if you don't salute old Poker-back next time you meet him, you'll git a clout in the hear'-ole."

"Although he overcharged me terribly," said the returned traveller, "the cab driver who took me over Paris was most polite."

"All Frenchmen are," his friend replied.

"Yes, but this one got off his box and helped me to find the necessary language in my French-English dictionary so that I might say what I thought of him."

In a poor little cottage the curate found a married couple with many children. Hearing a baby cry, he asked to see it, explaining that he was interested in babies, having one of his own at home.

The infant was introduced for inspection, and the mother asked proudly: "Is your's as big as that, sir?" To which he replied: "I think it is a little bigger."

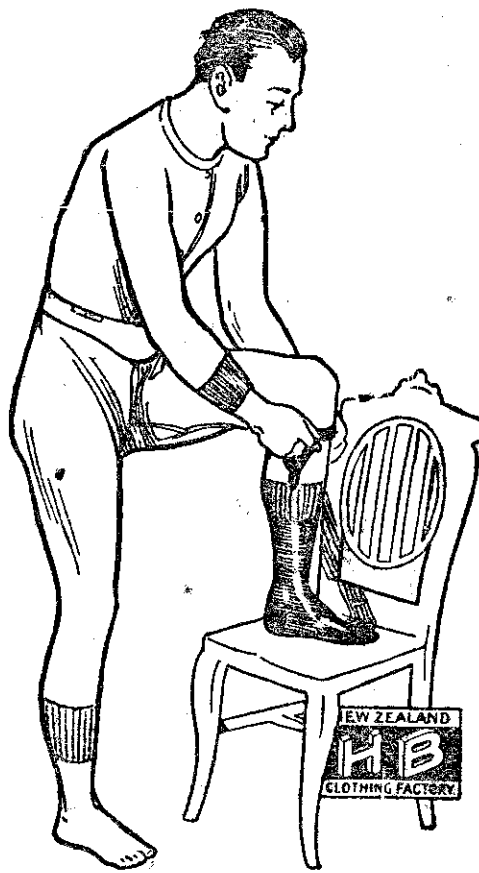
Instantly the maternal instincts were up in arms, and tossing her head, she said: "So well it might be; that's only half our's. We had twins!"

It was in a very evangelistic district of Wales that the countryside was defaced on every available spot with scriptural texts and would-be heart-searching questions. On the flat stonework of a bridge, in huge letters, appeared the soul-racking query: "What will you do when you die?" But it was not so unanswerable as the writer hoped, for an enterprising bagman in the chemist line wrote underneath in letters of equal size: "Use Dash's Cold Cream—it's good for burns."

"It was a moment of intense excitement," Solly Dirtyberg declared. "There was I—in the biggest showroom at the Big Store—ven, without vord of varin' the whole of the electric light goes out; the whole place is as black as Sheol!"

"Und vot did you get?" asked Shik-kerstein, eagerly.

"Acha Nebbish!" groaned Dirtyberg. "I was in der grand planner department."

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