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# S. F. TARBUSH.

### THEY MET AGAIN.

A Tale of a Summer Romance at the Seashore.

As he pushed his luncheon check and a quarter of a dollar through the cashier's window he happened to glance up.

"Why, Gertie—er—I mean Miss Ross," he exclaimed, "I need not say I am astonished to see you here. I wrote to you at—did you get my letter?" he asked anxiously.

"Oh, I got it all right," she answered sweetly, passing back a dime in change. "It is in my bureau drawer at home. But I shan't pay any attention to the nice things you said," she continued, with a blush. "I wasn't responsible for the girls down at S'conset telling you I was the only daughter of a rich contractor any more than you were for the man who drove the stage to the station telling me you were not a Wall street broker, but a collector for the gas company."

"But, Miss Gertie, I—I—" "It is all right, Mr. Summerman. Please don't stop to talk here. You are blocking the line. But if you care to call on us in Harlem I'm sure mamma will be glad to see you. You know the address. I didn't answer your letter because you don't live at the address you gave me. I have a friend who boards there, and she knows a friend of yours."

"Well," he muttered as he wandered dreamily away, "I've rung in a change on the haughty girl seaside romance business anyway."

### An Active Assistant.

"Pardon me," said the stranger, "but may I ask where you got the title of professor? Are you a teacher?"

"Sort of an assistant teacher, yes," replied the man in the loud clothes, "assistant to a great teacher."

"And who is that?" "Experience. Men are taught by experience that it is impossible to beat the faro game, and I assist experience."

### Innocence Abroad.

A young lady from the country was visiting relatives in the city. During the course of a conversation the country girl said to her city cousin, "And were you never in the country during the season of husking bees?" "No," was the reply. "The ideal How do you husk a bee anyway?"

### A Stickler For Form.

"I tell you if you want real punkin pie you've got to get to Boston for it."

"I tried to get it there once, but couldn't."

"You couldn't?" "No; the waiter girl said they only had 'pumpkin' pie, and she wouldn't give it to me until I said it right."

### A Case of Easy Picking.

"You know that man, Filppurton, who claims to read character at a glance?"

"Yes." "Well, he swindled me out of \$300."

"Indeed, I didn't suppose he ever put his boasted talent to any practical use."

### A Boston Intellectual.

Hunter—You look pleased about something, Dumley.

Dumley—I have reason to. I've just thought of a jolly good answer to a conundrum. If I could only think of a conundrum to fit it, by George, I believe I'd send it to the papers.

### Usually Easy.

"Oh, we've got an easy thing this time," said the confidence man who had been prospecting for a victim.

"Sure?" "Oh, positive! Why, I've rounded up a fellow who thinks he's too smart to be 'done' by any one."

### The Record.

"Young man," said the stern parent, "do you know what is the greatest aim in life?"

"Sure!" said the unregenerate. "That feller on th' Indianny wot smashed th' bullseye five straight at half a mile with a 13 incher!"

### He Did Too.

A cannibal king they called Crunch said: "White man, I'll give you a hunch. Just lay down your gun, and I'll show you some fun—On the dead, I will have you to lunch."

### Shrewd.

"Mr. Bliggins seems to be a wonderfully bright young man."

"He is," answered Miss Cayenne, "in a certain way. He is careful to select topics of conversation so abstract that you have to take everything he says for granted."

### Bad Combination.

The Visitor—Why are you here, my misguided friend?

The Prisoner—I'm the victim of the unlucky number thirteen.

"Indeed, how's that?" "Twelve jurors and one judge."—Sporting Times.



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## Dividend Notice

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Charlottetown, December 1, 1903. Notice is hereby given that a half-yearly dividend of 8 per cent per annum on the capital stock of this bank has been declared payable at its Banking House on and after the 2nd January, 1904. Transfer books closed from December 19th, 1903, to January 2nd, 1904, both days inclusive. By order of the Board.

J. M. DAVISON, Cashier.

2 wed 11 am

## Annual Meeting,

—OF THE—

Merchants' Bank of P. E. I.

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Merchants' Bank of P. E. I., will be held at the Banking House, Great George Street, Charlottetown, on Tuesday, 30th day of January next, A. D. 1904, at the hour of 11 o'clock a. m.

Proxies must be left with the cashier at least one day previous to the meeting.

J. M. DAVISON, Cashier.

2 wed Fri & w am

## A CARD.

Miss Josephine Smith desires to thank her numerous patrons for the liberal patronage extended to her during the past season, and wishes to announce that her classes in dancing will re-open Monday evening, Oct 30th in Smallwood's Hall. Persons wishing to arrange for evenings should write or call at once.

MISS J. SMITH, Box 47

Charlottetown, 18 th. Fri. 17

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Of Concerts, Socials, Entertainments etc., of a money making nature, 5c per line (of 6 words) the first insertion, and 2 1/2 cents a line for each continuation. Churches and charitable institutions half rates. Minimum price 15 cents. Black type announcements double rates. Births, Marriages and Deaths FREE but verses with deaths 25c rate as above.

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