

**A Wife Who Looked Ahead**

Like a dutiful uncle he was striving hard to marry off his scapegrace of a nephew, and, almost in despair of accomplishing his purpose in any other manner, resorted to a matrimonial agency. He is well received, and the agent hands him a register containing the list of ladies she has in stock, description of them, their fortunes, and so on. He carelessly turns over the pages, till all at once his attention is reverted by the sight of his wife's name. He rubs his eyes and reads it over; there is no mistake. She seeks an alliance with a man between the ages of 25 and 38, not less than five feet six inches high; a blonde preferred. Stricken with horror, and fancying that there was a queer taste in his coffee, he drops the fatal book and makes for home. "Yes," said his wife, softly, "that is my name. I put it down when you were so sick with pneumonia last Spring, and the doctor said we should prepare for the worst."

**Why a Woman Can't Throw a Stone.**

The practice of a whole life will not enable a woman to throw a stone with grace and accuracy. It was one of the most knotty and physiological problems which presented itself to our youthful mind why our big sister, when she tried to throw a snowball at us, almost invariably sent it careening over the top of the house, while we in turn could pop her in the ear almost every time. It may be that we took a mean advantage of this discrimination of Nature in our behalf against our sister, and it may be that we improved the opportunity to rake her fore and aft whenever she came within firing distance. But that is neither here nor there. As the time passed on, and we increased our stock of observation, we saw the other fellows' sisters labored under about the same disadvantage that ours did in the matter of throwing any kind of missile. Why this marked and unmistakable difference existed we never learned until, at a somewhat advanced period, we dove into a book of physiology and learned that the clavicle, or collar-bone, in the anatomy of a female is some inches longer, and set some degrees lower down than in the masculine frame. This long, crooked, awkward bone interferes with the full and free action of the shoulder, and that's the reason why a girl cannot throw a stone. The design of this sort of thing is still unexplained to our entire satisfaction. We have developed a pet theory of our own, however, that an all-wise and beneficent Providence foreseeing that there would be rolling-pins, and stove-hooks, pot-lids, and hot water in the world, set the woman's clavicle down a hitch or two for the safety of men. It's lucky for all of us that women cannot throw stones.

**An Irish Story.**

One of the Boston (Mass.) restaurants boasts of an Irish Munchausen who acts in a humble capacity of waiter, and adds much to the entertainment of guests. One of them, being served with a small lobster, asked, "Do you call that a lobster, Mike?"

"Faix, I believe they do be callin' them lubsters here, sur. We call 'em crabs at home."

"Oh!" said the diner, "you have lot-sters in Ireland?"

"Is it lobsters? Begorrah, the creeks is full of 'em. Many a time have I seen 'em when I've lepped over the strames."

"How long do lobsters grow in Ireland?"

"Well," said Mike, thoughtfully, "to spake widin bounds, sur, I'd say a matter of five or six feet."

"What! Five or six feet? How do they get around in those creeks?"

"Bedad, sur, the creeks in Ireland are fifty or sixty feet wide," said the unabashed Mike.

"But," said the persistent inquirer, "you said you had seen them when you were leaping over the streams, and lobsters here live in the sea."

"Deed I did, sur. We're powerful leppers in Ireland. As fur the say, sur, I've seen it red with 'em."

"But, look here, my fine fellow," said the guest, thinking he had cornered the Hibernian at last, "lobsters are not red until they are boiled."

"Don't I know that?" said Mike, reproachfully; "but there are bilin' springs in the ould country, an' they swim throo 'em, an' come out ready fur yer to crack open an' ate," and Mike walked calmly off to wait upon the next guest, leaving his interlocutor to digest the lobster and the story.

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