



DID NT KNOW THE COMBINATION.

Mrs. WHEEDICK.—I hear that your house was ransacked by burglars last night; of course they got all your jewels?
Mrs. SHREWASBURY-SHARPE.—Nothing of the kind! My jewels are perfectly safe; you see, I keep them in a folding-bed; and, as the burglars were only in the house an hour, they had a time to open it.



THE ORIGIN OF THE PHRASE.

GUARD.—Do you think your sentence too severe?
PRISONER.—Oh! I can't kick.



FOUND HIS FIELD AT LAST.

FIRST THESPIAN.—How can that man Spouter look so prosperous, I wonder! He made such a horrible failure last season, that he had to leave the stage.
SECOND THESPIAN.—Why, you see, my boy, he's running a "School of Acting," now.



DIMINISHED RAIMENT.

"Dot vos a bad cough you haf, Isaac?"
"Yab; I soldt a couple pairs of those shoe-drings from arount my neck, and der cold vas settled in my chest!"



(A Pound Party.)

'ISLEADING EXPRESSIONS.

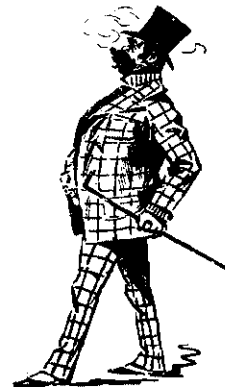


This man is perfectly straight.



HER IDEA.

WIFE (*going on a journey*).—Dear, now don't play poker while I am gone.
HUSBAND.—But you won't hind my playing a little game of only twenty-five-cent limit?
WIFE.—All right! But promise me you won't lose any more than that.



And this one is "crooked."