

SMILES

I am the husband up to date;
My own three meals I have to get,
(I've made my bed). Defend me,
Fate,
From woes I have not suffered
yet!
—Robertus Love in New York Sun.

"Sir, I wish to marry your daughter."
"I'm glad you came to me on this subject at this particular time."
"Why so, sir?"
"I was about to get her teeth fixed. Now you can do it."—Pittsburg Post.

Little Frances—We dot a new baby.
Mrs. Neighbors—You don't say!
Little Frances—Yes'm; an' its open jes like my dolly's, but I an's the matter wif its eyes its eyes don't go shut they lay it down.

Passerby (stopped by beggar)—
How is this? Only last week you sat here with a deaf-and-dumb card; now you're begging on account of a broken arm. Beggar—Well, sir, business is business, and you know the public must have variety.
—Boston Transcript.

Pat, who was left-handed, was being sworn in as a witness in the West Side court of Denver, Colorado.

"Hold up your right hand," said the judge.
Up went Pat's left hand.
"Hold up your right hand," commanded the judge sternly.
"Sure and I am, yer honor," declared Pat. "Me right hand's on me left han' side."—Woman's Home Companion.

Advertised Letters For Week Ending April 26, 1913.

Levy Akins, S. J. Byrd, Mrs. Mittie Barnes, Henry Blackmon, Lillie Frazier, Miss Lad Brown, S. D. Crenshaw, J. E. Gibson, J. E. Gibson, Citch Crockett, Miss Lizzie Thomas, Miss Burnice Stogner, John Stafford, Mrs. Lizzie Threatt, Nathan Rodgers, John Mungo, Abitahl Jackson, James Miles, Mrs. Hannie Massey, Mrs. Essie Burt, George Emsam, Miss Anna Cooke, Mrs. Mary Clyburn, Mrs. S. R. Blackmon, Miss Annie B. Lure, Lancaster County Seed Co.

MUST SERVE UNTIL JULY.

Then Hawthorne and Morton Will Be Eligible to Parole.

Washington, April 23.—Julian Hawthorne and Dr. William J. Morton, convicted of misuse of the mails and now in the Atlanta penitentiary awaiting parole, will not be eligible for release until they actually have served one-third of their sentences in prison, which will be the latter part of July. This decision was reached today by the department of justice.

In sentencing Hawthorne and Morton to one year and a day last March, the trial judge made the sentence date from the beginning of their trials, November 25. They entered the penitentiary on March 24 under the belief they would be eligible for parole on March 25, as one-third of the sentence had then expired. The department of justice holds that a prisoner must actually serve one-third of his sentence. Morton, it was learned last night, has applied for a pardon which is now under consideration by the department of justice. Hawthorne, so far, has not made a similar application.

Mrs. Bryan Speaks Before Club Women.

Washington, April 23.—Mrs. William Jennings Bryan was the principal speaker at yesterday's meeting of the council of the General Federation of Women's Clubs in session here. She made an appeal for a closer federation of all religious denominations and declared there was a strong tendency to this direction.

P. C. Claxton, United States commissioner of education, discussed the rural home and the school.

Reports of officers were presented at a business session.

Yesterday evening the delegates were received at the White House by the President and Mrs. Wilson.

Just Plain Grape Juice at Bryan's Dinner to Diplomats.

Washington, April 23.—Diplomatic circles were in animated discussion today of Secretary Bryan's dinner party the other night to some forty distinguished members of the diplomatic corps, at which unfermented grape juice was served in place of the variety of wines which customarily have a place. Officialdom talked so much about the innovation that the story leaked out.

China is Ready For \$125,000,000 Loan.

London, April 23.—A group of London financiers received a telegram today notifying them that the Chinese government was ready to negotiate with the "five power group" a loan of \$125,000,000 at 5 per cent.

Lancaster Leads.

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