

The Simpson Trouble.

"Mrs. Simpson," said Mr. Simpson at the breakfast table in the Twenty-third ward the other morning, "If you could boil me a china egg, occasionally, I think I should either relish the change or not notice the difference; and as for these flat things you are pleased to style cakes, they may be blue poker chips, but they are certainly not cakes. Cakes are eatable, Mrs. Simpson; these are not eatable; cakes don't rattle when you stack 'em up; these rattle, Mrs. Simpson. I will get you a brand, Mrs. Simpson, and you can blow the name of 'em in the bottle, as it were; but excuse me from eating them. They are too trying to the teeth. I think, Mrs. Simpson, you are not what my fancy painted you."

"Probably the hired girl is what your fancy painted me, Mr. Simpson. You must recollect, sir, that your teeth and stomach are not what they were when I married you."

"And they never will again at this rate," said Simpson with a wierd laugh, wiping his mouth on a corner of the table cloth."

"No; your habits are such of late, Mr. Simpson, that I have very little hope. Probably your fancy is to blame for your high color, sir, and for the smell of liquor all over the house when you come in at 3 o'clock in the morning, sir."

"Mrs. Simpson, this is unendurable."

"So it is, sir, quite unendurable, as I was telling my precious, angel mother yesterday—boo! hoo!"

"Your angel mother! Ha, ha, ha! Of all the horrible sarcasm I ever heard uttered that is the worst. If ever there was a fiend in hu—"

"Oh! oh! oh!"

We didn't hear the rest of the conversation, but old Simpson was down at Whidden's two hours afterwards buying crockery that couldn't be smashed, and telling how his angel mother-in-law was trying to break up his family."

Her.

"Yes," said the railroad man, "I know what women are. One got aboard of my train once at Sanborn, and she had over two hundred pieces of baggage with her, mostly pie boxes, bird cages, shawl straps, and a female dog, to boot. She wasn't used to traveling, and she set the dog up on the seat opposite her, and there they sat grinning and nodding at one another like two sisters, and hanging on to their respective seats with both hands, till I came along and said that I must take her into the baggage car, and took her by the leg and the back of the neck—"

"Who, the lady?"

"No, the dog; and of all the brutes a man ever tackled, she was the worst—"

"Which?"

"Well, there wasn't much choice between them. I was all covered with bites and scratches, and after I got her into the baggage car—"

"Which, the lady?"

"No, the dog; and had her tied up I tried to explain to her—"

"Who, the dog?"

"No, the lady; but it was no use; she was bound she would ride in the baggage car with the dog, if the dog couldn't ride in the passenger car with her; but just then we ran into No. 4, and telescoped three cars, and after she picked herself out of the bird cages and pie boxes, she said that, as the road seemed to be somewhat uneven, she would keep her seat; but she would sue the company just the same for stealing that dog; and after that she never wiggled an eye lash for 200 miles,—for fear I'd wreck the train on her."

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"Oh! I beg your pardon. Your bill is 75 cents."

"Madame," said a husband to his young wife, in a little altercation which will spring up in the best regulated families, "when a man and his wife have quarrelled, and each considers the other at fault, which of the two ought to advance toward a reconciliation?" "The better natured and wiser of the two," said the wife putting up her mouth for a kiss, which was given with an unction. She was the conqueror.—New York Ledger.

"How does the new girl strike you?" asked a citizen of Detroit at a dinner lately. "She hasn't struck me yet," answered the wife meekly; "but she has done most everything else."—Ex.

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