

Story of a Hat.

Irish Times: A curious story regarding a hat is current in the lobby of the House of Commons. It appears that on a recent Friday night an elderly member, who is said to be of a jealous disposition, and, moreover, is possessed of a young and (of course) good-looking wife, took from the cloak room another member's hat. On the following morning after breakfast he discovered the strange hat on his hat stand and on closer inspection found that it was garnished inside with initials, above which was a strange crest. The green-eyed monster was instantly at work, especially as his wife had returned from the South of France during his absence at the House on the previous evening. His favorite chapeau of course being missing, he immediately interrogated his wife as to who was her escort. The innocent dame was highly indignant and hotly denied the impeachment. Seizing his dearest the honorable member traced the offending hat to its lawful owner, and, journeying to his lodger, indited a very strong epistle to the eldest son of a peer who sits on the opposite side of the House, threatening him with all sorts of penalties for the insult offered to his honor. The young scion of nobility immediately grasped the situation, having himself to travel home in a strange hat, and kept up the joke by sending the enraged husband a solicitor's letter, charging him with stealing the initialed hat from the cloak room of the House of Commons. On receipt of this epistle it immediately dawned on the elderly member of Parliament that he had made a mistake, and he forthwith made a personal apology.

They Did That Successfully.

"Well, how about the conquests at the beach this summer?" asked a fond father of his daughters upon their return from the seashore. "I suppose you broke many a heart?" "O, no, father," replied Miss Sophronia; "our mission was not to break hearts. We are New-Yorkers." "Er—I didn't mean hearts; I meant pockets," said the old man, correcting himself.

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Does a boys' funny bone enable him to laughe in his sleeve?

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Where the Cigar got its Name. The origin of the word cigar is of some interest and is not to be found in the ordinary dictionaries. The word, of course, is Spanish, and Little in his French dictionary says that it is derived from cigarra, the Spanish name for grasshopper. When the Spaniards first introduced tobacco into Spain from the Island of Cuba, in the sixteenth century, they cultivated the plant in their gardens, which in Spanish are called cigarrales. Each grew his tobacco in his cigarral and rolled it up for smoking, as he had learned from the Indians in the West Indies. When one offered a smoke to a friend he could say: "Es de mi cigarral!"—It is from my garden. Soon the expression came to be: "Este cigarro es de mi cigarral!"—this cigar is from my garden. And from this the word cigar spread over the world. The name cigarral for garden comes from cigarra, a grasshopper, that insect being very common in Spain, and cigarral meaning the place where the cigarra sings. In this way the word cigar comes from cigarra, the name of the insect, not because it resembles the body of the grasshopper, but because it was grown in the place it frequents.

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