

Victorian Humor



The man born with a silver spoon in his mouth must have lived in stirring times.

A burglar got into the house of a lawyer the other day. After a terrible struggle the lawyer succeeded in robbing him.

A great financier is a thief who succeeds. A thief is a great financier who fails.

Gentleman visiting the barber: 'In what manner would you like to be shaved sir?' 'In silence.'



'Your dress madam will never please the men.'
'I don't dress sir to please men but to worry other women.'

The cabman has the only business in which you can drive your customers away and keep them too.

Soldiers will not read Robinson Crusoe because it is the work of De Foe.

The Law is a pretty bird and has charming wings.
Pity it has so terrible a bill.

Most people would prefer to die like Joan of Arc rather than Mary Stuart, as they like a hot steak better than a cold chop.

A dentist at work at his vocation always looks down in the mouth.



A lady wrote the following letters at the bottom of her flour barrel: O I C U R M T.

'I see villainy in your face ' said a judge to a prisoner.'May it please your honor that is merely a personal reflection.'

No farmer can plough a field by merely turning it over in his mind.

The undertaker's favourite sport is boxing.

A lady called on a friend who was not at home, and finding the piano dusty, wrote upon it 'slattern.' They met the next day and the lady said, 'I called upon you yesterday.' 'Yes,' said the other. 'I saw your card on the piano.'

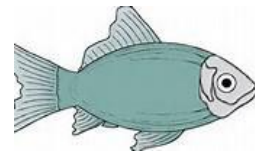
'I never see you at the play nowadays' - 'I prefer to stay at home.'
'Ah I suppose you think there's no plays like home.'

Q: What is that which a young lady looks for but does not wish to find?

A: A hole in her stocking.

Q: Which part of a fish is like the end of a book?

A: The fin is.



Q: What makes everybody sick except those who swallow it?

A: Flattery.

Q: Why would an owl be offended at your calling him a pheasant?

A: Because you would be making game of him

Q: When does a ship tell a falsehood?

A: When she lies at the wharf.

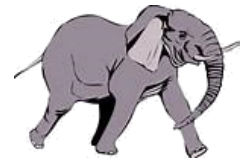


Q: Why is the polka like bitter beer?

A: Because it contains so many hops.

Q: Why is an elephant's head different from any other?

A: Because if you cut it off from the body it is still attached to the trunk.



Q: What kind of sense does a girl require in a disagreeable suitor?

A: Absence.

Q: Why is a defeated army like wool?

A: Because it's worsted.

Q: Which is the favourite word with women?

A: The last one.

Q: Why is a fisherman's the most lucrative employment?

A: It is all net profit.



Q: What is the best way to keep a man's love?

A: Not to return it.

Q: What is the difference between photographing and the whooping cough?

A: One makes fac-similes the other makes sick families.

Q: Why does an aeronaut dislike speaking about his trips?

A: They are generally a soar point with him.

Q: Why is a restless man in bed like a lawyer?

A: Because he lies on one side then turns around and lies on the other.

Q: When is a man duplicated?

A: When he is beside himself.

Q: In what ship does no woman object to embark?

A: Courtship.

Q: Why is a fashionable woman like a thrifty housekeeper?

A: Because she makes a great bustle about a little waist.



Q: What part of a ragged garment resembles the Pope?

A: It's Holiness.

Q: Which one of the United States is the largest and most popular?

A: The state of matrimony.

Q: Why are pretty girls like fireworks?

A: Because they soon go off.

Q: When is a newspaper like a delicate child?

A: When it appears weekly.

