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COSTUMES.

LIZAH.—Straggling hair and paint brush beard, dressed in black suit, slightly too small.

Doctor.—Dark business suit.

FRITZ.—Very light suit, corpulent body, bald head with fringe of reddish hair and sluggers.

FWEDDIE.—Swell costume in dude style, cane, high

collar, etc.

MRS. Speegleton.—Typical old maid with corkscrew curls.

AGNES, Light summer suits.

---x---STAGE DIRECTIONS.

R., means Right; L., Left; R. H., Right Hand; L. H., Left Hand; C., Centre; S. E., (2d E.) Second Entrance; U. E. Upper Entrance; M. D., Middle Door; F., the Flat; D. F., Door in Flat; R. C., Right of Centre; L. C., Left of Centre.

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AFTER THE CIRCUS.

SCENE.--Interior of a depot, bench L. U. E., entrance C., time tables on the walls and other fixtures; bench R. L. E., bass drum in R. U. E. corner.

Enter Dr. Burton, c. E., comes down and seats himself on bench.

Dr. B. At last the wonderful Consolidated Stupendous Squalls Bros. circus is over, and with my fair partner seen safely home, I shall have a half hour in which to read this new treatise on Brain Diseases, before the train for Fulton leaves. (opens book, looks in then closes) I can't help think ng about that pretty little damsel I got acquainted with at the circus. The most entrancing black eyes, and such lovely hair. (repeat business) I promised to write to her, and get her photo. Really I believe I am in love. Well, if I continue thinking of her, I'll never read the medical work, so here goes. (reads

Enter Fritz c. E., hurriedly, carrying valise.

Fritz. (mops brow and looks at the clock) By gracious, I thought I vos left me behindt yet, but here I haf putty near half hour pefore the train goes out. If my valcose vosent so heafy, I vould go back, but I guess the best ting I can do is to set me down and read mine papers. (sits on bench L. and reads aloud) "The United States vill shust give the Philipinos two more months to get out of dot island, and then if they don't do it, they will be killed like rabbits." Haw! haw! Vell by chimney, von't dot be fun to see dose blue goats chasing dose niggers. Haw! haw! haw!

Dr. B. There it is; when I do begin to read this book in earnest, a nasty Dutchman has to come in and disturb me.

Fritz. (turns and looks at Dr. Burton, who again reads) Nasty Dutchman, hev! Vell, den 1 get up and hash that man's settle. (angry) Shust pecause I read papers out loud, that old cuss calls me a nasty Dutchman. I vonder who he is ninnyhow. (creeps across and then slapping the Dr. on the back) Mein gootness, if it ain't mine old friendt, Dr. Burton. (business

Dr. B. (surprised) Why, if it isn't Fritz Dittenhoffer!

How do you do, sir?

Fritz. Well, I tink I vill recover if I have careful nursing.

Dr. B. As gay as ever, I see. Well, did you take in

the circus to-day?

Fritz. Vell, you bet my life I did. You know the side show where the women were singing? I heard some of the best songs in dere you ever heard pefore. One of dem vos "My Sunday Pants are Rotten."

Dr. B. What?

Fritz. My Sunday Pants are Rotten.

Dr. B. O! I know what you mean, Only a Pansy Blossom.

Fritz. Yah! and Gray Hairs in the Butter.

No won mean The Gray Hairs of M

Dr. B. No, you mean The Gray Hairs of Mother.

Yes, I guess dot vos right, but the best one I heardt vos Under my Pillows They are Creeping.

Dr. B. O! Fritz, you have them all mixed up, you

mean Under the Willows They are Sleeping.

Friz. I don't belief you ever heard me sing, did you Doctor? You haf missed the treat of my life! I vos a bird!

Dr. B. Well Fritz, it is not too late to hear you yet.

Won't you sing me a solo?

Fritz. I dond't put mineself up to peen no brimer donners, but I can warble in a vay dot vould surprise you.

Dr. B. All right then, sing anything you happen to

know.

Fritz. I never sing any of dose new kind of songs, cause dose oldt vons vos good enough for me. I vill now sing dot peautiful ballad entitled "The Old Vooden Pucket," if you dond't object.

Dr. B. On the contrary I shall be very pleased to hear

you warble. Fritz. (sings)

(music "Old Oaken Bucket"

"How tear to your heart der scenes of my shildhoodt vos already yet,

Ven I sot me down andt let vond regolections bresent

dem for me to view ofer.

Der abble trees, der meadow, und der pushes all tangled up.

Und e ery odder oldt place vot I knew ven I vos a kid. Der vrog pondt spreas out, und der mill britty near it to, Der pridge und de pig stone ver der vater ran ofer und vell down,

Der house vot pelonged mein vater to und der blace

vere dey made putter britty close py dot,

Und der next ding vos der oldt vooden pucket dot hung der vell down into."

CHORUS.

"Der oldt vooden pucket, the pucket vot vos covered mit moss all ofer,

Der iron pound pucket, der pucket vot hung der vell down into."

Dr. B. Very good! very good! You will be an opera singer before you know it. A person would have to get

up early to beat you.

Frilz. Oh! dot reminds me of der time I vos schtopping at a hotel ofer in Kansas. I told dem to vake me up at 4 o'clock, and about 2 o'clock they came around and told me I had two hours more to be asleep yet. (looking off R. U. E.) Vell, for gootness gracious sake, vot is dot gomin'down the road? (Dr. looks too) I guess somebody is going to start a store here.

Dr. B. O! no, that is only old Mrs. Speegleton. She has been shopping and is just coming down to wait for the

train.

Fritz. Vell I dinks I play a little choke on her. You know the man who vos going to been hanged, said it all ended in a choke. We'll schust scare her a little already yet.

(ge's drum and stands by door

Enter Mrs. Speegleton, R. U. E., with arms heaped with bundles—as she enters, Fritz beats drum loudly and yells, causing her to drop all bundles on floor-she raises old umbrella and pursues Fritz, who leaves drum and exits L. U. E.—exit Dr., C. E.—Mrs. Speeg-Leton now comes down front with umbrella still open.

Mrs. Speegleton. Good land of Goshen! I wonder if this here depot house has been turned into a loonatic asylum. A pore young defenceless widder like me ain't got no protection whatsoever. Now if my first husband, Jonas Gooseberry was alive, I wouldn't be a-trapesing around by myself unprotected. My old umbrill, Christopher Columbus, has helped me a power. It ain't menny a man that has the courage to stand afore old Christopher, when I get riled up. (gathers up packages) That critter that upset me has spoilt my new bombazine, he'll wisht that he'd a tuck to himself and had better manners. I'll just pile these things up here by the bench, and put my new bunnit here on top, so it won't curl up. (puts packages on floor by bench L. U. E., except bonnet, which is lain on top—sees the drum) Well, it that ain't like Lize Spudtater's drum. It's jest like that onery critter to play me that trick after I took that mint over to him last winter. when he had ther rheumatiz. (steps heard outside) Like as not that is the sneaking critter coming back arter his drum. I'll learn him a lesson. (takes umbrella

Enter Dr. Burton, c. E.—when he enters she belabors him up and down, saying.

You would play a trick on me, would you?

Dr. B. Madam! Madam! what on earth is the matter

with you?

Mrs. S. Great goose grease! I've made a mistake. I took you for some one else, doctor, I feel real bad about it.

Dr. B. So do I. (rubs himself, aside) She is certainly

a woman of determination and muscular.

Mrs. S. You see there has been a trick played on ma.

and I was going to make some one suffer,

Dr. B. Well, Madam, you have succeeded, although I can't say that I congratulate you.

Enler Lize, R. U. E., comes down a little ways and listens.

Mrs. S. Well, I hope you accept my apology, doctor, but I'm a young defenceless widder, and I've got to purtect myself. I kinda think it was that shiftless Lize Spudtater, and if I ketch him, I'll make his ribs crack with old Christopher Columbus here. (business for Lize) Think I'll go down to the grocery and get that pound of tea for Sarah Fair.

Lize. (aside) I think I'll go down to the boosery and see if Cousin Jerry's there. (starts to exit

Mrs. S. (turns and sees Lize) There's the critter now. (chases him around, Dr. down c. and up L. U. E. where he stumbles and falls into bench on her bonnet) Oh, my new bunnit!

Lize goes rushing off R. U. E. with Mrs. Speegleton in hot pursuit, striking him with umbre'la.

Dr. B. (laughing) I can almost reconcile myself to my own pains upon seeing innocent old Lize beaten about. That woman is certainly a remarkable one. She is indeed! I should think she would make an impression wherever she goes. She did in this case. (rubs himself—introduce specialty here) Well! well! (laughs) I've been having a nice quiet time of it, but now the broil is over, I'll just finish my book I was reading.

Enter Lize, R. U. E., panting. drops onto bench on bonnet.

Why Lize! Is that you? You look all used up.

Lize. Gosh! I feel wussen a blowed up steamboat. That shemale critter tuck arter me like a spring calf, and if I hadn't dodged through an alley, she'd a had me by the scruff of the neck by now, I reckon, by hokey!

Dr. B. Don't be discouraged, Lize, for just before you

came in, she made a mark on me.

Lize. Wall, when I heard that last remark of her'n, I just started to dust, but ding bust my buttons, if she didn't just lay it on, so as to nigh give me a crick in my back.

Dr. B. Well, if you don't get up off that bonnet, you

will feel worse than you do now.

Lize. (gets up slowly and looks at bonnet and then at Dr., repeat slowly) Doc., I feel just like that blame bonnet looks.

Dr. B. O! cheer up, cheer up, old boy! (slaps him on back) If she comes back, we'll just slip out and let her stay here.

Lize. Keep your eye peeled, for durn me if I want that

Kansas cyclone to strike me again.

Dr. B. Very well, I will, but how's everything, Lize?

Went to see the circus, I suppose?

Lize. Well now you can just bet your last nubbin' of corn that I did. I went to the side show down there, and I saw the darndest speckled up tattoed man you ever hear tell on. He had a great big checker board tattoed right across his breast, and he was a chargin' people five cents a game to play. I was a standin' there a watchin' them play, when a policeman came up and arrested him.

Dr. B. Arrested him! Why, what for? Lize. For running a skin game. Ha! ha!

Dr. B. That's pretty good, but you have heard of that song entitled "She was Bred in Old Kentucky" haven't you?

Lize. Gosh! yes, most everybody sings it.

Dr. B. Well, a man went into a store the other day and says, "How much is Bred in Old Kentucky worth?" and the clerk said, "I don't know now much it is worth there, but it is worth five cents a loaf here."

Lize. Ah! you git out. That's stale. Dr. B. Well, so was the bread stale. Ha! ha! ha!

Lize. Arter I got through with the side show, I went into the tent whar the animules was. There was a great big elegant in thar, and I be darned, if he didn't have a tail at each end, and he was a eatin' hay with one of his tails when I went in. I says to a fellar standing thar, "By ginger, I don't see what he needs two tails for," and what do you think he said, Doc.?

Dr. B. Why I am sure I do not know. What did he

say?

Lize. "Wall," says he, "That ain't his tail, that's his trunk." Wall I saw he was makin' fun of me and I got hot in the collar, an' I sez, "Reckon if that's his trunk, the other must be his valise." He see he was beat, so he just kinda laffed, but I wan't a-goin' to let him off so easy, an' so sez I, "If that's his trunk, why don't he take out a clean shirt and put it on?" (both laugh) Say, Doc., you don't know no one that don't want nothing done, do ye?

Dr. B. Y. s. Lize, I do-not!

Lize. I ain't been feelin' quite so peart, lately, as I orter, it seems though everything I eat goes right to my stomach.

Dr. B. Can that be a fact?

Lize. Yes, sir! And by gosh! everytime after I get done eatin' I have a kind of full feeling down here and here. (rubs stomach and win's at the audience—aside) I'll jest

have a little fun with the Doc.

Dr. B. (aside) I'll just play a little joke on Lize. (aloud) Your symptoms are quite serious. Allow me to feel your pulse. (Lize sticks out tongue) No! no! that's your tongue. (feels pulse) Um-yes-just as I thought. Intermittent—frequent—re-active—digestive—indicativ.

Lize. Sufferin' whip-poor-wills! is it that bad, Doc.? Dr. B. Yes, indeed. Did you ever have the measles?

Lize. Yes.

Dr. B. Um—I thought so. Was your mother a woman?

Lize. Yes.

Dr. B. Um-I was sure of that. Did you ever have the gout?

Lize. No.

Dr. B. Um-I thought not. Lize. What's that got to do with me?

Dr. B. Well, sir! I have been diagnosing your case, and I find that you are suffering from a chronic complication of epidemical sensations acting through the diaphragm tissues, associated with metamphysics of your peristeneum.

Lize. (drops into seat) Great canopy! my fish is

flopped.

Dr. B. O! you will probably recover, if you abstain from trying to joke with medical men. Lize, I was only joking with you.

Lize. (disgusted) Ah! I thought I was a jokin' you all the time. Wall, the only thing that will cheer me up

is a great big drink of corn-juice.

(Dr. laughs, Lize starts to go out c. E. and runs into

Enter FWEDDIE TOPCOAT, C. E.

Fiveddie. I say, fellah, you are wude and very rough, I've a mind to give you a twouncing. By doncherno. jove I have!

Lize. Wall, I'll be darned, it's one of those little whang

doodles that's so good they're good for nothing.

Fwed. Your actions are simply awdacious, sir! and I demand an apology. Dash it all, you can't run ovah me! Lize. Parts his hair in the middle to keep his head

balanced, and has got a cuff around his neck for a collar.

Fixed. (angrily) See here, sir! you hear what I say. I shall strike you, if you don't answer me. By jove, I will! Lize. Wall I reckon I'll be goin', Doc.

Lize spits on Fweddie's shoe and exits c. E., Fweddie goes down front holding up foot.

(horrified) Aw the horrid, horrid man spat on Fwed.my shoe. He has awctually spat tobacco juice on my new shoe.

Dr. B. Why, that is an outrage, isn't it?

Fwed. Yas, I am glad to see you are a gentleman of brains, like myself, sir! But that horrid ruffain—oh!

Dr. B. If I were you I would go after him and make him apologise. Challenge him to a duel at twenty paces, with pen knives!

Fixed. Upon my honah, sir! that is just what I will do.

(exit c. E.

Dr. B. He'll have his hands full, for Lize is feeling rather sore over that joke of mine, and he will muss the dude up if he attempts to make him apologise. Gracious! they are at it all ready! (nois3 heard outside

Lize. (heard outside) You will hit me, will ye! ye

little soap and perfumery critter?

Enter FWEDDIE, C. E., on the toe of Lizes boot, coal ripped on the back, vest open, cane broken and general delapidated appearance, is followed in by FRITZ.

Fived. (dropping onto bench on bonnet) Ah, by jove! Dr. B. Why my good friend, what on earth is the matter?

Fwed. Oh, by jove!

Dr. B. What has happened?

Fwed. Why, you see, I twied to make him apologise for spitting on my shoe, and the horrid man awctually spat on the other one. Oh! it was terrible!

Dr. B. What did you do then?

Fwed. Why I stwuck him and then he stwuck me like

a horrid pwize fighter. Oh! it was simply terrible!

Fritz. He didn't do more as a few t'ings to you did he vet?

Dr. B. Why didn't you go to his assistance, Fritz?

Frilz. Um—vot you take me for? You t'ink I vants that great pig gountry jake to knock the dickens out of me? I guess nit!

Fired. It's dweadful! Here I come down to have a good time and to see Cholly Sweetboy, and a few other chappies, and this terrible fellah strikes me. He even pulle tout some of my hair. (feels head and groans

Fritz. Dot reminds me of der dime ven I vos down in Texas vid anoder fellow. We caught von of dose little shack ass rabbits vot you call a hare, and laid him on the ground vile we vent to get some wood to make a fire to cook him vid. Ven we came pack, py schimney smokehouse, if the hare vosen't gone, and the ground vos bald headed.

Dr. B. What did you do then?

Fritz. Well, de fellow vot vos vit me had a bottle of Hair Restorer in his pocket, und he schust poured it on the ground and the hare came pack und ve had dinner!

Fwed. I suppose you chappies felt like I did once when I was in New York. I awsked for some beefsteak at a restaurant, and they brought in a fwied livah pad which some one had left to pay for their dinner.

(solo, instrumental or vocal, by Eweddie

Fritz. Say, Doctor, let's schust take a little valk around down the street aways and let Mister Dudelet fix up his clothes.

Dr. B. Well I guess there is no use trying to read thistreatise. (to FWEDDIE) My dear sir! I hope you'll have better luck next time.

(exit Dr. and Fritz, c. E.

Fwed. (sits) Here my new two users are all bagged at the knees, and my coat ripped like everything. I cawn't go to Fulton looking like this, or my reputation would be wuined, wuined. I shall have to invent some story.

Enter Agnes and Pearl, R. U. E., and go down c. while talking—Fweddie brushes clothes and other business.

Agnes. Oh! hasn't this been a perfectly delightful day? I don't believe I ever had so nice a time before.

Pearl. So have I had a splendid time, and O! Agnes, I

got acquainted with a handsome young doctor from Fulton. He has the most charming ways and such divinely blue

eyes!

Agnes. Well I don't think he can compare with that handsome drummer I met at the circus grounds. He is so dashing, and has the sweetest brown eyes you ever looked into. He gave me his photo, too.

Pearl. My doctor didn't have any of his with him, but he promised to see me at the picnic up at Fulton to-mor-

row and give me one then.

Agnes. Well, isn't that strange! My drummer's going to be there too!

Pearl. Let's sit down here on this bench and lay our plans for the coming conquest. (they sit on bench R. L. E.

Agnes. I am sure that we will have a grand flirtation at the picnic, but if he pops the question, I shall have to refuse him, for I have as good as promised to marry Fweddie Topcoat.

Fixed. (looking up) Upon my honah, there are two

girls talking about me.

Pearl. My gracious! Your flirtation will not take place I guess, because Fweddie will be there. Don't you remember he said he would come?

Agnes. That's the truth! O my! I had forgotten all about him. Wouldn't it have been terrible if I had been

carrying on a flirtation and he have caught me.

Pearl. I think that Fweddie is an awful nice fellow, but he is so bashful that he blushes whenever a girl looks at him.

Agnes. Yes, Fweddie is rather bashful, but I love him

just the same.

"Fwed. (aside) They say that eavesdroppers never hear any good of themselves, but weally I can't say that.

Pearl. The only hope you have, is that the drummer

will not keep his appointment.

Fwed. (aside) So there is a drummer in it, is there? Weally, I think I can hold my own with any drummer there is, even if he was in the war.

Agnes. I shall stay at home until Fweddie calls for

me, and then I shall be safe.

Fwed. Bless the deah girl. She knows that I am a

grand protector.

Pearl. I only hope that my doctor will not forget to keep the appointment that we made.

Fwed. I think I shall have to use a little strategy to keep from answering questions.

(gets up and goes out c. E.—as Pearl speaks

Re-en'er Fweddie, c. e., making considerable noise and drops onto bench upon bonnet.

Pearl. We girls have a hard time—

Agnes. Oh! as I live, there is Fweddie now. (both rush to him and shake hands) But what on earth have

you been doing to tear your clothes so?

Fixed. I am delighted to see you deah girls, and if you will sit down, I will tell you evewything. (AGNES and PEARL sit on bench—aside) Now for a terrible story. (aloud) You see I came to the circus to-day, and as I was coming down to the depot to wait for the train, I saw a runaway horse come dashing along. There was a little girl in the buggy and she would have been killed; but I rushed out and grabbed the horse and held on. By jove! it took all my stwength. The horse tried to bite me, but I held on, until the little girl got out in safety, and then I tied the horrid creature up to a tree. I flatter myself that I saved the little girl's life, risking my own at the same time. I nevah knew I was so brave (winks at audience) before.

Agnes. My! you were brave and no mistake.

Pearl. Yes, Mr. Topcoat, you'r the bravest fellow I know.

Fwed. (aside) It is coming out better than I expected. (aloud) I always try to help anyone in distress. But where have you been, girls? I hawven't seen you to-day. Agnes. Why aunt was sick, and we staid with her.

The girls look at each other and wink, FWEDDIE looks at the audience and winks and nods his head in the negative.

Fwed. Will you be at the picnic to-morrow, girls?

Agnes. Yes, Pearl is coming home with me to-night on the train, and then we will be already for to-morrow's festivities.

Fwed. How fortunate that you are going on to-night's train, for we shall have the pleasure of one another's company from here to Fulton, and we can prepare for the pleasures to come. While we are waiting, (to Agnes or

Pearl) can't you sing a song? I always enjoy hearing music. By jove, I do!

(noise heard outside, girls stroll down c.

Enter Lize and Mrs. Speegleton, c. E.

Mrs. S. Wall, if it want spoilt already, it is now, for there's a pesky dude settin' right smack on it. I won't say anything to him though, cause it ain't no use now, and that new one you got is a heap purtier. (sees Agnes) Well, if there ain't Agnes Wilton, old Squire Wilton's daughter. Law! child, I hain't been so glad to see anyone since John Ann Hurley came to kill our bull dog.

(girls and Mrs. Speegl ton talk in dumb show Lize. I want to beg your pardin', Mr. Dude, for trouncing you awhile ago, cause I want a feelin' well. Will you

'scuse me?

Fixed. Sh! sh! (low tone) That's all right, my deah boy. Don't say anything more about it, cause it might get me in trouble. I forgive you upon my word of honah.

(LIZE and FWEDDIE talk in dumb show

Enter Dr. Burton and Fritz, c. E.

Fritz. Haw! haw! dot vas a good von on Lize. By chimney, dere is dat old voman now. I dink I had better move my grounds.

Dr. B. Oh! she doesn't know that you did it, you are

safe.

Lize. Hello! Doc., whar have you been all the time since I left?

Dr. B. Just strolling around a bit with my friend

Dittenhoffer here.

Lize. Well, Doc., I'm jest a dyin' to impart the gladsome news, that I have made myself solid with the widder by gettin' her a new bunnit. Between you and me and the Dutchman thar, I calculate on leadin' her to the altar a blushin' bride in the near future, for we've had words about to that effect.

Dr. B. I am indeed happy to congratulate you, and I am sure you have secured a woman of determination and force. Yes, indeed! (rubbing arm

Fri'z. Vell, if you are going to been married, I vill forgif you calling me a Dutchman, because you vill have

troubles of your own right away off quick. If you like I vill told you about dot Dutch gal of mine vot I am going to marry dis summer.

The entire caste group to hear Fritz—the Dr. converses in dumb show with Pearl, while Fritz is reciteing, and Agnes with Fweddie.

MY GAL FROM OLD SHERMANY.

"I vill tole about dot gal of mine

Vot looks so neat and dress so fine,

She came from Deitchland on the Rhine,

A gouple of weeks ago.

To cross the salty water sea, and come here to Amerike, She left her own dear Shermanie,

Because she lofed me so.

Her eyes vas plue like green, she is the puttiest efer seen, I lofe her shust like plazes, and I dink she lofes me too, So give me your attention and a couple of facts I'll mention,

For I tole you my intention is to stick to her like glue.

Her broder he vas a daisy, her fader he vas grazy,

Her mutter she vos lazy, but dot makes me noding out. Her fader he don't like me, ven I gome around he fight

Mit a great pig club he strike and he hit me on the mouth. I lofe her just like life, I vill make dot gal my vife;

Oh! jimney Christmas ain't it nice, don't you vish dot you vos me?

For I lofe her to distraction, 'twas a heap of satisfaction, For she vas my whole attraction, I'm as happy as I can be.

She's got such a funny name, but then she is not to blame, It's a name vot she got from her own father, (all the same) For it's Katherina, Willemina, Leapenstina, Mannalina, Dinglebender, Hockstein, Lautenslayer." (vas her name)

Omnes. Fine! fine!

Fritz. Oh! I vos a dandy, ain't it.

Dr. B. Lize, can't you speak a piece?

Lize. Wall, when I us to go to skule down in Coon Holler, they reckoned as how I was one of the best oratators they had.

Dr. B. Well you might as well speak something to help us while away the time.

Lize. Wall, then I'll tell you about the "New Fangled

Gals."

"What would they thought in our day, Sophrina, Of doin's sech as these?

There's gals down thar in Wilkin's lot

About as thick as bees, — ckin' sech old stiff-backed h

A-pickin' sech old stiff-backed herbs As golden rod and asters;

Mean pesky weeds! No thrifty farmer'd Have 'em in his pastures.

Jest hear 'em laugh, and "oh' and "ah," 'Bout everything they see;

I reckon forty years ago

Sech things would never be; The gals in them days had to work,

And never thought o' posies, Unless 'twas lilocs in the spring, And in the summer, rosies.

Or mebbe down the garden walk You'd see some sweet-peas bloomin',

And larkspur, pinks and hollyhocks Would do their share of blowin';

But interferin' with the things,

God scattered 'mong the grasses
Was never thought of—guess it wa'n't—

By good old ashioned lasses.

It's ever sence that prig come here They call Professor (local hit)

The gals have been talkin' 'bout The "aster novy-angly,''

An' the "Soligo strictly,"

An the "Ap'os tuberosy";

An' them ole tarnal beggar ticks
Are christened now "Frondosy."

Wall, times is change ', an' so is gals, An' so is all creation;

I'm glad I've lived nigh fifty year Afore this generation;

For, speakin' confidentially,

It seems to me it means,
If folks keep on this here way

By-um-by they won't know he

By-um-by they won't know beans!"

(Adpt. K. H. Terry.)

Omnes. Good! good! (hand clapping Dr. B. (looking at watch) We just have time enough before the train arrives to dance the first set of the Lancers, and I think it is the fitting way to conclude the day after the circus.

Fritz. Yaw, by chimney schmokehouse, it was after the

circus that I scared the oldt voman so.

Fwed. Weally it was after the circus that I got two unced—um—that is to say, I stopped the horse. (aside) A

narrow escape!

Mrs. S. Well it was arter the circus that I got a new beau, and so let's hav' the dance. Me an' old Christophe Columbus here (raises umbrella) and Lize will be the fist couple to slaminade.

Mrs. Speegleton and Lize, Fweddie and Agnes, and Dr. and Pearl form for lance s.

Fritz. By gracious, I vish mine Katherina, Willemina, Leabenstina, Mannalina, Dinglebender, Hockstein, Lautenslayer vos here. We vould be the pest couple on the floor.

Music—Fritz takes up the drum and keeps time to the music—as they begin the dance they sing to the une of "Marching Through Georgia"—singing and dancing.

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Hurrah! hurrah! We'll dance a jubilee!
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SYNOPSIS OF INCIDENTS,

ACT I.—The picnic near the "Black Hawk's" cave—The lawyers and Mike—Little Goldie has fun with the Judge—Mike makes love to Matilda -The Judge is appealed to—Matilda and the Judge—Joe arrived late—The Captain of the Black Hawks shows up—Tells the gauga story—Old Jones is rich—The plot—Peter's meets old Jones—The struggle—Little Goldie to the rescue, backed by the Judge and his cannon—"It wouldn't do in this glorious climate of Colorado."

ACT II.—The Col. and the Maj. lament the escape of the Black Hawks—The Judge gets drunk—Mike tells some news—The boys "lay" for the school teacher Judge gets drunk—Mike tells some news—The boys "lay" for the school teacher

The school teacher arrives—A female!—The Judge makes a speech—Joe
drops in and cuts them all ont—Matilda and the Judge—Mike gets mad—The
Capt. of the Black Hawks again—Little Goldie at her pranks, has trouble with
Godfrey—Joe interferes—The Col. and Maj. get in their worst—Judge tries to
escape from Matilda—Mike helps him out—The recognition—The story—I will
be there—The quarrel—"Drop that knile, or I'll fill you full of holes."

ACT III.—The home of Edith—Matilda tells a little gossip and departs—Joe
calls and tells Edith of his love—The Judge hears him refused—Joe departs—
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SYNOPSIS OF EVENTS.

ACT I. Scene I.—Webber mansion—Mr. and Mrs. Webber discuss the future welfare of their son. King-King and Jennie return from a pleasure trip—The Wizard's prediction—Anthony Webber makes a discovery—The secret—"There is only one witness to my crime!" —A glimpse of the past—The fatal card—"I must find a way of escape." Scene II.—Fogg Island—The Wizard's cave—Little Trixie -A song brings fond memories-A discontended lady-A father's good advice—An Irishman's idea—The lost locket—The loser loses his head. Scene III.—Webber mansion—Terry and Penny Ante have an interview-Surprised-Father and daughter-The sacred promise—The living witness—The Wizard appears.

Scene I.-Wizard's cave-Terry and Penny arrive-Penny's libber out of order—The Wizard's soliloguy—Trixie and the wounded man-The dismay of the Wizard-King Webber-Terry is puzzled-Clifford Ellison arrives-His resolve-A glimpse of the past -"Who is this man?"-The attempted murder-Trixie on deck-Foiled. Scene II.—(Lapse of one month)—Webber's mansion—Penny's disordered libber—Terry's little scheme—Ellison's presentiments— Mother and son-A mother's pleading-The secret-"It is murder, my son!"—The Wizard appears—"No, my friend, your father is innocent"—May God bless you."

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ACT I.

Home of Farmer Dalton. "Don't talk politics." The dinner hour. News from Fort Sunter, and call for 75 000 men. Quarrel of old friends. "They hung traitors in former times." Oath of vengeance. The patriotic Dutchman. His wonderful story. Husoand and wife. "Go, and may God bless you." Little Willie. "Dot dog. The Dutchman organizes a company. Parting of lovers, and "parting forever." "Country fir t and love afterwards." Schneider, the Dutchman, and his new company. He means business and shows his "poys" that he understands military business. Enlisting. Schneider and his company sign the rolls. The Daltons. "Husband must you go?" Duty. Little Willie. "Please mother, may I go?" Presentation of the flag. Parting of loved ones.

ACT II.

Camp by night. The letter from home. Army duties. Songs and merriment. Tenting on the old camp ground. Inspection of the regument. Generals McPherson and Sherman. News from Atlanta. A brave man required. The dangerous mission. Promise of promotion given by McPherson. Departure of the spy. The Confederate camp. Capt. St. Clair's soliloquy. Plotting. Pete. The old Negro is used rather roughly. Father and son. The man who stutters so badly. The discovery. A spy. Do your worst, you cowardly traitor. Pete makes himself useful. No chance of life. Thrilling tableau and capture of St. Clair. Escape of St. Clair. The pursuit. Generals McPherson and Sherman. News from the front, McPherson preparing for battle. Firing on the left. I must at one; ascertain the cause. The Rebel squad. McPherson's danger. "Halt and surrender." The fatal shot. "It is General McPherson; you have killed the best man in the Union Army."

ACT III.

Return of the spy. Sherman hears of the death of his friend. The enemy's lines in motion. The long roll and general engagement.

Battlefield by night. "Water! I am dying for want of water." Little Willie The traitor forgiven. Edwin and Willie are made prisoners. The discovery, and renewal of the oath of vengeance.

ACT V.

Andersonville with all its horrors. Hope of being exchanged. The last crust of bread. St. Clair informs Edwin of the arrival ot his wife. Fears of in anity, and prayers to God for reason to know her. The maniac. "Oh brother, don't you know me?" I am your brother Willie." Maud arrives. Terror on beholding her husband. "He must know me." The picture. The recognition of the picture, and "you are no I can not be wrong, you are Maud, my wife, thank God." Villainy of St. Clair. The ery for bread. Brayery of Willie. The fatal shot, and death of the brave boy. Madness. The curse. "Boys, let us pray that this may soon end." The rescue.

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Miss Spriags,	
LORD CLARENCE,	
FRANK GOLDEN,	
DEACON JONES,	
NED,	

SYNOPSIS OF EVENTS.

ACT I.—Mrs. Clarndon's parlor—The Deacon almost proposes to Miss Spriggs—Topsy Turvy interrupts the scene and shows up a little of the Deak's character—The second rascal appears—"That's the bombardment of Sautiago"—Poor Miss Spriggs resigns her position—"Oh Heaven, what now! It's Topsy Turvy"—The thunder storm arouses uncauny feelings in the Deacon's mind—The ghost—Ned arrives—"Dis yere's a b-b-bug house, sah"—The ghost and the Deacon—The two rascals appear—"Golly, where dat skal-e-wag ob a gal ebber is, ebber t'ing just don get topsy turvy, suah's yo' born."

ACT II.—Arrival of Lord Clarence—Miss Spriggs has troubles of her own—The two rascals hold a council of war—Ned hears his sentence—"Iz a gone coon spah's youh born"—One proposal interrupts another—"Do you mean to say

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ACT III.—Ned makes a contract with Lord Clarence—May's jealousy gets the better of her good sense—Ned in trying to fill his contract, falls into the hands of his tormentors—"You challins don't play fair, no how"—A trick on the nigger—Mrs. Jones begins to think marriage is a failure—Topsy gives her a lesson on how to manage a husband—Mrs. Jones demonstrates the lesson—Frank and Topsy witnesses the Deacon's surrender—Ned explains the situation to Lord Clarence—May talks unguardedly—Mr. and Mrs. Jone's visit rudely terminated by one of the rascals—May goes to meet her fate, but fate comes to meet her—"Golly, where dat skal-e-wag ob a gal ebber is, ebber t'ing just don get topsy turvy, suah's yo' born."

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