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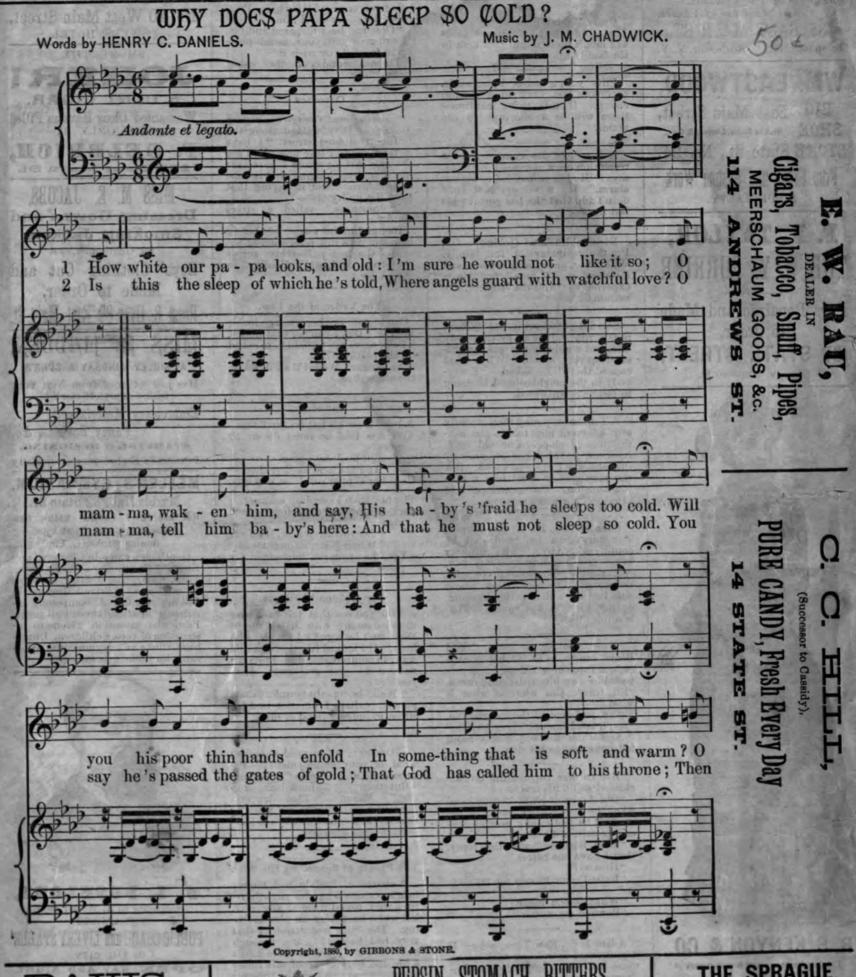
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lippings.

"All I want is a single heart," writes a poetess. Probably she is trying to fill a bob-tail flush.

Oscar Wilde's first baby is a boy. This is encouraging. It now looks as though there might be a man in the family some day.

Fifty young ladies were made, bachelors last week in a Boston college. If this thing continues there will be a shortage in old

A down-east fire company, in a resolution on a deceased member, says: "He has responded to his last alarm." It's a wonder that they didn't add that "he has gone to his last fire."

Nautical husband (joking): Oh, I'm the mainstay of the family. Wife: Yes, and the jibboom, and the—and the—" Small boy (from experience): And the spanker, too,

She did not mean it, but he took late, and suddenly the gas bright-ened up very much. "Why, what caused that?" he asked. "Every-body in the neighborhood is going to bed," she answered.

A Tennessee young man recently sent a fervent note to his girl, asking her to elope. The old man, however, guarded her so carefully that she was unable to do so. But she managed to send him a nice musk-melon. The "cantelope" told him to be a matter attent of the cantelope of th him just how matters stood.

Poor fellow! He lay in a stupor. The physician had said that he could not recover. The minister ceme, and, bending over the bed, remarked: "You must prepare for the worst." The poor fellow, whose wife had been doing the cooking opened his eyes and said: "Why, is dinner ready?"

"Now, you young scamp," said Binks, senior, as he led his young-est out into the wood-shed and prepared to give him a dressing down, "I'll teach you what is what is what."

"No, pa," replied the incorrigible,
"you'll teach me which is switch."
And then the old man's hand
fell powerless to his side.

Brown was ruminating on Archimedes and his lever.
"Old Archimedes had a long head

when he said he could raise the world if he had a long enough lever," he said to Burns.

"Well, fairly so," was the reply.

"but I have one better."

"How so?"
"Raised some money on my lev-

"What do you mean?"
"Pawned my watch."

Adam Bede, New York, asks: If a gentleman is walking with two or more ladies is it proper for the gentleman to walk between the ladies or on the outside?

If it is in the daytime a gentle-man will always take the outside of the walk whether with one or sev-eral ladies. But, if walking with two ladies in the evening, he may offer an arm to each.

A young man who had been an

A young man who had been an usher in a theater obtained a similar position in a church, but he only kept it over one Sunday.

Deacon Dewgood, a bald-headed old fellow, entered the church and took his own pew while the new usher was engaged elsewhere, Presently the usher spied him.

"Deacon," he whispered audibly, "I can give you your usual place up in front if you wish it."

The next Sunday another usher was on duty.

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Outwitted.

"No, darling," George was saying to her as they walked along the brilliantly-lighted street, "I have never loved as I love now. You are the only girl for whom I have ever felt that deep longing that is born of true love. And in saying that I am not guilty of—"

"Chestnuts," yelled a street vender.

vender.

George hurried away; but before he could gain full possession of his senses she had pulled him across the street, and said "Vanilla" to the waiter.

The Letter of the Law.

Conductor: See here, you go inside the car. Don't you see that notice, "Passengers are forbidden to stand on the platform?" Passenger: Well, I'll sit down on the steps then.

His Hat.

A boy threw his hat on the floor, And was told he must do so no

But he did it again,
And his fond mother then
Used her slipper until he was sore.

The boy then looked up askance,
And his mother cast down a mad
glance;
"Do you know now," said she
"Where your hat ought to be?"
"Yes," he answered, "inside of my
pants."

Her Opinion Werthless.

"Do you see that tall man over there, dancing with Miss Plumb? Well, isn't he a guy? I wonder who he is. If I looked like that I should want to commit suicide. I pity his wife, if he ever gets one; don't you?"

"Well, being that unfortunate person, perhaps I am not in a po-sition to judge." Good evening."

-Doctor: "You need exercise; what is your employment?" Patient: "I'm a mason." Doctor: "But then you cannot lack exercise." Mason: "That depends. Sometimes, you know, we work by the day, and sometimes by the job." —Burlington Hawkeye.

The Penalty of Suspecting His Wife.

A citizen of Buffalo had money in his pockets when he nightly re-tired, but found little if any of it tired, but found little if any of it left when he got up in the morning. The wife had acquired that very bad habit of going through her husband's clothes. He had a a fire and burglar proof safe rolled into the room. When the time for rest came, he put his pantaloons and vest in the safe and locked it. This worked capitally on the first trial. But on the second day he was not seen in his usual haunts until considerably past the meridian hour, for he had forgotten the combination.—Bufalo Courier.

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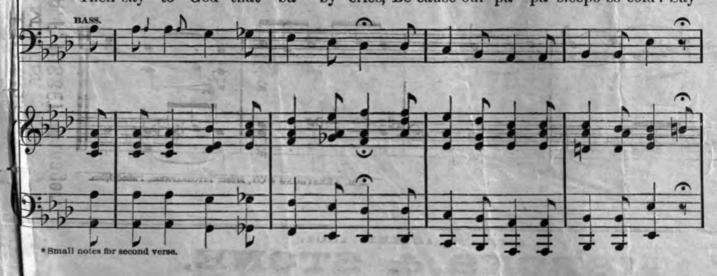


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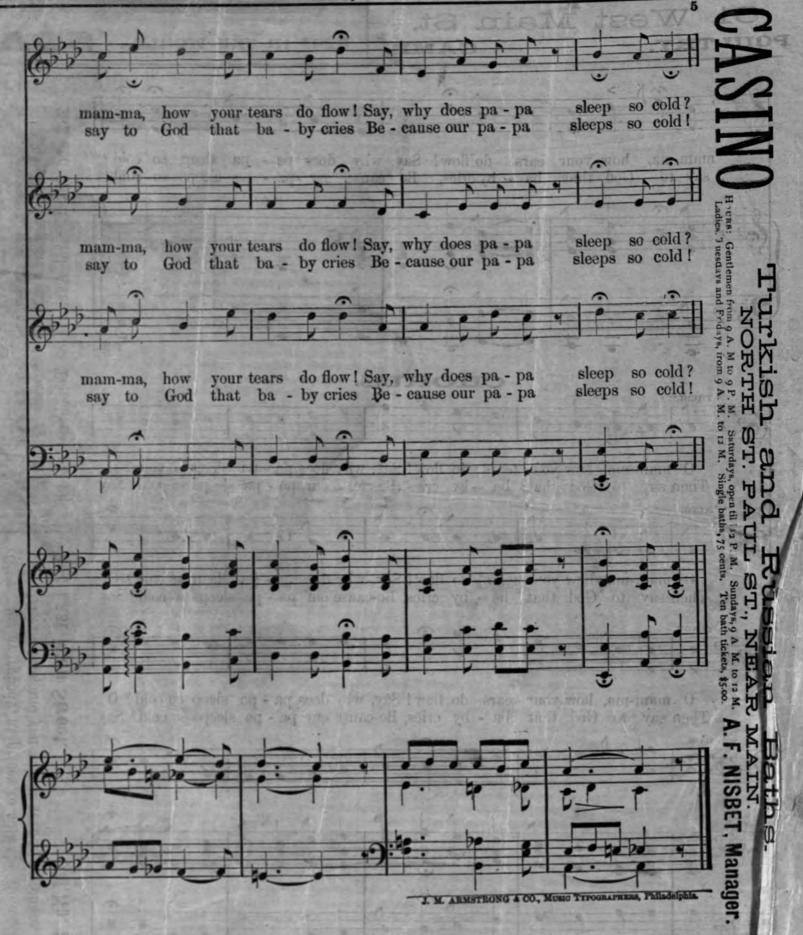
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