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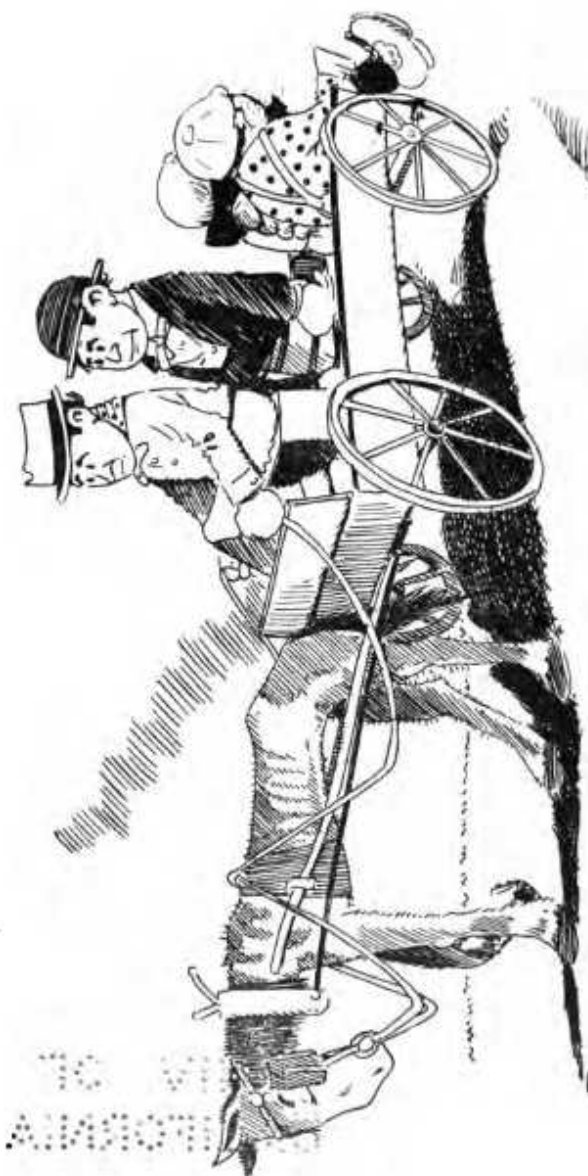
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TO VISIT
ANSON

WAGGON

"Yew ot Tew Seen the Bunch uv us inn the Waggin."

Willie Wickham

His Essay on the Horse

The horse is a grate animule, he is biggern a dwag but not as big az a elefant but more useful. Pa sez a mule is bilt sumthing like a horse but is different in uther respects. Thare iz several kinds uv horsis besides the ani-



Sum Horsis ar Awful Lene

mule horse, fur instance thare iz the saw-horse and the kloze-horse, the horse-pistel, the horse-chestnut, the hors-pital, the hobby-horse, the horse-fly, and the horse-reddish. Thare iz a diffrunce buttwean a horse-reddish and a reddish horse same az thare is a diffrunce buttwean a horse chesnut and a chesnut horse. I herd a man say to an-

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other men onct, "that's a horse on you" but I cuddent see no horse on nobody; sum people sez a nite-mare sum-times gets on a man's stummick, an' he kant help hisself, speshully wen he haz a little colt in hiz hed, which makes him hoarse.

Horsis ware blankits an' shoes but no other kloze, and thay don't kare a straw what thair bed iz made uv, cause they sleep standing up and kant stand layin' down.

Sum horsis are awful lene but sum are fat an' sum are tew fat to lene. Pa askt me onct if I ever saw a horse buck but I guess he ment a saw buck, that wood be more like it.

Hen Slitzenburger, de guy dat lives down in Clabber alley, told me de udder day dat "10 men kan lede a horse tew water but wun kant make 'im drink." Mebbe he swoor off; ennyhow, praps he thot dat waz a joak, heze alwaze kiddin'; den agin heze alwaze trunnin' bookays at hisself an' tellin' about de swell fokes he goze wid, an' de nifty skirts he haz gott on de string, an' about hiz hi livin', but I found out about hiz hi livin' awl rite. De udder day he kums along chewin' a toothpick and smokin' a koffin nail.

"Swell feed I jest had," he sez.

"Whare?" sez I.

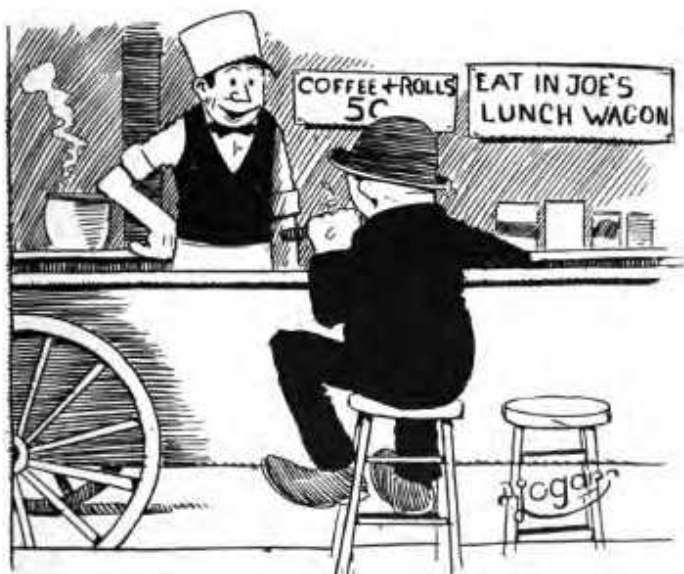
"Down to the Castoria," he sez.

"Aint no pie dump by dat name," sez I.

"Sure iz," sez he, "an' I had my dinner a la carte."

I didden no what he ment by a la carte until I seen 'im las' Chewsday sittin' on a stool at Jerky Joe's lunch cart, in frunt uv de Astoria hotel, feedin' hiz fase. I had

'im wid de goods on 'im dat time. When I lamps 'im agin ile tel—but I'me fergettin' awl about de horsis, but

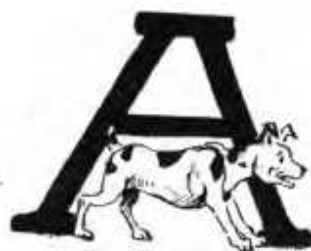


Dining in a Cart

shucks, dats awl I no about horsis ennyhow; nex' weak ile tel u about de dawg, an' believe me 'itl be de real dope. Goo' by,

WILLIE WICKHAM.

WILLIE WICKHAM

His Tale of the Dog

WL, dawgs look alike 2 mee
—an' thay bight alike.
Sumboddy sed a dawg's a
man's best friend. Righto,
speshully when yew ar
broke, whereaz a man
frend or a woman frend
will shake yew but a dawg
won't, praps itt's 'cause hee
don't no de ole man's up
against it and may b heed

stick ennyhow, howsumevur he sticks an' thare you ar.

Im wun respeck a dawg's like a woman, the moar kew
beet 'em the better he likes yew.

I kame neer having a dawg wunst. I askt a man if heed
gi mee hiz pupp and hee sed know.

Hen Slitzenburger thinks heze awful funny; yesturday
he sez, lookin wize, "That's wun on de dawg."

"Whaddja mean," I sez, "wun on de dawg?"

"A flea," he sez, den ducks, ef he haddent Ide a swat-
ted him. Hen Slitzenburger is de onnerist kid in Clabber
Alley—an' dirty, aint no name fur it; he doan look as
tho he evur had a wash. Nex' time he kumz 'round I'm
gonna get even wid de simp. I'm gonna say "Hello
Hen," an' heel say "Hello." Den He pretend tew bee
frenly like an' say, keerless like, "I heer that's wun on
u, Hen." Heel look surprized an' say: "One on me?"

Waddja mene, wun on me?" Den Ile giv 'im the wunst over, Ile laf an' say "A dirty shirt." Gee but heel be soar.



"We Got Ower Pitchers Took Long With Jerkiz Dawg"

I kame neer forgettin' mi promise tew tel u what I
no about de dawg, so heer goze:
A dawg iz diffrunt from euny udder kind uv animule