

THE TEACHER'S JOE MILLER

HERE'S HOW

The teacher was questioning the children about their ages.

"How old were you on your last birthday?" she asked one small pupil.

"Seven, ma'am," said the boy.

"And how old will you be next birthday?"

"Nine, ma'am."

"Nonsense," said the teacher. "If you were seven last birthday, how can you be nine next?"

"Well," was the reply, "you see, ma'am, I'm eight today."

A parent adviser thinks it most unwise to raise one's voice to children. Still, there are times when one would like to hear what one has to say.

SAME OLD CIRCLE

Teacher (in geometry class): "Who will define a circle?"

Joe: "A circle is a round straight line with a hole in the center."

Prof.: "What did you find out about the salivary gland?"

Student: "I couldn't find a thing, Prof. They're too darn secretive."

WONDERS OF NATURE

"The human anatomy is a wonderful piece of mechanism."

"Yes, pat a man on the back and you'll make his head swell."

THE GREEKS BEARING GIFTS

The phone rang on the desk of Frank Cody, Superintendent of Schools in Detroit. An irate patron was on the wire.

"Mr. Cody, what's taken the place of Greek in the public schools?"

"Music!" Mr. Cody replied.

"Thank God!" said the voice at the other end of the wire, and the patron hung up.

THE RIP

First Soph: "Let's cut classes and take in a movie."

Second Soph: "Can't do it, fella. I need the sleep."

THE OPTIMIST AGAIN

The eight-year-old niece, when asked if she passed the examination in arithmetic, answered cheerfully, "No, I did not, but I was the highest of those who failed."

EASY

"Tom, how much does a twelve-pound turkey weigh?" asked the teacher.

"I dunno," confessed Tom.

"Well, what time does the nine o'clock train leave?"

"Nine o'clock."

"That's right. Now, how much does a twelve-pound turkey weigh?"

"Oh! Now I understand—nine pounds."

WHISK

Son: "Why do we have eagles on all American money?"

Father: "Why, er-er, it's emblematical of its swift flight."

PEA SHOOTERS

One class in nature study at the Jones school, Detroit, was studying the qualities and uses of various fruits and vegetables. One little boy generalized pontifically upon peas: "Dried peas are used in soup and in pea shooters."

A TENSE SITUATION

Teacher: "When I say, 'I was handsome,' I am using the past or preterit tense; when I say, 'I shall be handsome,' I am using the future tense. Now, Archibald, tell me what tense I am using when I say, 'I am handsome.'"

Archie: "Pretense."