bag of sand or an empty ginger-ale bottle upon your new eight-dollar silk hat.

II. If you have to work like a dog to earn ten dollars a week, you should be thankful that your salary is not twenty dollars a week, thereby compelling you to work like two dogs.

III. If your wife can not make such pies as your mother used to make, you should be thankful that you can not eat them, thereby ruining your digestion and becoming so irritable that there is no living with you.

IV. If you are tired out with the exactions of your daily labors, you should be thankful that you are not a clergyman who has to keep awake all through the sermon.

V. If your son is flunked in all his studies and sent home from college, you should be thankful that you will not have to sit on the windy side of the grand stand at a football game and see him plough up a ten-acre lot with the end of his nose.

VI. If you owe your tailor a little matter of a hundred and fifty dollars, you should be thankful that you will get the money before he does.

VII. If you live in an apartment with one servant, you should be thankful that you do not live in a mansion requiring the constant attention of seven.

VIII. If you live in a large mansion with a retinue of servants, you should be thankful that you do not live in an apartment-house under the tyranny of a janitor.

IX. In the depths of your unthankfulness retire to some quiet spot, removed from the haunts of man, and read the full text of the Payne tariff act, and be thankful that air, scenery, sleep, appetite, sky, ocean, family affection, and restored livers, while not mentioned on the free list, have thus far eluded the attention of our toy-makers and may be had in reasonable quantities at manufacturer's cost and without duties payable at the New York custom-house or elsewhere.—Exchange.

*Uncle Jedediah on Football.*

"Yes," said Uncle Jedediah, seating himself on his throne, the dried-apple barrel—"yes! most likely ye hev missed me. There's a derned good reason why ye should. I been away."

"I didn't know you were fond of traveling," said I.

"I ain't; but once in a while I hev to look after my investments," he answered. "I put a son o' mine into college a leetle while ago, and I thought I'd go don to the place an' see what kind of a proposition I was chuckin' my money into. I guess it's all right—I can't see that Hiram is learnin' anythin' but how to yell, but he tells me he knows a derned sight more now'n he did when he went there, so I reckon I'll let the boy stay on. Them young fellers seems to me to take their pleasures rather hard, though. I stopped over an' seen one o' their games o' football an', 'y Gorry! I was glad it wasn't me was playin'. 'Tain't a very amiable game, neither. They all seemed to be mad as Heck agin' each other, and the amount of larrupin' they handed out all over that ten-acre lot was a caution to sinners."

"But don't you think the game a rather dangerous one?" I asked.

"Well, I been thinkin' it over, and in some respects I think it is," said