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## ***Judge Magazine Illustration Collection***

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### **Extent**

1 linear foot

### **Processed**

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### **Contents**

Illustrations spanning the 1880s through the early 1900s, including front covers, internal, and centerfold illustrations; 14 complete issues of Judge

### **Access Restrictions**

Unrestricted

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## History of *Judge*

*Judge*, a weekly satirical magazine, was founded in 1881 by a group of artists who seceded from the staff of the popular comic weekly, *Puck*. Founders included cartoonist James Albert Wales, dime novel publisher Frank Tousey, and author George H. Jessop. The magazine cultivated bold satire and good drawing, in a quarto format with a chromolithographic cover and center spread. After a strong start, the magazine found itself struggling to compete with its very similar rival, *Puck*.

Publisher William J. Arkell purchased the magazine in 1885, and used it in part to attack the Democratic administration of Grover Cleveland. Republican support boosted the magazine's circulation, and by the early 1890s it had reached 50,000. Cartoonists Eugene Zimmerman, Bernard Gillam, Art Young, Richard Outcault and James Montgomery Flagg were regular contributors. Circulation continued to grow; by 1912 it had reached 100,000 and *Judge* had overtaken its main rival, *Puck*, which finally expired in 1918.

Sales dropped drastically during the Great Depression, forcing the price to be reduced to ten cents per issue. Circulation did not respond, and in 1932 *Judge* became a monthly magazine at fifteen cents a number. It ceased publication in 1947.

Titles: *The Judge*, 1881-1885, 1938-1947; *Judge*, 1886-1937

First Issue: October 29, 1881

Periodicity: Weekly, 1881-1931; monthly, 1932-1947; annual volumes

Publishers: Judge Company, 1881-1909 ; Leslie-Judge Company, 1910-1927; Judge Publishing Company, 1927-1931; Judge Magazine, Inc., 1932-1947

Editors: J. A. Wales, 1881-1885; I. M. Gregory, 1886-1901; Henry Tyrrell, 1901-1917; Burges Johnson, 1908; James Melvin Lee, 1909-1912; Carleton G. Garretson, 1912-1917; Douglas H. Cooke, 1922-1927; Norman Anthony, 1927-1928; Jack Shuttleworth, 1929-1936, 1937-1938; Monte Bourjaily, 1936-1937; Robert T. Gebler, 1938-1947.

Source: Mott, Frank Luther. *A History of American Magazines, Volume 3: 1865-1885*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1957.

## Organization of the Collection

Series I. Illustrations, 1880s  
Series II. Illustrations, 1890s  
Series III. Illustrations, 1900s  
Series IV. Illustrations, No Date  
Series V. Complete Issues

## Description of the Collection

Series I-IV is arranged alphabetically by artist, then chronologically:

Illustrator

Title/Caption

Date (Volume:number)

Page number

### Series I. Illustrations, 1880s

Gillam, Bernhard (1856-1896)

The Democracy's \$50,000 Pitcher. His Backers -- "Go in and slug them, Grove. They are the same nine you kicked in 1884." Grove (disconsolately) -- "Fellers, 1884 ain't now!"

May 26, 1888 (14:34)

front cover; page 102 verso

The Power Behind the Pope. "The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau."

February 5, 1887 (11:27)

front cover; page 2 verso

Gillam, F. Victor (1858?-1920)

The Ticket Strengthened! An Herculean task for the poor old Roman.

c.1880s

page 179 verso

Hamilton, Grant E (1862-1926)

Bennett Fired. Score one for the Newsdealers.

November 10, 1883 (5:10)

front cover; page 2 verso

From One Maria to Another. Grover the Good -- "To the White House, please." Policeman --  
"No; to political retirement and penitential meditation."

1882

page 15 verso

Rejected Ideas On Strikes.

1885

page 19 verso

The Streets of New York at Holiday Time.

c.1880s

page 15 verso

Winter Probabilities.

c.1880s

Mayer, Henry (Hy) (1868-1954)

The Curly Craze. The London Beardsley Craze of Having Everything Curly Has Reached Us At  
Last.

c. 1880s

Unknown

Watching for Christmas.

c.1880s

Christmas *Judge*

page 2 verso

Wales, James Albert (1852-1886)

At the Confessional

September 9, 1882 (2:46)

front cover

More Harmony. Cold Water Foster and Lager Beer Sherman Speaking from the Same Stump in  
Ohio.

October 14, 1882 (2:51)

front cover; page 2 verso

Please Explain. A School-boy's Predicament  
April 15, 1882 (1:25)  
front cover

These Three Young Men Are "Brain Weary," and They Are Going Away from the City to Rest.  
August 5, 1882 (2:41)  
front cover

Worth, Thomas (1834-1917)

Jumbo on a Jamboree  
1881  
page 15 verso

[Title]  
c.1881-1886  
page 15 verso

## Series II. Illustrations, 1890s

Gillam, Bernhard (1856-1896)

A Warning Voice. "Stop ! While there is yet time, and follow the road I am pointing out to you."

April 23, 1897 (32:79)

front cover

[Title]

March 23, 1895 (28:701)

front cover

Gillam, F. Victor (1858?-1920)

Only Half Way Yet! Cleveland will be president until March 4th, 1897; on March 4th, 1895, he had served just one-half his term.

March 30, 1895 (28:70)

front cover

Overlooked -- Or the Folly of Foreign Missions. Our church charities cannot see the misery under their own noses at home.

August 31, 1895 (29:72)

front cover

Hamilton, Grant E (1862-1926)

Bicycle Terms.

c.1890s

Civilization Demands Arbitration and Peace.

February 20, 1897 (32:80)

front cover

Unknown

The Great Democratic Show of 1896.

1896

Longhead's Store is a Great Weather Indicator.

1896

Summer-Time Jottings. From the "Punkville Times."

1899

Tough on Him. Democratic Leader -- "When I elected Grover and he didn't know me afterwards, den I took me medicine like er man. But when he gives me de "go-by" fer a thing like dat, den I feel tired."  
October 14, 1893 (25:626)  
front cover

Young, Art (1866-1943)

The Puzzled Puzzlers.  
1898

Zimmerman, Eugene (1862-1935)

Forestalling the Elements; or, How Two Hobo Dervishes Didn't Get Wet.  
1899

The Professional Mutilator. Dedicated to That Unpopular Crank.  
1896

The Solution of the Servant-Girl Problem.  
1896

Useful Education. [more]  
1899

When the Cruel War With Spain is Over There Will Be Great Possibilities for the Submarine Boat.  
1898

### **Series III. Illustrations, 1900s**

Dalrymple, Louis (1866-1905)

A Dead-Sure Thing - The Swan Song of Democracy.  
November 26, 1904 (47:12)  
front cover

Zimmerman, Eugene (1862-1935)

Yankee Doodle Dandy. The Republican party will celebrate its golden anniversary June 17-  
19th, in Philadelphia.  
June 16, 1906 (50:12)  
front cover



#### **Series IV. Illustrations, No Date**

Gillam, F. Victor (1858?-1920)

The Art of Free Advertising, As Practices by Theatrical Stars.  
page 15 verso

Hamilton, Grant E (1862-1926)

The Big-Button Craze.

Cleveland's Coat of Many Colors -- Warranted to Suit Any Taste.  
page 425 verso

In the Maine Woods. [more]

New Year's Resolutions. Some resolutions Judge would like to have certain people make and keep.

Some Things We Never Expect to See.

When the Horseless Carriage Comes In.

Winter Pleasures of New York. - page 15 verso

Meyer, Arthur (1867-1931)

The Daily-Newspaper Office of the Near Future. If the coupon craze lasts much longer.

Unknown

The Army Bicycle.

A Chapter on Cranks.

Worth, Thomas (1834-1917)

Spring Openings.  
page 15 verso

[Title]  
page 15 verso

Zimmerman, Eugene, 1862-1935

The First of April.

The Shantytown Athletic Club Opens the Season. The Manager – “It’s only fair, gents, ter state dat, ownin’ ter de well-known repertation uv dese fighters fer sluggin’, de match is li’ble ter be stopped by de cops, in which case de money will be refunded.”

## Series V. Complete Issues

Arranged chronologically:

Issue date (volume:number)

Illustrator

Page number(s)

April 19, 1890 (18:444)

Gillam, F. Victor (1858?-1920)

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April 26, 1890 (18:445)

Gillam, Bernhard

pages 34-47

May 10, 1890 (18:447)

Gillam, F. Victor

pages 66-79

May 17, 1890 (18:448)

Unknown

pages 83-95; missing cover

May 24, 1890 (18:449)

Gillam, F. Victor

pages 98-110

June 14, 1890 (18:452)

Gillam, Bernhard

pages 150-163

June 28, 1890 (18:454)

Gillam, F. Victor

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July 19, 1890 (18:457)

Gillam, Bernhard

pages 230-243

July 26, 1890 (18:485)

Gillam, F. Victor

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August 16, 1890 (18:461)  
Gillam, F. Victor  
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August 23, 1890 (18:462)  
Gillam, F. Victor  
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August 30, 1890 (18:463)  
Gillam, F. Victor  
pages 330-343

September 27, 1890 (18:467)  
Unknown  
pages 394-407

October 4, 1890 (18:468)  
Unknown  
pages 410-423

February 27, 1904 (46:1167)  
Gillam, (F. Victor?)  
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