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Dear Governor Thompson:

I have received the many kind letters you have sent asking me to contribute to your upcoming political campaign. While I appreciate this attention to the small voter, I find that I cannot send the vast sums you have requested. I realize that political campaigns are very expensive but really, they ought not to be. If politicians would only "tell it like it is" in the media such large efforts to try to appeal to all persons just to get elected wouldn't be necessary. Naturally under the current system only the liars get elected and the public continues to suffer and curse the LLB's (loose livered bastards) that occupy public office. The other thing that could be done is to find some way to "tighten their livers" once they get in office but I imagine that there would be considerable discussion on how that could actually be accomplished. So, in conclusion, I would suggest that you purchase a lottery ticket instead of soliciting a donation from me because your chances of success are far better than your personal solicitation.

Cordially,

C. H. Abbott

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In Marshfield, Wisconsin, Father Pearson's wife had a baby. Fr Pearson appealed to the Vestry for a salary increase to cover the expenses caused by this addition to his family.

The Vestry agreed that this was only fair and approved the salary increase. When the next child arrived, Fr. Pearson again appealed and again the Vestry gave its approval.

Several years and five children later, the parish family was a bit upset over this increasing expense. And one night it turned into a rather loud meeting with shouts being hurled by some at their priest.

Finally Fr Pearson being somewhat miffed at all of the commotion told the people that having children is an Act of God.

Clark Abbott having been quiet through all of this finally spoke up and said dryly, "Rain and Snow are also Acts of God, but we wear rubbers for them."