I ask permission to cite a single instance, which perhaps
never would have been officially known, but for the
insinuating question "Doctor, what was the matter in your room the
other day?"

The whole Junior class last a few weeks ago, to attend
a lecture in the chapel. A good many made their entrance
rather briskly, as is often the case elsewhere; and a certain
number followed in close ranks, Mr. Bannerman, who acting
promptly as their marshal on the occasion, entered the chapel, shook
the floor with his stick, and in imitation of the exercises at
commencement, announced the "Junior Orations."

Mr. Bell, Campbell, Whitis and others took
part in the performance, with the intention as they alleged, to
deliver "original speeches." They called on Dr. Wheat to announce
the speakers, which he endeavored to do, of course, either
with Mr. Bell or Mr. William Campbell of Limestone; to
the sound of giggles and groans. Mr. Campbell then announced
Mr. Bell "of Alabama," amidst a perfect uproar of comic
delight. But if we were to believe the reports, we should have
heard the speeches!!

All this the noise became so intense, that Dr. Wheat got
tired and remarked that the other day, on the burning, one of the
candidates, being interrupted in his speech, "I said that it
would be a good idea for his friends to come away,
the democrats doused. There were more scarcely uttered, when
in a spirit of fun, Mr. Richard Whitis was dragged by one
down and Mr. William Whitis by the other.

That's what I call a curious.