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It was night when I arrived home. There was something so provoking in the darkness and utter quiet in which I found the premises wrapped that I determined to give a lovely surprise : but nature, appealing to me on a vital point. I dropped into the dining room with the view of refreshing myself with a bite of

wants had been anticipated, for there on the table lay the remains of a repastbreast of chickens, cakes, cheese and what not. Being sharp set, I pitched in, a glass of cold porter materially assisting the process of indigestion.

meerchaum upon the mantle. Now there is nothing very alarming in a meer chaum per se, but when the meerchaum is the property of a stranger and is found upon one's premis-s during his ubsence, it becomes invested with an importance which it could derive from no other circumstance. There is also a paper of Turkish tobacco. 'The fellow has a taste, at all events, said I, and I filled and smoked, drank a bumper and cogitated.

pudent looking hat and cane, and even was done in a moment. I took another bumper, and folding my arms, glare! majestically around. Not that I was

cogitate over of course the proceedure when I recieved anothe sho k. My eye had alighted upon a note which had fallen under the table. It was a feminine hand 'Dear Charlie,' it ran, 'I'm so glad you've arrived. Sammy's away. Don't stand upon ceremony. We'll have such a nice time! Cold lunch and all agreable. Come over at

man! It is thus -'

on it. I fortified myself with another glass, took off my stockings, and started up stairs. On the way I tumbled over a strange cat in the kitchen.

In my ascent I suppose I must have made some noise, for a strange dog set up a furious yell in the back area It may be as well to prepare for contingen cies, I reflected, as I re-entered the par lor with a view to possessing myself of a poker. Dark as it was, I secured the desired object, and was retreating, when was jealous but only to see what was

snore-not a rough, exasperating, reck less thing, but more of a musical moan -came from the bed. 'She is a sleep,' mused I; 'the step of

stranger's toes was the trend of a cat. Poor Maria! how could I so wrong you?' I disrobed and slipped in bed. 'Charles, how long have you been !'

stranger! a cold perspiration broke over me as I reflected upon the horrors of my situation. The houre I had purchased was one of a pair which had been built exactly alike, and coming home fatigued and sleepy direct from the cars, I must have entered my neighbors mansion

instead of my own! I pounced upon the floor.

think I hear burglars. 'What-again? I think you must be mistaken.'

I'll go and see said I, and huddling on something I groped my way to the stairs, descending them with a cold feeling all the way down my back, and crept into the basement. There I made another appalling discovery-the clothes I had put on were someboly else's and not my own!

Safe on the sidewalk I glanced up at the house from which I had escaped,

And it was my house, after all ! Resolved on an explanation, I rung the bell boldly. I heard the tip, tippetytip of a pair of well known feet, and was at once in the arms of Mrs. Spivins.

'Why, don't you remember. Sammy's.' he said, in replying to my interroga tion; 'I told you brother Charles was coming from the country with his new wife to pass a few days with us. I have given up your own bedroom.'

Well, havn't I been there and stolen Charles' clothes while he was after burglars? The note to Charlie was sufficiently explained.

I will never be jealous again.

An Invincible Hand.

HOW FIVE JACKS BEAT FOUR ACES.

During the session of the United States District Grand Jury, a witness was called before them named Scipio Choteau, a half-breed Creek Indian and negro, bright, sharp and intelligent. He was the last witness to be called before djournment that day. After examina tion, some one of the Grand Jury who knew him asked him it he was the man

He answered, 'Yes, sah; I'se de man.' Will you have no objection in telling

'I'se afeared it will get me into trou ble: but if de Judge is willio, 'appealing

"The Judge consented, than Scipio

'You see I live on the cattle trail from Texas through the Creek county to Kan

this country?"

'I says, 'Yes sah.' 'lle says, 'It's a mighty poor country How do you make a livin?'

'I says, Sah, putty good country; We has pleaty meat and blead, and I makes

'He say, 'Old man, do you ever play kerds!

'I says, 'Yes sah ; I does sometimes.' 'He says, 'Would you have any lobjec

'So we gets off our horses- along side de road and sat down, and I pulls out the kerds. Well, in a hort time I beat de gentleman out of sixty two dollars and a half, and I tought I had him; so I puts up a hand on him-for I is, do I say it myself, a mighty smart hand at kerds-and I knowed he would have tree jacks and I would hab tree aces. and in the draw I know'd he would git the other jack and I would git de oder ace. So he raises a bit, and I raises on back, till at last I put up all the money I had winned from de gemmen and all de change I had, and I know'd I had him. Well, in de draw de gent got de oder jack and I got de other ace. De gent wanted to bet, but I claimed a sight for de money, and told him I had an in

'He says, 'Ole man, dem is right good britches you is got on; how much did day cost?"

'He says, 'I puts up ten dollars agin

ou I got an inwincible hand.' 'He puts up de money, and I holds np my legs and he pulls of de britches

and lavs dem down. 'Now, sir,' I says, 'I told you I had an inwincible hand. I'se got four

'De gent says, 'Ole man, did you ever near of five jacks beatin' fo aces?'A

'I says, I's heard it sah, but I's never seed it; and if you conwince me ob it, de money's yourn.'

'Yes suh,' I says, 'dat am de jack of 'He lays down anoder kerd; 'ain't dat

de jack ob spades?" 'Yes, sah, dat is de jack of spades 'He lay down an der; 'Ain' dat de

'Yes, sah, dot is de jack of diamonds 'He put down anoder and says, Ain't dat de jack of hearts?"

Dens he runs his hand in his bosom

thinking how should I manage to return and pulls ou. a great long pistol and the borrowed toggery. haul?

I savs. Yos, sah, sat usde oosq 'And he says," 'Ain't dat five jack and don't dat win de money?"

saddle, and tells me to scatter - and I tought de man was a green Missourian volvers in the air. when I put up de hand on him; but he

man and several members of the Gran I Jury as a fact. - every word of it .- Fort

A Narrow Escape.

One evening, before Wichita, Kansas, had realized its hopes of securing a per manent place upon the map-so long ago, in fact, as the spring of 1871-a gentleman registered his name at the Harris House, and announced his inten tion of stopping a few days in order to see the country, and perhaps to buy ome land in the neighborhood. After denner he sought out the landlord, and

made a special request that, as he was an Eastern man in search of experience, he might have a buffalo steak served for his break fast next morning. 'Buffalo steak?'

can get it here? I'd be willing to pay for any extra trouble, you know.' 'Oh, no trouble. Fact is, I've not

been able to get anything else for a week or two past. If was just going to apolo gize for having given it to you at din

thought himself sold, but still stuck to his request, because he wanted to know how buffalo meat tasted when he was not wrestling with it under the talse inpression that it was Texas cow. And then, finding the landlord sociable (for no more genial host than Rouse ever made his house pleasant for his guests at his own loss,) he asked if the town was quiet and orderly.

At this point the conversation was brought to a close by the irruption of a party of noisy men, of whom the land

'And who is Curley Marshall?' asked the Eastern man of a bystander as he sat down in a vacant chair.

'Curley is one of our celebrities.' was the reply. 'He is to Wichita very much what Buffalo Bill is to Abilene. Fine

But 'the boys' approached, and the by stander incidently moved away without finishing his eulogy, while the new comers surrounded the sitter before he was fully aware of the situation; and then he thought that he would not seem in a hurry to get away. When, how ever, two of them began to practice broadsword parries over his head with loaded revolers of the 'navy' pattern, he changed his mind about the order of his going, and slipped out from between them just as 'Long Dan,' growing tired of the fun, cocked his revolver, and leveling it at his friend's head, said briefly, 'Git out of this! That's the door.'

The other 'weakened' a monent and looked at Dan doubtingly.

'I mean it, by G-d! You git, or I'l plug you!' He did 'git.'

he didn't drink.

'Don't drink? You won't drink with me? Do you mean to insult me, stranger?" No, sir, no -surely not. But I never

the speaker looked dangerous.

The Eastern man thought he hade betterdrinks less taken is Betterdring He lagged last in the crowd, however,

and satisfied that his absence would not be noted, stole out of the back door and hung round behind the kitchen until 'the boys' should have gone. Presently he thought he heard them in the street, to see. There came a bright flash, right in his face, a report, and a handful of shot rattled against the fence near him, while with a yell 'the boys' went on You see, it served me right, for I down the street, discharging their re-

THE TROUBLE THAT A DRUMER FELL pinte. It is eal, Ornibe l'attende

THE WESTERN MODE OF GETTING MAR

At Big Creek, Arkansas, they have a antly for a couple of hours-he think ing it singular that she should sit up so

about time went to bed?"

'I guess you are right' he remarked

She lit a candle, and he was about to do the same, when she sail, 'I reskon two folks to bed."

But your candle will not illuminate my Ain't we going to occupy the same

coom? Ain't we married?' 'Ain't we what?' shouted the gentle

mer. He knew that if he said he wasn't married to her she would make an out ery, and then her loving and much to bacco consuming father would arise in his wrath and carve him into cutlets, and her brothers would down their shot guns and empty the contents into him him. He must be strategic. He must

you. To morrow, at dinner when the entire family are present, I will propose your fair hand."

tracks for the nearest railroad station:

He didn't feel entirely safe until he reached St. Louis; He hasn't informed his wife of this little adventure. He's afraid she might write out to Arkansos for the facts in the case, and then he might get arrested for bigamy: Women sometimes won't listen to reason, you

A gentleman was once riding in Scotland by a bleaching ground where poor woman was at work watering her webs of linea cloth He asked where did not start forward. But the Eas ern she went to church, what she had heard on the preceding day, and how much she remembered. Sh: could not even tell the text of the last sermon. "And what good can the preaching

do you," said he, "if you forget it all?" "Ab, sir," replied the poor woman, if you will look at this web on the grass, you will see as fast as ever I put the water on it the sun dries it all up,

One of Beau Hickman's Tricks.

Beau once made a raid on the Baltimore restaurants. He determined to dine well that day, or know the reason why. He walked into Gay's salcon and

in here, showing him into a neat little private roomies ed the request issee

and just after he had finished his cup of cafe moir and had lit his cabana, a servant entered with a folded paper on a silver waiter, which he gravely handed

'De bill, sah,' said the waiter,

'Bill; I don't want any bill. Ask the proprietor to come here.'

smiling, he hoped there was nothing wrong, and that his guest had liked his

·1 liked the dinner well enough, and the wine, said Beau Hickman, 'but I want to know what this means?

Well, I never pay and bills. I am Beau Hickman. I don't pay anyboly Besides you have no right to charge me for this dinner. I asked you for the

side of the way."

The next day the Beau fared sump tuously at the St. Clair, and the scene was re suscted. I The hill was presented and the proprietor wound up with. Beau, I'll give you \$50 if you will play

me \$25 to play it on you.' A professor of Cornell University recently published a number of hints as to "What to do in case of accident." One of these was as follows : "If you Bloomington. ... battager red The gate of a faste age-investigate. -the Alphabet. he does his bond. 'You can't do that again,' said the pig to the boy who cut his tail off.

> Two Irishmen were in prison -one for stealing a pin, the other for stealing needle.

for verse? It is apparent that a great many

the switch has been misplaced. mon in a billard saloon last Sunday.

He made ninete n points. One thing, said an old toper, was never seen coming through the rye, and

It is said that two Iowa lovers will sit up half the night with only one

'Mono-poets' is the new name for per sens who write but one bit of a verse and then die. This isn't the kind of a

the fashionable season. An exchange think it is enough for her intellect. A man was boasting that he had been married for twenty years and had never

The latest zoological curiosity is re ported from Richmond, Va-a dog with two tails! One of them, however, was mouth.

al 19 Rather Pointed.

Mr. Reese, the well known, street preacher was accested by a would be wag, the other day, with the following

questiou: m of se Do you believe what the Bible says about the prodigal son and the fatted

(Certainly Todo, salloza') disov. a wave Well, sir, can you tell me whether the calf that was killed was a male or a female 7202 od

'Yes, it was a female.'

'How do you know that?' in som on 'Why, because,' said Reese, looking the chap in the face. 'I see the male is still alive. woiv talenibusque, a log of

would never have his portraittaken. 'If I were to,' said he, 'I would be engraved and hung in some good brother's parlor. and by-and-by the good brother would fail in business or die, and his effects would be put up for public sale, and the voluble auctione r would come across me in a pile of household trumpery, and, as he held me suspended by thumb and forefinger, he would cry, 'Now, gentle, men, here's your chance! your only chance! perhaps your last chance to buy a bishop! How much am I bid for a bisbop? Twelve and a half cents for a bishop! Only a York shilling for a Methodist bishop! Do I hear any more? Going! going! gone! Only twelve and a half conts-dog cheap -for a Methodist bishop!

ing the summer for the sake of his health on Star Island, volunteered to preach in an unoccupied church during his stay. The church was accordingly opened, many waterred to the in

But he did not learn how highly his efforts were appreciated tutil his depar ture, when his magnanimous listeners sent him a bill for the use of the church.

When a lov-ly woman stoops to office holding, she may be suspected the same as any other public servant. Miss Belle Murray, who has been acting as deputy clerk of the Circuit Court of McLenn County, Ill., is charged with embezzle ment, and her trial is in progress at

Evasion from truth is affiliation with

A man of honor respect his word as

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consess easen and and top of I Questionable-when a man marries a poetess, does he take her for better or

that's the kind of whiskey one gets now-

chair in the room, but that's easily ex plained to any one who has been there.

poet that sends pieces to the papers.

place; then shall the salty, silent tear roll sadly down each lunch fiend's face. It is said that a belle of our city gets but three hours' sleep per day during

given his wife a cross word. Those who know him say be didn't dare to.

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A Night of Horror.

cold joint by way of preliminary. Striking a light, I found that my

All at once my eye caught sight of a

Now Maria knows I am not in the least jealous; knows it had never entered my head to suspect her of any impru dence; but this, to say the least of it, had a very suspicious look about it, but nevertheless I drank again. Yet I pro tested I was not jealous. At that moment I started and sprang to my feet as if at the touch of an elec ric battery for on the settee in the corner lay an ima pair of gloves! To smash the hat into smithereeus, to tear the gloves into tragments, to snap the cane into flinders

jealous! O! dear no! I resumed my seat and pipe, to

Sammy's my name. 'Perfidious wo I threw it into the fire after stamping

I fancied somebody came in on tiptoe. Holding my breath, dodged past him, and crept up stairs like a thief; not that going on. After a pause, during which I could count the beats of my heart, I tried the bedroom door. It was not locked and was dark within. A gentle

said a feminine voice. Gracious goodness-it was that of a

'Excuse me, dear,' I whispered, 'I

who had four aces beaten.'

to the foreman, 'I will tell it.'

sas, and I was out on-de road one day, and meets a centleman shead a big drove 'He says 'Old man do you live in

tion to play a little draw?" 'I says, 'No sah.'

wincible hand dat couldn't be beat.

'I says, 'Yes, sah; dey cost me ten dol

'I says, 'Berry well, sah; but I tells

nces

Berry well, he says, laying down one kerd; 'ain't dat de jack ob olubs?'

jack ob diamonds?"

'I says, Yes sah, dat am de jack of hearts.'

'I says, 'Yes sah, dat is Jack Haul, and dat is fice jacks, and five jacks beats an inwincible han l." 'So he puts de money in his pocket and ties my britches on hind ob his

was a Arkansaw chap and I finds dem mighty sharp, Judge."

The above is vouched for by the fore Smith Herald.

'Yes. It is obtainable, isn't it? You

The Eastern man looked as if he

'Qh, yes, perfectly so. You Eastern men fancy that we are overrun with desparadoes out here, but you'll find Wichita just as reaceful as a man could

lord explained to his guest, as he went to attend to them, that they were 'so ne of Curley Marshall's boys.'

fellow he is, too.'

There was laughter from the boys a Dan looked grimly triumphant and invited them into the bar-room on his shout.' 'Come on, stranger!' said he to the Eastern man, seeing that the latter man asked to be excused, pleading that

'Look here, stranger! I don't like a man to say that he's too good to drink

and looked round the corner of the house

Will You go to Bed. ever coad as t yangama barates

RIED, AND HOW HE FOOLED THE LADY

peculiar custom which sometimes proves embarrassing. As there is no preacher within thirty miles, the way for marry ing is by kissing across a table. Recent ly a New York drummer was out here. He put up at private house, and became quit intimate. One evening he was fooling around one of the girls, general ly trying the extent of her sweet temper when she gave his whiskers a pull and ran. He followed. She got the table between them. When out of breath he stopped on the other side; making a wild plunge, caught her in his arms. and gave a hearty kiss. She then sat down on the sofs, and they talked pleas

At last she said, 'Don't you think it's

one's enough. One candle will light ·Undoubt dly it would when those two people occupied the same room

'Married! Didn't you kiss me across A cold sweat spread over the drum

put her off. So he said. 'Fairest of your sex, permit me to re mark that I did not know that kissing across the table constituted a marriage ceremony; but I am content. I have never seen one who so completely fille ! my ideal of a beauliful, sweet, loving, and modest woman. However, I would never think of holding you to this mar riage until I had asked the permission of your father to pay my addresses to

This satisfied the lady, and bestowing npon ham a fervent kiss, she went to her room and he to his. He packed his car pe -bag, to k off his boots, and made

with me. I'm Long Dan Cowee; and and yet, sir, I see it gets whiter and bands the corn and the other corns the an ox tail, and the dog carried it in his

asked for the proprietor.

'Sir,' said he, 'I want the best dinner you can give med som minuted to 'All right, sir,' said Mr. Guy; 'walk

The Beau ate and drank of the best,

to the Beau. What is this? inquired the Beau.

The proprietor appeared bowing and

'That's the bill, sir,' said the proprie

best dinner you could give me.' 'Well, Beau, you have rung in on me and got the better of me fairly. Now I'll not only forgive you for this trick, but I'll give you \$25 if you will play this trick on the St. Clair, on the other

this off on Guy.' "My dear sir,' said the Beau, 'why didn't I call here first? Guy has paid

choke, get down on all fours and cough," One of our neighbors-Woodwardread this, and determined to remember it. Day before yesterday he was esting his dinner alone, and he choked upon a piece of beef. Instantly he got down on all fours and began to cou then, Mrs. Woodward came in, and the mpression made upon her by Wood ward's extraordinary attitude and his barking was that he had suddenly been attacked with hydrophobia. So she first seized the pitcher of water, and ook it from the room. Then she sent one of the girls up stairs for the mat tress, which was thrown over Wood ward, while Mrs. Woodward and the family sat on it and held him dows. The madder he got the more alarmed was Mrs. Woodward; and the more he swore and foamed at his mouth, the more she insisted on the hired girl giv ing an extra turn of the clothes line around his leg and tying hi u to the stove. When the doctor came, he

pulled Woodward's arm from under the

mattress and bled him, and put fly-

blisters on his feet, and promised to

come round in the svening and shave

his scalp so as to relieve his brain.

When the doctor called that night,

Woodward had a prize fight with him in

the parlor, and after sending the medi-

cal man up to the bath room to wash

the blood from his nose and cool his eye.

Woodward went out to hunt for the

Cornell professor. There will be pain

and anguish in that institution of learn

"Some years ago," said Old Hank

war to the knife.

ing when Woodward arrives. Ho means [Max Adeler.

I took a bed bug to an iron foundry, and dropped it in the ladle where the melted iron was, and had run into the skillet. Well, my old woman need that skillet pretty steady for the last six years, and here the other day she broke it all to smash, and what do you think, gentlement, that ere insect just walked out of his hole where he'd been lying like a frog in a rock, and made tracks for his roost up stairs! But by George, gentlemen, he looked mighty pale!" What is the difference between a far

mer and a bottle of whiskey? One hus husbands.

NOT TO BE SOLD,-Bishop George

A New Hampshire clergyman, spend-

The greatest bet that was ever made

children get ou the wrong track because A Chicago clergyman preached a ser

a days.

When women war 'gainst rum and beer, and close for aye each drinking