

IN THE OLD HOUSE.

The fruits are stored, the fields are bare, The ground is hard, the skies are gray. November's chill is in the air. Tomorrow is Thanksgiving day.

your wife. What do you think of that? "Think of it! I think that it is an unmitigated lie!" "Oh, indeed! Well, what do you think of this?" And he took from his pocketbook a folded sheet of note paper and handed it to the judge.

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FREED FROM JAIL BY DICE. Prisoner Won Jailer's \$500, Then Played With \$900 and Liberty as Stakes. "Getting out of jail with a good feeling seems easy enough," said an ex-convict the other day.

"Buzz" is a rather lively game. The guests are seated around the dining table. The one at the head of the table begins by saying "one," the next "two," and so on.

Pitts' Carminative. Aids Digestion, Regulates the Bowels, Cures Cholera Infantum, Cholera Morbus, Diarrhoea, Dysentery, Teething Children, And all diseases of the Stomach and Bowels. It is pleasant to the taste and NEVER FAILS to give satisfaction.

BORN ON FRIDAY.

Judge William Richards was busy putting away his papers one bright winter afternoon, preparatory to leaving his office for the day, when he was interrupted by the entrance of a tall, well dressed young man, who said he wished to consult him on a very important matter.

"Yes, I wrote that note, but if you know anything about it at all you know that I wrote it for that gentlemanly thief and all around scoundrel, Harry Roberts, after the sheriff had shot him through the hand and he could not write for himself."

These thoughts and many more flashed through the judge's mind, and he gazed at his visitor savagely. He hadn't a doubt that he meant every word that he said.

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The years rolled on and the escape had ceased to cause any comment. Some time afterward I got a telegram from Tennessee saying that Robinson was dead and that he had made a request that I be notified.

"It's funny how marriage will change a man," said Fogg the other day. "There is Mouser, for example. Before he was married, a glance of May Taintor would intoxicate him, so he used to say. Now when he comes home late at night and meets Mrs. Mouser, nee Taintor, the sight of her actually sobers him."

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The stranger took a cigar from his pocket and lighted it, glancing sharply about the room meanwhile, and spoke in a brisk, businesslike manner.

"Judge Richards," he said, "before telling you my name and business I wish to mention a few incidents in your past life and also to touch on your circumstances at present. I see you are surprised, but I wish you to see that I know a good deal about your affairs; then my business with you will be more readily understood."

Nearly every one has had more or less ancestors, and a mathematically inclined genealogist has figured that even a fellow that couldn't join anything but a church has had during the last 25 generations no less than 45,476,862 ancestors.

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"Robinson, I will make this proposition. I will give you a chance to win your money back and mine, too, on one throw. I'll put up \$900, and if you win, you get all. If I win, you let me escape tonight."

"Johnson wants to borrow some money of me. Do you know anything about him?" "I know him as well as I do you. I wouldn't let him have a cent!"

WOMAN'S DISEASES. As peculiar as unavoidable, and cannot be discussed or treated as we do those to which the entire human family are subject.

"At the age of 21," the stranger continued, "you commenced practicing law in this city. A year later you disappeared out west and were gone two years. Almost immediately after you came back you made a great 'hit' with a brilliant speech, and business began to come your way.

"Now the case stands this way: I am a tolerably well educated man myself, and it was no great trouble for me to take May's marriage certificate and make William Henry Roberts read William Herndon Richards. If you remember May, you know she is unscrupulous. I had a friend in the clerk's office, and I managed to get in there and change the license the same way. So you see we have documents a-plenty. You'll give me the \$10,000 before noon tomorrow or I will show your note to Senator Holt and commence legal proceedings to compel you to provide support for your wife, nee Robbins."

He pulled his chair close up to the fire, and the stranger did likewise, so that they were sitting right in front of the grate, with their faces not four feet from the smoldering flames.

He turned another queen and a pair of aces. He cursed his luck, but threw again to the queens. He turned another queen and a pair of aces.

"Hunkler thought over the matter for 15 minutes, and finally agreed to play one poker hand to the fill. Robinson won the toss, and had to play first. He pitched out the dice and then looked down on two pairs, queens and jacks. He kept the queens and then took the three other cubes for the second throw.

sort prevail more extensively than in any other section, and has never failed to correct disordered menstruation. It restores health and strength to the suffering woman.

CHARLESTON AND WESTERN CAROLINA RAILWAY. AUGUSTA AND ASHEVILLE SHORT LINE. In effect February 7, 1907.

"The judge was mad clear through now, and he rose up and started for his visitor with blood in his eye. The stranger sprang behind the table.

"Easy, now," he cried, "or I'll let you have it through the pocket." And the lawyer saw that he was grasping a pistol in the side pocket of his coat. He was by no means a coward, but he did not care to run against a pistol bullet. He took his seat again.

"Certain persons are almost sure to become criminals," continued Bluff, ignoring the interruption, "while others are never, or very rarely, found in prison."

"In Queen Elizabeth's time gravity and state were kept up. In King James' time things were pretty well. But in King Charles' time there has been nothing but French-more and the cushion dance, omnium gathem, toly polly, boite cometoite."

Bradfield's Female Regulator. Is a receipt of one of the most noted physicians of the South, where troubles of this sort prevail more extensively than in any other section.

BLUE RIDGE RAILROAD. H. C. BEATTIE, Receiver. Time Table No. 7.—Effective March 1, 1908.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE. TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT. WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 20, 1907. Fast Line Between Charleston and Columbia and Upper South Carolina, North and South.

"Exactly—\$10,000. The day before yesterday you deposited \$15,000 in the First National bank. Most of it, I believe, was to go for a certain ornament you are to give to a certain young lady, but I want \$10,000 of it and must have it. Blackmail, you understand."

"At the same time you admit that all these documents of yours are forgeries and that that letter you have of mine was written for another man who happened to have my initials?"

"I feel it my duty to give you a truthful statement of what Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy did," writes J. S. Collins of Moore, S. C.

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