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L. HOADLEY.

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And Whiskies. No. 49 Main Street, Opposite Sherman to want none. House, Brownville, Nebraska. He was a mysterious man, too.

He had a wooden leg, and no one hurried away, too. knew how he came by it. Manufacturer and Dealer in He had a black patch over one eve

> and no one could tell why he wore was gone. no man intimate enough to know tific gentleman,

DIFFIDENCE.

"I'm afther axin', Biddy dear"-

To fringe his words the merest mite

And here he paused awhile

With something of a smile.

In a face of beauteous mold,

Whose liquid eyes were peeping From a broldery of gold.

'I've come to ax ye, Biddy dear,

As if his heart had bubbled o'er

His lips were twitching nervously

And timed their quavers with the eyes

T've come"-and then he took her hands

"To ax"-and then he watched the buds

If"- then he stopped again,

And overflowed his brain;

O'er what they had to tell,

That gently rose and fell.

And held them in his own-

The throbbing of her heart,

And claimed its every part.

With just the faintest sigh,

But what's the rayson why?"

Forebore its sweets to tell .-

To ax+if Mrs. Mulligan

Had any pigs to sell!"

That told how love had entered in

Och! don't be tazin' me," said she,

"To ax"-and once again the tongue

'I've sinse enough to see you've come;

CHOKER'S RESURRECTION

That on her checks had blown-'Me purty dear"-and then he heard

A smile that found its image

bald or because he was gray. no one knew how he earned the mon- ghosts.

cheated a neighbor. No one knew anything against him; dead, Choker is there."

pagne does when it is uncorked. where he lay.

but there would probably be plenty ination." left to pay for his funeral, so there was no difficulty about that. The clergyman said a doubtful sort or later.

of good word for him, and as he was dead, no one contradicted it. wasn't afraid of anything, was put in- the money at the bank as usual. to the house, to take care of it.

56 Main Street, BROWNVILLE, NEB. having done washing for him for five kindred. ORGANIZED, 1870.

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went to sleep again. At six she was up, and had put prepared to say. Transacts a general b ging business, sells up stairs, half a dozen times, then down Ar Special accommodations granted to the stairs.

flowered dressing gown, with the doctor, bearing these words .brown wig on.

"Lord have mercy on us!" cried wife. W. H. McCREERY, : : President, Peggy. W. W. HACKNEY, : Vice President. Then, as Choker nodded cheerfully. H. E. GATES, : : : : Cashier, and said: "Breakfast ready yet?"

she grew bewildered. she said, getting away from the figure fireside. though, as she spoke; "and it's as

"Do I ?" said old Choker. "Why bless ye, we must all die." "Yes, str," said Peggy. "And all be buried, too," said

that you skeer me."

Chroker. "I know that," said Peggy. "Only all of us won't stay buried," said Choker, putting his finger to his long to live.

And at that Peggy never waited even for her bonnet, but bolted out of now. daughter's half an hourafter, shaking

Choker's ghost. The daughter was nearly as much now, eh?" Shaving, Shampooing, Hair Cutting, &c., news spread, but nobody believed it. should say yes, "said the doctor; "but are better than mine"?

undertaker himself accompanied by never taken you for a ghost." the coroner-the two men nervous on "I think I'll confide in you doctor."

distance, as they knocked at the door. dier; lost a leg, and came home to There was no answer to the first starve to death, or beg. across the passage, and there in the him. door stood old Choker.

Every one knew him. wig set a little on one side, as usual. over the country at night with. said. "I believe, Mr. Undertaker, I what he said was-

and I'll settle it; if not to-day, some Come in." other day." The two men drew back.

-that-"

The only true ghost story I know, suppose." said Choker. "Very well, and the house full of neighbors. is the story of Choker's ghost. That sir, draw your own conclusions; but it could not have begun until Choker don't go; don't be in a hurry."

But his visitors had retreated. good many years-before he was actu- to the coroner; "yet I buried him, habits. ally old, I should suppose; but he was and he was a dead man then."

"Choker is not in the house at all." I could. He came a stranger to Grabtown, he said, "and his body is in the grave, "I studied his voice and movements next?" and bought a house and little farm but your imaginations have been so well, and as I told you, had once been She looked around at him as if she of Rome has pursued him, and ignor- near it, has shasms about the throat, there, giving his name as Guy Chok- worked upon that you fancy you saw an actor, and so I should step into a feared that a case of colic would come ant Protestants have echoed that and dreads fluid. It is alarmed at ob-That was all that may one know that you did never him to his grave. while and said : Inth or him he is as a plumed which mad and make a wogent as severe as about him, except that he had the When a man is dead and buried, after he was buried, I came out of the 'Well, I've worn 'em for a year, and coming from the fray with victory that of a mad dog, and should be BROWNVILLE, NEBRASKA. best crops to be seen for miles around. that's an end of him."

a great deal; and when at last he was "neither alive or dead, can he be there. poor Peggy Kinder. It satisfied me, seemed interested. found dead, one morning, all bottled- A body cannot burst its coffin lid, I haven't led a merry life, though I 'I sorter was, and sorter wasn't,' he did more to bring about religious tol- The nitrate of eliver neutralizes the up curiosity popped out as cham- arise through the turf, and walk about knew it would not be a long one. replied, as he worked a faint smile to eration than any man in the galaxy of polson; even if the animal is not rabthe town as usual. Nor can a spirit "But I've been very comfortable, his face. 'I was saying that it's won- those who strove for the privilege of id its bites and its soratches produces Everybody wanted to see him, exist without a body. If I should see and shan't die a dog's death out of derful how much the inventive geni- free thought. And he was always on bad wounds. A friend of four-score Everybody attended the inquest, saw him. My common sense tells me been afraid that Choker really would the shirt question,' and everybody went to the funeral. that I cannot see him and I never al- haunt me, though I am a trifle super- She hitched away a little. It was decided that he died of apo- low my sense to contradict my com- stitions, for I think he couldn't find 'Twenty years ago,' he mused, as he piness to any country. He died as se- bitten hand ever after. If a child be There were no relatives to see him There is no one there. It is all imag. lations, never made a will, and could told me that the dormant genius of his servant he said: 'Farewell, my treat.

one else in Grabtown saw him, sooner with him.

fire in the kitchen, and slept on an lanes by moonlight, and old folks shook their heads, and said it was cu-Once in the night she woke up, and rious; but there was Choker, a fact to that the doctor let Grabtown know the thought she heard the clump, clump, every one but the scientific gentleman | sequel of the ghost story. of a wooden leg overhead; but who, when he passed him muttered though she feltachill run up her back- to himself, "Optical illusion;" and bone at the thought, she made up her | whether he was a ghost, or aman en-

more coal on the fire, and was filling He was known sometimes as "Chok- world is astir. It is pleasant to run in this car, with a button-behind shirt ent of life, and that not half of the re- the head of the faithful. the kettle, when positively-no fancy er's ghost," and sometimes as "Chok- into the embrace of the briny deep on, will please stand up until I can sponsibility is attached to dying as to g. All faithful Mohammalans who about it this time-she did hear that er that came to," but no one doubted disencumbered of clothes, as I know | count noses." UNITED STATES AND EUROPE clump, clump, again, across the room for a moment that somehow he was by repeated experinces. It is one of The old man stood up. He was all Choker and the very Choker they had my favorite entertainments at the sea- alone. He looked around in a sorrow seen dead, subjected to an inquest side, and I consider it the only re- ful way, and sald: The sound of Chokers wooden leg, and buried; and all went on for ten munerative method of bathing-for The noses have it, and the resolu- A young man whose attire was god, women, children and invalideand nothing else; and as she turned good years, and people had grown members of my sex. Men are not al. tion is laid on the table. However, clean and neat, and whose general ap- must do the work of those who have about shaking and trembling, she saw used to it, when one cold wintor morn- ways invisible to womenkind, even I'll stick to mine, and I don't believe pearance was rather prepossessing, gone to meet the ensury, and andeav-Choker himself at the door, in his big ing a small note was brought to the before sunrise, as an incident of yes. this woman here will go back on her stood before the bar of a police court, or to support there.

went accordingly.

everitis." The doctor did his best.

foe or not he was certainly going to die the house and came tumbling into her "It's as I thought," said Choker, years ago. But the end is at hand not women !'

At last every one said it was redicu- I examined you once when you were The maidens rising blush immedia Press.

lous, and that Peggy must have been certainly a dead man, and I cannot stely indicated consciousness that she judge for you. I don't ask your confi- had fallen into the trap so adroitly She did drink more than was good dence, Mr. Choker, but the affair is a prepared for her. - Long Branch (br. for her now and then; and at last the puzzle to me, though of course I have Globe Democrat.

the subject of ghosts, and besides, who said Choker; only you must promise er's death and burial-went to the night before you held the inquest on house together, accompanied by a train old Choker, I came into Grabtown. of admirers, who kept at a respectful I had been an actor once, then a sol-

dertaker : "but hearing a report that laughed at it. That night I slept in sent to all parts of the country.

"Some of his clothes were up in a very queer fellow, a man without "It's Choker, but he was dead when the garret, and an old wig, and one of

He never went to church, and never "But go to the house, and see for and, not to enter into details, you'll If my daughters want to get half a in the Bastile; and while there he an animal not mad is often severe and yourself," said some one. "Alive or find Choker's coffin in the old vault dozen spiece I shant cry over it." changed his name from Francis Marie dangerous. It is usually a incerative

The lamp burnt bright in his win- and you have promised to keep the roused, she invented, and I've got And now let me say here, I will give quiets, and inclines the blood, that dow at night. The garden prospered secret until the last. You can see, now one of them very shirts on. And Peggy Kinder, who said she onder his ghostly tillage. He drew perhaps, that Choker and I were a The look she gave him ought to who can substantiate that the death good deal alike. I'm four inches tall- have torn him all to pieces, but it did- of Voltaire was not as praceful as the course. As a ghost, it seemed very proper er than he was, for one thing, and my n't. She knew old Choker very well, that he should have no friends and no nose is higher. But there's a good One year ago,' he calmfly resumed, they assert, died in fear and arony.

deal in make-up." People avoided his house of nights. These were almost the last words tier sex would soon demand open- devils-in fact frightened to death by The proclamation of the Ehick-ul-That night the weather being chilly and boys ran scampering away when | Choker's ghost ever spoke, for his end | back shirts, I'd have gone a fishing | God-I will give one thousand dollars | Islam has fired the enthus last of the

> "Beath had taught him more Than this melanchely world doth know,

Why She Blushed. mind that it was all nonsense, and dowed with the power of defying It is very common here for men to death and the undertaker, no one felt rise early in the morning, and take a plunge in the turf before the feminine

terday shows.

"Don't go dear," said the doctor's West End had left their beds soon af. they button on, madam?" ter dawn, and were sporting in the The yells that followed brought in dressed with all the gergeousness of a ures and domains, even those of the "I must," said the doctor and he surf in a state of nature, never sus- the driver. The old man was pointed 'swell." pecting that they would be seen by out as a drunkard and a woman-in- 'What's your name, white man?' 5. In order to better undergo the He found the door of Choker's any women. It seems, however, that sulter, and the driver was feeling for asked the court. house open, and the popular ghost a young couple, who were in love his neck, when the astonished man 'McFinnigan, sir.' "I been having a borrid dream, sir," himself wrapped in a blanket by the with one another-when young folks cried out: get up very early, it is a sure sign 'Who's drunk? Who's insulted "Come in," he said, gasping for that they are smitten-had risen about any body?" natural as life. I dreamed that you breath; "I wasn't sure you'd come. 4 o'clock, with the intention of taking "He kept talking about shirts!" Washington?" were dead, sir, but it was so natural I've been feeling the inconvenience a long stroll before breakfast, fancy- screamed the woman with the box. of being supernatural since I've been ling they could not see enough of one 'And you've got a box full!' shout- was a goin' up de street, sah, las' country may retain as their own proptoo ill to make myself a cup of tea. another in any ordinary day. They ed the man. Just see what's the matter with me, were walking slowly and sentiment- 'I hain't, ne-!' will you? I think it's serious, what- ally along the biuff, not far from the She turned up the box and saw the round, sah, and fetch me a clip on de houses, women, etc. Those, however, hotel, when he perceived the men label for the first time. She grew red, nose, sah; den I calls an offisah and er, who fall in the campaign, even if bathing. Passion could not extin- then white, and there was an awful had dat man arrested, an' dat's all de during their entire life-time they His private opinion was that Chok- guish his sense of humor, and so he stience. Ripping off the cover, truf, sah. er, whoever he might be, had not said to his fair companion, with a she exhibited a bolt of mosquito net- 'How was it, McFinnigan?' show of indignation, directing his gaze ting nestled away in the box. Nay, Shure, yer honor, and it was all the injunction is this, that the 'hely war Whether he had ever been dead be- toward the masculine plungers : 'It is a shame that women should the old man. He smiled softly, nod- the avnie, quiet as a lamb, sor, sayin' ted until the enemy has either been

expose themselves so in public.' Of courselhis comrade, resenting the ly said : looking into the doctor's face. "I imputation upon her sex, replied with "Correct, madam-I tumble to it .- elbow, and I up and hit 'im upon the with fright, and vowing she had seen knew the malady was incurable, earnestness and intensity, 'They are That doesn't look like a dozen button- spur of the momint'--

RAIDING A CIRCUS.

of Sells Bros.' Circus Horses Taken in.

formed at Trenton, in Grandy county Paine:

"Open-back Shirts."

That day, the grave was examined. how like old Choker they made me beyond the prime of life, opened his tion. The Turk dying on the Russian He had a rusty wig, and there was story, but the clergyman and a scien- face. It increased the resemblance, down near him, and, presently, they guard it. Every superstition has been silver into the wound. It acts as a head. I would play Choker, as I knew groaned out:

Mr. Choker, I should not believe I doors, as I once expected. I've never us of this country has done for us on the side of justice. He was full of years was bitten by his own cat, seems

'if anybody had told me that the gen- frightened by the clanking chains of spring weather, she made up a good they saw him plodding along lonely was very near, and it was not until and never returned. But the epoch likewise to any one who can substant Turks in a manner never before heard has have in sight-she's right here. - tinte this absurd story, a story without of in the annals of Ottoman history. I can recommend them as boss.'

> demanded in an awful voice. you shouldn't.'

excitedly exclaimed.

'O, are n't they, Indeed?' inquired fended. Put it back, madam, forget On the spur a the momint --frightened as the mother, and the "In the case of any other man, I the wag. 'Well, I suppose your eyes that you ever saw me, and wear any 'On de nuse, sah.'

Ingersoll's Answer.

Mr. Epiror:-Will you please in the nose. George Washington, you sert the following extract from Col. are discharged, -New York World. Ingersoll's reply to his reviewers, delivered at the Grand Opera Honse in San Francisco, to an audience of 3,had a thorough knowledge of Chok- to keep my secret while I live. The Party Who Stele Twenty Head 000 people. The extract is a complete Mr. Walters and his wife were re-

Last week Sells Brothers' circus per- pentance of Hume, Voltaire and Mansfield Road, they passed a snake knock, but having knocked again, "The door of this house stood open, and during the night, it is reported, "Now the next critic who assailed road, the great size of which attracted clump, clump, came a wooden leg and in it stood a man. I went to twenty head of horses were stolen from me was the Rev. Mr. Kallech. Lam their attention. After passing the their stables, including two spotted going to show you what I can with- reptile, Mr. Walters concluded that "Sir' said I, "they say that a fellow ponies. It seems incredible that the stand. I am not going to say a word he would turn back and kill it. He feeling makes us wonderful kind, thieves could have made any great about the reputation of this man, alturned the team around, drove back He wore his old dressing gown, he You've rata wooden leg, and, perhaps headway with so large an amount of though he took some libertles with to a point opposite the snake, drew had the black patch over his eye, his know it isn't just the thing to stump stock, and yet they succeeded in evad- mine. [Prolonged and thrice repeat- his pistol' and fired at it, but without ing pursuit and keeping out of ed applause.] This gentleman says effect. The horses not being used to "Walk in, walk in, gentlemen," he "It was old Choker I spoke to, and the reach of the officers of negation is a poor thing to die by. I the report of firearms, grew restless the law until ten o'clock yes- would just as lief die by that as the and hard to control, which caused the owe you a small bill. You are prompt "'I don't understand about your terday morning, when they opposite. He spoke of the last hours attention of Mr. Walters to be divertin calling for; but never mind, never poetry or Scripture, or whatever it is were overtaken between Indepen- of Tom Paine and Voltaire, and the ed from the snake, which ran rapidly mind. Let me see the bill's amount but I do know about wooden legs. dence and Hickman's Mill, near Phen- terrors of their death-beds; but the to the buggy, up the wheels, and on town, captured and returned to Inde- question arises: Is there a word of to the dashboard before the occupants "I went in, and he gave me supper pendence. They were chiefly follow- truth in all he said? I have observed were aware of it. The snake, when and a bed in the garret. We both saw ed by reason of the spotted pontes, tel- that the murderer dies with courage it was within a foot of the occupants "I have no bill, sir," said the un- that we looked considerable alike, and egrams describing them haveing been and firmness in many instances, but of the carriage, colled the lower part that does not make me think that it of his body, threw back his neck in a the garret, and when I awoke in the Wednesday night the horses were sanctified his orime; In fact it makes graceful curve, threw back its head, "That Peggy has seen my ghost, I morning, I found my host was dead, pastured near Independence, the no impression on me one way or the and was just in the act of launching thieves appearing to think they had other. When the man through old its deadly tangs into Mr. Walters, "I felt that as the death was sudden placed sufficient distance between age or infirmity approaches death, when he fired the second shot. This is a positive fact, well attested. All you deserve to be paid. You buried it might be best for me to keep out of themselves and the scene of their exthe neighbors know what happened. me very respectably, indeed; and sight. I was as sorry for it as a stran- plott to relax their vigilance. We un-All the neighbors know how it began; your jury gave a correct verdict, Mr. ger could be, but my being there might derstand that one of the arrested par- he loses these he goes back to his old tongue of the carriage. Mr. Walters and as it is the story of Choker's ghost | Coroner. It was apoplexy. Ah, well be considered very suspicious. I kept ties is Capt. David, a former Jackson | superstition. Old age brings back the then fired two more shots, one of hidden up in the garret, in a great county man, who served during the memories of childhood. And the which took effect and caused the replumber closet, and heard poor Chok- war in Col. Penick's command .- great bard gave us even in the corrupt, tile to fall from the carriage to the bling brooks and green fiels, an in- it with a stone. The reptile was stance of the retracing steps taken by measured and found to be over six the memory at the last gasp. It has neet long, and was thicker than a relatives or friends, and who seemed I held an inquest over him," said the the patches he had worn over his eye They were a sleepy lot on the 4 o'- been said that the Bible was sancti- man's wrist - Derives (Then) Common over his eye was there, too; and there was an old clock ear going down Michigan Ave- fled by our mothers. Every supersti- cint. They hurried away, and the crowd dressing glass in the corner. I tried nue yesterday. The day was hot, the tion in the world, from the beginning on the wig and the patch, and saw dust thick, and only one man, and he of all time, has had such a sanctifica-It was empty; even Choker's coffin look, only I was not so brown, eyes as a woman crowded in, with a battlefield, pressing the Koran to his The bite of a mad dog is properly Then I took some walnuts that layon long, paper box under her arm. His bosom, breathes his last, thinking of dreaded. If it occurs rub for ten see-After that every one believed the the floor, and rubbed the juice on my eyes opened a little more as she sat the loving adjuration of his mother to onds a pointed stick of the nitrate of

so did whitening my eyebrows with a widened to their fullest extent as he rendered sacred by the love of a moth- caustic and neutralizes the poison. whether he adopted it because he was The former declared that it was bit of chalk. And I sat down and read the label on the box : 'One dozen er. I know what it has cost the no- This is said to be an infallible remedy. wicked to believe in ghosts; the lat- looked at myself, and the plan that af- open-back shirts.' He gianced from ble and the brave to throw to the It should be done at once. The dog He had a deposit in the bank, and ter, that there was no such thing as terwards carried out came into my the box to the female and back, and winds these superstitions. Since the manifests the disease-bydrophobiadeath of Voltaire, who was innocent by a peculiar brilliancy and wildness 'Land o' love! but what will come of all else than a desire to shake off of its eyes, and then it soon froils at the superstitions of the past, the curse the mouth and snaps at any object him in the house, and you believed decent home and comfortable means, next, and he brightened up a little curse. I like Voltaire. Whenever I jects unseen by others. A cat may ge garret, and went to the grave-yard; I know they are handy and reliable. shining upon his brow. He was once treated in the same way. The bite of

beyond his grave. Then I went back, 'Were you speaking to me?' she Aloysius to Voltaire, and when the wound-n torn wound, that is longer as they knew nothing, they suspected "Sir," said the scientific gentleman, and tried the effect of my disgulse on asked, ofter seeing that no one else Bastlle was torn down, 'Voltaire' was in healing, more dangerous than other the battle-cry of those who did it. He ers, and very apt to cause lockjaw. faults and had many virtues. His incly for the fun of it; but it cost the doctrines had never brought unbap- venerable man the paralysis of the mon sense. The house is empty, much fault with me, as he had no re- hitched after her, 'if any man had renely as any one could; speaking to bitten, send for your M. D., who may

take neither his bank book nor his this country would soon rouse up and faithful friend.' Could be have done The seratches of an animal demand However that may have been, every house and farm into the other world invent a button-behind shirt, I'd a more noble set than to recognize, the same attention as do bites warm have looked upon him as crazy. But him who had served him faithfully as poultiess, or very warm water. Fo-"And now you have had the story, dormant genius was all O. K. She a man? What more could be wished? mentation in some form soothes and \$1,000 in gold coin to any clergyman otherwise might stop at the scene of dawn. And of Tom Paine, whom a word of truth in it. And let meask By the lower classes this declaration 'Who are you talking to, sir?' she who died in the most fear, the man that a "holy war" is inaugurated in who like the saint exclaims. My God, only regarded as another justified are-"To you, madam. I was saying that my God, why hast then forsaken text for committing all sorts of outif I wear 'em there is no reason why me!' or Voltaire, who pescefully and rages and brutalities. The obligation quietly bade his servant farewell? - which the "boly war" lays upon the 'I appeal to these passengers!' she The question is not, who died right Turks have just been declared as fol-'So do I,' he answered. 'Everybody | death as the most unimportant mom- 1. The Sultan most place himself at

## living properly."

dozen till she has given 'em a falt By his side stood a young man of 4. The commander-in-chief of the BOUGHT AND SOLD, black patch over his eye, and the "Come to me: I'm ill. Choken." Half-a-dozen men staving at the show. Which side of the neck do about the same age, with a coal-black faithful is nermitted to cauthout for face and wooly bair, and who was the public weal all the national tress-

'Gwage Washin'ton Jones, sab.'

night, when I met this man an' I kine erty anything and everything that of jostled agin 'lm, sah, an' he turn comes in their way, such as money,

peen came forningt me, sor, wad his of Islam,

his house. It posts a man St to the seart Karene.

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court to hit a man, whether it be upon the spur of the moment or upon

### An Andacious Snake.

answer to the Rev. Mr. Welton's pa- turning to the city in a two-horse thetle appeal to the sceptics, wherein buggy from a trip in the country. he purported to state the death-bedre- About seven miles from town, on the that was lying by the side of the

# The "Holy War" Bules.

have attained the oge of thirteen

years, must gird the sword and loin

commandments of the Euran inter-"And yours, my man and brother?" fering with the proper carrying out of

the war measures are temporarily sus-

As a reward of their exertions, all 'Sah, I'll tell you do truf, sah. I faithful Turks flutting in the enemy's adise at once. The most important she held it up, and even shook it at mayger's fault. I was a comin' down once declared is never to be termina-'ded his head a dozen times and bland- nothin' to nobedy, when that sphal- subjugated or converted to the faith

behind shirts, and I'm grieved if I of- 'No, sah, he hit me on de nose, sah.' fon for corn, raising last year \$55,000,kind you are a mind to !- Datroit | Never mind flored effections, and | refing order | Onto Indiana Mis