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As I drew near, I perceived in the clear star-light a man mounted on the road and groping under the seat. I ran forward, and the man, alarmed at my approach, rapidly raised himself from his stooping position, and, presenting a pistol, fired it so close to my eyes that the flash blinded me for a moment, and he fled as soon as I saw him. My surprise was great, that for a short time, too, I was bewildered, and scarcely knew whether I was alive or dead. The old horse never started at the report, and I reined my hand on the rim of the wheel, while I endeavored to gather my scattered thoughts. The first thing I ascertained was that the man had disappeared. I then hurriedly examined under the seat, and, to my intense relief, perceived the remaining money-bag still in its place.

There was a slit in it, however, near the top, as if made by a knife, the robber probably resolving merely to possess himself of the coin without the dangerous accompaniment of the leather sack, by which he might have been traced. "Well, ye what," said a voice close beside me, as I concluded my scrutiny, "I don't like practical jokes like that—firing off pistols to frighten folks. You'll bring the whole village."

"Tom," I said, "now's the time to show your courage. A man has robbed the gig—or tried to do it—and has fired at me within a yard of my face."

Tom grew perceptibly pale at this information. "Was there only one? Then the accomplices are near. What's to be done? Shall we rouse Farmer Makins and get his men to help?"

"Not for the world," I said; "I would rather face a dozen shots than have my carelessness known at the bank. I will take the money in this bag, quickly deliver it if it is correct, and then follow the robber's course." It was only a hundred guineas bag, that one, but the counting was nervous work. We found three guineas wanting. We were luckily able to supply them from our own pockets, having just received our quarter's salary. I left Tom there, delivered the bag to its destination very near at hand, without a word of the robbery, and went back to him. "Now, which way did he go?" said Tom, resuming a little of his former air, clutching his pistol, like the chief of a chorus of banditti in a melodrama. I told him I had been so confused that I had not observed which way he had retreated.

Tom was an old hand at peaching—though he was a clergyman's son, and ought to have set a better example. "I have heard a hare stir at a hundred guineas," he said, and laid his ear close to the frothy ground. "If he's within a quarter of a mile I shall hear him now. I also lay down on the ground. We heard nothing but our breathing and the breathing of the horse. 'Hush,' said Tom at last. 'He has come out of his hiding. I hear a man's step far away to the left; bring your pistol and let us follow.'"

Mrs. Minnie Welshott, 57 E. Pratt St., Baltimore, Maryland, says she suffered from a painful cough which kept her awake at night. A dose of Red Star Cough Cure gave instantaneous relief. In a short time she was cured.

Question of Temperance. Be it remembered that Brown's Iron Bitters cannot be bought at the tavern, the gin mill, or any retail shop. It is not the sort of "bitters" that old toppers want. It is the greatest iron medicine in the world, toning the system, enriching the blood and invigorating the life. Nobody was ever made to like liquor by using this great family medicine. It cures dyspepsia, indigestion, weakness and malaria.

Eating With Fear and Trembling. Merchant Traveller. "Do you eat hash with a fork?" asked the landlady of her boarder. "No, ma," he responded kindly. "Ah, you eat it with a knife, then?" with some evidence of disapproval. "No, m'm," he repeated more timidly than before. "Indeed! Pray may I ask you how you do eat it?" "Yes, m'."

STATE JOTTINGS. The Lincoln News says: "The life insurance policy which a Lincoln youth, who recently died while in Omaha, was in favor of his intended, and thus caused considerable comment and controversy among the deceased's friends, was actually made out by the company's agent handing the amount due over to the young lady in question."

The latest report of a coal find comes from Saline county, Iowa, and is paid \$28 in the school fund for the amusement of the school. Sibbett likes his budget better than Blackstone, and is always on the fight.

just what figure has not been decided upon. The attorneys are investigating the matter and will have the papers prepared ready to file in a few days.

The democrats are having a "monkey and parrot time" over the Seward postoffice. Something less than a dozen of the faithful are candidates for election, and the feeling between the factions is getting hotter all the time.

The city of Fremont has knocked out the city hall scheme by deciding that the purpose. There is considerable snatching of teeth in consequence.

Miss Platt, of York, pulled on her gloves and seeing some grass spots on them, tried to clean them with gasoline. When this was accomplished she threw the remainder of the gasoline in the stove and the stove took fire. She tore in until she was so badly burned that large pieces of skin and flesh came off with the gloves. She ran to a doctor and had the burn treated, but is entirely unable to get on her feet.

G. W. Moyer, a Dodge county farmer, has invented a haystack that takes the field. It consists of a dump on which the hay is piled, and a wheel which slides the fodder on the stack at any height the stacker wishes. The same team which sweeps the hay on the dump can be used to slide the fodder on the stack at any height the stacker wishes. The same team which sweeps the hay on the dump can be used to slide the fodder on the stack at any height the stacker wishes.

Chorus of Nebraska democrats: "Few die and none resign." F. M. W. says the Weeping Water millinery, contemplating building a \$10,000 residence.

A farmer in the northern part of the state has hired a man to work for him this year on a basis of wages and a share of the crop. He has hired a man to work for him this year on a basis of wages and a share of the crop. He has hired a man to work for him this year on a basis of wages and a share of the crop.

The school superintendent of Columbus refused to allow the young democrats to "hang their starchy banners on the school wall, and had the boys may get a chance to 'scratch' him yet."

The saloons of Nebraska City are closed on Sunday for sure. Large cargoes are, however, stored away the evening before, so that the pious atmosphere is not as dry as it looks.

Hefferon, the Emerson schoolkeeper, was held up by the ladies of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, who held by Justice Warnock in bonds of \$1,000 to await the action of the grand jury on nine separate counts.

A "citizens' ticket" is worrying the politicians of Blair. Craig and Oakland are girding their loins to wrest the Burt county seat from Tekamah. In a triangular fight possession is equal to victory.

A HERMIT'S HAND WORK.

How Joseph Shirk Employs His Time in His Mountain Hut.

A dispatch from Voganville, Pa. says: On the brow of the Cameronian hills lives an old man named Joseph Shirk. He owns a small tract of woodland and some cleared land, which he has occupied for over a quarter of a century. His dwelling is a modest one-story frame, and the passer by, unacquainted with the man within, would imagine him to be a simple mountaineer or small farmer. But Shirk is something more.

On a number of radial shelves in the lower room of his house he has arranged a large number of mathematical instruments, all of which he made himself after his agricultural toil was over for the day. A small stream running down from the mountain side turns a wheel which furnishes him with power to turn a rude lathe of his own construction. The room is a regular manufactory of various instruments solely for his amusement. His last production is a civil engineer's transit. He is an expert in making astronomical observations. He has telescopes, quadrants, globes, chains and other articles, all of which he has made himself in his machine shop. Around him the region is very wild and rough, yet old man Shirk lives alone with his instruments and passes his time merrily.

At one time he was a smart young school teacher, but circumstances changed the course of his life and led him to a hermit's existence on the bleak hills of Cameron.

Woman's Suffering and Relief. Those languid, tiresome sensations, causing you to feel scarcely able to go on your feet, that constant drain that is taking from your system all its former elasticity; driving the bloom from your cheeks; that continual strain upon your vital forces, rendering you irritable and nervous, and permanently removed. None relieve so much benefit, and none are so profoundly grateful, and show such an interest in recommending Hop Bitters as women.

I was affected with kidney and urinary trouble. "For twelve years!" After trying all the doctors and patent medicines I could hear of, I used two bottles of Hop Bitters. "All the time!" respectively, B.F. Booth, Salsbury, Tenn., May 4, 1883.

So, BRADFORD, PA., May 8, 1875. It has cured me of several diseases, such as nervousness, sickness at the stomach, monthly troubles, etc. I have not seen a sick day in a year, since I took Hop Bitters. All my neighbors use them. Mrs. Fannie Green.

\$3,000 Lost. A boat to Europe that cost me \$3,000, done "me less good than this one bottle of Hop Bitters." "They cured my wife of fifteen years' nervous weakness, sleeplessness and dyspepsia." R. M., Auburn, N. Y.

So, BRADFORD, PA., May 1, 79. I have been suffering ten years, and I tried your Hop Bitters, and it done me more good than all the doctors. Miss S. B. Boone.

Baby Saved. We are so thankful to say that our nursing baby was permanently cured of a dangerous and protracted condition and irregularity of the bowels, by the use of Hop Bitters by its mother which at the same time restored her to perfect health and strength. —The Parents, Rochester, N. Y.

None genuine without a bunch of green Hops on the white label, and in their name, poisonous stuff with "Hop" or "Hops" in their name. J. W. WETTERMAN, GOLF AVENUE, ST. LOUIS, MO.

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Swiff's Specific cured me of rheumatism three months ago, after my physicians had exhausted their remedies without giving relief. C. P. GOODYEAR, ATT'Y AT LAW, BRUNSWICK, GA.

I have been afflicted with rheumatism nearly forty years, and a few bottles of Swiff's Specific cured me. It is a God-send to the suffering. J. B. WALKER, THOMSON, GA.

I have been entirely relieved of severe rheumatism in my right arm by the use of Swiff's Specific, after my physician had exhausted his remedies. SHERMAN HARRIS, ED. ST. CATHARINE, ILLINOIS.

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OMAHA! A GROWING CITY

The remarkable growth of Omaha during the last few years is a matter of great astonishment to those who pay an occasional visit to this growing city. The development of the Belt Line Road—the necessity of the Belt Line Road—the finely paved streets—the hundreds of new residences and costly business blocks—with the population of our city more than doubled in the last five years. All this is a great surprise to visitors and is the admiration of our citizens. This rapid growth, the business activity, and the many substantial improvements made a lively demand for Omaha real estate, and every investor has made a handsome profit.

Since the Wall Street panic of May, with the subsequent cry of hard times, there has been less demand from speculators, but a fair demand from investors seeking homes. This latter class are taking advantage of low prices in building material and are securing their homes at much less cost than will be possible a year hence. Speculators, too, can buy real estate at a cheaper price now and ought to take advantage of present prices for future profit.

The next few years promise greater developments in Omaha than the past five years, which have been as good as we could reasonably desire. New manufacturing establishments and large jobbing houses are added almost weekly, and all add to the prosperity of Omaha.

There are many in Omaha and throughout the State, who have their money in the banks drawing a nominal rate of interest, which, if judiciously invested in Omaha real estate, would bring them much greater returns. We have many bargains which we are confident will bring the purchaser large profits in the near future.

We have for sale the finest residence property in the north and western parts of the city. North we have fine lots at reasonable prices on Sherman avenue, 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th streets.

West on Farnam, Davenport, Cuming, and all the leading streets in that direction. The grading of Farnam, California and Davenport streets has made accessible some of the finest and cheapest residence property in the city, and with the building of the street car line on Farnam, the property in the western part of the city will increase in value.

We also have the agency for the Syndicate and Stock Yards property in the south part of the city. The developments made in this section of the Stock Yards Company and the railroads will certainly double the price in a short time.

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P. S.—We ask those who have property for sale at a bargain to give us a call. We want only bargains. We will positively not handle property at more than its real value.