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There the Good Goods

Come From.

HIS NOSE WAS SAFE.

But His Nerves Were In a State of Cold Chill Collapse.

was sitting on the veranda of a mining town lighted one afternoon a good many years ago," said a veteran engineer, "and was lazily smoking one of the nicest meerschaum pipes you ever saw when out of the tail of my eye I saw that a bad man down at the other end of the veranda had his gun sighted at me. They were a wild lot around there, and I couldn't tell whether he meant to shoot me or the pipe. The chances were in favor of the pipe, however, and it seemed a good chance to test my nerve. I made up my mind to let him shoot and to pretend a carcless air, but I'm telling you' in the ten or fifteen seconds of waiting the sweat came out at every pore, and my heart pounded my ribs sore. I felt a sort of tick at the bowl of the pipe, heard the crack of the gun and knew that a bullet had passed through the pipe. I got a brace with my hands and feet and waited for a second bullet. and it went through the bowl after the first. I sat there until his fourth bullet had hit the pipe and knocked the bowl off the stem, and then the shooter sauntered up to me and laughingly "Excuse me, stranger, but I thought

"Saine as you are,' I replied. "My gibe hurt him; but he was man enough to tell everybody about my nerve, and the boys chipped in sufficient nuggets to buy me a new tifty dollar pipe. Say, do you know what happened to me when I made an excuse to go upstairs after my old comcob? I had no sooner got into my room than my knees gave out, chills galloped up my spine, and I'll be hanged if I didn't faint away and lie there for ten minutes. It had suddenly oc curred to me that the bowl of that pipe was only six inches from my nose while the fellow was doing his shoot-

A TIRED MUSICIAN.

ing, and I have not yet got over touch-

ing my nasal organ now and then he

How Strauss Once Snubbed a Russian

see if it is safe.",

Court Dignitary. When Johann Strauss took his orchestry to Russia he had some unusual experiences not generally vouchsafed to those who live outside an autocratic government.

One day he received the czarinas commands to play before her at her summer resort and was told on arriving there that he would have to rehearse his program three times before the performance. He begged to know the reason for that, but no explanation. was given him. These were her majesty's orders, and he could only comply. Still, his astonishment grew when he saw during the three rehearsals an empty court carriage drawn by a pair of horses slowly going back and forth in front of his orchestra.

Throughout the final performance the mysterious act was explained. The empress, having a sharp attack of gout, was obliged to recline in the carriage, her foot on a cushion, while the concert took place, and the object of rehearsal had been to accustom the horses to a full string band lest they should take fright and bolt with here

At the end of the performance an exalted dignitary of the court bade Strauss follow him to a splendid grand

"Now be good enough to play me all the newest Vienna music.'

Although he was pretty fatigued by his three rehearsals and state performance, Strauss thought it expedient to comply, but after he had played continuously for over an hour he stopl d, saying. "I presume that will be su !

"I am not at all tired." coolly re joined his excellency.

"But I am!" said Strauss and rose from the instrument.

The Baths of Old Rome.

At the end of the third century after Christ there were in Rome 11 large public baths and 926 smaller ones. The baths of Caracalla could accommodate at one time 1.600 people; those of Diocletian, 3,600. Taking 1,500 as the average of each of the public baths and 50 as that of each of the private baths, it appears that at any minute bathing accommodations were possible for 62,-000 people in aucient Rome. Counting on a population of 2,000,000, the figure generally given as the correct one, it would thus seem that ample privileges were afforded every day for every inhabitant of the Imperial City.-New York American.

A Gilbert Story. S. Gilbert, who was one of playwrights who defended the stage censor, is noted for his caus tic criticisms on anything which does

not meet with his approval. While dining out once some one hap pened to ask him his opinion of Burne Jones' women. "Too long in the neck." remarked the author of "The Mikado." "When I look at one of them I always feel that she ought to have a joint in it and wear a stocking."-London Tit-

A Pleasure of Memory. Drollchon bought a phonograph and insisted upon his mother-in-law hav ing her voice registered by the instru

As the good woman refused, he add

Oh, come, now; just a few words You can't think how much pleasure it will give me to hear your voice-when you are gone!"-Paris Figaro.

A DRY SEA.

Salt Mine That Was an Ocean In the

sea" sounds like a contradiction in terms, but that is just what the great salt mine of Slanicu, Rou-

Millions of years ago what is now the site of a thriving underground community was nothing less than an nowever, the waters of this sea eva-porated or dried up, but the salt which t contained remained.

To-day the salt mining operations, at Slameu are so extensive that a veritable city has been established where only fishes could survive when the earth was young.
This salt mine produces nearly 100.

000 tons of salt a year, and the supply is so large that at that rate it will be 200 years before the remains of the ancient sea are entirely exuausted.

Some . Idea of the extensive prepar ions of this salt mine may be had when it is said that despite the large amount of salt removed each year the floor of the mine is lowered only ix teet six inches annually. Thousands of men and women are,

constantly employed in the works, and tores and dwellings have been erectd in the mine itself, which is some 400 feet below the surface, to save the operatives the time and trouble it would require to reach the top.

While a large amount of the salt we use at the table is derived directly from the sea water, the major part omes from salt mines like the one at sanicu. The salt from the mines is nore or less discolored by impurities no is of a stratified nature. Beds of iay are invariably interposed and inicate positively that the source of he salt deposits was evaporated sea

It has been estimated that if all ie sea water were to dry up in the ime manner as did the sea at Slanjeu would yield no less than 4,500,000 bic miles of salt, about fourteen and half times the bulk of the entire continent of Europe above high water mark, mountains and all.

KOREAN DUELS.

They Are Mostly Verbal and Rarely Result in Bloodshed.

Fighting is probably nowhere a ylolly lost art, although in some countries it is so modified that it is nearly harmless amusement. One recalls wax bullets" of the French duels. Another illustration is given in a book called "Things Korean," by Dr. H. N. Allen, It seems that in that country, unless the battle is between a gentleman and his wife, the prime requisite for a fight is the presence of peace-

I wo men may begin a wordy battle... separated it may be by the width of road, across which space they ceed to describe their grievances. They are polite, and the man who has the floor keeps it till either his arguments or his breath fails. They are splendid talkers, and this discussion is maintained in loud tones, so that all the wayfarers and the neighbors may hear.

on an interested crowd and their presence naturally lends inspiration to the performers, who redouble their efforts, till one of them may finally wind up a severe tirade addressed to the crowd regarding the quality of the ancestors of a person! who could conduct himself as his opponent has done.

This will cause the other man to start across the road for the maligner of his progenitors; and then the selfappointed peacemaker will step out from the crowd and attempt to re-strain the valiant one, who, finding himself in firm hands, will struggh with well-leigned carnestness to get at his antagonist, who by this time s himself struggling in the hands of his own peacemaker.

Should one of these men actually wish to get at his enemy he can simply jump out of his loose garments. which will be left in the peacemaker's hands. Sometimes this happens accidentally, and an unintentioned encounter is precipitated. Ordinarily, nowever, the personal violence on these occasions is restricted to pullfrom an accidental bump on the nose. Blood never fails to calm both parties and east a spell over the crowd, probably because of its marked effect on the white garments thus ruined.

Karma on the Job.

Put in everyday English, Karma is the law that whatever you have coming to you is bound to eatch up with sconer or later and you can't sidestep it. It may be good or it may be bad, or it may be a little of both, but it will find you, no matter how. many times you have moved away. without leaving your new address. And, whatever it is, it will be exactly what your own actions have made you deserve-not an ounce more or an ource less or a fraction thereof. Some people call this law Nemesis. Some call it by other names. Some don't call it at all, but they don't need to. It comes without calling. Some people say they don't believe in it, and some scoff at it. But the law goes right on, minding its own business and saying very little.—Nautilus.

John Burns and the Black Bishop. A short time ago Mr. John Burns was walking through Battersea with a colored bishop, and the people passing to and fro, recognizing the President of the Local Government Board, exchanged greetings, which drew from the colored ecclesiastic the expres-"How nice it must be to go about amongst a great population of neighbors and friends and receive such a welcome!" Mr. Burns was replying how very pleasant it was to be greeted in such a manner, when one of two small boys who were pass ing at that moment said to the other There's John Burns." The other boy ot so well acquainted with the Cabi net Minister, rejoined, "Is it? Which

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serious accident on Thursday after bushels of wheat per day, or about noon while felling a tree in the 6,000 bags to commence with to be voods with his father, Mr. W. J. increased as occasion requires. The Lush. Both of the legs were frac- storing dapacity of the mill will be tured below the knee, and the knee 250,000 hags, while there will be badly crushed. He is suffering in- elevator accommodation for 1,000,tensely, but it is hoped nothing ood bushels of wheat. The new serious will result from the acci- Company has 35 elevators in ser-

with her mother, Mrs. E. J. Gook, over Sunday

Mr. Will Perry purchased last wheat. week a fine high grade Mason & Risch piano. This is the third from the same and well-known and reliable firm installed in our neighspeaks well for the firm.

Mr. W — has removed with his again. family to the house formerly occupied by Mr. Edgar Neely.

Miss Black, ... who has recently completed her Normal year at Peterborough, was the guest of her sisters, Mrs. Falls and Mrs. E.

Clugston, for a few days last week. Mr. Bert Thompson had two of his fingers taken off at the first jointon Friday while operating the

saw in Mr. Gilray's mill. understand Mr. Thompson pluckily went back to work with his arm. hair or possibly drawing blood in a sling the same day after having the wounded members dressed. Miss Hazel Falls is spending a

bury and Collingwood. We were pleased to see Mrs. Geo. Yeadell visiting at the homes of her daughters and sons in the village last week.

Miss Beatrice Jamieson, of Meaord, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Thos. Lanktree.

Mrs. Wesley Thomson and children returned on Monday from a pleasant visit with Mrs. Thomson's sister, Mrs. Craig, Toronto.

\$1,000,000 FLOUR MILL FOR PORT COLBORNE

the Dominion

The incorporation of the Maple eaf Milling Company, with a cap- held a successful auction sale on ital of \$5,000,000 is the first step the 5th. in the revolution of the flour industry in Canada. The move is not a merger but a consolidation of milling interests controlled by Toronto men, for the purpose of expansion. There will be some reorganization with the introduction of new capital.

\$1,000,000 MILL.

Port Colborne. The latter will, Miss Mamie Varey, accompanied when the building operations now by her friend, Miss Pearl Wright, of under way are completed, be the Meaford, spent Sunday at the largest flour mill in Canada, and will cost approximately \$1,000,000. Mr. John Lush met with a very It will have a capacity of 30,000 vice now, and by the end of Sep-Miss Dove Cook, of Meaford, was tember will have 15 more, making in a capacity of hun dreds of millions of bushels of

\$7.50 and \$10.00.

PRICEVILLE

The sudden cold wave, with frost borhood during the past year, and and snow last Thursday, has passed qway, and farmers are busy seeding

The fall wheat fields look fine and green ever since they threw off their winter coat and have been enjoying the sunshine and balmy breezes of he late June-like weather. Thos. Nichol, of the western sub-

irbs, sowed his wheat on April 1st, but we learn that George McRae, further north in Glenelg, sowed one week earlier, March 23rd. Donald Mckinnon has secured a

permit to teacht the Irish Lake School, beginning alter the Easter holidays.

Halley's Comet has appeared and is blamed by some people for the. fortnight with relatives in Thorn- peculiar weather we are getting this season. | Can it be possible that the comet affects men's heads also? About two weeks ago several young farmers and others were in town and talked and acted rather peculiar, and a mail carrier or postmaster from the country succeeded towards evening in getting. His Majesty's mail loaded on vehicle, but made three or four attempts to drive out of town and turned every time and tied his horse again. When the comet sank below the horizon he managed to move for home. It may be that there are more "Comets" than one ew Maple Leaf Concern Will Be scope had been within range in the vicinity! If Halbert's teleat the time, some important observations might have been record-

Otto Konald has been shipping a car of fat stock every Tuesday for several weeks, and as a buyer seems to be very popular with the farm-

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