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An Intermission for Trouble

"East? Have I ever been East? said the long-legged Brill, "Well, should remonstrate. I secretly hope so. If you'd seen use domesticating in Jersey blice you'd believe in it. Exitement? . Don't mention it. "The gentle Paul way be gentle to them that understand it, but I'll take my peace and quietude on the back of. an Arizona cyclone and be statisfiedwith that! Su Fast for me the en-

watting for a (ray). Lahad surplus urally move around though some of the Jay prechets hext adjacent, and see what there was if anything, com-

while to a tobacco establishment-a style, and held me up in the middle tayout, you know, where they had magazines to sell in the window and a lot of disastrous truck for effete people with weak teeth; and I went in and spoke with the young-looking gazelle in charge of these preparations, and asked him for something injurious but smokable, and all the latest news. "'Shake hands with a sympathizer,' says I. 'Do you live in New Jersey all

the time? If so--"'Say,' he says, as if it was a bright nspiration that had just come in to him from the shores of nowhere in particular, 'if you haven't got anything useful to attend to right away, maybe you wouldn't mind holding down this diversion here for a minute or two while I go out and see to something. Would you favor a man like that?' he

"Well, it sounded reasonable, and I couldn't freely object right off quick to such a thing as that. I only asked him if he didn't think it might be unlawful to trust a perfect stranger with a fifty-dollar outfit on such short no-

"'Well, all right, Willy!' I says. didn't come East looking for impromptu adventures like this, but of course I'm not going to throw down a nicelooking young man like you just from bashfulness and unknown scruples. So bit the warpath whenever you're ready,' I says, 'and I'll stay bahind, and keep perfect order for you.' "So he went, and I was left there all alone with that messy little cargo of misplaced confidence in the auniteur

pipe and tobacco line. And I wasn't especially afraid of it nor puffed all up with rapture on account of the way I was suddenly getting on in the world. "But then, pretty soon it got different -and a lantern-lawed cass in a white vest and gold-trimmed nose pinchers, wearing considerable of a big brownlooking trunk that they call a grip, was responsible for it. It was him that started things, and says he: "'I'm the collector.'

"I didn't seem to know much about "'You are?' I says. 'What's that? never heard of you. What do you make a specialty of collecting?' says I. "Well, he didn't approve of that way of coming back at all.

"'Don't monkey!' says he 'Ain't "'Accounts?' says I. 'I don't think so. This is too sudden. I don't seem to remember you at all. What did you say your particular line was?' I says. "That men begun to jerk himself

around and look irritated. says, but money. Pony up.' he says, wrong address? Hadn't you better take a mild cigar and walk down the street and try to forget it?

"'I'm after the money!' he snorts The money! Don't you know what that is? If you don't I'll spell it. I'm after the weekly money,' he

"'Oh, the weekly money!' I says. I hope you'll excuse me, but it's a little too premature and unexpected. I'll luve to think some before I can accommodate you. Would you mind taking a chair for a few minutes while we both reflect?

"But he wouldn't do that, wither. "He glared at me for about a second. and then he broke loose. "'Fiell?' he says, 'I can't deal with lunntics. Get out of here! I'll close

this damn place up! he says. "I thought he must be pretty badly afflicted by that time, and when be give me a shove by the shoulder and was going to throw me out in the street. It seemed to me he showed entirely too much self-confidence for a newcomer and I couldn't put up with

"I couldn't quite entch myself catering to any such stranger-than-fiction little arrangement so , sudden.' So picked up that Pinchers by the collar and the sent of his trousers and waltzed him back to the hind end of our studio, where there was a branch offire, a poker booth or something, and chucked him out of sight and locked

"I hashi't scarcely turned around with my face to the street before another grievance came romping in-a gray haired party in a sack coat, brisiling all over with dangerous-looking symptoms and swinging a big cane. "He came like an earthquake, and he met me half way, making jabs at the air with his clows, thumping the floor and dancing around there like a warm lien with its head off. "'Scoundrel!' he says. 'Where's

my daughter? "That was what he wanted to know: where was his daughter?

"'Well, boly smoke!' I says. 'Are the Jersey lunacy mills broke out?' I tried to make room for him, but he wouldn't have it. He ranted after me and shook his supply of furniture pretty promiscuously close up mider my

glad I'm here in time! he says. 'I'm

there?' He heard the Pinchers making fracus with the door panel, and it waked up his susceptibilities and

gave him a clew. "'Villain!" he says, 'Release her? And he bolted back like a cyclone to the scene of the music.

"d couldn't stop hhu, and I didn't try to. He just rushed back and wrabher pr things. The key was in the lock and he give it a twist and threw the door open and fell in. "I was about six Inches behind him by that time, and I gave him he extra shove as he went through, and he skewed nlumb into the arms of the other recer, and then I slammed the

dorer shut again and locked it and had 'eln' 'hothi "Two of a kind," I thought, and I inped, they wouldn't kill each other. "It was in New Jersey, and I was Hut I offewed they was likely from the same popular anademy somewhere time on my hunds amounting to three, bin the neighborhood, and would under hours, and not being restricted with stand one; anothers ways and get remorse or anything T thought I'd that ' along. But if not and there was hally-

bulling, I didn't see how I could help. "And the next happy thing that "So I rummaged up a long village Christian young lady looking all half areet, making sinuous reflections and | wild and stage frighty-and she came studying the outlook, till I came after | vibrating in, in a blood-and-thunder

" 'Oh, Harold!' she says, never stopping to look at me or take breath or

anything. 'Oh, Harold!' she says. 'I'n pa has discovered everything!' " 'What!' I says, moving backward from that female. 'Papa has discovered everything!' I was about ready to jump through the window by that time, but I didn't have a chance. "She pulled up like a house afire when she got a better look at me.

" 'Never heard of him!' says I. " 'Oh, oh, goodness!' she says, and then she wheeled around again and " 'Great castigation !' says I. 'What next, I wonder?

Mr. Gordon?

" 'Oh, heavens!' she says. "Where's

"I was accumulating new ideas every minute, it seemed to me, and l thought New Jersey wasn't so detrimental slow after all, when it once got up on its hind feet and moving. "The sanitarium immates seemed to have cooled down a little for a minute-comparing notes, or somethink, for the next violent outbreak-and I wondered if I hadn't suddenly better cut loose from that social rendezvous while I had time, and start for home. felt a kind of a quick longing for Arizona, where life wasn't quite so con-

inuously mixed. "Anyhow I wished that young youth would hurry back and see what he'd fell hear to-I was afraid maybe my nek wouldn't hold out if I had to go much longer alone-and I lit another weak cigar and went out on the sidewalk to look for him.

"Well, he was coming, and the girl with him, both in a sensational hurry, and looking scared half way out of " 'Say!' he blurts out, falling all

over me when he got in reaching distance. 'Say, has there been an old man here, an old man with a cane? " 'Wait a minute. Wait one moment, please!' says I. 'What kind of an all-around stew is this, anyhow? "'What?' he says. 'Why, it's het

and now-" ":What! Please hold me up for a minute!' I says. 'Married? When? Today ? " 'No. no!' he says. 'But has be

father. We were going to get married,

been here? he says. "'Sny,' I says, 'go on and get married-quick! Don't hesitate. Don't think. Don't linger a minute, but go and get married.

"Leave everything to me and skedadelle. Don't expunge with excuses -den't turn loose any doubts or quesion marks, but make a record run for hurry-up preacher and get tied up! " 'Why-I can't,' he says. "That's ust it. The collector for this cigar business here, you know. The manager comes around today, and he's lishie to be falling down here most any minute. I want to resign, too, today,

" "Oh-oh, yes, the collector, says L beginning to feel something give a little. 'Of course. I forgot. Well, you can resign later.' Y says. "That's nothing-just leave him to me. Don't chance it, but skate."

"Well, he did. He and that paipitating young female went away to get married and be happy forever after, and left me al! alone with some incanlescent reflections. "Only I didn't reflect. I believe

sometimes know when to quit. hought I'd leave New Jersey. And gently closed up the door of that little igar emporium, and, made a perfecty straight line for the railway station. My train was due in fifty minutes, and I didn't care to miss it. Don't mention fast life to me, please,

Het Blast of Volcances. Writing in the Monthly Weather Review George N. Cole sets-forth detailed arguments to prove that the hot blast which swept over the city of St. Plerre during the eruption of Mont Pelee, as well as similar blasts n connection with the eruption of Vesuvius that destroyed Pompeli and Herculaneum, the eruption of Taal, Sakurajima, etc., derived its heat from the sudden compression of the air surcounding the volcano, and not from conditions in the volcano itself. In ther words, it was not, according to his hypothesis, an outpouring of hot rater gases that caused the destrucion, but the dynamic heating of the air attending the propagation of the explosion wave

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