

WHO LOST THE MONEY?
A Conundrum Which Sent One Man to His Grave.

Once there was a man who had misfortune. The further he went the worse he fared. When he struck El Paso he had just one round white silver dollar left to his name, and he went and bought a drink with it.

The barkeeper took his American dollar and handed him a Mexican dollar in change. A drink of exhilarating beverage was worth only 85 cents in United States money. There were rumors of trouble between the two republics, growing out of Indian raids, and the pursuit of the robbers from one country into the other. A Mexican dollar was worth only 85 cents in Texas, and the United States dollar was worth but 85 cents in Mexico. It was early in the morning. He had nothing to do with the rest of the day, or with the rest of his life for that matter. The Mexican eagle on his last remaining coin suggested something to his desperate fancy. He wandered across to El Paso del Norte on the Mexican side. He bought a drink of mescal there for 15 cents, laid down his Mexican dollar and received an American dollar in change, equivalent to 85 cents in Mexican money. He looked at the coin and an idea struck him. It appeared to his speculative humor. He retraced his steps to the American side, walked into a saloon, called for a drink of whiskey, paid for it with his solitary American dollar, which he had received in change on the other side and got a Mexican dollar in change. This he promptly carried over the line, bought a drink of mescal and got a United States dollar in change. Then he got to thinking. He had the same capital he started with an hour before and had distributed 60 cents' worth of liquor through his system in the way of dividends. The whiskey and mescal was gone. It was no further use to anybody. The visible supply of exhilarating beverage had been absolutely diminished to that extent. He had bought it at the market price. He had paid for it in cash. He had all his original capital still in his pocket. True, he had contributed the same amount to the other side, but the Mexican to the Texan side, and vice versa, but that, as he shrewdly decided, was non-productive labor, so far as the interests of the public were concerned. It earned nothing, for it added nothing to the supply of anything. He might as well have drunk and let the river run dry without anybody being the better off. Here was a chance to get even with the section of the country which had indirectly been the cause of his bankruptcy. He walked back to the other side, bought another drink, got a Mexican dollar in change, went back to the Mexican town, got another drink and a United States dollar in change. He kept it up all day. He picked up a stick and cut a notch in it for every drink, as the old Indian fighters used to keep score of the scalps they took. He kept it up pretty steadily all that day until closing time, and set at it again the next day as soon as he could see. He waxed enthusiastic over his speculation. The more he drank, the more he got to wondering who was losing all this money. Apparently not the bar-keepers. They were getting the market rate for their liquors. Surely not he, for he was holding his own. The public bar-keepers were naturally curious men. The more he thought of it the more he drank, the more his head swam around with perplexity and the more the subject in question became complicated with extraneous things which reminded him of the manager he had gone to see when he was a boy. At length, when he had consumed \$5.05 worth of Texas whiskey, and \$5 worth of Mexican mescal, he died in front of the saloon where he got the first drink and the stick which he carried in his pocket—died of wondering who had lost the \$10.05 worth of two kinds of liquor which he had consumed, although the local coroner said it was delirium tremens. But neither the coroner nor his jury explained who lost the \$10.05 worth of that's what I want to know.—Pittsburg Times.

ANOTHER RACE RIOT.

Five Hundred Shots Fired in Fifteen Minutes—A Large Number of Persons Wounded.

A New Orleans despatch says: Between 2 and 3 o'clock yesterday morning a riot broke out in the colored section of the Goldsboro street near Baton Rouge. A large number of colored men and women were near the depot waiting for the train. As the train neared the depot one of the excursionists attempted to get off and fell to the ground. Some unknown person said "Look at the black—" when the negro drew a pistol and fired four or five shots in rapid succession, one of which struck a white man, William Mills, a brother of one of the Gretna police, in the neck and lodged in the back of the neck. Then the shooting became general, some four or five hundred shots being fired in less than fifteen minutes. The above account of the trouble is from the police of Gretna.

A terrible panic occurred. Women and children ran in all directions, shouting and screaming, leaving dishes, baskets, hats, and shoes, etc. Ed. Levy, a colored man, living in Algiers, was shot in the left arm and a colored woman named Fleming was fatally shot in the back. John Rainy, the superintendent of the Algiers & Gretna Railroad, who was about two squares away with two cars waiting for the excursion, states the panic caused by the rapid discharge of firearms was dreadful. He did not know what caused the trouble, but the cars on their way to Algiers were fired into, and one of the bullets passed through a dashboard. Mr. Rainy stated that several times he and his drivers were in imminent danger of losing their lives.

Ben Watkins, colored, aged 70, residing in Goldsboro, was shot while lying in his bed at his home this morning by some unknown party, who fired through the window. The ball struck him on the right arm, hand and breast, and left hand, inflicting severe wounds. Watkins says he knows nothing of the trouble. The Algiers fire department was called out at 4.30 a.m. by an alarm of fire. They found a large number of men armed with muskets, etc., and a negro church on fire. There was no water at hand and the church was consumed.

ALMOST STRANGERS.

Mr. Newkome—Mr. Lamb, I have been recommended by Mr. Wells, the broker, to purchase my meat from you. He says you act very liberally with him and give him good meat. You are acquainted with him, are you not?

Mr. Lamb—Oh, yes, but not intimately as I once was.

"How is that?"

"Because I don't see him as often as when he paid me cash."

A Serious Case.

Mrs. Briske—Johnny, the doctor call while I was out?

Little Johnny (stopping his play)—Yes'm.

He felt my pulse and looked at my tongue, and struck his head and said it was a very serious case, and he left this prescription and said he'd call again before night.

Mrs. Briske—Gracious me! It wasn't you I sent him to see; it was the baby.

Fond of Sunflowers.

It is said that rats are so fond of sunflower seeds that they will, if plenty, flock into the wire cage kind of a trap in such quantity as to nearly fill it. But they should be fed while on the seed before introducing the trap.

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HUNGER AND DISEASE

In the Illinois Mining District Among the Strikers.

A Chicago despatch says: The Rev. Jos. Hanington arrived here to-day en route from the Illinois mining district to his home in New York. He said: "The situation in the mining district is unspeakably distressing. Hunger and disease are abroad, and death is desolating the homes of the hopeless victims of this unnatural struggle. It would be hard to exaggerate the horrors which I have witnessed during my week's trip through the coal region. It is bad enough everywhere I went, but it is worse at Spring Valley than elsewhere. But even there the poverty-stricken inhabitants are not like the poor I am used to seeing in New York. There is no whining. People show intelligence and pride. Even hunger has not debased their feelings as one might expect. I am used to scenes of want, but what I saw at Spring Valley was more pitiful than anything I ever witnessed before. The cottages and the streets were clean and the petty laws and gardens, but the awful poverty within was shocking. Sickness is increasing and the doctor told me the people were so enfeebled by long privation and anxiety that an epidemic might break out at any moment. Epidemics are utterly deadly. Merchants are giving their goods away. The people go to the drug stores for medicines and the druggists supply them as far as may be, but take no profit from the purchases on their backs. Despair is written on the faces of the men, and determination also in the faces of the hungry men and they will not yield. The award of the Arbitration Committee was a clean endorsement of the strikers' refusal to accept the terms of the operators. The outlook for the black miners is gloomy. Profit whether the mines are operated or not. When production is lively and values rise, they sell lots at a handsome advance. The miners build houses, and then hard times come, wages are cut, a strike or lock-out results, and the miners are left to themselves of the miners' houses, and in due time another wave of prosperity rolls up, and again the operators reap a rich reward in advancing land values."

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THE LONDON STRIKE

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