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LEGEND OF OLD JAPAN

The Story of Chobei, the Leader of the Duelists.

A MAN WHO KNEW NOT FEAR.

Rather Than Tarnish His Reputation For Bravery He Accepted the Prince's Invitation and Went Voluntarily to Assassination.

The following legend of Chobei has been handed down in Japan as indicative of the courage of the "bravos," or duelists, who flourished in Yeddo during the sixteenth century, forming a sort of Japanese St. Herminad. Chobei, the leader of this clique, was a redoubtable swordsman, whose constantly recurring duels forced his master to expel him from his retinue. Unwilling to enlist with another of the feudal lords, he assembled all the D'Artagnans of Yeddo about him until his power incited even the princes to envy, although they declined to recognize the outlawed duelist.

On this pretense he was excluded from a popular tea house one day at an hour when was expected Jurozayemon, the leader of the Hatamotos, then the most influential political party in Japan, who had arrogated the city of Yeddo for the official residence. But Chobei, with a shrug of his shoulders, forced his way past the attendants into the apartments reserved for the prince, where he removed his garments and cast himself on a couch in feigned slumber.

"Who is that brute?" demanded the prince on his arrival. "The leader of the swordsmen," they answered him. Jurozayemon seated himself in silence and began to smoke. Having smoked his pipe, he emptied the glowing cinders into the pretended sleeper's nostrils, repeating this five times, when he paused, astounded by such courageous endurance. Chobei, noting this, yawned, rubbed his eyes like one awakening from profound slumber and exclaimed: "You, oh, most noble master! And I, having drunk too much, should have slept uncovered before your eyes! How shall I excuse my vulgarity?"

"I have so long sought your acquaintance that you are forgiven. Be seated and accept this cup of wine, I beg you." Politeness forbade Chobei to refuse a drop of the proffered cup, a huge beaker of powerful wine, offered him in the hopes of overpowering him. But Chobei drained it easily and, replenishing it, presented it to his host, who accomplished this feat with the utmost difficulty.

"Will your highness permit me to offer you some gift of value?" Chobei asked humbly.

"Surely."
"What do you most desire?"

Thinking to render the brave ridiculous before the whole city, the prince said promptly:
"A plate of macaroni."

"Ah, Chobei," thought he, "the whole town will soon be telling how the great duelist was permitted only to offer a plate of macaroni to the president of the Hatamotos."
After a whispered colloquy the attendant disappeared, leaving the two enemies alone, smiling, but impassive. But soon a great noise penetrated the apartment, and the prince discovered a crowd of workmen busily constructing an immense wall of macaroni around the tea house. All Yeddo was assembled to view this unique and royal gift. Discomfited that the "bravo" should have outwitted his ruse, the prince departed to plan revenge. The following day brought with it an invitation from Jurozayemon to breakfast. Despite his comrade's remonstrances Chobei insisted on accepting it. As he entered the prince's dwelling the samurais threw themselves upon him with drawn swords. Chobei's immense muscular strength enabled him to disarm them, when he proceeded unannounced to the rear apartment.

"Pardon me, your lordship," said he, "for announcing myself. Your attendants have forgotten to do so."

"Surely. Perhaps they have sought quarrel with you. 'Twas but a joke, for I wagered that all six could not disarm you. Perhaps you would like a bath to refresh yourself."

Who shall say that Chobei was wise? Alone in his enemy's house, he discarded his weapons, removed his garments and crouched in the bath. The water that was at first hot was soon boiling. Chobei dashed from the bath, but ten spears held by invisible hands forced him back. Suffocated by steam, exhausted by blood, Chobei fell dying to the ground.

The samurais were still congratulating themselves on their success when a loud knocking was heard. Inquiry revealed the dueling confederates who were come to seek their leader.

"He is drunk and cannot see you."
"Our leader is dead. We have brought his bier."

The samurais were dumb with astonishment. Chobei had divined the trap, yet, preferring to sustain his reputation of daring untarnished by any accusation of fear, had voluntarily gone to his assassination.

Hawaiian Girls.
The Hawaiian girls are almost universally handsome. They are brown in color (not black); their eyes and teeth are magnificent; their hair straight, jet black and often falling below their knees. Their heads are handsomely formed and their expression alert, intelligent and amiable; their forms in youth voluptuous, but heavy and overstout after youth; their features full and nose and upper lip slightly tilted; their voices extremely sweet.

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“ “85	.70	
“ “95	.80	
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“	5.00	3.50	
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6 bars naphtha soap.....	.25
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1 tin, 10c "Royal" baking powder.....	.08
1 tin, 25c " "20
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The Theory That Suffering is Mental More Than Physical.

A great deal of alleged physical suffering is primarily mental. A great many people have "fixed ideas" of disease, pain, debility, fatigue, dread, inefficiency and unexpressible woes. Much often than we realize these can be transplanted without surgery or medication. I do not mean that they are not real sufferings. They are as real as the grave, but they are not grounded in physical infirmity, and they are not to be cured with physics. The mind becomes possessed of a conviction that a certain part of the body is infirm and imputes pain to that part in spite of all the medicine in the world. Hundreds of people refuse to get well after the physician has cured them. It is not his fault, and it is not their fault. But they have simply had disease suggested to them until they cannot think at all except upon that assumption. It is an "auto suggestion," or it is a family suggestion, and the only way to remove it is by the vigorous counter suggestion of another person. The value of a "fixed idea" of health, as being only the removal of a fixed idea of disease where there was no organic reason for it, will hardly be disputed. Yet one cannot overemphasize the multitudes that there are of these invalids sitting in padded chairs and making ready for the hearse whose trouble is primarily mental, and how many there are, again, who have a slight organic infirmity and have increased its effects a thousandfold by what we may call "household suggestion."—Max Eastman in Atlantic Monthly.

Notice to Creditors.

In the Matter of the Estate of Alexander Bell the Younger, late of the Town of Durham, in the County of Grey, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to "The Revised Statutes of Ontario 1897, chapter 129" that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the said Alexander Bell the younger, who died on or about the 25th day of June 1908, are requested, on or before the 25th day of August 1908, to send by post prepaid or deliver to John Bell, and Allan Bell of the Town of Durham in the County of Grey, Executors of the last Will and Testament of the said deceased, their Christian names and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, the statement of their accounts and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

And further take notice that after such last mentioned date the said Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice, and that the said Executors will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof to any persons or persons of whose claims notice shall not have been received by them at the time of such distribution.

Dated at Durham this 28th day of July 1908.
JOHN BELL, Durham P.O., Ont.; ALLAN BELL, Durham P.O., Ont., Executors of the last Will and Testament of Alexander Bell, deceased.

BORN.

BLACK—In Durham, on Friday, August 7th, 1908, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Black, Garafraza street, a son.
Fax for fun.

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At our August prices.----We have reduced our prices for the month of Aug. for two reasons: First, we must make room for a MAMMOTH STOCK to arrive; and second, because we want stock reduced before stock-taking, and in order to do so will give

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Flanelette, from.....	.06
Men's working shoes from.....	1.20
“ fine shoes from.....	1.39
“ King Edward shoes.....	4.00
“ working shirts from.....	.39
“ fine shirts, from.....	.49
“ overalls, from.....	.39
“ felt hats, from.....	.40

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NEWS

Geese for Sale—Apply to Mrs. [unclear], at the old Creamery.

For Sale—9 Horses and Colts, over nine years. Apply to H. Tickers.—lf.

See our north window for 10 and 25c muslins on sale at [unclear].—The House of Quality.

Jimmie Fax, heard of him? Jarvis, too? Well, they will stand August 21st, in the new [unclear].

20 pairs fine trousers on sale reduced prices. Newest design perfect fitters.—The House of Quality. H. H. Mockler.

Harold Jarvis, tenor. Jimmie comedian, and others will appear at the concert in the new rink on the 21st. Don't fail to hear them.

A Garden Party will be given at Watson's school grounds, on Tuesday evening, August 19th. Admission 10 cts. Refreshments at the grounds. Durham band attendance.

We are in receipt of the Jubilee issue of the Review published on Friday, July 3rd. The edition consists of twenty and is profusely illustrated with photos of the prominent of the place, past and present, printed on good paper, well bound and a credit to the town it represents.

The electric storm of Monday, though doing no damage in our country, did not behave in other localities. In W. Grand Trunk Railway struck by lightning and while despatches from St. Hamilton, Goderich, Berlin places report much damage the wind, rain and lightning.

The town was aroused at 6 o'clock on Saturday morning the sounding of the whistle of the C. P. R. engines in the and the assistance of the and cement whistle. In all this, just about the time when was at its zenith, and over the C. P. R. track and crossing bell going as well as nearly everyone in the place help fight the fire, but on most difficult task appeared locate the conflagration, street and down the other and with not the semblance of the sky to guide the crowd of early risers at last the fact that they had stung, though innocently, trouble arose out of the locomotive in question was repairs, and George Smith dry is indirectly resting excitement. George's work to do on the boiler allowed the steam to go gently to enable him to fire-box, and when inside remembers hearing the blowing of the whistle. attention to it. The first the trouble he was causing Geo. Thompson climbed shut the steam off the wh everyone now thinks of morning's outing with think the situation deserves consideration on the part Council, who should consider of putting in some kind of system that is, at least, to-date. With the running trains through hours of the night, an crossing bell in the center it is high time an alarm sent from all this, should operation. A devilish work on the furniture factory tion made with that wire from three or four would not cost much, an installation would be safe fire that broke out. Th and business men should and so should every taxes, and the present ing to run from the flow English church to inform the inhabitants that you gone up in smoke is no perfectly aware that enough on its hands to but we are inclined to installing of a fire alarm one sense, money saved put in at a very conserv