

turning to the Colonel, 'Then I have not married your daughter after all.' 'Not quite,' said the old fellow laughing, 'seeing that I have no daughter.' 'Then you are,'—addressing the *quasi* maid with the black eye, —'Mrs. Mary Waynford at your service,' said that young lady. I saw it all, but too late to retrieve my error. I had married the maid instead of the mistress, and there was no Miss Waynford after all. However, for discreetness sake, I kept quiet. The Colonel set me up in business. By some fatality the whole affair came out and got around town, although I never sent an advertisement to the paper, and retired to the country for three months. It furnished *pabulum* for the scandal loving portion of the community, and of course I was laughed at for my stupidity. I stood it all, and good naturedly joined in the laugh. Mrs. Jack, however, has made one of the best of wives, and here we are, surrounded by our children, as happy as the day is long, I, to be sure, somewhat stouter than what I was thirty years ago, and more careless in my dress, but still the same Jack Milman in feeling, and although I didn't catch an heiress, I have made a fortune through my attempt to catch one."—(Puff! puff!)

As Jack concluded his story, the voice of his better half was heard from the corridor above—"John, my dear, it is half-past one." "Yes! yes! Duckey, I'm coming." The eternal pipe was laid down, and of course we betook ourselves off.

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THE GYMNASIUM.—We hail with great pleasure the establishment in Quebec, of what we may be allowed to call a good institution, we allude to Mr. Dearnaly's Gymnasium, and we think we are justified in making it the subject of a short paragraph. The want of exercise is followed not only by a degeneration of the body, but by a clouding of the mind, and in course of time the impairing of the intellect, to such an extent as to render the duties of a profession both distasteful and burdensome. Mr. Dearnaly's Gymnasium, when it is completed, will contain all the required apparatus for the development and strengthening of feeble muscle. Dumb-bells, boxing-gloves, foils, swings, vaulting bars, weights, ladders, &c., &c. An hour's use of these each day will tend to improve the mind and body, for mental and bodily activity keep pace with each other. We wish all success to Mr. Dearnaly's enterprise, it is worthy of all praise, but it is more worthy still of the generous encouragement of the young men of our city.