

Select Literature.

Captain Cole's Passenger.

Every one who uses the great steam ferry between Liverpool and New York knows Capt. Cole of the Cunard Line. I don't say anything about his steamship, because I know nothing about it; but he is said to be the very best of commanders, or that company, which boasts of never having lost a ship—nor a passenger—during the many years it has plowed the Atlantic. My own acquaintance with him has been solely on shore; because when at sea I am never in a condition to make acquaintance with anyone.

As we had hardly a thought of a topic in general, it was natural that our social intercourse took a narrative shape. I told him stories (which, as he had never read anything, had the merit of novelty), and he reciprocated with mine. I was foolish enough at first to suggest a channel for his recollections—shipwrecks, of the records of which, as a thorough-going landsman, I was naturally fond. 'Sir,' he said, drawing himself up and getting very red in the face, 'you forget that you are talking to a captain of a Cunard. What the—here he inserted a sea term—do we know about shipwrecks? However,' he added more benignly, 'there was one occasion when I thought the spell of our company's good fortune was about to be broken, and that I should be the critic to do it.

'It was several years ago, and in the summer time, and the ship was making her voyage out, and a very good voyage. The whole way the sea was like a duck pond. Here I shook my head incredulously. I had never seen the Atlantic in the condition referred to, and felt it.

'Well, I should not perhaps have said the whole way,' he admitted, with a smile, 'for when we were about one hundred miles from land we met with a breeze of wind. I remember the breeze, because we picked up a little sailing boat with only one man in her, and very short of provisions, who had been blown out to sea, and whom we took on board. About half an hour after that incident I was informed that one of the passengers wished to speak with me in private upon a very important matter. Accordingly he came to me in my cabin, a little thin wisened man, looking like a tailor, whom I hardly noticed as he came on board, indeed, he was insignificant enough in every way save for the expression of his face, which certainly exhibited the most intense anxiety and distress of mind. Of course I thought he had been drinking, and in fact was on the verge of the jumps, which is what the Yankees term delirium tremens.

'Well, my man, what is it?' said I, severely. 'I shall soon right land; I have no time to throw away. 'That is very true, captain,' he answered, in a thin, quivering voice, and with a strong American accent, 'but your time will be even shorter than you imagine unless you listen to what I have got to say to you. You will never see land, and much more make it, if you are not prepared to act on the information I am about to give you. Forget it and your ship will beat the bottom of the sea;—looked at his watch—yes in exactly an hour and a half.'

'All right, man,' said I, 'you may as well tell me what you have got to say, for of course I thought he was wandering in his wits. 'Then what had seemed anxiety in his face became mortal fear—genuine subject terror such as no actor could have imitated. He threw himself upon his knees, and clasping his hands together, besought me not to treat his words with incredulity. 'Then why, sir,' I replied, 'do you talk such nonsense about my ship? 'Because it's true, captain,' he groaned, 'there's dynamite on board, and clock-work machinery connected with it. As a living man, if the thing is not at once looked to, the ship and all on board of her will be blown to atoms within the time mentioned.'

'At this I confess I felt a cold shudder down the nape of my neck, for not three months before, the very catastrophe at which he hinted had taken place at, I think, Bonarhaven, and had struck terror into all the ship's captains like myself. Some intimates within had insured it heavily, and had taken means for its destruction on its voyage in this very manner; only the infernal machine had burst on the quay, killing scores of people, and its inventor with it. 'Good heavens, man! tell me all,' I cried, 'and quickly. 'Any, but I don't and I can't,' he pleaded, 'unless I have your solemn promise that you will never betray me. I know that you are a man of your word, and that will suffice for me. You must promise, whatever may happen, never to allude to the conversation that we are now having, or to make use of it, in any way to the disadvantage of myself or others.'

'Well,' said I, 'I promise. Now where is this cursed dynamite? (To be concluded in our next.)

What is a name worth? A good deal, apparently, in the case of Alfred Tennyson, who is so fully alive to the magic charm of his patronymic that he has declined to become the heir of certain estates in Lincolnshire rather than exchange it for that of Turner. The late poet's elder brother inherited Graysby Hall and some neighboring farms many years back, and for the sake of the £1,000 or £2,000 a year which they yielded he entirely dropped the Tennyson and became the Rev. Chas. Turner, a name which stands on the title page of his book of sonnets. He died a few months ago, leaving no issue, and his wife followed him to the grave within a few weeks. The next heir is the late poet's nephew, but he will not accept the condition which rigorously enforces the entire suppression of the Tennyson. Doubtless there will be found a brother or a nephew, if not a son, willing to forego the prestige attached to the family name for the sake of a comfortable inheritance; but the succession is still, I believe, unsettled.

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Joker's Corner.

A Heartless Wager. A well-known joker, being one night at a theatre, fancied he saw a friend some three seats in front of him. Turning to his next neighbor, he said: 'Would you be kind enough to touch that gentleman with your stick? 'Certainly,' was the reply, and the thing was done. But when the individual thus insulted turned round, the joker saw he was not the man he took him for, and became at once absorbed in the play, leaving his neighbor with the stick to settle matters with the gentleman in front, which, as he had no excuse ready, was not done without considerable trouble. When the hubbub was over the victim said, 'Didn't you ask me, sir, to tap that man with my stick?' 'Yes,' 'What did you want?' 'Oh,' said the joker, with imperturbable gravity, 'I wanted to see whether you would.'

Tight Boots. The man with the tight boots was in town yesterday. Where he got the boots is uncertain, and where he came from is also wrapped in mystery; but there was no doubt about his destination and his tight boots. Like a hero, he stood it all day, and when he was not standing it he was tramping around, which was worse. He sacrificed—yes, massacred—his feelings for style, and when the shades of evening seemed to dawn on the city he resolved by one bold stroke to free himself from the thrall of tight boots. He passed down Jefferson avenue at 10:30 facing for the central depot. There was a blissful suggestion of freedom in his springy step, and there was also a boot under each arm. Style could go to thunder, he was in for comfort. He didn't expect to meet any one he knew, and probably didn't care a cent if he did. He had arrived at that stage of feeling where the opinions of his fellow-men regarding his wearing apparel were of little consequence compared with the silent pressure of those appalling boots. He was making excellent time down Jefferson avenue in his stockings, and he was giving those tight boots a vacation. Detroit Free Press.

A Widow's Wit.—The widow of a Normandy peasant has exhibited a more than ordinary share of woman's wit in the duty which her husband's demise imposed upon her of executing his will. His property consisted of a good horse and a worthless cow, and he directed that they be sold, the proceeds of the sale to be divided among his relatives, while the widow's portion was to be the sum which the dog would fetch. This discrepancy in the value of the two animals was naturally not a little galling to the lady, but after turning affairs over in her mind she discovered a means by which she could follow her husband's behests without suffering pecuniary loss to herself. She announced for sale a horse for the sum of five francs and a dog for five hundred francs. Those who wished to buy the horse were informed that they must also take the dog, and when at length a purchaser for the pair was found, the widow handed over five francs to be divided among the dead man's family, keeping for herself the five hundred, as the sum which the dog had fetched!

There was a compositor not only discharged from the San Jose (Cal.) leaded the other day, but also fired down four flights of stairs by the infuriated foreman of an admirable journal. It seems that the type was requested to 'live up' a certain speech delivered at the Workingmen's State Convention, held in that town, with the usual marks in parenthesis. The 'jour,' who was carrying a little more beer than was necessary, just then got the wrong proceedings, causing the eloquent resolution of Mr. Van Arman referring to the death of a member, to read something like this: 'Whereas, it pleased Divine Providence to remove from our midst our beloved comrade Azariah McOutuck (loud applause), who has been cut off in the flower of his usefulness (laughter), and whose name, it is respectfully, that we tender to his bereaved family (cheers) and friends our sincere sympathy in their hour of affliction (cries of 'Put him out' and 'order') and assure them while humbly bow to the will of a voice, 'Three cheers for Kearney'! Heaven, lament our departed brother (roars of laughter), a fellow citizen of enlightened mind, statesman-like views (cries of 'Oh! let's adjourn') and broad and generous sympathy for his kind. (Tearful cheers). He is not lost but gone before (derivative cries of 'Oh! cheese it,' and continued laughter) etc. In fact, the McOutuck widow is hunting for that unfortunate printer yet, and cherishes the conviction that he is still hiding in the hills.

A politician who had been on terms of intimacy with actors is suddenly elevated to an important official position. One of his friends a distinguished actor, goes to call on him, and entering the office, says generally, 'Hello, old fel, how's—' I beg your pardon, sir,' says the official in a glacial manner; 'I am occupied for a moment. Be so good as to take a seat.' The actor sits down in surprise in a chair, and presently his friend says: 'Now, sir, what can I do for you?' 'Why didn't you know me?' 'I do not precisely follow you,' says the official. 'You have come to—?' 'I come, sir, to give you some hints as to department now that you are a public official, but by the Nine Gods you didn't need any! Good morning, sir!'

The switch will bring a small boy to repentance, but it works miracles for a bald-headed girl. A green young man saw for the first time a school girl going through some of her gymnastic exercises, for the amusement of the little one at home. After gazing at her with looks of interest and commiseration for a while, he asked a boy near by: 'If that gal had his?' 'No,' replied the lad, contemptuously, 'that's gymnastics.' 'Oh, 'tis, hey,' replied verdant. 'How long has she had an?' 'A little fellow, crying half the night with the 'leg ache,' was much encouraged next morning by finding that his head ached instead of his legs. The girl is going up, and when it goes through the top of my head it will all gone, of course,' was his logical reasoning.

L. H. S.

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Department of Railway and Canada, Ottawa, October 3rd, 1879. 1531

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