

CLAIMING HIS "POUND OF FLESH."

I crave the law, the penalty and forteit of my bond.

#### Commercial Style.

Mose Schaumburg, the Austin, Texas, merchant prince, was looking over his books one day last week, and he was not altogether pleased with the result, Turning to his bookkeeper he said:

"Mr. Silverstone, I vant you to write a very sharp letter to dot Gilhooly."

"Wat for a letter shall I write, Misther Schaumburg?"

"You must write one ob dose caustic letters, but at de same time I don't vant to insult him so much dot he dakes away his gusdom our store from."

Mr. Silverstone wrote the letter, but it was not satisfactory to Schaumburg, who tore it up and threw it in the waste basket. He then proceeded to write a letter himself, and the following is a correct copy of the document

Austin, Texas, Dec. 10, 1887. Mister esteemed Gilhooly

Vot vas der name of dot man who promised me on his vord of honor ash a schentleman dot he vould pay his pill on November 1st, but did not geep his promises? De name of dot man ish Gilhooly. Who told me subsequently dot he vould pay on December 1st, but who schwindled me a second time t. You was der man. Who den hash proke his vort 'tervict, and is a deatpeat and a fraud? Your obedient servant, Moses Schaumburg.

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