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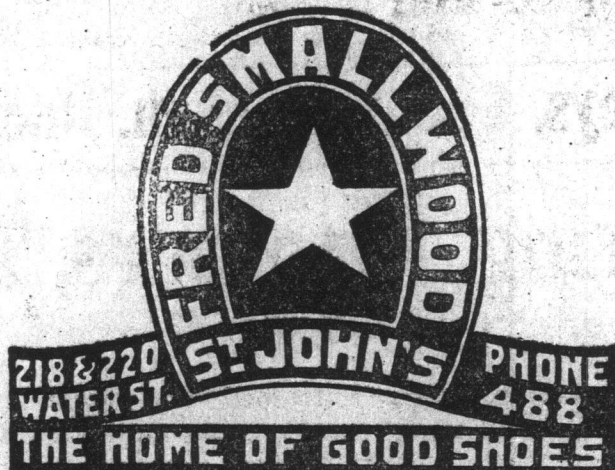
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Fighting Editors.

The old-time editor did not speak softly, and he had to carry a big stick. William Coleman, one of the soberest and most dignified of journalists, first editor of the Evening Post, knew the use of duelling pistols; he had repeated personal altercations with other men, he was the object of many libel suits, and the abuse of which he was a target was unending and in part shamelessly foul.

When within a month after the founding of the Evening Post, Philip Hamilton was killed, Coleman condemned duelling as barbarous, and called for legislation against it. Yet in 1893 he was himself provoked into a duel. The American Citizen attacked his character so outrageously that he challenged Cheatham, its editor. The latter had no inclination toward an encounter, and friends patched up an arrangement, Cheatham consenting to restrain his pen from such assaults in the future. But a Democrat of this city, a harbor master named Thompson, saw in his adjustment evidence that Coleman had weakened, called him a coward, and in turn received a challenge.

The two fought in Love Lane, a sequestered road (then well outside the city), which followed the present line of 21st Street between Sixth and Eighth Avenues. It was dusk of a winter's day when they met; they fired two shots at ten paces, and then, darkness coming down, moved closer and fired two more. Thompson, exclaiming "I've got it," sank into the arms of his physician, Dr. McLean. He was carried to his sister's house in town to die, and refused to say who had shot him, only declaring that everything had been honorably done.

In 1818 Coleman exposed the misconduct of a Democratic Judge Advocate named Hagerman at a Kingston hotel. In April Hagerman met him on Church Street after work, and so brutally assaulted him that Coleman was months in recovering. Two years later, the editor recovered \$4,000 in damages—then a huge sum—for this outrage.

Crippled for Life.

Nor did Federalist editors meet individual opponents at the period when they were opposing the War of 1812 as no other American war has ever been opposed. In the spring of 1810, with a State election pending, feeling over international questions rose high in New York. On the night of April 22 a large mob of Democrats assembled at Martling's Tavern, paraded the city, and arrived at the door of Michael Burnham, publisher of the Evening Post, over midnight. They set up a hideous yell, beat in the windows with clubs and bricks, and if the watch had not arrived on the run, would have demolished the house.

Soon after the declaration of war, which Coleman denounced unflinchingly, he received among the many anonymous threats with which he was then constantly favored, one that he says, "led me to believe that something like a riot was likely to take place that night." At that time, many vividly remembered the mob outbreak in Baltimore, when the editor of the Federal Republican was attacked in company with some friends. Gen. Lingan of Revolutionary fame was killed, and "Light Horse Harry" Lee was rendered a cripple for the rest of his life. Coleman informed Mayor De Witt Clinton of the threat, and the Mayor doubled the watch. Some friends came to Coleman's home at 64 Hudson Street with firearms and the house was fortified for a siege, but the night passed without event.

This was a period of incomparably worse manners in both journalism and politics than to-day. The code which most newspapers followed would have shamed the Batonswill Gazette.

It is usual to quote the little quotation of Coleman's, reading

Let on, Duane, lie on for pay,
And Cheatham, lie thou too.
More 'gainst truth you cannot say.
Than truth can say 'gainst you.

as a rather bold specimen of the editorial amenities of a century ago. But in fact, Coleman went far beyond the lie direct and the countercheck quarrelsome. "Take from Duane the province of lying," Coleman once additively wrote, "and you render him as harmless as the torpid adder in winter." And a little later he quoted Milton's line, "Squat like a toad, close at the ear of Eve," adding, "I beg the Devil's pardon for comparing him in any shape with Duane." Of Cheatham he said that he was "so habituated to lying" that when he had the choice of truth or falsehood "he invariably prefers the latter"; while he called him "the President's unlucky toad eater."

Striking Epithets.

Coleman thought nothing of referring to Dr. Peter Irving of the Morning Chronicle, brother of Washington Irving, as "a malignant coxcomb," and to his partner as "a pest and blackguard." In 1898 Coleman called the editors of the National Intelligencer "the little monkey," and in 1813 he showed that the era of good feeling was at hand by remarking of the same man: "I shall take no other notice of the charge in that profligate paper, not to be gladly adopted and circulated by that infamous organ." Be it said to Coleman's credit that

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Amid such difficulties Coleman kept his ideal in constant view. In his issue for January 4, 1810, he wrote: "The single object before me is to inform the great body of the people, and if I may either trust to the par-

tial mention I find made of my labors, by friends, or to the no less convincing proofs afforded by the angry menaces of adversaries, I hope when I have finished I may say with Othello, "I have done the state some service."—New York Evening Post.

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