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A Brother's Error.

The father turned as one turns from the darkness in which he has been groping to the golden ray that pierces the gloom and marks the pathway up to the light. His arms were about his boy—again his baby boy, though the cheeks he pressed were bronzed and bearded. And they knelt there side by side, their hands clasped and their heads bowed and their suppressed sobs breaking the stillness.

So they were kneeling when Nora and her mother came back and softly entered the room and bowed down beside them. Louis was the first to rise, and he reached down and lifted his father up beside him, and there was a light on Valentine Kyle's face that had never been there before. The burden had fallen off, and he felt as one who has come to the mountain-tops from the Stygian depths.

"My brother Frederick," said Mr. Kyle, as we shall continue to call Valentine Weldon, after all had composed themselves, "at the time of the great war was a strong Union man, and I as strongly advocated the other side. Up to this there never had been a misunderstanding between us—even as boys we never quarreled, as the best of brothers are apt to do. But at the beginning of that terrible war, men were seized with excitement, and the stronger the past love the stronger seemed the hate that flamed up between those that took opposite views.

"I never knew Frederick to drink before that day, and I, ever excitable and impetuous, had never drunk so much. I was not myself. A friend had presented me with a sword, and in my mad vanity I had strapped it to my side and wore it as I rode home with my brother. We got into a dispute about the north and south. He was cool, so cool that it maddened me. A storm came up, and by the flashing of the lightning I could see his pale face and gleaming eyes, and as God is my judge, when we halted on the bank of Beaver Creek to see if the rain had swollen the ford, I thought I saw a pistol in Frederick's hand. Too late I learned my mistake. Excepting that cursed sword I was unarmed. How I drew, and how, by the lightning's flash, I saw it splitting down his face, seems like the memory of a fevered dream.

"He fell from his horse with a cry of 'O God, my brother!' The next instant I was down and beside him. I hurried the sword into the current. I felt his face, and the blood spurted out on my right arm. From forehead to chin the blade had cut. By the lightning's gleam I saw that he was dead. I heard hoarse cries behind me, and a craven fear came upon me. I flung myself into the saddle and dashed into the stream. I reached home, told my wife all; kissed my baby boys and fled into the mountains. There I remained without taking part in the conflict that was raging around me."

"Then it was that you knew of the Blanchards," said Louis, coming back to a subject that would assert itself. "Dr. Blanchard's wife was my sister Mary, your aunt," replied Mr. Kyle. "And these young ladies and Howard Blanchard are our cousins?"

"They are."

"And it is because of your misfortune—for a terrible misfortune it was, rather than a wrong—that you do not wish your relatives to know of your whereabouts, and why you want me to keep away from them?"

"Yes, Louis, that and more," replied Mr. Kyle.

"What more?"

"Perhaps I should not tell you, but it is better that you should know all." Mr. Kyle hesitated and his wife said: "Tell them all, Valentine, tell them all."

"The Weldon were a rigid, stern and religious people until they began to intermarry with the Blanchards. But perhaps I should not cry down blood that runs in our own veins. Still, it has cursed us, and you should know it. Some one child of each such union has become reckless and gone to the bad, but they have wronged themselves more than they have others. My grandfather, John Weldon, hated them, and I blamed him much for his treatment of the Blanchards. But since I have had years to think it over I feel that the alliance was bad. Each in its purity was good enough, but the French Huguenot and the Scotch-Irish

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strain made a bad mixture in our case."

"And for this reason you would have me remain aloof?"

"For this reason, my son, and another that is even greater," replied Mr. Kyle.

"You mean the fear that Henry and I shall meet?"

Mr. Kyle nodded his head, but did not dare to speak.

CHAPTER IX.

Bouton expressed no horror when Black Eagle told him that Henry Kyle was dying. He had no love for the young man. He feared his popularity with the gang, and, like greater rulers, he wanted no rivals near his throne.

"Go up with Black Eagle and see what's wrong. I don't think Hank is the man to let anyone get away with him," he said to one of the men.

Capt. Brannon, immediately after his encounter with Henry Kyle, was across the Blue Water, intending to go down on the opposite side and recross when abreast his camp. He reached the shore without much trouble, though the water was very cold and the current swift. As there was no light in his own camp and the river was quite wide, he could only guess at its location when he started to swim back. He reached the shore, and, rising to his feet, was about to walk to the corral, when a chorus of savage yells that rooted him to the spot rang out and echoed among the rocks.

"Surrender, surrender, or we'll open fire!" shouted Bouton from the center of the stockade.

"Hold! Hold! We surrender!" called out the men under Howard Blanchard.

A dozen torches were lit inside the corral, and revealed Bouton and his gang in full possession of the central stockade, in which were the women and children, and where the captain had counted on making his last stand.

"Fly, Howard! Fly!" shouted Alice from the stockade.

The captain saw a man leaping over the wall and heard the crack of a dozen rifles.

"That is Howard Blanchard, and they are following him," said the captain aloud. Then he shouted: "This way, Howard! This way!"

Howard Blanchard recognized the voice of his friend, and ran toward him. He would certainly have been overtaken by his pursuers had not the captain raised his rifle and brought the foremost to the ground.

"Come, Howard!" cried the captain, seizing the young man's arm. "Keep beside me." And together they vanished in the darkness.

So thoroughly had Patch's plan worked that the immigrant camp was taken without the firing of a shot, and a cheer announced the fact to the men under Pont Robb.

"Light fires about the corral," shouted Bouton.

The fires were lit and the glare added to the alarm of the children, who, with frightened cries were clinging to their equally alarmed mothers.

Approaching the place where Alice Blanchard and her sister were trying to allay the fears of their friends, Bouton raised his hat, and with a bow intended to be very gallant, said: "Don't feel scared, ladies. I'm a gentleman, and I promise that no harm shall come to you."

(To be Continued.)

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SLEEPLESSNESS is due to nervous excitement. The delicately constituted, the financier, the business man, and those whose occupation necessitates great mental strain or worry, all suffer less or more from it. Sleep is the great restorer of a worn and ailing brain and to get sleep clean the stomach from all impurities with a few doses of Paralee's Vegetable Pills, gelatine-coated, containing no mercury and are guaranteed to give satisfaction or the money will be refunded.

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The famous collection of violins owned by the late R. D. Hawley, of Hartford, has been sold to a California man for \$20,000. The collection consists of twelve instruments, which are among the finest in the world.

To prevent pale and delicate children from lapsing into chronic invalids later in life, they should take Ayer's Sarsaparilla, together with plenty of wholesome food and outdoor exercise. What they need to build up the system is good red blood.

Silver vs. Gold.

Proceedings at the Democratic Convention at Chicago.

The Resolutions Committee Snubs President Cleveland.

Some Important Planks in the Party Platform.

Chicago, July 9.—When Gov. Waller, of Connecticut, made his speech at the Democratic National Convention, pleading with the silver men to allow Senator Hill to act as temporary chairman of the National Convention, the lines were drawn as tightly as they ever will be in a national convention short of an actual bolt. When the governor came to the climax of his speech where he made his threats of fight all along the line, he was freely hissed.

In the committee on resolutions Senator Hill offered a resolution commending the honesty, courage and fidelity of the present Democratic Administration. Mr. Tillman moved to lay on the table, and a vote was taken by yeas and nays. Carried, 29 yeas; 17 nays.

PLATFORM PLANKS.

The Democratic platform, as adopted by the sub-committee, was laid before the full committee on resolutions this morning.

The gold delegates took very little part in the discussion of the platform section by section, and did not vote upon the sections, reserving their right to concentrate their opposition to the platform as a whole.

The platform discussed and modified says:

We, the Democrats of the United States, do hereby reaffirm our allegiance to those great essential principles of justice and liberty upon which our institutions are founded and which the Democratic party has maintained from Jefferson's time to our own—freedom of speech, freedom of the press, freedom of conscience, and the equality of all citizens before the law, and the faithful observance of constitutional limitations.

THE MONEY QUESTION.

Recognizing that the money question is paramount to all others at this time, we invite attention to the fact that the federal constitution names silver and gold together as the money metals of the United States, and that the first coinage law passed by Congress under the constitution made the silver dollar the unit of value and admitted gold to be coined at a ratio measured by the silver dollar limit.

We declare that the act of 1873, demonetizing silver without the knowledge and consent of the American people has resulted in the appreciation of gold and a corresponding fall in prices of commodities produced by the people. We demand the restoration of the free coinage of silver to the standard of gold and silver, and the removal of the burden of taxation and of all debts, public and private; the enrichment of the money-lending class at home and abroad; a prostration of industry and impoverishment of the people.

A BRITISH POLICY.

We are unalterably opposed to the single gold standard, which has locked fast the prosperity of an industrious people in the paralysis of hard times. Gold monometallism, a British policy founded upon British greed for gain and power, and its general adoption has brought other nations into disrepute and to London. It is not only un-American, but anti-American, and it can be fastened upon the United States only by the stilling of that indomitable spirit and love of liberty which proclaimed our political independence in 1776 and won it in the war of the revolution.

We demand the immediate restoration of the free coinage of silver to the standard of gold and silver at the present legal ratio of 16 to 1, without waiting for the aid or consent of any other nation. We demand that the standard silver dollar shall be a full legal tender, equally with gold, for all debts, public and private, and we favor such legislation as will prevent demonetization of any kind of legal tender money by private contract.

We are opposed to the policy and practice of surrendering to the holders of the obligations of the United States the option reserved by law to the Government of redeeming such obligations in either silver coin or gold coin.

BOND ISSUES CONDEMNED.

We are opposed to the issuing of interest-bearing bonds of the United States in times of peace and condemn the trafficking with banking syndicates which, in exchange for bonds and at an enormous profit to themselves, supply the Federal treasury with gold to maintain the policy of gold monometallism.

Congress alone has the power to coin and issue money, and President Jackson declared that this power could not be delegated to corporations or individuals. We therefore demand that the power to issue notes be taken from the banks and that all paper money shall be issued directly by the Treasury Department.

TARIFF FOR REVENUE ONLY.

We hold that tariff duties should be levied solely for purposes of revenue, and that taxation should be limited by the needs of the Government, honestly and economically administered. We denounce as disturbing to business the Republican threat to restore the McKinley law, which has been twice condemned by the people in national elections, and which, enacted under the false plea of protection to home industry, proved a prolific breeder of trusts and monopolies, enriched the few at the expense of the many, restricted trade, and deprived the producers of the great American staples of access to their natural markets.

Until the money question is settled we are opposed to any agitation for further changes in our tariff laws, except such as are necessary to make up the deficit in revenue caused by the adverse decision of the Supreme Court on the income tax.

INCOME TAX FAVORED.

There would be no deficit in the revenue but for the annulment of the income tax of a law passed by a Democratic Congress in strict pursuance of the uniform decisions of that court for nearly 100 years, that court having sustained constitutional objections to the enactment which has been overruled by the ablest judges who had ever sat on that bench. We declare that it is the duty of Congress to use all the constitutional power which remains after that decision, and which may come from its reversal by the court as it may hereafter be constituted, so that the burdens of taxation be equally shared, and that the wealth may bear its due proportion of the expenses of the Government. We there-

fore favor an amendment of the Federal constitution that will permit the levy of an income tax.

AGAINST LIFE TENURE.

We denounce arbitrary interference by Federal authorities in local affairs as a violation of the should be of the United States, and a crime against free institutions, and we especially object to government by injunction as a new and highly dangerous form of oppression, by which Federal judges, in contempt of the laws of the States and the rights of citizens, become at once legislator, judge and executioner.

We are opposed to life tenure in the public service. We favor appointments based upon merit, fixed terms of office, and an administration of the civil service laws as will afford equal opportunities to all citizens of ascertained fitness.

NO THIRD TERM.

We declare it to be the unwritten law of this Republic, established by custom and usage of 100 years and sanctioned by the examples of the greatest and wisest of those who founded and have maintained our Government, that no man should be eligible for a third term of the Presidential office.

Other planks refer to the pension list, Government extravagance, relations with Spain, Cuba, and other topics.

COWARDLY MURDER.

A Detroit Athlete Called to the Door and Shot Dead.

Detroit, July 9.—James Magee, a well-known athlete whose ability as a boxer and wrestler made him the pride of the D. C., was assassinated at midnight in the doorway of his parents' home, 593 Grand River avenue. At 12 o'clock the bell of the Magee house was rung furiously. Mrs. Magee asked what was wanted. A man's voice asked if Jim Magee was at home. She went to the top of the stairs, where she met James coming from his room. He had been aroused from his sleep by the noise.

The young man opened the door and asked what was wanted. The man at the door thrust the muzzle of a revolver against Magee's breast, fired a shot and ran away. Mrs. Magee hurried down stairs and saw her son stagger backward into the parlor and fall upon the floor. When the gas was lighted, he lay senseless in a great pool of blood. Once he opened his eyes and looked at his mother, and then died in her arms without uttering a word.

The police were apprised of the murder within a few minutes and they arrested Charles Ashley, one of the members of the notorious Ashley family of saloon-keepers and toughs on Grand River avenue, and they held him as a witness against his own brother Frank, whom they had reason to suspect of being the assassin. They sought Frank also, but could not find him.

Magee was 25 years of age, and was employed as a car checker by the Michigan Central Railroad. He was one of the most popular young athletes in the city. He was to have been married this fall to Miss Flora N. Miller, of 322 Trumbull avenue, the sister of Mrs. Will Magee. Ashley has a record. Wm. W. Ashley, father of the young man who was murdered, has offered a reward of \$5,000 for the capture and conviction of the assassin.



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