

BOB'S TALKING LEG.

"That wooden leg of yours must be rather inconvenient."

Bob was our crossing sweeper, and a sort of public messenger—self-established, but recognized in time as one of the institutions of the bank.

When employed by the bank or one of the tradesmen with a message, Bob would leave his broom leaning against the letter-box, and go on his way, quite certain that the most mischievous boy in the place would not interfere with it.

He was a bit of character, and generally wore a post-boy's cap and an old red hunting-coat when on duty.

And a labourer he had been once upon a time—a man well known in the town, and not a little notorious for his drinking.

"Walk better with a wooden leg than with two sound ones!" I said; "how can that be? I can not fancy a wooden leg would be better than either of mine."

"I was not speaking of your legs, sir," replied Bob, dryly, "but of the pair I had. They were not given to walking very straight."

"That must have been your fault, Bob," I said.

"Well, yes, sir," he said, "of course it was; but I was speaking in a sort of meddler, you see."

"I see you are fond of metaphor," I returned; but tell me about this leg of yours. How did you get it?"

"Drink gave it to me," replied Bob; "and I must say that it ain't very grateful to drink in return; for although it makes noise enough in ordinary, it knocks double as loud whenever I'm nigh a public house."

"It says 'don't' as plainly as you can, sir—meaning, don't go in. I was once nearly led back into the old ways, and was going into 'The King's Head' with a friend as I had not seen for years, but this leg wouldn't go in; t'other went over the step right enough, but the wooden one tripped up, and down it went. 'All right,' I says, 'you know how I get you, and I'll not go in.'"

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