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## AN EXPLOSION OF GRAY MATTER

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+++++++++++++++++++++++++ It was two weeks after the terrific explosion in Dr. Wainright's office, which had injured six men and nearly killed the doctor. Just how it had occurred was a mystery not only to the public, but also to Dr. Wainright's brother physicians, who, after carefully examining the wrecked office, could find no sufficient cause for such an appalling disaster. The doctor himself was laid up in St. Joseph's hospital, and his man, who had given the alarm by shouting from the second story window of the doctor's office, had been until this day, when he began his narration, confined in the Presbyterian hospital and unable to give an account of what he knew.

"Ye see," said Mike to the half dozen doctors around his bed, "the doctor was diggin' away at his books an' his skeletons an' cuttin' away at dead bodies



MIKE TELLING HIS STORY.

until he began to think that he knew all about a man an' could come as near makin' one as the Creator himself, God forgive me for sayin' it. But he didn't care to do that, for he said there were entirely too many men in the world What he did want to do was make a brain, an' after three years av hard study an' practicin' he did so. I can't tell ye what he made it av, but he knew himself. Sure, he used to be putterin' around in the office all hours av the night, kapin' me awake whin I naded rest, for I slept in the little room

"Well, after the doctor had studied the ingradients av a man's brain until he knew just what it was made av, he wint to work moddlin' one. An' I helped him, may God forgive me! He had studied some phrenology or other an' knew how to fix the bumps, too, so that his brain would be benivolint, an' whin it was done it was as near | wood! like me own as two peas, barrin' the difference in size. Ye know what influence one mind has over another? Well, this was the principle on which the doctor was workin'. He intinded to work on other men's minds by this

"Ye'll be wonderin' how he set it goin', an' that is something I'll not tell ye, either, for I don't know, but he figured an' figured wid electricity an' the powers av the air until he rigged up a machine that did the business, an' whin he wanted to set the thing a-goin' all he had to do was turn a little crank, an the brain began sendin' out its influence, an' as it was a dozen times bigger than a common man's brain he figured that he could make any man do what he wanted him to if he once got him under the influence

"Ye mind owld Lawyer Skinner, him as wint crazy a year ago an' deeded away all his money to hospitals an' churches an' colleges? Av coorse ye do. Faith, it was the doctor as did it. May the saints presarve us, yis, the doctor! As I told ye, this brain av his'n was made benivolint, like me own, wid a great bulgin' forehead. We experiminted on a number av animals before we came to Lawyer Skinner- store. ye know what a close fisted man he was an' the fiches av him? Well, one day whin I see the doctor toolin' him up the stairs I wondered what was in the wind, but the doctor had everything ready for him unbeknownst to me; had a checkbook an' a lot av writin' paper an' deeds an' conveyances on the cinter table in the room where the brain was, an' pen an' ink

"'Just step into the next room,' the doctor said, all so pleasant as pie, 'till

I look at some papers an' thin I'll join "Well, the doctor seen the lawyer seated at the table an' thin he turned the crank, which was out in the room we were in, an' thin we stood an' watched him through the glass top av the door. First the owld fellow began to squirm around in his chair as if something was hurtin' him. Thin a paceful exprission came over his face, an' he reached for the checkbooks. He filled ivry one av thim for poor people an' churches an' hospitals, an' whin they were all used up the doctor turned the power down a little an' wint in an' | Chemist, London, Ontario. got thim. Sure, an' he was a cute one,



Ignorance

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was the doctor, for he sint me out to deliver thim all before he let the owld miser out av the room. Next day he wint around an' tried to git his money back, but the most av it was drawed out, an' he couldn't. ?

"But this did not satisfy the doctor, an' so he tore the great brain to pieces an' began moddlin' another one-the exact opposite av the benivolint gintleman. He picked up a low fellow from a saloon, who was all fight an' niver spoke a paceful word in his life. "Whin it was done, he set it up an' we began experimiatin' again, first wid animals an' thin wid men, an' at last came the diligation av preachers which new fruit wagon, and Harry Taylor is

"Ye know thim. There was Parson Whitely av the Presbyterians, Mr. Wesley av the Mithodists, Rector Ensign av the Episcopalians, Mr. Strang av the Campbellites, Dr. Dipley av the Baptists an' one or two others, but their names has slipped me mind.

back room an' the current was turned | this fall. thin after awhile to fightin'. After watchin' thim for a few minutes the doctor became frightened at what he Friday last. Foley will remain until had done an', forgittin' all about the crank, ran in to separate the rivrind gintlemen.

what happened thin! "The influence caught him as soon as he got into the room, an' he pitched into the fight worse than any av thim. Begorra, but it was a fine fight! Och! How me heart jumped wid joy as I watched thim peltin' one another an' breakin' the furniture into kindlin'

"Sez I to mesilf, 'Wid such pious min settin' the example there can be nothin' wrong in a few whacks,' so wid a whoop I grabbed me stick an' rushed

"Be the Donnybrook fair, but it was a swate time we had! But it was too fine to last. What should that Baptist do but swing a chair over his head, thryin' to kill Dr. Whitely, an' instead av bringin' it down where he should he hit the glass jar on the shilf an' knocked the great brain to the floor an' broke it into a million pieces.

"Thin how cristfallen an' ashamed thim preachers was whin they came to thimsilves an' saw what they had been

"Av coorse the doctor would not ixplain, an' so the preachers began beggin' him not to tell on thim, which he promised

"But I didn't. "Thin the story wint around that there had been a terrific explosion in the doctor's office, an' him an' I were taken to the hospital. Whist, there comes the nurse wid the gruel!"

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CHATHAM TOWNSHIP.

John A. Lanigan resumed his studies at the Collegiate Institute, Chatham, last week. J. Aulmot of Cleveland, spent a

few days visiting Ormey Arnold, fourth concession. Dougald McKerrall spent Wednesday last in Detroit.
Richard Arnold left to-day for To-

Miss E. Lawson, of St. Joseph's hospital visited friends on the fifth con. Sylvester Arnold purchased the Edmund Arnold property on the fourth

William De Verna leaves to-day for his home at Dunbridge, Ohio, after vis-iting relatives and friends in this vi-Last week one of Henry Lanigan's

horses ran against a single-tree of a democrat and badly wounded himself. It is a valuable animal, but Mr. Lanigan thinks it will recover. TUPPERVILLE.

Arthur Dell called on friends Mon-Amos Carns left Saturday for Buffalo and other points in the hope of improving his health. Henry Johnston, Sideroad, moved his

residence closer to the road on Tues-Mr. Smuck is very poorly at pres-F. B .Stevens, of Chatham, was here

They are moving Zion Church up t Tupperville this week.
Mrs. John Harvey and daughter are

visiting in Jackson, Mich. John Burns is spending a few days James Smuck, of Dresden, was here at Merlin.

Wm. Burns is going into the ma hinery business soon. There will be a harness business

PROVIDENCE.

Mr. and Mrs . Robert Huff have returned from Florence, after spending a few days with Mr. Huff's parents. Miss Casey Boley, of Detroit, has returned home, after spending a month' vacation with relatives here. Anthony Edwards, Sr., is taking a course of mineral baths. He already

feels greatly improved. Beans are about ready to harvest in this secion and are a good crop. The common enquiry now is, hav you seen the sea serpent?

M. Backus has come out with a fine

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Edwards and daughter, of this city, spent Saturday our prices before purchasing. and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Edwards, Sr.

MITCHELL'S BAY.

Lary Sturdevant has purchased "As soon as they were seated in the farm at Glenwood and will move there

Mr. Zutel returned to Detroit on

next Friday. Mrs. Raymond is improving very repidly under the care of Dr. Hall, of "There be no nade av me tellin' ye Chatham. The farmers around the Bay say their corn is ready for cutting

HIGHGATE.

this week.

Miss Laura Scott spent Sunday at ner home here. Miss Maud Logan is the guest of De-

troit friends this week.
Mr. and Mrs. H. Watson were Morpeth visitors on Sunday last. F. Russell, of Ridgetown, spent Sun-Dr. W. H. McLaren and lady are at-

ending Toronto Exhibition. Herbert Guyett, of Palmyra, spent Sunday in town: Frank Russell, of Charing Cross, vill take up second class work in our Public school this term.

William Reycraft has returned to his home, after spending the summer months with relatives at Petoskey,

W. Scott, of this place, has secured good position in the Ridgetown Mrs. E. Shoemaker, of Essex, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. G.

Sunday with Mrs. John Mellis and swellings, invigorates the tired musfamily.

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DOVER.

Haying is again the order of the day. The second crop of clover is nearly as good as the first, which was excellent. The Ladies' Assisting Society held

acted they were served with a beau- of Tilbury. The heart of a woman is as a driver tiful tea. Everyone went home well pleased with the meeting and speakdepths must be blessed in patience ing highly of the way they were en-An enjoyable event took place at the

residence of Mr. and Mrs. Steer, it being the christening of their baby son, Wesley Harold, and his cousin, Roland Smith. Quite a number of relatives A shocking accident happened on school convention meets, not on Friday the farm of Archie Smith last Thursday morning. While his man, John Hind, was catching his horses he was It is expected that the attendance of kicked in the head by a colt. He was alore at the time, but managed to walk about the head by a colt. He was near. The session closes on Monday. walk about a half mile to the house, where his wounds were bound up and

he was taken to the doctor. When examined it was found that his skull was fractured, and he is in a serious Mrs. Bremkin and infant daughter, of Chicago, are visiting her sister,

The congregation of Richmond Pres- days last week. byterian Church were greatly and agreeably surprised when Rev. Mr. Neilly accompanied Rev. Mr. Forest to the pulpit. Mr. Forest was pastor of this church over thirty years ago.

Etszel Shepley is ill with typhoid fever.

Miss Velma Bennett, of Buxton, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Edith McGee, this week.

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APPLEDORE.

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Miss Mary Higgs spent Sunday the home of her parents here. Miss Annie Early left on Monday visit friends in Morpeth. Miss Estella Sander, of St. Thom is the guest of Mabel Sander. Mrs. J. Badder is slightly indispos-

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SOUTH BUXTON.

The Amherstburg Regular Baptist Association meets with the North Buxton Baptist Church on Wednesday 10th. On Wednesday the ministers and deacons' alliance meets and on Thursday the general business opens, GLENWOOD.

A. Shultz, of Detroit, was in the village on business last Saturday. Mrs. A. Cofell of Cedar Springs, spent Sunday at J. H. Cofell's. Miss Lizzie Estabrook was the guest of Miss Lou Howe, Merlin, for a few

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Rev. Mr. Noble delivered an able address on Temperance to a large audience in the Methodist church Sun-

day evening. Miss Maggie Stonehouse took charge the organ in the absence of Mrs. Pickard, she being ill and unable to attend. Threshing seems to be the order of

the day in this vicinity. The grain turns out splendid. A number of our young people took aches of the entire family and cures in the excursion to Detroit on Wed-rheumatism, neuralgia, toothache, &c. nesday the 3rd, and report a good time. A. Hubbell, has moved into his new

hardware store, and is in working or-Miss M. Scurrah intends going to the Toronto Exhibition this week. O. F. Shaw left last Saturday for

E. H. Norton had his barn eave-troughed. A. Hubbell did the work. Clifford Langford returned to the R. C. I. last Thursday. The annual Arnold picnic was held in Arnold's grove September 3rd. A very large crowd gathered and enjoyed the day 'mid dancing and games. Orr's orchestra furnished the music for the day. There were four footballteams present, "Canada's Own" and Northwood played the frist games; results 1-0 in favor of Northwood. Darrell and McKay's Corners played

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