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hard work to keep John from loading up again with the genuine lead.

That cow was just like many politicians. No matter how high the dividing fence she would jump it if the picking were better on the other side. we could but believe in "the transmigration of souls" we would fancy that the child into whom her spirit entered would become a multi-millionaire

Once in the yard two cows charged her at the same time from opposite sides. Behind her was the back wall of an old log barn about 3½ or 4 feet high. All undaunted she jumped, landing on the low roof which was composed of old weather-beaten boards. With a crash she went through it, splintering and carrying with her a goodly portion of the roof. Then, as if scarcely disturbed turned about and jumped out again.

That time the planks in the political platform were surely rotten, and she did well to rejoin the party she had left, the foundation there being sound, even though her comrades threatened her with

John laughed heartily at this feat in jumping.

"It's a fine art with her, and she glories in it. I'll tether the old brute out and we'll see how she will like

Accordingly he took a good long rope that she might graze over a goodly-sized area, and tied her to a tree near the house. As soon as tied she began backing and backing away from the rope until it was stretched taut. She braced herself and tugged with might and main, circling about, but tried in vain to free herself. Then she balked, and stood sulking for at least a quarter of an hour, simply straining on the rope. Nothing resulted, and becoming some what excited at last she began cutting circles until she got her feet all tangled up and came down nicely. In vain she kicked and fought to get free, then again sulked, lying motionless on the ground with her feet straight in the air.

Thinking she was at last conquered John went out and loosened the rope, but she was too stubborn to give in, and lay there for a long time just as

he had left her.

After that she began grazing and gave no more trouble until he tried to lead her to the barn at night. He let down the bars to let her through, but instead of following the guiding rope she jumped the fence, landing on an old, worn-out sleigh. It was out and out revolt! She was an anarchist defying all law and order. Day after day John tethered her, but she continued to throw herself, and besides burned her legs badly with

In despair he tried blindfolding her, but she would get the covering rakishly askew by some means or other and with one eye out would jump where and when she pleased. The only thing that ever stopped her was barbed wire. She had a good memory we knew from the pea episode, and perhaps had learned what barbed wire was by sad experience.

The children dubbed her "High Jumper," and John gave me strict orders to shut them upstairs or down cellar skould a cattle-buyer happen along.

Tired at last of trying to stop her, and trained, as Longboat never was trained for marathon races by chasing that Holstein cow, he decided to fit her for the butcher. She was put in the stable and fed liberally.

Her eyes still were sad, and from morning until night she kept up a dismal "mooing" if one of us went near

She apparently foresaw what was ahead of her, and was trying to move our hard hearts.

In vain we tried to fatten her. She crunched her oats, slobbered over her roots, munched choice clover hay, and the bones grew more prominent. Fat her we could not!

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