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ing about Chiton Then Milton Cherry slipped off his coat and a murmur of compassion rippled through the crowd. Spinde scrawny arms, taller but at least ten pounds lighter than his stocky oppondubious indeed.
The bell clanged and the men advanced. Bull whipped over a feeler and a thin red trickle broke from Mil ton's nose, dribbled down alongside ton's mouth and splashed to his chest But he did not flinch and the audience growled encouragement. Bull loosed another left jab. Milton guarded and a suggestion of applause prodded Bul to determined action. He rushed, swinging with both hands, using smal science and less caution, while Milton crouched over, his midriff protected by his attitude, his long arms thrown up over his face in a barrier that Bul could not penetrate. Realizing this Bull strove to batter it down. Buvage rain of blows broke on Milton' arms, head neck and back; none of arms, hea, vital spot, but them reaching a vital spot, but amounting in the aggregate to a sense deadening fusilade that surely must soon beat the cowering recipient to earth. Then, in a flash, the incredible happened. Milton, standing stcek still, crouching lower and lower, apparently sinking to a humiliating defeat suddenly flashed back his right elbow shot it forward like a piston rod-and the champion of Watertown sank to earth, quivering and moaning.

I smiled grimly, while a thunder of cheers split the atmosphere. Milton's chor morning hours of patient hitting long small, movable mark, were justi fied. He was no fighter and a dubious fied. boxer, but concentrate all gence to rew to a vital his power in a sit of stomach
spot -the pit of the stomach. To my surprise, whowed scant en Judge Mo thusiasm.
"It might have been better for Mil ton if he had not won so decisively,' he said. "As it is, the real test lies before him."
"What do you mean?"
"The danger of the swelled head Hell have to be made of good stuff He withse the fuss people will mak over him.'

Milton, however, became more studious and gentlemanly than ever He continued to exercise for half an hour daily, but the greater part of his spare time was spent in study. The Life of Napoleon seemed to interest him greatly. He spent a whole week poring over an unprejudiced bio graphy-and then applied for a position at the New York store. He got it too.
The Milton we had known for years vanished into thin air. Belated consciousness of his present worth and boundless potentiality caused the new Milton to dress well, to mend his speech and manners, to cultivate the society of worth-while men to work assiduously and to save his money His toil-worn mother quit dressmaking except for an occasional remunera tive sob.

Milton's popularity increased with the better class as it waned with the rowdies, and the new trade that he drew to his employer's store was reflected in his salary cheque. The rough element accorded him a wholesome respect, and indeed two or three of them profited by his example and mended their ways materially.

Nor was Milton's popularity con fined to the male sex. In time the feminine aristocracy of our town came to overlook his rough-neck notoriety and recognize his real worth, and pre sently it began to be whispered about that he and Judge Morgan's daughter Alice were "going it pretty strong
I did not realize, though, that the fluffy-winged little boy with the arrows fluffy-winged achieved such marksmanship until I called on the judge one afternoon til I called on the judge one alternoodin the spring following Milton's den rise to comparative fortune.
I found the old man purple with anger. The cords of his neck stood out in fierce relief against his tawny skin. The place was disordered with books that he had flung about in his


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