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"Yes, and more! For I wouldn't leave my home comforts to-night to ensure not only the pension but the thanks of Congress!" said the old man, replenishing his glass with steaming punch, and drinking it off leisurely.

The clock struck eleven. The old man replenished his glass, and while sipping its contents he said:

"You may fill the warming-pan and warm my bed, Wool. The fumes of this fragrant punch are beginning to rise in my head and make me sleepy."

The servant filled the warming-pan with glowing embers, shut down the lid, and thrust it between the sheets, to warm the couch of the luxurious Old Hurricane. The old man continued to toast his feet, sip his punch, and smack his lips. He finished his glass, set it down, and was just in the act of drawing on his woollen night cap, preparatory to stepping into his well warmed bed, when he was suddenly startled by a loud ringing of the hall door-bell.

"What the foul fiend can that mean at this time of night!" exclaimed Old Hurricane, dropping his nightcap, and turning sharply round towards Wool who, warming-pan in hand, stood staring with astonishment,

"What does that mean, I ask you?"

"'Deed, I dunno, sar, 'less it's some benighted traveller in search o' shelter out'n de storm."

"Humph! and in search of a supper, too, of course, and every one gone away to bed but you and me!"

At this moment the ringing was followed by a loud knocking.

"Marse, don't less you and me listen to it, and then we ain't 'bliged to 'sturb ourselves wid answering of it," sugested Wool.

"Sdeath, sir do you think that I am going to turn a deaf ear to a stranger that comes to my house for shelter on such a night as this? Go and answer the bell directly."

"Yes, sar."

"But stop, look here, sirrah—mind I am not to be disturbed. If he is a stranger, ask him in, set refreshments before him, and show him to bed. I'm not going to leave my warm room to welcome anybody to-night, please the Lord, Do you hear?"

"Yes, sar," said the darkey, retreating.

As Wool took a shaded taper and opened the door leading from his master's chamber, the wind was heard lowing through the long passages, ready to burst into the cosy bedroom.

"Shut the door, you scoundrel!" roared the old man, folding the skirts of his warm dressing-gown across his knees, and hovering closer to the fire.

Wool quickly obeyed and was heard retreating down the steps.

"Whew!" said the old man, spreading his hands over the blaze, with a look of comfortable appreciation, "What would induce me to go abroad on such a night as this? Wind blowing great guns from the northwest—snow falling fast from the heavens and rising just as fast before the wind from the ground!—cold as Lapland, dark as Erebus! No telling the earth from the sky. Whew!" and to comfort the cold thought, Old Hurricane poured out another glass of smoking punch and began to sip it.

"How I thank the Lord that I am not a doctor! If I were a doctor now the sound of that bell at this hour of night would frighten me; I should think some old woman had been taken with the pleurisy and wanted me to get up and go out into the storm, to turn out of my warm bed to ride ten miles through the snow, to prescribe for her. A doctor can never feel sure, even in the worst of weather, of a good night's rest. But, thank heaven, I am free from all such annoyances, and if I am sure of anything in this world, it is of my comfortable night's sleep," said Old Hurricane as he sipped his punch, smacked his lips and toasted his feet.

At this moment Wool re-appeared.

"Shut the door, you villain! Do you intend to stand there holding it open on me all night?" vociferated the old man.

Wool hastily closed the offending portals, and hurried to his master's side.

"Well, sir, who was it rung the bell?"

"Please, Marster, sir, it were de Reverend Mr. Parson Goodwin."

"Goodwin? Been to make a sick call I suppose, and got caught in the snow-storm. I declare it is as bad to be a parson as it is to be a doctor. Thank the Lord I am not a parson either; if I were, I might be called away from my cosy arm-chair and fire-side to ride twelve miles to comfort some old man dying of quinsy. Wool, here—help me into bed, put on more comforters, tuck me up warm, put a bottle of hot water to my feet, and then go and attend to the parson," said the old man, getting up and going toward his inviting couch.

"Sar! sar! stop sar, if you please"? cried Wool, going after him.

"What does the old fool mean?" exclaimed Old Hurricane angrily.

"Sar, de Reverend Mr. Parson Goodsay how, he must see you 'yourself, personable, alone!"

"See me, you villain! Didn't you tell him that I had retired?"

"Yes, Marse, I tell him how you were gone to bed and asleep more'n an hour ago, and he ordered me to come wake you up and say how it were a matter o' life and death!"

"Life and death? What have I to do with life and death? I won't stir: If the parson wants to see me, he will have to come up here and see me in bed," exclaimed Old Hurricane, suiting the action to the word, by jumping into bed and drawing all the comforts and blankets up around his head and shoulders.

"Mus' I fetch his reverence up, sar?"

"Yes, I wouldn't get up and go down to see—Washington—Shut the door, you rascal, or I will throw the boot-jack at your wooden head."

Wool, obeyed with alacrity, and in time to escape the threatened missile.

After an absence of a few minutes he was heard returning, attending upon the footsteps of another. And the next minute he entered, ushering in the Rev. Mr. Goodwin, parish minister of Bethlehem, St. Mary's.

"How do you do? How do you do? Glad to see you, sir! glad to see you, though obliged to receive you in bed! Fact is, I caught a cold with this severe change of weather and took a warm negus and went to bed to sweat it off! You'll excuse me? Wool, draw that easy chair up to my bedside for worthy Mr. Goodwin and bring him a glass of warm negus! It will do him good after his cold ride."

"I thank you, Major Warfield, I will take the chair, but not the negus, if you please, tonight."

"Not the negus! Oh, come now, you are joking! Why, it will keep you from catching cold and be a most comfortable night cap, disposing you to sleep and sweat like a baby! Of course you'll spend the night with us?"

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GHOSTS OF 12 WIVES

Warned Dr. Vann Against Another Matrimonial Adventure—Although 96 Years Old He Intended to Marry Again.

Mayor Prefontaine will again be a candidate for the Mayoralty in Montreal.

It has been decided by the directors to call the new hotel in Toronto the King Edward.

The treaty of friendship between Spain and the United States will be submitted to the Supreme Council of State at Madrid.

John Rominiski, a Chicago candy-maker, has confessed that he had been identified with a conspiracy to defraud fire insurance companies.

Sir Sandford Fleming from Ottawa has addressed an open letter to the Hon. William Mulock, P.M.G., on postal telegraph service by sea and land.

Monseigneur Falconio left Ottawa Friday morning to attend the dedication of the Church of Our Lady of Seven Sorrows on Jackson avenue, Chicago.

Miss Alice Roosevelt, the eldest daughter of President Roosevelt, will christen the German Kaiser's new yacht now building at Staten Island, N.Y.

George Hopkin, a brakeman on the T. H. & B. Railway, fell from the top of a freight car near Dundas on Friday afternoon. His ankles were dislocated.

Fire visited Rat Portage on Friday morning and wrought great damage. E. G. Hall & Co., A. Carmichael, Dr. Marshall, James Courtney, James Grove, Dr. Schaurr and Dr. Chapman are among the losers.

Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, the Canadian High Commissioner, has sent a cheque for £25,000 to the authorities of Aberdeen, Scotland, University. The money is to go towards completing the extension of the University.

The Saturday Review prints a remarkably free-spoken editorial, in which it strongly advises Great Britain to form a working alliance with Germany, in order to check the "continued and apparently inevitable advance of the United States into South America."

Dr. James Nicholas Vann, who is ninety-six years old and wants to marry again, declared at his home at Goshen, N.Y., on Friday that Thursday night the ghosts of his twelve dead wives appeared to him and warned him against any further matrimonial experience.

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