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THE MOUNTAINS IN THE LIFE OF AMELIA BUTTERWORTH

CHAPTER I. Ever since my fortunate or shall I say unfortunate, connection with the famous case of murder in Grammar park...

now and then among the mountains where life is of the simplest and easiest, to all appearance, an element so essential...

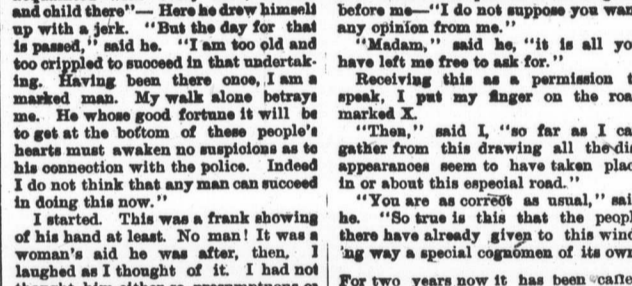
BITTEN BY A SHARK. EXCITING EXPERIENCE OF A FISHERMAN IN NEW YORK WATERS.

The moral to be drawn from this adventure seems to be, that the shark is a shark by the name of it, and its bite is dangerous.

My friend had his teeth strike, and I watched developments. After a persistent fight he coaxed the fish along, and I speared him with both hands...

able to hide it. I turned upon him with a firm determination. "Let us talk of something else," I said.

"I know that I should have drawn back with a frown, that I never should have allowed myself the satisfaction of casting so much as a glance toward the paper, but the human nature which links me to my kind was too much for me."



"Mr. Gryon"—this after a few minutes' close contemplation of the diagram before me—"do not suppose you want any opinion from me?"

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"A Mr. Brown. It was through his suggestion that the services of the New York police were secured. His place there is one of the most interesting in town, and he does not wish to be forced to leave it, but he will be obliged to do so if the road is not soon believed of his mad name, and so will Deacon Spear. The very children down the road now I do not know of a landless place."

"I entered this hut as well as the big houses," I intimated. "You were there?" he answered. "Just four weeks ago."

"No matter what I thought," he sighed. "It seems I had no groundwork for it. And folding up the map he slowly rose. 'The you and I have left there in doing more arm than good. That is why I say some one of real ability must replace him and that immediately. The detective from New York must see to have left the place.'"

"I shall watch the papers," I said. "I have no doubt that I shall soon see in them some token of your success."

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