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New Orleans during the early part of the nineteenth century was a gay city of a foreign type. It was a minlature Paris. The people, mostly of French extraction, were ready to dance or fight with equal zest. They were all high strung and the slightest provocation was sufficient to send two men off to a wood on the outskirts of the city, where they settled the matter with weapons.

There came at this time from France an old gentleman, Francois Desoir, and his daughter Antoinette. Whether or no; she having been born not long after the ill fated queen of France lost her head, Antoinette's father, who was stanch royalist, gave her the name in honor of the sovereign he adored I cannot say. Nevertheless, this story indicates that there was a malign infuence hanging over Antoinette Deoir.

It was generally understood that Desoix dropped a title on leaving France and that he was an emigre-one of those royalists who fied at the time of the revolution to save their heads. His wife had died abroad, and his daughter was his only consolation. She had been born and lived in the south of France, and her nature partook of the climate. Later she and her father had lived in Paris.

In those days certain functions were in vogue in American cities that have long ago passed out. Soirees were given by the proprietors of hotels and were attended by the elite. At one of these which took place at the St. Charles hotel Antoinette Desoix, who was always attended by her venerable father, was the belle of the evening. A trifle under the medium height, slender of figure, a pronounced brunette, she was rather a petite than a grand

ome more complicated. The bumping between Marcel and chambers occurred early in the even-ing. Mile. Desoix was perfectly aware of what had taken place and the re-sults of the bumping. It happened that for the next dance she was engaged to Edouard Durier. While sailing over the floor with him she saw Marlooking at her. Raising her eyes to Durier she threw into them one of those expressions she could call up at will, this time indicating adoration. Marcel chose a partner and, spinning on the floor with her, crossed the path of Durier and Mile. Desoix, with the result of another bump.' Durier con sidered it an accident, which it really was, and did not notice it.

"M. Marcel," said 'Antoinette, "Is very careless tonight. I do not see why, because I choose to dance with you, he should show his spleen in that way."

"Do you mean, mademoiselle, that he got in our way purposely?"

There was no reply to this, so Durier acted on the principle that silence gives consent, and as soon as he had finished the dance he sent a demand for an apology to Marcel. The latter was in no mood to apologize to the man who had so suddenly supplanted him, so there was another duel on the tapis-two duels, the pretended cause

of each being a bumping. Fate decided to complicate matters still further between the three rivals. After the last dance Mile. Desoix while still on the arm of Durier in passing Paul Chambers smiled on him. He at once advanced and asked her for the next dance.

While Chambers and Antoinette were gliding over the waxed floor another bump occurred. Whether it was accidental or not there is no way of knowing, but one thing is certain-it was not in the program of Mile. Desoix. Durier and Chambers, both dancing, collided back to back. Durier turned and, seeing that another of mademoiselle's cavaliers had bumped him. took it for granted that he, too, intended to insult him. Thoroughly angered, after the dance he sent a demand for an apology couched in such terms that no true man could apologize and (at that time) maintain his self respect.

The duels resulting at these functions were usually fought after the ball. Just before the dancing ended a group of young men went to a room upstairs to take measures for fighting out the affairs that had occurred during the evening. It was found that Marcel and Chambers had a bump to settle and Durier had a bump to wipe out with each one of them. The question was which should fight first.

The seconds were constituted an executive body to consider the matter and decide it on its merits. They concluded to arrange it according to priority of bumps. Marcel and Chambers ad made the first bump; therefore

which was already breaking. Marcel, being the challenged part chose pistols. He was a better shi than Chambers and calculated on victory. But he knew that whoever won in this first encounter was sur to be killed by Durier. This too away his nerve, and he missed hi man. Chambers shot him through th beart, killing him instantly.

This left Chambers to settle the ne bump with Durier, who magnanim ly left the choice of weapons with h opponent. Chambers chose pisto The two had taken position and th signal was about to be given who the rattle of wheels was heard, a car riage swung into the wood and Antol nette Desoix stepped out.

The first object that met her eye was the dead body of Marcel. With shudder she turned quickly from it to the two men ready to fight. They looked at her in unaffected surprise. "Gentlemen," she said, "I have

confession to make. By piquing you Mr. Chambers, I intentionally caused an enmity between you and him"-pointing with an agonized expression toward the body of Marcel. "Then, to save you, Mr. Chambers, I brought on a quarrel between him and M. Durier, knowing that M. Durier was invincible and expecting that he would cancel the fight between you and M. Marcel, The collision between you two gentle ment was accidental, neither I nor any, one else being accountable for it.

implore you to end the matter here." There was a silence for some mo-ments, which Durier broke. "What ay you, Mr. Chambers?"

Chambers did not reply at once. He was thinking. Finally he said to the girl:

"Had you come in time to prevent the first fight all would have been well. As it is, neither M. Durier non myself can honorably permit one of us three men concerned to suffer alone. We must proceed." In vain the girl implored them to

desist. The seconds begged her to leave the ground. She would not. Chambers called for the signal. Its was given. Two shots rang out te-gether. Chambers fell dead and Du-rier mortally wounded.

Antoinette gave a shrick and fell in a heap:

The story of how Antoinette Desoir yielding to a feminine idiosyncracy to pique the one man she loved, placed him in a position where she was lisble to lose him, then brought about a quarrel between his opponent and man who would be quite sure to put that opponent out of the way, gradually permeated New Orleans society. Some thought her demented, some considered her a fury, some merely woman who had become entangled by her own petty foibles. The case, peculiar though it was, caused only ripple on the gay society of New Orleans, and Mile. Desoix and her triple duel were soon forgotten.

Her father, upon whom when a boy the execution of the queen, for whom Antoinette had been named, had produced so marked an effect, had a different feeling from all these. In the blood his daughter had spilled he saw a curse resting upon her in the name she bore. He placed her in a convent. from which she never emerged. There through long years she explated what she never ceased to consider her crime. She never could understand how she had been led into its com-Marchine and a . I to be

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beauty. Her principal power lay in her eyes, into which she could throw almost any, kind of expression.

Three young men were her principal attendants at the St. Charles ball-Edouard Durier, Antoine Marcel and Paul Chambers. The first two were French, as their names indicate. The third was a native of Virginia. Durier enjoyed the reputation-at that time an enviable one-of having killed more men under the code duello than any man in Louisiana.

No one knew which of these attendants upon Antoinette Desoix was fawored by her. The men at least were ignorant, but the women who observed her said that Chambers was the favor-Ite. Nevertheless, at this ball she chose to bestow her smiles on Antoine Marcel. Chambers, who was very much in love with her, found it difficult to confine his expressions of discontent to her, showing considerable antagonism to his rival. While Marcel was waltzing with Antoinette, Chambers, who was crossing the ballroom, unintentionally got in the couples' way. Marcel, who took the matter as an affront, bumped against him. As soon as the dance was over Chambers sent Marcel a challenge.

It would seem to us in this less quarrelsome age that a collision in a ballroom was a very senseless cause for two men to try to shoot or stab each other. The episode was not the real cause; it was rivalry for the favor of a woman-a woman who knew well which of the men she preferred, but The N. B. Howden Est, Which of the best would not make it known. The trou-ble having started was destined to be-

the first fight should take place between them. Whichever lived should settle the next bump with Durier. This and the preliminaries to the fights having been settled, carriages were called and the party were driven to the dueling wood to meet at dawn,

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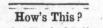
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