

OLD GUBBY.

BY CLEMENT W. SCOTT.

The winter was coming on, and Old Gubby felt that he must give up the shop and the little back parlour...

He did come down in the world; but, for all that, he sent his last little hoard of ready money to the faithless Polly.

'I must dress well,' she wrote, 'or I shall never get on here.'

Down, down in the world came poor Old Gubby, until at last he found himself running odd messages and blacking boots in a Government office.

Winter, a cruel pitiless winter, was at hand, and what with candles, and firing, and food, and rent for the little garret in which he lived, the pennies at the Railway Office were by no means ill disposed.

Less than ever did he now dare to go and see his daughter.

'I won't disgrace the poor child,' he said, 'she's a lady now. Never mind what I am; she shan't suffer any more for me than she has done.'

Strange to say, it was at the Railway Office that he heard all the news he ever had about his daughter.

And this was the news which Old Gubby heard one morning, in a dark corner of the dingy old Government office, from the lips of the messenger who waited in Montague Square.

'Don't be alarmed, old man,' said the messenger, 'I have news, good news for you, news which will make you brist again.'

'What has she done?' asked Old Gubby.

'Wrong! well, not exactly wrong, I should think; although the old folks at the big house think it precious wrong indeed.'

'What has she done?' asked Old Gubby.

'Poor Old Gubby! Don't look so frightened! She has played her cards well! Your daughter's a clever girl.'

'Old Gubby's face brightened.

'She has run away with the eldest son of the old merchant, and they were married yesterday morning, at St. Mary's Bryanstone Square. That boy will be a millionaire some day. There, pack up your traps, Old Gubby, your fortune's made!'

'Old Gubby shuffled away, and the messenger stood aghast. There was not a sign of joy, not a trace of triumph on the old man's face.'

'He doesn't seem pleased. Old Gubby must be deaf,' said the messenger.

But the enthusiastic messenger did not know that the weary shoeblack would reap but very little good from the triumph of his daughter Polly.

On came Christmas, a downright pitiless English Christmas, whose snows brought sorrow to poor people, and fell with bitter severity on Old Gubby.

He had seen his daughter, but his daughter had not seen him. She had returned from her runaway trip, and had been reconciled to the old people in the Square; the reward of which reconciliation was a splendidly-furnished house at Lancaster Gate, in the appointments of which the old father-in-law exhibited his extreme love for money and his utter absence of taste.

Old Gubby, returning one day from the office to his lodging in Lisson Grove, met his daughter driving in the Park. The horses nearly knocked him over, but he crawled away safe, and watched her as she passed and re-passed him.

'How magnificent she looks!' he whispered to himself, and he would have liked to have shouted out to all the people in the Park that this was the daughter of the shabby old man who was nearly run over by her magnificent carriage, not in order to put her to shame, but that they might all enjoy the old man's triumph at the proud daughter's magnificence. This one glimpse of Polly warmed Old Gubby's heart. It certainly wanted warming, for the world was turning against him, and the weather was bitterly cold, particularly cold to Old Gubby, for he was often very hungry now.

TO BE CONTINUED.

MINTO.—The nominations for this Township are as follows: For Reeve, Messrs. James Connell, Noah Bullock, and Wm. G. Morrison; for Dep. Reeve, Messrs. Wm. Boyd John Prain and W. G. Miller; for Councilors, Messrs. Wm. Hughes, Thos. Lemmon, Richard Heard, J. H. Dolmage, John Darroch, Joseph Lavery, Hugh McEachern, James Tait, and Wm. Ogram. The old members will all likely be returned, unless Boyd and Prain, by taking from each other's strength, should let Miller slip in as Deputy Reeve.

Gen. Raasloff, the Danish Minister of War is in New York.

The celebrated "Auburn horse," owned by Mr. Bönner of the New York Ledger is dead.

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GEORGE ELLIOTT, NATHANIEL HIGGINBOTHAM, EDWARD BLAKE, Executors, Guelph, Nov. 6

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Guelph, 17th December 1868

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