

POOR DOCUMENT

THE OLD SERGEANT.

"He had been lying very still for the past hour, and the weary nurse dozed and nodded—struggled to keep awake and dozed again—and finally slept in her chair.

Then the old clock began calling: "Tick! tack! tick! tack!"

The sleeping man moved uneasily, and the thin, bony hand on the coverlet was lifted as if to protest.

"Tick, tack! Tick, tack!" called the clock in louder tones.

The sick man opened his eyes and stared about him in surprise. His hair was thin and gray, his face wasted and pale, and death had stolen silently in as he slept and placed its seal on his brow.

"You were a soldier!" said the clock.

"Aye! that I was!" responded the old man as he gathered sudden strength and half rose up. "Company G. fall in! Right dress! Front! Attention to roll-call! Adams, Ansil, Artman, Averill, Allport, Amundson—"

"They do not answer," said the clock as the sergeant passed.

"No; they lie buried in the trenches at Manassas!" solemnly answered the old man. "Barnard, Baxter, Buchanan, Burton, Bloom—"

"I do not hear their voices," said the clock.

"I had forgotten—they died at Fair Oaks!" whispered the sergeant. "Carter, Claxton, Coleman, Curtis—"

"And what of them?"

"We laid them side by side in the same grave at Malvern Hill. Davis, Denton, Dougherty, Danforth—"

"Absent without leave," said the clock.

"Absent forever!" answered the sergeant. "The green fields at Sharpsburg drank their life blood. Enright, Eberman, Eckhoff—"

"On guard," said the clock.

"Then the dead guard the dead!" whispered the soldier. I saw them lying stark and stiff on the field at Spottsylvania. Fenton, Fairfax, Forbes, Foster—"

"Dead!" said the clock.

"Dead!" answered the sergeant. "Graham, Gorman, Gosport—"

"Where?" queried the clock.

"In the thickets of the sombre Wilderness! Hurlburt, Hill, Hanford, Hanover, Halman, Harker, Hooper, Henderson—"

"And those, too?"

"Aye! They answered no more to roll call after Gettysburg!"

"Your lines are but the shadows of the dead!" said the clock. "The dead and buried can make no answer. Under the trees at Chancellorsville—under the sod at Fredericksburg—in the meadows around Winchester—no roll-call can awaken them!"

"Ingalls, Irving, Isham," called the sergeant.

"Dead at Kernstown!" answered the clock.

"James, Justin, Jordan."

"They sleep at Petersburg!"

"Lampton, Ladue, Larkin, Levering, Lammie—"

"Call no more! Only when the angels call the roll of the unnumbered dead at the last great day will the dust answer! You alone are left!"

The sergeant fell back on his pillow and the shadows marched by the right flank into the darkness of midnight. The nurse started up with a shiver, looked at the clock, and then walked softly to the bedside and whispered:

"Sert, Grim! It is time!"

"It is past time!" whispered the clock.

"Sert, Grim, awake!"

"It was the last roll-call," said the clock, "and he has answered to his name at the gate of eternity."

THE ONLY SATISFACTION.—Last summer as a Northern man who was looking up land in Alabama was riding along the highway he met a father and son riding at a furious gallop and both armed with shooting guns. They drew up as they reached him, and the old man called out:

"Say, stranger, have you met a young man and a girl riding the same mule and humping along as if Satan was after them?"

"No."

"Well, my daughter has eloped with Bill Gordon, and Sam and me are trying to get within shooting distance before the knot is tied."

"Ah! Why, that couple were being married in Blankville as I came through there an hour ago."

"Did the gal have on a blue waist?"

"Yes."

"And was it a cream mule?"

"Yes."

"And was it a tall fellow with a skeered look?"

"That was them, stranger, and I'm much obliged. Sam, we're too late to stop 'em, and the only satisfaction we kin git is to let our hosses jog along into town and shoot the preacher arter we git thar?"

Human flesh is heir to 2,400 different diseases. Take your choice.—*Detroit Free Press.* One small, inconsequential meal, if you please.—*New Haven Register.*

There are 194 drummers in the army. None of them pay a license.—*N. O. Picayune.*

MARK TWAIN ON THE FRENCH LANGUAGE.

At the Montreal banquet in his honor, Mark Twain closed his speech in the following fashion: Now, where certain of the guests are French gentlemen, the propriety will be recognized of my giving a portion of my speech in that beautiful language, in order that I may be partly understood. I speak French with humility. (Cheers.) I do not speak French except when excited. (Laughter.) When using that language I have often noticed that I never have been mistaken for a Frenchman, except, perhaps, by horses or something of that kind, not man. (Cheers.) No human being or any of that kind would do so. I had hoped that a mere construction—I mean with English words—would be sufficient. But that is not the case. It would not work. I tried it. When I was in Quebec I called at a house to see a gentleman. I was met at the door by a girl who said, "What would Monsieur?" I said, "Monsieur so-and-so is he with himself?" She did not understand, and I said, "Is it that he is not returned of his house to merchant-dise." (Laughter.) And she did not seem to understand that and I said, "Will he desolate himself when he finds his friend American has arrived, and he not with himself to shake him on the hand." (Laughter and loud applause.) Well, she did not even understand that, and I do not know why she did not. She lost her temper. Some one called "Qui est le?" and she said "Je ne l'ai vu auparavant!" And she shut the door. Well, now, that remark greatly surprised me that she had never seen me before, but I suppose she was right. But, as I said before, I will close this oration with a few sentiments in the French language. I have not ornamented them. I have not burdened them with flowers of eloquence, because I hold that the literature is best which is characterized by an attainable height. [Mr. Clemens here spoke a few words in the French language ending with the expression "Plaise a la cour."] "Plaise a la cour," that is a mighty excellent phrase. I got it in the court room, in Justice Johnson's Court, where they were trying a case in seven languages. (Laughter and applause.) It was about eleven cords of wood to see what it would come to. If there had been 1,000 cords of that wood, they would not have been enough languages to try that case. When I heard the expression, "Plaise a la cour," I supposed it meant "Come out and take a drink." I suppose it was not so, because I found it was the only one went out. But it is a lovely phrase. If you cannot say anything else you can say "Plaise a la cour," you are saying something. If it was all like that I would talk it. Speaking French strains me more than you can possibly imagine, and I shall have to drop it. I thank you for your indulgence, and I thank you for sparing my life after this execrable exhibition of that admirable language. And I will thank you all again by simply saying "Plaise a la cour."

Prospectus of the "Herald."

I offer THE HERALD to the public, believing that a journal, liberal in its opinions, independent in its tone, and prompt in the matter of news, will be well received.

THE HERALD will give prominence to local news, and by having upon its staff an experienced city editor, who will devote his whole time to the local work, it will be able to give a complete and reliable report of the events which happen in Fredericton and vicinity.

In the selection of general news, regard will be had to those subjects in which readers of the HERALD can be reasonably expected to take an interest. Such news will be given in condensed, terse form, so that much will be compressed into a small space. No effort will be spared to make this journal, as nearly as possible, a complete record of current events.

Long editorials will be discarded as a rule, and in this department the subjects dealt with will be those of a present interest and which have some bearing upon the affairs of the people of Canada.

In politics the HERALD will be LIBERAL. Canada is essentially democratic in sentiment. Their manner of living, their education, the example set them by their fathers, are such that self-government and equal rights must ever be the birthright of Canadians. It follows therefore that anything in the political constitution which impairs the exercise of the functions of government by the people, any system of administration which favors monopolies, or has a tendency to exalt one class above another, are antagonistic to public sentiment and the best interests of the country. An important epoch in the history of this country is not far distant. Changes in the political status of the Dominion may be brought forward to deal with practically at any time. THE HERALD will enter upon the discussion of such subjects as these with a determination to consider them from a Canadian

standpoint, and to favor and advocate anything calculated to advance the material interests of the people.

In discussing the political issues now before the people, this journal will act in sympathy with Her Majesty's Loyal Opposition in Parliament.

The people of Canada cannot view with indifference the enormous expense attendant upon the administration of government. This is entirely out of proportion to the wealth and population of the Dominion, and as in a new country, seeking to build itself up by attracting immigration, it is all important that the rate of taxation should be kept low, the HERALD will join hands with those who advocate a reduction in the cost of government. The expense of administration and the large debt of the Dominion compel the imposition of a customs tariff, which, in order that sufficient revenue may be raised, must bear so large a proportion to the foreign trade of the Dominion as to be necessarily "protective." The so-called "National Policy" is simply the outcome of past and present extravagance, and cannot be justified by reference to any principle other than that, that the country ought to meet its engagements as they fall due. The people not being willing to have resort to direct taxation, it follows, as a matter of course, that whatever party is in power will be compelled to continue a high tariff. Nevertheless such alterations ought to be made in details as will make the burden of taxation bear as lightly as possible upon the staple industries of the country and the laboring classes. The nearer we can approach to free trade the better, in view as well as of the interests of our own people as of the relations in which the Dominion stands towards the other parts of the Empire and the United States.

Upon the Temperance question the HERALD will occupy no uncertain position; but will give its assistance to any well devised attempt, either by legislation or otherwise, to suppress the use and traffic in intoxicating liquors.

The HERALD will endeavor to keep its readers informed as to the progress of thought in the domain of religion and philosophy, without occupying any extreme or partisan position: neither publishing anything merely because it is novel, nor omitting to do so because it assails some generally recognized opinion.

The clergymen resident in the city will be requested to favor the readers of the HERALD by permitting the occasional publication in *extenso* of sermons by them.

A special effort will be made to keep a record of what is transpiring in the religious world. No prominence will be given to any one denomination over another, but it will be our constant aim in the matter of news to treat all classes, creeds and sects with even-handed justice.

THE HERALD will devote considerable attention in its tri-weekly issues to City matters, and it invites any of the ratepayers who may desire to do so, to employ its columns for the expression of their views on civic questions, (with these conditions, that public men must be dealt with solely in their public capacity, and that all correspondence must be short, to the point, and deal with facts.)

Correspondence upon all subjects of public interest is invited upon the same conditions.

The Saturday edition of the HERALD will not be a simple reproduction of the tri-weekly editions. It will be made up by selecting the articles in those editions of most interest to the public generally, as well outside as within the city. In addition to this, the local and foreign news will be brought down to the hour of going to press, and in this respect the HERALD will stand alone among the weekly newspapers of New Brunswick. It will also contain all the Church announcements for the next Sunday and the ensuing week, and such other features as may suggest themselves as calculated to make it a welcome visitor in every home, not only in this city, but along the valley of the Saint John. There is a field here for the right kind of a weekly paper, and the HERALD proposes to try and occupy it.

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CHAS. H. LUGRIN,
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 - 25 " No. 1 Mess Shad;
 - 100 qt. Medium Codfish;
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 - 25 " Dried Apples;
 - 150 " Mess Pork;
 - 25 " Beans;
 - 200 half chests English Tea;
 - 50 chests Challenge Tobacco;
 - 50 bbls. Pilot Tobacco;
 - 50 caddies Sailor's Solace Tobacco;
 - 50 " Bird's Eye Tobacco;
 - 50 " Little Sergeant Tobacco;
 - 100 tubs Lard;
 - 50 sacks Rice;
 - 100 kegs Soda;
 - 40 cases Matches;
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 - 25 " Ginger;
 - 50 doz. Pails;
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