Some people may think that it is not a nice thing for a young lady to make small wit, insipid pleasantry, and hisa story out of an incident which happened at a friend's table where she was 'Oh, indeed your name is quite familiar. a guest, especially as it concerns real people who might be recognised. But I must tell it. And, besides, it contours my fate and to rise above mistoresist my fate and to rise above my fate and to rise above my fate and to rise above my fate and to rise above

It was a Christmas dinner at Judge Robinson's, who is one of the leading confounded me with the vulgar herd. men of our town. Among the guests was Mr. Clutterbuck. He was well off, that a name is but a sound, and that lives at the hotel, and is a regular attendant at church. He is a young man, slender in build, and wears a rather should have the right of determining how he should be salled. Who would control ragged, reddish moustache. In manner he is quite grave. Indeed were it or the color of my clothes. I did hesner he is quite grave. Indeed were it not for his fashionable clothes, you might take him for a minister. I once heard him say there was nothing nicer than to have a loving wife, unless possibly, it were having two: but to propose a man should lose not only his heart, but also his head. So people considered him a complete bachelor. Pa says he is 'bookish,' that is, he reads Pa says he is 'bookish,' that is, he reads much. I know that his learning has often awed me, but then the awe did methat unfortunate name and I was really filial in undoing his error. I remember too, what Montaigne says. not last long, because I could not help how convenient it is to have a well

am the heroine. So I must tell you a little about myself. My name is Smith. I know that it is quite a com-Cain, one of the early members of the I made a happy selection.' race, was a Smith. I am 17 years old. Ma thinks I am 'giddy' and tells me I Robinson, 'you have not told us must be quieter and more lady-like, what was that odious, common name but Mr. Clutterbuck says that nature, which you so much detested. guided by common sense, is the best

Next to Mr. Clutterbuck at the dinner table sat Susan Jones, the daughter of a minister in a neighboring town, judge's. She is a nice girl, but very would advise Miss Smith to follow my bashful. It was her blunder at the table that caused this story.

Mr. Clutterbuck had offered her some dish and she said:-'Thank you Mr. Butterchuck,' I had to laugh out. I couldn't help it, the transposition of the name sounded so odd. But Mr. Clutterbuck said gravely : "The name is Clutterbuck. I take great pride in did admire and like him. it, for I looked through many city directories and biographical dictionaries before I selected it.' Then I said 'Why, Mr. Clutterbuck, what do you mean? People don't select their names! They are born with them. How did von come to choose your own name?' At first he was unwilling to explain, my happiness to John and he would begging (for he had excited my curiosity) he promised to do so after dinner.

When we had all returned to the the sofa; and gathered about him to couple. And he was so good as to add

or its paw, or its tail was always getting out. Now I shall set it entirely free, but as you insist upon it, especially you, Miss Smith, you must not blame me for these painful and awful disclosures.

'You must know that the use of fam- When she was a Child, she cried for Casteria, ily names is of comparatively modern When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria, the middle ages that noble families first began to use family names derived from their estates; but the plebian and vaster portion of mankind only slowly adopted them. Even in the beginning of this century the peasants of portions of Germany had none: and it can hardly be said that the Welsh peasants as yet

'Whether our family names are merely the product of social intercourse and ly the product of social intercourse and of the growth of language, or not, it is certain that no inventive faculty was taxerised in the making. How poorly large full that the making was supported by the making was taxerised. From the making was supported by the making was supporte they contrast with the names used by the red Indians, the Australian and African aborigines, the ancient Celts, and the uncivilized races generally. Their names were full of poetry, ours are poor, prosy, practical, derived from common, rough trades, or unpleasant personal peculiarities, as Smith, Chandler, Brown, Black, Long, Short, etc. Just fancy how much more appropriate it would be to call this young lady, instead of plain Miss Smith, Miss Dawn of Day, or Miss Light of Our Eyes, or some such suphuism that would befit her character and person.'

'Thank you, Mr. Clutterbuck,' I said. \*You almost make me wish that I were a red Indian, or an "ancient Celt.' 'I am glad, indeed, that you are not,' replied Mr. Clutterbuck, 'and lest you 600 tons Sidney Coal. should grow into that wish I will no longer dilate on names, but will tell you of my own case.

I was born about twenty five years ago and received from my parents the name of John, besides inheriting the family name, which was the source of ao much annoyance to me in after life. Wrought Iron Pipe Of course I know nothing of the matter then and had nothing to say about itin fact, could not speak at all; so that I was helpless'y at their mercy. It was a long time before I knew I had a name, especially so distasteful a one, When, in course of time, I began to notice things, I thought my name was tootsy, poutsy, because sundry ladies used to take me in their arms and coo and prattle that name to me, and print soft kisses on my cheeks. And though RUBBER PACKING. in later life, I recognised the silliness of that baby name, I believe I would have preferred to bear it rather than the

'I first realised my misfortune when I went to school, for my name was so | Chetham, N. B. common that several unfortunate companions also bore it. As a result we were confused in the teacher's memory, our merits and demerits were interchanged, and on one occasion I was ac- a su tually punished for some misdeed of ROSEWOOD & WALNUT COFFINS.

'After I left school and mingled with the world, mp lot became worse. Not only were my letters miscarried, not BADGES FOR FALL BEARERS also supplie

others and their evil ones to me, but I was constantly made a victim of toric jokes. How often, when introduced to some one, have I been told:

should be called. Who would control

how convenient it is to have a well sounding name 'by reason that kings and other great persons do by that means the more easily know and the more hardly forget us.' He is the hero of this story, and I other name, and spent several days in

for Mr. Clutterbuck told me that Tubal and remarkable name. I nope, young ladies, that you will agree with me that 'But, Mr. Clutterbuck,' said Mary

How the girls did laugh and make fun of me! I had to laugh also. But example, and change her name to Clutterbuck.

I thought perhaps he was joking, in spite of his gravity, but that afternoon, when we were going home from the judge's he asked me again if I would not change my name. I of course, said yes, for I do and always In the evening I told Pa about Mr.

Clutterbuck's name and the way his story ended. Pa laughed and said that he thought John was "guying" us, for he knew John's father years ago and the father's name was Clutterbuck. Pa said he could safely intrust say yes also to him. He hoped John would give me some of his gravity and teach me good sense. When I told that to John he said that the excellent John parlor, while the old folks were chatting in groups we girls drew Mr. Clut-ried a bride of I4 and then educated terbuck into a corner, through him on her and that they were a very happy "I confess, young ladies," he said, that what he particularly admired in "that I have been long carrying a cat concealed in a bag. I always had a fear that it would escape, for its whiskers, or its naw, or its tail was always get wants to. And I do think that Clutterbuck is a nicer name than Smith.

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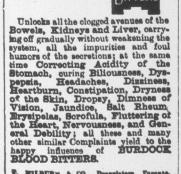
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