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"COUNSELOR" NOLAN WAS A WIT OF THE NEW YORK BAR.

Some of the Quaint Sayings of This Picturesque Legal Light, Who For Years Kept Gotham's Judges and Lawyers Laughing.

In a book entitled "The Barrister" Charles Frederick Stansbury has brought together the best of the anecdotes of Tom Nolan, who was known popularly among members of the New York bar as "Counselor Nolan." For many years the counselor kept judges and lawyers of New York laughing, and at political conventions he was one of the important, if not serious, attractions. The counselor was himself sui generis. His drollery was individual. Some characteristic stories from Mr. Stansbury's collection are here set

At a political convention a friend

"Isn't it strange, counselor, that your friend Croker, who is such a mighty power down your way, does not get a nice political job for himself?"

The barrister drew himself up, looking his inquisitor over from the corner of his eye, and then replied, with severity: "'Tis a peanut brain you have, Clancy, to ask me that. Is there anny job he hasn't got?"

Judge Horace Russell told the following story: Nolan once had a client whose name was Mrs. Moriarity. After her case had been placed upon the calendar Mrs. Moriarity appeared every day in Nolan's office with her elev-

suit against the Twenty-third street crosstown railroad, which was con trolled by Jacob Sharp, who afterward gave the name of "boodle aldermen" to world. On rising to sum up on be half of his client Nolan launched forth into an attack upon Sharp, who had in no manner appeared in the case. Raising his voice to a pitch that could be heard by citizens in the City Hall park. luded his peroration as follows: "And who, gintlemen of the jury, is Jacob Sharp? I will tell you, gintle-men. He is a man so lost to all his sinse of ethics and the rights of man

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An Extraordinary Duel.

ever fought, perhaps, took place in 1803 between two Frenchmen. Of course the quarrel arose about

who, it appears, was unable to decide on which of the two she preferred. She finally found a

way out of the difficulty by pro-

fought over the matter in a calm and judicial spirit for a month and at the end decided to fight a duel in the air. Accordingly two

balloons were made exactly alike, and upon the appointed day each soared aloft, accompanied by his

They were each armed with a blunderbuss, the agreement being that they were to fire, not at each oth-

er; but at the balloons. They arose to the height of half a mile, and

other followed suit with more dis-

astrous effect. He hit his opponent's balloon, which instantly

"In Belgium all the dogs are horses," is the way in which the

Irishman described the fact. It comes as a rude surprise to an Englishman the first time he sees a heavy cart

with an equally heavy market-wo comfortably squatting in drawn by a dog. And when he finds out that the streets of the old

Flemish cities "swarm with dog-

drawn vehicles of all sorts, sizes and shapes he rapidly concludes that he has entered a land of cruelty where

man hath no bowels of compassion for the dumb brute. The milk-wo-

man, the butcher, the fishmonger, the general dealer, all convey their

through the streets in

cheerfully plodding along; occasion

ally the load is heavy enough to tax the energies of three of these patient

Tender Mercy of Asceticism.

Many letters come to the monas

tery announcing the death of rela-

by the abbot only, and at chapte

is dead. Let us pray for her soul.'

Never to his dying day does the be-reaved Trappist learn that he was

praying for his own mother.--Lip

This by-product of the sugar factory has been fed to sheep at the

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portant only in the vicinity of fac-tories, and will never become

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When a man agrees with you in ev-

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erything he will bear watching when your back is turned.

The mother of one of our number

ne may simply announce:

pincott's Magazine.

of the monks. These are seen

Sometimes a single animal represents the tradesman's wealth in dog-flesh; more often we see a pair

then the preconcerted signal given. One fired and missed.

apsed, with the result that the cupants of the car were dashed the earth with frightful rapidity and

instantly killed.

mising to marry whichever them worsted the other. T

One of the most remarkable duels

a certain Mlle. Tirevet,

up your spine and make ties out of When the bar of the city of New York gave a dinner at Delmonico's in bonor of former Justice Abraham R. Lawrence on his retirement from the bench, one of the remarks Nolan made

that for the sake of palthry prospec-

tive dividends be would run a railroad

"There's Recorder Smyth. He's a good judge, a foine judge, but be thinks ivery man ought to go to prison at least wance."

Nolan on one occasion was a candidate for a municipal office, and in the course of his canvass he asked a woman of his acquaintance if she would use her influence in obtaining for him ber busband's vote. "Sure, I will." sald the woman. "Are we not everlastingly grateful to you ever since you

got my busband off for stealing a gun?" "No, no, my dear woman," cried the barrister, "not for stealing a gun, but for the alleged stealing of a gun."

'TIS TRUE, 'TIS PITY



Shade of Dr. Johnson-My good Boswell have we come upon a convocation of fishwives.
Shade of Boswell-Nay doctor that is merely a few Grit speakers making cam-

en witnesses. Finally the case reached the top of the calendar, and Nolan was on hand to try it. The opposing counsel asked for a postponement. Nolan fought the postponement with great eloquence, laying much stress upon the fact that Mrs. Moriarity had been put to enormous trouble and expense of coming every day to his office with her eleven witnesses. Judge Dugro, who was sitting, was not copvinced apparently by Nolan's perfervid oratory and granted the adjournment, Then the barrister arose.

"Your honor," said he, "has seen fit to grant a postponement of the case, and, while I humbly submit to the ruling of the court, yet I would like to ask your honor to do me a personal favor. "Certainly, counselor, with pleasure," replied Judge Dugro. "What is it?"

"Go you to my office," thundered the barrister, "and inform Mrs. Moriarity that this case has been postponed." Witty and keen as Nolan was, he

once in awhile got the worst of an encounter with a witness, as the following incident illustrates: The plaintiff, Mr. Foley, was suing

Mr. W. for damages sustained by care-lessness of defendant in allowing his donkey to escape from his stable and trespass upon plaintiff's lawn. Foley is in the witness box. Barrister Nolan (for defendant)-You

say that Mr. W.'s animal caused all this injury to your property?

Foley-Xes, sor. Barrister-Where did you first see

Foley-Tied up in defendant's stable. Barrister-Where did you next see

Foley-On me premises.

Foley—On me premises.

Barrister—How do you know it was
the same donkey?

Foley (emphatically)—If I saw yez
tied up in the sthable, don't yez suppose I'd know yez whin yez got loose?
The barrister excused Mr. Foley.

It was in the old sunerior court be-

"Alleged be bothered," replied the woman, "Come up stairs and I'll show you the gun."

Once arguing a case in behalf of lients who were sailors and while in the midst of an exhaustive display of nautical scholarship Nolan was interrupted by the court:

"How comes it, counselor, that you possess such a vast knowledge of the "Does your bonor think," responded

Nolan, "that I came over in a back?"

It happens quite frequently that the self made man has a son who is simply

The Parting of the Way. He (who parts his hair in the middle) -I will never marry a woman who She (who parts her hair on the side)-And I can assure you that I will never marry a man who parts his hair in the middle. (Silence.)

His Chance. Wickers-I don't know what is the matter with me. My memory is getting so treacherous that I cannot trust t from one week to the next.

He-We may as well part forever

Vickers-Is that so? I say, can you lend me \$10 for about thirty days? Tenderfoot (nervously)-I don't like he looks of the hotel. Is that the only

place I can put up?
Proprietor (significantly)—Y-a-a-s, us less you wrefer the graveyard over the

Few people ever really want a thing

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ow to use the pistol for self pro-The theory should be carried Where a woman ONE HUNDRED BODIES RECOVERED AT COAL CREEK.

RELIEF FUND ALREADY AMOUNTS

C.P.R. AND MR. SIFTON AMONG THE

Fernie, B.C., May 25 .- By to-night it is expected that fully one hundred bodies will have been recovered from the mine at Coal Creek. Nearly fifty had been taken out by Saturday midnight, and forty or more were then in sight. All the dead came from No. 3 mine, and from the higher levels of No. 2. Those on the lower levels of No. 2 are harder to get at, and it is evident the explosion originated there. As the timekeeper was killed, and as his notebook was not made up for the shift in which the accident occurred, it is impossible to get at present any more than a partial list of those still in the mine. The bodies so far brought out have been identified as above. It will be noticed that about over a fourth of the number are foreigners. To add to the painfulness of the situation, there has been no train service from Fernie, owing to trouble in the mountains, since Tuesday last, and consequently freight, passengers, mails and express have been tied up.

The relief fund has already reached \$5,000, the C.P.R. directors having con-Saturday by the Board of Trade, \$1,100 being subscribed on the start. It is doubtful if the remaining bodies will be exposed, owing to the heat in the mine. All religious ser-vices were cancelled in Fernie to-day, so as not to prevent or delay the rescue work. The Relief Committee is meeting daily to alleviate the necessities arising from the calamity. Hon. Mr. Prior, Min-ister of Mines, left Victori aon Saturday for Fernie, and will be here Monday.

The conduct throughout of the Slavs, of whom there are several hundred in Fernie, has been one of stolidness and indifference. They have been conspicu-ous by their absence in the work of rescue, while the English-speaking residents, working under the Coal Company's corps of four doctors, have done heroic work. The Town of Fernie bears all the evidences of the passage of the angel of death. In the miners' section there were few of the cottages which did not

display the badge of mourning. On some of the doors it was a large piece of black crepe to signify that the head of the family had gone, and on others, and far too many, the crepe was set upon a ribbon of white, to indicate that the victim was but a youth, who had been attracted to the mines by reason of the fact that they offered him the speed-iest means of earning a man's wages. The badge of death is not posted until the body of the victim has been recovered. This rule has been generally observed, and although there are close upon a hundred houses waiting for their dead, yet the crepe does not go up until the corpse has been identified at the English Church, where it remains only so long as may be necessary to perfect the funeral arrangements and start for

the funeral arrangements and start for the cemetery.

The day was wholly given over to funerals, and at the cemetery it frequently happened that four or five little circles would be around open graves at the same time. The victims are to have a cemetery of their own. It forms part of the old burying grounds, and is situated upon the top of a bench overlooking the town. Here a gang of men is engaged steadily in digging graves and in covering up the bodies as they are lowered into them. The graves are lined up 25 in a row, and Catholics and Protestants will lie side by side, with nothing but a pathway to separate them in their last sleep. Blood and social ties have been observed so far as possible. In one group served so far as possible. In one group there are four brothers, in others there are father and son, while earthly friendships have been observed by reserving and ticketing adjoining pits for men who had been comrades until death strength of the strength death struck them down. In some such cases one of the bodies has been recovered and buried, and the grave along-side stands ticketed and waiting for

the other. Since midnight Saturday the efforts of the men engaged on the rescue work have been devoted to making the mine safer for them in their mission of reclaiming the bodies, as it has been shown that nothing in the shape of mine timber has been left in the vicinity of the explosion. That no accidents have happened so far is due solely to the excellent roof of the mine. Considerable difficulty was encountered during he earlier hours of the morning, as the gas was very oppressive, but upon the whole very good progress was

Ottawa May 25 .- (Special.) -The Minister of the Interior received intimation of the Fernie disaster in the following message:—"The Fernie Board of Trade would urgently call the attention of all people that a great calamity has over-taken the town by a mine explosion. One hundred and fifty men have been killed and much distress prevails. Kindly collect subscriptions and forward same to the Bank of Commerce Relief Fund, ply as follows: - "Mayor of Fernie," C.,-I am shocked and distressed beyo measure at the terrible calamity which has overtaken your town. Am whing

\$250 as a small personal contribution to relief. Can I do anything to help you?" Lord Strathcona cabled the Secretary of State to find out whether William Russell and William Parker were among the victims of the disaster at Fernie. Inquiry at Fernie elicited the reply that both persons were safe, and a message to that effect was sent to the High Com-

to that effect was sent to the High Com-missioner in London.

Lord Minto wired the following mess-age to the Manager of the Crow's Nest-Pass Coal mines at Fernie, B.C.:—
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