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WHAT WHISKEY DID FOR ME.

My eyes were of the deepest blue, Nor littstre did they lack; But now you see they both are red, And one is also black! My nose was never beautiful, But still was not am ss; Old Alcohol, he touched it up.

And what d'ye think of this? He promised I should courage have For all the ills of life; The bravest thing he made me do Was beat my I ttle wife. He promised he would give me wit,

And I should ne'er be sad, Instead of which he took away The little sense I had. The health and wealth he promised me, He never, never gave;

But when he'd taken all I had, I found myself a slave. So now I'll fight for him no more; For woe is all his pay: He's cheated me and lied to me-I'll sign the pledge to-day!

vantage to purchasers in their general A QUAKER DETEC-TIVE.

BY JUDGE CLARK.

We were five passengers in all; two ladies on the back seat, a mid- over, if things go on smoothly." dle-aged gentleman and a Quaker one in front.

waited long and patiently with some of niece, governess and charge, or manner. might have sustained any other retwo ladies to travel together unattended.

The middle-aged gentleman was renders it necessary." sprightly and talkative. He soon struck up an acquaintance with the robber, the barrel of his pistol glitdo, he rather overdid the agreeable lamp, "be so good as to pass out over his shoulder in a way painfully trinkets as may be accessible with suggestive, at his time of life, of a "crick" in the neck. He was evidently a gray Lothario.

The Quaker wore the uniform of his sect, and confined his speech, as compelled to get out, the middlemany a parliamentarian would save his credit by doing, to simple He submitted with a winning grace, "veas" and "navs." As for myself, I make it an invariable rule of the road to be merely a looker-on and

Towards evening, I was aroused from one of those reveries into which a young man, without being either a poet or a lover, will sometimes fall, by the abrupt query from

the talkative gentleman : "Are you armed, sir?" "I am not," I answered, astonish-

ed, no doubt, visibly, at the question. "I am sorry to hear it," he replied; "for before reaching our next stopping-place it will be several hours in the night, and we must pass over a portion of the road on which more than one robbery is reported to have been committed."

The ladies turned pale, but the stranger did his best to re-assure

"Not that I think there is the slightest danger at present," he resumed, "only when one is responsible for the safety of ladies, you know, such a thing as a pistol in reach would materially add to one's confidence."

"Your principles, my friend," addressing the Quaker, "I presume are as much opposed to carrying as to using carnal weapons."

"Yea," was the response.

"Have the villians murdered any of their victims?" the elder lady nervously inquired.

"Or have they contented themselves with plundering them ?" added the younger, in a timorous voice.

"Decidedly the latter," the amiable gentleman hastened to give assurance; "and as we are none of us prepared to offer resistance in ease of an attack, nothing worse than robbery can possibly befall us."

Then, after blaming his thoughtlessness in having unnecessarily introduced a disagreeable subject, the gentleman quite excelled himself in efforts to raise the spirits of the He was especially facetious on the company, and had succeeded so well by the time night set in, that all had quite forgotten, or only re- Why, you don't quake worth a cent."

membered their fears to laugh at

Our genial companion fairly talked himself hourse. Perceiving which, he took from his pocket a package of newly invented "Cough Candy,"

and after passing it first to the ladies; he helped himself to the balance, and tossed the paper out of the window.

He was in the midst of a high encomium on the new nostrum. more than half the efficacy of which, he insisted, depended on its being should reach this place, as the dim taken by suction, when a thrill whistle was heard, and almost immediately the coach stopped, while two faces, hideously blacked, pre sented themselves, one at each window.

"Sorry to trouble you," said the man on the right, acknowledging from the back seat; "but 'business is business,' and ours will soon be

"Of course gentlemen, you will on the middle, and myself on the spare, as far as may be consistent with your disagreeable duty, the The two ladies might have been feelings of these ladies," appealed mother and daughter, aunt and the polite stranger in his blandest present."

lationship which made it proper for first attended to, and shall not be required to leave ther places, or submit to a search, unless their conduct

"And now, ladies," continued the adies, towards whom, in his zeal to tering in the light of the coach--bowing and smiling and chattering your purses, watches, and such other out too much trouble."

The ladies came down handsome ly, and were no further molested.

· One by one the rest of us were aged gentleman's turn coming first. and was robbed like a very Ches-

My own affair, like the sum I lost, is scarcely worth mentioning. The Quaker's turn came next. He quietly handed over his pocket-book and watch, and when asked if he had any other valuables, said "Nay."

A Quaker's word is good even among thickes; so, after a hasty good-night," the robber thrust his pistol in his pocket, and, with his two companions, one of whom had held the reins of the leaders, was about taking his departure.

"Stop!" exclaimed the Quaker, in tone more of command than re-

"Stop! what for ?" returned the

other, in evident surprise. "For at least two good reasons," was the reply, emphasized with a couple of Derringers cocked and

presented. "Help!" shouted the robber.

"Stop !" the Quaker again exclaim ed. "And if one of thy sinful com panions advances a step to thy reto blow thy brains out."

dow, and the one at the leaders' tempted to save the booty by se- on deck and gave orders until led

take the middle seat; but first deliviplace. er up thy pistol."

The other hesitated.

"Thee had better not delay; I feel the spirit beginning to move my right fore-finger."

The robber did as he was directed, and the Quaker took his place by his side, giving the new-comer the middle of the seat.

The driver, who was frightened half out of his wits, now set forward at a rapid rate. The lively gentle man soon recovered his vivacity. Quaker's prowess.

"You're a rum Quaker, you are

"I'm not a 'Shaking Quaker,' if

that's what thee means." "Ot the 'Hickory,' or rather of the Quaker relapsing into his usual superintendent?" monosyllables, the conversation flag-

Time sped, and sooner than we we were to have supper and a change stockholder. Anything I can do for of horses. We had deferred a redistribution of our effects till we light of the coach lamp would have ficult before.

It was now necessary, however, that it should be attended to at once, as our jovial companion had previously announced his intention of leaving us at this point. He prowith a bow two lady-like screams posed a postponement until after supper, which he offered to go and

> "Nay," urged the Quaker, with an approach to abruptness, and laying his hand on the other's arm, "'business before pleasure,' and for business there is no time like the air of a parson at a funeral, "well, he

"Will thee be good enough to sometimes," "Oh! certainly; they shall be the search the prisoner?" he said to me, still keeping his hand, in a friendly thing else, so the clerk had to go MARSEILLES QUILTS, a large lot. way, on the passenger's arm.

I did so, but not one of the stolen

articles could be found! "He must have gotten rid of them in the coach," the gay gentle man suggested, and immediately offered to go and search.

"Stop!" thundered the Quaker tightening his grasp.

The man turned pale, and struggled to release his arm. In an instant one of the Derringers was levelled at his heart.

"Stir a hand or a foot, and you're a dead man!"

The Quaker must have been awfully excited so completely to forget both the language and the principles of his persuasion.

Placing the other pistol in my hand, with directions to fire on the first of the two men that made a suspicious movement, he went to work on Lothario, from whose pockets, in less time than it takes to tell it, he produced every item of the missing property, to the utter amazement of the two ladies, who had begun, in no measured terms, to remonstrate against the shameful treatment the gentleman was receiving.

The Quaker, I need scarcely add, was no Quaker at all, but a shrewd detective, who had been set on the passengers, and pitch me overboard," track of a band of desperadoes, of is what Captain Howard, of the whom our middle-aged friend-who steamship Georgia, is reported to didn't look near so middle aged have said after the vessel went upon when his wig was off-was the chief the rocks. If all else that is said of The robbery had been adroitly him be true, says an exchange, it planned. The leader of the gang would have served him right to have had taken passage in the eoach, and cast him into the waves. He was after learning, as he supposed, our in command of a great vessel and defenceless condition, had given the many lives were in his keeping. The signal to his companions by throw- passengers say he was continually lief, the spirit will surely move me ing out the scrap of paper already drunk from the time of starting, and mentioned. After the unexpected that he was in a revel in his cabin The robber at the opposite win capture of the first robber, it was at when the shock came. He staggered heads, thought it a good time to cretly passing it to the accomplice, away. The perils of the sea are still believed to be unsuspected, many under the most favorable con-"Now get in, friend," said the who counted on being able to make ditions, but it must be admitted that Quaker, still covering his man, "and off with it at the next stopping, they are greatly increased if the voy-

The result was that both, for a season, "did the State some service."

Two acute traders do a lively business in hams at San Francisco every night. One draws up his death. wagon, lights his torch, and announ ces ham for sale at 12 cents per pound. His partner stations himself alongside, as if he were a rival and announces hams at 10 cents per will is a sign you'll get your face pound. The public, imagining that scratched was to not write prothis trade is a fight, at once buys the partner's stock, which is from time room is a sign he'll drink if you ask to time stealthily replenished from him to. To see your sweetheart kiss anthe other wagon. her gametdy a

A good example is the best sermon, disappointed in a love affair.

A HEAVY STOCKHOLDER.

A granger entered one of our rail road offices, the other day, and found the 'Old Hickory' stripe, I should a young man within. The farming say," retorted the lively man; but man spoke up and said: "Is this the

The young man was immensely flattered, and just to let himself down easy, said "N-n-o, not exactly, not expected, the coach stopped where superintendent, but I am a heavy

The granger said,"No," and way dered off into the next room, met a clerk, and pointing with his thumb rendered the process somewhat dif over his shoulder towards the department he had just lett, he said :

"Young man, that, to be a heavy stockholder on the road."

The clerk took a squint, saw who it was, and ejaculated : "Who! him?" stockholder is he!"

"Yes, oh, yes," said the clerk turning purple in the face.

"What amount of stock do you suppose he holds now?" said the curious granger.

"Well," said the clerk, with the he holds the superintendent's horse

The granger wouldn't hear anyout and take something.

SET UP A BAR AT HOME. Barkeepers in this city, says the Farmer and Mechanic of Raleigh N. C., pay, on average, \$2 per gal lon for whiskey. One gallon con tains an average of sixty-five drinks, and at ten cents a drink the poor man pays, \$6.50 per gallon for his whiskey. In other words he pays \$2 for the whiskey and \$4.50 to a man for handing it over the bar. Make your wife your barkeeper. Lend her \$2 to buy a gallon of whiskey for a beginning, and every time you want a drink go to her and pay ten cents for it. By the time you have drank a gallon she will have six dollars and a half, or enough money to refund the two dollars borrowed of you and to pay for another gallon of liquor, and

have a balance of \$2.50. She will

be able to conduct future operations

port yourself, shunned and despised

keep you until you get ready to fill a drunkard's grave. THE DRUNKEN CAPTAIN. Lower the life-boats, save all the

age is made with a drunken captain: SURE SIGNS. To lose money is a sign of bad

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