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A ROMANCE OF SOUTH CHICAGO.

Or Why Gladys Gertrude Alice Vere Resented Him.

Altwart the dark midnight sky the moon was riding cold and drear. It shone upon the haughty face of Gladys Gertrude Alice Vere. As cold and drear as the moon that face pale and stern seemed to be to one who clasped her icy hand—a stalwart form on benched knees.

On South Chicago's metal roofs the damp and dismal raindrops fell. The night wind bore upon its wings a specimen of stock



A STALWART FORM ON BENDED KNEE, yards' smell. It was a rather sickly night, and yet the only light on file, and grown up men who couldn't latch were known to go and take a sniff. But ah, ah me! Why this drear? Our tale is one of love and woe, and little boots if the rain falls on the roofs of floors below.

"My darling," cried the lover then, "you promised once that you'd be mine. Why stand aloof and spurn me thus? Oh, you are mine, and I am thine!" She viewed him with a scornful eye. She viewed him with two scornful eyes, and then she cried: "Avant! Avant! Go help thy mother making pie! On you and me as plighted ones this moon must never, never shine. The man who buds on Anson's Colts can't register as hub of mine!"

Exeunt omnes.—Chicago Tribune.

A CUTE JUSTICE.

It was the law of the village that all shomies, itinerants and organ grinders must get a license before doing business there. One day a fat policeman, who had been on the force about six months without doing anything, concluded it was time he arrested somebody. Soon afterward along came an Italian with a performing bear.

"Here you got yer license?" asked the policeman.

"No," said the exhibitor of the bear.

"Then yer my pr'nter," said the policeman, and he triumphantly marched off with them to the village station house, he leading the Italian and the Italian leading the bear.

Arraigned before the police justice, the Italian pleaded guilty, and the judge officiously gave him a most severe and scorching lecture on the enormity of his offense, ending by fining him \$10, the full extent of the law.

The culprit had a lot of small change in his pocket, but being mostly pennies and nickels it only counted up to \$7.50. For a few moments the judge was in a quandary. He didn't want to send the fellow to jail nor yet fine him \$10. Presently a bright idea struck him—a happy solution of the problem—and he said:

"Here, officer, take this fellow out to the market place and let him perform with his bear until he makes up the balance, and when he gets it drive him out of town."—Buffalo News.

AN ITINERANT TOOTH TINKER.

How Dr. John Rabe Visited the South Sea Islands.

Dr. John Rabe, a California dentist, residing in Oakland, has traveled for years to distant lands and studied the characteristics of unfamiliar peoples, though he had little or no capital beyond his knowledge of his profession and the working tools thereof, and he has come back with considerable more money than he had when he started, bringing, besides, enough to stock a museum and library and information enough to fill many volumes. He wanted to see the islands of the south Pacific, and having an idea that the teeth of the natives might have been neglected



packed a gripack in 1888 and started off to try to make the wants of the islanders in respect to teeth counterbalance his necessities in the matter of cash.

His scheme was a brilliant success. He got all the work he cared to do and made plenty of money, and as he was something of an ethnologist and curiosity hunter as well as a dentist he found many other things of interest besides the teeth of the natives. Only the barest outline of his travels can be given here. His first stop was made at the Marquesas Islands, where he staid two months. Then he went to Tahiti, where he spent five months, going thence to Valparaiso, in Chili.

After that he went to Samoa and was there when the Germans tried to steal the islands. King Tanuase was one of his patients, and the doctor has a model of his jaw. It is fully twice the ordinary size, and the teeth are exceptionally big and powerful. The doctor says he never saw any other like them, but the teeth of the island, and his jaws stood out from his face in a way that a gorilla might envy. King George of the Tonga Islands, to which the dentist next went, was also one of his patients. King George was 90 years old, toothless and compelled to live on vegetables and fruit. For an itinerant that was pretty hard. The doctor made him a full set of teeth, and he went back to a meat diet.

The Fiji, the New Hebrides and New Caledonia were next visited in turn. The last named is a French penal colony, but Dr. Rabe says Americans are more interested in it than they know. A prisoner sent there for five years is detained 10. The last five he is not in confinement, but cannot leave the island and must earn a living. If at the end of that time he has 700 francs, he can deposit it with the officers and go away, to France or any other place, but America. He naturally drifts to San Francisco. At the end of a year, if he can show that he has behaved himself, he can demand and receive 500 francs.

Australia, Java, Manila, the Carolinas, Japan, China and India were all on the doctor's itinerary, and other places too many to be told, and he has filled, pulled and fixed up teeth in all of them, and is quite ready to begin another journey of a similar kind.

Mackerel Will Be Cheaper.

Housekeepers will be glad to learn that mackerel, salt or fresh, which for the last few years has been an expensive article of food, and which is a most appetizing and desired one as well, will shortly be perceptibly cheaper. Mackerel it seems begins to run in our waters about the middle of April, at first appearing in immense numbers, but small size. For years the fishermen gathered them in at the earliest possible moment, thereby preventing them from reaching a good growth, and wasting thousands of small fish that were almost worthless on the market.

To prevent this a law was passed prohibiting the catching of mackerel until the 1st of June, by which time a good growth is obtained. As, however, in this vicinity the fish become scarce correspondingly high. Next April the five year embargo expires, and we will have abundant and cheap mackerel until the fishermen again overfish themselves.

A fish dealer said recently: "It was wicked the way these fish were wasted; for twenty-five cents, a few years ago, you could come into my shop and buy a half peck of mackerel, small and big, as they came. Then they grew so scarce that about the time the law went into effect a single plump fish brought one dollar sometimes. There is talk now of passing a law to prevent the sale of the small clams, which have increased in price from six dollars per barrel wholesale to thirteen dollars on account of their reckless use. That will make the little clams an expensive luxury for a while, but it will save the breed."

A QUEER ADVENTURE.

"No, thanks, old chap; I really can't stop the night. I should like to awfully, but you see, if I didn't turn up the wife would be in a funk and never go to bed at all, thinking something had gone wrong. Besides, I've got to let Jones have three columns of copy by 5 o'clock tomorrow, and I haven't started yet."

"Well, just as you like, only I wish you'd have said earlier you didn't mean stopping, so we could have telegraphed to say you wouldn't be back. It's after half past 7 now, and our nearest office is five miles away, so Jim Carson wouldn't stop, so I had to order the trap to drive him to the station to catch the 8:40 back to town."

After seeing him off I went to the station master's office to inquire if some things I was expecting had arrived, and while there I noticed an evening paper lying on the table. It just happened that an intimate friend of mine had a lawsuit on about some copyright business, and the first hearing of the case was to have taken place that day. Thinking the affair, as far as it had proceeded, might be reported, I asked the station master if he would mind my having a look at the paper for a minute.

"Certainly, sir," he said. "You may as well take it back with you, as I have finished with it. There's a piece in it about some fellow as is said to have escaped from Bradley asylum last night, and about killed one of the warder's dogs. I expect it's just one of them yarns as gets into evening papers now and again. Well, good night, sir. I'll send you your things as soon as they arrive."

I was a long time going the three miles which lay between the station and my lately acquired domicile. Lighting a cigarette and leaving Tommy to shamble on as best he liked, I started in to think.

Six months ago what was I? Well, what is generally called a literary hack, getting about thirty-five shillings a week—sometimes more, generally less—just because a crusty old uncle on whom I was dependent had seen fit to chuck me out neck and crop for the simple reason that I didn't go in for what he wanted me to—i. e., the bar.

I was of a literary turn of mind, and thought I should never be a shining light in the profession. I could at least earn my bread and cheese. So in a fit of anger I told the old gentleman I wouldn't be a lawyer, whereupon I was called an ungrateful, impudent puppy, and told to do what I liked.

"No," I thought to myself; "Robert Grant, if you've got to prevaricate, do it indirectly."

So I went in for journalism! And now poor old uncle has gone the way of all flesh, letting me in for all his estate, real and personal, including Ashworth lodge. Old uncles who quarrel with their willful nephews and disinherit them generally do come around at the last. Mine did at any rate.

Jim Carson, the fellow whom I had seen off, was an old chum of mine in the scribbling days, and had just run down to see my new abode and wish a rich uncle had kicked him out some years ago.

Tommy aroused me from my musings by stumbling over something in the road and nearly throwing me out. So I gathered up the reins, and he went the rest of the journey at a smart pace.

"Benson," I said to the man whom I had engaged as a kind of valet groom until I was properly settled, "when you've put the horse up, just tell Mrs. Hewitson she can go home as soon as she likes, as I shan't want anything more tonight."

Mrs. Hewitson was the wife of the gardener, who lived about half a mile away, and was looking after the mill and cooking for me.

It was too fine a night and too early to turn in, so I settled myself in my old uncle's favorite armchair before the dining room window and commenced to look over the paper I had got from the station master. I looked first for the lawsuit report, but evidently the case had not come on until late, as there was nothing in the paper about it.

"Hello, this must be what the station master was talking about!"

Last evening a lunatic named James Stanley made good his escape from Bradley asylum under peculiar circumstances, which will probably result in the death of one of the attendants. It was a most singular case, and the lunatic was suffering from the milder forms of insanity were allowed to be present on ordinary occasions. Stanley was one of these, and suddenly he was found to be missing from the room, and on a search being made he could not be found. On proceeding outside to hunt for him, the body of one of the attendants was discovered lying on the ground, the unfortunate man having received a severe blow at the back of the head which knocked him senseless.

It transpired that the missing man made his way to the room where the coats and hats were kept, in charge of a man who had only been about the place a few days and passed himself off as one of the guests from outside. He managed to secure a hat and coat, in which he must have been detected excepting by the poor fellow whom he knocked overboard.

Stanley, at the time of his flight, was attended, in addition to the things he secured, in an ordinary black morning suit, and was wearing patent leather shoes, which he is supposed to have put on in the stable. He was pursued in all directions.

A queer story, I thought, when I had finished reading the paragraph, and more so to me because Bradley asylum was only about three miles distant from my place, and I had received an invitation to be present at the ball in question.

Thinking it might result in my getting to know some of the residents round about sooner than I should do in ordinary everyday life, I had accepted the invitation and sent up to town for a new dress suit and pumps for the occasion.

It was an enterprising burglar, I thought, if it were known there was anything worth stealing about the house. He could be up the trelliswork in half a minute. Then the escaped lunatic, too; it might have afforded shelter to him if closely pursued. Thus musing, I slipped off my things preparatory to getting into bed, but before doing so there was a duty I had to perform and which I always had done since I slept in the house.

There was a door leading from my room into a kind of dressing room, which was sometimes opened during the day for various purposes and in front of which a curtain was rigged up. Being naturally rather timid, I always used to see that this door was properly locked and the space under my bed untenanted ere I settled down to slumber.

Taking up the candle, I made my way across the room to the door, but when within a couple of yards or so of it I came to a dead halt. The paragraph I had read in the paper seemed to whirl through my brain, and for the moment I had hard work to keep myself from collapsing on to the floor.

The lunatic at the time of his escape was attired in a morning suit of black, and wearing dancing pumps! I was startled. I can tell you, but not without reason—for peeping out below the curtain which covered the door were the toes and half the feet of a pair of patent leather boots! I regained my composure gradually, and moved away back toward the bed, but keeping my eye on the curtain the whole time.

What I knew but the lunatic might have been watching me through a pin-hole in the curtain, and conjecturing the place of his concealment had been discovered, make a rush at me? But no! He evidently was ignorant of my discovery, for the feet remained there motionless.

What was I to do? Here I was in a room by myself, within five yards of a madman, standing 6 feet 2 inches in his socks, whom under ordinary circumstances it would take a couple or three men to tackle and satisfactorily dispose of. I shuddered as I thought of it.

I mentally measured whereabouts his head would be behind the curtain, and casting my eyes around the room, to my joy I rested on a pair of Indian clubs I was in the habit of exercising with in the morning. That was my surest chance.

I moved casually across to where the clubs were standing, and taking them up commenced to occupy myself with a few of the exercises to work up steam for the coming blow. Now or never! Suddenly dropping one of the clubs on the bed as I brought it around, with the other I made for the door and directed it with all my strength, at where I supposed the head of the madman to be.

Crash! I fell forward against the curtain after the blow, and commenced striking out savagely with my fist to follow it up. Down came the curtain with a run, and the brass rod with it, striking me on the head and completely stunning me.

It must have been a peculiar sight as Benson saw it, when he came tumbling down the stairs to see what all the row was about. There was I on the floor enveloped in the curtain, bleeding from a wound above the temple, knuckles cut and bruised and a panel of the door at the back smashed in by a blow that would have pulverized half a dozen lunatics had they been there.

"The mad—man—he's escaped!" I managed to gasp, sitting up among the wreck.

"The 'ow, sir?" anxiously asked Benson, helping me up and leading me toward the basin in order to bathe my injured head.

"Mad—man—behind the curtain. Got in at the window—escaped from Bradley asylum last night during the ball. Wearing patent leather boots—saw them under the curtain," I jerked out spasmodically.

"Saw 'is what?" cried Benson, dropping the sponge he was holding and regarding me with amazement.

"His patent leather boots, man, peeping out from beneath the curtain."

Benson seemed to jump in the air at that.

"Gor lummy, mister; them weren't a madman! Them was your noo us as came this morning. I puts 'em behind the curtain there so as to keep out the dust an' muck. Oh, Lor, 'sir, you hev made a mistake!"

By Jove, and hadn't I just, and disfigured myself for a month or so in the bargain!

There was no doubt about it, for from the folds of the curtain were shaken my new pair of pumps, which had arrived that morning by parcel post just as Carson turned up.

Stanley, the cause of all the confusion, had been captured that afternoon in a copse a good many miles from my place and is still an inmate at Bradley asylum.

If Jim Carson had managed to get more out of me than that I got my scare on the temple from falling off a horse this affair would have been in print months ago. Benson knows the value of a sovereign and his master's service, so I'm the first to let it all reach the public.—True Flag.

Mrs. Ye Joins the Church.

The members of the Korean legation in Washington are showing themselves more progressive than any of the orientals of the diplomatic corps. When the Koreans arrived four years ago they wore gorgeous silk gowns, long pigtail and peculiar ventilated hats which looked like flytraps. They were followed about the city by a mob of small boys, but they soon laid aside their oriental garb. Over a year ago the men at the legation did away with their pigtails and donned trousers. Then Mrs. Ye, wife of the minister, began wearing the most fashionable gowns of American make, and her home became a social center among the diplomats.

Mrs. Ye has now become a member of the Presbyterian church. For some time she and her husband have attended the Church of the Covenant, occupying seats directly back of President Harrison. It is only within recent days, however, that Mrs. Ye had her name entered as a member of the church. She took the step while visiting in a small Virginia town near here. It is understood that the Korean minister and other members of the legation will follow the example of Mrs. Ye.—Chicago News-Record.

The Rother Occasioned by a Czar.

Many troubles and vexations were caused by a visit which was paid the other day by the czar to the military camp at Izora. The latter place is a village on the Neva, about ten miles from St. Petersburg, and accessible by water or rail. On the occasion of the visit soldiers were placed on the railway. Not far from the city are a number of mills, the workmen at which live on the opposite side of the line, going home daily for their meals. These workmen got to their work on Saturday morning, but were not allowed to cross the line again the whole day, being obliged to go without their food or buy it in a public house. No traffic was allowed.

Even people who had their own farm lands on the sides of the railway were forbidden to walk across. The trains from Moscow were stopped and were sent off all within a quarter of an hour of each other in the evening. The river traffic was also entirely suspended. It can be readily imagined what discomfort such suspension of traffic occasioned, and it is only a Russian official who can see the good of it.—London News.

Candles Burning in a Cemetery.

Every one of the several hundred graves in the Cemetery of the Most Holy Redeemer, on East Biddle street, has been decked with flowers and lighted with candles during the past two days. The big congregations of St. Michael's and St. James' Catholic churches, who use the cemetery, have decorated the graves in honor of All Souls' Day. For two days men, women and children have been coming and going, some on foot and some in carriages, while many carried lunch with them and spent a whole day with the dead. At nightfall the candles sent up a pale flutter of light from each mound. The visit to the burying place is a survival of the former custom of celebrating mass and offering prayers for the repose of the souls in purgatory.—Baltimore Sun.

Repairing an Old House.

The ancient blockhouse in Edgemoor, at the entrance of Wiscasset harbor, Maine, which was built in 1808, has fallen into such dilapidation that extensive repairs have been found necessary. To replace the timbers which supported the walls and floors of the second story beams fifteen inches square have been required. Summer residents of the vicinity have undertaken the task of restoring and preserving the old landmark.—New York Tribune.

NEARING THE GRAVE.

In old age infirmities and weakness hasten to close the gates of life and the grave. Happy retirement to earth and paradise have filled the eyes in furnishing us a reliable means of ameliorating the ailments incident to declining years and of retarding physical decay. It is a fact that the ailments of old age are among the more common ailments of the aged. They are effectively counteracted by it.

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