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A Good Bluffer

By C. B. BURGESS

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The best bluffer I ever knew was Ned Thornton of Chicago. One winter Ned and I met in Berlin and went together to a students' ball. While Ned was dancing with a very pretty fraulein a young fellow who evidently had a claim upon her came up to him and said:

"I will pigstick you."

That's the way they have over there of telling a man that he's got to fight. Ned turned upon him with well assumed fury and replied:

"And I will let the sawdust out of you."

Later a dapper officer with a wasp waist stepped up to Ned and handed him a card on which was engraved "Lieutenant Ernst von Batterstein."

Ned, understanding that the officer addressed him as bearer of a challenge, whipped out his own card, on which he had scrawled, "Instructor of Fencing, No. — Dearborn Street, Chicago, U. S. A."

You see, Ned had known very well what was coming and with his usual quick foresight had prepared his first move. With a magnificent sweep of his arm he referred the lieutenant to me, and I agreed to meet the gentleman at a cafe in the Unter den Linden in half an hour.

"Ned," I protested as soon as we were alone, "you can't bluff one of these young Germans with so palpable a device as that. My opinion is that we'd better jump the town. You know well enough you've never handled a foil in your life, and at shooting you couldn't hit a ten story building at ten paces. We don't duel any in America, and it's no disgrace to flee from these fellows who do. All we have to do is to lose ourselves for the rest of the night and take an early train in the morning."

"Oh, there's some better way out of it than that. Do you know what General Grant said when going to attack his first enemy? He said that the other fellow was probably as much scared as he was, and so he went on. Well, I've put at least the probability into this young man's head that I'm an expert, and if he doesn't believe me he won't be sure that I'm not. You go and talk with his second and hear what he has to say."

I met Von Batterstein and to help Ned on in his game assumed a confident air. I said as little as possible, for when a man is playing a desperate game it's best to let him do it all himself. The slightest interference with Ned in this instance might cost him his life. When the lieutenant asked

what weapons my friend as the challenged party would choose I simply replied, "Fois, of course!" and as to other details I left them entirely to him, except that the affair should be settled at once, as my man had an engagement in Paris with a pupil who needed his services in an affair of the same sort.

I flattered myself that this was keeping up the "instructor in fencing" illusion pretty well. If the principal on the other side had been an officer in the army the pretense couldn't be relied on, for a soldier can't very well back out from sure death. But the would be pigsticker was a civilian, and that wasn't so bad. The officer didn't appear in the least frightened, but he was not the man who would have to meet a fencing master.

It was arranged, in order that Ned should meet his engagement in Paris, that we should be at a rendezvous where such affairs are settled at 6 o'clock the same morning. I went back and reported the outcome to Ned.

"What are you going to do?" I asked. "You're certainly not going to let this fellow run a sword through your vitals."

"Oh, I'll keep up the bluff till the last minute, and if the thing goes against me I'll find a pretext to slide out with honor."

At 5:30 we took a carriage and drove to the rendezvous. I had left the procurement of the weapons to the enemy, saying that my principal could fence as well with a cutlass as a foil and I would rely on them for weapons. When we got on the ground the pigsticker was looking over a stock of foils and testing them, evidently thinking that if he was to meet a fencing master who didn't care whether he used a foil or a cutlass he must be carefully armed. It looked to me that the bluff game was up and Ned would have to wiggle out.

Just before taking position Ned sent me to the enemy to say that since he didn't wish to kill his antagonist he would give him the choice between losing an eye or having his nose cut off. I was to bring back word which of these the pigsticker preferred to lose.

I saw by the appearance of the principal on the other side when this cool proposition was announced to him that we had made a break. Von Batterstein took it to him, and they stood apart talking earnestly. I was in suspense as to the issue. Presently the lieutenant came to me and said that his principal had decided that the contest was too unequal to be undertaken and that since his enemy was about to leave for Paris the cause of the dissension would be removed.

Well, there was more palaver, but that was the end of it. The principals shook hands, and Ned invited the pigsticker if he ever came to Chicago to visit his academy on Dearborn street.

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