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## A Preliminary Test of Skill

By MARK HAMMERTON

"I will pig stick you!" The words were addressed to me by a Lieutenant in the German army. He was very young, his beard just sprouting, and since there had been no war between Germany and any other power since long before he was born he had had no way of letting off his surplus vim. We were in a beer garden, and he had been sitting at a table near one at which I sat with a party of American friends.

Getting up from his table, he walked past us, and my foot being in his way, he took pains to stumble against it. Then, glaring down at me, he said in English:

"I will pig stick you!" "What does the fellow mean?" "You've been challenged to fight a duel," said Washburn, an attaché at the American legation. He had lived in Berlin a number of years and knew the ways of the inhabitants.

"He can send all the challenges he pleases," I said. "I'll pay no attention to them."

"In that case," Washburn replied, "you must give up the social stand you have prepared to take in Berlin. I shouldn't like to put you forward as I have promised unless you either fight young Donhoff, whom everybody knows and who is on intimate terms with the imperial family, or find some way out of the matter."

"What way out of the matter is there?"

"I'll think it over. I've helped several Americans out of such scrapes. By the bye, I think I'll try the plan by which I saved Albertson from getting a sword thrust between his ribs."

"What plan?" "I didn't explain it till the affair was settled, nor will I tell you. Put yourself in my hands, ask no questions, and I think I can bring you out of this with honor, probably with éclat."

I assented, and he took a message from me to Donhoff. I was an American, and Americans did not fight duels. However, I was willing to fight under certain conditions, or, rather, I would prove myself more skillful than he. We would fire at a hen's egg at twenty paces. If he hit the egg oftener than I, I would stand up and permit him to shoot at me as long as he liked. If I hit the egg more times than he, he was to submit himself as a target for me.

The hot headed youngster accepted the conditions. Indeed, he was rather pleased at the novelty of the plan Washburn arranged for a test of skill in a fencing academy and brought a basket of eggs to the place, which were to serve as targets. The affair being an unusual one, none of the safeguards common in duel preliminaries were taken. Washburn fixed the target, suspending the egg by a thread. Donhoff and I tossed for order of trial, and I won. Each principal was to deliver five shots, and the one who shattered more eggs than the other won.

The day before the test I could scarcely hit a barn door, but I practiced sufficiently to hit an egg at least once in five shots. On the trial I shattered the contents twice. Donhoff, who like all German army officers was a good marksman, looked upon my work with evident contempt. I missed the first and second shots, and as soon as I had done so he seemed to lose all interest in the contest. He had doubtless made a previous trial and discovered he could hit the egg every time.

I had been instructed by Washburn that when I beat Donhoff—and Washburn assured me that if his plan worked I would—I was immediately to renounce my right to make a target of him. Washburn hung an egg for him. He fired somewhat carelessly and missed. He was surprised especially at seeing the egg vibrating from the wind of the ball. He fired a second shot, this time aiming carefully. Again he missed, and again the egg danced. If now he hit the egg at every remaining shot he could still beat me. Though he took a long time to aim before the third shot, he missed it.

He could now only tie me. But he had become so irritated with himself that he was not capable of doing as good work as before. He missed the fourth and fifth shots, the egg at each successive shot vibrating less, indicating that his aim had grown less accurate. On missing the fifth shot he threw his pistol down with an oath.

Washburn shot me a glance, and I cried, "I renounce the right I have won!" and, hastening to Donhoff, put out my hand. He took it, muttering imprecations on himself for having been so clumsy. Then he and his party thanked me for my magnanimity and left the academy.

"By Jove!" exclaimed Washburn sinking into a chair. "If those fellows had exercised one-tenth the care they would have taken in an ordinary duel I would have had to leave Berlin."

"What do you mean?" I asked. "You fired at a solid egg. Donhoff at a shell from which I had drawn the contents. No ball will hit an empty egg-shell. The wind will drive it aside every time."

We had won by a Yankee trick, but since it was merely to avoid blood spilling our consciences did not trouble us. I entered Berlin society under Washburn's wing with great éclat. I feared that I would be called upon to maintain my championship, but was let severely alone.

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