A SAD EXPERIENCE.

"l'il tell you, young gentlemen," said the colonel reflectively, "that in this life of mine I have had at least one experience that would drive some men to drink." And the colonel looked

around suggestively.

The colonel, a one armed veteran of the civil war, was the best raconteur the civil war, was the best raconteur of the club and as such was eagerly listened to by the younger generation. A tap of the bell brought a round of his favorite beverage, and after sampling it, with glasses in easy reach, we all settled back in our chairs to listen to the story that was sure to come:

"You follows have all heard how I

"You fellows have all heard how I lost this arm at Pine Ridge! When I enlisted in the Twentieth, like many another young fellow, I left a sweet-heart at home whose promise had been given me, a beautiful, high spirited girl, who kissed me goodby and saw the regiment march away with a cheer on her lips and but few tears in her eyes. Before we parted she slipped a ring on my tinger, and as I left she said: 'Wear this, dear. Bring it back with you and be true to your dag and

"Well, I wore the ring all through our long, hard campaign until that Pine Ridge cannon ball came along. took away arm and ring and left me unconscious on the hattlefield. After a hospital experience I finally recov-ered sufficiently to be sent home, with a colonel's commission, discharged as untit for duty

"At the old home I was of course treated as a hero. The young ladies insisted on showing me flattering at-tentions. I was asked everywhere and

was quite the iten of the hour.

"Isabel, my flances, was as devoted as before, I suppose, but her nature was such that she was too proud to show her feelings as plainly as my vanity sometimes wished her to do, and as a consequence I began to think that the had chemical forms." that she had changed toward me. It may be that another girl, a little, plump, black eyed charmer, had something to do with this idea, but at any rate I soon began to notice other charms than Isabel's.

"One night my flances and I attended a reception, and Sadie, the black eyed charmer of whom I have spoken. was there also. Isabel and I had tired of mingling with the throng and had found a secluded place in the con-servatory. We talked until weary and sat there in silence when Sadie came in. She did not see us, and as she stood by the side of a large paim in an attitude of unstudied grace I thought she formed the most beautiful picture that I had ever seen.

"Almost Involuntarily I contrasted her charms with those of the proud beauty at my side. To my eyes the advantage all lay with Sadle. Her beautifully rounded figure seemed to be my ideal of loveliness, and I wished that I might class her in my armsarm, I menn—and tell her how sweet a pleture she made. The longing grew almost teo strong to be resisted, and I had half risen to my feet, forgetting isabels presence, when I was stopped by a strange thing that was taking place. Faintly outlined, a mere vapor at first, but growing plainer with each succeeding second, where Sadle stood there appeared the figure of a mm's arm clothed in a soldier's sleeve of blue. "Almost Involuntarily I contrasted

"The arm slowly curved itself around Sadle's waist, and as it tight around Sodie's waist, and as it tight-ened lise!f into a firm him, like a star-of light, a ring on the hand showed itself to my startled gaze. My eyes seemed to be starting from my head in amazement, for the ring was that which is bel had given me, and the hand that I looked at was the exact likeness of my missing one. "A cry at my side of mixed fear-and rage brought me to my senses.

and rage brought me to my senses. Isabel was standing with outstretched arms pointing to the apparition. What does this mean, sir? she said. Her voice aroused Sadle, who, seeing the image around her walst, promptly fainted.

"I have told this story to severa persons, and but one has ever been able to give me any explaination. He was an ascette from Italia who was lecturing on The Influence of Mind Over Matter," who fold me that my desire to embrace Sadio had been im-pressed very strongly on my astral being that my astral being had for the time got control over my physical body and that the arm which I saw was the arm that I had lost and, being lost, was trying to follow the im-pulse that would have controlled in had it still continued to be a part of had it still continued to be a part or my hody and subject to the control of my mind. Others did not accept this theory, and some. I recret to say, were skeptical, while a few did not hesitate to say that the vision had been induced by a large, well developed jag. You fellows can think as you please. I leave the solution with

"But, colonel," cried several in pro

"But, colonel," cried several in pro-test, "what became of the girls? Did you marry Sadie'?" "Marry! Huh!" grunted the colonel between swallows. "Don't you know I was never married? Isabel dismissed me then and there for losing the ring she had given me. And Sadie, when I asked her later to marry me, replied with 40 concented herror that she was sorry, but that she could nevshe was sorry, but that she could nev-er under any circumstances marry a place of a man whose dismembered fragments were in the babit of em-bracing every woman whom their for-

mer owner might take a fancy to."

And the colonel set down his empty glass and went to join another group

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