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A MENTAL FAMILY TREE

We were talking in the schoolyard about our family trees.
And Gertoines said hers could be trased to Sir Horatio Presse:
And Rufe said he'd descended from the governor of a state;
And Louie mentioned ancestors of hers about as great.
While Reggie said his lineage embraced a lord, he knew;
And Neil from her great-great-grandsire obtained har blood so blue;
But neither of the little Hmiths could any a single word.
For them to boast their ancient name of course would be absurd.

Then teacher smiling slightly, said that

Then teacher smiling slightly, said that the way much invited to thick their there was such a thing as blir bood of the mind. That there who studied hard (and here sha beened on Temmy Smith) Had certainly descended from men of force and pith. And there who loved to tend the sick and serve the weak and frail With marany related to Florence Nightin-gale.

(1) and

Johnie fimith blushed to the ears.)

And which are saw a youth (How bright the smilled at Johnsy Smithf) who alwars told the truth At echaot at home, or when he was at work or having fun She knew him for a relative of General Washington.

But Reggie doesn't like such talk; he eave It seems to throw He much responsibility upon yourself, you

-Elistwin Wethersid, in Youth's Com-

\* A Manof Many Mottoes

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"CAN'T be done, sir-cannot be done!" Mr. Beamish, sitting before the fire in the library-the had dismissed one maid for calling it the "off room"-turned over a large piece of coal and turned it back "You should know me again. by now for one of the old-fashioned When you hear of me borrowsort. ing or lending a sovereign, you can hook for the end of the world. Oh, I'm plain, sir! I'm a man of mottoes. Had I broken through my golden rule, I might be now in-er-your position. Don't leave your hat, sir?

"I won't!" The visitor took the "I won'tl" The visitor took the hint-and the hat. He had been rather pale; his lips took a grim twist now. "I fancy there's another golden rule; I was trying to recall it. Still-"

"My dear man, it's useless! Don't make me use a harder word. there's one thing I detest, it's rakitur nu old autes. But when my daughter, who had been brought up with solid, proper principles, left her home and married a penniless actor. I really had to close my door -yes, the near of my heart-upon her. Hu man nature? Human bunkom, sir Ole no doubt you tooked for better A. K. Foller Agent, Hood River (So dil Micawber; so dies Wolford & Wyers, Agt., W. Salmon (Se beggar who goes grannling R G (ILLU):FTH, Lyle, Wash. ir, who measures his ditch before he longe. You, a Shakespearean schor, to come asking for a pairry the pounds! Well, really, it areas to not that even an actor who is irth his saft could do better! Not that I know anything about actors. you hald upon the truth, I haven't Lemt."

"Parsion me," he said, with a little break in his voice; "I'm not acting now. But I happen to know that you have a hundred times the never have risked this ands. It was your own lessie who said: 'Don't trank as hard of hont. Tell him I icen't had to regret the step in the si: tell him that life is top short littler feelings?" Paltry or not. represents the sum I want. I've the engagement at Sunderland for Monday week, but I haven't the

do women care? I've learned that the only friend a man can rely upon is his money. Eh?"

"Nothing, nothing!-It only oncurred to me that they might have found it out, too."

"Shouldn't have married!" he snapped. "I've no sympathy with act-ors, and less still for people who encourage them! While you're wasting a sovereign at the theater, you might doubling it at home!"

It really did seem as if Mr. Beam-ish's pet theory that "money makes money" was to be emphasized once more for the benefit of his friends. That very next evening the maid-who had never had a chance to test the theory herself-tapped, with a card bearing a name that made Mr. Beamish stars.

"Such a gentleman!-with a cab, sir, and a silk hat and snowy beard!" she ventured. "I said you were in the li-brary, Mr. Beamish, sir!"

"It's Mr. Shand! This way, sir; this way!" cried Mr. Beamish, excitedly. "Really, an unexpected pleasure! The lawyer whose name I've heard so often, lawyer whose name i.ve beauty-" but whom i've never seen! Really-" Mr.

"Say solicitor, my dear sir." Shand bowed a triffe coldly, as if he had his own value for effusiveness. No: you have not troubled us much with your claim on the estate. Still, I'm glad to be able to tell you that there seems at last a chance of settlement with the opposing side. In that case-

"I knew it, sir! I knew it would come home to them sooner or inter! Everything comes to him who waits. Why, 1 remember poor old Uncle Hor-ace saying to me, when I took my lit-tle girl down to see him-"

"Ab, yes, yes! Great pity your Uncle Horace left his affairs so involved! I presume, of course, I am speaking to Horace Pettigrew Beamish, born at-" He flicked over a bundle of yellow doenments.

"Born at Faveraham in 1848? I hold the parish certificate, in case. Forewarned is forearmed. Oh, it's me, sir, undoubtedly! I was named after uncle and I named my girl after his favorite sister-Bossie, You see-"

"I do fully. I simply wished to verify the various elaimants. I wouldn't put too much store on the results, Mr. Beamish. The property has lain under a heartbreaking mortgage, as you know; and the ultimate realization may not split up into more than a £20 note. One moment, though! Bessie! Ab. possibly you did a smart thing in naming your child so, and taking her down, as you say. Bessie, Bessie! Let me see!"

"Really!" Mr. Beamlah rubbed his hands. "Yes: I fancied I might be de stroying two feathered bipeds with missifie, as you legal gentry put Ha, ha! How-er-what-" it.

"Ah, just sol Erratic to the lastyour uncle, sir. Those mining shares; here we are. They are worth now, with accumulated dividends, something like £4.000; and the will has been found in an old jackboot. Half of them are willed to Bessie Ada, daughter of Horace Pettigrew, and the re-mainder to the servant who nursed him before it was known he was likely to die-as he says. I musi congratulate you, after all, sir."

"The servant! The-the scheming hussy! You don't-" He satvery still. staring bard at nothing. Possibly be was trying to think out some axhan to fit the manifering occasion. "Why half to my Beaslel Recondence?" If "That girl, sir-that girl has got up. run away with a good for nothing ac-tor fellow! Have I no power-"

"We can't alter the man's will sir There it is in black and white. If you There it is in black and white. It you will give me your daughter's address. U.S. Cowles, Joe Hinkle, Pill write to her to-morrow."

And, as a man in a dream, Mr. Beamish wrote it down, shook hunds limply and sat down to whee his forehead. "Gracious!" he whispered. "Bessie -that fellow-£2,005! And here I-He'll write to-morrow! Then I'll write



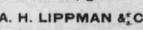
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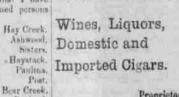
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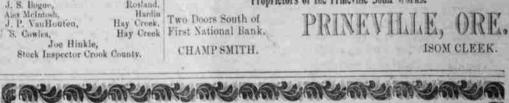
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THES hat we've nothing to be aslamed of. In a month from to-day the money shall be lying here."

"So you said. I believe it; and yet I can't encourage improvidence. A sensible man, sir, doesn't sell his umbrella because the sun's out; he heeps it for a rainy day. It's a ques-fion of principle. Bless my heart, look at that bundle of papers! Bes-sive can tell you that, if I cared to risk a few hundreds-if I had them to do it, 1 mean-1 might establish my claim to part of a huge fortune. Wants a strong mind, sir, to resist a fascination of that sort. Here, my brothers and sisters have been sweating and going to law for years; re-sult, poverty. Then they come and call me mean. Not me! Bird in the hand is my motto. I'm afraid-I'm afraid I can't say as much of my daughter and her husband."

daughter and her husband." "I only hope, Mr. Beamish," said Lovell, as he turned at the door, "you'll never know what it is to pay the price that makes one a cynie!" "Ah, that's a flash of your melo-drama! No use, my boy. If you had paused to realize that money makes money you wouldn't now be renext.

money, you wouldn't now be repent-ing at leisure. It's really only fools who buy their experience. I watched, and got mine for nothing. As I said to Mrs. Reamish, when she wanted to buy a fanciful hat: 'Not quite, my dear! Go and look at it until you've mastered every detail, and then come home and make one like it.' Some men break their coals to keep up a blaze; they're not content to-" "Enough! I shall remember this

day, sir-the list of March!" He was gone. He did not even bang the door. It took Mr. Beamish some minutes to work up sufficient heat to go down and impress his wife.

"The ideal Wanted to borrow £51 If that sort of thing began, where should we be?"

"We might be just as happy in a dif-farent sort of way," she dared. "Ah, that's a woman all over! What

to-tight!"

The inspiration of a lifetime! Ten minutes later he was tearing out to post a letter addressed to Gordon Lovell, Esq. 11 contained a £10 note, and these few hurried words:

"Dear Boy: I trust you did not intend to take me at my hasty word. Allow, me to break through my principles for once. Any time will do. I hope I'm just. 'Live and let live' is one of my motices you did not stay to hear."

It was posted. Then he went back, to wipe his forehead again and to dream, dream, dream.

It was a curious coincidence that he went on dreaming for just a month, and that the two letters should arrive by the same post. At last! One, stamped "Shand & Pascoe, Solicitors," to say that all was settled; and one from Lovell, to say that he had got the £2,000, and was bringing it round in a bag for safety.

Naturally, he opened the former first.

"Dear Sir-We know nothing of the cir-cumstances and cannot understand to what your letter refers. Your uncle. Hornee Beamish, died intestate. For lack of funds, apparently, the claim was abandoned some years ago. We do not advise you to re-open ft. Yours obediently. "A. SHAND."

With a nameless pang, that twitched his fingers, he opened the second envelope:

velope: "Dear Mr. Beamish-I return, with deep-satithanks, the ten-pound note you so kindly sent ms. Perhaps, in the future, you may not have so pour an opinion of my powers of acting. Tours applogetically. "ORDON LOVELL. "P. S.-I am endeavoring to forget what passed between us on March Mst. I trust you will be able to do the same as regards the tot of Auril."

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