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"That's Dead Man's Cove right before your eyes," said the old man as he pointed to a recess of half an acre in extent in the southern face of the Little Rocky mountains. "That's Dead Man's Cove, and you kin see the iron work of the wagon lying about when you git closer. When I first looked in here there was five human bodies lying dead in that wagon. Me an my pard we dug a big grave and buried 'em all together back agin that cliff, that war the rocks is. We piled the rocks that way so the wolves couldn't git at the dead."

"But there is no headboard—no names," I protested as I rode closer to the spot pointed out.

"Conk! be no names, 'cause we couldn't find any," he replied, "and them rocks is a gravestun as will last forever. We'll git off and sit down for a smoke, and I'll gin ye the full particulars. I've passed here a hundred times in the last three years, and it allus gives me the heartache. Poor husband—poor wife—poor children!"

"It was this way," he continued after his pipe was alight. "Me and pard had our shanty down the valley about a mile. Plenty of emigrants in their kivered wagons used to come by this trail and turn south into Wyoming, or keep west into Idaho. They'd come five or six families at a time, and they'd come singly. Some of 'em would take such chances of Injuns, sickness, landslides, starvashun and death as would make your ha'r stand on end to think of. No man kin begin to guess how many graves that be of men, women and children between the Dakota line and the west branch of the Missouri river. I've counted a hundred in a day's ride."

"Waal, one December mornin me and pard woke up to feel that that was a blizzard makin ready to bust on us. It had been coolish but pleasant up to that time. We could tell by the feel of things that was comin, and began to get ready fur it. It was just arter noon when a woman walked into our shanty. She was an emigrant. Right here in this cove she had left her husband and four children to try and find some help. He had bin sick fur three weeks and was little better than a dead man, and she had bin drivin the team an takin care of things generally. She orler to hev turned back long before, but some fool of a doctor had told the man he'd get well if they kept on."

"They had got separated from the party they started with, and had made the last hundred miles alone. They war out o' grub, hadn't a match left to build a fire, and the woman knowed a change fur the wuss was blowin up. She was a frail, litle woman, and she had gone through with nuff to down a man, but she hadn't lost all her pluck yet. As soon as she told us the story we got ready to go back with her an bring in the outfit. We made a start, but we never got thar."

"The blizzard prevented, eh?"

"She did. She came swoopin down all of a sudden, like some great bird droppin from the sky. A fine snow began to fall, the wind started right in to blow a livin gal, and I believe the thermometer went from 45 degs. above to 10 degs. below inside of half an hour. We hadn't any with us, but the change was sudden an amazing. You couldn't face that gale to save your life. It just stopped us and turned us around before we had got fifteen rods from the house. As to the cold, it just paralyzed you. We had to go back, and arter takin a big drink o' whisky all around and puttin on more clothes we tried it agin."

"Me and Sam was as tough as b'ars them days and could hev laid down in a pond of water and let it freeze up with us, but we couldn't buck agin that blizzard. When we made the second start we got about half way up here, the little woman leadin the way all the time. Then we had to stop. You couldn't see three foot from your nose, and all of us was frozen to death by inches."

"And you went back?"

"We did. The woman was determined to push on, and we jest had to pick her up and carry her back. It was only by the Lord's hand that we got thar. We had our caps, noses and fingers friz, and an hour arter we got back water friz solid in our cabin within five foot of a roarin fire. The woman prayed to God and appealed to us, but we knowed it was no use. That was the blizzard of 1881, and I've heard men say it was 42 degs. below zero in this valley that night."

The woman got nipped wuss than we did, but her mind was on the family back here. She was bound to come back alone, but we stood her off till about dark. Then she made a bolt fur it and got away."

"And went to her death?"

"Jest as sartin as if she had jumped off that cliff. The blizzard shet us in fur three days. When we got out we found her within twenty rods of the cabin. She had friz to death goin that far. Of course we knowed how it would be up here. The horses had been on-chained and turned out. They lay over by that tree. The folks in the wagon had crowded together and kivered up with all the blankets, but all war stun dead and as hard as rocks. They never saw that first night come down."

"Me and pard overhauled the wagon, but we couldn't find anything givin the name of the family, and so, like hundreds of others out in this kentry of mountain and valley, Injun and wolf, we kivered 'em in to sleep till the Lord gins ready to call 'em fur judgment. Seems awful that a hull family should be wiped out that way, but they ar sleepin thar together, and I guess the Lord'll know the spot even if thar is no gravestun to mark it."—New York Herald.

### KISSING GOODBY.

A kiss he took and a backward look. And her heart grew suddenly lighter. A trifle, you say, to color a day. Yet the dull gray morn seemed brighter. For hearts are such that a tender touch May banish a load of sadness; A small, slight thing can make us king. But arown will check our gladness.

The cheeriest ray along our way Is the little act of kindness. And the kindest thing some careless thing That was done in a moment of blindness. We can bravely face life in a home where strife No foothold can discover. And be lovers still if we only will, Though youth's bright days are over.

Ah, sharp as swords cut the unkind words That are far beyond recalling. When a face lies hid 'neath a coffin lid, And bitter tears are falling, We fain would give half the lives we live To undo our ill soaring; Then let us not miss the smile and kiss We won't see in the light of mortal life.—Lillian Plunkett in San Francisco Call.

### Secretary Foster and the Monument.

When Secretary Foster first came to congress the Washington monument was literally the national laughing stock, looking, as it stood there, like the trunk of a storm severed mast—apparently the tower which the parable speaks of which the builder could not finish because he had not counted the cost. It was the sneer of the tourist and the shame of the resident. It was perfectly evident that it was not going to be finished with the contents of the little collection boxes labeled "For the Washington monument," which started at you as you entered any public building, any more than with the "memorial" or votive stones sent by countries, cities and societies. It was equally evident that no other private means would suffice. It would have to be completed by the government if completed at all.

Samuel J. Randall was chairman of the committee on appropriations, of which Foster had been appointed a member. He jokingly created him a sub-committee on monuments, and turned over to him as such a lot of bills for monuments to this man and that memory. One day there came over from the senate a bill which John Sherman had gotten through there, providing for the completion of the Washington monument by the government, and appropriating \$300,000 for that purpose.

Foster was watching, and just as Randall, scowling at it, was about to pounce on it, he spoke up and said: "No, no, Mr. Chairman. I'm the sub-committee on monuments; that bill belongs to me," with that persuasive smile which has moved more obdurate hearts than Randall's. "Take it, then," said Randall, throwing it over the table. Foster did take it, and went to work at once in getting through data for a report on the subject, which was so full and so strong that it convinced a majority of the committee then, and afterward a majority of the house passed the bill. The work then began never ceased till the aluminum cap was put on the apex of the pyramidal monument. No wonder Foster finds satisfaction every time he looks at his handiwork.—Washington Cor. Phila delphia Record.

### A City Destroyed by Silence.

Amycia, the old city of its fate is to be well known, actually perished through silence. The legend concerning the unique end of this ancient city is as follows: Amycia was a town of Laconia, founded by the Lacedaemonian king Amycia. It was an independent city for many years, but was finally conquered by the Spartans. The city was not actually destroyed, but rumors of a projected Spartan invasion that at last, weary of living in a state of absolute terror, it was decreed that it should be made a public offense to report the approach of an enemy. So, when the Spartans at last appeared before the city, no one dared to warn the officials of their approach, and thus they were able to take the town with scarce an effort.

There is, it must be admitted, another "silence" myth concerning Amycia. Servius says that the city was founded by Pythagoras, forbidden by laws of their people to speak of or harm serpents. The result was that the snakes from the hills sought the precincts of the city, and no one daring to speak of it to his neighbor or to harm the slimy creatures, one by one the inhabitants left, until finally the city was completely turned into a snake den.—St. Louis Republic.

### Experimenting in a Tank.

One of the most interesting and valuable features in the shipbuilding yard of the Denny's, on the Clyde, is what is known as the experiment tank, which is 300 feet long and 10 feet deep. In this tank are experimentally determined the speed, resistance and other qualities of all vessels to be built before the designs are completed. This tank and the models which are used are by no means toys, but are of valuable assistance as mathematical methods of scientifically determined facts of the utmost importance.

The models employed are made from paraffine wax, and by an ingenious machine are cut from this material to the exact form of the ship they represent upon any desired scale. This mechanism is largely automatic and self-registering, and works with remarkable accuracy. It is due to the experiments which are carried on in this tank and other methods of a similar character that such successful results are obtained in the construction of vessels with excellent speed and sea going qualities.—New York Telegram.

### A Big Game Bag.

The total amount of big game brought to bag during the Maharajah's shikar party was eleven tigers, three panthers, two bears, two rhinoceros, eleven buffaloes, forty-nine deer and twenty-one boars. The following were the weights and lengths of the five biggest tigers: Length, 10 feet 2 1/2 inches; weight, 485 pounds; 10 feet, 445 pounds; 9 feet 8 inches, 467 pounds; 9 feet 6 inches, 450 pounds; 9 feet 6 inches, 435 pounds. The six largest swamp deer (Rucervus duvacoili) were 370 pounds, 560 pounds, 500 pounds, 480 pounds, 490 pounds and 480 pounds. The two largest sambar (Rusa aristotilli) weighed 568 pounds each.—Lancet and Water.

# What Was the Matter with the Cake?

A sociably inclined young couple who are comfortably quartered in one of the large apartment houses up town invited a few friends to a card party one evening last week. Owing to a misunderstanding regarding the date not one of the expected guests appeared on the evening in question. The young wife was greatly vexed. She had prepared a tempting little supper, and her economical soul revolted at the idea of its being wasted. One of the features of her table was a large ornamental cake, which she had purchased at a neighboring confectioner's. She cut the cake and endeavored to induce her husband to eat a portion of it, but he did not like cake. She was determined, however, that somebody should eat it, and she offered it to the hall porter, a boy, of which there were four. They accepted it with enthusiasm and quickly disposed of it.

The following day every boy was sick—very sick. A doctor was called, and his investigations led to the suspicion that something was the matter with that cake. He said to the boys had undoubtedly been poisoned. The confectioner's was visited, and the story of the mischief breeding cake was told to him. He had evidently heard a similar story before, for he hastily exclaimed: "Oh, it was part of that varnish cake! I am so sorry. You must eat the boys, and you must eat of varnish. That is all. You see I have been having the woodwork in my store varnished. Yes, that was it. He put in some varnish. That is all!"

The boys got well, and the story of the "varnish cake" has been repeated all over the neighborhood. When the hidden cause was stated away from the card party heard of it they were glad that they had misunderstood the date.—New York Times.

### Indian Chess.

Indian chess, or "chatrang," is played with a rajah, an elephant, a horse and a ship, and four foot soldiers, corresponding to a king, a knight, and a bishop, and four pawns, and there are four players. Each player faces his partner, and places his pieces in the order of ship, horse, elephant and rajah, beginning at the left hand corner—the four foot soldiers being of course in front. Partners are thus on opposite sides of the board, and the game is played in the order of the sun. The tactics of the game, apparently from the "Rahasya Purana," are not to attack your opponent who has just played, as would be done in double chess, but to obstruct the opponent who has to play next. The game is distinguished from double chess by marked variations.

There is no queen, and the ship or bishop is "lame"—can only move two squares at a time, though he can hop over an intervening piece if he likes. Moreover, a player can take the opponent's king things are not as well, and so assume conventional names, but he can always, if all the other pieces are taken, retire with the honors of war and draw.—London Spectator.

### Punishments in Morocco.

The notion of sentencing a punishment to him, he is, however, a very severe one for the great medieval sultans of Cordova, does not occur to the Marquise officials of today.

A Moorish law court is a parody of all that Europeans mean by justice. Extortion is the main object of the judges, and the courts are for suffering. The rich may escape with white skins, but those without "palm oil" have scant mercy. For instance, the mere accusation of a paltry theft, if made from some favored quarter, will bring on the accused the ordinary punishment for such conduct. This consists in the offender being bound to the wall, and the sufferer into the nearest lane or ditch, whence his relatives may or may not remove him. As there are no surgeons and no medical appliances, the bones cannot be set, and reunite so as to leave the toes turned inward directly facing each other. At Tangier I have several times seen one of these poor creatures—possibly quite innocent of the offense attributed to him—hobbling over the cobble alleys, while the passersby nudged each other and muttered "Thief."

In the prisons men and women, chained together night and day under every circumstance of indescribable filth and horror, wait until their friends, who bring them all the food they get, are able or willing to offer a bribe sufficient for their release.—Nineteenth Century.

### Do Not Sleep on Your Left Side.

When a person awakes in the morning with a headache every morning waking up, the first question I ask him is as to the position he assumes when going to sleep. An immense number of people sleep on the left side, and this is the most common cause of the unpleasant taste which is generally attributed to dyspepsia. If a meal has been eaten within the last few hours of going to bed, to sleep on the left side is to give the stomach a task which is difficult in the extreme to perform. The student of anatomy knows that all food enters and leaves the stomach on the right side, and hence sleep on the left side is to force the stomach to perform a pumping operation which is anything but conducive to sound repose.

The action of the heart is also interfered with considerably, and the lungs are unduly compressed. It is probable that lying on the back is most natural, and, however, but few men can really sleep so, and hence it is best to cultivate the habit of sleeping on the right side. It is very largely a matter of habit, and the sooner it is acquired the better for the sleeper and the worse for the physician.—Interview in St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

### At a Quaker Wedding.

No clergyman is needed at a Quaker wedding because the happy principals perform the ceremony themselves. This is the formula repeated by the bridegroom at a recent wedding: "Pris, here, in the presence of the Lord and in the divine presence, I take this, my friend, Edith Mary Hanbury Aggs, to be my wife, promising, in the fear of the Lord and with divine assistance, to be her faithful and loving husband." The bride repeated a similar declaration, the certificate of marriage was signed by witnesses, short addresses from Scriptural texts were made, prayers were offered, and the ceremony was ended.—Exchange.

### No Show with That Jury.

One of the old settlers of St. Paul, weary of calling and dunning for a bill, brought a suit against a neighbor. When the day of the trial came on the old settler was a little late, and the jury had been impaled and sworn. He entered, sat behind the attorney, and rapidly ran his eyes over the jury. When he reached the last man he sprang to his feet and, regardless of court etiquette and decorum, called out: "Judge, every man on that jury owes me a bill.Dismiss the case quick or I'll turn up in that fellow's debt."—St. Paul Globe.

### Herbert Spencer is now a man of seventy, and he looks ten years younger. He is of medium stature and his head is bald, except for a thin fringe of hair. He has an eagle nose, a ruddy skin and an intellectual face.

One of the choicest pills in the fine collection of George W. Childs of Philadelphia, is a little green harp that once belonged to Tom Moore, and which the poet carried into hundreds of Irish homes.

# "HE WAS IN IT."

## Judge Monroe So Decided in Favor of Kelly—Kelly vs. Fenlow.

John J. Kelly vs. People's Bank et al. Plaintiff began this suit by selling a lottery ticket, one-twentieth of a whole ticket, which had won \$10,000 and had been forwarded to the People's Bank for collection, and in which he claimed one-fourth interest as owner. By consent the ticket was cashed, and the unclaimed three-fourths were withdrawn, leaving the contested one-quarter, which was also claimed by John W. Fenlow, under control of the court.

The parties live in St. Louis, and have been quite unfortunate. In 1881 Fenlow, Kelly, Northman, O'Keefe and Connors formed a quatuor, and on three or four occasions purchased five fractions of lottery tickets, said fractions being divided equally, and each member contributing his proportion of the price, was equally interested in the winnings. Fenlow generally was charged with purchasing the tickets, and held them until the drawing.

The members usually paid their contributions before the drawing, and Fenlow paid the lot, very ticket vendor.

In April, 1892, they invested (Connors had dropped out). All paid except Kelly, who had agreed to pay his dollar on the day preceding the drawing.

The tickets had been selected by Northman. There was a contest between the members of the club until after the drawing on Tuesday, April 12, when it was learned that one of the tickets had been selected. The tickets had been paid for by Fenlow, and the question for the court to decide is whether Fenlow paid for account Kelly's, or whether it was for his own account.

The day after the drawing Kelly tendered his dollar, but was told that he was "too late" and that he was "not in it."

The court concludes that Fenlow gave Kelly a receipt for the dollar, and that Kelly's interest in the ticket would be paid for that there be judgment in favor of John J. Kelly and against John W. Fenlow, decreeing Kelly to receive one-fourth of the proceeds of the lottery ticket now on deposit.—New Orleans (La.) City Item, February 7.

### Headache and Dyspepsia.

William E. Rockwell, No. 512 West 57th street, New York, says:

"I have been a martyr to bilious headache and dyspepsia. Any indigestion in the head, overfatigue or cold brings on a fit of indigestion, followed by a headache lasting two or three days at a time. I think I must have tried over twenty different remedies, which were recommended as certain cures by loving friends, but it was no use. At last I thought I would take a simple course of purgation with Dr. Cassell's Food. For the first week I took two pills every night, then one pill for thirty nights; in that time I gained three pounds in weight, and never had an ache or pain since."

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