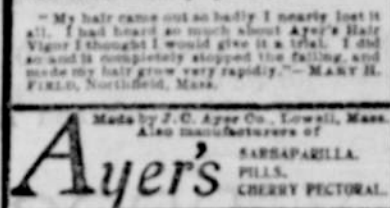


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**A Balanced Account.**  
"A fair exchange is no robbery." So the text-books have taught us, and now another instance, quoted by the New York Tribune, arrives to illustrate the proverb. An American, well known for his wealth, receives innumerable letters asking him to subscribe to charities, and often, when the credentials of the project seem dubious, he has to refuse.

Not long ago he had a letter from London, signed by an unfamiliar name. "Knowing as I do your generosity," the stranger wrote, "I have put you down for a two-hundred-dollar subscription to our miners' widow fund. Christmas is approaching, and we propose to give a bowl and a Christmas pudding to each miner's widow, on Christmas eve."

The millionaire replied: "Though I know nothing of you or your fund, I respond gladly to the call you make upon me. I, too, am interested in a charity similar to yours. It is an American charity, and since it stands in need of funds for a Christmas treat I have not hesitated to put you down for a subscription of two hundred dollars. Thus no money need pass between us."

**The Effect Was Lasting.**  
Dentist—That confounded tramp persuaded me to give him laughing gas and extract four teeth.  
Friend—Well?  
Dentist—Well, when I told him that that would cost him four dollars he gave me the merry ha-ha—Bourgeois Journal.

**Choking Him Off.**  
"Speaking of trusts," began the steady individual with a three days' growth of stubble on his chin, as he leaned up against the bar. "I—"  
"Never mind the trusts," interrupted the man behind the white apron. "We do a strictly cash business here. See?"

**Fully Quoted.**  
The Merchant—So you are looking for a job, eh? What kind of work can you do?  
The Applicant—I hardly know, sir. My last employment was that of instructor in a boxing school.  
The Merchant—Oh, I can use you, all right. Come around in the morning ready for work. I'm going to mail a lot of circulars, and you can look the stamps.

**Dear Friends.**  
Nellie—What did you say when he proposed last evening?  
Bertha—How do you know he proposed?  
Nellie—You were so glad to see me, you know. You felt so good you wanted me to feel bad—Boston Transcript.

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# The Special Correspondent

**CHAPTER XIV.—(Continued)**  
As soon as the train pulls up, a dozen travelers, of whom I am one, get out on to the track. By the light of the lanterns it is easy to see that the breakage is not due to misadventure. But it is now the last time that the two "hot vans," the ordinary van and the rear van occupied by the goods guard, are making. How far are they? Nobody knows.

You should have heard the shouts of the Persian guards engaged in escorting the remains of Yen Lou, for which they were responsible. The travelers in their train, however, had not noticed when the coupling broke. It might be an hour, two hours, since the accident. What ought to be done was clear enough. The train must be run back and pick up the lost vans.

Nothing could be more simple. But—and this surprised me—the behavior of my lord Faruklar seemed very strange. He insisted in the most pressing manner that not a moment should be lost. He spoke to Popof, to the driver, to the stoker, and for the first time I discovered that he spoke Russian remarkably well.

The train began to run back as soon as we had taken our places. The German harem attempted to complain, but Faruklar gave him such a look that he did not care to do another, and stowed himself away in the corner.

Dawn appeared in the east when the two wagons were found a kilometer off, and the train grudgingly showed up to them after an hour's run.  
Faruklar and Ghangir went to help in coupling on the vans, which was done as firmly as possible. Major Nottitz and I noticed that they exchanged a few words with the other Mongols. After all, there was nothing astonishing in that, for they were countrymen of theirs. We resumed our seats in the train, and the engineer tries to make up for lost time.

Nevertheless, the train does not arrive at Kachgar without a long delay, and it is half past four in the morning when we enter the capital of Chinese Turkestan.

**CHAPTER XV.**  
What was not done at the frontier has to be done at Kachgar. Russians and Chinese are one as bad as the other when there are vexing formalities, papers to verify, passports to sign, etc. It is the same sort of meddling, minute and overfastidious, and we must put up with it. We must not forget the terrible threat of the formula of the functionary of the Celestial Empire as to his acts: "Tremble and obey!" I am disposed to obey, and I am prepared to obey before the authorities of the frontier. I remember the fears of Kinko, and it is with regard to him that the trembling is to be done. If the examination of the travelers extends to their packages and luggage.

It is 10 o'clock when a stroke of the gong announces that the police formalities are about to begin. We leave the table and a few minutes afterward are in the waiting room.

All my numbers are present, with the exception, of course, of Kinko, who would have done honor to our breakfast if it had been possible for him to take part in it. There was Doctor Tio-King, his "Corno" under his arm; Fulk Ebrinell and Miss Horatia Blisset, mingling their teeth and hair, respectively; and Sir Francis Trevelyan, unadorned and silent, interesting and stiff, smoking his cigar on the threshold. Faruklar, accompanied by Ghangir, Russian, Turkoman, Chinese travelers—in all, from sixty to eighty persons. Every one had his turn to present himself at the table, which was occupied by two Celestials in uniform, a functionary speaking Russian fluently, and an interpreter for German, French and English.

The Chinese was a man about 50, with a bald head, a thick mustache, a long pigtail, and spectacles on his nose. He wore a blue dress coat, fat as if he belonged to the most distinguished nobles in the country, he had not a prepossession of his hair, and he was only a verification of our papers, and as ours were in order, it did not much matter how repulsive he looked.

"What an air he has," murmured Madame Caterina.  
"The air of a Chinaman," said her husband, "and frankly, I do not like it."  
I am one of the first to present my passport, which bears the visas of the consul at Tiflis and the Russian authorities at Urum Akh. The functionary looks at it attentively. When you are dealing with a mandarin, you should always be on the lookout. Nevertheless, the examination takes no difficulty, and the seal of the green dragon declares me all in order.

The same result with regard to the actor and actress. Nevertheless, it was worth while looking at Caterina while his papers were being examined. He assumed the attitude of a criminal endeavoring to modify a magistrate, he made the slightest eye, and smiles absolutely the most depressing smiles, and seemed to implore a grace or rather a favor, and yet the most obdurate of the Chinamen had not a word to say to him.

"Correct," said the interpreter.  
"Thank you, my prince," replied Caterina, with the accent of a Paris street boy.  
As to Ebrinell and Miss Blisset, they went through like a postal letter. If an American commercial and an English ditto were not in order, who would be Uncle Sam and John Bull are one as far as that goes.

The other travelers, Russian and Turkoman, underwent examination without any difficulty arising. Whether they were first class or second class, they had fulfilled the conditions required by the Chinese administration, which levies a rather heavy fee for each visa, payable in roubles, taels or sapekas.

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Among the travelers, I noticed an American clergyman bound to Pekin. This was the Rev. Nathaniel Morse of Boston, one of those honest Bible distributors, a Yankee missionary, in the garb of a merchant, and very keen in business matters. At a venture I making a little in my note book, the examination of the papers of young Pan Chao and Dr. Tio-King gave rise to no difficulty, and on leaving they exchanged "ten thousand good-mornings" with the more amiable of the Chinese representatives.

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