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late of Harford Co., deceased. All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby notified to exhibit the same with the legal vouchers thereof,
On or before the 8th day of June, 1888,
or they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment.
Given under my hand and seal, this 8th day of December, 1887.
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and on terms to suit purchaser.
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The undersigned offers for sale his
FARM OF 128 ACRES,
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Poetical.

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BY AMANDA ELIZABETH DENNIS.

The peasant may gauge his manners
Half-boorishly if he will;
But the king may not, for his kingdom,
Be aught but a Sovereign still.—
Noblesse oblige!

Not much from the stealthy poacher
Perhaps we may hope to find;
But the laird of the stately manor
Is clay of a finer kind—
Noblesse oblige!

Not much from the ragged loafer,
On the crowded streets a-roam;
But much from the cultured inmate
Of a fair and noble home—
Noblesse oblige!

Not much from the idle gamester
By mart, or public way;
But much from him whose mission
Is clean as the palm of day—
Noblesse oblige.

Not much from the blatant scoffer
At things divine and pure;
But much from the priest who teaches
The truths that aye must dure.
Noblesse oblige!

Not much from the heart untutored—
The lawless, untrained mind;
But much from the cultured spirit
From the dross of self refined.
Noblesse oblige!

Not much from the friend indifferent—
If indifferent friend may be—
But much from the friend our loving
Has raised to high degree.
Noblesse oblige!

Not much where gifts are meagre.
Do we look for noble things.
But the gifts of nobler station
Like duties always brings.
Noblesse oblige!

Miscellaneous.

THE COLONEL'S TALE.

It was late—after midnight—and as we got up from the whist table and gathered around the fire, Colonel Thornton said "If you men are not too tired, and don't mind sitting up for another half an hour, I think I can tell you a good story."

We protested we were never less tired, and could sit up till morning if necessary. So the Colonel began:

"My father, as you know, was a parson; but he took orders late in life, after having been fifteen years at the bar, and the events I am to tell you he himself told me as having come directly under his eye when he was a barrister.

"It was at the Monmouth assizes, in 18—, that a case was tried which became the talk of the neighborhood and country for years after. My father was sitting in the court of the assistant Judge when a note was brought him from a friend in the adjoining court, asking him to come and hear a case of more than usual interest, the facts of which are these:

"Some time before a farmer's house, near Monmouth, had been broken into and robbed by men disguised and masked, the farmer murdered and his servants shockingly ill treated. Among other things which were stolen were two old-fashioned silver brooches, curiously inlaid with malachite, heirlooms of the family, and, although unremitting search was made and the description of the lost articles made widely known, no trace of the murderer could be found.

"A month or two after the murder, however, a police officer, in going through a common lodging house in Bristol, noticed a dissipated-looking sailor lying on a pallet and resting his head on a small bundle. He asked him what it contained, and was told that it was 'only his kit.' The officer, not satisfied, opened the bundle, and almost the first things to fall out were two brooches made of silver and malachite. Struck by their curious beauty, and wondering how such a wretched-looking fellow could have become possessed of them, he suddenly remembered the advertisement and description of the stolen articles.

"'How did you come by these?' he inquired.

"The sailor replied: 'By chance. When I came ashore some time ago, with plenty of money in my pocket, I met an old seaman who was down on his luck, and he offered to sell me these things, which had belonged to his mother. I was pretty flush, and gave a good price for them, although they were useless to me. And that's all about it."

"The police officer, still dissatisfied, took him into custody. He was sent to Monmouth jail, the brooches were identified, and he was committed for trial at the assize on the charge of theft and murder. "He had," continued the Colonel, impressively, "as my father entered the court this man was being placed in the dock.

"Tall beyond the then average height of men and gaunt, with an unkempt beard and an evil, yellow eye, and though evidently suffering from his long imprisonment, he yet presented a powerful and imposing front.

The trial had begun, and he had just been asked the usual question: 'Are you guilty or not guilty?' and had answered in a hollow voice: 'Not guilty, my lord,' when the entrance of the court officials with a gentleman stopped the proceedings for awhile. And here I must explain this interruption.

"A few days before, a quiet, gentlemanly man, a Captain Forsyth, of His Majesty's navy, had arrived at the chief hotel of the town on a fishing excursion; but the weather had been so adverse, that he was obliged to look elsewhere for amusement. Turning to the landlord for information, he was told of this trial as exciting considerable interest; and so it came to pass, that as the prisoner took his place at the bar, Captain Forsyth sent his card to the Judge, who gladly allowed him, as was then the custom, a seat on the bench.

"The case proceeded; witnesses were called to identify the brooches, the servants swore to the figure of the murderer; no witnesses were called for his defence—no one defended him; everything pointed to his guilt, and the jury retired to their room. In a few minutes they returned, and amid the breathless expectation of the crowded court, the foreman announced their opinion that the man was 'guilty.'

"Directly this word was uttered, the prisoner, who had been leaning as if for support against the side of the dock, raised himself to his full height, stretched out both hands above his head, and, looking up, exclaimed in a broken voice, 'Not guilty, not guilty.'

"The Judge then asked him, as was usual, if he had anything to say before sentence should be pronounced, and the prisoner cried hoarsely: 'Not guilty, my lord, not guity; before heaven and man, I am innocent of this crime. I never set my eyes on the murdered man; I did no murder. Oh! Captain, Captain—, in his vehemence he addressed the Judge as if he was his officer—'I am as innocent of this crime as the babe unborn.' He paused; then suddenly, in a voice choking with feeling, he exclaimed: 'Yes, yes, only one man can save me now; but he can do it, swear what you may. The Lord be thanked that man is here!'

"A buzz of astonishment ran around the court; the feeling of awe that had held the audience changed into one of amazement.

"'Point him out to me,' said the Judge.

"'The man who can save me,' replied the prisoner, 'sits there beside you,' pointing to the astonished Captain Forsyth.

"The Judge turned to Captain Forsyth and said: 'This man appears to know you. 'Is it the case?'

"'Certainly not,' he replied, much surprised. 'I never saw him before in my life.'

'Oh, Captain,' broke in the prisoner, 'yes, you needn't start, I know you, Captain Forsyth. You are never going to swear away an innocent man's life like that?'

"'It is curious, my man,' the Captain replied, 'that you know my name; but I repeat that I never saw you before in my life?'

"'What? Not know John Williams, of the Neptune? The coxswain of the Captain's cutter?'

"'Yes, I know John Williams; but you are not he. John Williams was the smartest man that ever served under me, and never likely to stand where you are now.'

"'Captain,' repeated the prisoner, 'I tell you I am John Williams. A long sickness, a hard bout of drinking and this cursed imprisonment has made me what I am. I will prove it, Captian, I will prove it if you will only listen.'

"The sensation caused by this dialogue was immense. The Judge, the members of the bar and the spectators were equally astonished at the curious turn affairs had taken, and, though believing the man to be guilty of a desperate deceit to save his life, were eagerly awaiting what would come.

"'Captain,' continued the prisoner, 'I am accused of murdering a man here on the 26th of June, more than nine months ago. Now, tell me, sir, was not John Williams—your coxswain, invalided home from the West African station on the last day of that month?'

"'What the man says,' remarked Captain Forsyth to the Judge, 'is perfectly true. His Majesty's ship, the Invincible, sailed with our invalided men for England on the 30th of June.'

"The prisoner went on: 'Yes, and I arrived in England at the end of July, weak and ill, and, getting my prize money, went and drank it all away. And that's how it was that I was found at Bristol, where I had gone for another ship, and ever since then I have been in this accursed jail.'

"'The fellow is plausible enough,' again remarked Captain Forsyth. 'He is certainly about the height of Williams. Well, my man, I suppose you can prove what you say.'

"'Ay, ay, Captain! Do you remember on the 10th of last June, giving orders for a night raid on the native town off which we lay looking out for slavers?'

"'Yes, I do, to be sure.'

"'And that we were five boats in all. And the first to beach was the Captain's cutter. And the first man to jump out of it was you, Captain?'

"'Well that is the most extraordinary thing I ever heard!' And, turning to the Judge, the Captain said: 'Every word of this poor fellow's narrative is true, my Lord. He may have picked it up somewhere; but I can't help beginning to think there is something behind. My ship is still on foreign service, and I have only returned to take charge of another one.'

"'Well, go on, man.'

"One word more, Captain, and maybe you will believe me. As we were fighting in the town, a great native came behind you with his axe and would have cut you in half before you saw him, had not a man rushed between and stopped him with his cutlass; and yet not quite stopped him, for that native's axe slipped down the cutlass and gashed the man's head open. Who was that man, Captain?'

"'John Williams,' was the reply, 'the coxswain of my cutter.'

"'Ay, ay, Captain, and here is the cut which that axe made,' and bending down, he lifted with one hand his long, untidy hair, and with the other pointed to a huge and fearful scar running for several inches along the side of his head.

"Captain Forsyth leaped from his seat.

"'Good heavens, you are right! But how you have changed! My Lord, this poor fellow had not sailed from the African coast when the murder was committed; it is impossible that he could be guilty of it. Williams, you saved my life; I thank God I have been able to save yours!'

"At these words everybody in the court stood up and cheered the prisoner with the wildest excitement and enthusiasm; the Judge said that in discharging him he must at the same time compliment him on his gallantry; and the foreman of the jury then and there started a subscription for him which came up to something near £30. Captain Forsyth ordered a chaise to take post-haste to London for the purpose of removing Williams from a place with such horrible associations, and of getting him an appointment from the admiralty. The people insisted on dragging the chaise out of the town with their hands, the horses were then put to, and, amid deafening cheers, they drove off—and were never heard of again."

"Why was that?" some one asked, as the Colonel paused.

"Because it was a hoax."

"What!" we all exclaimed. "A hoax?" We had listened breathlessly to the tale, which the Colonel certainly told admirably, the perspiration standing on his forehead as with horrible reality he personated the desperate sailor.

"Yes," he said, "a hoax. It was all a preconcerted arrangement; the Captain was merely a clever accomplice, who played such parts for those of his associates in crime, who came near receiving their reward. This was probably his biggest performance; but though it answered well enough then, in these days of telegraphic communication and multiplied navy lists it would be simply impossible."

The Term "Kicker."

The term "kicker" belongs to the political phraseology of the time, and is applied to the discontented, dissatisfied, pugnacious, selfish, obstinate voter who does not accept or approve the action of his party. This term, like "hoodlet," "flat-footed," "level-headed," "con men" and kindred expressions originated within the past ten years, in a sort of spontaneous way, like other special terms past and present. One story of the origin of the phrase "the kicker" is that in Steuben county, N. Y., one Bill Stearns was a noted fighter, whose chief mode of attack and defense was in kicking instead of striking out from the shoulder. Stearns was a local politician as well, and was generally sent to the county conventions as a delegate. On one occasion he represented his town at a gathering which adopted a resolution indorsed by every vote save his own. The chairman, in announcing the result, declared the measure adopted "unanimously," whereupon Stearns sprang to his feet and said: "Mr. Chairman, I want the Secretary to record my vote in the negative. I am down on the resolutions and if they were left to me to be disposed of, I'd kick 'em into the street." The chairman replied that judging from Stearns' reputation as a "kicker" he could dispose of the resolutions in the manner mentioned, were they turned over to him for that purpose, but that the unanimity of the meeting as to the justice of the measure was so apparent that Stearns might kick himself instead," if he didn't like them. Bill was thereupon christened "the kicker" by his fellow delegates, and the name clung to him until it was applied in a more public way to the obstinate, pugnacious class of voters that modern politics has produced.

Sleeping in Church.

A London Vicar, in inviting us to hear a sermon he is about to preach, takes occasion to remark that "those who cannot or will not come—being sick, tired, indisposed, lazy, or engaged elsewhere—may send some donation to the Vicar." A very natural proposition, indeed; but why should he take it for granted that everyone who is not "sick, tired, or otherwise engaged," should want to come and hear him. The egotism of the pulpiteer is marvellous. A preacher in Wesley's time informs us that ministers have tried a number of methods to rid our assemblies of "the odious practice of going to sleep in sermon-time. Some have reasoned, some have spoke louder, some have whispered, some have threatened to name the sleeper, some have named him, some have cried 'Fire!' some have left off preaching. Dr. Young sat down and wept; Bishop Abbot took out his Testament and read Greek." For his own part this Divine recommends for such offenders whipping.