

NICODEMUS DODGE.

(CONCLUDED.)

So, within ten minutes after we had first glimpsed this nondescript he was one of us, and with his coat off and hard at it.

Beyond that end of our establishment which was furthest from the street was a deserted garden, pathless, and thickly grown with the bloomy and villainous 'jimpson' weed and its common friend the stately sunflower. In this mournful spot was a decayed and aged little 'frame' house with but one room, one window and no ceiling—it had been a smoke house, a generation before. Nicodemus was given this lonely and ghostly den as a bed chamber.

The village smarties recognized a treasure in Nicodemus right away,—a butt to play jokes on. It was easy to see that he was inconceivably green and confiding. George Jones had the glory of perpetrating the first joke on him; he gave him a cigar with a fire cracker in it, and winked to the crowd to come; the thing exploded presently and swept away the bulk of Nicodemus eyebrows and eye lashes. He simply said,—

'I consider them kind of seeg'ars dangerous,'—and seemed to suspect nothing. The next evening Nicodemus waylaid George and poured a bucket of ice water over him.

One day, while Nicodemus was in swimming, Tom McElroy 'tied' his clothes. Nicodemus made a bonfire of Tom's by way of retaliation.

A third joke was played upon Nicodemus a day or two later,—he walked up the middle aisle of the village church Sunday night, with a staring hand-bill pinned between his shoulders. The joker spent the remainder of the night after church, in the cellar of a deserted house, and Nicodemus sat on the door till toward breakfast time to make sure that the prisoner remembered that if any noise was made, some rough treatment would be the consequence. The cellar had two feet of stagnant water in it, and was bottomed with six inches of soft mud.

But I wander from the point. It was the subject of skeletons that brought the boy back to my recollection. Before a very long time had elapsed, the village smarties began to feel an uncomfortable consciousness of not having made a very shining success out of their attempts on the simpleton from 'old Shelby.' Experimenters grew scarce and chary. Now the doctor came to the rescue. There was delight and applause when he proposed to scare Nicodemus to death, and explain how he was going to do it. He had anoble new skeleton,—the skeleton of the late and only village celebrity, Jimmy Finn, the village drunkard,—a grisly piece of property which he had bought of Jimmy Finn himself, at auction, for fifty dollars under great competition, when Jimmy lay very sick in the tan-yard a fortnight before his death. The fifty dollars had gone promptly for whiskey, and had considerably hurried up the change of ownership in the skeleton. The doctor would put Jimmy Finn's skeleton in Nicodemus's bed!

This is done about half-past ten in the evening. About Nicodemus's bedtime,—midnight,—the village jokers came creeping stealthily through the jimpson weeds and sunflowers toward the lonely frame den. They reached the window and peeped in. There sat the long-legged pauper on his bed, in a very short shirt, and nothing more; he was dangling his legs contentedly back and forth, and wheezing the tune of 'Camp-ton Races' out of a paper-overlaid comb which he was pressing against his mouth; by him lay a new jewsharp, a new top, a solid indiarubber ball, a handful of painted marbles, five pounds of 'store' candy, and a well-gnawed slab of gingerbread as big and as thick as a volume of sheet music. He had sold the skeleton to a travelling quack for three dollars, and was enjoying the result—Mark Twain in *A Tramp Abroad*.

SENSIBLE ADVICE.—An exchange says:—There are many persons who do not know how to stop a newspaper. The way to do it with satisfaction to both sides is to address the publisher by letter, if you do not live near enough to call at his office. It is no way to notify the postmaster or some one else. Three postmasters out of four will fail to notify the office of publication. They look upon it as your business more than theirs. The right way is as genteel and pleasant as the other is suspicious and shabby. If you owe for a few weeks or months over time, tender the amount due. It is little thing, but it will be a great satisfaction to your conscience, as every one is presumed to have one of some kind. Stop your newspaper like a man, and your own self-respect and the esteem of the publisher is maintained.

The Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company, the failure of which is noted, had liabilities to the amount of \$104,000,000, which is more than the total amount of failures in the United States last year.

Charlottetown Church Directory.

ST. PAUL'S (CHURCH OF ENGLAND)—Queen Square—Morning and Evening Service every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday School at 2 1/2 p. m. Rev. David Fitzgerald, Rector; Rev. Alfred Osborne Curate.

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FIRST METHODIST CHURCH—Prince Street—Service and Sermon every Sunday at 10.30 a. m. and 6.30 p. m. Sunday School at 2 p. m. Week Day Services—Tuesday and Thursdays at 7.30 p. m. Rev. H. P. Cowperthwaite, A. M., Pastor.

SECOND METHODIST CHURCH—Prince Street—Service and Sermon every Sunday at 10.30 a. m. and 6.30 p. m. Sunday School at 2 p. m. Week day service on Wednesday evening. Rev. Geo. M. Campbell, Pastor.

ST. JAMES CHURCH (PRESBYTERIAN)—Pownal Street—Service and Sermon every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 6 1/2 p. m. Sabbath School and young men's Bible class, conducted by Mr. Harper, at 2.30 p. m. Weekly Service in the Lecture Hall on Wednesday evenings, at 7.45 p. m., Rev. Kenneth McLennan, Pastor.

ZION CHURCH (PRESBYTERIAN)—Richmond Street—Service and Sermon every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 6 1/2 p. m. Sunday School at 2 1/2 p. m. Rev. John McL. McLeod, Pastor.

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BAPTIST CHURCH—cor. Prince and Fitzroy sts.—Services and Sermon every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 6.30 o'clock p. m.; Sunday School at 2.30 p. m. Week day services—Monday at 7.30 p. m.; and Friday at 8 p. m. Rev. H. Foshay, Minister.

BIBLE CHRISTIANS—Prince Street—Service and Sermon every Sunday morning at 10.30 a. m. and 6.30 p. m. Sunday School at 2 p. m. Rev. John Harris, Minister.

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