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## FIGHTS AMONG TAR.

SAILORS OF THE NAVY EVER READY WITH THEIR FISTS.

The Unavoidable Causes of Friction—Simple Things Start the Quarrels, and Then They Must Be Settled—Bruised Combatants "Fell Down a Ladder."

The regulation against fighting is perhaps the dearest of all naval regulations. It is impossible of enforcement. If it were enforced to the letter, pretty nearly all hands among the men forward would be in the "brig" from one year's end to the other. Fighting is practically a necessary evil among men who wear their country's uniform for a livelihood. Officers of experience blink at it. They know the bad, contaminating results of bitterness between a pair of bluejackets under the fore-castle. They have learned that it is better the thing should be fought out and done with than that dozens of men should be drawn into a quarrel that festers and grows unless the head of it is broken by a decisive battle between the two men who have been snarling at each other. People who have made ocean voyages often dwell upon the weariness which has overcome them at the sight of their fellow voyagers' countenances toward the end of a passage. This is a feeling which is aggravated a thousandfold amid the uncomfortable surroundings of a war vessel's fore-castle, the hundreds of occupants of which are obliged to be constantly together for from one to three years. Each man becomes thoroughly aware of all his mates' little characteristics, and after awhile, whether these characteristics are good or bad, they jar upon him, if only on account of their monotony. Thus friction is generated, and it is for this reason that the crew of a man-of-war just returned to the United States after a three years' cruise in foreign waters is generally such a sour looking lot, even as concerns the officers aft, who become quite as sick of each other as do the men forward.

Hardly a day passes that there is not at least one scrap on board most men-of-war, with the promise of a heavier battle to follow. A bluejacket seats himself on another's ditty box, and, on being roughly ordered by the box's owner to vacate, he refuses and consigns the owner to a much less moist place than Davy Jones' locker. The men come together, two or three blows are exchanged, and then, as by common consent, each man draws away, both feeling that the "jiminy legs" (i. e., the master at arms) is not far distant and neither caring for a trick in the "brig." Having thus become involved in the minor fistic argument of the deck, the two bluejackets are looked to by the entire ship's company to bring their affair to a satisfactory conclusion. The mere exchange of growls between the two men doesn't go. "Pipe down there, ye men-of-war claws, and settle the thing right," is the general remark hurled at them by all hands when they meet in mere contests of cuss words, and the sailor who is considered to be the aggrieved man is watched carefully to see if he makes any preliminary moves toward arranging a regular fight. He almost always does.

Nearly all the regular fights between bluejackets aboard ship are pulled off down below in one of the fire-rooms or in an empty bunker. The empty bunker is preferred on account of its greater isolation. When a fight is to come off between two bluejackets below, all hands know all about it, often including the master at arms himself, but very few of the men, unless they are intimates of the combatants, expect invitations to the fray. There is not room in a bunker for more than half a dozen friends of each man, and even with this number the space is rather contracted.

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are present to see that the rules are complied with. As many as 50 rounds are sometimes fought. Ordinarily one of the men goes under by the time the tenth round is called. If the men are unequally matched and one of them is getting palpably the worst of it, all hands in the bunker agree that the thing should stop, and it does stop. If the contestants are about of a sort, the fight is carried on to the end, until a knockout blow is planted by one of them or both are too weak to go on. At the conclusion of the fight the on-lookers quietly depart from the bunker and ascend to the deck by different engine room ladders, so as not to attract the attention of the officer of the deck.

Both men generally get pretty thoroughly mauled and bruised up in these bunker fights, and when the battle is over they jump into their uniforms and repair to the sick bay to get themselves patched up with arnica, court plaster, etc. The surgeon knows at a glance what ails them, but for the sake of form he asks them what the trouble is. They have both fallen down a ladder. Both at the same time? No, sir; they fell down different ladders. "That's curious!" murmurs the surgeon, with a smile and a faraway look in his eyes, scribbling an account of their injuries in his record, and then he orders the apothecary to dress their wounds.—Washington Star.

### Long Wait.

"Grandpa, how old are you?"  
"I am 87 years old, my dear."  
"Then you were born 80 years before I was. What a long time you had alone waiting for me!"—Philadelphia Times.

That army chaplaincies continue to be very alluring to the clerical mind is indicated by the fact that nearly 800 ministers applied to the federal government for appointment to a single vacancy that recently occurred.

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### THE MONOTONE.

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In one long, plaintive, awful monotone! Unanswered ever towers the giant rock Amid the centuries that come and go As if 'twould only mock

The eternal voice that wailed and wailed below.

'Tis thus, O God, the deep sea of my soul Breaks ever on the foot of thy great throne, Its dread but only goal,

In one long, plaintive, awful monotone! Unanswered yet, but, hoping, still it calls: Will not the throne take pity on the woe? How terrible if its walls Are always silent to the wail below!

—New York Ledger.

### Had to Say It.

He—I have called on you seven years, Miss Waite. All this time I have passionately loved you. Tomorrow or the next day I shall probably come up and ask you to marry me. What will you say?

Miss Waite (confused)—Oh, this is so sudden!—London Fun.

Bicycles are used for smuggling on the frontier of France and Belgium. The customs officers at Tourcoing took to pieces the machine ridden by a man they suspected and found that all the hollow tubing was stuffed with pepper.

### Horse Model Makers.

"Making full sized models of horses is quite a distinct and well paid business, the models for the whole world almost being made in London," said the manager of a great firm of carriage builders in Long Acre.

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"Then, again, extra good models are made for exhibitions, shows and the like, and many of the best harness makers in all countries keep them in their shops for trying on purposes.

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### TURF TOPICS.

Anteeo, 2:16½, once sold for \$52,000, is dead.

The Hartford meeting developed few sensations.

Little Dan Q is giving a good account of himself this year.

It is stated that Alix will be started in some specials this month.

The Medina (N. Y.) meeting was declared off on account of bad weather.

Bouncer is in good racing form again, thanks to Lapham's careful handling.

William Johnston, one of the oldest members of the New York Driving Club, is dead.

Ed Lock will race no more this season, Mr. Hughes having decided to turn him out.

H. H. Longstreet, Matawan, N. J., recently sold the pacer Allen Lowe, 2:12, to Lynn Bros., Canfield, O.

W. J. Andrews, who has been seriously ill at Poughkeepsie for several weeks, is reported as much improved.

George H. Huber secured first money with Ti Point Mary and Little Glen at the White River Junction (Vt.) meeting.

The filly Queen Lil, 2:24¼, by Heir at Law is out of a mare by Mars, the stallion once owned by Byron Newton, Buffalo.

Edward G, a 3-year-old brother to Bumps, took a pacing record of 2:16¾ in a winning race over a half mile track recently.

Queen Ethel, the dam of Bumps, 2:04¾, has been bred to Allie Wilkes, 2:15. She is owned by L. V. Harkness, Lexington, Ky.

Johnson & Clark, Oneida, N. Y., recently sold the mare Senatross, 2:22, to Frank Jewell, Syracuse. The reported price was \$500.

Town Lady, 2:13½, by Wilton, cost her owner, J. H. Shults, Brooklyn, \$250 a year ago. At that time she had never started in a race.

Half the turf writers insist upon writing it "The Abbott." It would be just as well to call the other Hamlin gelding "The Monk."

Knapsack McCarthy is deserving of not a little of the credit for Star Pointer's great mile. He drove the runner with excellent judgment.—Horseman.

### ORIGIN OF NATIONS.

The Arabs claim that they are directly descended from Ishmael, the son of Abraham and Hagar, born 1810 B. C.

The Bohemians were originally the Boii, who, 283 B. C., attempted a conquest of northern Italy, but were driven back by the Romans and settled in Bohemia.

The Sardinians are descended from the Phoenicians, Greeks, Carthaginians, Romans, Vandals, Saracens, Genoese, Pisans, Argonese and Spaniards, who, at one time or another, inhabited the island.

The Swedes first appeared in history as the Saevi in the fourth century. This warlike German tribe spread its conquests in several directions, one expedition penetrating Spain, another Sweden and a third the country now known as Servia.

The Germans were repeatedly mentioned in early Roman history as invaders of the country south of the Alps. In 113 B. C. the Teutons and the Cymry inflicted a great defeat upon the Romans in Illyria, and, in turn, were defeated by Marius, B. C. 102. The first historical treatise dealing with the Germans was written by Tacitus.

It is believed by some critics that the name Hebrew was more ancient than the time of Abraham. Before this "father of the race" had founded a family he is spoken of as "Abram, the Hebrew; for he dwelt in the plain of Mamre, the Amorite, brother of Eschol and brother of Aner." His descendants are mentioned as "children of Israel" in Genesis i, 25.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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