

**THAT OFF HORSE.**

A horny-handed old farmer entered the office of one of the big railroad companies in Chicago, and enquired for the man who settled for horses that were killed by the locomotives of bloated corporations. They referred him to the company's counsel, whom he thus addressed:—

"Mister, I was driving home one evening last week—"

"Been drinking last?" sententiously inquired the lawyer.

"I'm centre pole of the local tent of Rechabites," said the farmer.

"That doesn't answer my question," replied the man of law. "I saw a man who was boiling drunk vote the prohibition ticket last fall."

"Haven't tasted liquor since the big flood of 1846," said the old man.

"Go ahead."

"I will, squire. And when I came to the crossing of your soulless monopoly—it was pretty dark—and zip? along came your train, no bells rung, no whistles tooted, contrary to the statutes in such cases made and provided, and agin the Granger decisions, and—whoop! away went my off horse scooting over the telegraph wires.—When I had dug myself out'n a swamp some distance on, and pacified the other critter, I found that thar off horse as dead as Perry Smith, nothing valuable about him but his shoes, which must have brought, say eight cents, for old iron. Well—"

"Well, you want pay for that 'ere off horse," said the lawyer, with a scarcely repressed sneer.

"I kinder should, you see," replied the farmer, frankly, "and I don't care about going to law about it, though possibly I'd get a verdict, for juries in our town is mostly made up of farmers, and kinder help each other as a matter of principle in their cases of stock killed by railroads."

"And this 'ere off horse," said the counsel mockingly, "was a Hambletonian colt, out of an Abdallah mare, with seventeen Messenger crosses, wasn't he? He was rising four years, as he had been for several years, and had shown 2.25 on a half mile track on the road, hadn't he? And you had been offered \$16,500 for him the day he was killed, but wouldn't take it, because you were going to win all the purses in the grand circuit with him, and then going to move out to Nevada and buy a silver mine, and a Senatorship, with proceeds? Ah, I've heard of that off horse before."

"I guess there's a mistake somewhere, sonny," said the farmer, with an air of surprise; "my horse was got by old Butt's roan pacing horse, 'Pride of Lamont,' out'n a well-eyed, no account mare of my own, and now, that he's dead, I may say that he was twenty-nine last grass trot. Why, Fred Erby's horse, that he was fined for furious drivin' of, was old 'Dexter' alongside of him. Sixteen thousand dollars! Why, bless your soul, do you think I'm a darn fool, or any one else? It is true I was in town, and for the man looked kind of simple, and you know how it is yourself with horse-trading. I asked the cuss mor'n the animal might have been worth. I asked him \$65, and I have taken \$40."

"Forty dollars!" gasped the lawyer; "forty dollars."

"Yes," replied the farmer, meekly and energetically, "it kinder looks like a big sum, I know, for an old hoss; but that 'ere off hoss could pull a mighty good load, considering. Then I was kinder shook up, and the pole of my wagon was busted, and I had to get the harness fixed, and there's my loss of time, and all that counts. Say about fifty dollars, and it's all square."

The lawyer whispered softly to himself, "Well, I'll be bulldozed!" and filled out a check for \$50.

"Sir," said he, covering the old man's hand, "you are the first honest man I have met in the course of a legal experience of twenty-three years; the first farmer whose horse was worth less than a thousand dollars, and could not trot better than 2.34 without training. Here also is a free pass for yourself and male heirs in a direct line for three generations. And if you have a young boy to spare, we will teach him telegraphing, and find him steady and lucrative employment."

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Dec. 27—tf