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The smart set, with few exceptions, desert the city on holiday week. First, however, they carefully attend to their charity duties, and to my surprise I found that in their own gayety and prosperity my fashionable friends had not forgotten their fortunate brethren. Carping critics there are, who sneer at the good works of the "Four Hundred," accusing them of cultivating generosity as a fashionable fad. Whatever the impulse may be, the result of their efforts are excellent. I saw social leaders find their way into the day nurseries to dance with the babies and serve hot soups and Christmas dainties to tired work-women. They filled countless empty stockings, decorated gift-trees, spread royal feasts for the hungry, visited the hospitals, and as far as possible shared their happiness and benefits with the less fortunate. If Madame La Mode encourages such fads as this, then all praise is due her capricious ladyship.—From "A Debutante's Winter in New York," in Demorest's Family Magazine for January.

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HE WAS NO COWARD.

His Day For Fighting Was About Due.
"Say," he began, as he buttonholed me in the corridor, "you don't believe in filibustering, do you?"
"No."
"Wouldn't be led into a riot and fight it out on that line, because a woman insinuated that your was a coward?"
"That depends."
"Wouldn't strike a woman either?"
"I should say not."
"But suppose she hit you a clip on the ear with a stove-lifter?"
"I should keep out of her way."
"And if she followed you out with a rolling pin and made you see stars in the middle of the day, you wouldn't lay a finger on her?"
"But you have no right to—"
"That's what she says. No rights at all, not even to breathe the same air she does. See that bump on my head?"
"Yes."
"Does that look like a coward's bump? No, sir; it is the principle of my life to do the square thing. I've lived up to my motto. Here it is:
He who fights and runs away,
May live to fight another day.
Tomorrow's my day. I've stood all a brave man can to defend his honor, but tomorrow I shall sweep everything before me with a remorseless hand. Ouch! that bump hurts."
—Detroit Free Press.

Why He Swore Off.
"No," said the old drummer, fiercely, to a Free Press reporter, "I play no games of chance any more, not even the simplest kind, for money."
"Won't you pitch pennies?" persisted his companion.
"That's all right," he said, visibly affected.

"Why not?" asked the other.
"Do you see this dollar?" he said, taking a cart wheel from his pocket. "Well, thereby hangs a tale. Listen: Ten years ago I was, and had been for five years, travelling for a big diamond importing house in New York, and as usual I carried with me a large number of gems, often having as much as fifty thousand dollars' worth. One day four of us all in the same line met in Denver and that evening we were drinking and matching dollars in my room. It was a hobby of mine, as it was of one of the other men, Frank H., who was as inveterate a matcher as ever the late John T. Raymond was. Well, we drank and matched, and kept at it until we began to toss up at five dollars a toss, and the other two soon backed out and watched us. I guess we were both pretty drunk, for before I knew it we had made a pot of a hundred dollars, and were tossing best two in three for it. I lost and lost again, and then, having no more money, I put up a diamond against his pile. I lost that, too, and then put up two against his money and what had been my diamond, and that time I won.

"I think we were both half crazy now, for Frank pulled out one of the pocket books from the inside of his vest and laid it open on the table, and asked me me angrily if I dared to match it. Of course I dared, and I dared more. I put down beside it all mine, valued at wholesale rates at fifty thousand dollars, and he emptied his other vest pocket to an equal amount. Our two friends tried to stop us, but we were wild, and would listen to nothing. Frank threw first, and I called 'tails.' It came 'heads.' It made me shiver. Then I threw 'heads' and he called 'tails,' and I threw 'heads' and he called 'tails,' and we were even. I don't know how I felt as he picked up the dollar, and I looked at those glittering gems, for I don't know anything clearly, though I had a vague idea that somebody would be ruined forever on the next throw. Frank tossed the dollar to the ceiling, and I called 'heads.' It struck the floor and rolled over toward the register. All four of us made a rush for it, and Frank fell headlong. The dollar had dropped through the grating, and was lying on the closed shutters of the register, just below.

"Get a match," I almost shrieked.
"I stepped back, and my foot struck Frank. He did not move. I bent down and shook him. He was still. I tried to cry out, but could not. The other two men caught hold of him then, and turned him over. His face was blue, and the blood was gushing from his mouth. He had died in an instant. The three were sober men in a second, and at once alarmed the landlord and sent for a physician, but he might as well not have come. He told us death had been instantaneous. I put my diamonds back into my pockets, and took care of Frank's; and the balance of the stakes I divided, taking what I had put up and setting his aside, and the next morning we started home with poor Frank's body."

"How about the dollar in the register?" asked the listener. "Who won?"
"Oh," said the old drummer, with a start. "I almost forgot that part of it. I never thought of that dollar till just before we left, and going back I fished it out and put it in my pocket, and this it was 'heads.'"
"No wonder you don't gamble any more," exclaimed the listener, with relief. "Let's go and take a drink a a forgetter."
"And I don't drink any more, either, said the old drummer quietly.

The Main Part.
"I've got an idea for an opera," said one writer to another.
"Something new in the way of a plot?"
"No; plot be hanged. I know a me who wants to sell an elephant cheap—Washington Star.

The Only Sure Way.
Beaver—What is your idea of having your collar and cuffs attached to your shirt?
Melton—So my laundryman will bring them back with it.—Clothier at Furnisher.