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Loss and Gain.

BY ADELAIDE A. PROCTOR.

Thou hast done well to kneel and say: Since He who gave can take away.

And bid me suffer—I obey. And also well to tell thy heart That good lies in the bitterest part,

But bitter hours come to all; When even truth's like these will pall, Sick hearts for humbler comforts call. Then I would have thee strive to see

And thou wilt profit by her smart.

That good and evil come to thee As one of a great family. And as material life is nlanned. That even the loneliest one must stand, Dependent on his brother's hand,

So links more subtle and more fine Bind every other soul to thine, In one great brotherhood divine. Nor with thy share of work be vexed;

Though incomplete, and e'en perplext, It fits exactly to the nex:

What seems so dark to thy dim sight May be a shadow, seen aright, Making some brightness doubly bright The flash that struck thy tree-no more To shelter thee-let Heaven's bine floor

Shine where it never shone before. Thy life that has been dropped aside Into Time's stream, may stir the lide In rippled circles spreading wide.

Thy cry wrung from thy spirit's pain May echo on some far-off plain, And guide a wanderer home again. Fail-yet rejoice. Because no less The failure that makes thy distress

It may be that in some great need Thy life's poor fragments are decreed To help build up a lofty deed.

May teach unother full success.

Thy heart might throb in vast content, Thus knowing that it was but mean

As chord in one great instrume That even the discord in thy soul May make completer music roll

From out the great harmonious whole. It may be, that when all is light,

Deep set within that dee delight Will be to know why all was right; To hear life's purfect mu-ic rise,

And while it flood, the hanov skies, Then strive more gladly to fulfill

And trust-as if already plain

- Is for another fuller gain I dare not limit time or place

Touched by thy life; non-dare I trace Its far vibrations into space. ONE only knows. Yet if the fret

Needs a more tender comfort yes,

Then thou may'st take thy loneliest fears, The bitterest drops of all thy tears.

The drentiest hours of all thy years, And, through thy anguish there outspread,

May ask that God's great love would shed Blessings on one beloved head.

And thus thy soul shall learn to draw

Sweetness from out that loving law, That sees no failure and no flaw,

Where all is good. And life is good, Were the one lesson understood Of its most sacred brotherhood

Selections.

How the Duel Began, And How it Ended. FROM THE RUSSIAN OF POUSCHEIN.

were left to our own resources; nothing relodgings, where, except our uniforms, there himself with a slight explanation, and made was nothing to be seen.

There was only one person that joined us who did not belong to the army. He was a an immense effect on our young minds.man of about thirty-five years, an age which, The want of courage is excused by young we felt, fully justified us in considering him an old man. His years and experience induced us to look on him with no little def- for courage they consider the most worthy erence; while his ordinary moroseness, aust of human virtues, and even a palliation for tere manner, and bitter sarcasm, worked a nil possible failings. However, by degrees, powerful influence on our young minds. A the whole affair was allowed to pass by, and certain mystery, too, was mixed up with his Silvio once more acquired his former asfate; he appeared to be a Russian, but had cendancy. a foreign name. At one time he had served

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pressed any wish to have them returned .- vexed and pained him. His chief amusement consisted in exercising exercise, for they were completely covered credible influence on the minds of those fered to shoot an apple from the cap of any Fridays our office was filled with officers,

ing his head to his unerring aim. Our conversation often fell on duelling.collections of some victim of his deadly skill. people whose appearance alone forbids our

entertaining such suspicions. It happened that one day tensof our offias usual, and after dinner used all our enway to our entreaties, and produced the ducate, and set down to throw. We arthe most strict silence; he never engaged in sembled. He had already packed up all afterwards in a side-room, I whispered into her husband, directly after their marriage. any disputes or explanations. We knew valuables; there remained scarcely anything his ear some meditated insult. He flew into and then had only remained a month. Howhis peculiarities, and therefore never dis but the bare perforated walls. We sat down a rage, and struck me a blow in the face; ever, in the second spring after I had taken turbed him in any of his arrangements. On to the table. The host was in extraordinary this occasion, it happened that among our spirits, and his good humor soon extended of confusion; the ladies fainted, the gentlenumbers was a young officer who had lately itself to all his guests. The corks were fly- men separated us, and we hastened that joined the regiment. While playing he had ing constantly, the glasses were frothing and very night to settle the dispute in a more unwittingly made a false calculation; Silvio hissing incessantly. We drank to his suctook the chalk and squared the account ac- cess times out of number, and showered over count according to his own reckoning. The officer, thinking he had made a mistake, endeavored to explain it to him. Silvio, disregarding the interruption, continued to throw. it to be an intentional miscalculation. Sil- you." vio evidently did not approve of the conduct wine, excited by the game, and provoked by which was near him, and hurled it at Silvio gerous missle. Silvic rose up. his countein my own house."

The officer departed, but not before The other departed, but not before an and the for the opinion of others; but you I love acquainted the host that he was ready at and respect; and it would be very painful to fiendish delight, and eagerly looked at him, and the formula of the form any time to answer for the affront he had given. We did not doubt the consequence of such an affair, and already looked upon to the particulars of which I have just re
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appearance of the Count with just as much in the physician carried it to the Continued for a short time; but feeling that, after what had passed, Silvio could not be after what had passed had passed had passed not fill his pipe, after what had passed had passed had passed h selves in reflecting on the evening, and on the changes that would ensue from a va- I did not demand satisfaction from that punish a man who does not care a pin whethbility of our comrade's existence, when he weapons, his life was in my hands, while I that you are very unconcerned about death free and perfectly unconstrained, that in a after, and found him in the yard, sending | ter to pass by so easily." ball after ball into a card which he had I looked at Silvio with astonishment .nailed to the great doors at the entrance of | Such a confession utterly confounded me.-Our regiment was quartered in a small currence of the preceeding ovening. Three and miserably retired place. There was no days passed by, and the lieutenant was still society, no enjoyment, no open house; we alive. We asked one another with astonishment: is it possible that Silvio will not mained but to collect together at each other's fight? Silvio did not fight; he contented

> The termination of this quarrel produced people less than the lack of any other of these qualities which excite their admiration;

friends.

For my own part, I could no longer apin a regiment of hussars, but it was evident proach him with the same feelings of confi- thrown I have always been the ruling gethat he did not regard his term of service, dence and pleasure with which I had hith- nius. From my youth up, it has always been or some directionstances connected with it, any degree of satisfaction. No one kith any degree of satisfaction. No one knew the reasons which had induced him to give up his commission, and settle in such a riddle, and whom I believed to be the great the role.

I shall never forget. My excitement was so made his lady murderously jealous by or backwards and forwards like a tiger in his was introduced by the robben stion towards this man, whose life was such the role; and in this I was first felt an irresistible inclination of the role; and in this I was first felt an irresistible inclination. The formand in this I was in the role of conduct backwards and forwards like a tiger in his story was sterously woman. The backwards and forwards like a tiger in his was in vogue; irregularity and wildness of the role; and in this I was first felt an irresistible inclination. The formal was the role of conduct backwards and forwards like a tiger in his was in vogue; irregularity and wildness of the role; and in this I was first formal was in the role of conduct backwards and forwards like a tiger in his was in vogue; irregularity and wildness of the role; and in this I was first felt an irresistible inclination. No one stitute motionless, while strange and in the great of the role; and in this I was first felt an irresistible inclination. The formal was in vogue; irregularity and wildness of the role; and in this I was first felt an irresistible inclination. The formal was in vogue; irregularity and wildness of the role; and in this I was in vogue; irregularity and wildness of the role in the role of or some circumstances connected with it, erto done. Naturally of a romantic dispomiserable place as this which he had chosen. here of some secret and tragical tale. He second to none in the army. We busted of conflicting emotions violently agitated me. Here he lived, at the same time, wretchedly liked me, at least I thought se, for I nlone drunkenness. I drank deeper than Bacchus and profligally; he always went on foot, clad was free from the attacks of his never fail- himself. Duels were constantly taking the horses were ready. Silvio very warmly will not hit a card even at twenty paces, for The Countess was paler than the white was received with loud applause, and the and profigally; he always went on foot, elad was free from the attacks of his never failin an old worn-out overcost, yet kept an open table for all the officers in our regiment, and on every occasion open table for all the officers in our regiment. It is true, his dinners consisted only and extraordinary gaiety. But after that ment. It is true, his dinners consisted only and extraordinary gaiety. But after that companions idolized me, and although my into the telega—a small wagon without one of the best shots in our regiment, and vent to my feelings of astonishment.

water. No one knew his circumstances, or taken no steps to retrieve it, I could not necessary evil. the source of his income, nor did any of us shake off, and it prevented me from behavever venture to question him on the subject. ing towards him as I had formerly done .-umes, mostly on military subjects, and nov- observe the change in my behavior, and also els. - He willingly lent them, and never ex- to guess the cause of it; and it evidently

The inhabitants of the capital and the with pistols, and the walls of his house bore other great cities have no idea of the many sufficient evidence of his partiality for this trifling circumstances which produce an inwith the marks of bullets. The skill to far removed from the more civilized world, which he had attained in this his favorite as, for instance, the anxiety and excitement newspapers. The fortunate recipient of a packet of these last generally opened it on Silvio (for that was his name) never joined the spot, and communicated the principal if ever it had fallen to his lot to be engaged such times presented a picture of the most in one he would simply answer that it had; enlivening and exciting character. Silvio but with that he ended, he never entered was generally found among us, for he reinto any details, and it was evident the sub- ceived his letters through our regiment .ject was disagreeable to him. We supposed One day he received a packet, with the great that there were on his mind unpleasant re- est impatience he tore it open; his eyes beamed with delight as he began to run into our heads to suspect him of, anything engaged in devouring the contents of their approaching to timidity. There are some respective latters, did not observe the influence which Silvio's correspondence had produced on him. If was not long before he drew our attention by suddenly exclaiming: cers dined with Silvio; we drank Very deeply "Sirs, circumstances have rendered my speedy departure necessary. I set off todeavours to induce the host to play a game | night; consequently, I hope you will not re- | him the centre of attraction of the whole of | was afraid of becoming an habitual drunk- | also knows him?" at bank. For a long while he refused, for fuse to dine with me for the list time. I the ladies, and, above all, I saw the hostess and, of which I saw many deplorable inhe very seldom played; at length he gave shall expect you without fail," said he turn- assiduous in her attentions towards him: ing to me. With these words, he hastily all seemed to render him homage; all attencards; he then strewed on the table fifty retired, and we, having all agreed to meet tion seemed directed to him alone. A comat his house, returned to our several duties. parison of my present position with what it the beautiful mansion on it was occupied ranged ourselves around him, and play be 📗 I arrived at Silvio's at the appointed hour, had been not long ago was sufficient. My only by a steward. The Countess had only gan. While playing, Silvio always observed and found almost the whole regiment as-

him our good wishes.

It was late in the evening when we rose from the table. When Silvio had taken icave of all, and we were preparing to de-risen, and was already getting hot, when I it furnishes the principal topic of conversa-The officer, losing his patience, took the part, he took me by the hand and led me chalk and altered Silvio's account; thinking aside, and said quietly: "I wish to speak to on foot, accompanied by one assistant. We with the greatest impatience to see them,

of the lieutenant, and immediately replaced We sat opposite each other, and for a long hand, was filled with cherries. The seconds my best respects to their excellencies, as the original figures. The officer, heated with time smoked our pipes in silence. Silvio measured twelve paces. It was my place to their nearest neighbor and most obedient was much embarrassed; already all traces of fire first; but I was so agitated with the de- servant. the laughter of his companions, considered his convulsive merriment had disappeared. sire of revenge that I felt there was no dehimself violently insulted, and in the height A deadly raleness, glistening eyes, and the pendence on the accuracy of my aim; so in cabinet, and went to announce my arrival. of his passion, soized a brass candlestick thick clouds of smoke issuing from his mouth, order to gain time enough to cool my fevered The immense cabinet was fitted up most gave him the appearance of a perfect fiend. brain, I proposed that he should take the sumptuously; around the walls stood cupwho barely succeeded in escaping the dan- At last Silvio interrupted the silence. "Per- first shot; to this he would not agree; we boards filled with books, and on each cuphaps," he said, "we shall never see each were therefore obliged to cast lots. He, the board was a bronze bust; on the marble nance grew pale with rage, and with flash- other again. Before we separate, I wished ever-fortunate, drew the lucky number. We mantlepiece was a splendid mirror; the floor ing eyes he said: "Sir, oblige me by leaving to unburthen myself on a subject of which resumed our places; he took his aim, fired, was covered with green cloth, and on the this place, and thank God this has occurred the particulars are well known to you. You and sent the bullet through my cap. It cloth were placed several small rich carpets. the particulars are well known to you. You and sent the panet through my was now my turn; his life was at last in my have no doubt observed that I care very lit- was now my turn; his life was at last in my Living as I had for so long a time in such alarmed, gave me the reins, and having dis- knowing to think of their story, the doctor was now my turn; his life was at last in my Living as I had for so long a time in such alarmed, gave me the reins, and having dis- knowing to think of their story, the doctor was now my turn; his life was at last in my living as I had for so long a time in such alarmed, gave me the reins, and having dis- knowing to think of their story, the doctor was now my turn; his life was at last in my living as I had for so long a time in such alarmed, gave me the reins, and having dis- knowing to think of their story, the doctor was now my turn; his life was at last in my living as I had for so long a time in such alarmed, gave me the reins, and having dis- knowing to think of their story, the doctor was now my turn; his life was at last in my living as I had for so long a time in such alarmed, gave me the reins, and having dis- knowing to think of their story, the doctor was now my turn.

cancy. The next morning, at the manege drunken, insolent lieutenant, Bodolf. You or he is dead or alive? I reflected a moment, and prevented any further apologies. We we were already speculating on the proba- agree that, having by right the choice of and lowering my pistol, said; 'It appears himself appeared among us; we were all was comparatively free from danger. I just now; perhaps you would like to take eager to know by what lucky stroke of for- could ascribe my moderation to generosity, breakfast first; if so, I have not the slight- had just recovered my ordinary self-possestune he had escaped. To our questions he but I do not wish to deceive you. If I est wish to disturb you.' answered that he had not, as yet, received | could have punished him without exposing | any communication from Silvio: This very myself to the slightest injury, I would not,

ner, but did not mention a word of the oc- said. Indeed, I should not be justified in an individual so indifferent to life as my opexposing my life to any danger, for, six ponent, and with that the duel ended. years ago, I received an insult, and my enemy is still alive."

My cariosity was excited to the utmost. "Circumstances must have prevented has come." ed I.

"I did fight with him; and here is something which will be witness of the affair," he answered.

Silvio rose, opened a small box, and took a tassel made of gold fringe, and trimmed with galloon. He put it on, and I observed that it had been shot through at about an inch and a half from the forehead.

"You know," he said, "that I served in the --- Hussars; you know also my character. In whatever society I have ever been my ruling passion to be pre-eminent. In cap on the floor, and began to pace the floor

PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY MORNING. of two or three dishes cooked by an old dis-unfortunate evening, the idea that his honor proceedings were not openly countenanced wheels—in which were deposited two boxes, on one occasion I had not fired for a month, charged soldier; but champagne flowed like had been compromised, and that he had by the commanders, I was looked on as a one containing his whole collection of pis- as my pistols were undergoing repairs.— thank God, I missed. Silvio was taking his

> puted security, in the enjoyment of my ac- away on his long journey. His library consisted of a number of vol- Silvio was too keen and experienced not to quired reputation, when a young man of A few years had passed away, when do- your excellency, to attain to perfection in former courage returned. 'My dear,' I said, daring, a high-sounding name, and riches of of all was to accustom myself to spend the occupation was incredible, and if he had of attendant on post days. On Tuesdays and and you may form some idea of the feelings I generally managed, in some way or other, with which I regarded a rival who possess. to employ myself until my dinner-hour. I of us, none would have shrunk from expos- some expecting letters, some money, others ed such prependerating advantages. It was chatted with the old people who lived near not long before I began to feel that my fan- me; I rode about, inspecting new works ularity began to decline. Influenced by the daylight, those resources failed me; nothing with us on these occasions. To the question news to an eager audience. The office at high opinion entertained of me, the new ar- remained for me but to sit idle for the re- wall, he called out: 'Couzea, my pistol!' and missed; and now it is my turn to joke.' rival at first sought to cultivate my acquain- mainder of the evening. A small number ciety of the ladies, drove me to desperation. enjoyment were exhausted, I had recourse With regard to his courage, it never entered over its contents. All the officers, being wrote epigrams: to these he replied with lated to me all the tales she could rememepigrams which always appeared to me ber. Although well stocked, she could not

> > resolution was taken; and meeting with him satisfactory manner. "It was at day-break that I arrived at the

an irritation which I could not control.

The guests left, and we remained alone .- ed, I saw that his cap, which he held in his I set out immediately after dinner, to pay ries which he had brought with him, and arrival of a great man of state. The door he had some business of importance of trans-

"'You do not disturb me in the least.' said he. 'Fire, if you please; and if you force. The Count perceived the state of much astonished us. We went to him soon on any consideration, have allowed the mat do not wish to fire now you can reserve it my feelings, and in order to give me time to for any future occasion. I shall hold myself at any time at your service."

"I turned to my seconds, explained to the yard. He received us in his usual man- He continued: "I really mean what I have them the uselessness of revenging myself on spected neighbor. In the menatime, I moved

"I left the service and then found my way to this place. From the time I came represented a scene in Switzerland. I was here, not a day has passed in which I have not struck with beauty of the scene, or with "Then you did not fight with him?" inquir- not thought of vengeance; and now my hour the skill of the painter, but my attention

which he had received in the morning, and of one ball very nearly corresponding with gave it to me to read. Some one-it ap- the mark of the other. "This is a good peared to be an agent of his-had written from Moscow to inform him that a certain from it a red cap. It was ornamented with person whom he knew was soon about to marry a young and beautiful lady.

"You guess," said Silvio, "who that certain person is who is about to marry. I am going to Moscow; and we shall see whether he will regard death with such indifference, on the eve of his wedding day, as he did on a former occasion, when feasting on those

Never before or since have I met with such trict of Dolova. This kind of life was not terior, unbounded gaiety, courage the most and careless life; but the most difficult task which he himself did not know the extent, long winter evenings in complete solitude. without any apparent regret, left me to my- in the storehouse, I read so many times, self. I thoroughly hated him; his success that at last I knew them pretty well by in the regiment, and especially in the so- heart. When these sources of intellectual I endeavored to find a quarrel with him. I to the services of my housekeeper, who remore unexpected and much sharper than last forever; when she did fail, my wearimy own, and which were certainly incom- ness and vexation became so insupportable, less innocent bottle. This only increased

stances in our district. About three miles from me was a fine estate belonging to the Countess B--: but visited it on one occasion, and that was with port became current that the Countess with the person?" her husband intended to pass the summer there; and in the beginning of June, the report was verified by their appearance.

The arrival of a rich neighbor is an epoch

"His equanimity perplexed and enraged of candor and affability. I began to take dent tokens of carelessness and neglect. a short time I conquered my uneasiness, and sion, when the Countess entered, and all my embarrasment returned with renewed recover myself, began to speak to his wife, and pictures. I am no connoisseur of pic-Silvio took from his pocket the letter which had been shot through it, the mark shot," said I, turning to the Count.

shot. Do you shoot well?"

the conversation had fallen on a subject first refused; but dreading to prolong the piction of the unmitigated bliss of his mar-with which I felt perfectly at home. "At harrowing scene, I at last loaded another ried life. Being rather hard up for the

With those words Silvio rose, flung his with equal accuracy at thirty paces?"

The servant entered, and announced that will lay your excellency a wager that you cital of this most momentous circumstance. mously acquitted the prisoner. The verdict

tols, and the other all his moveables. We What do you think was the consequence? aim, when, on a sudden, the door opened, "I was revelling, with a feeling of undis- bade adieu once more, and he was soon far The first time I tried, I missed a bottle at my wife rushed in, and with a shrick fell very rich and celebrated family was ap- mestic circumstances compelled me to settle the use of the pistol, one must not neglect to 'do you not see that we are only jesting.pointed to a vacancy in the regiment. in a miserable country residence in the dis- practice. The best shot whom it has ever Why are you so alarmed? Go drink a litbeen my lot to meet practiced every day at the water; calm yourself, and return, and a brilliant, prodigy of fortune. Imagine to at all suited to my tastes; and while initia- least three times before dinner. His prac- then I will introduce you to this gentleman, yourself a young man in the flower of youth, ting myself in my new duties, I cast many tice seemed as natural to him as the glass who is an old friend and companion of mine. intelligent, possessing a most handsome ex- a lingering look on my former boisterous of wodky which he drank to sharpen his My wife scarcely credited all this, and turnappetite.'

Count.

he happened to se a fly on the wall-you on the cheek-a joke; in another joke he cied security was only a delusion; my pop- which had been set on foot; but, with the may laugh, Countess, but I can assure you sent a bullet through this cap which I wear; tance; but as I received him coldly, he had, of books, which I found in a cupboard and He took his aim-bang! and the remains of when my wife threw herself at his feet.the fly found a resting place in the wall."

> "And what was the name of this prodigy." "Silvio, your excellency."

know Silvio?"

"And how should I not know him, your excellency? We were all on terms of inparably livelier. He jested; I retorted with that I resolved to drown my cares in the timacy with him: in our regiment he was treated as a brother officer, but for five years "At last, we both happened to be at a ball my wretchedness, by adding to it the weight I have had no intelligence of him. From given by a Polish gentleman. Here I saw of bodily suffering. I confess, also, that I your manner, I suppose your excellency

"I know him very well. Did he never mention anything of a very strange occur-

"Do you refer to an insult he received from some hair-brained young officer?"

"I do. But did he mention to you the name of that hair-brained young officer?" "He did not, your excellency. Oh!" I continued, as the truth began to dawn upon me, "pray excuse me -I had not the we drew our swords; then followed a scene up my residence in my solitary abode, a re- slightest idea -- Is it possible that you are "I am the very person," said the Count,

with a look of great embarrassment; "and that picture, which has excited your curiosity, bears witness to our last meeting."

knows how I offended his friend; now let him know how he revenged himself."

"About five years ago, I married. The honey-moon I spent here, on this estate. In this house I have passed some of the happiest moments of my life; but it has been for a ride on horseback; the horse on which will find this bullet very hard. But it appieces of toast spread with phosphorus were pears to me that this is not a duel, but a found on the floor; but as they had been so pears to me that this is not a duel, but a prepared and placed by order of the baron himself, to kill the rats, of course that fact he mark of the chart. This is a clebrated hot. Do you shoot well?"

"Yes," he answered, "that is a celebrated hot. Do you shoot well?"

"Pretty well," I answered, delighted that shot.' I was giddy with excitement, and at shot.' I was giddy with excitement, and at shot.' I was giddy with excitement, and at shot. The prolong the p thirty paces from a card, I will not miss, provided I have a trustworthy weapon."

"Really," said the Countess, with a look of great attention. "And you," said she, turning to the Count, "could not you shoot with equal accuracy at thirty paces?"

"Some day we will try," he replied.—
"Long ago, I did not shoot badly; but four thirty paces," are the count, "and the count, "counted the counter of the servants notice that she could not the servants notice that she could no the servants notice that she could no the servants notice that she could not the servants notice that she could no the servants notice that she call not the servants notice that she could no the servants notice that she call not the servants notice that she could no the servants notice that she call not the "Oh, if that be the case," I observed, "I burning with excitement caused by the re- liberated for five minutes and then unani-

"I fired," continued the Count, "and, twenty-five paces, four times running. No, on my neck. With her presence, all my ing to Silvio, whose stern and rigid counte-The Count and Countess were pleased nance was not calculated to produce a very that I had at last got in a humor for talking. favorable impression, she said: 'Tell me, "And at what did he fire?" inquired the is it really true that you are only joking?" 'He always jokes, Countess,' answered Sil-"I will tell your excellency. Whenever vio. On one occasion, he gave me a blow

it is true-whenever he saw a fly on the and in a joke he has just now fired at me Couzea always brought him a loaded one. With this, he was about to take his aim. 'Rise, Masha; disgraceful, disgraceful!' "I "That is extraordinary," said the Count. roared, in the madness of my rage. 'And you, sir, cease your triffing with the feelings of this afflicted and terrified woman .--"Silvio!" shricked the Count, jumping Will you fire or not?' 'I will not,' anout of his seat. "Is it possible that you swered Silvio. I am satisfied; for now I have seen your agitation, your dread of my presence, and your lack of courage. This is enough.' With that he turned, and was going out; but stopped in the doorway, he cast his eye on the picture through which I had shot, and almost without taking an aim, he put a bullet through the same hole I had made just before. He immediately disappeared. My wife lay in a swoon; the people of the house were filled with horror, and none dared to interrupt his retreat. He went out on the steps, called for his driver

and was on his journey before I had su-ceeded in recovering my senses."

Thus I heard the end of a story, the befining of which had so moved me on a former occasion. With the hero I never metafterwards; but I have heard that, during the rebellion of Alexander Ipsilanti, he reentered the army, held the command of a detachment, and was killed in a battle near Secolari. Scoolani.

The Baron's Beer.

In the little Dutch town of Braschal, Ba-

den, they have lately enjoyed a first-class "sensation," arrising from the trial of the pretty Baroness Baumbache, who was ac-cused of attempting to steal away the phicg-matic life of the fat little barron, her husappointed spot, with my three seconds.—
With the utmost impatience, I awaited the appearance of my opponent. The sun was risen, and was already getting hot, when I saw him in the distance. He was coming on foot, accompanied by one assistant. We hastened to meet him, and as we approaching the first sunday after their arrival, I set out immediately after dinner, to pay that his one which he held in his knows how I offended his friend; now let him know how he revenged himself."

The Count drew his chair towards me, and with the most excited curiosity I heard the following account:

"About five years ago I married. The land the servent who shared foodly is his another servent who shared foodly is his another servent who shared foodly is his another servant, who shared fondly in his herror. The pair took no steps in the matter, however, until the 20th of the month, when they submitted the lumps of supposed poison to Dr. Benchezzer, a chemist of the also the scene of an event of the most pain- village. The doctor pronounced the subful remembrance. One evening we went stance to be phosphorus, when his visitors informed him that they had found it in the my wife rode became restire, and she, being roness, had sweetened it with sugar. Hardly family physician or pastor on the subject, To the physician the man went with the tale. "It seemed strange," he continued, "that me. Of what use is it, thought I, to try to courage, and was beginning to recommend be stood here, by the chimney-piece. I this last request was promptly complied myself, when the Count interrupted myself, when the Count interrupted went up to him, and endeavored to recognition."

We went up to him, and endeavored to recognition and very soon the illustrious Baumnize him. 'You do not know me, Count?' bache was in the court-room protesting hi sat down, and I found his conversation so said he with trembling voice, which I well wife's innocence with divers three-cornered Datch oaths, and overwhelming the virtuous remembered. I was struck motionless, and John Fritch with savage epithets. As not my hair seemed to stand on end. With an even the protestations of the intended victim effort, I exclaimed, 'Silvio!' 'I am Silvio,' however, were sufficient to clear his wife of the replied. 'I am come to settle an account with hospitary the large of seasoning his lager with phenomena. which has long been standing between us. ed at the bar, and the trial proceeded. The Are you ready?' I measured twelve paces, maid-servant, Amelia Leist, deposed that it placed myself at that corner, and begged was her business, as a general thing, to him to fire quickly, before my wife returned. thus treating me as though he wished to lay like lingered, and, after some he itation, fire. Just as it had commenced to boil on aside all ceremony, and regard me as a re-asked me for a light. I procured him a spected neighbor. In the meantime, I moved candle, and shut the doors again, after or-to put anything into it. After she had left dering that no one should disturb us. I to put anything into it. After she had left the room, however, the witness and John once more begged him to fire. He took out Fritsch discovered that the beer tasted (?) tures, but one attracted my attention; it his pistol, and aimed it. I counted the secstrangely. The baroness took a hearty swig
represented a scene in Switzerland. I was
onds—I thought of her—O the terrible agof the mixture when it was ready, as well onds—I thought of her—O the territole ag-ony of those moments! Silvio dropped his drank that John Fritsch discovered the phose hand. 'I am sorry,' he said, 'that my pis- phorus in the bottom of the can, and told was riveted by seeing the marks of two balls tol is not loaded with cherry stones, you witness about it. The same evening, several