

FARMERS' COLUMN.

NEGRO FOLK LORE.

THE STORY OF MR. RABBIT AND MR. FOX, AS TOLD BY UNCLE REMUS.

Recently, the lady whom Uncle Remus calls "Miss Sally" missed her little six year old. Making search for him through the house, she heard the sound of voices on the back piazza, and looking through the window, she saw the old man's arm, and he was gazing with an expression of the most intense interest into the rough, weather-beaten face that beamed so kindly upon him. This is what "Miss Sally" heard:

"Himey, one day, arter Mr. Fox bin doin' all dat he could fer ter hetch Mr. Rabbit, and Mr. Rabbit bin doin' all he could fer ter keepin' him in, Mr. Fox say to himself, 'dat he'd put up a game on Mr. Rabbit, and he'd hetch 'em' so he wads out'n his men'tweel Mr. Rabbit come a topin' up de big road, lookin' ez plump, and ez fat, and ez easy ez may ez a Morgan hoss in a barley patch."

"Hole on dar, Bro. Rabbit," sez Mr. Fox, sez. "I aint got time, Bro. Fox," sez Mr. Rabbit, sez. " sorter mendin' his hicks."

"Den, Mr. Rabbit search one ear wid his left hino foot sorter jabsy, and den he up on an ez, sez. 'All a settin', Bro. Fox. Spoon'n you drap round ter-morrer an take dinner wid me. We aint got no great doins at our house, but I sepe de ole omam an de chillans kin sorter slobber on an git up sumpin ter stay your stomach.'"

"I'm greeable, Bro. Rabbit," sez Mr. Fox, sez. "Den I'll pend on you," says Mr. Rabbit sez. "Nex day Mr. Rabbit an Miss Rabbit come out, sez, fore day, and nided on a garden like Miss Sally's out dar, an got some cabbage, an some roasin years, an some sparrer-grass, and dey fixed a smashin dinner. Bimey one er de chillan, playin out in de back yard, come runnin in hollerin, 'O, no! no! oh, ma! I seed Mr. Fox comin'!' An den Mr. Rabbit he tuck de chillan by de arm an made 'em set down, an den him an Miss Rabbit sorter dalled round, waitin for Mr. Fox. An dey kept on waitin, but no Mr. Fox. Arter while Mr. Rabbit goes to de door, easy like, and peeped out, an dar, stickin out his face behine de corner, wid his paw behine his ears, an begin fer ter sing, sez. 'De place wharabouts you spill de grease, Right dargyou'r bound ter slide, An whar you find a bunch of hair, You'll study find de hide.'

"Nex day Mr. Fox sent word by Mr. Mink and skuse himself, but he was too sick fer ter come, an he hed Mr. Rabbit fer ter come an eat dinner wid him, and Mr. Rabbit say he was greeable. "Bimey, wen de shadows was at dere shotes, Mr. Rabbit he sorter brush up an arter down into Mr. Fox's house, an wen he got dar, he hear somebody granin, an he look in de door an dar he see Mr. Fox settin up in de rockin chair, all wrapped up in bandage, an he looked mighty weak. Mr. Rabbit look all round, but he don't see no dinner. De dishpan was sittin on de table, and close by was a curvin' knife. "Lok like you's gwine ter leave chicken fer dinner, Bro. Fox," sez. "Yes, Bro. Rabbit, doyer nice an fresh an tender," sez. "Den Mr. Rabbit sorter pull his mustach, an sez: 'Den Mr. Rabbit no calamus root, hev you, Bro. Fox? I got to dar I cant no chicken aint gins she's seasoned wid calamus root.'"

"An wid dat Mr. Rabbit lipt out er de door, and dodged nixed de bushes, an set dar wyechin for Mr. Fox, an he didn't watch long nudder, kase Mr. Fox flung off de banjo an creoped out er de house an got whar he could close in on Mr. Rabbit, an bimey Mr. Rabbit hollerin out: 'O, Bro. Fox, I'll send your calamus root out here on dis stump! Better come an git it while it's fresh.' "An wid dat, Mr. Rabbit galloped off home. An Mr. Fox aint never coltied him yit, an what's more, honey, he aint gwine ter. Atlanta (Ga.) Constitution.

DUBBED L.L.D. The very first letter opened by the Secretary of the Linn Kilt Club as he turned to his desk, caused a great flutter of excitement in the hall. It contained a communication from the president of a well known college conferring upon Brother Gardner the title of L.L.D., and upon Sir Isaac Walpole that of A.B. "Fo-de Lawd, but Jim liasen to dat!" yelled Trustee Pullback, as he rose up and sprung his hat. There was a grand yell from every member present, and during the excitement Samuel Shinn managed to get in his work on the stovepipe, knocking it down for the fifth time this summer. When the excitement somewhat subsided, the president rose and said: "Gentlemen, I am taken by surprise. Had a peckabout half fifty dollars in it dropped from my back, de odd chills couldn't creep up my back any more. But, surprised or prepared, far am I out one course to take. I shall decline de title."

A groan of anguish rounded through the hall. "Gentlemen, you forget dat titles an only worn on de dees," continued the president. "We have been judges put off de bench for corruption. We know Aldermen who can be bought for money. Doctors of Divinity hev stolen horses, and Bachelors of art hev robbed smokehouses. I hev tried hard to win de title of an honest, hardworking man, who kin behave like a gentleman at all times and in all places, an at all places, an dat's title nuff fer me. I'm pleased at de compliment, an I'm pleased to see de club take it as an honor, but I am forced to finally decline to lengthen out my name."

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