

SCENES FROM LIFE'S STAGE, BEING TEN ORIGINAL STORIES, WRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH, BY SIR GILBERT E. CAMPBELL BART.

THE CLINK OF THE SHOE.

So many old families have legends of the strange portents which herald the approaching dissolution of one of its members that it is strange to find a similar experience among the ranks of the middle class, and yet, though this curious instance has no romantic old family mansion to act as a background to the scene, no long backward line of titled ancestors whose crimes or misfortunes may have been the cause of the portent, yet the story is exactly true, and known by as many credible witnesses as ever stood sponsors for more antique legends.

The scene of the strange occurrence is an essentially unromantic one, it being a street, which, for the sake of a name, may be termed Dumtrie's street, situated within the immediate vicinity of Flanburgh Park. No. 34 Dumtrie's street, was occupied by a young couple who had only entered the bonds of matrimony some eighteen months. James Dawson, the husband, was a smart young fellow, employed as canvasser for a commission agent in the neighborhood of Fleet street, which made that branch of business a speciality.

James Dawson had returned from his work after a long and wearying round, which, however, had not proved successful, and he consequently was in high spirits. Mrs. Dawson, a pretty little brown-eyed woman, had prepared a sumptuous dinner for her supper, and as they were partaking of it, amused her husband by repeating to him the adventures of the day.

"Do you know, Jim," said she, "that I lost sixpence to-day?" "What little woman," laughed he, as he filled himself a glass of ale from the brown bottle, "that is a terrible loss. Fortunately I made a good step across this morning, which will balance the account."

"I was going down Western road," continued Mrs. Dawson, "and had a sixpence in my hand, with which I was going to buy a bottle of vinegar for the cucumber, when, all of a sudden, a horse in a harness cab, which was driving slowly along the road, tripped and fell. It started me so that I dropped the sixpence out of my hand, and it rolled down a gully hole."

"What made the horse fall?" asked Mr. Dawson, who appeared to be very little interested in the loss of the money. "I am sure I don't know," answered his wife, "though I did hear some one say that what a shame it was to drive a beast about with a loose shoe."

"A loose shoe?" repeated Mr. Dawson, growing suddenly pale. "Did you hear it?" "I can't say," returned his wife, "but I think I did hear it."

"Thank heaven!" muttered Dawson, and returned with fresh vigor to the discussion of his supper. Mrs. Dawson was not an unobservant little woman, and had noticed her husband's momentary uneasiness.

"Why, Jim," observed she, "you seemed to be quite frightened at the idea of a loose shoe." "And well I may be," answered he, "for it is a sound which always means ill luck to me and mine. Do you remember how my father died?"

"Yes, he was killed in a railway accident on the Underground, poor fellow," replied Mrs. Dawson. "Yes, but don't you know what took him into the Underground, a mode of traveling which he always hated. He had an important engagement in the city, and was driving to it in a hansom cab, when all at once the driver opened the trap, and said, 'I beg pardon, guv'nor, but would you mind taking another cab, one of my nag's shoes is loose, and I'm afraid of laming her. My father was hit in the head, and I'm sure I am just opposite Farringdon street station,' said he, 'so I will go by train, and not trust myself to any more improperly shod horses.' He did so, and met his death on his way to Moorgate street."

"How said," returned his wife, "but I can't for the life of me see that the loose shoe had anything to do with it." "Why you are quite a wicked little unbeliever," returned Dawson. "Didn't I lose an splendid chance of an engagement with Jenkins and Kiddie, because I was late for my appointment owing to one of the bus horses falling down, and my being pitched off the roof into a scavenger's cart. Well, that horse tripped because it had one of its shoes loose."

"Yes, Jim," said Mrs. Dawson, opening her eyes in extreme wonder, "I never heard of such a thing as a loose shoe." "It's true, for all that," replied her husband, "but remember, I ain't proud of it a bit. Great swells may be precious proud of their omens and warnings, but to the honest workman, who has his living to get, and a good little wife to provide for, such things come uncommon uncomfortable, I can tell you."

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