How Jack Marland solved a very stiff problem.

Jack Marland was a happy fellow at least any one who saw him seated in his comfortable chambers in the Temple in a vast chair, and enveloped with clouds of smoke proceeding from his favorite meerschaum, as the bell of St. Paul's rang ten, would have said so. Jack was a clever fellow too; he sang well; he danced well; the partridges on the first of September knew him well; the Cheshire hounds were not unacquainted with him; Isis and the Thames were intimate with him; (for Jack pulled a good oar) a dab at fencing, a fair single slick player, in his element in the pistol gallery; and, to crown all, he had just made a not unsuccessful debut as a speaker in the Courts at Westminster. Jack truly ought to have been happy, from a thousand reasons; he was a favorite with his acquaintances and professional brethren; by the fair sex; his witty conversation and handsome and gentlemanly person and demeanor were duly appreciated; in short, he was univer-sally liked. Papas and mamas opened their doors to him (for he had a nice little fortune at his command!) daughters and sons were glad when he entered the doors so thrown open, for not a dull moment was suffered to exist from the time Jack came to the time he took: his departure. "And was Jack hap-. . py ?" methinks I hear a fair reader inquire. Jack was not happy or rather he thought he was not happy. Jack had got it into his silly head that in spite of his accomplishments, his cleverness, and his handsome face and figure, he (Jack) was a coward; and that, if ever his courage should be put to the proof, he should be lamentably wanting. This was Jack's "ombre noir;' this was the thought which embittered Jack's existence; at the time we introduce Jack to our readers, lie was in his aforesaid easy chair, and under the soothing influence of his aforesaid pipe, assisted by a cup of strong Mocha, turning over in his mind the different methods by which he thought it likely that he might be able to solve the knetty question-"Am I, or am I not, a coward?"

Jack thought, and smoked and smoked, till he was half asleep, without coming to any conclusion; the idea had taken him strangely; he. however determined, as indeed he had fifty times before determined, to seize the first onportunity which might present itself of placing himself in the way of grappling with some imminent danger. We shall in less than ten minutes see that the wished for opportunity presented itself, and in a rather curious manner.

The long vacation arrived; that time so wished for, so looked forward to by all the legal-profession; that time during which, &c.

the Temple, packed up his traps, sent I shall miss my man." his clerk for a cab, stuck a card outside his door, with the inscription "Return before the 20th of October," " shipped himself all aboard of a ship," then of a diligence, and in a due course of time found himself in Paris. One half day was sufficient to enable him to find a good suite of rooms, Rue du Helder. Boul Halien; and now behold Jack, fully launched in all the gaiety, not to say dissipation of the metropolis of the French. Jack, we have before said, was a very good shot with the pistol, yet he had never been guilty of that height of folly, a duel; and indeed he had often been heard to say, that he never would. He, however, frequented many of the pistol galleries but to decide a point upon which we which abounded in Paris, and amongst | are at issue." others, he had honored with his prestire aussi bien qu'nn Français."

friends, found it occupied by a young whilst Jack maintained that he owed finery. man well known as one of the best him none, unless he himself was either. shots in Paris; and most assuredly he killed or wounded; for unless this hap- years ago, belonging to Drury Lane was a good shot. He performed all pened, he (Jack) would not have been the feats which tradition assigns to the proved wrong. The seconds spent a her house, invited Mrs. Bland, the sing-Chevalier St. George; he each time quarter of an hour in the attempt to ef- er, (whose situation was subordinate, hit the bull's eye of the target at the feet a reconciliation, but in vain. They and whose means were much inferior usual distance, snuffed a candle with then wished to place the antagonists at to her own) to see it. Miss Dthe ball, split a bullet against the edge thirty paces from each other; to this pointed out, or rather paraded, its eleof a knife, and drove a nail into the Jack would not consent, observing that gancies, its luxuries, and its conventwall by striking the head exactly in the point in question could not be cor- ences, in a manner to excite the envy the centre with his ball; and, in sport, rectly decided, if any difference were of her visitor. Amongst other points, by a thousand feats of this nature proved himself worthy of the name of a fixed, and the distance at which his an- ette, which was laid on by pipes in all first-rate shot. His amour propre was tagonist had hit the bull's eye in the the bed-rooms and dressing-rooms, was roused by the presence of Jack, whom gallery. It was then proposed that chiefly insisted on by the exhibitor. the attendant, in presenting him with a louis should be thrown up, in order the pistol, had quietly said was almost to decide who was to shoot first: this as good shot as himself; but at each Jack declared was totally unnecessary, shot, instead of receiving from Jack that the right to the first shot naturally the tribute of praise which he deserved, belonged to his adversary and although he heard Jack in reply to the exclama- the Frenchman was anxious that Jack tions of astonishment which proceeded should take advantage of this one from all in the gallery, say, "No doubt, change, he was firm, and carried his that is a very good shot; but the result point. The "garcon" of the shooting would be very different I've a notion, gallery had followed, and was ready to if he had a live man for his butt."— charge the pistols, which he did with place I wouldn't keep that babe so full bathing town, he ordered a machine. This incessant calling in question of the same measure, the same kind of of butter as you do." This incessant calling in question of the same measure, the same kind of of butter as you do." his powers as a duellist, for Jack had balls as those used by the Frenchman repeated his observation several times, in the gallery, a short time before - butter!" at first astonished the "tireur" and The pistols, too, were the same; this ended by annoying him; and at length, condition alone Jack had imposed, as a of milk down it this atternion, and trot; "the sea smells detestably; it will pois turning round to Jack, and, looking at sine qua non. The antagonists, place ted it on your knee for about two hours, son me. Throw a little East at Colog-him, with an air half jesting and half ed at twenty-five paces from each other, If it dose n't contain a quantity of but ne into the water, or I shall be sufficed threatening, he said, "Forgive me, Mr. received each his pistol; and the sec- ter by this time, it isn't for want of ted." The attendant complied, and the Englishman, but it appears to me that onds retired a few paces, in order to churning."

you be kind enough to give me some rangement. explanation of the meaning of your,

with which they have been spoken,

ed against the breast of a man in the raised his pistol and twice he lowered place of a wooden partition."

and consequently the arm."

"You have fought many duels?" asked the Frenchman.

"Not one," said Jack. "Ah!" rejoined the other, with a slight sneer, it then I am not surprised

man being afraid under such circumstances." "Forgive me," said Jack, " you

misunderstand me. I fancy that at the moment when one man is about to kill another, he may tremble from some other emotion than that of fear."

"Sir! I never tremble." said the shot.

"Possibly," replied Jack, with the same composure, "I still am not at all convinced that twenty-five paces, that is, at the distance at which you hit the bull's eye each time----

"Well! at twenty-five paces?" interrupted the other.

"You would miss your man," was the cool reply.

"Sir, I assure you I should not," answered the Frenchman. "Forgive me, if I doubt your word!"

said Jack. "You mean then, to give me the

lie." "I merely assert the fact," replied our friend.

"A fact, however, which I think you would scarcely like to establish," said

steadily at his antagonist.

"By proxy, perhaps?"

"I warn you, you'd be somewhat

" Not at all," said Jack, " for I mere-

"Let us understand each other." said the Frenchman; you repeat to me

You are mistaken, monsieur," said Jack, "it appears to me that this

is the fifth time that I have said it." "Parblue!" said the Frenchman. now thoroughly exasperated, "this is do not know why you may not expect too much: you want to insult me." "Think as you like, monsieur;"

said Jack. "Good!" said the other; "your

hour?" ... Why not now?" said Jack. ...

"The place?" said the other. "We are but five steps from the Ponis de Boulogne," replied Jack.

"Your arms, sir?" "The pistol, of course," was Jack's answer; "we are not to fight a duel,

The two young men entered their ence the tir-au pistolet of Mr. Lepage, cabriolets, each accompanied by a friend where, of course, he very soon became and drove towards the Bonis de Bouknown as "Ce Monsieur Anglois, qui logne. Arrived at the appointed place. the seconds wished to arrange the mat-One day Jack, on going to the galter. This, however, was very difficult; lery of M. Lepage with one of his Jack's adversary required an apology,

three times you have made an observa- leave the combatants free to fire on one tion disparaging to my courage; will another, according to the stipulated ar-

usual with duellists; he attempted not "My words, answered our friend, to shield any part of his body, by posi-'do not. I think, require any explana- tion or any other means, but allowed tion; they are plain enough, in my his arms to hang down by his side, and opinion."

presented his full front to his enemy, opinion.

"Perhaps, then, sir, you will be good enough to repeat them, in order that I may judge of the meaning which they will bear, and the object been his lot to see such sang-froid in any one of his antagonists; he felt as was the reply of the Frenchman. If bewildered; and Jack's theory occurring to his mind, tended but little to most perfect song froid, wwhen I saw re-assure him; in short, this celebrated you hit the bull's eye at each shot, that shot, who never missed either his man neither your hand nor your eye would or the bull's eye of the target, began be so steady, if your pistol were point- to doubt his own powers. Twice he it again; this was of course contrary to "And why, may Lask?" all the laws of duelling; but each time Because," answered Jack, "it Jack contented him with saying, "Take seems to me that at the moment of pul- time, monsieur, take your time. ling the trigger and firing at a man, the third time he raised his arm, and feelmind would be seized with a kind of ing ashamed of himself, fired. It was emotion likely to unsteady the hand, a moment of most painful anxiety to the seconds, but they were soon relieved, for Jack, the instant after the pistol had been fired, turned to the right and to the left, and made a low bow to the two friends, to show that he was not wounded, and then said, coolly, to his that you suppose the possibility of a antagonist, "You see, sir, I was right?"

"You were," answered the Frenchman, "and now fire in your turn." "Not I," said Jack, picking up his hat, and handing the pistol to the gar-con; "what good would it do me to

shoot you?" "But sir," said his adversary, " you have the right, and I cannot permit it to be otherwise; besides I am anxious to see how you shoot."

"Let us understand each other, said Jack. "I never said that I would hit you; but I said that you would not hit me. I was right, and now there is an end to the matter;" and in spite of all the remonstrances and entreaties of the Frenchman, Jack mounted his cab. and drove off, repeating to his friend, "I told you there was a mighty difference between firing at a doll and firing at a man." Jack's mind was eased; he had solved the problem, and found that he was not a coward.

Plainness in Love Matters. The simple and earnest character of Dodridge is well illustrated in a letter to his mistress, of which the following "Why not!" said Jack, looking is a portion: "Madam, I have so little opportunity of conversing with you alone, that I am forced to take this me-"By proxy, or in my own person, I thod of expressing my concern, and incare not which," said Jack. deed, my amazement, at what has just deed, my amazement, at what has just passed between us. I know you to be a lady of admirable good sense, and I wish you would find out the consistenly say what I think, and, consequently, cy of your behaviour yesterday and to my conviction is that I should risk but | day. Yesterday you expressly assured me that you loved me as well as I did you, which you know is to a very uncommon degree; and that it grieved Jack, like many other denizers of a second time, that at twenty-five paces you that you had given me so much uneasiness; adding that you would take care to avoid it for time to come To day you have been telling me that you could not bear the thought of not being so rich as your sister; that you a good man with a good estate! I leave you to judge whether it be possible that I should hear this remark, without uneasiness. And if it be not, whether it were fit for you to make it. Consider, Madam, I am a rational creature; and though too much transported with love, yet blessed be God, not absolutely distracted! How, then, do you imagine can put my confidence in the assurance you give of your love, when you are so continually contradicting them? For do you not contradict them when you talk of discarding me for the sake of money?"

FISHING FOR A COMPLIMENT.—To persons in a certain station nothing in the conduct of those who happen to be a little above them is more, offensive than an ostentations display of their

-, an actress, many Miss Dtheatre, newly furnished and fitted up made between the distance now to be the copious supply of water for the toil

> "And isn't it delightful to have so much water at immediate command? What do you say that, dear Miss

Bland?" "Say.!" said she, "why thank Heaven my dear, I'm not so dirty as to require all that!"

"Polly, dear," said a waggish husband to his wife, "if I were in your Butter, my dear, I never give it any

Peculiarities of Literary Men. Johnson used to bite his nails to the quick, an intimation of his dogmatism

and crustiness. Addison was remarkable for the irregularity of his pulse, but his heart was believed to be in the right place and of proper dimensions."

Pope was of a frame so feeble that he was accustomed to brace himself up occasionally found time also to lace his lets for

Hume, the historian, usually composed while reclining upon a sofa. He did all cases not search for fame, but she came to visit him.

Menage, while science covered his head with laurels, used to cover his feet with several pair of stockings.

Ben Johnson used to sit silent in learned company, "and suck in," as Fuller says, "not only his wine, but their several humors." Like Shakpeare he held the mirror up to nature, but chose sometimes to look into the glass himself.

Magliabechi, librarian to the grand duke of Tuscany, and a very learned man, was fond of petting spiders, the webs of which he would not suffer to be molested. He seldom lest his books, ate. drank and slept among them, thus imitating the domestic propensities and industry of his strange favorites.

Rousseau used to knit lace strings when in a company of illiterate people. for the purpose of concealing the uneasiness which their gabble gave him.-He preferred his face strings to their

long yarns. Cowley boasted with much gayety of the versatility of his passion among many mistresses, but wanted even the confidence to address one. To his ender fair ones; he made no tender.

Steele constantly preached economy to others, but forgot to practise it himself. He was always in debt, and once pulled the nose of an acquaintance who hesitated to lend him a large sum of money. Certainly a curious way of obtaining a draft.

Bloomfield wrote most of his poem the "Farmer Boy," with chalk upon the top of a pair of bellows-a wind instrument until this time probably unknown to the choir of the Muses .-New Haven Courier.

Humbug. -An intelligent female witness having been much perplexed by a barrister in a long cross-examination, happened, in replying, to use the word humbug."

"Madam," said the man of law, you must not talk unintelligibly. What are the court and jury to understand by the word humbug?" The lady hesitated.

"I must insist, madam, said the barrister, anticipating a victory, " that you proceed no further until you state, plainly and openly, what you mean by the word humbug.'

"Why, then, sir," returned the lady, "I don't know how better to explain my meaning than by saying, if I met a company of persons who were strangers to you, and should tell them that when they saw you they might prepare teel, agreeable looking man, that would be—a humbug."

THE MINISTER'S REPROOF .- A certain minister, not long since, paid a visit to be removed.

When permitted to remain, they never fail a female of his acquaintance who was newly married, and who was, at the time attired in one of our indecent fashions, a la Elssler. After the usual compliments, he familiarly said-"I hope you have a good husband

madam.' "Hes, sir," replied she, "and a

good man, too, I think." "I don't know what to say about his goodness," added the minister, "for go half naked."

A SIMILE.—A venerable lady of a casting her eye out at a window observed her husband in the funeral procession of one of his patients, at which she exclaimed: "I do wish my husband would keep away from such processions—it appears too much like a tailor carrying home his own work."-

On Consequence. When we look at a field of corn we find that those stalks which raise their heads highest are the emptiest. The same is the case with men; those who assume the greatest consequence have generally the least share of judgment and ability.

OUT AND IN. A poor man lately applied to a charitable lady in London to procure his admission to a hospital. Slie replied that she only subscribed to lying in hospital. "That's the very thing, ma'am," said he, "for I have been so long lying out that I now want lie in."

HINT TO Exquisites. A celebrated Parisian dandy was ordered by his physician to follow a course of sea bathing at Dieppe. Arrived at that delightful the water. He plunged in blavely, but in an instant ofter came up puffing

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USELESS AND COBBUPT HUMORS) becom so obstructed as to fail in affording full discharge of those impurities which are in

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