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ATreacherous Friend
An Incident in the Mines.
$\mathrm{S}^{\text {OCIETY at Monto Hill was based apon }}$ the broad principle that so long as a man made his living honestly, paid his
debts when he could, and minded his own
 own whence he came, what was his name,
or whither he proposed betanisg himself when tired of the brilliant society, beauti-
ful scenery and bracing atmosphere of tho Hill.
or other, when he first come to the Hill, to speak of Copenhagen, alluding, probably
to the Danish capital. From that time forward he was always referred to as "Co-
penhagen," until he came to kow and an. penngen, untine came to ne niow moth deed, f fancied that for some private rean he preferred to be known by this soobrin
quet rather than by the name ho had re quet rather than by the namo hio had
coived from his parenta, for I Ihanced to
bo tion touching his personal identity by axydng, "Dey call me Copenhagen";" and the
townshitip ansensor told me he was entered so on his book; which I thought extremely
-odd, too, for thoso oontinental Europeans, as a general thing like to seo their name
sproad pretty extenaively on paper. Thave spread prethy extenivively on papor. Mhave
thought that some of them got marriod,
and others die, for no other purpose under and others die, for ro other purpose und
heaven than to get their name in print. I have intimated that Copenhagen was a
icontinental European. Ilonrued that from his aceent; I might have discerned it from strright and muscoular, with regular feath tares, fair complexion, blue eyes and Alaxen
hair-altogether rather of the Apollonic than the Herculean type. But the manly
beauty of his features was almost constant-
 laughing brook is covered with a season's ioe, or the sun in for four weeks at a time veiled behind wintery clonds. Yet ass the
ico is thaywed and the cloudes rifod, so/ the shade was somewhat lifted from Copenhagen's couthtenange, and ho seemed to over-
liw..vith exuberant eevjoyment. At such ing in follicitons small talk and humeroun anecalotes, which derived additional charm
from hisi foreign idiom and from hiaiforerign didiom and acoent, singiog melodious Beandinavian roundelayy with
much spirit, and drinking his glaes of wine groat relish. But each of those "lueid in. torvalu," "as some or the "boy"" facotionaly
termed them, was sure to boe followed by period of depression, during whitch ho necluded himsolf as much as posible from
human nocioty, traating all who ventured to intrude upon hils privacy with coldinees and taciturnity that they did not caro to preas their attempts at mociality. of me
alone ho made an exception. I was but a boy then, Juot turned of eighteen, but
alone in the world, alonen in the word, and try lig as wen
could to till the placo and divoharge the sponsibilities of a man. Copenhagen pathetio to bond of lonaolinoum; and I I ued do apeod many an hour in hils company when almost amounting to sudeneses. Wo nover sillontly commuing witheurown thoughtes, Anding a atrango plonaure th the companconaing.
village, an mont of the miners had do $t$. the sake of such social advantages as Monto

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and neatly ordered; the walls were lined
with muslin, and, in addition to the usual
furitur furniture of such an abode, the occupant
had improvised a stationary writing-stand and some shelves for books, of which he
had quite a numbor in a tongue to me un-
known. He also received seval known. He also recoived several news-
papers through the newsidaler at the Hill,
one of which was from Norway; whence I concluded that Copenhagen was a Norwe-
gian, although he avoided all association with the Norwegians in the camp, of
whom there were several. He worked very industriously, but no
one except himself know with what nuc
cess. He always paid his way, and gave
liberally to such objects as appealed to liberally to such objects as appealed
public or private charity. But whethe
his claim was paying five dollars per day or fifty-whether he had amased twenty
ounces or twenty thousand dollars-no one but himself had any idea. He never com-
plained of his suck or boasted of having
"struck it rich;" he never made a remittance; and if Adams \& Co., had have falled at the time of which I write, they would not Notwithstanding our friendship, he never or even remotely alluded to it, during the
first three years of our acquaintance. Ye he seemed to be as certain of my sympathy
as if I had known everything. But one unday afternoon, when I was sitting with
him in his cabin, he opened his trunk, and placed in my hand a miniature on ivory of a young girl
blonde type.
unfeigned admiration, "is not sho beauti-
"She is certainly very lovely," I replied. ue, softly, taking it from my hand and
covering it with kisses and tears. Then covering subdued his emotion, he restored his
treasure to ita hiding-place, and neither of ureasure to ita hiding-place, and neither of
us alluded to it again. The scene, however, mpressed me as a revelation. I was cerquited daffection; and I, as yet untonched
by a shaft from Cupid's quiver, mareeled by a shart from Cupid's quiver, marveled
much that a strong man like my friend should permit himself to become infatuated
with an object which he could never hop to a attain.
mellowed into autume rapidy on; summe gealed into winter-for Monte Hill is perched upon the western slope of the Sierra
Nevida at an altitude which scorns the mild temperature and balmy airs which winter brings to the lower valleys of Cal
fornia. With us the seanon was very rig. frosts, and nnow covering the ground for months to the depth of from ton to ffteen feot. Yet, though the ruggedness of our
rouds and the depth of the snow put sleighing as a pastime quite out or the question
and no one was enterprising enought to atitute askating rink, we passed our winters apparently more highly favored. The Nor wegian miners had introduced the pastime
of anow-skating, so common in the moungreat bulk of of their native land; as the from employment during the greater par of the season, old and young, great an
small, adopted the exciting sport with suc rest, and practised it so askiduously, tha
after two or three after two or three seasons many of the
American-born akaters surpasaed their in
atruotors in the execution of fut structors in the execotion of feats invo
hazard or requiring apecial dexterity.
or other tough and flexible wood. They are from six to twelve feet in length, ao-
cording to the weight of the alater; about cording to the weight of the skater; about
four inches broad, and half an inch thiok, Cour inches broad, and half an inch thiok,
and turned up forward like ordinary steel
akates. Ieather strups akates. Leather straps hold the feet on
the middlo of the gkates, the soles of which are anointed before use with "dope", com-
pounded of rexin, tallow, lamblack, ete., the object of which is to onuse the aknter to "take hold" in ascending a hill, and to
rotard their speed in dencending. Armed rotard their speed in deicending. Armed
with a long staff, imilar to the Alpinestook
uned by the 8 wias mountaineerk, the ex. uned by the $\$$ wias mountaineera, the ex.
pert snow-skater asconds a hill or traverves a level space about as, rapidly as he could
walk upon bare groand, but in dosconding walk upon bare ground, but in dosconding
his apped depende apon his own akill and oourage.
ing Childers or Eclipse, Norfolk or Ken-
tuoky, was slow compared with the records
of some of the contestants in the annual
races of the champion belt, in Sierna
county Califorula. Of ocouse a novice
dare not attenpt sueh feats. Ho would
infallibly break his neck or spit himself in parently lifeless.
I was among the foremost of those who race ; but before contestants in the fearful spot where the stranger lay, Copenhagen had turned, and had raised the poor fellow's
head out of the snow into which it had been head out of the snow into which it had been
driven-the nerveless feet had fallen from the skates, which stood upright in the snow.
"My Gott $P$ " exclaimed Copenhagen, as
we came up ; "I do not want to kill himno! What for he run away so fast! Here,
some people bring him to my cabin, and some people bring him to my cabin, and
some oder ones go for do doctor-quick !
He don't die yet-I shall not let him die ", The insensible form was speedily conolose at hand, and a surgeon soon arrived who, after a careffle examination, expressed
the opinion that the man's injurien were not necessarily fatal, although his right leg
and arm were broken and he had received a severe contusion on the side of the head, "Ho is a strong man," said the doctor,
"and with great care and good nursing may come safely through, although just
now the chances look very much against
"He will live, will live, dootor-he will live," reiterated Copenhagon. "He come
so far to me, he cannot die till he speaks
to me."
The broken limbs were set and bandaged the contusion dressed, and the necessary
medicines left for the still inseusible sufferer. Copenhagen selected me to assist him in watching the patient, and would
permit no other to stay, on the ground that the eabin was not largo enough for more
although the Norwegians who accompanied the stranger to the skating giound seemed determined that one of theirnumber should Copenhagen because of what had occurred.
Having procured a supply of bedding and other necessary articles from town, Copen-
hagen and I dovoted ourselves to the care of the sufferer, who only a woke to semi sensid not recover for many days. He ra-
he ved almost incessantly in his own tongue,
and Copenhagen was often mueh moved by his utterance, which I did not understand. One day, when our patient was calmer
than usual, Copenhagen took me by the hand, as we sat by the stranger's bedside, "My young frent, I dells you now all apout ias affair. We were young men to-
gedder in Norway, dis man Jarl Jorgenso and I. We loved the same beautiful girlIda Torson-but she love us not both; my
dear Ilda love but me alone. I have show dear Ida love but me alone. I have show
you her picture, which you call very, love-ly"-1 remember that "very lovely !" We
did engage to marry. Den dis man. Jarl, was very much angry, and look around to
do me harm. De opportunity was come. do me harm. De opportunity was come.
A man is found dead near my houne. He is sho with a pro and dey find a pistor dead man. I am arrest. Dey search me. Dere are many people in my house, and
Jarl is dere. Dey find noting on my person, but dey find somting of de dead man in my house. Dey find too miuh my Gott!
Dey make me in jail. Den dis Jarl come Dey make me in jail. Den dis Jari come
to me. He say to me, 'Dero is too much proof; you will die. You must escape and
leave Norway forover!' To live seem good I do not suspect Jarl a villain. He assist me to escape. I reach Denmark; I some to
Ameries: I come here. I write many lettors. I got none. I think a long time, and
den I remember some tings. I know that Jarl bring suspicion on me, to get, me away
that he may take Ilda to himelc. It break that he may take Ilda to himself. It break
my heart, yot I dare not go home. Now he is here. Gott have put him in my hand.
Ho shall live and he shall make me innoHe shall live and he ahall make me inno-
cent, that I may return lu peace to my cent, that I ma.
home and Ida."
"But," said I, "supposo Ida is married: Perhaps he accomplished his design and gained her in your absence."
"Never"" naid he, with earnestne "My Ilda love me too well-she will marry nono but me, Besides, do I no hear
what he say? My Goth, my Ilda have suf. for much for me!"
"But peraisted I, instigated by the spirit of perversity, "are you sure abo is yot
alive?",
"I am sure," he replled, " of everthing but dia pne ting, I am not sure if dey make
me immooent or make me guilty", At length the patient's dis
ravorable turn. The fever was brokon; the
delirium lef him. I aat by his bedt when he awoke from a peacoful nlumbor

Copenhagen approached, and the stranger
olosed his eyes with a shudder. "Fear not me, Jarl," said
" It a soothing tone, and, laying his hand oaressingly on the sick, man's brow ; "1
forgive all if you do me rightand speak me forgive all if you do me rightand speak me
true. But speake not now, my child; you re not strong. To-morrrw, or anothe
day, you shall tell me all," Copenliggen waited patiently, however,
antil the third day after this, before b questioned the sufferer. Whed. did you tiy from mes so fast?" ho "You looked ao threatening," said the
stranger, "and I knew that I deserved "Did I look so? my Gott 1 maybe I did; would make yon tell me all the truth. You will tell me now ?' Jarl made a reply in his native tougue
but Copenhagen said. "Speak in English-you speak it well. Dis young man is my dearest friend in dik
country. What I know already he know What I know not I wish him to know also. ell me, in Ida well""
"Stre is well, except that she grieves for "And my parents, and my sisters-are "They are well."
"And now tell me dis and tell me true -do dey make me guilty, or innocent?" "Your innocenee is established. The
real murderer was found, confessed his
crime, and was execeted"" "Thank Gott! Now Jarl Jorgonsou, forgive you everything. I have no bad
thought for you any more. I am too hap "You do not know," continued Jarl, with an imploring glance towards me, as if
he oraved my charitable consideration, "how guilty I havo been Erio. It waa who found the murdered man's corpse, and from you so long previously that you had conveyed the articles taken from the dead man's body to your house-who purloined It was a desperate game, and might have rained myself insteal of you; but no one
suspected me except Ida, for I had contrived and executod the damnable plot. You, who so well know and appre-
cate her worth, and loveliness, can est imate the strength of my temptation. It wa never my intention to causo your conviction and execution for the murder; I was de-
termined from the first that you should cape; but I wished to get you out of the disgraced and banished she would loathe you and smile upon me. But I found that had too lightly estimated her character ry, spurged me directly with my treachry, spurned my addresses with contempt,
nd finally demanded of me, as the price of humble place in her regard, that I should nanag you out and restore you to her. I had anaged, so long as you wrote to your fam-
il and friends, to intercept your letters. had preserved the name of the town
where
you had first sojourned after youn arival in New York, and I wrote to you here, but received noanswer. I then went
there in searel of you and found that you had gone to California. I followed, and without success, uatil your sudden ap pearance at the skating-ground so fright. evil I did you; and now, if you can forgive
me I am ready to dio in peace." M
"Forgive you, Jarl 9 my Gott, yes a tou-
and times ! Wo are all weak peoples, and I tink many wrong tings myself, dough You shall altogedder recover not die Jau You thall altogedder recover, and acoom
pany me home to Norway, where we will dis country. My Gott, yes ! you shall get
The next day Copenhagen despatche wo voluminous letters to Norway. Grea as muat have been his impatienco to return antil his resorery Nover was a mother core attentive to the wants of a siok chil ner was Copenhagen to those of his fornor enemy. I havo seen him, when he
thought he was not observed, shedding tures.
"Poor follow IT he would nay ; he wa not a kad man, aftor all"
Jarl at length so far
p for a fow houra at a time. He ncemed be very thoughtffl and at last informed comcludid os maitir page.

