


AMONG THE MAILS.

A correspondent of the Genesee Reporter, who has evidently "been there," thus graphically describes his experience as deputy postmaster: I was sworn in and entered upon the duties of the office on the first day of July 18-- Yes, I was sworn into the office; and, for fear one oath would not answer the purpose, I swore in the office every day for a year; at the end of which time I had become so profane that I swore myself out of office without any difficulty. I shall never forget the first day's experience. It was as hot as an attic sleeping room, and the office was about as large. Mails were in from Slangville, Talktown, Blown Valley, Lip Creek, Gab Hill, Buzzing Flats, Crackfield, and Shouting Hollow. Mails in from the East, West, North and South. Way-mails, side mails, catch mails, and through-mails—all slung to you like bundles of wheat, when you can't move them away half as fast as they are slung. I stood in the midst of that mountain of mail matter, so helpless and dumbfounded I didn't know what the matter was. I was as weak and limber as the limpiest bag in the pile. I actually did not know myself from the sides of sole leather that lay about me. In ten minutes the mail went East and West; in fourteen they went North and South; and already a half dozen sorrel-whiskered, raccoon-capped stage-drivers were shouting "mails!" "hurry up, there!" "d--d slow, this morning!" and I heard one shily shily, grass fed director say to another: "I guess the new deputy is a better hand on sorting taters than he is letters!" I knew I wasn't much of a sorter that day, nor much of a fighter any day, but I did sorter want to get at that miserable skinned of revilement, and show him my proficiency as distributing clerk, but I was otherwise engaged. Frantically I seized the mail-key, and the first thing I attempted to do with it was to wind up the clock. Finally I succeeded in getting the mail bags open, and all emptied into a huge box in the center of the office. As near as I could guess, there must have been about fourteen bushels of unsorted mail-matter. If it had been about fourteen bushels of beans to be hand-picked, the task would not have seemed more formidable. Slangville letters went to the right, Talktown letters went to the left, Blown Valley went over the right shoulder, Lip Creek went over the left, Gab Hill went obliquely to the left, Crackfield went directly over the head, and Shouting Hollow between the legs; the space directly in front being reserved for Bottledford. I was a little particular at first not to make any mistakes, but the scrambling of these waiting for their letters, and the shouting of the drivers without, warned me that my time was nearly up. So I just threw them around like dealing whist, gave each a fair proportion, reserving the biggest pile for Bottledford. Then I stuffed the mail-bags, and jerked them out of the office-door, and the hurry and impatience of those miserable drivers vanished as soon as they got possession of them. One, the noisiest of the lot, the one who had made the undignified and ratered comparison as a sorter, actually hung around for half an hour, staring at me through the window, and laughing at my perplexities. He said he would have me reported at headquarters. I made up my mind that if I ever got a chance I would report at his headquarters, and hind, too; for a matter of that. The stage-drivers disposed of, a more formidable and impossible task presented itself. Three hundred and fifty letter boxes to be hunted up, each with the owner's name, to a fine hand, written on its up per margin. My boss, the P. M., told me I must find them out myself, then I would always remember where they were. He was a man who had far more confidence in his judgment than I had in my memory. I recollect (and very surprising it is that I do) when I was first put upon the multiplication-table, that solid square table as constructed in the days of Daboll and Willett. I remember how dim, how uncertain, how unintelligible its twelve ranks of figures looked, beginning with 1 and ending with 144. Just so that parallelogram of hollow squares looked to me at that moment. It seemed as if each individual owner was gazing with bloodthirsty eyes upon his number, and unless he received a letter he would go for the deputy. In a fit of desperation, I seized a large package of letters. Alonzo Plummer was the first name. Where was Alonzo Plummer's box? If the name had been written on it in letters as big as horsehoes, I could not have seen it. I slammed it into the nearest box. I did so with all the rest. Every box had a letter as far as they went, and then I raised the sliding. A rush was made for the opening. No. 2, No. 77, No. 50, No. 60, No. 102, No. 240 if you please: Any thing for

Storker? Any thing for Bilger? No. 319, No. 175; Any thing for Shellgrave? Any thing for Pickletop? And so it went, every mouth belching forth a number or a name. I shoved out the letters indiscriminately and impartially without regard to age, sex, nationality, color, or previous condition. Everybody got letters, but, not one in fifty got their own. "Here, Sam," says one, "is a letter for you in my box." "Yes, and here is one for you in mine!" "What's this doing in my box?" says another. "Ah, yes, excuse me—a slight mistake; belongs to Mr. Bangs." "Bangs, did you say? I just asked, and you said there was nothing for Bangs." With my pencil I marked on it the number of box from which I had taken it, and handed it out, remarking, in a tone of injured innocence, that it was a mistake of the sender, and not of mine. "What is that nasty Polly Ives's letter doin' in my box?" screamed a rural swain on the right of attacking column. "Mistook your name." Madame thought it was politeness. But the greatest pest of all was the school-children. As soon as school was over, there was one wild race for the post office. They began to inquire as soon as they came within shouting distance. They would inquire for themselves, and then for everybody that lived within five miles of them. "Any thing for any of the Murphys?" yells a little freckle faced, yellow topped, potato mound, with nationality so strongly developed that you could smell it. "Anything for Jane Murphy?" No. "Anything for Ann Murphy?" No. "Anything for Tom Murphy?" No, nor for Pat Murphy, nor Dennis Murphy, nor Pete Murphy, nor for any Murphy—dead, living, unborn, native or foreign-born, naturalized or otherwise, male or female. Why created He them? The Murphy family disposed of, the Fitz Gerald, and Fitz Patrick, and Fitz Moony were thrown at me until I caught them myself. I had Fitz chronic, and I could tell every day when they were "coming" on. Children came to the office to inquire for letters, so young that they hadn't strength to carry home the weekly Tribune, and who didn't know the difference between a letter and a door-plate. Not weekly, nor semi-weekly, nor daily but hourly,—but as often as they could think of it. I have often seen them hang around the outside, waiting for their hour to come and inquire for letters. Great strapping girls came every day for weeks and months, who had the measles oftener than they had a letter, but they might have come to see the deputy, which was better than the measles, if not quite so good as receiving a letter. One man came every day for three weeks, and made a terrible rumpus every time he came about the carelessness and inefficiency of the mail service. At last his important letter arrived, and it proved to be a patent medicine almanac of last year, but he had got fifteen or twenty dollars' worth of labor and information out of me for nothing, and he was accordingly satisfied. I like an inquiring mind. It shows research and progress. I is a spirit of reaching out for something by which to draw itself higher, and it gets hold of a soft thing when it grabs a deputy post masters. He gets more civil answers out of him in one minute than he can blast out of all the railway conductors in Christendom, and he gets it for nothing, which is wrong. If the government would charge a farthing for every No that is given in answer to the inquiry, "Is there anything in the office for me?" it would pay off the national debt in six weeks; and, another great advantage it would be, their deputies would not be required to do so much, which would give people of ordinary minds and women a chance to display themselves. A New Way to Cook Meat. A good way to cook meat is to seal it in a vessel hermetically tight. Cooked thus a long time in its own juices, it is rendered very tender, and has a peculiar appetizing flavor. Take an earthen jar that will stand heat, with tight fitting cover. If beef is to be the dish for dinner, cut it in convenient pieces, lay them in the jar, rub each piece with salt and pepper and a little lump of sugar, and put in a little water; then lay on a piece of thick buttered paper, and press down the cover. If you think it will allow any steam to escape, mix shorts or rye meal with water to a paste; press strips of this all around the edge of the cover. Bake in a moderate oven four or five hours, according to the tenderness of meat. Chick en or turkeys are excellent cooked in this way. The toughest meat is rendered tender by this process; and none of the nutritious matter is wasted, as in many of the forms of cooking.

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