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A FIGHT WITH A RAILROAD.

Mr. John Q. Coleman was ejected from a New Haven car because he tried to use a ticket backwards, as it is called, and sued the company for damages on account of the injuries he sustained, gives the following interesting account of scenes in court:

MISTAKEN IDENTITY—A CURIOUS CASE.

In 187—, on the steamer—, from Louisville to Bowling Green, was a large party of passengers. We had gotten some distance up Green River, when, at some landing, a gentleman and lady came aboard, registered as man and wife, and were duly assigned a stateroom in the ladies' cabin.

On another trial the lawyer who conducted the case in behalf of the railroad company, thundered out this command "Now, sir, look upon the jury and tell them why you broke the rules of that road—why you attempted to use that ticket? A man of your age and your experience in traveling must have known better."

My answer was deliberate, for I had outgrown my original nervousness, and was hardened to theasperities of judicial inquisition: "On general principles, when I pay a dollar for a thing, I am entitled to the equivalent of that dollar, whether I buy a railroad ticket or potatoes."

"Y-es," rejoined the lawyer, slowly, and with a sneer in every word, "and when you buy potatoes, you think you can take it out in sugar or tea, if you prefer." He had made a good point, he thought, and he cast about the room a look inviting congratulation.

During the last trial I had testified that I knew tickets had been used "backwards" on the road, and I believe such usage amounted to a custom.

What is this you accuse me of, madame—of being your former husband, of following you with threats to kill, etc.? Why, I do not know you—never saw you before on earth, to my knowledge, and I never had a wife."

She, answering, "What, sir! You deny that your name is —, that you were once my husband, and that we separated in —, Indiana?"

Before the witness could answer, the counsel for the railroad sprang up and vehemently protested against the introduction of the evidence. The judge evidently did not comprehend the situation, and turned an inquiring look upon my lawyer, who answered by saying, "Your Honor, the defendant has asked me why we did not call witnesses to prove the custom of using tickets 'backwards,' and said that they should not object if we did so. Now we put this gentleman on the stand to show that he had such tickets—"

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until you are told to do so." But the caution was too late; the mischief was done: and again all present, appreciating the humor of this breach of legal etiquette, united in a hearty laugh.

A RIDE FOR LIFE

The following is an extract from "Life on the Plains," by General G. A. Custer, in the May number of the Galaxy:

There was a beautiful clear stream of water, named Bluff creek, running through camp, which supplied bathing facilities to the officers and men, a privilege which but few allowed to pass unimproved. Whether to avoid the publicity attending localities near camp, or to seek a point in the bed of the stream where the water was fresh and undisturbed, or from a motive different from either of these, two of our young officers mounted their horses one day without saddles and rode down the valley of the stream perhaps a mile or more in search of a bathing place.

Fortunately the Indians, who were now within a few hundred yards of the two officers, were coming from the direction opposite camp, leaving the retreat of the officers open.

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amazed and confused, seems but half convinced. Here the case rests. I have never since seen or heard of the strangely deluded lady, but the gentleman, the subject of this delusion, is still living on Green River, a respected good citizen, and the hundreds who know him know this was a mistake utterly incredible and incomprehensible—not committed by an acquaintance, nor even an intimate friend, but by a wife, who had lived with a man in a marital relation for three or four years, and only separated from him then for a few months.

A STAGE TRICK.

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Then one of the comedians would appear before the foot-lights, apologize for the unpleasant scene that had occurred, and justify himself for the part he had taken in the quarrel. After his retirement, another actor would present himself, rehearse his grievances, and endeavor to set them right with the audience.

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