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THE BUREAU DRAWER.

The man who will invent a bureau

out a hitch will not only secure a for-

tune but attain to an eminence in his-

tory not second to the greatest war-

riors. There is nothing perhaps (always excepting a stove pipe), that will

so exasperate a man as a bureau drawer

which will not shut. It is a deceptive

article. It will start off all right,

then it pauses at one end while the

other swings in as far as it can. It

is the custom to throw the whole

weight of the person against the end

which sticks. If any one has succeeded

in closing a drawer by so doing he will

confer a favor by sending his address to this office. We have seen men do

this several times, and then run from

the other side of the room and jump

with both feet against the obstinate

purpose any better, but is very satis-

fying. Mrs. Halcomb was trying to

shut a bureau drawer, Saturday morn-

ing, but it was a failure. Finally she

told her to stand aside and see him do

"You see," said Mr. Halcomb, with quiet dignity, "that the drawer is all awry. That's what makes it stick.

Now anybody but a woman would see at once that to move a drawer in that

position would be impossible. I now

bring out this other end even with the

other; so. Then I take hold of both

knobs, and with an equal pressure

from each hand the drawer moves eas-

The dreadful thing moved readily

"Ah!" observed Mrs. Halcomb, begin-

Mr. Halcomb very properly made

expression, but he gently moved each

end of the drawer to and fro, but with-

out success. Then he pulled the draw-

er all the way out, adjusted it prop-

erly, and started it carefully back. It

moved as if it was on oiled wheels. Mr. Halcomb smiled. Then it stopped.

justed," suggested the unhappy Mrs. Halcomb.

it back again, but it wouldn't come.

"Are you sure you have got every-thing out of here you want?" he finally asked, with a desperate effort to ap-

a hard look gleamed in his eye.

"I'm afraid you haven't get the ends

strained every muscle in the pressure.
"What dumb fool put this drawer

together, I'd like to know?" he snapped

She made no reply, but she felt that

she had not known such happiness

since the day she stood before the altar

with him, and orange blossoms in her

"I'd like to know what in thunder

"I ain't done anything to it," she

care," she sympathizingly retorted.

The cords swelled up on his neck,

"I'll shut that drawer or I'll know

the reason of it," he shouted; and he

jumped up and gave it a passionate

He dropped on his knees again and grabbed hold of the knobs, and swayed

and pushed at them with all his might.

open the window? do you want to smother me?" he passionately cried.

It was warm-dreadfully warm,

The prespiration stood in great drops

on his face, or ran down into his neck.

The birds sang merrily out the door,

and the glad sunshine lay in golden sheets upon the earth; but he did not

notice them. He would have given five

dollars if he had not touched the ac-

cursed bureau; he would have given ten if he had never been born.

"Why in heaven's name don't you

"O, my!" she exclaimed.

but it didn't move.

and the corners of his mouth grew

you've been doing to this drawer, Jane

Halcomb?" he jerked out.

"Ooh," he groaned.

pear composed.

harder.

"Perhaps you ain't got the ends ed-

Mr. Halcomb looked solemn.

ungenerous

forward for a distance of nearly two

inches. Then it stopped abruptly.

ning to look happy again.

no response to this

ily in. See?"

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Many years since, there dwelt in the town of P---, a pretty village distant some twenty miles from the market town,a peculiarly comely and graceful maiden, who had a peculiarly ugly and

cross-grained, but wealthy father.

Minnie was Danforth's only child, and report said she would be his sole legatee. The old man was a sturdy farmer, and was estimated to be worth full ten thousand dellars-at that period a very handsome fortune, to be sure.

The sparkling eyes and winning ways of Minnie Danforth had stirred up the finer feelings of the whole male portion of the village, and her suitors were numerous; but her father was particular, and none succeeded in making headway with him or her.

In the meantime, Minnie had a true and loyal lover in secret. His name was Walker-Joe-Joe Walker, and he was simply a farmer, employed by old Danforth, who had entrusted Joe with the management of his place for two or three years.

But a very excellent farmer and good manager was the plain, unassuming but good-looking Joe Walker. He was only twenty-three, and he actually fell in love with the beautiful, pleasant joyous Minnie Danforth, his old employer's only daughter. But the strangest part of the occurrence was, that Minnie returned his love earnestly, truly and frankly, and promised to wed him at a favorable time.

Things went on merrily for a time but old Danforth discovered certain glances and attentions between them which excited his envy and suspicion. Very soon afterwards Joe learned the old mau's mind indirectly, in regard to his future disposal of Minnie's hand, and he quickly saw that his case was a hopeless one, unless he resorted to stratagem; and so he set his wits at once to work.

By agreement, an apparently settled coldness was observed by the lovers towards each other for five or six months, and the father saw, as he thought, with satisfaction, that his previous suspicion and fear had been all premature. Then, by agreement also between them, Joe absented himself from the house at evenings; and night after night, for full three months, did Joe disappear as soon as his work was finished, to return home only at late bed-time. This was unusual, and old Danforth determined to know the cause of it.

Joe frankly confessed that he was in love with a man's daughter, who resided less than three miles distant; but after a faithful attachment between them for several months, the old nfan had utterly refused to entertain his applica-

This was capital; just what old Panforth-most desired. This satisfies him that he had made a mistake in regard to his own child; and he would help Joe get married and thus stop all further suspicions or trouble at some. So he

"Well, Joe, is she a buxom lass?"
"Yes—yes," said Joe," "That is, other folks say so. I'm not much of a

judge."
"And you like her?" "Yes, sir-yes."

"Then marry her," said old Danforth.

"I can't—the father objects—"
"Pooh!" continued Danforth, "let him do so, what need you care? Run away "Elope?"

"Yes! Off with you at once! If the gal will join you—all right. Marry her and bring her here; you shall have the cottage at the foot of the lane. I'll furnish it for you; your wages shall be in-creased, and the old man may like it or not, as he will!"

about it at once, and-'

"You will stand by me?"
"Yes, to the last. I know you, Joe. You're a good fellow, a good workman, and will make anybody a good son or husband.' "The old fellow will be so mad,

though." "Who cares, I say? go on quickly,

but quietly." "To morrow night, then," said Joe.
"Yes," said Danforth.
"I'll hire Clovers horse—"

"No, you shan't." "I say no. Take my horse—the best one—Young Morgan; he'll take you off in fine style, in the new phæton."

"Exactly." "As soon as you're spliced, come right back here, and a jolly time we'll have of it at the old house."

Her father will kill me. "Bah! He's an old fool, whoever he is; don't know your good qualities, Joe, as well as I do. Don't be afraid; a faint heart, you know, never won a fair lady.

"The old man will be astounded." "Never mind, go on, We'll turn the laugh on him. I'll take care of you and your wife, at any rate."
"I'll do it," replied Joe.

"You shall," said Danforth; and they parted in the best of spirits.

An hour after dark, on the following evening, Joe made his appearance, decked in a new black suit, and really looking very comely. The old man bustled out to the barn with him, helping to harness "Young Morgan" to the new photon, and leading the spunky animal himself to the road, away went the happy Joe Walker in search of his bride. A few rods distant from the house he found her, as per previous arrangement, and repairing to the next village, the parson very quickly made them one in holy wedlock. Joe took the bride and soon dashed back to the town of P---, and halted at old Danforth's house, who was already looking for him, and who received him with open arms.

"Is it done?" cried the old man. "Yes-yes!" answered Joe.

end. This doesn't appear to answer the "Bring her in, bring her," continued the old fellow, in high glee; never mind compliments; no matter about the dark entry; here, here, Joe to the right, in the parlor, we'll have a jolly time now," and the anxious farmer pushed away for lights, returning almost immediately.

"Here's the certificate, sir," said Joe.

"And this is my wife," he added, as he passed up the beautiful bride—the bewitching and lovely Minnie Dan-

"What!" roared the father," Joe you

villain, you scamp, you audacious cheat, you—you—you—"
"It is true sir, we are lawfully married. You assisted to this course, you assisted to you planned the whole affair, you lent me your horse, you thought me, last evening, worthy of any man's child, you promised me the cottage at the foot of the lane, you—"

it you're a-a-a-"
"Calmin how sir," continued Joe, and the entreaties of the happy couple were at once united to quell the old man's ire, and to persuade him to acknowledge their union.

"I didn't; I deny it. You can't prove

The father relented at this. It was a job of his own manufacture, and he saw how useless it would be finally to attempt to destroy it. He gave in reluctantly, and the fair

Minnie Danforth was overjoyed to be duly acknowledged as Mrs. Joe Walker.

The marriage proved a happy one, and the original assertion of old Danforth proved truthful in every respect. The cunning lover was a good son and a faithful husband, and lived many years to enjoy the happiness which followed up the runaway match; while the old man never cared to hear much about the details of the elopement, for he saw how completely he had over-

THE ORIGIN OF SEXES.

shot his mack!

Aristophanes, the funny man of clas-"Once upon a time man had three strength to the obdurate drawer, while sexes and a double nature; besides this, he was perfectly round, and had four hands and four feet, one head with two faces looking opposite ways, set on a single neck. When these creatures pleased, they could walk as we do now, but if they wanted to go faster they would roll over with all their four legs in the air, like a tumbler turning summersaults; and their pride and strength were such that they made war upon the gods. Jupiter re-sented their insolence, but hardly liked to kill them with thurderbolts, as the gods would then lose their sacrifices. At last he hit upon a plan. "I will cut them in two," he said, "so that they will well on two legs instead of four. They will then be only half as insolent, but twice as numerous and "But—"
"No buts, Joe. Do as I bid you! go we shall get twice as many sacrifices."
This was done, and the two balfs are continually going about looking for one another; if we mortals (says Aristophanes, with a comic air of apprehension,) are not obedient to the gods, there is a danger that we shall be split up again, and shall have to go about in basso-relievo, like those figures with only half a nose which you may see sculptured on our col-

Rome Sentinel: The young man who sat on the front steps of a Floyd avenue house all day yesterday, was not on a wager, as was generally supposed. The steps were newly painted with a patent paint, Saturday, and the paint was not dry Sunday evening when the young man sat down there to talk with his intended at the parlor window. He was not ready to go un-til midnight, and then found the paint under him was dry. Last night they loosened the plank on which he sat, and he carried it carefully home be-

A witty Troy girl, having drank some nauseous medicine by mistake, said to her mother: "It is said that one swallow doesn't make spring, but that swallow made me spring six feet."

threw all his weight on both knobs. It moved then. It went to its place with a suddenness that threw him from his balance, and brought his face ground; but grow narrower as they reach the sky.

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to skin his nose and fill his eyes with water to a degree that was blinding. Then he went out on the back stoop, drawer which will move out and in withand sat there for an hour, scowling at

> One day Colonel Fisk was showing Mr. Travers over the Plymouth Rock, the famous Long Branch boat. After showing the rest of the vessel be pointed to two large portraits of himself and Mr. Gould, hanging a little distance apart, at the head of the stairway. There says the Colonel," what do you think of them?" "They're good, Colooel—you hanging on one side and Gould on the other; f-i-r-s-t rate. But, Colonel," continued the wicked Mr. Travers, buried in thought, "w-where's our Savior?" Mr. Travers, who is a vestryman in Grace Church, says he knows it was wicked, but he could'nt have helped it if he'd been on his dy-

"O, Lord, thou knowest," prayed a Connecticut deacon, "that I am afflicted with a most impious and depraved burst into tears. Then Mr. Halcomb son. Thou knowest that he will swear. and lie, and steal, and do all sinful things. Thou knowest that on last Sabbath he was seen walking down the priccipal street in the village, with his hands in his pockets, whistling the following ungodly tune:"—and the congregation were assounded to hear "Yankee Doodle" flow melodiously from the deacon's pursed-up lips.

When a boy succeeds in convincing his mother that he was not swimming in the river-that his hair was made wet by prespiration while "helping Bill Timmins to catch a chicken just now"-you might just as well try to ex-plain the Schleswig-Holstein question as to undertake to describe the awful expression of that boy's face when his mother subsequently discovers that he has on another boy's shirt.

A Detroit bachelor, not rich, but industrious and respectable, entered the house of a respectable widow on Baker street, the other day, and said : "Mrs. Blank, I'll give you just three minutes to say whether you'll be my wife or not." "I only want fifteen seconds—yes!" she answered, and then they sat down and began, to plan how many tomatoes they would can this summer.

Mr. Halcomb made no reply. Were it not for an increased flush in his face A father fearing an earthquake in the region of his home, sent his two sons to a distant friend's until the peril it might have been doubted if he heard the remark at all. He pushed harder at the drawer than was apparent to her, should be over. A few weeks after, but it didn't move. He tried to bring the father received this letter from his friend: "Please take your boys home and send down the earthquake." One morning a little four-year-old boy lay awake in his crib. His head

seemed to be stopped with a cold. Af-"Oh, that's what you are stopping ter vainly suffering for a while to clear it, he exclaimed: "Mamma, what is the matter with one side of for is it? But you needn't; I have got what I wanted; you can shut it right Then she smiled a very wicked my nose ?-it won't go." He grew redder in the face, and set his teeth firmly together, and put his role is the doubt whether one may not

be going to prove one's self a fool. The truest heroism is to resist the But it did not move. He pushed it doubt, and the protoundest wisdom is to know when it ought to be resisted and when to be obeyed.' When the Rome (N. Y.) Sentinel adjusted," she maliciously suggested.
A scowl settled on his face while be

gives advice, it always has an eye on the main chance; as, for instance, when it says: "When the weather is such that you can not work in your hay field, sit down and renew your subscription." Nebraska planted twelve million trees last year. This may seem a

braska's necessities, but it must be remembered that four horse-thieves can be hung on each tree. A young man in Lancaster sent a dollar to a firm in New York, who adwertised a receipt to prevent bad dreams. He received a small slip of paper, on which was printed, "Don't

small number as compared with Ne-

go to sleep." The model husband lives in Philadelphia. Re never allows his wife to do more than half the work. She puts up all the canned fruit in the summer,

and he puts it down in the winter. You can travel all day in New Hampshire and not find any doorplates, but then the kitchen floors are as white as chalk and all the girls can

bake bread. Barnum's new fat woman demanded more salary the other day, and when it was refused, she went right away and hired to play the piano in a sa-

A man who was up in a police court recently, gave his occupation as that of a "conchologist," and explained by saying that he opened oysters at mar-

A female justice of the peace in Wyoming had to stop to pin up her hair while solemnly sentencing a prisoner to three months in jail.