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THE RUSSIAN SOLDIER.

I passed by the gate of the palace, Oh! stout are its walls, and wide! At his post was standing a soldier, Like a forest oak in its pride. He was young, he was tall and handsome; I thought, "Were but I in his stead; I spoke—and four words he answered: "I am on guard," he said.

THE GREEN-COATED MAN.

Many a long year ago three or four regiments of Russian soldiers were encamped on a flat sandy plain upon the shore of the Gulf of Finland, not far from a new town which had just been built at the mouth of the river Neva, and called St. Petersburg. The sun was beginning to set, and the men, having finished their marching and exercising, were having a rest after the day's work, or beginning to get ready their supper.

GRAPPLING IN THE RIVER.

So! said the green-coated man, quietly, "one Silesian is a match for half a dozen Russians, eh? Well, I can see that he's their match at bragging, anyhow!" The Russians chuckled at this unexpected hit, and one of them laughed outright. Kratsch's face flushed purple with rage, and for a moment he seemed just about to fly at the speaker's throat. But there was something in the stranger's bearing, and in the calm, steadfast glance of his keen black eye, which cowed even the fierce soldier, who drew back with a sullen growl.

CLEVER CONJURING.

The great Robert Houdin went by royal command to St. Cloud, as he relates in his "Confidences," to give a show before King Louis Philippe and his family. In the course of this show he borrowed six handkerchiefs from the audience. Then various members of the audience wrote down on slips of paper the names of the places whither they would like the handkerchiefs to be transported. This done, the conjuror asked the king to choose three of those slips at random, and from the three to select the place he preferred.

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

By careful measurements Professor D. P. Penhallow has determined the root and the leaf areas of the Indian corn to be approximately equal. In the year 1873 the consumption of coffee in the United States was 34,000,000 pounds, and since that time it has steadily increased. Last year it was 77,000,000.

HIDDEN BEAUTY.

Look at this blossom through the glass— Almost the commonest flower— Did you ever dream that a clover held Such beauty as its dower? Now evermore this flower will bear The beauty the glass revealed; The wonderful charm that lay till now From eye and heart concealed.

HUMOROUS.

A simple lay—An egg. A gold pen—A coin vault. The hotel cook should be given a wide range.—Piscayuna. Not what it is cracked up to be—A worm-eaten nut.—New York Journal.

Pressed for time—A mummy.

He forgot the stiff neck.

Quakers Not Declining.