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THE LUCKY HAND.

I'll tell you the queerest thing that ever happened to me in business. One evening, about twenty years ago, I was going home along the City Road to my own house at Pentonville Hill. It was near the end of December. I had staid balancing accounts in my office some time after the Stock Exchange closed. A frosty night, with a half fog in it, had fallen; and therewas a rather valuable pocket book safely buttoned up in the breast pocket of my great coat, for I had that day sold five hundred Western Canal shares, which, in common with all such property, the railways were rapidly bringing down. They belonged to one of my best customers, had been advantageously disposed off, and I was carrying home the bank notes, thinking my own house was a safer place than the office, as house was a safer place than the office, as up all the money I could muster, and went the gentleman had not pleased to mention over to London, looking for the stock his banker. The City Road is not a soli-broker, but I never saw him till yesterday tary place at 5 P. M. I walked on, summing up the day's transactions and the probabilities of the morrow, leaking into the windows of all newsmen and stationers for the evening papers I thought most rehable, and occasionally seeing that my great coat was securely buttoned.

I was engaged in the latter occupation within eight of that notable inn, the Angel, Islington, when I became conscious of gel, islington, when I decame considered being watched and followed by a man who seemed determined to keep his eye on me. It is dress and appearance belonged to the shabby-respectable; himself and everything around him looked as if they had seen better days. His figure was tall and thin, his face long and sharp; his hair was more than the contents of my friend's perfectly gray, yet I felt convinced that his years did not much exceed my own, and I was then on the sunny side of fifty. It was strange, too, that he made no attempt at concealing his pursuit of the; in- dents. There was not a broker in the Exdeed, there was nothing sly appearants; change who could not tell me something looking about the man, stilled and me salout him, and their accounts confirmed pocket book to take care of; and, as we his own—that he had tried a good many reached a quieter part of the road skirting the New River Company's Water Works, I

resolved to let him know he was observed. by turning abruptly and facing him to the full light of a street lamp. Had it been any description of womanhood, instead of a gray haired and evidently not well-to-do man, I should have gone home to Mrs. Rugly more puffed up with vanity and self concert than the honest woman was accustomed to find me, for the best dressed specimen of beauty and fashion in all Belgravia could not have been greeted with a gaze of greater admiration and delight than that he bestowed on my cane colored whiskers and almost carroty hair. Was the man mad, or making game of me? Somehow, he did not look to be either; there was an appearance of perfect earnestness and sincerity in his demonstrations, as if his whole heart was in the

ousiness, and he neither thought nor cared for anything else. "Do you do anything in the Stock Ex-change, sir ?" said he, before I could make up my mind what proceedings to take. "Yes," said I, astonished out of all my

caution. "Why do you ask?" Because, sir. I want a little business done in that way. It's not much, but I'll pay you any commission I can;" and he pay you any commission I can; and no pand bette was at once a contrast and represent so near that I laid my had on my semblance between them; while he was a breast buttons. "If you will be so good as tall man, she was a lattle woman; but both to tell me your office, or anywhere you like to see me, I'll come to-morrow form looked as though they were always expect-

"Here's my address," said I. "I'm alget home, and wish you a very good night." leclaration. The shabby, admiring man might have confederates, and the road was not busy; but when I looked back at the

himself. Mrs. Rugly and I had a good laugh over that interview, when we sat by the fire af-ter our boys and girls had gone to bed. I wanted to make her believe be was a coun In dirguise; she insisted he was a sharper, and meant to wheedle me out of next morning resolved to let him slip out of my acquaintance as quietly as he stepped into it. According to my usual custom, I was at my office full three hours before the Exchange opened, but there was of her for being a dressmaker's girl though the man pacing up and down in front of anybody who saw Sally knew she was born the premises, and evidently waiting for to be a lady. When he had got fairly into the sanctuary of business, alias the small and lingy room which serves gentlemen of my profession in the neighborhood of Capel Court, he came to the point without giving me time to ask it, by producing a pocket hook with as many marks of better days and hard service as himself, turning it over so as to let me see a very few notes, reading a memorandum for his own instruction, and then requesting me to buy for

him three hundred shares in a certain Scotch railway. The line is now one of the best paying in Britain, but, for prudential reasons. anything Scotch, I will not give its particular designation. It had been commenced in the first fervor of railway making, when the public mind, having awakened to the utility of the iron road, for which George Stephenson and his supporters had fought so tough a battle, rushed into companies and script in every direction, and would have laid down rails between John o'Groats' and the Land's End. The line in question was not quite so un promising, but, from local causes, as well as a temporary tion of the ferment, its scrip was going rapidly down. I was aware that interested parties were doing their best to keep up the shares, and brokers who had none to sell called it a bad speculation. Perhaps I ought to claim credit for conscientious case or another, I kept to the letter. ness beyond the wont of Capel Court men, but my would be customer looked so hand

up, so earnestly bent on turning his few

not help telling him my mind on the subject, and seriously advising him to have nothing to do with the Scotch railway .-He heard me with a look of quiet but immovable obstinacy.
"It may be all true, sir; I am-sure it is,

for I have heard as much from all quarters; but buy the three hundred shares for me

line will never pay."
"It will pay, and I won't lose!" said the man, his eye kindling with a fire so bright and wild that it made me think of the

conclusions over night. "I don't care if I tell you, though some people might think it ailly to believe in such things, that I had a dream about that railway, sir. My uncle was a first rate speculator, a Lancashire man, one of the earliest that came out for George Stephen-son; you have heard of him, perhaps;" and he named a gentleman well known in in the first railway war, but then-deceased for some years. "He brought me up, and would have left me his shares in the Northwestern, but I displeased him by marrying against his will, and my uncle never and a prettier face I never saw; but we've been poor sir, very poor, and nothing has succeeded with me, though I have tried a good many things. When my uncle died, five years ago, he left his shares, bankstock and all, to a housekeeper he had.—
I'm told they're Liverpool gentry now; but I had not seen him for seventeen years, till one night last month. I had a dream; it must have been near daybreak. The old man appeared to come into my room, looking as he used to do when we were good friends, and bringing with him a person whom I never saw before. 'Tom,' said he, 'this gentleman is a stock broker; get him to buy you three hundred shares in the before seven years. He said a few more words which don't matter just at present, then walked away; and I woke up so sure of the whole business that I struck a light,

and looked round the room for the man he had brought, till poor Sally thought 1 had lost my judgment. The dream occurred every night for a week after. I got evening, when I was going home; and sir, you are the very man my uncle bro't with him. I would know your face among twenty thomsand, and, if you will buy me the shares, it will be better for us both." Mrs. Rugly, at least, gave me credit for sense and discretion; but the singular

story, the fact that he had recognized me, and the man's own faith in his dream, made me give up reasoning against the Scotch Railway, and consent to buy the shares. They had another fall that very day; and, knowing they were still in the descending line, I bought them in slowly. so that by the end of the week the three hundred shares were secured with little pocket-book. The man had interested me. You perceive it is possible to interest even a stock broker; and while buying up the simres I made inquiries after his antecethings, and succeeded in nothing. There

was no speculation -- mine, canal, dock, or

railway -in which he had not dabbled :and the most popular superstition in Capel Court was, that whatsoever he bought shares in was sure to go to the dogs, except he sold out immediately, when it was equal-ly certain to rise in the market. There were tales of stock-brokers who had made their fortunes and those of their custom ers, by the guidance of that curious rule. As the natural consequence of so much ill luck and determination to speculate, I also hourd that he was in the habit of owing and borrowing, and that his funds and his credit were now at a very low ebb. Nobody sould imagine where he got the hundred pounds, except from his relations in Lancashire, on a promise to embark for Australia, to which safe distance their united cudeavors had not been sufficient to send him and his wife, though employed to that Whether forand for the last ten years. tunately or otherwise he had no children: but, in spite of his unsuccessful stock job bing, the pair were said to live in affectionate harmony, not always found in better supplied homes. Theurs, at the time of my story, was a second floor on Cummin Street, Pentonville. Their name was Raxworth and there was at once a contrast and re-

ing something. Faith is infectious. When I had bought ways glad to see people in the way of bus-iness; in the meantime, I am in baste to worth, and, above all, talked over the mutthe shares, delivered them to Mr. Raxter with Mrs. Rugly, she and I felt so per-My steps did not linger long after that suaded that something would come of the dream that we kept our eves on the Rix worths, took a deep interest in their welfare and would have been friendly with them next turn, there he was, standing in the but for an unexpected obstacle. On the same spot, and gasing after me as if I had evening after I had bought up the last of been his guardian angel leaving him to the shares, and we were settling money matters in the back-room of a coffee-house where Raxworth masted on treating me to a steak and porter because I would charge him no commission. One pot followed another, till my friend's eyes began to twinkle, and his words followed rapidly.— He told all he would do when his fortune money or stock. At last, we agreed the was made by the — Railway; of the reman was mad; and I went to the office lations he would cut dead for looking down on him and Sally; of the house he would build overlooking Birkenhead, and to which he would take her home in her own carriage, to spite people who thought little

> "No doubt of it," said I, my own heart getting warm. "I am sure Mrs. Rugly would like to know her; we'll call on you "No. if you please," said Raxworth, any muslins; yet these things used to fret starting back with a blank terror in his me once.
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> **They say — "Ah! you have lessure—nothers." some day thu week."

for you. But don't come, sir, don't come to our house at all. After what the old man sid, that might the true, as well as the rest of the dream. "What did the old man say, Mr. Raxworth!" said I, laying down my pot with which one ought to have in speaking of my whole stock of determination.
anything Scotch, I will not give its partse. "Well, sir, I should have told you before but I thought you would not buy the shares for me. My uncle, after he told

> the hand you were to have in it, said a few words more, and they were the strangest of all:—Take care of him, for he will kill your wife! Now, sir, I don't believe you would do the like, but it is all in the same dream; that was the last thing my uncle said. Don't come to the house, air, nor have anything more to do with us!" Raxworth believed in what he told me, and fidid not tell that part of his dream to Mrs. Rugly; but I made him a solemn

> promise, and took a fixed resolution, to avoid their domicile, which, under one ex-

me about the making of my fortune, and

In pursuing this policy, I gradually lost ight of the man of the three hundred They don't know their happiness then— Bates, a young, dashing, popular, hares. I saw him in Capel Court somethose mothers. I didn't. All these things cinating dry-goods clerk is a girl!

NUMBER 22. notes to the best advantage that I could | times, occasionally met him going home heard of him first as an agent for some bod's unadulterated coffee, then as a traveler for a patent pill, and lastly of his sub-scribing a pictorial Bible. They had re-moved from Cummin street to a humbler logging in Clerkenwell, and his wife was

taking in plain work. To say the truth, I had no wish to see the poor man. In spite they are down fifty per cent. now. I of his dream, the — Railway had gone have got a hundred pounds here, and I'll utterly and totally to the dogs; the most sanguine speculators pronounced it a bad population of his dream, the — Railway had gone have got a hundred pounds here, and I'll utterly and totally to the dogs; the most sanguine speculators pronounced it a bad population of the property o of his dream, the - Railway had gone at all; and many a time Mrs. Rugly and I lamented over poor Raxworth and his three

hundred. In the cares of one's family, and the ups and downs of one's business, time slips away wonderfully. It was five years after I had bought the shares: there had been a panic, bad times, a settling down and clearing up again, when, to the amazement of the whole Stock Exchange, there was a resurrection of the --- Railway. Some body from Glasgow had taken it in hand The gentleman had a large capital and rich cousins. The newspapers began to talk of what immense utility the line would be to the northern towns and the agricultural districts; the shares came into the market and went up every day. Where was Raxworth? I could not make out, till forgave anybody. I don't repent that yet; was Raxworth? I could not make out, till my wife's the best woman in the world, one day he appeared in my office, looking grayer and more shabby than ever, but

with the same earnest eyes.
"They're going up, Mr Rugly!" was his first salutation.

"Yes," said I. "You will get back your hundred pounds yet." "Get back my hundred pounds" he screamed, for his voice had grown strangely cracked and shrill. "I'll make my forune: didn't the old man say it? Have Sally and I lived poor and pinched, wanting coal in winter, and beer in summer, all these years, only to get back a hundred pounds! No. Mr. Rugly, I won't sell out until they come to cent, per cent, at least."
No arguments could shake that resolution, and I did not try to do it; the matter was beyond my Capel Court experience but for once Raxworth was not mistaken. The shares went up higher and highersuch a run upon a railway was never known. At last they reached cent, per cent., and then he sent me a brief note to hundred shares in the Southwestern. Raxworth had got above my reasoning. Henceforth I obeyed his mandates without question, and they always came by post. Somehow, whatever he bought, whatever he sold, success and profit attended his speculations I knew him net five thousand

by a venture that same year, and he doubled of it had been before. He was now a comparatively rich man. I was aware of his having a considerable deposit in the Bank of England, beside owning railway stock to a greater amount; yet when I saw him again, Raxworth looked as shaliby, as careworn, and as earnest as he had looked when I was goir g to congratulate him on pounds. promised the continuance of his patronage, told me he had bought the grounds for his neighboring States, especially in New house overlooking Birkenhead, and that Jersey and Deleware, where the contest is Sally and he would enjoy their money; but very close. Not wanted, as they think, he could not understand her, she was growing so strange-like and taking on so many odd ways. To bring my story to an end, it turned out that the sudden accession of wealth.

after much long poverty and frequent disappointment, upset poor Mrs. Raxworth's brain. The strangeness and odd ways resulted in frantic madness, and she died a few years ago in a private asylum. Her husband still lives and speculates; his capital is now immense, though he has not always won at the same rate. His house has been built, and is let, for he never in habited it; nor set up his carriage. I can conservative body, which, whether it be at the time a majority or miniority, now stands day he came to tell me. They were going up." Once, after a long reckoning, he aticism. Should Mr. Lincoln be elected, true in his dream. "Only," said he, "we will, to be animated by the aggressive spir-did not understand it right about Sally; it of anti-slavery fanaticism, and threaten but that could not be helped, and nothing to be a lucky hand.

That was all I ever heard him say on the subject which had troubled him so much in his poverty-stricken days, when he begged me not to come to the house nor have anything to do with them, lest his uncle's prophesy about the killing of Sally should come to pass. I suppose the killing of her mind by the fortune which came terpretation of the dream, if it had any, and was not all a downright invention of Raxworth's fancy, running, as it always did, on stocks and shares. At all events, he made money, and that makes people take everything clso uncommonly easy; yet, somehow, there is nobody's business I care less for doing, and I know he employs me [only for being a lucky hand, which is a character worth having in the Stock Exchange.

BOY LOST.

He had black eyes, with long lashes, red checks, and hair almost black and almost curly. He wore cormson plaid packet, with full trousers, buttoned on. Had a habit of whistling and liked to ask questions. Was accompanied by a small black dog.-It is a long while now since he disappeared I have a very pleasant house and much company. My Guests say, "Ab! it is company. My Guests say, "Ah! it is pleasant here! Everything has such an orderly, put-away look-nothing about un

der foot, no dirt!" But my eyes are aching for the sight o whitlings and cut paper upon the floor, of tumbled down card-houses; of wooden sheep and cattle, of pop-guns, hows arrows, whips, tops, goearts, blocks and trumpetry. I want to see boats a rigging. and kites a making I want to see crumble on the carpet, and paste spilt on the kitch on table. I want to see chairs and table turned the wrong way about; I want to see eardy making and corn-popping: and to find jack knives and fish hooks amon;

book. "I beg'your pardon: Mr. Rugly; it | Theyway - An you may be seeing would be a great pleasure to my wife and ing to disturb you; what heaps of sewing may in fact, we are too poor acquaintances | you have time for." But I long to be asked to be a second or an able nawanaper: for a bit of a string or an old newspaper for a cent to buy a slate pencil or peanuts I want to be coaxed for a piece of new cloth for gibs or main-sails, and then to hem the same; I want to make little flags and bags to hold marbles. I want to be followed by little feet all over the house teased for a bit of dough for a little cake. or to bake a pie in a saucer. Yet these things used to fidget me once.

They say-"Ah! you are not tied at home. How delightful to be always at liberty to go to concerts; lectures and parties no confinement for you. But I want confinement; I want to listen for the school-bell mornings; to give the last hasty wash and brush, and then to watch, from the window, nimble feet bounding to school. I want frequent rents to mend, and replace lost buttons. I want to obliterate mud stains, fruit stains, and paints of all colors. I want to be sitting by a little crib of evenings, when weary lit-tle feet are at rest, and prattling voices are hushed, that mothers may sing their lullabies, and tell over the of repreted stories.

I called confinement once.

A manly figure stands before me now. He is taller than I, has thick black whiskers, and wears a frock cost, becomed shirt and cravat. He has just come from college. He brings Latin and Greek in his countenance, and busts of the eld philosophers for the sitting room. He calls me mother, but I am rather unwilling to own him.

He stoutly declares that he is my boy, and says he will prove it. He brings me a small pair of white trousers, with gay stripes at the side, and asks if I didn't make them for him when he joined the boys' militia! He says he is the very boy, too, that made the bonfire near the barn, so that we came very near having a fire in carnest. He brings his little boat to show the red stripes on the sail (it was the end of the piece,) and the name on the stern-"Lucy Low a little girl of our neighborhood, who, because of her long curls and pretty round face, was the chosen favorite of my little boy. Her curls were long since cut off, and she has grown to be a tall, handsome girl. How the red comes to his face when he shows me the name on the boat. Oh! I see it all as if it were written in a book. My little boy is lost, and my big one will soon be. Oh! if he were a little tired boy in a long white night gown, lying in his crib, with me sitting by, holding his hand in mine, pushing his curls back from his forehead, watching his eyelids droop, and little in the l

istening to his deep breathing.

If I had only my little boy again, how patient I would be! How much I would bear, and how little I would fret and scold! I can never have him back again; but there are still many mothers who havn't yet lost their little boy. I wonder if they are living their very best days; that now is the time to really enjoy their children to think if I had been more to my little boy I might now be more to my grown up

Address of the Democratic State Executive Committee.

To the Democracy of Pennsylvania: The Democratic State Committe deems it a duty once more to address vou, before the final vote for President of the United States. It is enabled to do so now, with a consciousness that, every sacrafice of private feeling having been made, the Democratic party is once more united in the support of the regularly nominated electoral ticket, which, in its aggregate, represents the public sentiment of Pennsylvania, adverse to Sectionalism and faithful to the

Union and the Constitution. The object of the State Committee now s to invoke for that ticket a zealous and active support. Such a support given in every county of the State may reverse the defeat of the State election, and, even if it does not, will save the Democratic party from the disintegration which an apparent cent., and then he sent me a brief note to abundonment of its flag would seem to sell out immediately, and buy him six threaten, and which our ancient enemies so much desire. If the Democratic party of Pennsylvania can be demoralized and broken to pieces, the permanent success of the mercenary crowd now forming the Peoples' or Republican party, will be secured, and the State, which is more substantially Democratic than any one in the Union, be handed over for a series of years it within the next. His luck became as to the control of those whose policy is alien proverbial among the brokers as his want to its true interests—the policy against to the control of those whose policy is alien which the Democratic party has so long and so resolutely contended.

A thorough organization and a full vote of the Democracy at the Presidential elec tion, is important for other reasons.

Intoxicated by one victory, won mainly through the unhappy differences of the Democracy—sure, without affort, of anoth-other in November—the leaders of the Rethe prospect of getting back his hundred other in November—the leaders of the Repounds. He settled with me liberally, publican puty are meditating and extensive export of Pennsylvania voters into the here, they will be very serviceable there Let this fraud be frustrated, if possible, by such activity on our part, as will compel our adversaries to remain at home. It may be, should the attempt at colonising be persisted in, that Pennsylvania can now be redeemed.

tive to action. Every Democratic vote cast in November—every vote, indeed, against the Republican ticket—is a vote for the Constitution, the Union, and for the rights and property and safety of our Southern brethern, and swells the great conservative body, which, whether it be at asked me if the old man had not spoken and his administration prove, as we fear it still more the well ascertained rights of can, Mr. Rugly. Never mind, I have a any portion of the Union, the Democratic great respect for you, because I know you party of Pennsylvania will be the great constitutent of the constitutional opposition, which must check and control the Executive. It is all important that the elements of such an opposition should de velope themselves at the polls now. Such a demonstration of Northern Democrata sentiment, even if it should not insure vic tory, may ultimately save the Union, by showing to the South how many true friend through me must have been the proper in- they have in the North, and especially inthose Middle States, which are the trues and most loyal to the Constitution. it be remembered that when, in 1854, th storm of kindred fanatichan broke upo Pennsylvania, the Know Nething cand date was elected by an overwhelming ma jority; and yet, in less than two years, fi naticism died out as suddenly as it arose and the Democratic party, true to its prin ciples-faithful, even in disaster, to it tandard-resumed its influence and pre dominance in the State. So it will be now All depends on activity, on concert, on bonorable and magnanimous forgetfulnes of past differences. Let any one who hint at their revival, who seeks to excite againany unkind feeling among Democrats, be marked as an enemy to his country and to his party. Let the County Committee take immediate measures to secure a full vote of the Democratic party, even in district chere local success is impracticable, for remember that in November, every vote counts in the great result and that every Democrat whe stops at home, expresses his despair of the Republic, and practically votes with the enemies of the Union and the Constitution.

WILLIAM H. WELSH, Chairman. Democratic State Executive Committee Ro ms, Philadelphia, October 23, 1860.

A NAIVE ANSWER. - A little girl, whose parents had recently been ejected from their lodgings, on account of their inability to pay their rent, was at a German Sunday chool, when the teachers questioned-'Have you read your catechism?" "Do you know the history of the creation!" 'God made the world and our first parents." "Why were Adam and Eve expelled from Paradise?" "I suppose because they could't pay the rent!

A Rhode Islander, traveling out West after taking several drinks, went on board the steamboat at New Albany for "incinnati, and was astonished that the clerk only took five cents for his fare -Noon after, another five cents was called for, and the same thing repeated several times. At last he asked-

"Is (hic) this a da-n-ger (hic) ons boat?" "By no means," said the clerk. "Bran "Then, (hin) why do (hic) don't you collect all the fa (hic) hair at once—not both-er a fel (hic) heller for it every mile as it

comes due ?" "Really, where do you think you are going ?"
"Cincin (hic) hinnati." "Cincinnati," said the polite conductor. "This is the ferry boat, and all this after-

noon you have been riding to and fro be-

tween New Albany and Poetland."

At Council Bluffs, Iowa, the alarming discovery has been made that Frank Bates, a young, dashing, popular, lady-fac-