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## A FAITHFUL SENTINEL.

AN INCIDENT OF NAPOLEON'S TIME.

The French army lay encamped only about a day's march from Berlin. It was on the 22d of October. The sentinels were given, for the Prussian and Austrian spies were plenty and troublesome. At midnight Pierre Sascoin was stationed at one of the outposts. He was a stout, bold, shrewd man, and a good soldier. The colonel of his regiment was with the sergeant on this bout, having requested to be called at midnight to visit the outposts.

'Pierre,' he said, after the man had been posted, You must keep your eyes open. Don't let even a stray horse go out or come in without the pass. Do you understand?

'Ay, mon colonel, I shall be prompt.' 'The dogs are all around us,' pursued the officer, and you cannot be too careful. Don't

trust men nor brutes without good proof.' 'Never fear,' was Pierre's answer as he brought his firelock to his shoulder, and moved back a pace.

After this the guard moved on to the next post, and Pierre Sascoin was left alone. Pierre's post was one of the most important in the camp, or rather around it, and he had been placed there for that reason. The ground over which he had to walk was a long knoll, bounded at one end by a huge rock, and at the other sleping away into a narrow ravine, in which was a copse of willows. Beyond this copse the ground was low and boggy, so that a man could not pass it. The rock was to the westward, and Pierre's walk was to the outer side.

The night was dark, huge masses clouds floating overhead, and shutting out the stars; with a sort of fog seemed to rise also from the marsh. The wind mouned from the copse in the ravine, and the air was damp and chilly; with a slow, steady tread the soldier paced his ground, ever and anon stopping to listen, as the willows in you say?' the ravine tattled their leaves, or some night bird started out with its quick flapping.

An hour had passed away, and the sentinel had seen nothing to excite his su-picions. He had stopped for a moment close by the rock, when he was startled by a quick screach from the wood, and in a few moments more a large bird flew over his head.

"Parbleu" he uttered, after the night bird had flown over his head, "could mortal man have stopped that fellow from pas-

"He satisfied himself that he had done nothing in suffering the bird to pass. He the officer turned the body a deep groan had walked the length of his way two or when he was sure he saw a dark object just crossing the line towards the conse.

"Hold !" he eried, bringing his musket to his shoulder. "Hold, or I fire!"

And with his piece at aim he advanced towards the spot where the object had stonped. But as he came to within a few yards of it, it started to move on again toward the

"Diable!" cried Pierre, "move any fur- find cut why the gun was fired. ther and I fire! What, pardicu! La prince! Ho, ho; why Prince!"

The animal turned and made a motion as though he would jump up to the sentinel's bosom, but the soldier beskoned him off.

"Bravo Prince," Pierre cried reaching forth his hand and patting the head of the | his heart, or somewhere very near it. His great shaggy beast, which had now sat upon pockets were overhauled, and in one of its haunches. Pierre now recognized the intruder as a great dog of the breed of St. ment for over a year, and which had now placed out of sight for burial on the morbeen missing for about a week. He had disappeared one night from the pickets, and all search for him had been unavailing.

overy word, "the men will be happy to see trying to make his escape from the camp. you; where have you been so long ?"

And with these words, uttered with solemn emphasis, and due mouning. Pierre started on his bout again. He had got half way to

the rock when the idea of looking around moving towards the camp again. Ha: Prince that won't do! Stop! Stop!

or I'll shoot! Diable, the Colonel, was pos itive in his orders. I was to let nothing pass my post without the countersign. A dog is something. You can't go, Prince, so lie down, Down! Down, Prince I say!" With this the dog lay flat down upon his

belly, and stretched out his paws. Pierre it too, but for the sportive order of the Col., be able to accomplish in transporting trade patted bim upon the head again, and having and wilfully faithful obebience of Pierre and travel through our great State. duly urged upon him the necessity of remaining where he was, he resumed his march

During the next fifteen minutes, the an- to him as he bestowed the boon : imal remained perfectly quiet, and over and 'If you make as faithful an officer, as you supplies for Braddock's army from Penn- heads and love breaks hears.

anon the sentinel would speak to him by bave made vourself faithful as a sentinel, I sylvania. It was the road preferred for the A Lawyer with Two Characters. tonished senses no opportunity for thanks or "Gen. Packer is an able man and a states, way of being sociable. But at length the can ask no more.' dog made another attempt to go into the camp. 'Pierre had nearly reached the rock when he heard the movement, and on turning he aould just see his uneasy companion making off.

must obey orders. The Colonel's word was plain, Here! Parbleu! Come here! Here, Prince! Mon Dieu! you must die if you

With a few quick bounds, the soldier had the latter stopped, he stopped.

'Moncher ami, you must stay with Here! Come back! I must shoot you if you don't. Parbleu! what a thing to start the whole camp for to shoot a dog!' . 'Ah, new Prince will be relieved,' the soldier said, as the tramp of the coming guard was heard, 'you shall go and see your

The tramp of the coming guard drew near and Pierre was preparing to hail them, when the dog took a new start, and in a new direction, this time starting towards the copse.

'Here, here, Prince! Parbleu, don't you run off again.' But the fellow took no other notice of the

call than to quicken his speed. 'Grand Dieu!' This last exclamation dog leap to his hind legs and run thus! In an instant the truth burst upon him. Quick as thought he clapped his gun to his shoulder and took aim. He could just distinguish the dim object now and he fired .-There was a sharp cry, and then Pierre had

to turn for the guard were approaching-"Qui est la?' (Who is there?) be cried-Relief guard,' was the answer.

And having obtained the countersign informed the official what had happened. "A dog?" cried the officer, 'Prince, did

have seen him run on his hind legs?' Eliz Hind legs?

Yes.

'Then come, show us where he wss.' Pierre led the way to the copse, and there the dog was found in the last struggle

Grand Dieu!' cried the officer, 'what legs for a dog, ch?'

And no wonder he said so. The hind legs of the animal were booted. But all doubts were removed very quickly, for as the Prussian tongue followed.

the officer and made Pierre bold the lantern for graduation: while he ripped open the dog's skin to find the face. But they concluded not to stop on their way. When they reached the camp they found half the soldiers up, waiting to

Lights were now brought, and the body placed upon the ground. The dog skin was removed, and within was found a Prussian drummer. He was a small fellow, though apparently some twenty years of age: but he was dead. Pierre's ball having touched them were found a cypher, but no one could make out what it was. The Colonel took Bernard, which had been owned in the regi- it, and directed that the body should be

But this was not the end. About 4 o'clock, just before daylight, another gun was "Parbles, mon grande Prince," Pierre fired on the same post where Pierre had uttered as though the dog could understand been, and this time a man was shot who was

He was shot through the head. When The dog made no answer to this save a the body was brought into camp, it was low whine and a familiar nodding of the found to be that of a Bavarian trooper, who had been suspected of treachery, though no "Now, mon ami, you must keep your sit- proof had before been found against him. ting there till the guard comes, and then On his person was found the key to the eywe will go together. Mind that will you ?" pher, which had been taken from the person of the Prussian drummer; and now that the Colonel had them both, he could translate the mystic scroll. It proved to be directions to the Bavarian to lay his plans for struck him, and he did so. La Prince was keeping as near to Napoleon's person as possible, after he should enter Berlin, and then wait for further orders.

away from the regiment and delivered him these two great leading roads there need be camp under. And the spy would have got for the public accommedation as they will

the rank of Sergeant, and the Emperor said ford, is that of one of the most ancient

From the North American. Pennsylvania Southern Rallroad to Pittsburg and Wheeling.

There is now in use a railroad from Phildelphia to Harrisburg, by the way of Lancaster, another by Reading and Dauphin and a road from Bultimore, by the way of York, to Harrisburg. It is also known that the Reading and Lebanon Valley line got near enough to the dog to fire, and as from Philadelphia to Harrisburg is near ompletion for usc. It is manifest that it s essential for the public accommodation in freight and travel through Pennsylvania, that there should be constructed at as early a time as practicable, another line of railway to Pittsburg, other than what is or will be furnished by the Pennsylvania Cen-

The route from Chambersburg, to be located, would be that of the Chambersburg and Allegheny road, to intersect the Pittsburg and Connellsville at or near Myer's Mill, about fourteen miles west of Cumberland. Explorations and surveys which have been made, would show this route to be by Loudon, Burnt Cabins, the south side of the Broadtop coal fields, and by the town of Bedford, a distance of eighty-five or was forced from Pierre's lips by seeing the ninety miles. Explorations along this route ince Hegis' survey in 1838, show the latter to be susceptible of great improvement This line of road crosses the valley from Chambersburg, a distance of sixteen miles. before it reaches the Cove or Tuscarora mountain. That barrier, which seemed fornidable from its elevation of 1800 feet when crossed by the turnpike road to Mc-Connellsburg, was passed by Hegis' survey, at a depression in the mountain four miles north of the turnpike called Cowen's Gap, at an elevation of only 550 feet above Chambersburg, and that with but little cut-"He looked tike Prince, but you should ting, and with the low grade of fifty five railroad from the Pennsylvania Central

feet in the mile. A recent survey by the Engineers of the Sherman's 'valley and Broad Top Railroad Broadtop and Bedford, to intersect the Company from Burnt Cabins to the inter- Pittsburg and Connellsville Railroad, at or section of the Connelsville Road, shows the near Myer's Mill, west of Cumberland .road to be practicable without a tunnel or This would be on the same line, as contem my formidable obstacle, and with moderate plated by the Chambersburg and Allegheny grades. In their report they say that they Railroad Company. If the road from Burnt and made the survey, and the results are Cabins to the Connellsville road is made, it more favorable than the most sanguine had is immaterial by which company it is made dared to hope for.' Their report states that so that the public have the accommodation from Bedford to the end of their survey, of this road. The road through Sherman's to intersect the Connelsville Road, it is Valley, from the Pennsylvania Central came up, and the words 'God take me!' in twenty two miles of very light work and direct line, and except the summit cut, will about seventy two miles, would be an in-'Diable! here is an adventure!' uttered not cost over two thousand dollars per mil

The local trade and travel on this section. there is every reason to believe, would be there to investigate, so they formed a litter remunerative on the cost of construction .by crossing their muskets, and having lifted It passes the south side of the Broad Top the strange animal upon it they proceeded coal field for miles, and at a point nearer Harrisburg, by thirty miles, than the coal mines of Broadtop, by the way of Hunting don. It will bring into market, as soon as it enters Franklin county, a distance of less than twenty miles, coal, which is there greatly wanted for manufacturing, for fuel, and the burning of lime. It also traverses extensive mines of iron ore of the best quality, passing valleys of fertile land with prosperous villages. It will bring into use now comparatively valueless for want of ac- prove true, will be almost as valuable an

There is now in use sixty miles of raiload from Pittsburg to Connellsville, which includes twelve miles of the Pennsylvania Central Railroad, by arrangement between the Companies. The road from Connellsville eastward is in progress of construction at several points. To this part of the read the city of Baltimore has subscribed Somerset counties contribute according to their ability and advantages, this road to Cumberland will be made.

The distance from Harrisburg to Chambershurg is From Chambersburg to Myer's Mill, Frem Myer's Mill to Pittsburg,

From Harrisburg to Pittsburg, From same to Pittsburg by the Central

This small difference of distance may be The mystery was explained. The Bava- compensated in the southern route by lower rian had contrived to call the great dog grades and straight lines of road. Between up to the enemy, and his skin was to be no unfriendly rivalry; there will with both, made the cover for the spy to enter the by proper management, be as much to de

This route from Chambersburg, by Cow-On the next day Pierre was promoted to en's Gap, Burnt Cabins, Littleton and Bedroads in the State. It was that used for

march of Gen. Forbes and his army in 1758, One cold evening of November, ten years in the campaign against Fort Duquesne, and was used in all military expeditions from ed at the door of Mons. Dipin, one of the Pennsylvania to the Ohio duirng the Cofor the Pennsylvania and Jersey troops package of documents, laid them on the taunder Washington, to suppress the Western table.

ern Pennsylvania Railfoad is that from may ruin me utterly. At my age, a lost Chambersburg to the Connellsville road at Fulton Franklin, Cumberland and other plain my claims.' southern counties, to the Cumberland Valley Railroad, to the Lebanon Valley Rail- his unknown visitor thus briefly explained was. road, to Philadelphia, to Pittsburg. So his business. Then opening the pite of extended an interest could easily provide documents, he went through them with the for its construction, and should give it their searching rapidity of his professional eye .mmediate attention. It will be a continu- They were at last laid upon the table. ous road, within Pennsylvania. It is a intersect the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad | The property belongs to your opponen at any point on its line without the consent of that company, and even with that consent and Virginia.

Under existing laws, the right to intersect the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad under Penusylvania authority, was to be in Washington county, Maryland-east of the North Mountain-which is about twelve miles west of Williamsport. To evade and defeat that connection, the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company extended their road into Virginia, at Harper's ferry, and continued it through Virginia, to a point within a few miles of Cumberland. This frustrated all the provisions of the Pennsylvania Legislature for the connection.

The Sherman's Valley and Broad Tor road company have surveyed a route for a Railroad, six miles west of Harrisburg, through Sherman's Velley, by Burnt Cabins district in which it is located, yet it cannot in this mountainous route, with innumerable curves, high grades, a tunnel of 866 vards, and trestle work at one place of 900 feet long, for through travel compete with the Cumberland Valley Railroad, and the cost of construction of the road from Chambers. burg to Burnt Cabins, a distance of less than thirty miles.

SI LVER STATE .- The N. Y. Times savs the gold State is likely to have a companion a silver State. The projected territory of Arizona is reported to be as richly endowed with silver mines as California is with gold diggings. The Gadsen purchase, great districts of pine and other timber, if all the reports from that quarter should addition to our territory as California. The Illlinois, on her last passage, brought among her freight several packages of silver from that supposed desert, which are represented as being very rich.

Those ores were from the veins lately opened and occupied by the Sonora exploring and Mining Co., and were forwarded by the manager of the company from Tubac, one million of dollars, and as Fayette and Gausden purchase, to the office of the company in Cincinnati.

The late discoveries of silver in the Gadsden purchase, it is said, are attracting much attention in California. Some of the mines are represented as being very rich in silver, and the proprietors are only waiting for government to protect the inhabitants of the Purchase from the depredations of the Indians, to enter: extensively upon mining

had came from town for a few days shooting, that he once had so excellent a gun that it went off immediately upon a thief coming into the house, although not charged.

'Wonderful gun, indeed,' said the sportsman, but how the deuce did it happen ?mustt have been an Irish gun.' 'Not at all.' said the farmer, 'he and

went off together, and before I had time charge him with it.' A good sell.

War and love are strange compe war sheds blood, and love sheds tears; war ago, a man wrapped in a large cloak knockmost able advocates of Paris. 'He entered.

The link to be provided for in this South- lawsuit, which is commenced 'against me, thank him now. fortune is not to be remade. The 'loss of

'The action which is commenced against thority from Pennsylvania has the right to upon justice and right-legal and moral. But, unfortunately, in spite of the fine elaboration of our code, law and justice do side. If, therefore you rest your case entirely upon the law, and use without reserve all its technicalities and quibbles, and if the legal points in your favor are all stated evitably gain your case.'

'No man living,' said the stranger do what you thus describe so ably as yourself. Might I venture to hope that you reduce your legal opinion to writing, thus render me invulnerable?"

The advocate reflected for a minute two, and then taking up again the document, which, at the first word of the re quest, he had roughly pushed away, he said e would do as the stranger wished. On the morrow, at the same hour, the legal opinion would be ready.

The client was punctual. The paper w presented to him-accompanied with a 'de mand very abruptly made, for a fee of three thousand francs.

He stood mute with astonishment 'You are at liberty to keep your money,

aid the lawyer, and I am at liberty to throw my written opinion into the fire." Advancing to the chimney, apparently

'The money in gold,' said the advocat

or you shall not have a line." The client saw that it was inevitable and taking his leave for a moment's returngot hold of it . It was soon as universal as | tion or discuss it when challenged to. the name and fame of the great lawyer himself. Laments were made by the editors, over the grasping advantage thus taken of a client in his extremity, and even friends expressed their regret to him for his betraval of avarice. But he simply shrugged his shoulders; and, as everything is forgot other Northern one, and may well be questen at Paris, the matter soon passed out of the public mind

Ten years passed by, and a few days since at a celebration of which the diguitaries of the courts of law formed a part, the procession was interrupted by a woman, who sud denly sprang from the crowd and seiz ed the hands of Mons. Dopin the Procurer Gener-

'It is he! It is he' she exclaimed a she burst into tears, and covered his hands with kisses. 'This is my benefactor, my friend, the angel by whose timely kindness I was saved from ruin, and spared to educate my children!

'Poor woman!' said M Dupin, 'she has

jost her reason.' But no she insisted on explaining to the by-standers that there was reason in her tears and gratitude. She stated it brokenly. Ten years ago, after the death of her husband, a claim was put in by a relative for the property spon which she had relied to support and educate her children. She resolved to defend her possession of that IF A farmer told a friend of his, who which she knew to be her own, and had already sold half her furniture to pay the commencement of the process, when one day the suit, for which she was already running into expense, would be a losing one-that on her side—that she had better abandon tain the record of some of his speeches. it, and save what she still possessed. He then added that, from baving been employed on the case, he had been able to rescue the stemp, and shrinks from it in sheer have voted as they did last fall. has spears and love has darts, war breaks of gold, which he laid on the table-ab- tute for him. Let them say, if they will

lonial wars. It was also the line of march and drawing from under his coat a large And, from that futal day, she had been try- ness in that; but there is none in this dea and thank God' she recognized and could it.

or near Mer's Mill, a distance of about this suit, therefore, would involve me in the explained to his legal brethren and the tion in Philadelphia, the course of Walker ninety miles. This improvement would be most frightful misery, I come to implore public as quite another thing! Like some in Kaissas, and the many political developof great advantage 'to Somerset, Bedford, your aid. Here are the papers which ex- other people, he had two characters one and the other a very different one, what he

POLITICAL COWARDICE.

is a despicable object, no matter on what way. Discussion is the one thing most to mistake to suppose that any company or au- you for this property,' said he, is based field he displays the white feather. Hence be dreaded; and hence they must decline it we are not surprised to learn that the pusil- at all hazards, even though they make a lanunity shown by Gena Packer, through craven of their candidate and subject the the locofoco State Committee, in refusing to whole party to the reproach of cowardice accept Wilmot's challenge to stump the without further legislation from Maryland not go together; and here the law is on your | State, has much mortified the rank and file of the party, and excited their ire to think that they have to be led by one who at the very outset turned tail upon the enemy .-Among them be it. Certainly his own par- drawn by his eloquent biographer in a nut clearly and ably to the court, you will in- ty cannot despise the dastard any more than his opponents do. This cock who won't fight had better have his spurs taken off and be sent to the dunghill at once.

The democratic party professes to be a national party, a perimanent party, an old party - a party, in fact, with a settled ereed bow little he was, excited by his official eland well established principles, upon which evation. it relies for success. Why, then, is it afraid to discuss those principles before the people? Is it because its professions are fear if the issue of public measures should hollow and its creed a lie, that it shrinks not correspond with their sungifine anticifrom a challenge to defend their? Does it pation, they will turn the extravagant, and fear the revelations which such a discussion I might almost say undue praires, which would bring to the ears of the people? It they are heaping upon me at this moment, would seem so. Either it is a weak party, devoid of ability to sustain its creed in discussion, or it is a hollow hearted, hypocritieal, canting party, depending alone upon trick and chicanery for success, and hence cannot bear to have its policy and measures made the subject of popular inquiry.

But, the committee says, the challenge, or the purpose, he was stopped by the vis- if accepted, would lead to a discussion of the slavery question. And what if it did? I will pay you the sum, he said, but I Is not the slavery question a proper one for must give you my written acceptance for discussion? If it is not, why does the party in its presses make it the main staple of ter sovereignty doctrine is so impregnable and unanswerable as they pretend, why should they dread a discussion of it, and ed soon with the coin. He paid it-but in | put in that plea as a conclusive one for not revenge, after gaining his cause, he told the going into the fight? Either the party story in every corner of Paris. The journal should cease harping upon the slavery ques-

But the committee could not get along, in giving an answer, without violating the

the truth of bistory. It says: "A joint canvass by candidates for the Gubernatorial office has never been con ducted in this State, nor, I believe, in any tioned on grounds of public policy."

This is not true. Indiana was canvassed last year in this way, and frequently before. Ohio and other western States have also frequently been canvassed in this way Even in Pennsylvania the Democratic and Whig candidates in 1851 and 1851 canvassed the State separately; and it will re quire a very nice degree of hair-splitting to show the difference, in principle, between candidates canvassing a State separately and jointly. If it was right for a demo cratic candidate to canvass the State in 1851 and 1854, how can it be wrong to do so in 18572

The Committee, speaking of the practice of stumping, says:

"A rule of party action which would prevent such men as Benjamin Franklin, Simon Snyder, and Francis R. Shunk from filling the Executive chair of this State must be a bad one; and to be denounced

rather than adopted." This is a libel upon both Franklin and Shunk. Franklin was not a dumb statesman. If he was not a voluminous speaker, he was always ready to give a reason for his political faith, and it is well known a stranger called upon her. He abruptly that he was not merely capable of public announced his business. He told her that speaking, but that he did, more than ence, make public speeches. The same is true of Shunk. In 1844 he was frequently upon the law was against her, though justice was the stump, and the files of the Cazette con

If Gen. Packer is incapable (as we suppose he is.) of meeting Judge Wilmot on some portion of what was improperly taken cowardice, let his party confess his incapa, from her-that it was contained in the bag city, at once, and put forward some substiruptly taken his leave, and giving her as- for the purpose of eluding their followers,

inquiry. The three thousand frances with man, but he is no speaker. We will, howwhich she was thus curiched, enabled her ever, meet you with Schnabel," or any othto re-establish herself with her children er windbag, of which the party contains an and commence a timely support of them. abundance. There would be some maniting in vain to discover her benefactor. But ninl of the prepriety of stumping after the his features were engraven on her heart, party has so often and so lately engaged in

The fact is, the locofoce party dare not And so, after ten years of misapprehen- go before the people upon present issues. tion, Mons. Dupin's grasping avarice, was They know that their frauds and corrupments growing out of the relation which the what the newspapers made him out to be, President holds to the South will not bear to be talked about. Their only hope is in keeping quiet and closing the public car as much as possible to the voice of truth .-The watchword to their partizans, is, lie The political coward excites as much low and keep dark.' In this way they may contempt as any other coward. A poltroon achieve success this fall, but in no other - Pittsburg Gazette.

> The noblest and parest character of all men born, into whose nostrils the blessed Deity ever breathed the breath of life, is

> We have been accustomed to look to Washington's private letters for the sentiments of his heart. Those written to several of his friends immediately after his into the presidency of the United States, show

> I greatly fear, writes he, that my countrymen will expect too much from me. I equally extravagant, though I will fondly hope, unmerited, censures.'

Little was his modest spirit aware that the praises so dubious received, were but the opening notes of a theme that was to increase from age to age, to pervade all lands, and endure throughout generations.

WILMOT IN BERKS COMNTY.

The Berks County Press says: We give in to-day's Press, the proceedings in detail of the American Republican County Meetg. It was the largest Reading, and its action of such a character as will effect the onward progress of the Shamocracy most vitally. The maxim that in union there is strength,' was signally carried out-harmony and concord prevail. ing in our cutire ratiks, a thing unlooked for and unexpected by the Packerites, and by the baker's dezen of enemies to Americanism. Berks will leave no stode unturned to achieve the election of David Wilmot Her intelligent and freedom-leving voters are deformined to work with a wifl and zest, heretofore unknown. They see and feel that the cause they have espoused is worthy of their suffrages, and worthy of success

TAn Irishman attending a Quaker meeting, heard a young friend make the ollowing announcement.

Brethren and sisters, I am going to marry a daughter of the Lord. 'The devil ye are,' said Pat. 'Faith an'

be jabers, an' it will be a long time before ye'll see yer father-in-law!' 'DAD, if I was to see a duck on the wing,

and was to shoot it, would you lick me? 'Oh no, my son! It shows you are a good marksman, and I would feeel proud of

Well then, disd; I plumped our old drake as he was flyin' over the fence today, and it would have done you good to see him 'drap!'

In a back town in Upper Canada; a magistrate who kept tavern; sold liquor to the people till they got drunk and fought in his house. He then issued a warrant, apprehended them, and tried them on the spot and besides fining them, made them trea, each other to make up the quartel.

The woman who made a pound of butter out of the cream of a joke, and a chees e from the milk of buman kindness, has since washed the close of a year, and hung 'em to dry on a bee line.

It is supposed that Rollins, the American candidate for Governor of Misouri, has been elected. The other Southern States

The tobacco chewer is said to be like a goose in a Dutch oven-always on the