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A Man Who Lived With His WIdow
T was in the nutumn, Juat before the 1 opening of the rallfond between Tagairok and Charkof, and Thad to make the tedioua Journey with post hories. plemennt, but on the third morning the heavens were covered with heavy, grey
elouds, a north west wind blew furionaly; Conas,, northwest wind bew furioungy;
thunder, Mghtning, nad noow flakee followed-suech a storm as can ouly be found in Southern Rusila. In hatr an hour hie roads were impassable with
black mud, and as we renched the post staton Donski we found there was no more progress for that day. As 1 entor-
ed the station I was met by an tall; tine nome military or official position. Be-
hind him came a handsome Cossack
woman about hils age, and both greeted me kindly. In reply to my request for a cup of tea, the woman sald, "Husband
ask the gentleman if he would not like roast chloken with his tea. It will be a long cone before he can mount his troikn
and continue his Journey and he will Und the chicken tender at the man, nud then left the room, not
tefore he had waved a klas to her as she closed the doo
"She ts my beloved wife, and widow,
sir," natd he, turning to me as I took a sir," salid he, turning to me as I took a
seat by the porcelain stove, warming my
bands on ta hands on tas smooth sides, sir, but wait until you are eating your chlcken, and if you wish I
will tell you the history of a man who has been dead fourteen years and who
married his widow." of course I was eager for the story, and soon after when
my chicken was brought to me tempting bow and commenced his story
"I am nearly sixty years old now,
sir; my wife also. But she was once a beantiful, good, young girl ; she is as
good now as then, and perhaps I am a
partial fudge, but I find her still beautipartial judge, but Ind her sum beaul
fot this lust statement I assented, and he continued:
"I was a wild young fellow, high
tempered, and of a roving diaposition. tempered, and of a roving disposition. -she was a loving, good wife-but I grew weary of life, and restless for free-
dom. One day, it was in the year of
184s, she seemed sad, and coming to me 1848, she seemed sad, and coming to me
put her arms around my neek, and said,
"Do you really and truly loveme, Wan-
"D sko Y" I answered impatiently, "Oh,
yes, you know I do." "But you don't
love meas I do you," she continued.
In the moment In that moment an evil spirit must
have seized me. I don't know what thoughts paseed through my brain, only
it seemed as if she was right. I loved
her in my way, but it nettled me that I her in my way, but netted me that I
was bund to for I wanted
my freedom. As she elung to me, I my freedom. As she elung to me, I
pushed her vilently away, and she fell
to the floor. Rising slowly she looked to the floor. Rising slowly she looked
at me reproachfully and left the room
withoutt a without a word
"I was wild
"I was wild. I ran to the stable.
"Harness mea troika instantly," I cri-
ed to the hostler. "There is a dispatch ed to the hostler. "There is a dispatch
left here by the courier that I must take to Charkoff; make haste." In a few
minutes the wagon was ready. Paul minutes the wagon was ready. Paul
took the reins, the bells were ringling
clearly clearly in the fresh air, and was flying
backward glance for Olga, I was
from the station, and in twenty hour from the station, and
" Dismissing the wagon, I went to the postmaster, who was my most inti-
mate friend. I called for ink and pen
 saying, "Do this favor for me and be
silent. I want to leave my wife. eight days send her this letter and ask
me no questlons." In this letter I wrote:
"OLGA: When you receive this let
ter I shali be dead. Forget me tand ter I shall be dead. Forget me and
marry yome other man who will treat
you beter than I have done, Forgive
me forstriking you; it was a shametul me for striking you; it was a shameful
net. Kep the station, you can write,
and can hold it us well as as IHenen
bleas Iou.
WAXsKN.". "My friend shook my hand and
promteed to fulfil my errand, and a fow hours later I was on my way to the mill-
itary bureau of-, where I told I want ed to enlist for fourteen years in the
Horse Guards and gave them a different name from my own. I was tall and
healthy, and they were very glad to ace heatit, and the, asking me a few questions.
cept my
My halr was cut short, my beard My halr was cot short, my beard thorn,
and in my new uniform, with a glitering helmet on my head, I rode through the streets of St. Petersburg, and no one looked at us as we paned the ambitlous, and learned the routine of soldiers life quickly. The diselpline
was severe; it was hard to be obedient,
was as and as for the freedom I had longed for, f found $I$ had lost it. I was soon a ber-
geant, and finally became a captain of geant, and hany
horse in the regiment.
"I won dietieetion

In the war with Turkey-and later th
Crimea-my time wan ap, and $I$ w Orimen-my time was up, and $I$ wha
seized with a most terrible homesalek, ness, for of late yeara I had learned to
love my wife passlonately, and to see love my wife passfonately, and to see
her agalo, even though she were the wife of another, was my one thought. I wondered if she had changed in a
these years : If ahe had grown stout as beer cank or as thitu as a corkecrew, It
was offered tmany advantages if I would Was offred many advantages if I would
remain in the army, but I refused them remain in the army, but I refused them
all, was honorably discharged, with all, was honorably discharged, with
good penslon, and the same day atarted good penslon, and the same day started
for the south, my heart benting wildy between hope and fear. I renched Char koff, and found that my old friend, the postmaster, was dead. My heart faint
ed with the thought that Olga too ed with the
might bo dead.
"Who has the post at Douskl "" I In
ed, crossing myself under my long mill tary cloak.
widow," was the reply.
The name who held it fourteen yeara ago ""
"The sam
elghteen hours I was ther.
"In elghteen hours I was there. my horses, They were former nervants
of mine. But they did not know me in my uniform. I hastened to the en-
trance of this house, then Into the office. Olga sat at the desk writing and seemed unchanged to me. True, her fine was
more sad, and in her beautiful black hair I kaw a few nil
still besutiful.
"I
"I atole In, Olga, dearest !" I whis
pered, and sank on my knees before She didn't look at me, but threw her deak heavily. She had fainted. sprang to her, took her in my arms,
while I told my story and begged her Torgiveness, and the angel forgave me--
That was sixteen years ago, sir, and the been always so happy,"
After a pause the delightful old man continued:
"But what do you think the stuphid
government at St. Petersburg insists upon Y That I am dead, sir, and the
Donska post-station must remain in the hands of my widow; or else the guards-
man of the Cuirassiers mast be dead, and lose his pension. My widow laughs
over the dilemma. She keeps the books signs the receipta, and pays the taxes-Y draw my very liberal pension unde
the name by which I enlisted, but as the former postmaster of Donski I am a
dead man. This is my history, sir.There may be some who don't belleve
it, but we and our neighbors know bet
I thanked the good man for his inter-
Iestigg story, And his wife, soon enter ing, took his hand, saying
"Alh, my husband, I fear you have
wearied the gentleman with your of repeated story. Come with me that
may scold you," and they went may scold you, and they went of
laughing together, he, with a look of
love in his eyes that showed plainly how
much be valued wifeand widow. much he valued wifeand widow
Curious and Comieal Errors.

A press of the malignant type would be pne of the most entertalaing chapters
in the "Curiosities of Literature."Some years ago the London Times, in speaking of a discussion before the
Council of Ministers, when Lord Brougham was thrown an extraordinary light on the question." In one of the editions of Davidson's Popular Engliah Gram.
mar the principal parts of the verb to chide were given as follows: "Present infinitive - to chide ; pcose finite-I chide;
past infinitve-to have children." In
the the London .Couricer, some fifty years
ago, His majesty George the Fourth was sald to have a fit of the goat at Brighton. A nother Journal advertised a sermon, by
a celebrated divine, on the Immorality a celebrated divine, on the Immorality
of the Soud, and also the Lies of the umes. The London Globie once gave an turn, in which It was stated that the
inhabitants of Londou were suffering at inhabitants of London were suffering at
that time "from a high rate of morclity." A letter more, or a letter lens, makes
a strange havoc of a sentence. What is a strange havoc or a sentence. What a $t ?$ which $t$ an accident of the press
may displace with the most awkward effect. On the other hand, a printer
who omitted the first letter of Mr. Has. well's name might have pleaded that it
was as vell without the $H$ effect was produced by the change of a letter in an article in the Revue des
Doixx Mondes. The writer, being at Venice, quoted the first line of the fourth canto of Byron's Childe Harold, which
the printer rendered thus:

## Sighs.

some years ngo an editor at the South, after hls to congratulate General Pillow scarred veternin from Mexico as a battieto characterize him as a $\#$ battlescared log into the editorial sanctum, demand-
ed an explanation, whifoh was given, and
a correction promised in the next day' a correction promised in the next day
paper. Judge of the editor's feellugs on the morrow, when, ns If to heap horrors upon horror's head, he found the gener-
at styled, In the revlsed paragraph, "that botte-scarred veterna !" Thi
was lenn excuantle than the blunder of an English Journal, whleh stated that the Ruaslan general Backlinoffrowaky was "found dead with a loug word la
his mouth ;" for no compositor could t
 fence after netting up such a name con the subject of literature for cbildren, we wrote: "It is true they will devour the most indigeatible pabulum, for want of
better." The last word of this sentence better." The last word of this sentence
was transformed by the typographlcal imp Into butter. Perhaps the most fear ful error of the press that ever occurred
was caused by the letter $o$ droppling out of the following passage in a "form" of
the Common Prest " We m the Common Prayer: "We shall all be
changed in the twinkling of an eye." When the book appeared, the pasagge
to the horror of thus printed: "We shall all be hanged In the twinkling of an eye," Some
years ago the editor of the Portland (Me.) years ago the editor of the Portland (Me.)
Argus nadertook to compliment an emi.
nent cilizen as nent citizen as "a noble old burgher,
proudly loving bis native state;" but
the neatly turned compliment came from the compositor's hands "a nobby
old burglar, prowllog round in a naked state." This is almost matched by
telegraphle blander of which Rev, Joseph Cook tells. hese British Channel the unbject of a pro-
posed lecture by him in Westminter Abbey. The subject as written by blm,
was "The Influence of Rome on the Formation of Christlanity
announced in England as ence of Rum on the Digestion of Hu-

> Mary's Lesson on Tariff.
"Father, what does tariff mean? I
heard brother Charles say he had been heard brother Charles say he had been
discussing the tariff at his debating society last night."
"Well, Mary," answered the gentle-
man, addressed" "if you will take the puius to get down the dictionary and the atlas, I will help you to find out the hiss:
tory and the mystery of the word tarift". "The attas, father?" said Mary in surprise; " why that is where 1 look for
places-straits and gulfs and rivers and towns,- - but I never should think of looking into a
of a word."
"Well, we shall see, daughter,"
plied her father; and if the readers this will do as Mary was directed to do
they will be likely to remember meaning of the word tariff and perbaps to learn something. "Tariff means a
list of duties imposed by a government upon goods imported into its territory
from other countries. For instance' from other countries. For fustance
when silk goods are brought from EuGovernment collects at the port of entry from those to whom the goods are sent
a certain fif xed proportion of their value In money, and this amount is called the
customs duty. All money so received customs duty. All money so
goes into the National Treasury.
Mary's brother, and a number of his
associates had been discossing the vantages and disadvantages of the present system of tariff in this country. In
the debate, there were, of course, two sides. On one side it was argued that the Goverament should collect only sufficient duties to pay the expenses nec-
essary for its malntenance. On the oth er side it was held that whenever, owing to cheap foreign labor, goods manufac-
tured abroad could be zold in this country at prices lower than those of similar American products, a tariff duty should
be imposed. This, it was argued, should be imposed. to to naise the price of forelga be sumfient to raise the price of foreign
goods to the standard of American goods to the suations. Allthis Mary's father
manufacturers
explained to her. He explained explained to her. He explained,
morever, the definition given of tariff for revenue only to the former proposi-
tion, and protective tariff to the latter proposition.
By this time Mary was anxious to reference to the dictionary was found necessary. Guided by the suggestions there made, which are founded on Archbishop Treneh's "Study of Words,
Mary and her father turned to the map Mary ander They then looked at Spain.
of Europe. The They noticed at the southern point of that country, and ruaning out into the
Straits of Gibraltar, a promontory. This, as Dr. Trench says, is admirably adapted for commanding the entrance of the
Mediterranean Sea and watching the passing in and out of all ships. A fortress stands on this - promontory called Tarifa. The name is of Moorish origin, and was given in the days when the
Moors ruled Spain. It was their cutom Moors ruled Spuin. It was their custom
to watch from this polnt all merchant ships going by. Then iseuing from their stronghold, hey would levy duties upon the merchandise carried by the vessels.

The levy thus made was known as "tar
ifa," or tariff," and thus, Trencl tell us, we have nequired the word. After all, with due respent to her that the mont intereatiog feature about the tariff was the derlvation of to name.
An Emphatlo Lesson

It was a leenon that a poor faboring
man gave to a gentlemau for whom he
sometimen worked. sometimes worked.
some called it-for strong appetito-80 though lie never drank to intoxleation, yet he spent much money for apirite which ought to have been expended for the comfort of his family.
One day while Joh
One day whlle John was at work a to chide him for his habit of drinking and he did it rather dietatorially. Sald
"You ought to know better, John,Or, knowing better, you ought to do bef.
ler. I am nahamed of you. Your noas is fairly blossomed with the toddy yout have drank.'
yourself \% shen,-and do you never drink yourseif
nettled.
nend
"And if I do, what fs that to you ? with mine. And, further, I do not make a sot of myself"
"Heaven torbid that
think it sir. But,your rinculd ever tell me how it was that the streets of

The minister was obliged to confess
uter his ignorance.
" Well
ening of his lips, Johd a with a tight"It was simply because every man kep his own door-way elean !"
And thus ended the lesson

## Crinoline Booming Once Again.

The effeet of fashion upon business is buown by the fuet that enough crinoline newed demand. A few years ago, million
now obthined and the re. of dollars were invested in its manufacture
thousands of hands were one thousands of hands were omployed ; inven-
tors puzzed their brains for improsement in the hoops or skirts. The fashion chang ed, and all this industry ceased as if by magio, and hoop-skirts, banisted from polite society, served as chicken coops the conatry. Now, whion the fashion hass
revived, the manufactories will have to bo built up again. But, as Colonel Sollers a year, all the old phtents, all the old Jokes,
all the old cots and all the old caricature upon crinolise will to ale ola carchatyre, overy bolle will
or a fancy stock

A Cow that Carried a Watch
Eber Lewis, batcher, on the Wes Chester Pike, near the Eagle botel, in Haverford, Delaware county, kined a
cow a short time alnce, and found in the cow's abdomen a lady's gold watch and
chain in excellent condition Pritchard, who sold the cow to Mr Lewis for $\$ 45$, bought the watch and
chain for $\$ 30$, hence the cow cost Mr. Lewis but $\$ 15$ all told.-Iranocaster Intel
exin Mrs. Mary Ann Beaumont Campbell's suit against her husband to
recover $\$ 55,000$ damages for his alleged recover $\$ 55,000$ damages for his alleged wrongfol conversion of 200 shares of
Rock Island Railroad stock, Judge DonRock Island Railroad stock, Judge Donhas denied the motion to vacate the attachment upon $\$ 14,500$ of the pro-
ceeds of the sale of the stock which Mr . Campbell bad placed in a safe deposib company. "The present lisues," Judge and it would be improper on such disputed statements as appear in the case to dissolve the attachment."
twThe notion of wearing stockliggs of different colors seems to become gen-
eral in London, sayg "Triffer" in Suneral in London, says "Trifler" in Sion-
day Times, of that efty. "An old friend told me he saw a short petticoated lassie
of thirteen the other day in a white dress. and blue ribbons. Moreover, the damsel wore one blue stocking and one white,
a blue rosette on one shoe and a whits ane on the other He sags and a white tume was admirably designed and the effect was altogether charming. I should
not be at all surprised to hear that thie not be at all surprised to hear that thie
new idea had become fashionable.

## One Experience from Many.

"I had been sick and mieerable so
long and caused my husband so much long and caused my husband so much
trouble and expense, no one seemed to
know what ailed me, that I was completely disheartened and discoaraged.-
In hils condtion of mind I gota bottee
of Hop Bitters and used themunknown of Hop Bitters and uued them nuknown
to my family, I soon began to improve to my family. I soon begun to improve
and gained so fast that my husband and
family thought it strange and unmatul rat, bot when I strange and umantu- what had
helped me, they sald "Hurrah for Hop
hot Bitters: Tong may they propper, for
they have made mother well and um
happy., The Mother.- Home Jotan-

