

ROMANCE OF A ROGUE.

How A Shrewd Adventurer Fooled Prominent Officials.

His Part in the Tilden-Hayes Controversy. A Colonel Who Never Smelt Gunpowder—His Downfall and the Remarkable Events that Led to It.

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This is the romance of a rogue. The story has never been told. The rogue was never discovered to the general public. Skilled in the art of deception, he made a great place for himself and at one time was a historical figure at the National Capital.

The other day I saw him, broken, gray and worn, on one of the back streets of Washington. He is now in the last stages of invalidism and has been under treatment for some time in the Government insane hospital.

He was always known as the Colonel, even in his most brilliant days, although he had never served in any army and had never even smelt gunpowder.

This successful adventurer played a great part in our history during the eventful winter of 1876 and 1877, the year of the Tilden-Hayes dispute.

During his second winter the Colonel set up as a mentor to various sons of high officials who came to Washington from what the Colonel called the provinces.

He sat at the same table with him in the hotel where he stopped when he first came to Washington, and received at various times enough of his confidence to keep the well informed concerning his career.

Afterwards, when he became so successful, I became sufficiently interested to make an investigation, and learn the exact truth of his real history.

He came to Washington early in the winter of 1876 as a newspaper correspondent representing a daily newspaper in the city of New Orleans.

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He saw the attention given to officers in society at Washington and decided at once that he should become an officer. As he was then playing the role of being an extreme Southern gentleman he could begin by being nothing less than an extreme Confederate officer.

It must be remembered that this artist never in the South in his life till after the war of the rebellion. He had never had a real uniform on his back, not even that of a militia company, up to the day he set up in Washington the role of an ex-Confederate.

The Colonel was at first content to play the role simply of an ex-Confederate, but he was so often asked about his family that he saw it would be necessary to invent another chapter in his history.

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the full accredited representative of the Southern brigadiers. How far the Colonel was able to impress Mr. Halstead I do not know, but I do know that he went to Mr. Hayes at Columbus the unquestioned representative of the Southern gentlemen who were ready to agree to a compromise so as to secure the control of their own State Governments.

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answer. It was found after examination that there were five men of his name in the Confederate service and if he had been a little more careful in building he might have taken the rank of one of these gentlemen, without so great a chance of discovery, as three of them were then dead.

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Bill Slavin, brother of the Australian heavyweight, is anxious for a fight with Denny Kelleher, and as Kelleher is open to meet anyone of his weight there should be no trouble in arranging a match.

James Corbett will make his debut on or about November 1 as a star in a new melodrama entitled "Gentleman Jack." The play introduces, among other things, the training quarters at Bay St. Louis and the interior of the Olympic club, New Orleans.

It is more than probable that a match will be arranged between George Dixon, champion bantam weight of the world, and Johnny Van Heest. Negotiations have been pending for some weeks, and at last it looks as though the battle would be arranged.

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THE ROGUE IN CONFERENCE WITH PRESIDENT HAYES.



THE GUEST OF WOLSELEY.



THE END OF THE ROGUE.