

**NOT AFTER OFFICE**

**He Mosty Desired the Services of Mr. Cleveland as a Snake Charmer.**

A little before 8 o'clock Saturday evening a negro man over six feet in height, of some 200 pounds weight and proportionately muscular, entered the White House and demanded an interview with the President. According to his statement he had something much more serious the matter with him than a thirst for office. His voice was filled with anguish as he recited how he had been employed at the Executive Mansion by President Grant; how while drawing his salary and accumulating fat he had been hoodooed, and how this enchantment had taken the horrible form of reptiles embedded and lively under the skin.

"I has one snake in mer foot," he said, "an' I calls him Peter; dar's another in mer lef' bress an' I calls him Moses. As fur frogs an' lizards, so many on 'em runs aroun' in mer lef' laig dat I ain't got no time to name 'em. Gin'ul Grant sent me down Souf fur to get de chavin' wucked off an' de people sent me on to Spain. President Cleveland am de only man what kin fetch 'em out'n me. Whah is he at?"

Officer Hardy, one of the Metropolitan policemen regularly detailed at the White House, told the strange visitor that the President had gone out of the snake-charming business temporarily, and was not in town anyhow. The negro, who had interjected a statement that his name was John Stevens, reached out for Hardy. Officer Parker, who was standing near, took a hand, and the fun began. The negro became maniacal. The two men opposed to him are by no means children, but for quarter of an hour he gave them all they could attend to.

His "wind" was remarkable, as during the entire struggle he did not cease for a moment to yell at the top of his voice and swear with a fluency and completeness that proved that he had lived in more than one country, whether Spain is on the list or not. They got him out on the portico a wild tangle of legs and arms and lungs, and he got himself back inside with apparently little effort. The performance was repeated until the officers began to think that they had died and had been sentenced to wrestle through all eternity with an ebon phantom filled with snakes, frogs, lizards and every other reptilian thing in creation.

The snake in his left foot seemed to have gifted him with surprising suppleness: "Moses," who dwells in his left side, had added eagerness to him, and every one of the frogs, too numerous to name, had lent him the power to hop about like an insane jumping-jack. When the contest was at its height, Secretary Thurber came down stairs and said:

"What! what! what's the matter?" The afflicted African instantly stopped his terrific yells for "Gen'ul Cleveland," and looked at the secretary in an aimless and stupid manner. The moment, however, that the latter began to ascend to his room he began with redoubled ardor, and the fun was once more fast and furious. In the meantime another of the employees had rung for a police wagon, and it came. Stevens by superhuman efforts was loaded into it. It's only occupant, other than the driver, was Officer Gaucher. To him the man with the hoodoo transferred his attentions. They had it all of the way to the Third precinct station. It took half of the force to land him in the cell, and at an early hour this morning he was still demanding admittance to "de only man what kin fetch 'em out'n me."

**IRONCLADS.**

The disaster to the Victoria affords another warning to us, telling what an unknown factor our national defence, our mighty ironclad fleet is. In the days of old, when our line of battle ships and frigates won us our maritime supremacy, we were well acquainted with the wooden walls to which we trusted; they had been tried again and again. We knew that as a rule, owing to the discipline, activity and courage of our sailors, and the seamanship of our captains, we could always depend upon one British vessel being a match for two or three of any other country; and we therefore knew that when we had more ships than continental nations we need fear no coalitions against us. There was no need to guard against surprises; no danger of torpedoes destroying our finest vessels, or scientific discoveries neutralizing their efficiency. But now, under the changed conditions of maritime warfare, we are totally in the dark as to what the next maritime engagement may bring about. The particular virtues of our sailors, which shone to advantage when fighting in ships, are likely to be neutralized to a great extent in monster armoured steamers and skilful seamanship, or personal courage must be guided and governed by science to win the day in the future.

Now, the few precedents we have had of the reliability of ironclads is not encouraging. About the first was in 1866, at the battle of Lissa. There an Austrian wooden ship ran into an Italian ironclad and sank her at once, and the wooden fleet beat the iron one. Then there was the Captain in 1870, which upset in a slight gale of wind. Later on in the Irish Channel the Iron Duke ran into the Vanguard, which also sank in a few minutes, although the former was going under a reduced head of steam, there being just time to save the crew. About the same date as a German squadron was manoeuvring off Folkstone, one vessel ran into

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