



The Tenderfoot

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Ed Thatcher was a tenderfoot in the wild and woolly west. He went out there after being told by the president of an eastern college he had been at tending that he needn't remain at the university any longer.

Not liking to face his father, whom he had bitterly disappointed, upon his dismissal from college he buried his remorse in the worst part of the west. He did not seem on his arrival to count for any more in the new country than he did in the old.

He was not in a good humor when he reached his new home. His failure in the east had temporarily at least, soured his disposition. He went into a saloon to buy a cigar with which to solace himself.

Wheeler, seeing a tenderfoot approach, turned to him and said: "Betsy, have a drink." Thatcher, "I never drink. That's about the only virtue I have."

"Waal, we'll soon take that out of you here. We haven't got many virtues in these parts. Come, step up and nominate yer likker."

"No liquor for me." The man seized Ed roughly by the arms and gave him a jerk toward the bar.

One second later and there was a tableau. Wheeler was sprawling on the floor at the other end of the room, while the others present—Ed excepted—were wondering how he got there. It couldn't have been lightning, for they had heard no thunder, only a "bliff."

"Well, then you're the biggest fool in this yere territory."

"I prefer to protect myself with my fists."

There was a shout of laughter at this announcement. "There's some fun in this," remarked one of the party.

It was evident that this was a case of a cat playing with a mouse before devouring it. Every time Ed knocked Wheeler down or threw him down or got between his legs and toppled him over the crowd guffawed.

"Keep it up," they shouted when the tenderfoot asked his opponent if he had had enough.

But when Ed saw that he was at feeding an exhibition for the spectators he finished the contest by a blow under the jaw that felled his man, and it was evident by the way Wheeler arose that the contest was ended.

"Stranger," said the man who suggested the fight, "you kin go around yere without a gun all you like. Ef any man draws on you there's plenty o' other gins'll take keer o' you. An' you needn't drink, neither."

Wheeler made no attempt to renew the fight. On the contrary, he admired the manner in which the tenderfoot had downed him and staggered toward Ed with outstretched hand.

That was Ed Thatcher's introduction among a people who were at heart much as other people, but who had been modified by being their own defenders instead of being protected by the law.

The tenderfoot is now the governor of the territory.

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"A well to do man showed his ingenuite bride a check for \$1,800. Do you see this check? Now with this I'm going to buy sugar. Sugar is going up, and I'll give you the profits."

"As a means of making money speculating on margin is worthless; as a means to loss and ruin it has no rivals. With the large number of sound investments constantly offered by banking houses to the public on terms which offer a reasonable chance of increasing value, together with security of principal and income, it should no longer be necessary for men and women to put their savings into margins."

JUVENILE PRODIGES.

Master Betty at the Age of Twelve Played Richard III.

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Writing for the stage seems always to have attracted the prodigy. Douglas Jerrold wrote his successful farce, "More Frightened Than Hurt," before he was fifteen, and Lope de Vega, the famous Spaniard, was not fourteen when his first play was produced. And William Ireland produced his Shakespeare forgeries, which were good enough to deceive the learned, when he was about fifteen.—London Chronicle.

Measuring Moonlight.

The full moon is said to give a great deal more than twice the light of the half moon. The ratio is approximately as nine to one. Taking advantage of the extreme sensitiveness to light of a selenium cell, experimenters have measured the amount of light coming from the moon at different phases, with the result above mentioned. The reason for the remarkable difference shown is to be found in the varying angles of reflection presented by the roughened surface of our satellite to the sun. The moon is brighter between first quarter and full than between full and last quarter. The cause of this is evident in the more highly reflective character of that part of the moon that lies west of its meridian.

The Old and the New.

He was an old timer slowly adapting himself to modern customs and acquired wealth. He had progressed as far as the open back shirt and was proud of it. The coat front was yet to be attained.

"Just look at me," he said to some friends calling on him while he was dressing. "By heck! When I came to this town I hadn't a shirt to my back, and now—now I haven't a back to my shirt!"—Judge's Library.

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Afraid of Him.

"You never go to banquets with your husband."

"No. I'm always afraid that they'll ask him to make a speech."

"And he can't make one?"

"That's it exactly. He can't. But if he were asked I just know he'd get up and try."—Detroit Free Press.

Truth is clothed in white, but a lie comes forth with all the colors of the rainbow.

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VIRGINIA

In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Rockbridge County, September 11th, 1911. C. W. BOWYER Plaintiff vs. LELIA M. BOWYER Defendant

IN CHANCERY:

The object of this suit is to obtain a divorce a vinculo by the plaintiff from the defendant, and affidavits having been made and filed that the said defendant, Lelia M. Bowyer, is not a resident of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that she appear here within fifteen days after the date of publication of this order and do what is necessary to protect her interest in this suit.

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