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BY PROF. J. EDWIN CHURCHILL.
"The lady" is made of obignon, of things and various dings; Of pomade, powder, enamel, paint and such false things. Of dumber dresses—made of silk, of wool and other stuffs; of a velvet trail to sweep the streets, a yard or two's enough. They wear a hump upon their back—of wire, or moss, or hair. 'Tis call'd the Grecian bend, so odd, 't would make a preacher smile, To see them with that look, as if their backs were broke; As if they were not like the rest—belonged to decent folk— But some peculiar kind, a nondescript, a foreign fungi race, They live on show, on fashion false, with ribbons and with lace; They are to woman-kind, who live for love, a sure, a sad disgrace. "The woman" is made of mind, of thought, and cares of home, She does not wish to walk the streets, or far away to roam, She's mother, with a sister, friend, a sweetheart, a lover, bride; She is so kind and gentle, too, and walks now by my side; She knows no selfish love or lust, her soul is pure and good, Her virtue and constancy, temptation she's withstood; She feels no envy or jealousy in her heart for other's love. She lives much higher, far, than this—her thoughts are far above; She trusts herself—she has no fear of him, her early choice; She listens to a monitor, the still and silent voice, She walks so worthy of her trust, and knows no doubt or fear, She feels that he will do the right—the one who holds so dear. And when the law says by its will that she may help the man, She'll use the high prerogative with the noblest thought she can. For she has mind and heart and soul and spirit for the good; To halves in one, this dual twin, the union's true manhood. Then let us watch and work, and pray for that long wished-for time, When she may be a true helpmate, nor think it any crime To preach the Gospel, plead the law, or prescribe for any sick, And do what all her brothers can, as good, as well, as quick.

A Very Unwelcome Visitor.
The burglars had been very active and bold in their operations in our city, but as the thermometer had marked above the nineties for several days, I had little of value in my room, and I preferred to risk that little and leave my window open, although of easy access, rather than undergo partial suffocation. If an uninvited guest made his appearance, and I did not awake, he would not disturb me; if I did awake, I could feign sleep, and let him take whatever he might find.
"This class of visitors," I reasoned with myself, "do not generally commit personal violence, if they can accomplish theft and make good their escape without it."
These were my reflections every night as I undressed and threw myself on the bed, leaving my castle open to the enemy. I had slept one night about an hour, when I was awakened by the falling of a small China ornament; starting slightly and opening my eyes, I saw the gas burning and a tall, broad-shouldered man, with his back toward me, his face looking over his shoulder to see whether the noise had awakened me. Our eyes met, so that the plan of feigning sleep would have been useless. What followed illustrates the value of presence of mind.
Opposite the side of my bed, and about eight feet from it, was the door of my room, two or three feet from which were stairs leading to the lower hall. The burglar must have used a ladder in ascending the roof, from which he entered the window. It was some thirty feet from the ground, and isolated. My plan was not only to escape harm myself, but to capture him. I knew the policeman's beat, and he would pass it in a short time.
Sitting bolt upright, then, as I opened my eyes and saw the burglar looking very unpleasantly at me, I said, rubbing my eyes drowsily—although, to tell the truth, I was frightened nearly out of my life: "Halloo, John, what are you looking for? Can't you come into my room without making such a confounded noise?"
The fellow, taken somewhat aback at being addressed in this way, said in a low but menacing voice, and pointing a revolver at me:
"Shut up! What do you take me for?"
"I took you for John!" I replied, with a well-assumed nonchalance.
"But I didn't suppose he was after anything valuable in my room, except one thing, and—by the way, if you are not the luckiest fellow in the world."
"How's that?" growled my visitor.
"Well, I have a very good watch; but if you want to get it, you must pay a visit to the watch-maker's, after you leave here, for I had what I considered the bad, but what seemed the good, fortune to break the main-spring, yesterday, and left it for repairs."
"You are a precious cool one!" said he, evidently astonished at my indifference.
"What's the use of getting excited or attempting to resist you? You are armed, and you see I am not. And if you had no weapon, your fighting-

weight must be at least thirteen-stone, while mine is not more than nine and a half. I have no idea of interfering with you. If the room were filled with diamonds, I would not lift my finger to save them. Take all you can find. I am going to sleep, so don't make any more noise."
"Hold on," said the fellow, "where are your keys?"
"I suppose you want to make as much of a haul as you can," I said, "so look in my pants, hanging over the bed post there, and you'll find my pocket-book with a few stamps in it."
It was nearly time for the policeman to pass, and I paused to listen. I must in a few moments put my plan into execution.
A glance quick as lightning showed me that the key of the door was on the outside.
My listening expression did not escape the practiced eye of my grim visitor. It was a curious scene, no doubt. I, sitting in my bed in my night clothes, unarmed, and this stalwart ruffian, pistol in hand, glaring half-suspiciously, half-ferociously at me, and almost in the crouching attitude of a tiger, about to spring upon his prey. But there I sat, very coolly conversing with him, the necessity of the moment keeping my wits too wide awake to allow my fears to get the upper hand for an instant.
"What are you listening to?" asked the burglar.
"I thought I heard a cry of fire."
In that instant, and in the dead stillness of the night, I heard the tramp of the policeman. It was some distance off.
"You will find," I said, "some clothes of mine in the press; they will, however, be too small for you. Good night; the keys are in the middle drawer."
He turned to the drawer indicated, and, as he did so, with one tremendous bound I cleared the space between my bed and the door, slammed the door and looked it upon him. Oblivious of my dishabille, I sprang to the steps. I had two flights to descend and the door to open before I could reach the yard, but it was hardly possible for him to descend the ladder more quickly. Bounding rather than running down stairs, I lunged back the bolt and dashed into the yard. He was half-way down the ladder. Shouting "police!" lustily, I seized the ladder at the bottom, and using all my power, brought it and the burglar to the bottom with a crash. The pistol he held in his hand dropped from his grasp. I made a dash for it, and he, springing to his feet like a cat, made a rush at me, and as I stooped seized me by the nape of the neck. I turned the pistol upward and pulled the trigger. It merely snapped; there were no more charges in it. With a terrible oath, the baffled villain wrenched the pistol from my grasp and raised it aloft to deal me what might have proved a fatal blow, when there was a rush behind him, and he was felled to the ground. The policeman had heard my shout and was just in time to rescue me.
The burglar was soon secured, and in my excitement, I was about to relate the story I have here told, when the policeman, with a smile, suggested that I might "ketch cold in them clothes."
I then remembered, for the first time since I had sprung from bed, that I was shoeless and stockingless, and had nothing on but my night shirt, and I bent a hasty retreat. With a long-drawn breath, I took my fine gold repeater, which had such a narrow escape, and was not at the watch-maker's at all, from under my pillow, looked at the hour, and after a little while fell asleep.
It is almost needless to add, that the above story, narrated afterwards to a jury when I was in a better trim for story-telling than I was when the policeman interrupted me, had the effect of giving my visitor lodgings in a public institution, and secured me against a repetition of his call for at least ten years.

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