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" March 23d,
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" April 20th,
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" May 25th,
" June 8th,
" August, 24th,
" September 7th
" September 21st,
" October 12th,
" October 26th,
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" November 9th,
" November 23d,
" December 7th,
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A DARK MYSTERY,

—OR—

Jim. Blaine's Wonderful Story

BY MARK TWAIN.

The boys used to tell me I ought to get at Jim Blaine to tell me the stirring story of his grandfather's old ram; but they always added that I must not mention the matter unless Jim was drunk at the time—just comfortably and sociably drunk. They kept this up until my curiosity was on the rack to hear the story. I got to hunting Blaine; but it was of no use; the boys always found fault with his condition; he was often moderately but never satisfactorily drunk. I never watched a man's condition with such absorbing interest, such anxious solicitude; I never so pined to see a man uncompromisingly drunk before. At last one evening I hurried to his cabin for I learned that this time his situation was such that even the most fastidious could find no fault with it; he was tranquilly, serenely symmetrically drunk—not a hiccup to mar his voice, not a cloud upon his brain thick enough to obscure his memory. As I entered, he was sitting upon an empty powder-keg, with a clay pipe in one hand and the other raised to command silence. His face was round, red, and very serious; his throat was bare and his hair tumbled; in general appearance and costume he was a stalwart miner of the period. On the pine table stood a candle, and its dim light revealed "the boys" sitting here and there on bunks, candle boxes, powder kegs, etc. They said:

"Sh! Don't; he's going to commence." I found a seat at once, and Blaine said:

"I don't reckon them times will ever come again. There never was a more bullier old ram than what he was. Grandfather fetched him from Illinois; got him from a man named Yates—Bill Yates—may be you might have heard of him; his father was a deacon—Baptist—and he was a rustler, too; a man had to get up rather early to get the start of old Thankful Yates; it was him that put the Greens up to jining teams with my grandfather when he moved West. Seth Green was probably the pick of the flock; he married a Wilkerson—Sarah Wilkerson—good cretur she was—one of the likeliest heifers that was ever raised in old Stoddard, every body said that knowed her. She could heft a bar'l of flour as easy as I can flirt a flapjack. And spin? Don't mention it! Independent? Humph! When Sile Hawkins came a browsing around her, she let him know that for all his tin he couldn't trot in harness along side of *her*. You see, Sile Hawkins was—no, it was't Hawkins, after all; it was a galoot by the name of Filkins—I disremember his first name; but he *was* a stump—come into par'r meeting drunk one night, hooraying for Nixon becuz he thought it was a primary; and old Deacon Ferguson up and scooted him through the window, and he lit on old Miss Jefferson's head, poor old filly. She was a good soul—had a glass eye, and used to lend it to Miss Wagner, that hadn't any, to receive company in; it warn't big enough, and when Miss Wagner warn't noticing, it would get twisted around in the socket, and look up, may be, or out to one side, and every which way, while t'other one was looking as straight ahead as a spyglass. Grown people didn't mind it, but it most always made the children cry, it was so sort of scary. She tried packing it in raw cotton, but it wouldn't work, somehow; the cotton would get loose and stick out and look so kind of awful that the children couldn't stand it no way. She was always dropping it out, and turning up her old dead-light on the company empty, and making them uncomfortable, becuz she never could tell when it popped out, being blind on that side, you see. So somebody would have to hunch her, and say, 'Your game eye has fetched loose, Miss Wagner, dear,' and then all them would have to sit and wait till she jammed it in again—wrong side before, as a general thing, and green as a bird's egg, being a bashful cretur and easy set back before company. But being wrong side before warn't much difference any way, becuz her own eye was sky-blue, and the glass one was yaller on the front side, so whichever way she turned it it didn't match nohow. Old Miss Wagner was considerable on the borrow, she was. When she had a quilting or Dorcas S'iety at her house she gen'ally borrowed Miss Higgins's wooden leg to stump around on; it was considerable shorter than the other pin, but much she never minded that. She said she couldn't abide crutches when had company, becuz they were so slow; said when she had company and things had to be done, she wanted to get up and hump herself. She was as bald as a jug, and so she used to borrow Miss Jacobs's wig—Miss Jacobs was the coffin peddler's wife—a ratty old buzzard he was, that used to go roosting around where people was sick, waiting for them; and there that old rip would sit all day, in the shade, on a coffin that he judged would fit the candidate; and if it was a slow customer and kind of uncertain, he'd fetch his rations and a blanket and sleep in the coffin nights. He was anchored out that way in frosty weather for about three weeks once, before old Robbins's place, waiting for Lim, and after that, for as much as two years, Jacobs was not on speaking terms with old man, on account of his disappinting him. He got one of his feet froze, and lost money, too, becuz old Roddins took a favorable turn and got well. The next time Robbins got sick, Jacobs tried to make up with him, and varnished up the same old coffin and fetched it along with him; but old Robbins was too many for him; he had him in, and 'peared to be powerful weak; he bought the coffin for ten dollars, and Jacob was to pay it back and twenty-five more besides it Robbins didn't like the coffin after he'd tried it. And then Robbins died, and at the funeral he bursted off the lid and riz up in his shroud and told the parson to let up on the performances, becuz he could not stand such a coffin as that. You see he had been in a trance once before, when he was young, and he took the chances on another, call'ating that if he made the trip it was money in his pocket, and if he missed fire he couldn't lose a cent. And, by George, he sued Jacobs for the rhino, and got judgment, and he set up the coffin in his back parlor and said he 'lowed to take his time now. It was always an aggravation to Jacob, the way that miserable old thing acted.

"He moved back to Indianny pretty soon—went to Wellesville—Wellesville was the place the Hogadoms was from. Mighty fine family. Old Maryland stock. Old Squire Hogadom could carry around more mixed licker, and cuss better than most any man I ever see. His second wife was the Widder Billings—she that was Becky Martin; her dam was Deacon Dunlap's first wife. Her oldest child Maria, married a missionary and died in grace—et up by savages. They et *him*, too, poor fellow—biled him. It wasn't the custom, so they say, but they explained to friends of his'n that went down there to bring away his things, that they'd tried missionaries every other way and never could get any good out of 'em—and so it annoyed all his relations to find that man's life was fooled away just out of a dern'd experiment, so to speak. But mind you, there ain't any thing ever really lost; every thing that people can't understand and don't see the reason of does good, if you only hold on and give it a fair shake; Providence don't fire no blank cartridges, boys. That there missionary's substance, unbeknowns to himself, actu'ly converted every last one of them heathens that took a chance at the barbecue. Nothing ever fetched them but that. Don't tell *me* it was an accident that he was biled. There ain't no such thing as an accident.

"When My Uncle Lem was leaning up agin a scaffolding once, sick or drunk, or suthin', an Irishman with a hod full of bricks fell on him out of the third story and broke the old man's back in two places. People said it was an accident. Much accident there was about that. He didn't know what he was there for, but he was there for a good object. If he hadn't been there the Irishman would have been killed. Nobody can ever make me believe anything different from that. Uncle Lem's dog was there. Why didn't the Irishman fall on the dog? becuz the dog would a seen him a coming and stood from under. That's the reason the dog weren't appointed. A dog can't be depended on to carry out a special providence. Mark my words, it was a put-up thing. Accidents don't happen, boys. Uncle Lem's dog—I wish you could a seen that dog. He was a regular shepherd—or rather he was part bull and part shepherd—splendid animal; belonged to Parson Hagar before Uncle Lem got him. Parson Hagar belonged to the Western Reserve Hagars; prime family; his mother was a Watson; one of his sisters married a Wheeler; they settled in Morgan county, and he got nipped by the machinery in a carpet factory and went through in less than quarter of a minute. His widder bought the piece of carpet that had his remains wove in, and people came a hundred miles to 'tend the funeral. There was fourteen yards in the piece. She wouldn't let them roll them up, but planted him just so full length. The church was middling small