

MONEY-CHANGERS.

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"Tain't no use waiting any longer," said Harry Pilchard, looking over the side of the brig toward the lower stars. "E's either waiting for the money or else 'e's a spending of it. Who's coming ashore?"

"Give 'im another five minutes, Harry," said another seaman persuasively. "It 'ud be uncommon 'ard on 'im if 'e come aboard and then 'ad to go 'n get another ship's crew to 'elp 'e celebrate it."

"'Ar'd on us, too," said the cook, honestly. "There he is."

"The other glanced up at a figure waving to them from the stairs. "E wants the boat," he said, moving aft. "E's waiting for the money, 'e says. 'E's waving you not to. He's coming in the Waterman's skiff."

"'Ha! Same old tale," said the seaman, wisely. "Chap comes in for a bit of money and begins to waste it directly. There's threepence gone; clean chucked away. Look at 'im! Just look at 'im!"

"'E's got the money all right," said the cook, "there's no doubt about that. Why 'e looks 'arf as large again as 'e did this morning."

was hoisted over the side with infinite difficulty and no little risk by his shipmates. "Look at 'im," said Harry, as they lowered him down the fore-castle. "What 'ud 'e become of 'im if 'e had 'een with 'im? Where would 'is money 'ave been?"

"'He'll lose it as sure as eggs is beryls," said Steve, regarding him intently. "Bear a hand to lift 'im in his bunk, Harry."

Harry complied, their task being rendered somewhat difficult by a slight return of consciousness in Mr. Dodds' lower limbs, which, spreading themselves out fanwise, defied all attempts to pack them in the bunk.

"'Let 'em hang out then," said Harry, savagely, wiping a little mud from his face. "Fancy that coming in for a fortune."

"'E won't 'ave it long," said the cook, shaking his head. "'Wot 'e wants is a shock," said Harry. "'Owd 'it be when 'e wakes up to tell 'im 'e's lost all 'is money?"

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BOHEMIA PAST AND PRESENT

Glorious History of the Country and Its Struggle for Freedom.

LOVE OF LIBERTY AND LITERATURE

Thomas Capek Writes Concerning the People, Their Achievements and Disappointments, Triumphs and Defeats.

Americans and English-speaking people generally have a very confused knowledge of everything pertaining to the people who inhabit Bohemia. About four years ago an intelligent San Francisco merchant, a Mr. Willard Bean, asked the writer of this article to look into the course of which two important nations are being thrown, old Bohemian fashion, out of a window.

Those who visited the Austrian department of arts at the Chicago World's Fair may have noticed a painting by Vaclav Brouk entitled "Defenestration, or Thrown from the Window at Prague." It represents a thrilling fight in a gloomy chamber of the castle in Prague in the course of which two important nations are being thrown, old Bohemian fashion, out of a window.

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Grivance of Taxation.

Still another demand and by far the most important one because if granted it would involve the reconstruction of the monarchy is that Bohemia, together with her sister lands, should have the same measure of home rule as Hungary. In other words, the people want to be governed from Prague and not from Vienna; their claim being that under the present system millions go out of the country yearly with no benefit to the taxpayers in return.

It must not be supposed for a moment, however, that the Bohemians are content with their achievements since 1848, or that they have no grievances, real or imaginary, to be righted by their government. Their success in the past has only served to encourage their ambition and today they clamor for more political patronage, more schools and greater representation in the diet and in the parliament at Vienna.

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"IT AIN'T A SIXPENCE," SAID THE BOY, "IT'S 'ARF A SUVRIN."

"Wot do you think, cook?" inquired Harry. "I don't see no 'arm in it," said the cook slowly, "the fright might do 'im good, 'praps."

"It might be the saving of 'im," said Harry. He leaned over the sleeping seaman and gently inserting his fingers in his breast pocket, drew out the canvas bag. "There it is, chaps," he said gayly, "an' I'll give 'im such a fright in the morning as 'e won't forget in a hurry."

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QUEER FATE OF DOCTORS.

How They are Affected by the Specialities They Treat. A veteran physician and kidney specialist of Chicago had just topped off his dinner with a good charity and was sitting back in his chair reflecting, when one of his colleagues at the board suggested that he would like to see a patient of his who had been afflicted with the disease of which he had just been talking.

"But had you thought further that almost every leading specialist in medicine of Chicago is afflicted in some degree by the disease of which he has just been talking?" No! Well, run over some of them in your mind. As for tuberculosis, it is well known that the overwhelming majority of the profession who contract it are specialists in their own line.

Among the Hop Pickers. It is an interesting fact that a large number of well-grown young people earn the price of their school books and in some instances the cost of their winter clothing by "birching" out to the hop growers of Oregon in picking season.

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Advertisement for Japan Tea, featuring the text 'Finest Flavor and Fragrance' and 'Japan Tea Absolutely the Purest, Cleanest, Most Wholesome.' Includes a small illustration of a tea set.

Large advertisement for 'The Omaha Bee's Photogravures of the Exposition'. It lists 16 different views of the exposition grounds and buildings, such as 'Opening Day, June 1, 1898' and 'Grand Court, Looking South-West'. It also includes a coupon for a photogravure and a list of prices.