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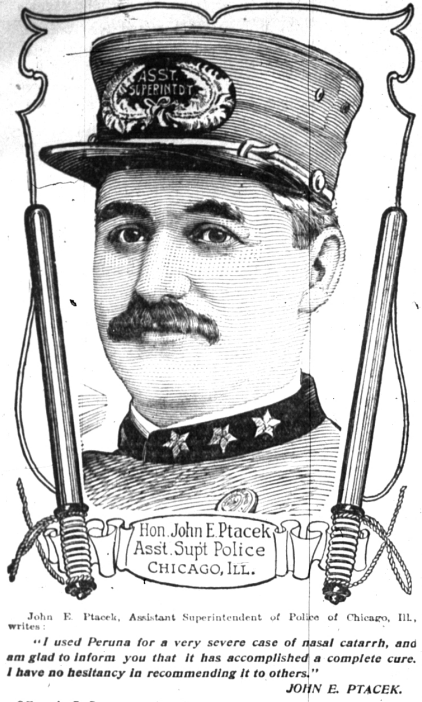

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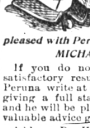

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MOZART AND THE MAJOR.

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Music and liquor! The Major loved them both; was something of a connoisseur in both; and was keenly susceptible to the influence of both. So, when he actually resolved to adopt a small colored boy, his friends were outraged, but not surprised; they only felt unable to decide whether the proceeding was to be attributed to the Major's pocketflask or to the boy's banjo, while the Major cursed the whole neighborhood in good, set terms, and went after his protege.

"What's the boy's name?" he demanded when all other particulars had been settled to the mutual satisfaction of himself and the child's father.

"Well, Majah," was the somewhat astonishing response, "I don' jes 'zackly know."

The Major's temper uncertain, and his vocabulary ready.

"Then you're a durn fool," he replied with promptness and emphasis.

"Well, Majah, you see, 'twuz 'is way. W'en dat chile wuz bawn, me 'n M'rier 'lowed we wuz gwine to call him fo' you; an' we wuz gwine to hab a great big crussenin'; soon's it got so's he cud wuz a frock 'dout enny nails or sleeves, dat yo' sna gin him. But w'ile we wuz a waitin' M'rier, she up an' jine de Baptis', an' one day, w'en I set, M'rier, ain' it mos' warm 'nuff fo' de crussenin'?' M'rier, she say, sorter short-lak, dat 'dem ain' gwine be no crussenin'. Dat crussenin's infum baptizum, 'n dee ain' no sech 'ting ez infum baptizzum.' 'Dee ain', sez I, 'how'n the name o' Gord dat chile gwine to get named, den?' An M'rier say, 'We jes gwine call him Moses right erlong. Dat bein's how he'd bin kinder drawed out'n de water by bein' kep' fum infum babtizzum, de preacher 'lowed he mus' be call Moses.' Well, suh, I jes pintedly rah'd n pitched. I sutney skeered M'rier. I 'lowed dat boy wuzn't gwine to be named no sech 'ting, an' he ain', nun, he ain'. M'rier, she call him Mose, jess fo' pure owdacrousness, but me 'n de res' jess call him sonny. An' dat's 'bout how I don' jes 'zackly know his' name."

At the termination of this remarkable narrative, the man stolidly awaited the usual string of expletives. But the Major stood silent, deep in meditation. A happy conceit had occurred to him and he was lost in admiration of its neatness and his cleverness.

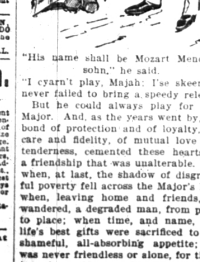
"The boy's name shall be Mozart Mendelssohn," he said, with an unctuous relish of his own good thing. "Moz-art Mendels-sohn," he repeated, adapting the pronunciation to the slow mind of his hearer; "then Marla can keep on calling him Mose, and you can keep on calling him sonny, and by the Lord Harry! Adam himself couldn't do better than that."

So Mozart Mendelssohn it was; and if ever a small boy deserved a great name, this one did. Pitifully crippled and misshapen the little fellow was; but genius looked out of his dark, bright eyes, and spoke through his slender, ebony fingers. After a few preliminary trials, he could handle any instrument with a skill and expression rarely attained by months of practice; and, along this line, the limit of the Major's generosity was the limit of his purse.

Seated on the wide stone step of the west veranda, while the Major rocked to and fro above him, with a mint julep or a toddy at his side, Mozart would fill the air with soothing melody, until his watchful eye took note that the last drop had disappeared down the Major's capacious throat. Then, and not till then, with clasped hands around his crooked knee, and eyes fixed firmly on the distant landscape, would Mozart say, "I b'leve I cud play a fiddle."

"Well, blank my eyes!" the Major would roar, "a fiddle! and it's just like your derned impudence to think I ought to get you one. A fiddle! Get up off that rock and go to the kitchen before I break every bone in your body." And the Major would stalk in the house, raging; while Mozart would walk off around the corner. "I b'leve I cud play it," he would say as he disappeared. And, in less than a month, he would be playing thereon, to the Major's intense delight and the neighborhood's intense disapproval.

There was but one drawback to the Major's enjoyment; Mozart could not play before strangers. In vain was he brought before expectant guests; flute, violin, cornet or banjo, it was all the same; his trembling fingers refused their office, and his frightened appeal



"His name shall be Mozart Mendelssohn," he said.

"I cyarn't play, Majah; I'se skeered," never failed to bring a speedy release.

But he could always play for the Major. And, as the years went by, the bond of protection and of loyalty, of care and fidelity, of mutual love and tenderness, cemented these hearts in a friendship that was unalterable. And when, at last, the shadow of disgraceful poverty fell across the Major's life; when, leaving home and friends, he wandered, a degraded man, from place to place; when time, and name, and life's best gifts were sacrificed to his shameful, all-absorbing appetite; he was never friendless or alone, for there was always Mozart. The Major's stalwart form was no better known in his favorite haunts than was the distorted figure of the little negro. Awaiting the end of the Major's carousals, watching over his drunken slumbers, hungry and cold unless supplied with food and warmth by bar-room charity; his love and patience were sublime. If only he could have played for the crowds who, lured by the Major's boasts, made nightly requests for an exhibition of his skill, money and plenty would be his; his and the Major's. So, night after night, he tried; but night after night he failed, until, one bleak December evening, the boisterous crowd, moved by a common impulse of compassion and disappointment, called out to the Major, after one of Mozart's ineffectual attempts:

"Licker the nigger up, Major; licker him up."

It was done, and then he played. How he played as the subtle glow flew from mouth to brain, and waked his heart and fingers to a new, strange power!

It was only a second-rate violin, played by a hunch-back negro; but the scent of the harvest field blew over

"Out into the raging night."

the hot, close room, and a stream plashed gently under bending trees. Only a second-rate violin, but its spell was mighty. Men saw afresh life's beauty and its gladness. Old dreams awakened, of fame and love; and hope began to whisper of what might be. He was only a hunch-back negro, but men dropped their heads and forgot their glasses on the bar as they listened. Within their hearts there stole sweet thoughts; within their eyes there crept hot tears; and no man smiled as the Major walked unsteadily down the room, until he stood before the player.

"Let's go home, Mozart," he cried, with trembling lips; "let's go home. We'll keep our Christmas there, please God! You and I—at home."

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Out into the night, through a raging blizzard; buffeted by angry gusts of wind and volleys of snowflakes that obliterated the way, but the Major knew it not, until, at his feet, his companion stumbled and fell, exhausted with cold and weariness. But he knew it well, when, with Mozart in his arms, he plodded along over the road whose every familiar mile-stone seemed endless to his tired feet. Dissipation had weakened the Major's frame, and Mozart's inert form was heavy, but still he walked, fighting against the fate that threatened them, until his eyes discovered, through the snow-lit darkness, a well-known gate. And then he paused.

"We'll get a little rest here, Mozart," he said, with a thick and halting utterance; "we'll rest a bit, and then we'll go on in, we'll both go in—we'll both go home together."

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