

# SNAP, SHOT AND SHUTTER

By Wilfrid Klickmann.

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Snap, Shot & Shutter, makers of cameras, were advertising for a gentleman to fill the position of chief operator. There was nothing suspicious about the advertisement, which was straightforward, almost pleadingly too. It required a capable photographic operator to maintain a sole charge of dark room and developing branch of our business. Liberal salary. Apply to Snap, Shot & Shutter, etc.

The "liberal salary" seemed to promise well. As regarded my own suitability for the post, I had no misgivings. Photography had no unexplored mysteries for me; my "liberal salary" formulae connected with diaphragms, angles and feet of lenses I was quite at home. Further, Messrs. Snap, Shot & Shutter were an eminent firm, and their particular make of apparatus was probably the most terrible with which the amateur photographic hand could trifle himself.

It is called a "hand camera," implying that it could be carried in the hand, and distinguished from all other varieties which entails the attendance of a strong porter for locomotion. You surely know that?

Thousands of persons who are absolutely ignorant of the chemical transformation required to produce a photograph, are now able to produce the instrumentality of Snap, Shot & Shutter, to write themselves "amateur photographers."

The firm deems the developing and printing as many copies as are ordered by the "photographers." The latter then have the delight of exhibiting to their friends (with an air of complacency) the choicest of their efforts.

These are a few little things I picked up the other day, "one will remark with a modest air, and another, "That's Mr. Brown, the merchant prince, arguing with a man, and here's Miss Green, the poetess, coming a-swinging. To my mind it is in its way, my friends rare about it."

I dropped Messrs. Snap, Shot & Shutter a line, and begged to be favored with the name and address of the operator lately holding the post. By return the following reached me: "Dear Sir, in answer to your courteous note, we regret to inform you that the gentleman you alluded to is dead. Yours truly, Snap, Shot & Shutter."

"P. S.—We trust to receive shortly your application for the position."

It was disconcerting to be unable to ascertain how he had been killed. I tried again, and asked for the address of his predecessor in office. To my surprise I learned that the gentleman was at present in charge of his medical attendant at a private asylum. A postscript informed me that S. S. & S. had written a justification before coming to a decision.

As the firm were meeting me with less than half way I did not wish to stop now exacting, and accordingly accepted the post.

My arrival created somewhat of a sensation. The interest was most distinctly fluttering to a modest man, the words of the clerks seemed to regard me in a strange manner, and I could have sworn there was a gleam in the eyes of the lady typist.

I began with a batch of a dozen plates, which the sender, I was declared to be of exceptional interest. The first six plates were negatives, but out in the general development of the word, "by no stretch of imagination could the eye of faith detect the slightest shade of any picture, and snipping my hair, I would have sworn the photographer had dispatched me a box of unexposed plates. Number seven was the first predecessor, and so was the next and the next, and the mistake was obvious. The man had sent me a dozen new plates in error. A few minutes more would suffice to finish off the remainder.

A shock awaited me with the last of all. Gazing dimly into the developed plate, I saw a faint, ghostly image of the word, "by no stretch of imagination could the eye of faith detect the slightest shade of any picture, and snipping my hair, I would have sworn the photographer had dispatched me a box of unexposed plates. Number seven was the first predecessor, and so was the next and the next, and the mistake was obvious. The man had sent me a dozen new plates in error. A few minutes more would suffice to finish off the remainder.

# AN IMPORTANT CASE

Amusing Experience of Paymaster at an Irish Boarding House.

Back in the '70s, when the Kansas Division of the Union Pacific was called the Kansas Pacific, Maj. E. D. Redding, who was in command of the division in the civil war, was paymaster. At that time the paymaster was the biggest man connected with the road. In the '70s, however, the paymaster and the people living in the towns along the line, and his arrival in the paymaster's office was a great event for the people.

One night Maj. Redding's car rolled into the town of Waterloo. The major and his clerks were in a grand welcome by the people. They were escorted to a railroad boarding house and treated as royal guests. It was conducted by a young Irish woman who boasted that she set the best table in the town along the road.

At supper that night every regular boarder turned up at the table looking like the best. The Irish "handmaid," as they called her, appeared in a neat blue calico dress, all primmed up and smiling.

"Say coffee, yo omdahn, 'r we have no tea," she said, as she poured the major's cup full of steaming coffee—Kansas City Star.

# OLD CAPT. CACK'S QUESTION.

Somewhat Pointed, But It Denoted Quick Intelligence.

Pierce Jay, the commissiонер of banks of Massachusetts, at the American Bankers' association's convention at Chicago, said: "I have associated a better accounting system."

"But above all," said Mr. Jay, in a discussion of his idea, "we want intelligence." "Three years ago I was in a thoroughly put down. Systems are good, but intelligence is better, and on each side of the ledger, the bookkeepers and note clerks we want the same keen, quick intelligence that characterized old Capt. Hiram Cack."

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# What is Per-una?

Is it a Catarrh Remedy, or a Tonic, or is it Both?

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### Still Working for Humanity.

Tennie Collins, as she was called before she married an English lord and went to the States to live in the '70s, is back again in New York. Her agitation now is to promote happier marriages by lectures and informal entertainments in churches.

### Millionaire is Generous.

Conradson John F. America, who represents the Yonkers, N. Y. district, for several years has taken delight in playing the role of Santa Claus to the Yonkers and its vicinity. He has given away of the house, this year, as usual, his gifts to the youngsters consisted of two dollar bills, and one dollar bills worth \$20,000,000, made out of the manufacture of paper.

### Delicacy of Frenchmen.

"Undoubtedly Frenchmen have the most delicate palates of any people on earth," said a New York young man to a group of friends at tea. "I have just had a small thing made up for me, and it is a little thing that I had just arrived here, his clothes were so unattractively Parisian. I was sitting at the table with my petticoat coming. To my surprise, as he was a stranger to me, he stepped, put his hands together, and taking off his hat, made a low bow. Parson, madame," said he, "your beneath skirt descends." Making again the same elaborate bow, he passed on. I looked down and saw that my petticoat was showing just a little below the outside skirt. Had an American man noticed this, he would have been so embarrassed about mentioning it, or, if he had the courage, he never would have been able to think of such a thing as making a low bow to a lady."

### NEVER TIRES

"Of the Food That Restored Her to Health."

"My food was killing me and I didn't know the cause," writes a Col. young lady. "For two years I was thin and sickly, suffering from indigestion and indigestion. I had tried different kinds of diet, plain living, and many of the remedies recommended, but got no better. Finally, about a year ago, my mother suggested that I try Grape-Nuts, and I began at once, eating it with a little cream or milk. A change from the latter being made, I gained weight and strength all the time. I've gained 10 lbs. in the last five weeks and don't suffer any more from indigestion and the rheumatism is all gone."

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## T. J. ACOB'S OIL

STIFFNESS, STITCHES, LAMENESS, CRAMP, TWISTS AND TWITCHES, ALL DECAIM WHEN YOU APPLY

THE OLD-PHON-CURE

### I Started at My Haggard Look.

same name had also sent plates to the developed. "It is believed, a similar mistake occurred again, and the picture of the quadruped with the family of a balloon came into the possession of Mr. Roberts, a well-known vegetarian advocate." The latter, when pointing out my mistake, made the opportunity of enclosing a letter to the editor of the "Detroit Free Press" in which he mentioned the error of the other way if I approached him. He assured me I need not be alarmed at the mistake, but he would be merely the effect of the darkness. He added that it would go off after a time. It did—in fact, it dropped off.

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