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## WINTER EVENING TALES By James Hogc.

But left me as soon as we came
tight of it. I no sooner beheld the sight of it. Ino sooner behelid the ob-
ject of my curiosty, than I thought her
criey, and that the story might have atisen from ravings. Stil she was an in
teresting object to contemplate; ana $r$ solftag to do so for the night, I tried by sigsis to make her understand that I was
a traveller fatigued with walking, and until next morning ; but she regarded me io more than she nould a strayed cat
or dog that had come in to take slielter
with her. There was one sentence whic understood to be of the foll
port," God shield the poor
on :" but I do not lnow how in Erse. I could likewise per
for all the intentness with whic
speed, hut was wasting cloth in endeal
ouring to shinpe a pece suinurg to the
rint, which she was still making rathie
vorie than betuar


atiect her at times very deeply
and ret in the only couch the hov
Titained, er to remmin, or to go zwa
The fire sent forth a good deal
siroke, but neitier tight nor heat;
put some white shreds of moss mito
cruise of oill, and Kindled it. This thit
a feabie ray of light through the smoke
glow-worm, making darkness scarcely
visible, if I may use the expression.
"The woman who was seated on
dry sod at the side of the fire, not mor
than a foot trom the ground, crossed he
arms upon her knees, and laying he head on them, fell fast asleep. I wrap
myself in my officer's cloak, and thre myself down on the moss couch, laying
myself in such a position that I could
watch all her motions as wil was her
looks. About eleven o'clock she awoke and sat for some time moaning like on the sod seat, and uttered some words,
waving her withered arms and streach ing some rite of necromancy or devo
$\qquad$ ed her teatures and looks, and certainly
before never saw any thing more un-
earthly. The haggani, widdiness of the if looking fir one that slie missed away,
made such an impression upon me, th my hairs stood all on end, a feeling tha
I rever experienced before, for I ha
elways lieen proof agaiust superstitiou wher of them, and wistred myself any
mither hike a ghastiy shade of somethin
that had once been mortal, than thing connected with humanity.
" It was apparent from her luoks, that
she expected some one to visit her, and
became firmly pursen became firmly pursuaded that I should
see a chost, and hear one speak. I was
not afraid of any individual of my own species; for, though I had talien own
care to conceal them from her for fear
3f creating alarm, I had two loaded pistols and a short swion, under iny cloak
and as no oue could enter without pas
ing my tonch by a very narrow entranc Was. I had quitted keeping my eyes up
on the woman, and was watching thi
dost, from which I thought I could dis tingoish voices. Iwatehed still more in
tensely; but hearing that the sound cane ram the other side, I moved in
head slowly round, and saw, apparently,
the corps of ther son siting directly posite to her. The figure was dressed
in dead clothes ; that is, it was wrapt in a coarse white sheet, and had a napkin
of the same colour round his head. This was raised up on the brow, as ij
thrust up recently with the hand, discoveyelid nor lip, though notonly gainand again. The facewa zed whiteness upon it on which a hat glaof the lamp falling, showed a sight that The winding-sheet fell Fikewise sside the knee, and I saw the bare feet and
legs of the same bleached hue. The oia woman's arms were stretched toward the features meanwhile distorted as with so bewildered, that I fell into a stupor, like a trance, withoutbeing able to move
either hand or foot. 1 know not how
long the apparition staid; for the next
thing long the apparition staid ; for the nex
thing that I remember was, being reluc
tantly wakened from ble cry which I heard through my slum ber repeated several times. I looked \& saw that the old miserable creature had
fallen on her face, and was grasping in feeble convulsions the, seat where the fi-
gure of her dead son had so lately reclieed. My compassion overcome my
error; for she seemed on the last verge of life, or rather sliding helplessly from ime's slippery precipice, atter the thread
of existence by which she hung had given way. I I lifted her up, and tound that
en all her sufferings were over-the joins
vere grown supple, and the cold damp of death had settled on her hands and
brow. I carned her to the bed from which 1 had risen, and could scarcely
helieve that I carried a human body-i

was any bope of renovation-she
ling, but tlawasall, and with a resig
ed though gharty smile, and a shakin
of the head, she expired.
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"I did not tnow what to do; for
night vas dark as pitch; and I wist
where to fly, knowing the cot to be sit

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"I suppose that I sat about an hour
this disinal place, without moving
changing my attitude, with my bro
leaning upon both my hands, and m leaning upon both my hands, and in
eyes shut; when I was aroused by hea
ing a risting in the bed where the bod

the agomies of death, and stretching o
its bands towards the hearih. 1thoug
the woman had been vivified, and loo
ed steadfastly at the face; but I saw th
it was the face of a cor pee still for
eye was white, being turned upward
fixed in the socket, the mouth was op
and all the other features immoveab
fixed for ever. Seeing that it continu
the same motion, I litted the lamp a
looked fearfully round and thiere behe
the figure, I had so recenty seen, on
having its face turned toward the bed.
having its face turned toward the bed.
"I could stand this no longer, bat flat
stumbling out at the door, and ran str
forward. I seon found myself in th
sea, and it being ebb tide, I fled alon
the shore like a deer pursued by th
hounds. It was not long till the beat
terminated, and I came to an abrupt
precipice washed by the sea. I climbed
over a ridge on my hands and knees, \& over a ridge on my hands and knees,
found that I was on a rocky point be
tween two narrow friths, and farther pro ress impracticable.
"I had now no choice left me; medown in a bush of heath, below an overhanging cliff, \& gave up my whole
mird to amazement at what I had witnessed. Astonished as I was, nature
yielded to fatigue, and I fell intoa sound sleep, from which I did not awake til all aronnd me was fiightrfilly wild and
rugged, and $I$ scarcecould persuade myrugged, and I scarce could persuade m
self that I was awake, thinking that was still. struggling with a dreadfa
dreani. One would think that this wa
a matter easily settled, but I remember matter easily settled, but I remember I pulled heath, cut some parts of it of
and chewed them in my mouth-rose-
walked about aud threw stones into the sea, and still had strong suspicions th
I was in a dream. The adventeres
the preceding night dawned on my re
ollection one by one, but these 1 rega may welf be dermed not a hitile extraon
dinary, that to this day, if my oath wet
taken, I declare I could not er I saw these things in a dream, or teaded to comirn the latter; else h
came I to be in the place where I was. "I scrabled up among the rock
the wesward, and at length came
mall footpath which led from the of the one bay to the other; and foll
in that, it soon brought me to a ling hamlet called, Ithink, Battalit fere I found a man that had been a s by his help I raised the inhabitants the village; and getting in into a fis ing hoat, we were soon at the cottage.-
There we found the body lying stretch ed cold and stiff, exactiy in the ver place and the very position in which
laid it at first on the bed. The hous
was searched, and, grievous, to relate there was no article either of meat, drin or clothing in it, save the oid mank
which I found her mending the evenin before. It appeared to me on reflection hat it had been a settled matter betwee up her fraillife that night, and join hi company: and that I had found her preparing for her change. The cloak
she had meant for her winding slleet, having nothing else ; and by her little hymns and orgies she had been endeav-
oring to prepare her soul for the company among whom she knew she was so
soon to be. There was a tint of spiritusoon to be. There was a tint of spirit
al sublinity in the whole matter."

STORY OF TWO HICHLANDERS There is perhaps no quality of the
mind in which manyond differ more
than in a prompt readjifess erther to act or answer to point, inffer ment imminen
and sudden dangersand difficultles; of and sudden dangersand difficultes; o On t
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Ty On the banks of the Albany river
which falls into the Hudson's bay, ther is, amongst others, a small colony set ted, which is mostly made up by em
grants from the Highlands of Scotland Thants from the Highlands of Scotland fertile, yet the winter being so long an severe, these people do not labour to
acessantly in agriculture, but depen for the most part upou their skill in hun
ing and fisking for their subsistence ling and
liere bein
and fish.
Two young kinsmen, both Macdonal woods to hunt, each of them armed with
whe a well charged gun in his hand; and
slene-dhro, or Highland dirk, by his side.
They shaped their course towards They shaped their course towards a
small strean, which descends from the
small strean, which descends from the
moutains to the N. W. of the fiver;
on the banks of which they knerv there
were still a few wid sswine remaning;
and of all other animals they wished to
"ere still a few wild swine remantining
and of all other animals they wished to
see one of them; litule doubting but
that they conld overcome a pair of them
if chance would direct them to their lur
If chance weuld direct them to their lur-
tobe so remarkable both for their fero-
city and strength. They were not at al
ame in searching for these animals; and
ward, without having shot any thing but
one wild turkey. But when they least
expected it, to their infinite joy they
contained a litter of fine hail-grown pigs
and none of the old ones with them
and none of the old ones with theip.
This wasa prize indeed : so, without lo-
sing a moment, Dooald said to the other
" Mack, you pe to litles man, creep you
"Mack, you pe to littles man, creep you
in und durk to lutte sows, and Pll b
keeping vatath at te toco." Mack com
plied without hesitation-gave his gur
and crept into the cave head foremost
fearing tat, man," said Douald.
The cave was deep,
where Mack, with his slene-dhu now
commenced the work of death. He
was scarcely well begun, when Donald
percelved a monstrous wild boar advan-
cing upon him, roaning and grinding his
tusks, while the fire of rage gleamed
from his eyes. Donald said not a word
for fear of alarming his friend ; besides,
the savace was so
the savage was so hard upon him ere he
was aware, he had scarcely time for any
hing; so setting himself firm and cock
ing his gun, he took his aim ; but, that
the shot maght prove the more
death, he suffered the boar to advance
within a few paces of him before he
ventured to fire; he at last drew the fa-
tal trigger, expecting to blow out his
eyes, bruins and all. Merciful heave
eyes, bruins and all. Merciful heaven
thegun missed fire, or flashed in the
pan, lam not sure which. There wa
no time to lase -Donald dashed the
no time to lose-Donald dashed the
piece in the anmmal's face, turned hi
tack, and fled with precipitation. The
boar pursued him only for a short space
for having heard the cries of his suffer-
of the den, he hasted back to their res-
cue. Most mea would have tiven all
up forl lost-It was not so with Donald-
Meck's fifewasat stake. As soon as he
observed the menster return from pursu-
ing him, Donala faced about, and pursu-
ed him in this turn, but having, betore
this, from the horror of being all torn to
ng vack, the tiar had, by that oversigh
got considerably ahead of him-Donal strained every nerve-uttered som
piercing cries-and even for hall his hast
did not forget to implore assistance froin
heaven. His prayer was short, but pithy

## aid Donald in a toud voice, whide the ears gushed from his eyes. In spite o il his efforts, the euraged animal reach

fore hro, and entered !-It was, hoygv-
er, too narrow for him to walk in on all er, two narraw for him to waik me on a
fours; he was obliged to drag hinself in
as Mack had done betore; and, of cours his hind Acet lost their hold or the
ground. Ar this important crisis Don-
ald overtook hira-laid hold of his large
long tivil-wspoed it around both of his
hands-set his feet to the banks-and
held back in the utmost desperation.
Mack, who was all uncorscious
what was going on above ground, wo
dered whit way he came to be involve
in utter darkness in a moment. He wai
ed a little while, thinking that Donal ed a little while, thinking that Donai
vas playing a trick upon him, but th he at length barlect out, 6 Tomadd, man Tonald-phat s it that'll ay pe stopping
te light?" Donald was too much eng ged to think of naking any reply to this
impertinent quetron of Mack's, till latter, having wited in vain a considera ble time for ananswer, repeated it in ouder cry. Donald's famous laconi ever will he quualled, has often been
heard of-" lonald, man,

1 shy phat is it thatll ay pe stopping tait preak, you'll fin' 'at,", said DonDonald continued the struggle, and Donald continued the struggle, and
soon began to enterain hopes of ulti-
mate success-- When the boar pulled to mate success- When the boar pulled to
get in, Donald held back; and when he get in, Donald held back; and when he
struggled to get back again, Donald set
his shoulders to his large buttocks and his shoulders to his large buttocks and
pushed him in: and in this position he pushed him in : and in this position he
kept him, until he got an opportunity o
giving him some deadly stabs with his skene-dhu behend the short rib, which oon terminated hifs existence.
Our iwo young friends by this advent-
re realized a valuable prize, and secur are realized a valuable prize, and secur-
ed so much excellent food, that it took hem several days to get it conveyed
home. During the long winter nights,
white the lfamily were regaling themhile the lamily were regaling them
selves on the hams of the great wild boar, Iten was the above tale related, and as
often applauded and laughed at. A neio species of Humane Sapiety
or the extinction of old Maid-ismt, \&c.The following is from the Cahawba
Press, an Alabama paper; -
Every day we hear of the formation fuew scieties, for the encourgitement
f agriculture, the distribution of bibles, olonizing Negroes, \&c. but none we
hink, deserves more praise and credit, han one which has peen receuly estab-
ished in this place for the pfamotion of
he cause of Cupid and Hyme. Sone
young men, taking into coyderation
whing to promote matritiony in gen
eral, and particularly with this class, they
have formed a society, and entered into
an agreement to pay any of the mem-
bers the sum of one dollar who sial
an agreement to pay any of the mem-
bers the sum of one dollar, who shall
marry a woman one year older than
himself, 10 dollars if she is five years ol-

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most cordial prayers tor its prosperity,
from the fair damsels whe have taken
their exit out of their teens. Ey what
name the society is known, we have not
yet learnt-probably they with ch it the
'Female Asylum.' We shall howerer
know when they issue Chance Bills

dogs so carefully selected they disembark
in a pack, and this happy eveat signal-
ized by a general jog.. It is who shall
be the most zeal to admire these buteli-
eries of a new kind, and wo spread
their path with flowes. On all sides
they distribute the coctades and the rib-
ands for their decoration. The small
number of Europeans, shocked at
number of Europeans, shocked at
this inhuman madness, shudder, conceal
theiselves or are silept. Presenty
theseanimals are traired to their destin.
ed use food is judiciotsly given, to ir
ed use; food is judiciotsly given, to ir
ritate their natural voraciry. As soon as
they are judged to bie
they are judged to be prepared, they
soleminy announce the day, the hoor,
the frightful moment, whena human be-
in, for the sole reason that it jas pleas-
ed heaven to invest hin with a sable ex-
od heaven to invest hinn with a sable ex.
terior, is to be exposed in the arna of
these monsters. The whole city of the
Cape flock to the speecacle ; banquets
are prepared around the anpi-theatre,
which has been erected in the Court

## which has been erected in the Court of a Convent! This scene calk to mind the bloody circus of the Rom ns ; and the people crowding aad strug fling for their seats. Parbarous exeputioners, savage spectators! the sancty of this asylum hes

he said, with a low voice, "Bravo, the
bid gentleman is fatigued. Soon after carelessly touched pipe by the fire, but
grood kinfi was glat. The
go see Ziethen take a lude rest, arose suddenly, waved his
hand. and whisperingly said, "Hist
grenadier! Take care not. to wake the general, he is very drowsy,", To Thise offi-
cer once fell into a dose at the king's taton to rouse him, the king said, " Let
him sleep-he has watched long enough that we might rest."

## There is no place where an instance of simplicity appears with less proprety, han in the pulpit. A priest at Tivoly was declaiming, in his secmon, against was declaiming, in his sermon, against dututery. "I would rather," says the ndignant preacher, " be conneeted with

 -A Lady instituted a prosecution against a youthful gallant, or seduction-
but, on stating her case, her lawyer did not think she had facts enough to support it. She left him very melancholy; but returning the next day, with an air
of triumph, she said, "Another fact,
nopic. At length the martyr, sinking a speaking look to Heaven, as a lesson ohis countrymen ; and then, his head lestial arch admits the last sigh of expis-

THE BACHELOR.
Callign ghe obere evening tose asin. Ile genteman, somentat ontie roon








 IT ent twice to ofuruch biatsmindy, with
 ince visiectan an oncice of mine, dutaesed









 I war singinget charch, they were knoc fune. The next mormang presented a
dismal scene. I was quietly getting,
shaved, when toy miy opened thestore,
ran ioto the room with inemper or, knocked the barber in opening the
toor, over a ketle of hot water, \&v with
Gie fittle breath that remained, decl That the store had bien rembed, Altho'
it was some distance, I ran out with my pened, and was very dark , so, as you
may su,pose, I broke ny shins over the
scastered ware. There were rais Wobnails scettered over the floor, inter-
poersed with locks, keys and screws; $;$ a varge copper still filled with frying
pans, case knives, scisors, iny portable
desk, surtout coat, and many articles
numerous numerous to mention. This was
all done to torment the old bachelor. I
have now determined to marry he woman, who is so good natured to have
frederick the great It is well known, the king, in the sertangers, but even the inconveniences of
coumpon soldier. The time he marched with his. grenadier guards till very
late at night. At last they halted ; the king dismounted, and said: "Grena-
diers it isa cold night, therefore light
a fre." Whis was done immediately;
tel,
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aundle of wood. Both were extreme-
y fatigued, and fell gently to sleep, but
the king very often opened his cyes;
ad as ne perceived Ziemen had slipped
acd as eperceived iewen had slipped
oft his scent and that arenadier was pla-
cing a fagro tuider his nead for a pillow
asylum has not suspended yo (ri criminal
designs! The idea of such \& punish-
ment has not frozen the blood within
ment has not frozen the blood within
your veins! But the signal is given, and
the victin is atready dragged to the
stake, He is strongiy bound and nailed
as it were to the gibbet : immediately
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the active keepers set on the hounds,
inflane, excite them ; one while advan
cing, then receding, from their prey.
At length, assured that the rage of the
dogs is a tits height, they loose them a
ginst the man about to becume their
repast. The unfortunate had already
endured every kind of death in witnes-
sing these appalling preparations. In
for their long restraint, spring at once
ces. O sufferings before unheard of
0 new atrocity inflicted on human na-
ture ! In vain, amidst the baying of the
earth; in vain an expiring voice solicits
er! Pity-she fled this country with the
aboriginal inhabitants, and the Europe-
aus discarded her when thep passed the

