

NOTES FROM THE AVENUE

The King of Smoky Hollow.—Owney's Patent Stove.—The Doings of English Jack and Ginger.—A Victim of Witchcraft.

"Then there came both mist and snow, and it grew wondrous cold."

—Ye Ancient Mariner.

CHECKERBOARD AV., Nov 24.—But the cold snap that we are having does not have any apparent effect on the King of Smoky Hollow "Mack" who although nearing the century mark might have been seen Saturday last, wending his way, his naked breast exposed to the keen, sharp nor-west gale, en route to the West End Tonsorial Artist for his weekly shave.

One of our model cottages was vacated by its tenants, and the owner of it, deciding on its removal, gave orders to that effect; for two nights the "smoked Canadians" with axes and crow-bars, made the nights hideous.

The stoves in the "Buzzard Roost" section of the Av.: will be kept at fever heat.

English Jack, the turn-pike sailor now languishes in the "Bastile," the result of his encounter with a bevy of the Smoky Hollow "Ladies." Another Jack of White-chapel notoriety has gone to the woods, after another one of his highway robbery exploits however he will get his just doom some day.

Detective McL., hearing that Queen H— had sold her stove and was not in a position to purchase another, started up to her hotel armed with an old tin boiler and a section of condemned City hose pipe. He was met at the door by the Queen. "What is dat Owney?" Said the Queen. "Oh, one of my patents," was the reply, and the detective forthwith entered the domicile with his heating apparatus; carefully placing it on the floor, he started a fire in it, the rubber hose answering the purpose of smoke conductor; the rubber being pliable it could be shifted from one window to the other or, to use the nautical term, from the "leeward" to the "windward" So far it has proved an excellent substitute for the Queen's former range,

Neil, the Enniskillen dragoon, is on a trip to the country, we miss his presence amongst us.

Ginger has thrown up his job as collector, for rents &c., he told the King that his tenants "were too 'ard a crowd;" this was after the "ladies" had "done up" English Jack.

Tommy W., Malinda and a few friends, getting disgusted with the lawless behavior of the denizens of Smoky Hollow, and, as the surroundings of Regent street are congenial to the taste of the fastidious Tommy, he moved in that direction a few days ago.

The victim of the "Hoodoo Woman" is no more; and it is firmly believed by the superstitious colored people, that her death was caused by witch-craft.

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