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A Select Cale.	Ah, the hours were, indeed, winge those two beings! for Natalie's grand
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EX MISS SUSAN A. STUART. (Concluded.) ERA SECOND.	"Her deep and thriling songs Second, with their preteing melody, to reach The soul, and, in mysterious units of, Blend with all thoughts of gentleness and love."
 And, as thy bright lips sung, they caught So benattive a ray, Tint, as I gazed, I aim at thought The spirit of thy lay Had left, while melting in the air, Its sweet expression pointed there." 	She was not to appear for several nig and she told Ashley, ere he left, that would look forward always to seeing familiar face among her audience. What a charm there was to him in graceful, playful manner, tempered

What a charm there was to him in her

Sair we ten years. Ten years! What was, by a childlike deterence towards him ! It was a direct compliment, and he felt it in awful number of days, weeks, months! And yet, to the novelist, how soon are all 'Tis only the thought that must the beautiful prima donna was the haughpassed!

does, indeed, annihilate time and space. Well, skip ten years, and come with me. I am about entering one of those lumbering, top-heavy machines, called diligences, with the endeavor, by its aid, to reach

well that the roads are so delightful, or at GEORGE CULIN'S that gentleman with the tremendous boots visitor of the young girl. all goes on glass, for the roads are almost as

smooth. The vehicle is nearly full. On

sweet is it that, once or twice, the fair- beauty and gens, crossed on her breast, second era in the life of a prima dound. haired young American on the seat before and received, as though an every-day oc-E. Corner of Second & Market Sts Phila. her has turned to the concealing veil ; for currence, this tumultuous burst of applause,

he seems to think its music sounds like a But now came on his car such a sweep of familiar strain. It probably recalls a dream | music that he almost held his breath, lest he should lose the smallest note of that "The last stage, monsieurs," said le con- thrilling and soul-subduing voice. Even "To had me to incontingness again." ducteur to several of the passengers, who when the curtain fell on the last scene, and

adered perfectly secure against destruction by had alighted. "We shall soon enter Paris. Natalie, almost veiled in the shower of bou-The connection and insulation of the What would you please to have, madame ?" quets and garlands which had rained upon i, as well as the preparation of the ground rod, as he stepped to the window of the vehicle, the stage, had retired, he but slowly arouwhere sit the lady spoken of, is sed himself from the trance into which her

love is returned, though no words have yet.

"What is it that grieves you, Ashley ?"

Ah, the hours were, indeed, winged to How hard was it to that loving, tender | utation to that expectant crowd. How | nial apportionment of representatives among nose two beings! for Natalie's grand pi-to was in exquisite tone; her taper fin-refusal to those beseeching looks and tones, her plaintive strains! How correct in the returns will soon be received, and no rs had lost none of their dexterity; and and her still more pleading heart; yet her gesture, in look, in tone, was her persona" ers had lost none of their dexterity; and and her still more pleading heart; yet her gesture, in look, in tone, was her personations from her mellow voice were so doty was plain before her. She knew tion of the forsaken, self-sacrificing priestchanting that Ashley, from his heart, felt at Mrs. Contremaye was proud, for she recol-lected some instances of it as a child, and ultr dem and thefing some

remembered Ashley's speaking of traits and a sal, sad heart. The next day, Ashley Courtenaye and which showed its existence still; and she therefore loved him too well to bid him his mother came to see Natalie. There hope, only to disappoint him, for her own was scarcely a spice of embarrassment in e was not to appear for several nights; heart told her he could never obtain the his manner towards her; and Mrs. Courte- that when the work shall be completed it id she told Ashley, ere he left, that she consent of his parent. Then, with a moral nave was as affectionate as a relative. courage great in one so young, so ardently "Come to us soon, Natalie," said she, ould look forward always to seeing his

laving, still greater and nobler in one who "and renew some of our old days and gladhad lived for the public, with no fond mo- some feelings. I promise you 'twill be a aceful, playful manner, tempered as it ther to urge on, by precept, to this noble family party ; none but ourselves and Main his heart; for he had ever heard that ling, but calmer and more confident-

"No, dear Ashley. I must ever say no. poor Ashley so badly whilst in France? Business attended to in the Counties of Nor-amberiand, Union, Lycoming and Columbia. The mind is here now; the next is obstruct its pas-travel. No materialism to obstruct its pas-travel. No materialism to obstruct its pas-proved manner, at a respectful distance not consent; and I will not take your dismissal of his suit; and I moment, presto, 'tis as far as earth's con-fines will allow it to range. Yes, thought to ber beauty. "And yet she is all soft-will say now, as ever, obey your mother: and blamed you for not letting him know ness, all that is charming to me," soliloqui-zed Ashley, as he gained the Hotel des only as a humble friend. This has been a Etrangers, after leaving her, and sank to delightful dream; but He that is over us don't blush so; let the past be forgotten. sleep with "this flattering unction on his knows only how fully I am awakened .-- He has a sweet little wife now. Henceforth-though the memory of this very soon, and get acquainted with her-I need scarcely tell you that his visits joy shall be hallowed-I am but Natalie, I am sure you must love her, as we do." were often repeated. In fact, Ashley the dependent on your mother's charity ; How agonizing ! Not only was her no-Courtenaye had no wish to employ himself and you must be to me the son of my bene- ble sacrifice unappreciated, but what was in seeing the wonders of the city, unless factress, my childhood's kindest friend.- far more galling was the fact that it was Natalie was at rehearsal ; and every day Adieu ! For my sake, and your own, let unnecessary ! How that thought sank into

found him the favored, in truth the only, this be our last interview." And, though he endeavored to detain and yet the abject littleness, of the world,

The night for Natalie's appearance arri- her, she left him. Overwhelmed at her and all its belongings! But she had too Hatit Cloth do., Linen Deilling do., Tweeds, the front seat sits a heavy, sour-looking ved; and Ashley repaired to the opera ear-firmness, he sat speechless. He waited for long been in the habit of hiding ber real myther with a rest valley of injufacer, and heads him a companion. Iy, that he might secure a favorable posi- her return, but she came not. Message af- feelings to betray, them now ; and though with whom he every now and then ex- tion. "Surely her heart will fail her !" ter message did he dispatch : yet the only her face flushed, yet did she compel her. changes some gutturale, and then relapses thought he, as he glanced around on the answer they sufficed to bring was a billet self to smile, and answer lightly, even with hey lackets. Vests and hound lackets made of hato silence. The middle seat contains brilliant scene, where, tier above tier, rose of adieu. So he was forced to leave. He his eyes looking upon her. It only added Tweed, Lines Dulling, Claff, Alpaces, Kernes one Englishman and two Americans : bright eyes, sparkling jewels, and waving saw her no more before his departure ; for, the one drop to the brimming cup, the rose roles, Ducking, con Sec. Ducking to see her, leaf on the full goblet ; and, as she watchrew styles for Men and Boys' Stammer Coats. Frenchman and a young lady. I suppose fume of the innumerable bouquets brought he learned "that the engagement for the defrom the window their departure, she there, to lavish, in beauty, on *la belle* Nataant figure of youth: but whether she be lie. The full orchestra had swelled out in on account of the illness of the prima don- chamber, saving with her heart, not lips, maiden, wife, or widow, 'lis not so easy to harmony, and was just on the finale, when na." When he inquired, from the porter- "Farewell, hope! and all that gilds this omsisting of shirts, Stocks, Handhereliefs, dea say, so closely does she keep that thick the shouts of welcome, and the waving of ess of the house in which she and her un- past and hollow dream. My profession If of which use offered at the forest Preselfs veil folded over her face. But 'tis a dear perfumed handkerchiefs, greeted her ap- cle had resided, he heard that she had left and my talents must, in future, be suffiash Prices, and as cheap as any other Clothing little hand, with its nice fitting glove, that pearance. Ashley was actually startled on with Monsieur Duval-but where, he was cient for my earliely happiness ; for never Parents who desire Bays' Cueranxa are car-Parents who desire Bays' Cueranxa are car-most melodious voice in the world that gracefully and calmly in the full blaze of turned to America, with a heart burthened again." And, if her happiness depended cathy invited to examine the Stock. Country Storekeepers can be accommodated at answers, ever and anon, the old man. So light, with her arms, gleaning in their by sad experience. And thus ends the on this, it was assured; for the musical and fashionable world long and rapturously

Natalie Du Verrier.

Fellow Citizens of the Senate

Forewell ! my life may wear a careless smile My words may breathe the very soul of lightness ; But the touched heart must deeply reel, the while, That hie bath both a portion of its brightness. And woman's love thad usser be a cham-

ERA THIRD.

TWENTY-SIX years of age !--- and yet she is in the prime of her sunny beauty. Those five summers seem to have changed Nata-

tion of the Secretary of the Interior, in classitying and arranging, in tabular form, all with his Department, in the report of the the statistical information derived from the Secretary of War. returns of the marshals, and it is believed

will exhibit a more perfect view of the population, wealth, occupation, and social condition of a great country, than has ever been presented to the world. The value of soch a work, as the basis of enlightened legislation, can hardly be over-estimated ; and I ther to trige on, by precept, to this none of ourserves have call-sacrifice of *her own* happiness to principle and gratitude, she answered, still tremb-ling but calmer and more confident way, you cruel one, why did you treat my lish the results in a style worthy of the sub-

plaint I would recommend a thorough re-vision of the laws on the whole subject and the adoption of a tariff of fees which, as far Come as practicable, should be uniform, and pre-scribe a specific compensation for every ser-vice which the officer may be required to perform. This subject will be fully presened in the report of the Secretary of the Interior

In my last annual message I gave briefly my reasons for believing that you possessed her soul, making her feel the bitterness, the constitutional power to improve the har-bors of our great lakes and seaconst, and seconity and received the respect inspired the navigation of our principal rivers, and recommended that appropriations should be course, and the dignity and power of the nation. ready been commenced, and for commening such others as might seem to the wisbun of Congress to be of public and gener-Without repeating the reaal importance. soos then urged, I deem it my duty again to to New York in the month of October, after call your attention to this important subject. The works of many of the harbors were left in an unfinished state, and consequently exposed to the action of the elements, which is fast destroying them. Great numbers of lives and vast amounts of property are an-nually lost for want of safe and convenient ted polar regions. The officers and men of harbors on the lakes. None but those who the expedition, having been all volunteers have been exposed to that dangerous navigation can fully appreciate the importance of as to meet the entire approbation of the this subject. The whole northwest appeals Government, it is suggested, as an act of to you for relief, and I trust their appeal grace and generosity, that the same allowance sung the praises of the French nightingale,

to some of the harbors and in inlets on the pedition to the South Sea. enconst.

those waters from obstructions. In view, ing from the effective list upon reduced pay The Secretary of the Interior has suggested in his report various amendments of the therefore, of the great interest, I deem it my those who may be incompetent to the pera pensions and bounty lands. Congress to make formatice of active dots And a me again to urge for the purpose of more effectually guarding such appropriations for those improvements of economy as well as of efficiency in this arm of the service, the provision last men-The survey of the Delta of the Mississippi | tioned is eminently worthy of your consid with a view to the prevention of the over- eration. The determination of the questions flows that have proved so disastrons to that of relative tank between the sea officers and region of country, have been nearly comple- eivil officers of the navy, and between offi-Mexico and California, and the extension of tel, and the reports thereof are now in cers of the army and navy, in the various our settlement into Uiah and Oregon have course of preparation, and will shortly be grades of each, will also merit your attencourse of preparation, and will shortly be grades of each, will also merit your attenaid before yon. The protection of our northwestern fron- when coporeal publishment was abolished for tier, and of the adjacent Mexican States, offences in the cary, has occasioned the against the Indian tribes within our border | convening of numerous courts martial upon as claimed my earnest and constant atten- the arrival of vessels in port, and is believed tion. Congress having failed, at the last to have had an injurious effect upon the dis-Insistippi over. We are at peace with all session, to adopt my recommendation that ciphue and efficiency of the service. To moderate punishment from one grade specially adapted to that service should be to another is among the humane reforms of naised, all that remained to be done was to the age ; but to abolish one of severity, make the best use of the means at my diswhich applied so generally to offences or Along the Mexican frontier, and in Cali-omia, and Oregon, there have been occa-ional manifestation of nationally feeling. Accordingly, all the troops adapted to that service that could properly be spared from other quarters have been concentrated every individual among scamen which is and some depredations committed. I am on that frontier, and officers of high reputanot assumed by the Legislature in respect to satisfied, however, that they resulted more iton selected to command them. A new any other class of men. It is hoped that arrangement of the military posts has also Congress, in the ample opportunity afforded been made, whereby the troops are brought by the present session, will thoroughly intowards the whites. As the settlements of nearer to the Mexican frontier, and to the vestigate this important subject, and estab lish such modes of determining guilt, and Sufficient time has not yet elapsed to real- such gradations of punishment as are consissistence is driven oil or destroyed, and the ize all the benefits that are expected to tent with humanity and the personal rights anly alternate left to them is starvation or result from these arrangements, but I have of individuals, and at the same time shall order. It becomes us to consider, in view every reason to hope that they will effectu- ensure the most energetic and efficient percheck their marauding expeditions. formance of duty and the suppression of ally The nature of the country, which futnishes crime in our ships of war. httle for the support of an army and abounds. The stone dock at the Navy Yard at New York, which was ten years in process of construction, has been so far finished as to in places of refuge and concealment, is reare the result of our own policy towards markably well adapted to this predatory them, we should not provide for their imme- warfare, and we can scarcely hope that any be surrendered up to the authorities of the diate wants and encourage them to engage in military force combined with the greatest yard. The dry dock at Philadelphia is reported By the treaty of Goadalupe Hidalgo we are bound to protect the territory of Mexico tested and delivered over to the agents of Various important treaties have been no- against the incurdions of the savage tribes the Government. That at Portsmouth, New gotiated with different tribes during the year within our border "with equal diligence and Hampshire, is also ready for delivery ; and by which their title to large and valuable energy" as if the same were made within a contract has been concluded, agreeably to tracts of country has been extinguished, all our territory or against our citizens. I have the act of Congress at its last session, for a which will at the proper time, be sub-itted to the Secure for ratification. endeavored to comply, as far as possible, floating rectional dock on the Bay of San with the provision of the treaty. Orders Francisco. I invite your attention to the The joint commission under the treaty have been given to the officers commanding recommendation of the Department tonching f Guadalupe Hidalgo has been actively en- on that frontier to consider the Mexican terthe establishment of a navy yard in contaged in running and marking the boundary ritory and its inhabitants as equally with junction with this dock on the Pacific our own entitled to their protection ; and to Such a station is highly necessary to the our own entitled to their protection ; and to Such a station is highly necessary to the t was stated in the last annual report of the make all their plans and arrangement with a convenience and effectiveness of our fleet in Secretary of the Interior, that the initial view to the attainment of this object. In- that ocean, which must be expected to inaint on the Pacific and the point of junction structions have also been given to the Indian crease with the growth of commerce, and the Gila with Colorado river had been dater-nined, and the intervening line, about one tribes, in all treaties, to many the classes over its waters. The Naval Academy at Annapolis, under hundred and fifty miles in length, run and marked by temphiary monuments. Since that time a monument of marble had been erected at the initial point, and permanent theless it is probable that, in spite of all our efforts, some of the neighboring States of to those enjoyed by the cadets in the Militamal improvement, The minial point on the Rio Grande, has Mexico may have suffered, as our own have ry Academy. A large class of midshipmen as received at the commencement of the from depredations by the Indians. ast Academic term, and a prentice-ship has To the difficulties of defending our own been attached to the institution, to afford erritory, as above metioned, are superadded in defending that of Mexico, those that arise the amplest means for regular instruction in rom its remoteness, from the fact that we scamanship as well as for cruises during the have no right to station our troops within vacations of three or four months in each her limits, and that there is no efficient mil- year. The Advantages of science in nautical itary force on the Mexican side to co-operaffairs have rarely been more strikingly illustrated than in the fact stated in the reate with our own. So long as this shall continue to be the case, the number and activity of our troops will rather increase than port of the Navy Department, that, by means of the wind and current charts, proliminish the evil, as the Indians will naturally turn towards that country where they jected and prepared by Lieutenant Manry, the Superintendant of the Naval Observatory the passage from the Atlantic to the Pacific ncounter the least resistance. Yet these troops are necessary to subdue them, and to compel them to make and observe trea-ties. Until this shall have been done, nei-about forty days. The estimates for the support of the Navy ther coastry will enjoy any security from and Marine Corps the ensuing fiscal year will be found to be \$5 856,472 19, the estitheir attacks. The Indians in California, who had premates for the current year being 35 see viously appeared of a peaceable character, mate and disposed to cultivate the friendship of 621

reinforcements sent to the Mexican frontier were drawn from the Pacifi ; the military force now stationed there is considered enthe returns will soon be received, and no tirely inadequate to its defence. It cannot measure as indispensable to the protection 1 invite your attention to the suggestions

on this subject, and on others connected

The appropriations for the support of the army during the current fiscal year ending 30th June next, were reduced far below the estimate submitted by the Department .--The consequence of this reduction is a con-siderable deficiency, to which I invite your

The expenditures of that Department for 30, 1853, are \$7,898,775 83; showing a reduction of \$1,161,493 75

The Board of Commissioners, to whom the management of the affairs of the Military Asylum created by the act of 3d of March last was connected, have selected a site for the establishment of an Asylum in the vicinity of this city, which has been ap proved by me, subject to the production of a satisfactory title.

ment. Our naval force affoat during the present year has been actively and usefully employed in giving protection to our widely-extended and increasing commerce and interests in the various quarters of the globe by the justice and liberality of our inter-

ant De Haven, despatched in search of the British commander, Sir John Franklin, and his companions in the Arctic Seas, returned having undergone great peril and suffering from an nuknown and dangerous navigation and the rigors of a northern climate, without any satisfactory information of the objects of their search, but with new contributions to for this service, and having so conducted it will receive due considerations at your of extra pay and emoluments be extended to them that were made to the officers and The same is in a measure true is regard men of like rating in the late exploring ex-

I carnestly recommend to your attention The unobstructed navigation of our large the necessity of reorganizing the Naval Estivers is of equal importance. Our settle- tablishments, apportioning and fixing the ments are now extending to the sources of number of officers in each grade, providing the great rivers which empty into, and form some mode of promotion to the higher port of the Mississippi, and the value of the public lands in those regions would be great-merit and capacity, rather than seniority or ly enhanced by freeing the navigation of date of entry into the service, and for retir-

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sbury, Aug. 16, 1851 .--

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"A glass of con-succe, if you please," liquid voice had thrown him. He left the said the eweet voice.

And again the young American, who feast on the remembrance of the Peri upon was standing near, turned at the words, whom he had been gazing; and whose and looked at the speaker. The conduct tones were surely stolen from the "Springs fect and substantial manner. by applying ei-fect and substantial manner, by applying ei-r personally or by letter, to the undersigned, the following prices: - 40 fr. with a good silver plated point \$10.00 - 40 fr. with a What large, almond-shaped orbs of jet only trends on flowers;" and Ashley shone, in their dark heauty, upon them! Courtenaye is the daily companion of Nat-On glancing at the young American of alie. Each night that witnesses her triwhom we have spoken, a suile parted the umph on the stage finds him, also, an en-

and the words, "Is it possible ! Do I, in- ting in the "Heaven of sweet sounds."--deed, behold Mr. Courtenaye ?" were re- And he is conscious, in his own heart, that plied to by the glad utterance of, "Natalie he loves the sweet song-bird, and that his Du Verrier !? Yes, 'lis even so. Natalie, the little

passed between them. One day, he entered Natalie's boudoir French girl, the dependent on his mother's bounty, is now before him in that beauti- with a sad countecance and a heavy heart, ful, connettishly-attired demoiselle, who is which even her bright smiles and affectionknown to the world as Is belle Natalis, the ate manner could not cheer. Her own prima donna ; to hear whose sweet notes speaking face became shaded through symcrowd nightly to the opera the king, the pathy, as she asked-

the above named articles, just received queen, ladies, lords, and the prople. Yes, 'ris the tar-famed French nightingale, of "That I must leave you. My mother whom the journals have been prating for writes urgently, pressingly; and I must the last twelvemonth, and who is now on oney. It has never entered into my mind her way to Paris, with her uncle, to set the to disobey her slightest wish, so dear is she. bonu-monds wild again with the bewitching But oh, Natalie, I have never felt my obe-

dience to her to be anything but pleasing spell of her music. And how comes Ashley here? That is till now, How can I leave thes? soon told. After we saw him last he en-"It is your duty," murmured she, with tered college. Three years of hard study a pale cheek and quivering lip. And he sent to engage her services.

sent him into the world, a graduate, with knew, from the trembling of the cold hand honors. He then studied medicine, recei- which he clasped, how fondly he was ved his diploma, and now travels ere he loved. sits quietly down, in his native city, with "But I tell you I cannot, unless it be his laved mother. Mrs. Courtenaye re- with the hope of soon rejoining you, never these papers for information." And she mains at home, teeding on the hope of soon to he again separated. Tell me, dearest again leaned over one lying in her lap. embracing her idol, cheering herself with Natalie, will you be mine when I have ob-

his warmly-welcomed and ever punctual tained my mother's consent to our marhetters, in the mean time, All this, and more, had they related to 114.000 222 The pale check became still paler ; but each other ere the vehicle reached the faus no sound issued from her lips as she sat

bourgs; and so interested was Ashley in there, with Ashley looking anxiously, exthis narration, that he forgot to gaze, with pectantly in her face. "Answer me, Natalie ; one word, one a traveller's curiosity, around him. "You must come and see me, to tell me

all about dear Mrs. Courtenave," said Nat-alie. "Here is my address." And she amile, one word?" handed him a card, on which she had pen- "You are aware, Mr. Courtenaye, how

ciled some directions, as the diligence much I would give if I felt that I could turned into Rue St. Honore. honorably say that word; for you know Ashley needed not her oncle's pressing full well that I love you," said she, sadly, tain, showed her to be awakened. Near the

invitation to induce him to come. He felt but with a quiet dignity. "But it may not the old charm of her manner that had won be. Mis. Courtenaye would never conhis boyish heart, nided most powerfully sent; and even you would hate me in three, upon whom her regards were fastennow by her magic heauty ; for "twas, in- time, if I were so ungrateful as to engage ed ; Mrs. Courtenaye, her son, and a lady deed, magical to him, for he had never myself to you. No; do not urge me again. dreamed that the swarthy, meager child Go forth unfettered to your mother .-could become so wondrously bewitching. Thwart not her wishes, her hopes. Let His first visit found her in her charming her not think, for a moment, that the child placing her hand on Ashley's arm, as little houdoir, whose rose rose-colored dra- whom her kindness fostered, whose mo-

was studying a new opera when he was evolence, should, like the serpent, now up in her heart as she looked upon his aniannounced; and either the words or the turn to sting her. Yes; it must be so. I mated face, which exhibited no traces of music had given a look of softness to the | tell you with a pang that only those who | the sorrow from which she had sufferedlarge, dark eyes, that made them appear love as I now do you could feel. Go to still was suffering. No-he was gay; and still more dreamy. Her dress, too, suited your mother, and forget me." her style. The orange-colored cashmere "Never, as you yourself well know! 1 the smiles wreathing the lips of his two

would have made any one but herself look will go; but it will be to sue, to entreat listeners. like a fright ; but it threw off, with a fine her consent. She has never denied me effect, her rich, satiny skin, with its warm anything, nor will she now, when I tell glow, and her hands of raven hair, arrang- her my whole happiness is at stake. Say, ed with the taste and beauty peculiar to a will you consent to be mine ? Say, dear Parisienne. Natalie in

but little to outward appearance ; and though Time has brought sorrow to her, as house, and sought his room, that he might to all of Earth's travellers, still they have ment to all of which I invite your particular not withered the radiance of her complex- attention. ion, nor dimmed the brightness of her eye.

Behold her now in New York, whither the has come to fulfil a professional engagement! How many memories are crowding in her mind, as she sits at the window of her parlor at the Astor House, looking out upon the crowded scene ! Her voyage has been tiresome, and she now courts the acreeable loli of doing and saving nothing. She has denied herself all day to "callers," who, ever crazy after "stars," have been craving admittance; whilst her uncle has

gone out to attend to the dull realitios of usiness with the manager. There she sits,

as I said before, gazing sadly out. Her young days! What a retrospect passes through her mind ! And, above all, vill obtrude the ever-loved image of Ash-

ley Courtenaye. She has not heard of him the Indians than from any settled hostility for five years; and even now the recollection suffices to color with a brilliant glow her soft cheek. Not all the facinations of her splendid career, nor flattery, nor change of scene, had banished from her mind the image of her childhood's friend, her youth's lover, which now plainly and vividly rises and humanity, as well as an enlightened before her. The thought of once more economy, do not require that, instead of

close with the offer of Mr. -----, when he

"To morrow I shall behold him " thought size, "for to-morrow night my en- stead of the chase, for the means of supgagement commences; and my coming has port. been sufficiently heralded, if one can trust

What crowds the next evening betook themselves towards the Opera House in Astor Place, to hear the new prima donnain Norifa! So many seals had been secured that numbers could not be admitted. Natalie was there; but, unlike her usual

calm manner and reserve, she was reconnoitering the dress circles and purquette as little word, to give joy to my exile from eagerly as ever did debutanie before or since, from a convenient shit in the curtain.

Long she gazes, without any interest, apparently, on the large and fashionable audiences before her; but, at length, a start, which from its vehemence shook the cursitting between them, of an intellectual and weet face, who, at the moment Natalie's eye rested upon the group, was familiarly though to call his attention. "His wife " ved to be unwiedly and attended with unpery threw a soft blush over her. She ther's death-bed was cheered by her ben- was her thought; and a new sadness sprang his liveliness must have found words, from

> There is the tinkle of the first bell-the second-and she must now call up her smiles to face the audience, who are so

ws relating against abuses and frauds on the Govern- as they may deem necessary. The large accessions to our Indian popula-

ion consequent upon the acquisition of New given increased interest and importance to ar relations with the aboriginal race.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

amd House of Representatives :

(Concluded)

No material change has taken place, withthe last year, in the condition and prospeets of the Indian tribes who reside in the arthwestern Territory and west of the of them; and it will be a source of pleasure an additional regiment of mounted to you to learn that they are gradually advancing in civilization and the pursuits of social life.

rom the destitute and starving condition of our citizens progress towards them, the game upon which they mainly rely for sub- Sufficient time has not yet clansed of this condition of things, whether justice seeing him made her induce her uncle to sceking to punish them for offences which

agriculture, and to rely on their labor, in- vigilance, can entirely suppress it

nined, and the intervening line, about one admarks of iron have been placed at suit-

ble distances along the line. also been fixed by the commissioners at lati-tude 32 dag 32 min , and at the date of the ast communication the survey of the line had been made thence westward about one hundred and fifty miles to the neighborhood of the copper mines.

The commission on our part was at first organized on a scale which experience pronecessary expense. Orders have, therefore, been issued for the reduction of the number of persons employed within the smallest limits, consistent with the safety of those engaged in the service, and the prompt and efficient execution of their important duties. Returns have been received from all the officers engaged in taking the census in the States and Territories, except California -

The superintendant employed to make the enumeration in that State has not yet made his full report, from causes, as he alleges, beyond his control. This failure is much to

ready to applaud. One last sigh to her be regretted, as it has prevented the Secre-past days-and "Norma" is bending in sal-tary of the laterior from making the decen-acts of hostility. As a large portion of the control of this Department amount to \$2.