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It is not Death.

BY MES. SOUTHEY. It is not Death-it is not Death, From which I shrink with coward fear; It is, that I must leave behind All I love here.

It is not Wealth-it is not Wealth, That I am loth to leave behind: Small store to me, (yet all I crave.) Hath fate assigned.

It is not Fame-it is not Fame, From which it will be pain to part; Obscure 's my lot; but mine was still An humble heart.

It is not Health-it is not Health, That makes me fain to linger here; For I have languished on in pain This many a year.

It is not Hope-it is not Hope, From which I cannot turn away; Oh! earthly hope has cheated me This many a day.

But there are Friends-but there are Friends, To whom I could not say, "Farewell !" Without a pang more bard to bear Than tongue can tell.

But there's a thought-but there's a thought, Will arm me with that pang to cope; Thank God! we shall not part like those Who have no hope.

And some are gone- and some are gone-Methinks they chide my long delay-With whom, it seems, my very life Went half away.

But we shall meet-but we shall meet, Where parting tears shall never flow; And when I think thereon, almost I long to go.

The Saviour wept-the Saviour wept O'er him he loved-corrupting clay! But then He spake the word and Death Gave up his prey!

A little while-a little while,

And the dark Grave shall yield its trust, Yea, render every atom up Of human dust. What matters then-what matters then

Who earliest lays him down to rest! Nay, "To depart and be with Christ," Is surely best.

From the Massachusetts Ploughman. The Parmer.

"The Farmer's life 's the life for me,"-We love its quiet scenery. We love its shades, its hills and dales, We love the cheerful fireside tales. We love to tend the flocks and herds We love to hear the singing birds, We love the sweet salubrious air. We love the prospect, wide and tair, We love to plough, we love to sow, We love to gather, love to mow, We love the new mown grass to smell, We love to hear the tinkling bell, We love to tread the grassy lawn, Along the brook-among the corn. We love-the whele, but can't rehearse His pleasure all, in prose or verse.

AN UNGALLANT BERO .- At the time of the danger, precipitated themselves into the water, any but themselves, They fortunalely succeeded in seizing the cont-Books, Papers, D. eds, Jewely, tail of a gentleman who clung to the wreck The paper which records the incident says :--

"The latter was not born under the star of Venus. Fearing that he would be drawn under water, he begged them earnestly to free him from their grasp. They naturally refused to do perty to be used, and the Chest not opened, at. 80. His position admitted of little movement, lough the experiment was tried by at least 1500 and he was compelled, despite of himself, to support the ladies. When luckely rescued, this Paralles did not hestate to beast loudly of his CF Hoisting Machines, Iron Doors, superior self-denying gailantry, which impelled him to risk his own life to save two interesting ladies, ess His discomfiture was very a nusing when the ladies communic ted the true state of the case."

be sold, any Keyhole Covers for Five Proof Chests. take three pecks of sait, three pounds of sait three pounds of sait three pounds of sait, three pounds of sait three pounds of rind or skin of the ham well, and sprinkle with her daughter to the innermost apartment of the nother bottle of ceti roti, and then'the balance; let it lie from five to six weeks, mansion, then hang up and smoke with green hickory | On the return of the merchant, the French of Etristien? inquired the officer. wood for five or six weeks; a little sawdust al- army was evacuating the place, carrying with The duti eye of the stranger seemed sudden- This confession was attested and forwarded gentleman in Pratt st., Baltimore, tells another so, if convenient. The red pepper prevents the them the trophies they had wrested from the to the Emperor. Meanwhile the friends of the stationed on Capitol (Ind., Washington, just forty skipper, I think. If the hogs are very large, I vanquished Austrians, and a large supply of affirmative. think more salt would be required. I generally stores and plunder from the devoted town .-put the large hams at the bottom of the tub .- Paul's heart died within him as he stealthily ther; 'my father had been one of the bravest was fully proved, and Paul was sentenced to this world of ours, that Yankee ingenusty will Ellsworth's Report.

A "Fast" Day .- The "droll one" of the N. place of his own residence, appoint a 'fast' day. That's a "racy" pun.

THE BRILLIANT LOCKET.

It was in the autumn of the year 1800, when

The frequent want of stores, ammunition and money in the republican armies, and the hope French roldiers, as the reward of victory, caused no inconsiderable alarm in the breast of seen that they were traced with gore. the more peaceable inhabitants of those places hostilities.

for distinction, we will call Ebristicn-had am-

The family of Paul Kinmayer, a merchant citizen of great wealth, was amongst those most agitated by the afflicting intelligence. His household consisted of his wife, an only daughter, and a few domestics in whom he could place confidence. His daughter was the spring which regulated every action of the merchant's life; she was the apple of his eye, the sunshine of his shady places: for her he had accumulated his wealth, that her rare beauty might win with it a station of rank and influence; and now the kope of a whole litetime might be wrecked in a few brief hours.

His wife was the first to suggest a plan for the concealment of their treasures. Their mansion was situated near the extremity of the town, and from it a secret passage communicated with a bower in the garden adjoining; ture existence; and after the funeral of his from thence, in the evening a mon-might easily steal unperceived to the adjacent woods; and there she proposed that the merchant should at night-time, bury his treesure; or, at any rate, that he should proceed through the forest, and deposite it with a relation who was to be trusted, who would not be suspected of possessing so much wealth, and who resided about two days' journey from the place.

For a time, Paul Kinmayer resisted every importunity of his wife, Who would protect them should the anticipated attack take place in his absence? the domestics were old and infirm, and they would be too much alarmed for their own safety to care much for others not akin to them. But when his wife spoke upon the future, when she impressed on him that it was wealth only that would be required of them. and that deprived of that, all for which they had so long struggled would be scattered in a moment, his resolution gave way.

of one whose all-powerful hand will protect becaused man; hoping, but hopeless; seeking, had found no trace of his damefiter. you; unless indeed, in his infinite wisdom, he but finding not; until it almost seemed that deems it fitting that the innocent should tall as the faculties of the wanderer had ceased to eman example and terror to the guilty."

Collecting all that was most valuable into a they did not—they only slumbered.

drums, and the skrill voice of the trumpet call- Among those who listened most attentively troubletroops, but the e had been so often and lately he sat, harrassed and defeated by the victorious arms | Til wager a Napoleon,' said the officer, that

All chance of the merchant being enabled to schaum' PICKLE FOR HAMS -To 1,000 lbs, of hams was now entirely shatont. The wife had but they are men.

hinges; there, the trim gardens of the richer allowed but two hours to make what pillage we classes broken down and trampled over; in the could in the town of Ebristien, before we prothe republican army under Ney, Moreau, Lamb, market places were groups of the middle and ceeded onward to greater and more glorious vic-Cyr, and other of its bravest generals was pur- lower classes, loudly complaining of the excess- tories. suing its victorious career, and laying waste es of both Austria and France. Still Paul stopsome of the most important towns in Germany, ped not to join in the general outcry; his only the circumstance that we are about to relate anxiety was his own home. At length he reached his dwelling. With what a pung of intense auxiety he rushed through the open portal. The servants had evidently fled; the stairs of plunder, then so frequently held out to the bore the marks of heavy footsteps. Paul stopped not to examine them, or he would have

With the speed of thought he rushed into their which were likely to become the theatre of accustomed sitting room, and there a horrid spectacle awaited him. On the ground lay his Among these, the inhabitants of a German wife, stabbed through the heart; one hand had town of considerable importance-and which fallen back as it to protect her from the attack of the assassin, while the other grasped tightly ple reasons for their misgivings; the daily, al- a few links of the slight gold chain to which most hourly, approach of the French being ex- had been attached the diamond-mounted por-

> Of his daughter there were no traces, Londly did de cail, and wildly did he seek, first in his own house, and then through the whole town. until it was whispered abroad that he was mad ; and so, for a time, he was ; but anxiety brought weariness, and repose led to reflection.

How deeply Paul Kinmayer represented himself for not taking the miniature with the other valuables, need not be related, since he little doubted that his wife's resistance to part with it had led to the fatal catastrephe. One redeeming thought only flished across his mind, that by its agency-if indeed she had not shared the same fate of her mother-he might be enabled to discover the missing daughter. To this end he resolved to devote the whole of his fuwife, he disposed of his house, the wreck of his household goods, and prepared to travel; whither he knew not; but anywhere to fly from the scenes where all his hopes of earthly happiness had been blighted by the ruthless hand of the

'And these,' he said, as he turned from his native town and home, these are the deeds notpetrated under the sacred banner of liberty Alas! how is the divine attribute descented How little but the name exists in the bloodthirsty dynasty of France.

Shall we follow the steps of Kinmayer tor welve years? Shall we relate how he travelminute, but yet how cautious were his inquiries, brace the original object of his anssion; but

small packet, as the evening approached, the It was something beyond twelve years after merchant was prepared to depart. One jewel | the scone above related took place, that a French | only remained behind-it was his own minia- officer was reciting in one of the principal cates. the cause of her agitation was suon apparent ture, set in a locket with diamonds of great of Paris to an eager crowd of listeners, the parwith it be hesitated to part; and he placed it as which he was one of the few survivors. His his arms. gain around her neck, with the same fervor and age could not have exceeded thirty; but the The impetus of the fall caused a locket to invention. An iron rod, more than half an inch rid terments of the enemy, already terget at all deter of his wife ! It was on the evening of the fourth day after the severities he had just escaped, and to which Parring her to one of the attendants, the old which was driven into the ground to the depth

ing to arms, and the tumult among the inhabi- was a stranger, who sat almost unnoticed, smotants without, proclaimed to the immates of the king in an observe corner of the room; an inmansion, that the enemy was fast approaching. voluntary expression at desgest at length be-

of the French, that it was not without reason the old German never small powder but on a attend house the citizens felt strong misgivings in their prow- review day, and never saw more smoke than

or Doors, of any kind similar in principle to my tre, two quarts of hickory ashes, two quarts of permit the house to pass unmolested, and after his teet, such scutiments here are dangerous; previous to, and knowing nothing of her momolasses, and two teacops of red peoplet; mix causing the doors to be barriesded and the wars but you German are very mystical. However, ther's fate; and that, repenting of his act, he condent of this station, transmitted an amusing dated 26th March. 1844, as any infringement will all well together on a salting table; rub the dows and shutters secured, she proceeded with Pil tell you a German adventure, so gracon, as had her conveyed to Paris, and educated at his accedent to Mr. Vaid, at the Washington terms.

entered the suburbs, and proceeded towards the | (he meant one of the most blood thirsty) leads | death, ers of the revolution. His influence obtained On the morning appointed for his execution propriation immediately to extend the Tele-I their contents, the very doors torn from their promotion. In the action alluded to we were heart,

Well, there was a jeveller of great wealth an Austrian prisoner, we entered, but in which neither jewels nor portable valuables could we find. The servants fled on our first entrance ; the wife and daughter alone remained. The latter had locked themselves in a room, which we soon burst open; we demanded of them their valuables; the trumpets had already sounded "To horse!" and I was preparing to leave the house, when a gold chain around the neck of the elder female attracted my attention. There was attached to it'---

'A portrait!' asked the stranger, in a tone of il-c acceived auxiety. 'Don't interrupt me,' said 'the narrator; the story is droller than any one would imagine."

The blood of the stranger came and went rapaily, and putting down his pipe he was obseras it in search of some missing articles.

Thave; though it has been taken from the setting in which one of my own now glitters, celestial fire. You said you knew Etristien?

'I did, years ago.'

said the officer, producing it

Well, well?

'Ah, is he alive !' 'He is-to be the Avenger!' And before a French officer, and shot him in the breast.

Mortally wounded, but not dead, he who had braved the heat of a hundred battles, and whom death had spared, that he might make a more suitable atonoment for his guilt, was carefully removed to a more private apartment.

Paul, who might have escaped in the confuled in strange lands, ever in the wake of the sieu, and not attempt to do so; and he was of French army-sometimes in disguise-how course taken into custody, and incarcerated in one of the dangeons of the police.

and, alas! how fruitless! Shall we say how The following morning be was led forth for the bale man grow grey and feeble, as though examination; the wife of the fallen officer, he half a century had passed over his head, in was told, would be his accuser. But he walked scarcely more than the fither of one! No ; for | with a firm step and a lighter heart than usual we could relate nothing that would interest the | One portion of his mission had been accomplish-'I go,' he said, 'and I leave you in the trust reader-nothing but the patient suffering of a cd-he had avenged his wife's murder, but he

> was commanded to stand forth; a shrick-a long, agonizing shrick-was heard, and the proscentrix fell senseless on the floor,

Restoration was applied, and on her recovery

'It is my father?' she said, and breaking value. It was his wedding gift to Amelia, and ticulars of an inglorious retreat from Russia, of through the crowd, she again fell senseless in

affection that he telt when he first presented it. dreading hardships of the Russian campaignized drop from her basem, where it was still sustain in diameter, and supering to its upper end, was To her and his daughter, the namesake of her told fearfully upon his lardened features. War, and he a choice. Paul Kommayer snatched it raised about nine and a half feet above the chiusdisastrous explesion of the builer of the Lucy mother, he gave some necessary directions for however, had not tamed, but had evidently ad- up. Yes, it was the same-the same circlet of neys of the house. Its upper end terminated in Walker, on the Mississippi, a few weeks ago, their welfare during his absence, and taking an ided to a natural ferocious disposition; for he billiants; but now it contained the pertrait of a sharp pointed brass were about ten inches recicles and Provis two ladies, impelled by the imminency of the affectionate farewell, he departed, unknown to was detailing with savage satisfacts in the her. whom '- of his daughter's husband-the mur- long, and a quarter of an inch thick; and its

tifir!-- nov prime !"

The town was, indeed, filled with Austrian trayed him, and all eyes were turned to where examination was postponed, and the same e- did not carry off the electricity with sufficient vening the dying man requested that the prise spuckness, for in this and in other thunderoner, together with the chief of the police, might storms, the lightning was seen diffused near the

that which proceeded from his own maers confession of the officer was brief; he admitted the munder of Paul's wife, and the justice of reach the house, or even to obtain admittance | Better it others were like me, who, remeans his retribution ; he further confessed that the Magnetic Telegraph will never cease. The within the town previous to the termination, bering only that they are soldiers, forget that daughter, being almost a child, was carried as just is mentioned by the Beltimore Argus:way by the common soldiers to the tear of the own charge. With her years her loveliness in- nus, to which Mr. Vail replies, had had had Do you happen to know the German town creased, and she knowing him only as a bene- that is -- harded at it. Now if that don't heat factor, at last convented to marry bun.

officer came forward as prosecutors, his writere- males distant an amusing story and the other "It was my first campaign," continued the o- fissing to do so. The murder in the latter case | laughs at it ! There is nothing improbable in

Y. Spirit, says :- "In this city the owners of Within the townall was confusion and dis- for me a commission; and crowned with suc- he was reprieved, and suffered to enter a mon- graph to all the principal scaloard towns, so trotting borses have petitioned the Governor to may; here were open storehouses; rifled of all cess, found no difficulty in earning for myself astery, where he soon sunk under a broken that we might hogh at one another once a day,

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From the Edinburg Review. Franklin and the Lightning.

It is a singular fact, that even when electricity had assumed a scientific aspect and had to a certain degree been identified with lightning, whose house, which was pointed out to me by the art of protection by conductors was utterly nuknown. It was not till Franklin had demonstrated the identity of these two powerful agents, and had actually brought down lightning from the clouds by the conducting string of his electrical kite, that he conceived the idea of applying a thunder-rod to the protection of buildings. It was in the month of June, 1752, that he performed that celebrated experiment, by which he became the Prometheus of modern times, and earned a branch of the double laurel with which the democratic poet has crown-

Arripoit fulmen corlo-sceptrumque tyrannis. A kite formed with a silk handkerchief, to enable it to bear the wet and violence of a thunderstorm, was raised in the usual manner with a line of twine, which terminated below in a silk ved for the moment feeling about his pockets, riband, at the junction of which with the twine, a key was suspended. With the non-conduc-You're right; it was a portrait, and in a most ling riband in his band. Franklin with impavaluable retting. Provoked at obtaining no tience watched the approach of his kite to the booty, I demanded it of her, she should have thunder cloud. At last he saw with delight the had the worthless miniature, but she was ob- loose filaments of the twine rising from it in all stmate. I tried to force it from her, but she directions. His knuckle attracted them, and resisted, tax, more, she trad to seize a pistol received a spark when applied to the key. from my beit, and in the heat of my passion- When the conducting power of the string was increased by being wetted with rain, the elec-'Have you that portrait still!' asked the Ger- tricity descended in a cop on stream; a Leyden jar was charged at the key, and electrical experiments of various kinds performed with the

While the achievement of Prometheus was thus repeated in the New World, the fate of 'And probably the original of this picture!' Tullus Hostilius was about to be suffered in the Old. The time of Franklin's sublime experiment passed rapidly through Europe and varions philosophers had the courage to repeat it. -some with kites, and some with thundermovement was observed, Paul Kimmayer had, rods. In 1753, M. Romas received a severe with tatal precision, levelled a pictol at the shock from the string of his kine; and two French philosophers were struck down by the lightning, when they were drawing sparks from their apparatus. In the same year Professor Richman of St. Petersburgh erected a a metalic rod for the purpose of measuring the strength of the electricity which it might bring down in a thunder storm. When he was stooping to observe the effect of the electricity thus obtained, M. Sokolof, his companion observes a globe of blue fire leap, with a report like that of a pisto!. was about a first distance from it. The Professor was instantly killed and M. Sokolof tell unon the ground stiffed and benumb d with a sort of vapor which accompanied the fiery globe. There was a red spot on the forelessid of Professor Richman, where the lightning scens to have entered, and a blue muck on the foot, from On reaching the place of examination, he which it seemed to have made its escape.

No sooner had Franklin performed his experiment than be applied conductors to the protection of public and private buildings. An apparatus constructed according to his direction was placed in the house of Mr. West a merchant in Philadelphia ; and it is a remarkable circumstance that this conductor was actually struck with lightning as if to display the value of the lower and was connected with an iron stake the merchant had departed that the roll of the so many of his commules had fallen a sacrifice. I man so to his breast, and called alond in his of four or five feet. After being struck with lightning, Mr. West found the top of the point-. Was it for this thou wert preserved, my beau- od rod was melted, and the brass wire reduced from ten to seven inches in length; and what In consequence of the state of the witness, the was interesting and instructive, the iron stake stake, covering two or three yards of the payerthe there arrival life was obting first. The ment even when it was wet with rain,

MAGNETIC LAUGHTER .- The wonders of the

"What Next?-The other day, being in the Rogers, the attentive and gentlemanly superinanything of modern date, we'll give it up! A not overcome. Congress should make an anif nothing else beneficial should curve from it."