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dese long years. O, if it hadn't been for him, couldn't lived, couldn't !"

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A servant was speaking of Mr. Lincoln's being so awfully homely, when her employer, an officer, took out a bill, saying, "he is not so very homely, see, there he is." The poor woman most modestly but fervently seized the bill, and kissed his portrait, exclaiming: "Good man! good friend to ou' poo' people." But it was with difficulty some could be made to believe that he was not a colored man, who to believe that he was not a colored man, who went around, begging for jobs of rails to split, till he was made president. But never this room, escorted him to the table. The full gleam of the gas fell upon the glit sput, thin ne was made president. But never but once, did we see uncontrollable laughter, among the colored, and that was when we said to them, "Your Massah said they loved linen there were mirth wit faces light said to them, "Your Massan said they loved you." Then, we seeing how amused they were, and withdrawing inside the door, that they might freely enjoy the laugh, they went on, with ho! ho! ho's! till all rang again. before. His heart ached to see the child Then one would say, "O, yes Massah love nigger!" then the he! he! he's! and ha! ha! ha's I would be uproarions. Another would say, "O, yes ! he neber cut you up dere, and dere, and dere, and dere," putting the hands on different parts of the poor body. "O, yes ! he neber cut you up dere, he lub Then another would say, "O, Mas-lub niggers !" and the general laugh would again be uncontrollable, and we presume, from their appearance, that that simple remark lasted for a subject, of merriment, for weeks.

Yet these are, the men, WHOSE TESTIMONY has IMPLICITLY been received respecting the characters, labors, and the usage and happiness, and far worse, the degradation, of these poor creatures, isolated here from the whole world.

President Lincoln was reported a mulatto, as was also his wife. An effigy of the new black president was drawn through the streets, and finally burned. The copred say, we knew it be a lie all de time, for de Lord 'sure ou' hearts 'at he be ou' friend, and 'at de Lord will deliver us out ob de hands of all his enemies." Repetition of these falsehoods avoid giving it, in order to give a correct pic-ture of these Southerners. But, to recount said quickly and earnestly,all their lies, would require a volume. In-deed, like all otherliars, they injured their own cause, by them. The veil, too flimsy, only revealed the fear, avarice, and hypocrisy it was meant to conceal, and weaned those whom now they sought to conciliate.

The Family Circle. Alone in the Bark. "Stay by me to-night, dear mamma," said child.

"The rain rattles down, and the wind is so wild, I shut up my eyes, and I cover my head, And draw myself up in a heap, in the bed, And I think about robbers, and shiver with

| turned to the coach door, gave another look back, as if he longed to see her face, and then he left the coach.

He hurried to his hotel, but the little voice went with him. There seemed an echo in his heart constantly repeating the destion of the child,---

" Does you love God ?"

Several gay young men met him at his hotel. They appeared to have been waiting for him, and welcomed him with mirth that was almost boisterous. They had prepared linen ; there were mirth, wit, faces light again, and ever and anon he seemed to hear

her words,---" Does you love God ?" It came to him, when he held the red wine to his lips; it was heard amid the clatter of

the billiard balls-the shout of merry laughter that filled the wide room-everywhere. Whichever way he turned he saw the earnest glance of that blue-eyed child, heard the low voice laughing, the low voice asked thril-

It followed him to his bedside. He had tried to drown it in wine, in song, in careless levity; he strove to sleep it away, but heard it in his dreams. The next night he met a fashionable friend. He was to take her to some place of pleasure. She was very beautiful in her dazzling robing. The gleam of pearls and the lustres of silk and lace viel with each other to enhance her loveliness : but even as she came sailing into the room. with smiles upon her young, red lips, and a welcome in her words, there came, too, floating noiselessly at her side, the presence of that angel-child. The better feelings her innocent presence had awakened were warm " Does you love God ?'

". What do you mean?" exclaimed the young girl, with a start of surprise.

"I was thinking, as you came in, of lovely child I saw yesterday," he replied. "As I was in the act of leaving the coach, she suddenly looked up and asked me that question.

"And what, pray, put it into the child's head ?""What did you answer ?"" "I'am ashamed to say I was not prepared

with an answer." replied the young man, casting down his eyes. That night pleasure had no gratification

for him. His feet trod languidly the mazes of the dance, his smiles were forced, and more than once it was said of him, "He does

not seem himself." No, he was not like the gay, e gay, m self of former years. There was a still pool lying in his bosom, the waters of which had mever before been disturbed. Now, a little child had dropped a pebble in, and the vibration was to go on through eternity. 100 Dust-soiled and travel-weary, a thoughtful man walked through the principal street of a large city. 'As he went on, apparently absorbed in his own meditations, his eye accidentally encountered a face looking down from the window of a handsome house. His whole countenance suddenly changed-he paused an instant-looked eagerly at the window-and in another moment his hand was on the bell-handle. He was ushered into the very room where sat the lady of the house. "You will pardon my intrusion," he said, "but I could not pass by after seeing you accidentally at the window. I have never forgotten you nor your little girl, who, five years ago, in a stage coach, put to me the artless question, 'Does you love God?' Do

sorrow! that divine pity, that through her ion; that the virus of secension is found cost too much treasure and blood, to allow glanced into my soul! Madam, these tears wherever the virus of slavery extends; and of a partial settlement. Let the line be bear witness that your child left more than no farther; so that there is the amplest reason drawn at the same time between freedom and ear witness that your child leit more than recions dust and perishing toys!" Utterly broken down, the strong man wept ke a child. All he had said was true; for precious dust and perishing toys !" like a child. All he had said was true; for he held the heart of men in his hands. In cause.

genius he was now one of the strong ones of vation through Jesus Christ. O, little children do a mighty work! f heaven, is there not a voice in your heart asking,

"Does YOU love God ?" GREED OF GOLD.

WHEN Napoleon, about 1811, desired to build a palace, for the King of Rome, near the barrier de Passy, the shop of a poor cobbler. named Simon, stood in the ways, Simon having learned what was going on, de- ents and learned of mar ellous conversions manded twenty thousand france for his ten- to the wisdom of emanipation, especially ement. The administrator hesitated a few days, and then decided to give it; but Simon. goaded by the god of gain, now asked forty thousand francs. This sum was more than two hundred times its value; and the demandwas scouted. An attempt was made to change the frontage, but being found impossible, they went again to the cobbler, who had raised his price to sixty thousand francs. He was offered fifty thousand, but refused. The Emperor would not give a franc more and preferred to change his plans. The speculating son of St. Crispin then saw his mistake, and offered his property for fifty, thousand frances, forty thousand, thirty thousand, coming down at last to ten thousand

The disasters of 1814 happened, and all thoughts of a palace for the King of Rome were abandoned. Some months after, Si-mon sold his shop for one hundred and fifty francs, and in a few days after the sale was removed to an insane asylum; disappointed avarice had driven him crazy. Many years since, a seafaring man called at a village inn on the coast of Normandy, and asked for supper and a bed. The lan-

lord and landlady were elderly people, and ap-parently poor. He entered into conversa tion with them, invited them to partake of his cheer-asked them many questions about themselves and their family, and particularly of a son who had gone to sea when a boy, and whom they had long given over as dead. The landlady showed him to his room, an Paul's doctrine, that they who eat must work,

when she quitted him, he put a purse of gold into her hand, and desired her to take care of it till the morning—pressed her affection-ately by the hand, and bade her good night. She returned to her husband, and showed him

She returned to her husband, and showed him the gold. For its sake they agreed to mur-der the traveler in his sleep, which they ac-complished, and buried the body. In the morning early, came two or three relations, and asked in a joyful tone for the traveler is easily of the rebel congress, bills were inwho had arrived there the night before. troduced threatening terrible vengeance if The old people seemed greatly confused, but we used the blacks in the war. said, that he had risen very early and gone away. "Impossible!" said the relations. "It is your own son, who is lately returned to France, and is come to make happy the evening of your days, and he resolved to guage would be incompetent to describe the tent without slavery as heir instrument. norror of the murderers, when they found will also concede that emancipation would that they had dyed their hands in the blood help us in Europe, and convince them that of their long lost child. They confessed we are incited by something more than ambeing broken alive upon the wheel: Miscellaneous. THE PRESIDENT'S INTERVIEW WITH THE CHICAGO DELEGATION. Messrs. Wm. W. Patton and John Dempster, appointed (with two other gentlemen who were unable to act) to present to President Lincoln the memorial in favor of national emancipation, adopted by the public meet-ing of Christians of all denominations, held in Bryan Hall, Chicago; on Sabbath evening, would be a serious matter if, in consequence September 7, have published a report, from which we take the following: THE PRESIDENT'S ANSWER. The subject presented in the memorial is one upon which I have thought much for weeks past, and I may even say for months. I am approached with the most opposite opinon and advice, and that by religious men, who are equally certain that they represent the Divine will. I am sure that either the one or the other class is mistaken in that belief, and perhaps, in some respects, both. I hope it will not be irreverent for me to say that, if it is probable that God would reveal his will to others on a point so connected with my duty, it might be supposed. He would reveal it directly to me. For, unless I am more deceived in myself than I often am, it is my earnest desire to know the will

In bringing our interview to a close, after That it was true he could not now enforce earth, and all that powerful mind was en- the Constitution at the South; but we should the foregoing is a specimen, Mr. Lincoln rean hour of earnest frank discussion, of which gaged in spreading the tidings of man's sal- see in the fact no reason whatever for not marked : Do not misunderstand me hecause I proclaiming emancipation, but rather the have mentioned these objections. They incontrary. The two appealed to different dicate the difficulties that have thus far pre-Reader, in the sweet accents of that babe classes; the latter would aid, and, in truth, vented my action in some such way as you theaven, is there not a voice in your heart was necessary to re-establish the former, and desire. I have not decided against a prothe two could be made oprative together, as clamation of liberty to the slaves, but hold fast as our armies fought their way south the matter under advisement. And I can

ward; while we had yet b hear that he pro-fessed to abandon the Constitution because by day and hight, more than any other. of the present difficulty of enforcing it. Whatever shall appear to be God's will. As to the inability of Congress to agree on will do. this policy at the late session, it was quite possible, in view of subsequent events, there

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"I cannot, my darling; and why should I stay? You are never afraid to come up here by day; You study and play in this same little room, And never have left it with fear or with gloom Why, then, when you're wrapt up so cozy and

warm, Do you think about things that can do you ho harm?

"O mother ! it's light in the day-time, you know.

And the sunshine then puts all the room in a And up from the hall comes a murmur of sound.

When Jenny and Kitty are running around; And though your voice, mother, I don't always hear, Yet it's so light and cheerful, I know you are

there."

"My dear little boy, I'm afraid you forget That God is near by, watching over my pet, Nor darkness, nor light, would be safe without

One. Who sees us, and guards us, till life's race in

In the loneliest night, He is close by your side, If you love him, and trust him, 'The Lord will provide."

"You never need fear; but when feeble and faint,

Then call upon God, who will hear your complaint;

There's no one to hurt you, when God is so nigh His angels, to keep you, descend from the sky.'

The child put his soft hand in her own. And kissed the sweet face that so lovingly shone; " You may put out the light, mother dear, when you please, If I feel afraid now, I will think that God sees."

Anter Land -THE BABE OF HEAVEN.

- 11 h. "DOES YOU LOVE GOD.'

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THE question came from a sweet pair of lips. Opposite sat a young gentleman of - a striking exterior. The man and the child were traveling in a stage coach. The latter sat on her mother's knee, her little face, beautiful beyond description, looking out did not mark the absence of pattering feet, of little gentle indications that a child's from a frame of delicate lace work. For four hours the coach had been toiling on over an him! is had been uneven road, and the child had been very winning in her little ways, lisping songs, lift-ing her bright blue eyes often to her mother's face, then falling back in a little oldfashioned, contented way, into her mother's arms, saying, by the mute action, "I am happy here.

For more than an hour the dear babe, scarcely yet entering her fifth year, had been answering the smiles of the young man, who had been pleased with her beauty. He had nodded his head to her little tunes; he had offered her his penknife to play with; and at last his heart went over to her at every glance of a holy love and a trusting faith, which made his pulses leap with a purer joy ; the grave." and as the coach rattled on, he began to wish the end of the journey were not so very near.

The child had been sitting for the last her child loved, her Bible, her beautiful refifteen minutes regarding the young man wards, her childish toys. with a glance that seemed almost solemn. neither smiling, at his caresses, nor smiling in the dear face that bent over her. A thoughtfulness seemed to spread over the 'owed by care; and as the coach stopped at through her holy influence. Before she asked easily prepatory to leaving, she bent toward mind was a chaos of doubt, of bewildering

" " Does you love God ?"

you remember ?" "I think I do," said the lady, smiling, from the circumstance that you seemed much startled and confused; but my dear child asked almost every person with whom we met that or similar questions."

"Her innocent face is engraven on my heart," said the young man, with much emo-tion. "Never, since that day, have I been tempted to do that which my conscience would not sanction, but the earnest serious gaze with which she regarded me before she asked that question has come to my mind. Would she remember me, do you think? any circumstances. Can I not see her, mad-am? Is she at home with you? I long to take her in my arms, and hear once more the voice that God has used to draw my heart to him.

Strange that in his eagerness he did not notice the paling cheek, the quiver of the mother's lips, the sudden placing of her hand against her heart. Strange, also, that he did not mark the absence of pattering feet, finger's had been busy in the room about

Suddenly, as he ceased speaking, there came over him a startling consciousness. He saw the tear stained cheek turned toward the window; he noticed the garments of sombre hue; he heard the silence reigning within. "Madam-is-the child-"

"She is in heaven," came low and broken from the trembling lips.

The young man sat back on his seat, agitated, dumb; sorrowful that he had with so rude a touch torn open the still bleeding wound in that womanly heart. "This is sad tidings," he said, after a long

bause, and his voice was troubled; "dear little angel! she is then speaking to me from The mother arose and beckoned him to

follow her. Into 'a little hallowed chamber

"There," said the mother, now quite broken down, and sobbing as she spoke, "there is all that is left on earth of precious Nettie." thoughtfulness seemed to spread over the young brow that had never yet been shad-I am a monument of God's mercy, made so the inn door, and the passengers moved un- me that question on that eventful day, my the young man, and lisped in her childish and conflicting errors. I had dared to ques-

of Providence in this matter. And if I can learn what it is, I will do it. These are not however, the days of miracles, and I suppose it will be granted that L am not to expect direct revelation. I must study the plain physical facts of the case, ascertain what is possible, and learn what appears to be wise and right.

Now, then, tell me, if you please, what possible result of good would follow the issung of such a proclamation as you desire i Understand, L raise no objection against it on legal or constitutional grounds; for, as Commander-in-chief of the army and havy, in time of war, I suppose I have the right to take any measure which may best subdue the enemy. Nor do I urge objections of a moral nature, in view, of possible consequences of nsurrection and massacre at the South. I view the matter as a practical war measure. to be decided upon according to the advantages or disadvantages it may offer to the

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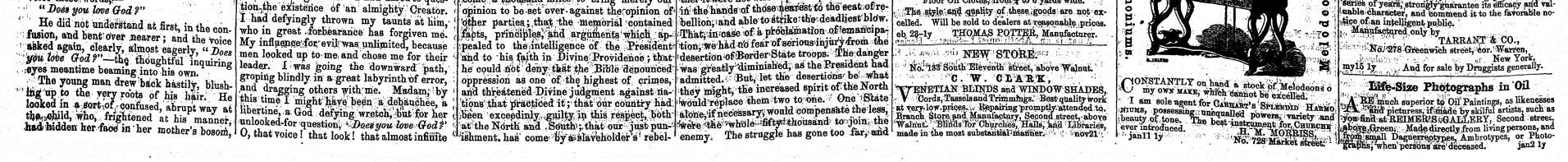
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tional government is indeed a grand idea for which to contend ; but the people know that nothing else has put constitutional government in danger but slavery; that the toleration of that aristocratic and despotic element among our free institutions was, the inconsistency that has nearly wrought our ruin and caused free, government, to appear a failure before the world; and, therefore, the people demand emancipation to preserve and perpetuate con-

stitutional government. Our idea would thus be found to go deeper than this and to be armed with corresponding power. Mr. Lincoln, yes, that this is the true ground of our difficulties.

Delegation. That proclamation of general emancipation, giving "Liberty and Union" as the national watchword, would rouse the people and rally them to his support beyond member, too, that present manifestations are no index of what would then take place. If the leader will but utter a trumpet call, the work of every description. nation will respond with patriotic ardor. No one can tell the power of the right word from

the right man to develope the latent fire and