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From the Press THE SHOOTING STARS. [From Berauger.] BY CHARLES D. GARDETTE.

Savest thou, Shepherd, that each star Is arbiter of human fate ??" eAye, child! Thus Reaven has placed them far From human passions—Love and Hate!" eShepherd, men say that thou can'st read The skies' dread secrets ! whose career Sets in that star, that, with mad speed, Doth downward stream, and disappear ?'

With that star's exodus, my child, He drank to life, amid his friends ! Unconscious, by the bowl he drained, He lies! his griefs, his hopes, his fears"-oHold! Shepherd; one more star hath waned; Waned--downward streams---and disappears!?

That meteor, my son, is blest ! The Life it held was undefiled. Scarce was the orange blossom prest Upon her brow;—a loving child— Bestow'd on him she'd loved so long— A virgin sponse-the altar near-" "Hold ! Shepherd !- from amid the throng Another star doth disappear !"

"Alas! my child, that direful glare A contriv galaxy depoints : A Diplomat, whose richest share Of wealth streamed three oppression's pores! Those who of late, this idol wept, Now blow his portrait with their tears...'' "Hold! Shepherd! down you misty cleft A new star streams--and disappears ! "

"My son, the Poor Man's grief is keen !---This makes his hope of mercy dim : From others Charity we glean-We reaped and harvested from him ! This very night toward his roof. For relige many a wanderer steers—" "Hold! Shepherd, thro' the sparkling wool A star still streams-and disappears!

"Tis a great Monarch's star, my son! Ah! keep thine humble station still! And never let they star be one The thorny brights of Fame to fill! For should'st thou with an useless spark. me thy Life, Man will but sneer, ery when all thy lamp is dark-ir doth shart-and as appear Clover-Hill, August, 1857.

A Michigan Bed-Bug Story.

friend who has been stopping, as he alleges, at patriotisin, hungering for power. Everybody

up, alter a hull day on the road before the plank milles"-a charge, in a country recognising no was hid, calkaistin on a good smoot. Wan just subs diverse began to ease off, I kinder teil, this the states began to ease off, I kinder teil, the states began to ease off, I kinder teil, the states began to ease off, I kinder teil, the states began to ease off, I kinder teil, the states began to ease off, I kinder teil, the states began to ease off, I kinder teil, the states began to ease off, I kinder teil, the states began to ease off, I kinder teil, the states began to ease off, I kinder teil, the states began to ease off, I kinder teil, the states began to ease off, I kinder teil, the states began to ease off, I kinder teil, the states began to ease off, I kinder teil, the states began to ease off, I kinder teil, the states began to ease off, I kinder teil, the states began to ease off, I kinder teil, the states began to ease off, I kinder teil, the states began to ease off, I kinder te down & kivered up for a nap. No use they mount-ed right on me like a parcel of rats on a meal tub; and gave me fits for tryin' to hide. Got up again and went down stairs, got a slush bucket from the wagon, made a circle of tar on the floor, lay down on the inside, and felt comfortable that face! Fact, by thunder! Waal I swept 'em up

William Curtis amused the readers of light literature with some clever sketches of New York society, in the manner of Thackeray, first published in Putnam's Monthly, and then collected into a little book under the title of the "Potiphar Papers." Mr. Curtis had previously to this wearying the ear with its monotonous music .-Subsequently to this he printed his "Lolos Eat-ing," a "Sammer Book," why so called we could never guess, unless its merits as an opiate were regarded as peculiarly in keeping with the sleepiness of the dog-days. We always regarded the dollar we paid for it as so much jost cap-

and 1," which are very good in their way, and hard he tell, how dat, how low. The "Howda- idea of the nation to be found? If "we, the With the working of a man's conscience, or much better in every respect than anything the ji" fell with him. Wherever he had spoken, people of the United States, in order to form a the play of his mind, as long as they do not is rather small praise.

ed that theories of society, elaborated in college another presidential fight in 1860. closets, and smelling all over of the lamp, could In all these conjectures we were wrong. Mr.

wisdom made them rank as beggars. the organ of a mere political clique, of a clique some four columns of close print with the folsmall in numbers, small in influence, wanting lowing title:

one of the hotels at Kalamazoo. His story is pretty fairly told, and he possesses talent in the way of spinning a 'yarn' that would do credit to one who has entertained his mess in the foreone who has entertained his mess in the fore-castle of a whaler, or relieved the tedium of a him, in making his foreign appointments, with "You see I went to bed pretty all fired used having passed over "young men of the old fa-

MR. GEORGE WILLIAM CURTIS' RE- do not necessarily involve a genius for govern- triotism isp't, proceeds, in his lucid order of nous grasping of the kingly power in other clamation against slavery, the mad outcry a-CENT ADDRESS ON PATRIOTISM. Some three or four years since Mr. George Curtis the institute to cover the less, we must do cover the institute to cover the less, we must do cover the institute to cover the less, we must do cover the institute to cover the less, we must do cover the institute to cover the less, we must do cover the less, we must do cover the institute to cover the less, we must do cover the institute to cover the less, we must do cover the less of the institute to cover the less. We must do cover the less of the institute to cover the less of the institute to cover the less of the institute to cover the less. ever else they wanted, had at least the merit of can idea." tled "fhe American Scholar," delivered before entirely agre with Mr. Curtis. If we can on- he does but execute the will of that majority we forbear. We cannot, however, but believe

With all their faults, however, these early ef-forts of Mr. Curtis gave generous promise of an homorable career in the world of letters. Their faults of initiation were divided in terts and so in the world of letters. Their faults of initiation were divided in the world of letters. Their faults of initiation were divided in the bellows of clear, manly, vigorous writing on which our since this disaster. We fancied that perhaps he per standard. hopes of Mr. C.'s luture chiefly hung. But it had gone to Syria again, or was composing anwas the sad misfortune of this young man to be- other "Summer Book" down at Newport, or come connected with Putnam's Monthly. A was eating some rich man's dinners in the Fifth tecedents, your country is consecrated to the on the leading idea of Mr. Curtis' oration-to certain little company of Yankee scholars, avenue, with the harmless design of satinzing cause of freedom; that it was discovered when which all the rest of his statements are but acpoets, and college professors conceived the idea his host as a "snob" in some prospective Putnam the great principle of human liberty was about cessory-not because we regard his individual of ruling America through the columns of that or that, perhaps, he had hicked his fortunes with to be organized into human institutions; that it | importance as giving any weight to what he magazine. They ascended to so large a con- "the great Pathfinder" himself and, in company ception of their own power, and of the plastic with that illustrious man, was engaged in eating softness of the American public, that they fanci- mule meat, and grass-hopper pies, and plotting

be made to supplant the organized wisdom of Curtis is again delivering orations, not this time the sages who framed our constitution. Instead before the valgas populi, not in open lots, or of contining themselves to a province which, by from tavern porticoes, but before the scholarly virtue of their scholarly strength, they might have swayed as lords, they crept into helds of discussion, where their poverty of practical the next age, as Curtis & Co., tried to mould

at the starr, was, which it was holdly avowed ... lo the St. Lawrence Republican of Septemmerican power of thought and speech, became anybody who has the curiosity to look will find

> "PATRIOTISM_AN ORATION: "Deliveted at Union College, N. Y., July and unpatriotic," are the freedom and equality by the cod-fisheries-history can't exactly de-20; at Dartmouth College, N. H., July 29; of the black race. The context shows that this cide which-to the shores of Massachusetts at the Normal School Convention, Westfield, is what he means-every line of his address bay. The historic portions of the oration are, Mass., July 31; and at Brown University, R. shows it-and we must do him the justice to indeed, the only portions of it which have 1., September 3. 1857, by

"GEORGE WILLIAM CURTIS."

some college or other, in which he gravely laid ly ascertain what the American idea is, we shall which, while the "American idea" lasts, must that among the young gentlemen who listened down the proposition, that the material prosperi- know exactly where to fix our loyalty, how to govern. But let us hear Mr. Curtis once to Mr. Curtis there were some hearts which re-Papers." Mr. Curtis had previously to this appeared before the public with his "Howadji in Syria," a dreamy book of travel, not alto-gether without ment of a certain kind, though wanting substance, and, like the sound of bells, America was hastening to the same tuinous con- which has nade us a united nation, and which But God is God to day, and to day a child is country ;" who deemed it to be a prouder thing dition, and that consequently, until the national keeps us shited to-day. The organized senti- born to you; he is under two years old : to-day to be the servants of the constitution than the elbows were out, we must wait in vain for a ment of America, wheresoever it is to be found, the thirsty wretch falls parched and panting at slaves of a prejudice; and who, turning indig-Homer, or the heroes to give majesty to an Iliad. We don't pretend to say what the sentiment of our neighbors may be; but, for our own part, we blush to confist whet is to be in the constitution fram-the blush to confist whet here is to be in the constitution fram-blush to confist whet here is to be in the constitution fram-blush to confist whet here is to be in the constitution fram-blush to confist whet here is to be in the constitution fram-blush to confist whet here is to be in the constitution fram-blush to confist whet here is to be in the constitution fram-blush to confist whet here is to be in the constitution fram-blush to confist whet here is to be in the constitution fram-blush to confist whet here is to be in the constitution fram-blush to confist whet here is to be in the constitution fram-the this was the this was the this work to be in the constitution fram-the this was the this work of the constitution to the confist was the this was the this work of the confist was the confist was the this work of the confist was the set the this work of the confist was the this work of the confist was the confist was the this work of the confist was the this work of the there is the confist was the this work of the confist was the this work of the there is the confist was the this work of the there is the confist was the this work of the confist was the there is the this work of the there is there is the there is the there is there is the blush to confess a vulgar partiality for the reign ed by our fathers, sanctioned by the country at me that child, give me that thirsty wretch, give bountiful, the beautiful, the endeared, the impeital, and all our neighbors who bought it slept of good clothes and good dinners, and a horrible that day, and at this hour unchanged in a single me that frightened fugitive : I am the law !'- | rial, and general parent." over its pages and sorrowed for their cash just as we did. The latest of Mr. Curtis's literary-thousand years of glory and starvation. We all remember how Fremont fell—how we have the because the people have not the Yes, and God is knocking at your heart: Who-power to change it, but because they like it soever doeth it unto the least of these my best as it is. Where, if not here, is the great brethren, doeth it unto me!"

"Summer Book" contained. This, we confess, the Buchanan vote, it was observed, was unusu- more perfect union, establish justice, insure do- manifest themselves in open resistance to the

faults of imitation were faults common to young authors, and likely to be outgrown and left be-bind in the conceptual with the declining fortunes of Putnain, and lost it, if we are correctly informed, by the dehind in the course of years. Their ments lay cease of that respectable periodical. The peo-in a scholarly choice of words, in a certain mu-ple wouldn't stand it any longer. The experi-sical adaption of the source of the new sector words in a certain mu-ple wouldn't stand it any longer. The experi-sical adaption of the source of the new sector words in a certain mu-ple wouldn't stand it any longer. The experi-sical adaption of the source of the new sector words in a certain mu-ple wouldn't stand it any longer. The experi-and in so factor are theory occurring the must yet feel the power of the lower law; sical adaptation of the sound to the sense, and a ment was a failure, and the Magazine has been and in so far as any theory or sentiment, how- that though he may think, and moralize, and charming continuation of the music when the remodeled on another plan. We have had some ever fine-spon or sublime, refuses to conform theorize as much as he pleases in defiance of sense fell short; with, here and there, a passage curiosity to know what had become of Curtis to that instrument, just so far is it from the pro- its commands, his edaily walk and conversa-

But hear Mr. Curtis: "And your duty as pa- to its mejesty. was settled by men who were exiled by reason says, but because he is the exponent of a sect, of their loyalty to that principle; that it separ- not numerous in our midst, but numbering in ated politically from its mother country because New Englanda vast body of the people. It is a

gan its peculiar existence by formally declaring that the course by which, in Mr. C.'s view, pa-

equality is anti-American and supparticit, be-cause America and liberty are inseparable ideas." This is plausible enough, but a shameless falsehood lies conceal-decorder this "much fait speech." "Whatever in surgovernment are and equality is anti-American and unpatricit, be-cause America & Liberty are inseparable ideas." The "freedom and equality." to the destruction The "freedom and equality," to the destruction southern States of the Union, and the godly pil-

of which Mr. Curtis alludes as "un-American grims who were driven by persecution, or lured say that he is not at any pains to conceal it .- much claim to originality, and impress us rath-

Now, Mr. Curtis very well knew when he er favorably, we must admit, with Mr. Curtis' We were quite certain that this oration must wrote this fine paragraph that African slavery power of invention. be a very good thing, or a man of Mr. Curtis's existed in this country long previous to the

We had supposed that the Kansas panic had

Curlis the justice to own that his theories, what-in an American, is simply fidelity to the Ameri-ever else they wanted they wanted the in a word, all the filthy ingredients of a Freif a ruler exceeds his power, he is punished for mont speech, which are here gathered into a novelty. We remember one address of his enti- "Fidelity to the American idea." So far we the usurpation ; and that if he don't exceed it, college oration and called "patriotism." But

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27, 1857.

DIAMOND CUT DIAMOND.

Some years ago, during the heat of a coffee speculation in Boston, when everybody was holding on, waiting for the article to advance, ally large. He retired to the walks of private mestic tranquillity, provide for the common de- law, we have nothing to do. But when an inmense stock, began to sell, an alarm would be taken, and down would go the prices. Quietly sending off a pretty stiff invoice of the article to auction, and giving the auctioneer a good humored hint to mind his own buisiness, he attended the sale, and bid readily at prevailing prices for the coffee. Other holders that knew he had twice as much as they had, concluded it was safe to buy when he did, and so stood up manfully and bought. While old Mr. carmen were tumbling his purchases in at the front door of his ware house, five times as many were carrying away coffee from the back door. On the next day of sale he bid as freely as ever, and this continued for some two or three weeks. One day he failed to appear at a coffee sale, and most of the dealers took the alarm, and prices declined a little. During the afternoon, a pretty large holder, who had always been ready

> "I don't know what its going for to day," replied the out fellow, as cool and pleasant as ice cream.

"It declined this morning."

ethed it "sespender allr.____, with what ifestation of indifference."

"Yes, certainly" Haven't you heard it before ?"

"Yes, certainty pre?" "No-but I suspected as much." "Why, we shall all be ruined, if prices go

down ?" "Not all, I presume," replied Mr.

with an unmoved countenance. "Why, you're in it deeper than any of us."

"Me !" exclaimed Mr. _____, in well feign-ed astonishment, "I haven't got a bag in my

that principle had been assailed; and that it be- somewhat singular, and very suggestive fact,

its faith in human freedom and equality; and, triotism is the best exemplified, consists in a retherefore, that whatever in its government or sistance to the law of the land, which in any policy tends to limit or destroy that freedom and other country would amount to treason. To to buy when he saw Mr. — willing, met him in the street, and asked the rate of cause America and liberty are inseparable constitution fit. policy tends to limit or destroy that freedom and other country would amount to treason., To

he immediately wrote on a piece of paper --thus :--

Re-call your forces.

Re-store Castle William.

Re-pair the damages done to Boston.

Re-peal your unconstitutional acts.

Re-nounce your pretensions to taxes.

Re-fund the duties you have extorted .--

After this,

Re-ouire and

Re-ceive payment for the destroyed tea and with the voluntary grants of the Colonies, and then

Re-joice in a happy Re-conciliation.

Billy, how did you lose your fin-

"Easily enough," said Billy. ger ?" "I suppose you did, but how ?"

"I guess you'd a lost yourn, if it had been where mine was."

"That don't answer my question !"

pockets. No men ever labored as they did-in say: "It is so whether you believe it or not, and speaking, in writing, through the columns of the "Gentlemen, amid the jargon of corrupt poli-

persuasion of his brother sages we have not us take as nowers, it they hopes, such as become marks, at whatever cost of time and money that he was called manly thoughts and brave hopes, such as become marks, at whatever cost of time and money that he himself was in the ante-room, and an to be a statesman, and forsaking his pen, and a theme like this. Let us see what this man's andlood."

became an apostle of the new doctrine. He the following deduction: spoke at New York; he spoke at Weiladelphia; the spoke, indeed, wherever they will be the him speak. We remember seeing his mame upon an enormous poster in gravity to that principle?" enormous poster, in gigantic capitals, prefixed patriotism is loyalty to that principle."

ment of notes of admiration. Now and then many acres of wheat or potatoes, or cotton or thom:

"Well, if you must know," said Billy, 'I had discovered that the talents which fit a man to write "summer-books," or water-place sketches, Mr. Curtis,

and built a bridge over." Seeing an incredible themselves with the thought that the treasury ment, the paper posies on a tavern mantelpiece.

"It is so whether you believe it or not, and some of them walked across on stilts. Bedbugs are cautious critters, and no mistake—especially the Kalamazoo kind." "Genthemen, and the jargon of correspondence of the Melodeon, the shire in the contrast of the Melodeon, are cautious critters, and no mistake—especially the Kalamazoo kind." "Genthemen, and the jargon of correspondence of the Melodeon, the shire in the contrast of the Melodeon, are cautious critters, and no mistake—especially the Kalamazoo kind." the bribery and talsehood of their outdoor labor, sirocco blows over springing grain, remember TP Dr. Franklin in England in the year the country trembled to its centre with their steadily that laws are of two kinds," &c.

1113, was asked by a nobleman what would satisfy the Americans? He answered that it might be compromised in a few "Re's," which this or is on good judgement, or by the whether of his own good judgement, or by the this satisfy the Americans? He answered that it might be compromised in a few "Re's," which this was asked by a nobleman what would traitorous fluinder. At this crisis, Mr. George William Curtis, whether of his own good judgement, or by the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement, or by the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement, or by the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement, or by the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement, or by the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement, or by the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement, or by the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement, or by the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement, or by the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement, or by the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement, or by the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement, or by the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement, or by the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement, or by the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement, or by the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement, or by the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement, or by the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement, or by the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement, or by the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement of the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement of the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement of the this satisfy the Americans whether of his own good judgement of the the this satisfy the Ame whether of his own good judgement, or by the tentious weeds, which and control wind with stillrinds, the community changes the law-persuasion of his brother sages we have not us take as flowers, if they had been twined with stillrinds, the community changes the law-ever, until this startling confession of Mr. C.

look after themselves, mounted the stump, and The first column of his address concludes with became an apostle of the new doctrine. He the following deduction:

"the Tribune" gave the public a synopsis of the rice; and the elaborate argument of Mr. C. to When good men are sent to jail for refusing "the Tribune" gave the public a synopsis of the "Howadji's" arguments, flattering the young prove that it isn't gives us no favorable idea of to wrong, it there be any public conscience "Howadji's" arguments, flattering the young prove that it isn't gives us no favorable idea of to wrong, it there be any public conscience the will soon be a change. James II sent has delivered colleges before whom Mr. Curtis away from the circus. In the course of their "Howadji's" arguments, flattering the young prove that it isn't gives us no favoration. We re will soon be a change. James II sent has delivered and the other colleges before whom Mr. Curtis away from the circus. In the course of their man basely, and describing his audiences as "in- the intelligence of his college auditors. We bishops to the tower, but to put them in the will sent has delivered and means to deliver this address, wanderings they reached Harrisburg, and from man basely, and describing his audiences as sin-telligent," "brilliant," &c., when everybody trust, however that this proposition was estab-trust, however that this proposition of the young trust however that the young trust however the young trust however the young trust however the young the young trust however the youn

tion" must be shaped by its precepts, and bow

 $\frac{1}{1000} \frac{1}{1000} \frac{1}{1000$ They fancied that the American mind, through ers of rhetoric are not wanting, it is true; but the agency of their essays, had been regener. they do not spring gracefully from fields of un-Arrican and wrong. No honest man will be used on the spring gracefully from the idea with a patural bloom again, and made a circle on the ceiling too. The agency of their essays, had been regener-they do not spring gracefully from fields of un-Arrican and wrong. No honest man will the agency of their essays, had been regener-thought, nor clothe the idea with a natural bloom do and deed of which a patriot need be ashamed. It is understood that bribery carries the elecagain, and made a circle on the ceiling too. Thought I had 'em foul this time; but I swan to man, if they didn't pull straws out of the bed, and built a bridge over." Seeing an incredible themselves with the thought that the treasury ment, the paper posies on a tavern mantelpiece. differiron Mr. Curtis' theory, and conflicts myself been shown a handful of bank-notes, with is judgment, is unpatrioue. The concluwith is judgment, is unpatrioue. The conclu- publicly displayed in the ante-room of the legis- they are as acceptable as the clear brook to the sion flows that it must be disobeyed; and so lature, and sagaciously told, "That is the logic thirsty traveller.

"Yu are not to suppose that a law is, under We may as well add a little circumstance ence) laws if you believed that. A civilized sheep who were scourged out of Congress for and telligent society opens the law. When bribery and corruption were all apostles of that But we might possibly have fancied we dis-it, it makes its own laws, or protests if it does. Curtis delights to preach, and which he will be a friend to ask

actual witness of these corrupt transactions .-- | chronicles the r-turn of two young women, d, again, after alluding to the law re- What precious evidence the "Howadji" could who became fascinated with the attractions of

speak. We remember seeing his name upon an enormous poster, in gigantic capitals, prefixed with the adjectives "distinguished," "eloquent," "brilliant," &c., with an unlimited accompani-"brilliant," &c., with an unlimited accompanialready, and good men who despair."

We hope the young gentlemen of Dartmouth cross," and they took the opportunity to run telligent," "brilliant," &c., when everybody knew that they were gathered up from the out-skirts of the metropolis, and were composed, chiefly, of "lewd feilows of the baser sort." As might have been expected, Mr. Curtis, or As might have been expected, Mr. Curtis, or the address, was bounded by the paternal onion the connecticut or present the government at Washington as a state or present the government at Washington as a connecticut or present the government at Washington as a state or present the government at Washington as a content or present the government at Washington as a state or present the government at Washington as a content or present the government at washington as a content or present the gov As might have been expected, Mr. Curtis, or this address, was bounded by the patential one of the connecticut or present the government at Washington as a stile government, and 'to seek analogies bestile government, and 'to seek analogies be- And now we must close. We might say Having ventured so near the abyss of utter ruin ly, 'I had discovered that the talents which fit a man to Merrimack. write "summer-books," or water-place sketches, Mr. Curtis, having clearly shown what pa-reen the workings of our law and the tyran-write "summer-books," or water-place sketches, Mr. Curtis, having clearly shown what pa-reen the workings of our law and the tyran-much more of the narrow hate, the frothy de-it is wonderful indeed that they escaped.

position.

Many friends are lost by ill-timed jests-

may offend modesty. In love, in friendship, the dream of senti-

ment is extinguished, the moment we utter a word which has been necessary to calculate or consider before it is pronounced.

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When the million applaud you, seriously ask yourself what harm you have done-when they censure you, what good !

He who would have friends, must show himself friendly. True, and when a man com-

ROMANTIC FOLLY.

The Inland Daily Times, of Lancaster, Pa., their rough companions "angry, surly and

BRAD BADADI