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Rest, Dear one, rest—and dream that Arearm in arm in yonder grove, Whilst I am whispering low to thee, My simple tale of love, I's midnight hour—but when the beams Of morning ope the eye of day,

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The Unfinished Prayer.

"Now I lay me,"—"say it darling."
"Lay me," lisped the tiny lips, Of my daughter, kneeling, bending, O'er her folded finger tips :

Down to sleep,"-"To sleep," she murmured And the curly head drooped low; I pray the Lord," I gently added, "You can say it ALL, I know."

'Pray the Lord," the words came faintly, Fainter still-"My soul to keep." and the tired head low nodded And the child was fast asteep

But the dewy eyes half opened, When I clasped her to my treast, And the clear voice softly whispered, "Mamma, God knows the rest,"

), the trusting sweet confiding Of the child heart! Would that I Thus might trust my heavenly Father, He who hears my feeblest cry.

Miscellaneous.

THE COBBLER OF BRUSA. A TURKISH TALE.

In the reign of Bajazet the First, there lived in Brusa, that city being then the capital of the Turkish Empire, a poor cobbler whose name was Eskigi Meimet Effendi. This worthy artizan inhabited a small house, containing but one apartment, situated at the foot of Mount Olympus. The chesnut and plane trees. with which the sides of that snow-capped mountain are covered, overshadowed his humble dwelling, and offered a cool retreat during the sultry summer days. Numerous streams and mineral springs, reflected in their translucent bosoms the lofty scenery by which they were surrounded, and gave birth to plants and flowers of brilliant hue, and aromatic odour. The shepherd, as if fearful of disturbing the crystal surface of these waters, drives his flock to some stant summit, from which he looks down at his ease upon the prospect beneath him; and the birds, whose nests are among the neighboring trees, hardly ruffle the mirror-like currents with the

light dip of their wings. It was in the midst of scenery like this that Eskigi Melmet Effendi had fixed his habitation. The routine of his life was simple and regular. Early in the morning, he would go one or two miles into the city, and bring home all the old shoes, that he could collect from his customers. He would then take hs bench, with his awl and lap-stone, beneath some large tree, and there work merrily at his trade. In this way, he managed daily to earn a few paras, which were barely sufficient to support himself and his family, consisting of a wife and a child. But being accustomed during the day to the beautiful sights around Mount Olympus, he could not remain content in his humble domicile at night, without having a great number of lights burning in his presence. Consequently, after purchasing a few of his indispensible necessaries of life, he would spend the re-

mainder of his small pittance in oil. After the prayer of sunset, which the Turks call axam namas, the honest cobbler would prepare his illuminations. Then, having taken his supper, he would chat with his wife, smoke his chiboque, and trum on his guitar, while his child danced to the sound. Sometimes he would sing to the full stretch of his lungs, according to the Turkish

which took place two hours after sunset, he would retire to bed. In those times, the Turkish emperors, accompanied by some officer of distinct- of a remover of dust, until further no er a cobbler, neither a remover of dust, ion, were, often in the habit of walking tice, under the penalty of death." Eskigi nor a gatherer of asparagus, but an offiin disguise, sometimes by day, and Meimet Effendi, who was at that mo- cer of the empire, and that he must be sometimes by night, so that seeing with | ment entering the city with his basket | treated accordingly. In the midst of their own eyes, and hearing with their and spade, as soon as he heard the criers his boasting, the Grand Seignor inquirown ears, they might truly know the proclaiming this new decree, ran home ed how he had managed, without monwants and dispositions of their subjects, very much alarmed, and with tears in ey, to still keep up his illuminations; and take their measures accordingly. his eyes, made it known to his wife, ex- and the ex-cobbler, notwithstanding Now it happened that Bajazet the claiming, 'What shall we do now for his lofty pretensions and his determin-First, in passing the domicile of Eskigi our illumination!" "Say, rather, what ation to stand upon his dignity, could Meimet Effendi, had often been amazed shall we do for our bread?" was the re- not forbear telling them how he had with the brilliant illuminations and the ply. At last the poor man bethought contrived to raise money, by selling very loud songs of that patriotic cob- himself that he would take a basket the blade of his Damascus sword. The bler. Consequently, one evening, the and go up Mount Olympus to gather Grand Seignor laughed heartily at the Sultan and his Vizier having assumed asparagus. The idea was a good one, circumstance, and they soon after septhe costume of dervishes, stopped before and that day he made four times as arated for the night. the house, in which many lights seem- much as he used to when working at | The Sultan and his Vizier reached ed to burn, and knocked at the door. A his trade. He now bought thrice the the palace, at an early hour the next voice from within asked, "Who is usual quantity of oil, together with a morning. The mollah, or chief judge, there?" The two illustrious personages number of tallow candles for his illu- was immediately ordered into the imof the empire replied that they were mination. He also procured a bunch perial presence, and asked if there were dervishes, who in the name of God, de- of onions, and a little fresh butter and any person to be executed that day. It sired hospitality. Eskigi Meimet Ef- rice to make a pillau. With these he was ascertained that there was one infendi answered, by telling them to wait returned home more contented than a dividual who was awaiting the punisha few minutes, till he had found means | king with his sceptre. of concealing his wife, it being, as every He made, that night, the most splen- indulged in some strictures upon the one knows, contrary to the customs of did illumination ever exhibited in his government. The grand Seignor intithe Turks, to admit a man into the house, and not having candle-sticks, he mated his will that the new high sherpresence of their wives, unless he be a placed the candles in a row over the tire | iff should make his maiden attempt at near relation. The poor cobbler having place, or fixed them in the fissures in decapitation on the head of the prisonbut one room, was puzzled how he the walls. He clapped his hands with er. Preparations for the execution were should dispose of his better half. But delight, when he had completed these accordingly made in a large square near being unwilling to refuse hospitality to arrangements. He had hardly finished the palace. A vast multitude assemhis visiters, he thought it best to fix up his supper and commenced his usual bled to witness the spectacle. the counterpane in one corner of the singing, when the two dervishes again

of the proffered civilities of his host, asked him among other inquiries, the Effendi replied fully to all hisquestions, labour of the day was over, was at night to have his house brilliantly illuminated, and to talk, dance, and sing, with his wife and child, thanking the Almighty for all that he had done and was doing, and more particularly for life, continued the cobbler, "My wife and myself constantly pray, and under

whose reign we hope to die." After some farther conversation Eskigi Meimet Effendi, retired into his harem. or, more literally speaking, behind the the counterpane, and left the sofa for his two guests. At sunrise, after the salah namas, or prayer of the morning, the Grand Seignor and his Vizier, quitpassed the night, for the palace. On their way, Bajazet conversed on the subject of their visit, and remarked with how little a man might be happy, alluding a few paras, hardly sufficient to purchase necessary food, had his illumination, his music, and dances, and believed, bimself, the very happiest of men. "I wish," said the Vizier,"that your highness would issue orders fobidding all cobblers' shops to be open, and all cobblers to mend shoes until further notice, under the penalty of death. By this means we can make the experiment, whether the happiness of Eskigi Meimet depends upon circumstances, or whether he would retain his good spirits under a reverse of fortune." The Grand Seignor was pleased with the suggestion, and the talals or public criers were immediately sent through all the streets of the city, to proclaim, that, "By order of the sublime Porte, all cobblers' shops must be closed, and no cobbler must

work at his trade, until farther notice." and with a Damescus sword. Eskigi Meimet Effendi, was in the shoes, when he heard this proclamation. Quitting his customers, he returned of despair what they were to do at night

lutations passed between them, and the the office of cook. host set before them his remaining piece | In a short time the Sultan and his of mutton and bread. On being asked Vizier in their customary disguise,

tired to rest.

apartment, as a sort of screen, behind rapped at his door. As it is the custom the presence of the people, who on tipwhich his wife might retire. Having of the Turks to grant hospitality to toe awaited the result. The high sher done this in the neatest manner he strangers for three days, he thought it iff was order to come forward and perdone this in the neatest manner he strangers for three days, he thought it iff was order to come forward and permutations and the various railroad depots, by could, he opened the door to his two his duty to admit his two importunate form his duty. That respectable officer days the care.

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fore them a piece of bread and cheese, as to form a retreat for his wife, he open- upon the block. Then grasping the the remnants of his scanty supper, and ed the door and his guests entered. Dur- hilt of his sword, he uttered the follow a bowl of pure water. Then succeeded | ing the conversation, which now took | ing prayer in the hearing of the crowd the nargele or hubble-bubble, a pipe of place, Eskigi Meimet Effendi related around the platform: "O Thou, who art serpentine form and dimensions. The how he had managed, by the assistance above all human wisdom and all hu-Grand Seignor, after partaking lightly of God, to provide for his family a good man judgment, if the poor victim, whose supper, much of which still remained for head I am here ordered to sever from his friends. But his chief delight was his body, be innocent, turn, I pray thee nature of his vocetion. Eskigi Meimet in the magnificent illumination, which he had found means of exhibiting. He that I may commit no injustice!" adding, that his only pleasure after the thought that even the Sultan had never had so many lights burning in his palace; and finally, he considered it pretty the spectators, it was indeed turned to evident that he was the happiest mortal alive

The Grand Seignor was pleased, but at the same time a little piqued at the having placed at the head of the nation wise and great an emperor, for whose When he arrived at his palace, the next morning, he remarked to his Vizier The high sheriff was borne along upon that some other method must be adopted, in order to effect their object, and that a man who was really determined to work, could always find employment. The Vizier replied, that he had thought of a plan, which was to give the cobbler an office, and having detained him all day in the palace, to send him home at night without any money. ted the humble abode, where they had The Sultan approved of the plan, and immediately ordered one of his ministers to send for Eskigi Meimet Effendi, and on his arrival to invest him with the office and dignities of high sheriff, to the example of the cobbler, who with or gelat bachi. Messengers were accordingly despatched to fulfil this imperial

command. On being summoned to attend them to the palace, the astonished cobbler began to shake in his shoes, believing that he was about to be strangled or drowned in a sack, on some false accusation. He kissed his child, and took leave of his wife, who threw herself in wild dismay upon the sofa. As soon as he arrived at the palace, without waiting to be informed of the cause of his being brought there, he threw himself at the feet of the minister, and implored his mercy. But when the terrified supplicat was told that he had been appointed to the office of high sheriff, joy and astonishment took the place of consternation and grief. He was sent to the bath, and habited in a new and costly uniform

Having remained in the palace durgreat bazar of Brusa, collecting old ing the day, he rode home in the evening, on an Arabian horse, accompanied by a train of attendants. They left him Panza. home hastily to his wife, and told her at the door of his house, which he enthe order of the day, asking, in a tone tered alone. He found his wife in the position in which he had seen her last, for their illumination! But the good the poor woman having lost all hopes woman thought it a more proper sub- of again beholding her husband. She ject of inquiry, what they were to do started up in amazement, on seeing him for bread, and believed that the prospect standing over her, habited in a rich of starvation was worse than that of be- and beautiful dress. He soon satisfied ing without lights during the evening. her curiosity with respect to his visit to After a brief consultation with his the palace, and consoled her for all her wife, the poor cobbler concluded the apprehensions. But after he had finishbest thing he could do to obtain a little ed the account of his adventures, he bemoney, would be to take a basket and gau to look melancholy, and said to his spade upon his shoulders, and seek em- | wife: "Alas! what shall we do to-night ployment in removing the dust from for our illumination? I have no money,

as he could by cobbling old shoes; and Eskigi Meimet Effendisat musing for he returned home with more oil than some time upon the sofa. At last, strikusual for his illumination, together with | ing his hand upon his knee, he exclaima leg of mutton, which had been roasted ed, "I have it;" and leaving the room, in a kiabapsi, or cook-shop. After light- he hastened to a neighbouring carpening up his house in quite a brilliant ter, to whom he sold the blade of his manner, he took supper with his family, Damascus sword for a considerable sum and then, as usual, began to sing lustily. of money, on condition that he would The Grand Seignor, wishing to see make for him a blade of wood, to be what effect his proclamation would have fitted to the handle and delivered early upon the cobbler, that evening again as- in the morning. He accordingly left umed the disguise of a dervish, and with the sword with the carpenter and quithis Vizier, appeared at the door of ted the shop with his money. The a Caucasian. The features are finely Eskigi Mennet Effendi, and requested worthy high sheriff now purchased a hospitality. As soon as he had taken large quantity of oil and candles, and stone is the gypsum of Onoudaga counthe same precaution with respect to his then turned his attention towards buywife, that he had deemed necessary the ling a variety of food for supper. Renight before, the cobbler admitted his turning home he made a most brilliant visiters into the house. The usual sa- illumination, while his wife performed

the news of the day, he mentioned the again knocked at the door. Eskigi proclamation of the public crier, his Melmet Effendi hesitated for some time own new employment, his increased about admitting them. He considered profits, and the splendor of his illumi- that he was now a high officer of the nation. The honest cobbler frankly empire, and a man of rank, and ought owned that he could not exactly under- not to receive persons of low degree instand the object of the proclamation - to his house. But they renewed their perhaps it would soon be known-but entreaties so pressingly, that he conhe conjectured that his highness, the sented to grant them hospitality for the emperor, had issued the order for some last time. On entering, they expressed political end. Much more was said re- their astonishment at his new dress, and specting the events of the day, and at a asked him how he had some by it. His late hour, the party separated and re- reply was that the distributor of thrones and the shadow of God upon earth, his The next morning, the Grand Seignor | majesty the Sultan, had raised him to and his Vizier returned home, some- the office of high sheriff; and thereupon fashion. At the iahi or fifth prayer, what amused with their visit. They he described to them his several adimmediately caused to be proclaimed ventures during the day. He begged throughout the city. "That no person or persons should follow the occupation knocking at his door, as he was no long-

ment of death, in consequence of having

The sentence of death was read in usual salute of the Turks, he placed be- ing again arranged the counterpane so ordered him to kneel and lay his head

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the steel of my sword, into wood, so He immediately unsheathed his blade and, to the inexpressible amazement of wood! The people shouted with one acclaim, "a miracle!" They looked with awe and admiration upon the man, whose faith, they believed, had brought it to pass. The prisoner was rescued amid cheers and congratulations

the imperial presence. As soon as that exemplary executioner laid eyes upon his sovereign, he recognized him for one of the dervishes, who had so often visited his house of chestnut in the peculiar gluten surlate. He immediately began to trem- rounding it. The flower is of gigantic ble violently, and fear rendered him speechless, for he knew that the Grand rounded by blue and white circles. The Seignor was well aware of the process by which his blade had been changed from steel into wood. But the Sultan soon re-assured him, and ordering him to approach nearer, he signified to him his promotion to the office of aga, or governor of a small village near the capital, with a salary of five hundred Turk-

ish piastres. It is superfluous to describe the satis faction and delight of Eskigi Melmet Effendi, at this new accession of fortune. He prostrated himself before the distributor of thrones, kissing his feet, and from which, after the lapse of a few exhibiting every mark of the most lively gratitude. On his return home, he cut so many capers and sung so vociferously, that his wife began to suspect that his intellect was unhinged. But she finally succeeded in obtaining from him a full account of his good fortune. He explained to her his intentions with respect to his future illuminations, which must have been rarely surpassed in splendour. In a few days, he departed with his family for the seat of his government. If tradition may be trusted, he ruled wisely and well, equalling, doubtless, in honesty and cuteness, even the renowned Sancho

THE PETRIFIED BODY OF A GIANT TEN FEET AND A HALF HIGH EX-HUMED .- The Syracuse Courier says : On Saturday morning last, two men by the name of Gideon Emmons and Henry Nichols, were engaged in digging well on the farm of Mr. Newel, about a mile and a half from Carniff, when they suddenly came upon what appeared to be a man's foot of colossal dimensions; at first they were somewhat startled, as a matter of course; and proceeding to tion of the horrible troubles to which dig around it they discovered the legs and body of what they supposed to be a the houses and court yards of the rich. and we have neither oil nor candles to petrified man of monstrous size. The In this occasion he succeeded beyond burn." "Nor bread to eat," added his body lay about two and a half feet bewith its right arm and hand crossed upon its breast. Its legs were crossed, one lying upon and across the other. The news of the discovery of the supposed human being spread like wildfire through the valley, and all day Saturday and Sunday hundreds of people visited the locality. Dr. J. F. Boynton, of this city a geologist of celebrity, paid a visit to the locality, yesterday afternoon, and made a most thorough examination, and pronounces it to be a statue of cut and are in perfect harmony. The ty. It is the doctor's opinion that the statue was carved by the Jesults or the early inhabitants of the country, and was placed in the slough in which it was found for the purpose of concealing

it. The dimensions and proportion of the statue are colossal and majestic. Its length is ten feet three inches. We ineline to the opinion that the discovery is the petrified remains of a human being. A statue would hardly have its legs crossed nor would its arms be placed in legs crossed nor would its arms be placed in the position described above. The features are as perfect and the form is as complete as that of a living person, and it has every appearance of having once been a human being.

"LET HIM SQUEAL."-The beautiful antly situated at the foot of Equinox Notwithstanding all this he has not mountain, is celebrated for two very fine hotels, the Vanderbilt and Equinox; also, though of less pretentions, ding." He is one of the examples late of my story, by George St-e. George alarming extent, and yet he swears that was a character, considerably deaf, especially when he did not want to hear. Rallying him one day on his ability to hear or not to hear, he told me, under promise of never telling, the following story:

When a young man, he worked on a farm for a stingy old farmer in an adjoining town. On leaving him a bal- she, "Mr. B-, I don't think there is ance of two dollars was due George for wages. Having called repeatedly for his money, the old man had some excuse for not paying. A sow of the old man's had a litter of pigs consisting of four; one of them, which is generally the case, being a small runt, as they call them. George told the old man that he would take a pig for the money; the old man said he might have the small one. George Jumped into the pen and seized the largest pig. The old man | together; we arrived at night at a hotel shouted:

"Take the small one!" "Let him squeal," said George; "I can hold him."

Old man, excited : "Take the small one!" "1'll risk his biting," replied George-

Old man, desperate, and as loud as he ould bellow. "Take the small one! "Let him squeal; I can hold him,"

nswered George. "Take him along, you deaf cuss, can't make you hear anything." George carried off his pig in triumph

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The Poison Administered to Carlot ta and Gen Lesca. Gen. Lesca, the Spanish general in

Cuba, has suddenly lost his military

genius, and fallen into delirious ravings

from poison, and is now subject to the same insanity as the Empress Carlotta, It is uncertain whether the deed was perpetrated by some one of the insurgents or by some Spaniard who feared that Lesca was using too much elemency toward the Cuban forces. The poison used is the same as that administered to poor Carlotta. It maddens without bringing death to its victim, and is derived from an herb which grows in Cuba, South America and a few places in Mexico. The plant is one of the most remarkable of nature's production. It resembles the century plant in many the shoulders of the multitude, into of its features. Like the century plant, it is a member of the cactus family, still further, it blooms once in many years, and at regular intervals. The bud is large, and resembles that of the horsesize, and contains a purple centre, surperfume is delicious, but deadly and the natives shun its approach as the sailors of old the songs of the Sirens. To inhale is sweet but to remain is death. The sorcerers, or medicine men take the buds of this singular plant, and first roasting, place them in a pot with sweet oil over a fire and dance around with strange ceremonies, till the oil and the juice of the herb mingle, when they cease their strange incantations and pour the decoction, then resembling honey, into shallow plates, days, is taken out and kept in miniature jars. The poison, when taken in sufficient quantity, first places the brain in a delightful delirium, resembling that produced by fusil oil, this is succeeded, in a few days, by an uncontrollable apathy, which at last culminates in insanity, in which the patient is at times strangely rational, but greatly exhilarated. This poison is not distroy ed by being mingled in victuals before being subjected to heat, but its immediate effects are somewhat deadened, They are sure to appear, however, in the lapse of time. This is the manner in which the poison is generally administered. When the victim is of great influence, and it is improbable that he can turn upon his prisoner, the decoetion is administered in a glass of wine or a cup of cocoa. The poison manifests itself shortly, and in the course of a week all the various phases of the delirium appear. The sad fate of the Empress Carlotta is known to all, but this description of the poison, from what it is derived and how it acts, may aid in forming a more correct apprecia-

MARRIED "FULL UP."-In Virginia, where the law fixes the marriage fee at one dollar, there is a reminiscence of a couple who many years ago called on a parson and requested him to marry them.

"Where is my fee?" said the old functionary.

The parties who were to unite their fortunes did so at once, and found the joint amount to be twenty-seven cents "I can't marry you for that sum," said the irate old gentleman,

"A little bit of service will go a long way," suggested the male applicant, "Ah,no," said the parson; "you don't pay for the size of the pill, but for the

good you hope it will do you." The lass, intent on marriage, began to weep, but the parson was inexemble, and the couple turned sadly to depart. Just then a happy thought seemed to strike the forlorn maid a, and she turned and cried, through her

"Please, sir, if you can't marry us full up won't you marry us twenty-seven cents worth? We can come for the rest some other time."

This was too much for the parson. He married them "full up," and they went on their way rejoicing.

Goop.-The following is a good one, and a bachelor friend of ours claims that he is the hero of the occasion. He had proposed to a lady, divers times out town of Manchester, Vermont, so pleas of mind, and was rejected as of en, taken to "cold pizen," preferring, a be jollily remarks, the "huckleberry pud the Vermont House, kept at the time which love does not strike to any Othello's love for Desdemona is no patchin' to his. But hear his tale of woe done up in a joke. At his interview last evening, she became extremely annoyed at his importunity, and fold him that she could not marry him; that their tastes, opinions, likes and dislikes, were totally different. "In fact," said one subject on earth upon which we

agree." "I assure you madam, that you are mistaken," said Mr. B-, "and I can prove it.

"If you will mention one thing about which we agree," said she, "I will marry you."

"Well," said Mr. B ..., "I will do it Suppose, now, you and I were traveling and there were only two beds vacant; in one there would be a man, and the other a woman-which would you sleep

She rose indignantly, and replied, "with the woman, of course, sir !" "So would I," earnestly responded our friend.

Old Bill W. was dying. He was an ignorant man and a very wicked one. Dr.D. an excellent physician and a very pious man, was attending him. The old fellow asked for bread. The Doctor approached the bedside, and in a very solemn tone remarked; "My dear friend, a man cannot live by brea-t alone." "No," said the old fellow slightly revived, "he's 'bleged to have a few vegetables." The subject was dropped