CHARLES B. BROCKWAY,

Illiscellaneous.

OUR FARM OF TEN ACRES.

(CONCLUDED.)

fied at our prospective relationship.

ng my English cousins, I had met and

loved Philip Allston, and had left Lon-

don his affianced bride. None of my

family had ever seen my lover, and al-

though Murray Allston's remarkable

resemblance to him had struck me at

misunderstanding in regard to his sur-

name had prevented my surmising the

relationship. So that mamma's amazed

but Maud has not paid me the compli-

Were, to say the least, rather embar-

all in the kindest and most unostenta-

tious way. Still, notwithstanding his

cure and protection, we did have some

ludicrous experiences and adventures.

ton, with her member of Congress hus-

band, had two small embodiments of

mischief, named respectively George

and Sue, and aged six and four. These

morbus. But I am anticipating.

were our exclamations, "What sweet

little things!" "What dear, docile lit-

tie darlings!" etc., and the children's

bright eyes and dimples danced in glee

"I'll ride horseback, Auntie Maud,

won't I ?" asked Georgie, again and

again, and I, unwary female that I was

replied always, "Yes, dear;" suppos-

ing, in my ignorance, that my darling

little nephew would shrink from ful-

"Sue's feeded the chickens!" was

"Have you, darling?" asks Auntie

Rosie, taking the tiny fairy into her

"What did you give them?"

the box is labelied, "Fine Table Sait."

So Sue was forbidden to feed th

Georgie was very much interested in

The possessor of the lacteal fluid had

a way of shaking her head, and advanc

ing rapidly towards us, with her nose

to Rosie's heart and mine. But mam-

"One morn we missed him from the

gie.) And just as we began "wonder-

We had only time to see a little, white

as they passed the window; before we

could reach the door the cow was tear

ing down the street at a fearful pace.

Our brave little boy held bravely by

the horns, but we knew his tender fin-

gers would soon unclasp, and shudder-

ed to think of the mangled heap we

might find on our path as weflew down

our good angel this time. Hearing the

noise made by the clumsy animal's

We never could ascertain how the

days after, upon my investigating the

cause of a scratch on his nose, he inform-

George was quite subdued for some

ly obliged to send away, for she ran at

mamma and hooked her, and also Frank

ed me that he had stepped on it.

and our chore boy.

and been closed to us forever"-

upon her back.

that young lady's triumphant remark

as she came to me in the afternoon with

an empty box in her hand.

strictly prohibited for hens.

palatable to cows and calves.

their merry anticipations.

filling his request.

My oldest sister, living at Washing-

"But Maudie, my dear, how was it

puzzled.

he answered.

immediately to you?"

tonish mamma.

questions:

brother?"

And Dr. Murray's:

ment of thinking so"-

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But Sue, not having got ' into missif,' as she expressed her brother's dilemma gave place to anger and resentment. POSTERS and being "so muts gooder," was a dai-Neatly and Cheaply Printed ly trial to us.

She would chase all the setting hens off their nests and "pank um" with sticks; would catch the little chickens and duck them in the cistern; fell into

the "pig's den," one Sunday just after "But you?" said Rosie, completely she was dressed for church; insisted upon sitting in my lap all the time "I am John Murray, at your service," when Philip, who had just returned, was calling; and the first time Dr. All-Then, coming to my side, Philip's brother expressed himself highly gratihim he "wasn't so nice as the man

"And Uncle John will be pleased," One hen, a particular pet of mine, ob- for a week. he said. "He is in New York now, but stinstely refused to lay her eggs anywhen he returns may I not bring him where save in our new carryali. One I begged him to wait until his brothcrasy, but on Sunday we banished her drove to the post-office. er's arrival, which would be very soon, to a dark barrel. And as Rosie had and he kindly agreed to comply with my wishes. Then we rode home to as-

Auntie Maud kissed."

secular enjoyment on the Sabbath. Georgie behaved well at church; but dently lifted Sue out and stood her upas nothing could induce Sue to "sit still once, I had not mentioned it, and the after one severe trial to leave her at home with the servants, but "Let us have peace!" being our motto, allowed umbrella just as the horse looked around Frank's aforesaid lovely partner agreed came to trade with him he discovered the wilful young lady to accompany us to the carriage. in the carriage and return home with the driver, coming for us at the close of

possible you should have been so stapid? the services.
One particular Sunday, mamma had Does not Dr. Murray look like his extended an invitation to a rising young elergyman, who preached for us, to ac-"It is generally conceded that I do, company us home. Our party were upon the church steps with Dr. Allston, Phil. and Murray, when our pretty bay span was "brought to" in style. rassing. But, after all, you may be Murray opened the carriage door, and very sure that it was quite agreeable was helping mamma in, when, "with many a flirt and flutter," and a good for us to have a handsome, talented, and, withal, rather practical young man deal of squawking, out came my pet "running in," as the country folks say, hen, directly into the rising young clerat all hours, keeping a brotherly lookgyman's face, and a silvery little laugh out for our comfort, and setting right from the coachman's box indicated the our innumerable blunders in regard to perpetrator of the mischief. our ten acres and their cultivation, and

The hen was caught and returned to her favorite nest, where she continued to tax her musical powers so strongly that none of us would ride. We sent the carriage back with Dennis, the hen and chagrined Miss Sue, preferring for ourselves a quiet walk.

I was very glad Frank was not with us. I fear, had he been, the hen would have left much of her psalm of life un-

responsibilities were forwarded to us by We had a pleasant walk until close to express, "the pure country air would be so beneficial to them," their mamthe house, when, with a loud "kutcher, ma wrote, and they arrived in season kutcher, caw, caw, caw," down bore to find plenty of green strawberries and our Brahma upon us, followed by the to experience all the stages of cholera hens, ducks, geese, and two peacocks, the property of Phil., but retainers of The first day of their arrival Georours, with a dreadful hissing, quacking gie's blue velvet knickerbockers and and screeching. Sue had released them. Sue's dainty white skirts reposed quite We were obliged to submit to the contentedly in our laps and frequent

feathered escort and their mellifluous serenade until we reached the door. The next day we dined on that Brahma rooster. And Rosie, learning wisdom by experience, was more distant to

The country would have ceased to be America had we experienced no trouble with our domesties. Trial after trial we endured, embracing spinsters, widows, and even whole families, each one proving more impertinent and independent than the predecessor.

Georgie and Sue's mamma sent us from Washington a contraband of "most country. exemplary character." Mamma sent him to help Dennis get

dren,"Georgie and Sue were allowed to ride on the load. Louis, the "sable exemplar," put the

"This box full, plenty of it," answers Sue, as we observe, horror stricken, that children on the load, got himself up afwhich article of diet Dr. Murray had reached after them with a pitchfork, chickens again, which almost broke her which stuck into the horse.

The spirited creature sprang forward, heart, and our best hens sickened and overturning and smashing the hay-cart, died from the effects of the chloride of breaking Georgie's collar-bone, and little Suc's wrist, and badly injuring himself against the stone wall. the cow and calf, and used to watch All three of the Drs. Aliston were in them eagerly while mamma fed them

attendance upon us for a month. with corn, meal or something equally piece at Frank, badly wounding him in day, when mamma, in accents of terror down to the ground, and struck terror had declared that he should start in the jets of milky whey. morning for the District of Columbia, ma insisted that it was only because he set the house on fire by falling upon | ma twirled the handle, then Rosle, and she wished food or water, and laughed

him shout "Fire! fire!" and Murray, accustomed spot." (Alluding to Georwho was fortunately in the house, ex- cream is as thin as water." tinguished the flames with water from ing where the dear boy was," our cow

dashed by the window with Georgie To do Louis justice, he did amuse the frightened face look pitcously into ours, with pitchforks, firearms, and combus- her labors. tible fluid served to alienate him from our ten acres. We returned him "with

thanks" to our sister, who has not since been heard to laud him so highly. Georgie's broken collar-bone did not absence one day, he surreptitiously possessed himself of one of the horses, and own imagination a very Don Quixhoofs, he looked in her direction, and

quick as thought was at the gate, inter-It was some time before we missed cepted the cow, and rescued our faintthe child, and when we did, Dennis informed us that one of the horses was "Dear little Georgie, if his sunny eyes

also missing. We sent to Dr. Allston's, thinking Georgie might have gone there, but no child got upon the cow's back. To all one had seen him. Home again we our inquiries be persistently replied went, searching thoroughly house, stathat he was "giving her some corn, and ble, garden and grounds, but no roguish made some very incoherent remarks dollars, for instance?" she put out her head and jerked him up little lad did we find hidden away, as regarding white hands and arms, bronze we had hoped to find him. Then we brown hair, etc., and demanded from all went forth, and at a neighbor's me that I should name the day, and learned that half an hour before Georgie then, without allowing me to demur, had ridden by, politely touching his hat to her. Our amazement was only exceeded by our great distress. We days after his adventure with the cow, flew along in the direction she had inwhich, by the by, we were subsequent- dicated, and before long our eager search was rewarded by a sight of the young equestrian coming toward us, sitting easily upon the horse, who trotted gently along. Fear and auxiety

> "You naughty, naughty boy!" I cried, bursting into tears. "Why, Auntie Maud! you said

"Georgie! what a naughty story!" I cried. "You did, too. The day I came," whimpered. "You did, Maud," said Rosie; "I re

member." And so I did, and I remembered it too; but as Georgie knew perfectly well that I did not mean he should ride ton, the elder, visited us, informed alone, or at any time without permis-

sion, I punished him for his ill behav-

for by banishing him from all our rides When the probation was ended, he and Sue were permitted to occupy the week day we succumbed to this idiosyn- front seat with me one morning as I

The horse was without blinders for made all the fowls so tame they would the first time in his life, Rosie and I even at a distance descry her bonny face having decided them superfluous crueland run to meet her, saluting her with ties. He behaved admirably, merely As Rosie had explained, while visit- all sorts of accompaniments, they also looking very intently upon everything were captivated on the seventh day and on or about the road, and working his thus prevented from displaying their ears in a nervous manner. When we reached the office I pru-

> on the pavement, and, telling Georgie and not speak out loud," we decided, to sit very still, went in for the mail, Directly my back was turned, the

> > Off he went, like Donati's comet. Georgie, still grasping the umbrella, was pitched over backward, and finally out of the carriage. The horse continued his rapid flight, until, panting and with a fairy Maud, and Frank's two hands, that he could hardly refrain exhausted, he stopped before our door; his condition and the empty carriage ful as their mamma. sending Rosie into hysterics, and mam-

ma into a fainting fit. I walked home with the two children sun, wishing desperately that people who were silly enough to have little boys would keep them at home and Susy. cultivate them themselves, instead of in the country.

The little fellow was contrite enough when he saw-his grandmamma's and Aunt Rosie's alarming state.

But the sincerest contrition will not had ruined our span. However, in this last instance I drew all the blame, as all but Philip censured me for driving without blinders.

After this little episode we had a comparatively quiet time for a week or so.-But soon mamma diicovered that our expenses of living were much more though this did not materially affect our monetary circumstances, it was di-Acres Enough," in which treatise Mr.

my of a country residence.

us," argued mamma. Frank, consulting the store books. in company. So in default of anything could cover an aut hill: Now, mamma, General Hooker (that else to say, I asked him if he was open-

furnish us with butter henceforth." "That's an excellent idea, Frank. wonder it did not occur to me," quoth | would mention what he had for sale.] mamma. And presto! our two lamed bays were harnessed, and Rosie and I trade " and he said "So-so." despatched for a churn, to town, actually, for we could not obtain one in the

Our ideas on the subject of churns were rather vague, and an insidious n the hay, and as he was reported to be salesman easily persuaded us to purperfectly reliable regarding the chit. chase a good-for-nothing patent arrange

ment, which he would never have sold to any one else. We took our "wonderful bargain' home, and mamma, after duly admirter them, and then perceiving that he ling it and congratulating us upon our had left the reins on the horse's back, wisdom in its selection, ordered Den-

nis's wife, our Hibernian, to skim the milk and save all the cream. In a day or two she was told to make some butter, and she followed a very ally speaking, and then everything novel recipe of her own, saving all the cream, very effectually, and attempting

to churn the skimmed milk. "Deed then, Miss Leigh," she appealed to mamma, "this is no good at all, At the end of that time, Louis accidentally discharged Murray's fowling tated the iron crank, whirled round the place of Frank hadly wounding him in dash heard with a resounding splash shrewdness turned on "full head," as dash-board with a resounding splash, the face; and on the evening of the same splash, splash, while through the ventilators in the top of the churn issued

When Bridget was exhausted mama lighted kerosene lamp, as he sought finally I spun it round and round.

"Mamma," cried Rosie, peeping into Either terror or common sense made the churn, when strength had deserted own business, and he would naturally our arms and faith our hearts, "the so warm to me during this seductive

the children's bath, opportunely at Mrs. Dennis, squaring her clows and expanding her mouth. 'Isn't it cream?" asked mamma

children capitally; but his exploits who was again at the crank, suspending "No, ma'am, sure! it's the milk; th

erame's in the jar." With exclamations of impatience at

such egregious stupidity, we called Dennis to remove the contents of the keep him out of mischief. In Dennis's churn to the pig's trough. Then replenishing the machine with cream, we renewed our exertions. Philip came managing in some ingenious way to in, and he finally brought about an mount the animal, rode forth, in his ounce of butter from three quarts of cream.

> The churn was warranted to bring butter in three minutes, and we worked at the handle by turns for three hours and a half.

> When the golden (?) butter finally came, leaving mamma to work it, Phil and I went out to the spring among the cool cedars. There the young man named a very near one himself, answering to my objections as to time, etc.

You are such a little goose, Maud, that I must take care of you myself."

"Ha-ha-ha! Why, you're only in the suburbs of it, so to speak. There's geese," I rejoined.

And thus decidedly, not a la Tennyson, we came to an amicable understanding as to time and place, et cetera, standing as to time and place, et cetera, Philosophy and place at the suburbs of it, so to speak. There's my book, "The Innocents Abroad"— But what of it? It is nothing more than thousands of the highest, and richest, and proudest, and most respectively. During the last four months and Phil. only stipulating that my pet hen a half, saying nothing of sales before

up, Sue would be sure to go and let her | might!" exclaimed the young hopeful. | to the church door in the carriage. On our way to the house we met conscious and superlatively happy.

As Phil, had received an excellent half!" appointment in London, and insisted way in which we made our preparations half crazed mamma.

Georgie and Sue were despatched to over, and their papa and mamma pre- this year if I know how to cipher." sented to us, in the children's name, a couple of beautiful and valuable saddle

The wedding went off with all possible eclat. The rising young clergyman nate Sunday, when Rosie's fowls disat the reception with the loveliest girl I ever saw.

and Rosie were mamma's near neighmischievous child flared open a large ma had time to feel lonely for us, to be his forever.

elves, Lulu and Fred., were as beauti- from embracing me-in fact, would es-

Old Dr. Allston, Uncle John, seemed embrace me. ray. And dear mamma, grandmamma and the luckless umbrella in the hot now, with silver hair and sweet placid down the back of my neck. Then he face, welcomed a college graduate and went his way. a tall, graceful maiden, as George and

burdening their good-natured relatives skilful management, was a thriving institution; but notwithstanding Mr. Marvel's opinion to the contrary, he doesn't think "ten acres enough," and mend injured horses. Louis and Georgie to be a playground for Lulu and Fred. up nights and curse that stranger, and when Phil. and I come home for good.

A MYSTERIOUS VISIT.

BY MARK TWAIN. The first notice that was taken of me when I "settled down," recently, was down? He sat down. I did not know We must make the farm support anything particular to say, and yet I

> ing his shop in our neighborhood. He said he was. | I did not wish to appear ignorant, but I had hoped he I ventured to ask him "how was

> I then said we would drop in, and if we liked his house as well as any other, we would give him our custom.

ourselves to it-and he never saw any. to inquiry No. 1. body who would go off and hunt up another man in his line after trading with

him once. That sounded pretty complacent, but ed honest enough.

went along as comfortably as clockwork.

We taiked, and talked, and talkedat least I did. And we laughed, and laughed, and laughed-at least he did. But all the time, I had my presence of shrewdness turned on, "full head," as the engineer says. I was determined to find out all about his business, in spite of his obscure answers—and I was determined I would have it out of him without his suspecting what I was at I to find out all about his business, in meant to trap him with a deep, deep He set down my "Stafe, national ruse. I would tell him all about my municipal taxes" at so much;my "I own business, and he would naturally so warm to me during this seductive burst of confidence that he would for-"Crame is it you're saying?" cried get himself and tell me-all about his affair before he suspected what I was

"Now you never would guess what I made lecturing, this winter and last spring?"

that much. Say seventeen hundred maybe ?"

"Ha-ba! I know you couldn't. My lecturing receipts for last spring and ed with it, and I would bet this winter were fourteen thousand, seven hundred and fifteen dollars. What do you think of that?"
"Why, it is amazing—perfectly amaz-

ing. I will make a note of it. And you say even this wasn't all?"
"Ah! Why, bless you, there was my

income from the Buffalo Express for four months-about-about-well, what should you say to about eight thousand "Say! Why I should say I should

like to see myself rolling in just such another ocean of affluence. thousand ! I'll make a note of it. Why. man !- and on top of all this I am touuderstand that you had still more in-"Ha-ha-ha! Wby, you're only in

might not be allowed to accompany us that-but just simply during the four This so pleased me that I did not try months and a half ending March 15, to resist, but allowed this simple heart- 1870, we've sold ninety-five thousand its irrevocably.

copies of that book! Ninety-five thousand! Think of it. Average four dol-Murray and Rosle, looking decidedly lars a copy, say. It's nearly four hundred thousand dollars, my son, I get

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"The suffering Moses! I'll set that upon fulfilling it with a bride, and as down. Fourteen seven-fifty-eight-two Murray, Phil., and Dr. Allston, the hundred. Total, say-well, upon my elder, all insisted that both weddings word, the grand total is about two hunshould take place together, the rapid dred and thirteen or fourteen thousand

dollars. Is that possible?" "Possible! If there's any mistake it's the other way. Two hundred and four-Washington until the celebration was teen thousand, cash, is my income for Then the gentleman got up to go. It

came over me most uncomfortably that horses, among other wedding presents. maybe I had made my revelations for nothing, besides being flattered into stretching them considerably by the who had dined with us on the unfortu-stranger's astonished exclamations.-But no; at the last moment the gentleplayed such affectionate proclivities, man handed me a large envelope and performed the ceremony. Frank gave said it contained his advertisement; and us both away, and afterwards danced that I would find out all about his business in It; and that he would be happy to have my custom-would, in fact, Phil, and I went to London, Murray proud to have the custom of a man of such prodigious income; and that he bors at Dr. Allston's, and before mam- used to think that there were several wealthy men in Buffalo, but when they that they barely had enough to live on; Last year Professor Aliston, myself and that in truth it had been such a and our two boys, Phil. and Johnny, weary, weary age since he had seen a spent the summer holidays at the old rich man face to face, and taiked with home. Murray and Rosie were there him, and touched him with his teem it a great favor if I would let him

as much in love with Rosie as Dr. Murded stranger to throw his arms about me and weep a few tranquilizing tears As soon as he was gone, I opened his

advertisement. I studied it attentively The farm of ten acres, under Frank's for four minutes. I then called up the cook and said:

"Hold me while I faint. Let Maria turn the batter-cakes."

By and by, when I came to, I sent was very glad of an opportunity to down to the rum-mill on the corner purchase one hundred more, which is and hired an artist by the week to sit give me a lift occasionally in the day time when I came to a hard place.

Ah, what a miscreant he was! His 'advertisement' was nothing in the world but a wicked tax-return-a string of impertinent questions about my private affairs, occupying the best part of four foolscap pages of fine print-questhan they had been in the city. Now, by a gentleman who said he was an as- tions, I may remark, gotten up with sessor, and connected with the United such marvelous ingenuity that the old-States Internal Revenue Department, est man in the world couldn't underrectly contrary to the principle of "Ten I said I had never heard of his branch stand what the most of them were drivof business before, but I was very glad ing at-questions, too, that were calcu-Marvel sets forth the pecaniary econo- to see him, all the same, -would he sit lated to make a man report about four times his actual income to keep from swearing to a lie. I looked for a loopfelt that people who have arrived at the hole, but there did not appear to be "Here we are buying butter at the dignity of keeping house must be con- any. Inquiry No. 1 covered my case as rate of sixty cents a pound," cried versational, must be easy and sociable generously and as amply as an umbrella

"What were your profi from any trade, business or vocation.

wherever carried on ?" And that inquiry was backed up by thirteen others of an equally searching nature, the most modest of which required information as to whether I had committed any burglary, or highway robbery, or by any person or other secret source of emolument, had acquired He said he thought we would like his property which was not enumerated in establishment well enough to confine my statement of income as set opposite

It was plain that that stranger had nabled me to make an ass of myself. It was very , very plain, and I went out and hired another artist. By workbarring that natural expression of vil- ing on my vanity the stranger had selainy which we all have, the man look- duced me into declaring an income of \$214,000. By law, \$1,000 of this was ex-I do not know how it came about, ex- empt from income tax-the only relief actly, but gradually we appeared to meit I could see, and it was only a drop in down and run together, conversation- the ocean. At the legal five per cent I must pay over to the government the appalling sum of ten thousand six hundred and fifty dollars, income tax.

I may remark, in this place, that I did not do it. I am acquainted with a very opulent man, whose house is a paince, whose taand to him I went for advice in provements, interest"—on "previously taxed salary as an officer of the United about. I thought to myself, my son, you little know what an old fox you are dealing with. I said:

States army, navy, revenue service, and other things. He got astonishing you little know what an old fox you are of them. And when he was done he handed me the paper and I saw at a glance that during the year 1860 my in einde fecturing, this winter and last come, in the way of profits had been one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars and forty cents.

"No—don't believe I could, to save the Let me see—let me see. About two "Now," said he, "the thousand dollars are formed by the same than the same

"No-don't believe I count, the me. Let me see—let me see. About two thousand dollars may be? But no-no, to do is to go and swear this document to do is to go and swear this document to do is to go and swear this document to do is to go and swear this document to do is to go and swear this document to do is to go and swear this document to do is to go and swear this document to do is to go and swear this document to do is to go and swear this document.

in and pay tax on the two hundred and fitty dollars." [While he was making this speech his little boy Willy lifted a two-dollar green back out of his vest pocket and vanish that if my stranger were to call on that little boy to morrow, he would make a

"Do.yon," said I, "Do you always work up the deductions after this fash-ion in your case, sir."
"Well, I should say so! If it weren't for those eleven saving clauses under the head of 'Deductions' I should be beggared every year to support this hat ful and wicked, this extertionate

and tyrantical government."

This gentleman stands away up among the very best of the solid men of Buffalo—the men of moral weight, of commercial integrity, of unimpeachable sectal spotlessness and so bowed to his example. I went down to the revenue office, and under the accusing eyes of my old visitor I stood up and swore to lie after he fraud after fraud, villainy after villainy, till my

ica do every year. And so I don't care, I am not ashamed. I shall simply, for the present, talk little and wear firethe present, talk little and wear fire-proof gloves, lest I fall into certain hab-