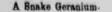
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SLIMY HORROR IN THE VEGETABLE WORLD. AS SEEN IN GEORGIA.

"A snake geranium !" "Yes that is what I call it," said the quaintances and friends out there. One

doctor. I stooped down to examine the flower Hideous, repulsive, and yet strangely

To describe this hower one would with his gun, and is not atraid of the have to paint life and motion. Mere color is not enough. As I looked the evil thing glared at me with sinster in-telligence. There was nothing remark-able about the stalk and the leaves of the stalk and the l able about the stalk and the leaves of the plant. The blossom was what riveted my gaze. Black, sinuous and slimy, it looked more hike a snake than anything else. As I changed my point of view the thing changed its aspect. Its scales were a purplish black, then dist band, and advanced with it cocked. a dirty brown. Two little glassy beads in the monster's head glittered with prismatic hues and looked straight into my eyes. Was I mistaken † I could that the editor was unarmed, he took have sworn that this avesome bloom fiendish delight in holding his victim turned and twisted with the nneanny freakishness of a reptile. covered with his revolver, and telling him he had only sixty minutes to live.

"You know something of botany." But my friend's brain was working at said the doctor, "how do you classify a lively rate all this time, and when be talked he held his pen in the flame of

"It is not to be classified," I answer-ed. "It is a monstrosity. There is nothing like it. It is poisonous ?" "I think so," was the reply, "the old African who found it called it a 'pizen plant' but I reamed it "

jump for his assailant so suddenly and plant,' but I renamed it." I had seen nearly everything worth with such cat-like quickness that, be-

seeing in the floral world, but this sin-gular plant blooming unnoticed in an by the supposition that the editor was obscure corner of a country doctor's unarmed, could fire a shot, the little garden amazed me beyond expression. From the first the sickening odor of the flower had been terribly oppressive. In fact, it had prevented a close exam-200 strokes to the minute. Imagine

ination. Suddenly my brain seemed the wounds that big, sharp, red-hot benumbed, a cold chill seized me, and, pen must have made, held securely in with a face of deadly pallor, I reeled a strong celluloid holder, driven by the and would have fallen to the ground but for the doctor's strong arm. I was half sick, or rather in a dazed, have endured in the few brief seconds

half stupefied state, for days after my before his agony conquered his courage return to town. One evening a negro and caused him to throw the revolver called at my house with a note from to the floor as a token that he gave up my friend, the doctor, and a covered the battle. That ruffian-he was drank my friend, the doctor, and a covered basket. The messenger was gone be-fore I could read the note. I glanced at the paper and then opened the basket. I did not know whether to laugh or be angry. Comfortably fixed in a big jar the snake g-ranium gave a flirty twist and snapped its wicked eyes in my

To have this floral horror in my house was out of the question, and yet I was proud of the monster. I made a ser-

I was proud of the monster. I made a servant carry it to a sunny nook in the back yard. She returned with chattering teeth.
"De lawd hab mussy !" she exclaiming "dat ting's alive. Hit'll bite, sho's yer bawn !"
I did not contradict her. In fact, I agreed with her.
Sometimes I carried my friends to seem y pet. I invariably had the satisfaction of hearing them swear, and generally I had to send them home in a carriage. One whiff of the snake geranium was enough to make a tottering wreek of the strongest man.
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A little girl next door took a won-derful fancy to the flower. Frequently she come over when I was absent and spent an honr at a time from two to four miles. Later observations indicate a quicker rate of movement. Of 500 launched she come over when I was absent and spent au hoar at a time fondling the plant and looking at it. Of all the persons who saw it she was the only one not affected by its peculiar odor Sometimes I fell into a deep study over the mutual attachment existing between my monster and the girl. I call it

He Wieldel a Red-Hot Pen. Said a commercial traveler to a Chicago Herald reporter : My business calls me a good deal to Colorado and New Mexico, and I have many ac-

of my friends is a little fellow named McDermott, editor of a mining camp paper. He is not much bigger than a attractive, the snake geranium seemed to hold me under a spell. To describe this flower one would with his gun, and is not afraid of the

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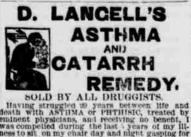
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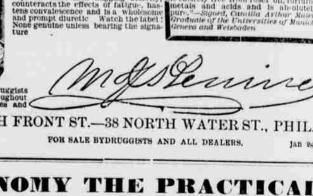
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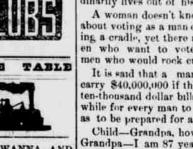


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THE COLUMBIAN,



mutual because it was impossible to view my snake geranium without giv-ing it credit for life and intelligence. The girl was a queer little creature, with midnight hair and velvety eyes. She had a certain impish beauty that made me shudder. Between the girl and the geranium I came near being deviled to death. waves as well as to the influence of the currents; so that it may not be easy to determine how much each of these factors may have contributed to the actual movement. The Prince carried out also a multitude of observations to determine the temperature of the ocean at diff-rent depths in various localities. In the Bay of Biscay, at the depth of mutual because it was impossible to

heard the servants whispering that the snake geranium was killing the child. This alarmed me, and one day I told my yoang neighbor that the plant was poisonous, and that she must not go Disconous, and that she must not go and with a sorrowful look sped homeward without saying a word.

I came home unexpectedly one day, and found the girl paying a surreptious visit to the flower. I went to her full of wrath, but was disarmed by what I saw. The poor thing had fainted, and

child's face, was that diabolical geran-ium. I took my visitor home and told her mother all about it. We spoke with some severity to the little off-nder, but we thought it was for ler good I never we thought it was for ler good I never once thought of destroying my mon-ster. No words can express the horror I felt the next morning when I heard

felt the next morning when I heard that my girl neighbor was dead. She had been found lifeless and cold in bed at an early hour. Her appearance I there are still numbers of persons who was told, was that of a person who had bear tattoo marks upon the chin, the been poisoned. On the pillow was a sheeks, and even upon other parts of slimy mark that resembled a serpent's the body, but the marks seldom occur

When I heard this I rushed frantic-ally out to the corner containing my geranium. One of the servants divined my purpose and follows. my purpose and followed me. In the degree of development than on the jar we saw the stalk of the plant with mainland. The Haidas tattoo upon a few leaves attached to it, but the the back, breast, forearms, thighs, and ho:rible blossom, where was it ?

The snake geranium was gone ! I submit to the operation as well as men. could not utter a word, I had no inquiries to make, and I wanted to hear sent either antimate or mythologic no exclamations. I ran back to the ing. They are usually drawn in out house but I heard the old negro cry line, with interior decorative line, red out :

being sometimes introduced to form "Hit's gone ! Hit done crawled ober what is supposed to be a pleasant coninto de nex' yard. I see hit's track !"

## Startling Resemblances

Marcellus-Lodemia, can you tell erally adopted are the thunder bird me why your mother's consent to our raven, bear, sculpin and squid. marriage is like our marriage itself ? Lodemia-I am sure I can't imagine

why. Marcellus-Because we both thank Back thank herher for it. See ? Both thank herboth hanker-for it.

old man, and a darned ugly old man, but if you don't go home I'll show you Lodemia (stiffly)-Ah, that reminds me, Mr. Hankinson; can you tell me that I still possess the fire of youth, THE RICHEST HUMOROUS BOOK of the AGE h why our marriage is like the color of for I'll fire a youth out of this house, your nose ! Marcellus-No, dearest; I give it up. and you will be that youth Young Mr. Staylate-Mr.Longcoffin

Lodemia - Because I have about is this a hint for me to go ! come to the conclusion that it can't come off. See ! Can't come off. Come off !-- Chicago Tribune.

We cannot too soon convince our selves how easily we may be dispensed with in the world. What important persons we imagine ourselves to be ! We think that we alone are the life of the circle in which we move; in our absence we fancy that life, existence and breath will come to a general pause; and alas! the gap we leave is scarcely perceptible, so quickly is it filled again; nay, it is often but the place, if not for something better, at least for something more agreeable.

As the weeks passed on the girl con-tinued her visits. She grew thinner and paler, and her eyes grew larger heard the servants whispering that the snake geraujum was killing the attict. plants, and also give a clue to the migrations of fishes-e. g., sardiner which are known to have changed their

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