

DURING its early years, the province of Louisiana was But no one dared to suspect that the aged priest would the theatre of many wild and romantic adventurers. For thave any connection with a deed of darkness. Ho had from all that revive the recollection of other days, disappointment forgol, in the seclusion of its Arcadian scenes. that min was ungrateful, or woman uniru

Many a legend of those times is yet told in a foreig i his humble brethren in the distant land of the pagan. tongue, by a venerable fow, who have come down to us Though deeply versed in the lore of the schools, he was from a former age, and who linger among the new race humble as a child. He had a word of hope and conthat peoples their native province, like the mouldering solution for all, and deep and rankling indeed, was the bastions of our city, surrounded by the dwellings and thorn which his prayers and his tears could not extract. warehouses which husy trade has orected.

was unfurled. Scarce was the command obeyed, when rooted in the Circassian heart is hatred to the Russian Towards evening he left the shop, and slowly bent his The following legend is still hoard around their winter | way to the house of prayer. A deep solemnity was seat-

a fine manly form, many a high-born damsel sighed at

have been honored by an alliance with his house; but

the maid who won his hand possessed no rank but that

For more than a year their lives passed on, waveless

as a summer lake, and wealth, and rank, and youth,

flung an elysium around them. At that period, Isabella,

his only sister, left the convent where she had been edu-

presence added a new charm to the society of the castle.

She had not long resided with them before Don Manuel.

forsaken all the refinements and comforts of Europe with

the prospect of sleeping far from His kindred, for the only

purpose of administering the consolutions of religion to

the bells of the town rang, and the guns of the fort fired that the blood of these girls rose at the thought of bean alarm, The noise and confusion on shore were borne | coming the property of a despised Russian soldier, instead

evening hearths, . 

ed on his conntenance, and his head was bent almost to the crucifix that hung on his breast. Not one among the

It was near the middle of October, 1769, on one of collected groups he passed sared to interrupt his medithose fine autumnal days peculiar to the West, when a tations Soon the bell, hung in the forks of an elm, tol-French trader was journeying with one of the natives to led the signal that a fellow-mortal had censed to be an Indian settlement/high up the Merimack. In the numbered with, the living.' That sound, even in expressive language of the country, vegetation had been the gayest metropolis, is seldom heard without "struck," and the leaves of the ever-varying forest dis- emotion. In that v.llage, on the confines of civilizaplayed a richness of coloring no where to be seen but toon, every knell sent its deep and solomn tones to the under the Western sky. The ivy hung in crimson fes- heart. The knell was succeeded by the well-known oons aroud the oak, and seemed, rather the gorgeous summons to take hours to prayer. No expensive toilet drapery of an Eastern bridal chamber, than the sobor was known in that region of Arcadian simplicity, and the work of nature. The hollow sound of the crane, as he villagers, prompted alike by curiosity and devotion, were guided his squadron to the South, was in unison with the soon collected. Presently a coffin, of the rudest construcscene. The broad disk of the sun reddened by the smoke tion, born by four Indian servants, was deposited in the of "Indian Summer," slowly sinking behind the Ozark middle of the church. Every eye was turned tomountains, flamed on the waters of the Merrimack. The wards it. The priest drew near, and after a momentary kindling eve of the savage, and the softened tone of his pause removed the lid.

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voice, told that the scenery of his native wild was beheld "Here," said he, "here, my brethren, are deposited with strong emotions. The trader, immersed in schemes the remains of the Spectre Hunter!" An involuntary of speculation, lingered behind, and left the mind of the shuddering spoke the feelings of his audience. "Start savage to take, uninterruptely, the has of an hour. They not with horror, my brothren, for though a great sinner, were fast approaching one of those mounds where the he was a mortallike yourselves, and oh, may each of warriors of years beyond the reach of tradition, sleep in you, in the last sad hour of life, be as repentant as he was. The tenant of that coffin, rude and humble as it glory.

The white man casts a vacant eve upon this rude seis, was one of the highest Grandees of Spain. Born to pulcre of other years, or, at most, regards it with idle cuprincely wealth, and descended from a long line of anriosity. Far otherwise with the native. He passes it cestors, in whose veins have flowed the blood of a Caswith a slow, melancholy tread; he gazes upon it in wiilian sovereign, he seemed elevated above the reach of lence, and the deep working of his features show the incalamity, and the path of his life destined to be one tenso feeling with which he views the grave over which bright tract of sunshine. Long trains of servants stood moons have come and gone, too countleses for the Indi- in his hall, to swell the pomp of his state, and to anticipate his every want. Generous of soul, and possessed of an to numberr

Just as they came in sight of the mound, the Indian started back. On its summit, reclined against a tree, his name, and no Spaniard below the throno but would stood a tall majastic figure, seemingly watching the rays of the sun fading on the waters of the river. By the side of the tree ogainst which he leaned was a rifle. At his of a heart most amiable, most tender, and most true; feet lay a dog apparently asleep. The trader soon ar- and the nightly seroundes of the minstrels under the winrived, and gazed with silent awe upon the apparition, dows of their castle, told of their happiness, and the long shadow which it cast upon the surrounding forest. They soon filed off in a different direction, and scarce did a sound arise from the dead leaves, so noiseless was their tread.

The shadows of night had diffused a dimness through cated, to reside with her brother. Playful as a fawn, the woods, the buffalo had sunk to his lair, and the foathand ardently attached to her brother and sister, her ered tribes were perched on the tall sycamores, long before they deemed themselves sufficiently distant to encamp for the night. At length having reached a deep her brother, was called to visit his estates in the province ravine through which run a little stream, the savage kindled of Andalusia. The idea of this sep tration was the first a fire by the side of a fallow olm. Not a word was uttor- cloud that ever cast a shade over their happiness. His ed during the operation, and both for a long time watched wife and sister fondly hung around him, and almost rethe flame curling around the wood they had piled upon, gretted the possession of the rich and extensive domain before either ventured to speak. "Red Berpent." said that deprived them, even for so short a period, of one so the trader, "you have always lived in these woods ; dear to both. With many adieus, and many promises did you over before see the tall vision we beheld on the that he would hasten his return to the home which his mound?" A pause followed. The savage cast frequent absence would render so unitappy, he set out on his jourmound?" A pause followed. The savage contractions and piercing glances into the surrounding darkness, ney. and piercing glances into the surrounding darkness, ney. Ho had passed but a few leagues beyond the walls of Ho had passed but a few leagues beyond the walls of

arose the head of the Osage was low."

speaker's countenance grow darker.-The scence o' exclaimed his wife, and fell sonseless to the floor. The en. I have an antipathy to such people.

over the waters to the vessel. The furilives well knew of sharing the couch of a mag that their flight was the cause of the tumult on land, and They raised a mournful cry as the Russian vessel apbeheld with consternation, by the light of the full moon preached, and some sprang desperatoly into the sea, while which had just risen, that an armed frigate was gotting others plunged their knives into their hearts. The great, under weigh, apparently for the purpose of pursuing him. | er number of them, however, were carried on board the The captain went to the quarter deck, and with a night steamer, and taken to! Anapa, whence they were transglass beheld the signals that were heisted for him to cast | ported to the Cossack country, and distributed among the unchor, and was on the point of giving orders to put the Cossacks of the line.

the offling. At every stroke of the oar that took them | swallowed by the sea. A Turkish sea captain in Europe

As they climbed the sides of the vessel, the sailors were anecdoto. A few years ago one of them sprung a-leak

heaving up the last anchor, the cordage lay uncoiled on out to soa, just at the moment whon a Russian steamer

the deck, the helmsman stood at his post, and every was passing at some distance. The turkish slave-dealer,

thing indicated that the tall ship was on the point of preferring even the air of Siberia to drowning, made a

spreading her pluions for the great deep. The tide was signal of distress, and the steamor came alongside, by

now high, and a strong breeze sprung up. The order whose assistance only the crew and passengers could

for sailing sounded through the vessel, and overy sail be saved from inevitable destruction. But so deeply

farther from the land, their hearts throbbed less violently.

helm about and return to the port, when Don Manuel "I myself once made the passage from Treishond to sprang forward, and implored him by the love of the Constantinople with a dozen of these Circassian girls, as plessed Virgin to pursue his voyage. If to told him they deck-passengers. They were mostly more children of were missionaries to the heathen, and for every moment | twelve or thirteen; very pale and thin, but with fine and they were detained from planting the standard of the interesting countenances, and a certain wild fire in their Cross in the new world, he would be held responsible to black eves. Two only were carefully veiled, and they his God! the fervor of the noble man, the intensity of displayed more roundness of oulline; they might be eighfocling portraved in every feature, struck the Captain | toon or twenty years of age; and to these the slave dealer with awe. He believed the friers were men inspired by paid much attention, and frequently bought them coffee Henven for a holy errand, and dured not disobey them. of which the others got none. On my making some in-Instead of returning another sail was bent to the mast, quiry concerning them, he informed me they were the and at daylight nothing was seen but ocean above the daughters of a nobleman; had fine rosy checks, and were much fatter than the rest, so that they would fetch a horizon.

On the fortieth day, the yessel landed on the shores much higher price in Stamboul than the others. For of the New World, and Don Manuel and Diego proceed- these beauties he hoped to obtain as much as 30,000 plased, the former burefooted, to the wilds of the upper prov- ters; of the others he spoke with great contempt, and ince, that they might be removed as far as possible from said he should be glad to git sixteen guinies a piece for the scene of his crime. Life, for Don Manuel, had no them. This Turkish slave-dealer was richly dressed in hope but that of obtaining, by the most rigid penance, a silks and furs, and in spite of his detestable trade was a forgiveness of his sius, and a reunion, beyond this vale man of manners. He informed me that since the Kusof sorrows, with those two beings whose remembrance sian occupation it had become more difficult and perilous, still agonized his recollection. He assumed the garb in but far more profitable, "Formerly, when Greek and which he has always been seen, and all the wants which Armenian women were brought to the Constantinople his rifle could not supply, have been provided for by the market, one might get a beautiful girl as low as ten thonover faithful Diego. The life he led in the wilderness | sand plasters, whilst at present, a welll-fed, rosy-cheeked was one of extreme suffering. During all that period damsel from Gouriel or Adschara would stand one as much as forty thousand."--- Wagner's Caucasus, 1843 his bed has been the cold and damp earth, while no shelter protected him from the bleak storm. Except on the and 1846,

nights when he came to the house of Diego for the purpose of confessing to the priest, and receiving absolution from his lips, he held no converse with his species .-The dying scene which I have this day witnessed, I will

it to say that he died penitent, with an humble hope of pardon, and with an earnest request that you would permit his poor remains to sleep in consecrated ground." . The good old priest ended. . The Spectre Hunter was no longer an object of terror, and his remains were interred under the shade of the large willow which, till one blow of his fist. He was seven times crowned at within the last twenty years, hung its weeping head in the Pythian games, and six at the Olympian. He prothe cometry of our city. Many a tear has been shed sented himself the seventh time, but no one had the over his ashes while listoning to his melancholy tale; and many a requiem has been sung in the strains of his the disciples of Pythagoras, and to his uncommon native langunge, by soft-eyed damsels, as they flung strongth the learned preceptor and his pupils owed their upon his grave the earliest blossoms of Spring ...

DANDLES.-They are mere walking sticks for female gave the philosopher time to escape. In old age he atflirts, ornamented with brass heads, and barely touched Nay their caputs are only half-ripe musk-mellons with

unable to disengage himself, and died in that position. more impenetrable. "I have traversed these wilds ever Madrid before he met his agent, and after some delay, seed of foolishness, swimming about with a vast quantisince I could spring the bow, or take the beaver from the happily accomplished the object of his journey. It was ty of sap. Their moral garments are a double breasted caught in a chain at the botton of a mine, by keeping trap .- There is not a tree from the great Ozark to the night when he re-centered the city. He left this carriage coat of vanity, padded with the silk of self complecency; "Father of Waters," that Red Serpont has not seep, in in the care of his servants, and preceeded on foot to the their apparel is all in keeping, and is imported frosh from of his body, one hundred and fifty pounds, until he was war and in peace, In this glon, when the sky was red, casile. To enjoy the agreeable surprise which his un- the devil's wholesale and retail establishment. Tinkerdrawn up to the surface, a distance of six hundred feet. Augustus 11., king of Poland, could roll up a silver and the clouds sent down their waters, in this very expected return would excite, he command his servents ed up with broad cloth, finger rings, safety chains, soft glen I lay in anbush, and heard the wily Osage consult to be silent, and escend cautiously to the chamber of his solder, vanity and impudence, they are no more gentleplate like a sheet of paper, and twist the strongest horsehow he might suprise the sleeping Shawnees. The wife and sister. The door was half open, and judge his men than a plated spoon is silver. I detest a dandy as shoe asunder. storm howled, and even the hungry wolf looked, out astonishment at beholding a cavalier, kneeling at the feet a cat does wet floor. There are some fools in this world. from her den and shrunk back. I crawled away unob- of his wife, who manifested by her smiles that his ardent who, after a long incubation, will hatch out from the served, reached my native village, and before the sun addresses were received with pleasure. The sight was shot bed of pride a sickly brood of furzy ideas, and then too much. He sprang into the room, and buried his go strutting along in the path of pomposity with all the Another pauso ensued. The shadowy lines of the dagger in the bosom of the cavalier. 'OH! YOUR stsrzn!' solf importance of a speckled hen with a black chick-

The sequel of the story is, that th the door was more than quadrupled by the sum thrown into the old man's hat.

over-there is still another act." And turning hastily to

the cripple in the corner, and after pushing him three or

four times across the room in his four wheeled chair,

stood erect, and said-"this is the puppet I played for !-

The puppet with a sick wife and five children, brought

music to the old man's fingers; and now, gentlemen

(for I am addressing South Carolinians, who never have

been ashamed of a brave or a generous act.) I want you

to put into this hat (which he placed upon the cripple's

lap and pushed him forward to the audionce,) a sum

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sufficient to relievo his distresses."

The farther we go west, the higher the style rises .-Wisconsin, at present, "piles the agony" of rhetoric up to the maximum point. The following is an extract from an oration delivered on the fourth of July last, at Lancaser, in that State.—Boston Courier.

Americans!-Remember, that your country was born in blood, baptized in gore, cradled in the war hoop, and bred to the rifle and bawie-kuife. We have four our way up. The colonies cut their way out of it, through blood and carnage and thunder. They tore their blanket wide oping. Oust or ticist it looked like a mighty slim chance; but they cut and seared and tore and slaughtered away like bl.zes. (Cheering.) They grappled John Bull like a pack of bull tariers. They took him by the haunches; they grappled his wine pipe, and at last they made him bellow like bloody thunder. Washington sheathed the sword. The gentle olive branch of peace waved her green and luxurient foilago in majesty over the shores of Columbia; and foroigners flocked in and built their nests with us among its sheltered boughs. But a few more years had rolled down the rail-road track of time, when John Bullagain came bellowing up the Missisippi, pawing up into his back the rich and luxurient sile of Louisiana, and horning the bank of the said river and lashing his tail like fury. But just below New-Orleans he found the great Jackson, and he couldn't shake him more than an oxen, he couldn't shure! (Applause.) Jackson stood there like a touricor and met John Bull as he advanced every time. At last he hit him a lick, right back in under between the horns that knocked the breath out of him, and sent him off blatting and bellowing like he felt dissagreeable at the stumk.

Soldiers of Winnebago war, and invincibles of Sauk furge! (Here thirtcen men arose.) Heroes of Bad Axe! gaze of the beholder. They are the same to us as they Veterans of Stillman's fight! Very nimble men! You were to the Psalmist of Israel, when at eventide be exhave come down to us from a reform of generation .-- claimed, "When I consider the heavens, the work of thy Heaven has bountifully prolonged out your lives that you fingers; the moon and stars which then hast ordained; might see the fruit of your valor. You behold around Lord! what is man, that thou art mindful of him? or the no longor the torch of the savage, and the gleaming of son of man, that theu visitest him?" And, finally, the the tomahawk and the sculping knife. All is now peace stars, the unchanging stars-and oh, how touching the and quiet. The house that you see around you are the abodes of civilized and refined white folks. This spa- as they did to the Redeemer of the world, when, "having cious edifice that surrounds you is not a wigwain; but a sent the multitude away, he went up into a meuntain temple of law and justice. How changed are all things. Under the sour of the schoolmaster, the very tail of civilization has advanced beyond what the front cars then was. Glorious freedom! Great and glorious country! Let me die in contemplation of thy sublime deatiny, exclaiming with my dying breath, "bear the stars and stripes aloft; and onward-onward."-(Terific cheering.) NATIONAL DEBT -An Englishman observing a stone for them. Pistols costing \$10 in New York can be with the varnish of etiquette. Brass heads did I say?- | partially effected it; but his strength being gradually ex- | roll down a stair-case. It bumped on every stair till it hausted, the tree, where cleft, rounited, and left his hand | came to the bottom; there, of course, it rested. "That monstrous thick rinds, all hollow inside, containing the pinched in the body of it. He was then alone, and, stone," said he, "resembles the national debt of my country: it has bumped on every grade of the communi-

ty, but its weight rests on the lowest. THE OCEAN RISING .- A green one who had crossed the Atlantic, told a story of a storm, when the rain pour vessels of various description are how up for California ed down in such torrents, that the ocean rose six inches. at Boston. Their cargoes consist principally of lumber, "There's no mistake," said he, "because the capiain bricks, and frame houses. The Journal says passengers kept a mark on the side of the vessel "

A lion is said to have left the impression of his teeth IMPERTINENCE REBUKED .- "Why do you not hold up upon a piece of solid iron. The most prodigious power of muscle is exhibited by your head as I do?" inquired a pert lawyer of a laboring farmer, the other day. "Squire," roplied the farmer, ty than sonse; more accomplishments than leavelag; "look at that field of grain; all the valuable heads hang more charms of person than graces of mind, more adim, if continued at the same, rate, around the world in less than a, "look at that field of grain; all the valuable heads hang more charms of person man graces of mind, more ac-fortnight; and a sword-fish has been known to strike his down like mine, and these that field on them in them mirers than friends; more fools than wise men for her at-'stand up like yours,"

Had a thunderbolt fallen at his feet. Sam could no have been more astonished, as the light auddenly broke upon him.

The chamber was quiet, the blinds being closed, and

"Mrs. Smith is not bere," said Bam, as he streve to

"O yes! You don't think," asked the girl in half

hesitating, half confidential tone, "as how there's much

danger, Doctor, do you? Misses thinks it ain't twins this

distinguish objects in the partial obscurity,

"Oh yes! she's is bed you know."

Sam didn't know anything about it.

"She ain't sick, is she?" he asked.

and the door quickly closed.

the curtains drawn.

time."

"Some confounded mistake-l ain't-a doctor, he stammered, as he retreated backward. Stumbling over a chair, he finally gained the door and rushed down stairs, overturning in his course a worthy disciple of Galen, whohad just arived.

"Hallo! why what': the matter, Sam?" cried the man of physic as he gathered himself slowly up, at the foot of the stairs.

"I'll be hanged if I know," was the reply, "how should 17 1 ain't a doctor!"

The girls look shyly at each other and smiled demurely, whonever Sam's name is mentioned with the the title of doctor prefixed.

The STARS. - They have existed from the foundation of the world; they are the only unchauging objects that all eyes, which have been opened to the light and lifted to heaven, have seen just as we see them now, and to all posterity shall see them to the end of time. Oceans change their beds; continents are submerged; rivers stray from their channels; mountains are undermined; forests disappear, and cities rise in their places-all earthly things are inscribed with mutability; but the stars change not. They are the same to us as they were to Adam and Eve in the bowers of Eden. They are the same to us as they were to Noah and his family, when they descended into the silence of an unpeopled world .--They are the same to us as they were to the sages of Ionia and the wanderers of the Hobrides, when sailing in their fragile barks upon the melancholy main. They are the same to us as they were to Miltiades on the plains of Marathon, on that memorable night before the destruction of the Persians, and the delivery of Greece. The

vory horoscope to which the sentinels of the hostile armies looked up, still lingers in the heavons to meet the thought !--- appear to us in the same placid magnificence apart, and continued all night with God in prayer."-West. Christ. Advocate.

Anns Usgless .- A correspondent of the New York Tribune advises emigrants from California, going across the Isthmus, to leave their fire arms behind. They are a tax on the pocket, and a trouble on the way; while among the quict and inoffensive people there is no use bought at Panama for \$5 or \$7, and other arms in the same propertion.

Ho FOR CALIFORNIA .- According to the Boston Ship . ping List, 464 vessels have sailed from ports in the United States for California up to the present time, and of this number but 95 had arrived up to Sept. 1. Near thirty are plenty, and those which take them get a full complement.

WHAT IS & COQUETTE? - A young lady of more foautendanța.

the fish. The whale moves with a velocity through the dense medium of water that would carry him, if continweapon through the oak plank of a ship.

MUSCULAR STRENGTH.

related to me-apropos of these slave ships-the following

The muscular power of the human body is indeed wonderful. A Turkish porter will trot a rapid pace, and not now attempt to describe-it is too affecting. Suffice carry a weight of six hundred pounds. Mile, a celebra ted athletic of Crotona, in Italy, accustomed himself to carry the greatest burdens, and by degrees became a monster in strength. It is said that he carried on his shoulder an ox four years old, weighing upwards of 1,-000, lbs. for about forty rods. and afterwards filled him with courage to onter the list against him. He was one of lives. The pillar which supported the roof gave way, but Milo supported the whole weight of the building, and

tompted to pull up a tree by its roots, and break it. He

Haller mentioned that he saw a man, whose finger

bly bont, supported by that means the whole w