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Boeticul.

THE DREAM.

I sit in my chair by the blazing fire And doze away my life,
And the laughing flames leap high and higher,
As I dream of a little wife;
On my shoulder I feel a pressure sweet,
And arms like the snow—oh, whiter!—
About my neck in a warm-clasp meet,
And the flames flash bright and brighter.

And ringlets of gold pour over my face, As my head, to her bosom's pillow, Sinks down in a cloud of perfumed lace, That heaves like form on the billow;
And I hear her warm heart's quickening beat,
And her eyes grow bright as fire,
As my lips are covered with kisses sweet,
And the flames leap high and higher.

A soft cheek nestles close to my own,
And the sweet smiles o'er it chase;
Like sundrops upon a calm lake thrown,
Hor dimples the smiles efface—
A flute-like laugh, and her swelling breast,
Hoaven joyous—high and higher;
How happy my lot, and how sweet my rest,
With a wife in front of the fire!

And I drink her beauty into my heart, And the love-light of her eyes:
With a crash the red brands fall apart—
My wife up the chimney flies.
Thus oft in my chair by the blazing fire I doze away my life, And the mocking flames laugh high and higher, At my docam of love and a wife.

LOWLY FLOWERS.

BY LYMAN R. GOJDNAN.

With feet half naked and bare And dresses all tattered and torn, With a penny here and a mookery there,
And floods of derision and scorn.
She wanders the street wherever her feet,
Weary and willing, are borne,
With an eye as bright and a check as fair
As the earliest blush of the morn.

And driven from door to door,

A jest for every fille clown

And a butt for every boor;

While the velvet-slippered, in satin and lace

Go rustling by her side,

With a frozen heart and a curtained face,

And a lin curled into cride. And a lip curled into pride

So beautiful, yet so frail, So beautifut, yet so trait,
So willing, and yet so weak,
Oh, what if the heart at last should fait,
And a heavenly purpose break!
And the dens, kennels and brothels of hell,
Another poor victim hold,
A celestial spark be quenched in the dark,
And an angel bartered for gold!

No wonder the heart should fail, No wonder the near should lan,
A heavenly purpose fade,
The eye grow dim and the check grow pale,
When none stand ready to aid!
No wonder the lairs and cradles of hell
So many poor victims should hold,
When the good are content to worship God,
And the rich to worship their gold!

Move patiently on, O earth?
Till Morcy's wandering dove
Shall upward fly to the realm of its birth;
And rest in the bosom of Love;
Move patiently on till the crucified Christ
Shall gather his radiant crown
From the lowly flowers and bleeding hearts
That the world has trampled down.

Miscelluneous.

FOOT PRINTS IN THE SNOW A NEW-YEAR'S STORY.

BY CHARLES A. MUNGER.

"Our upon you, man! Will you play dunce who were such a rattle-brained lad, and that too, when your old school-fellow comes to

"Have I not told you I am not well? Can

sick at heart."

The second speaker buried his head in his huge hands, on both of which he had been leaning over a half-emtpied mug of ale. He was large and brawny, with a bushy head of grizzled hair, heavy eye-brows, over-hanging emall, keen gray eyes, and was named Browning. His companion was short and rather corpulent, with florid complexion, sandy hair, eround, chubby face, rendered rather to make the same and the blacksmith-shop, where they, on the same anvil, as apprentices together, had rung out a chime to the dancing and gleaming ironsparks. Saunders was one of those fun lov-ing fellows, who saw the clear sky behind the blackest clouds; and having not the stability to love long enough to marry, had wan-dered hither and thither as his laney prompt-ed or means permitted, and at last, in his mid dle-age, stumbled across Browning. This was on New Year's eve. After a cordial welcome, and a vice-like grasp of their calloused hands, they entered a saloon and sat down Saunders saw in the press into no press into no press into no press into no press.

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There was silence for a moment, and the and the remark which is and they walked on up the hill in silence. In the mean time the sky had become cloud-little from the compressed lips of Browning, less, and the cold had increased so that the direct consequent upon broken sleep. The field now wears the cost, and, our informant direct consequent upon broken sleep. The field now wears the cost, and, our informant direct consequent upon broken sleep. The field now wears the cost, and, our informant direct consequent upon broken sleep. save monasyllabic responses, nor provoke a smile to flash beneath his shaggy eye-brows,

ome him, or a breaker to his health and pro-

right to complain when you see me thus.

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Browning seemed puzzled at the negative,

or unon an anticipated affirmation he intended enforcing his following remarks. Howaver he continued . "Thank HEAVEN you are not! I am. Harry, I have been an honest man, and worked hard; I hoped with my toil and integrity to see my children live happy, grow up happy, and leave me happy. As one by one

they came to me. I felt my heart expand, my sympathics extend, and the world grow broader and brighter about me, till ---- 'here the speaker smote the table with his clenched hand, till the mugs danced and their contents splashed upon the table. Then he muttered mething in an under-tone, so deep as to be indistinct, and buried his face in his hands

humor lately. Come, what say you?—and we'll keep the New-Year there."

Sauuders silently assented to the proposal,

by asking for and paying the reckoning. Leaving the saloon, they walked along together without speaking. There had been a slight sprinkle of snow, just enough to whiten the paths and roads where they had become soiled or icy with use; a slight sprink-le of very light snow, which took an impression from the slightest thing and retained it. The sky was fleeked with a few white, fleecy clouds, hurried on by some higher current of air which did not disturb the calm below. The full moon shed over all its pale, resplen-

discovered the scoret of his companion's distress, continued: "Cheer up, cheer up, man her back to the door, sat Browning's wife, in tress, continued: "Cheer up, cheer up, man had and cap, bending over the little You have a strong arm yet, and with a strong heart you can make it all up again. The a babe which the entrance of the men had world owes you and your family a living, and must pay its due. Cheer up and look happy, and those about you will look happy, and be happy. What care you how the world wags, if when you enter your home there is the glad smile of your wife to well come you, stout and stubbed boys to dance about you and bright, as the glisten of its about you, and, to make up the picture, some bright-eyed, music-tongued angel of the house,

your daughter _____ "

"A thousand devils!" cried Browning, turning upon Saunders and seizing him by face, and its everlasting solemn tick—tack! the throat; "is it not enough that I am There was an old rocking chair which the the throat: "is it not enough that I am shamed and dishonored in the face of the shamed and dishonored in the face of the wife tenanted, a few split-bottom chairs, a world, and my home become a channel-house, that you must come here to spit upon me in the spit of the my misery? I have forbid my wife and children to speak her name, and shall you,

greet you in your middle-age and prosperity forsooth, and piles you with good ale? Have respect for the malt, if not for the friend that surprised at the suddenness of the attack, had surprised at the suddenness of the attack, had might have been revealed to a careful observable on resistance, and when the grasp was er. He stood wondering and perplexed, till relaxed, he stood regarding Browning with the air of one at a loss whether to be angry a sick man laugh and play the clown?"

"Nay, nay; but shall the ill drink ale like
you? Lad, you do not even smile; you are
ger of Browning, for he laid his great hand upon Saunders' shoulder, and said:
"Think but her name again, and your

in fancy they travelled back to the old playground and school-bench, where they had
played much and studied little; and to the Then placing his hand upon his brow, and looking up at the sky, he added: "Would to Heaven I were quite! Let us go on."

As they starte!, Saunders inquired how a reference to his daughter could so disturb

shall the shaft of my vengeance fall!

Saunders saw fit to press him no farther save monasyllabic responses, nor provoke a save monasyllabic responses, nor provoke a smile to flash beneath his shaggy eye-brows, and lighten along the furrows of swarthy features. They were engaged upon the fourth mug of ele when they are introduced.

"Why, man," said Saunders, after regarding Browning some little time, "I had sworn fing Browning some little time, "I had sworn for myself, when we had felt each other sits, that we would sit like the Methodists, and how he strove to connect them had slowly roused themselves from the stuping that the samples of themselves from the stuping that the sum of the stuping that the samples of themselves from the stuping that the sum of the stuping consequent upon broken sleep. The field now wears the coat, and, our informant still the since that, the simple conversation he asked the field now wears the coat, and, our informant still the since the field now wears the coat, and, our informant still the since the field now wears the coat, and, our informant still the since the field now wears the coat, and, our informant still the since the fiel

on reassured him. Was there any thing in little one from him by saying, "Don't troubthe mention of his daughter which could have le me, Caddy." Suddenly recollecting his given offence? The more he conjectured, the more he became bewildered with the events of the evening. By this time they had reached a stile, over which lay their path to the house. As they turned from the highway, Saunders remarked:

"Twas not my way. You spoke truly when you said I was sick at heart. You are the father of a family?"

"Not I, George, not, I! The young bird that 'scaped the snare made tempting by dainty seeds, will not be caught in old age by chaff. But what of it, for you were going to say something more?"

"We are late, Browning. They must all cheerful aspect, as the wood kindled and diffused its strong red glare throughout the humble appartment. The three sat around think not. We shall find them all up, for we sleep but little a home. Tis not very Saunders ran over the incidents of his pleasant there now, not as pleasant as it used to be; the light in the window has been dark out and the fire on the hearth extinguished. Our and musical manner, that the spirits ened, and the fire on the hearth extinguished. But come on, 'tis all I have now; you can

have no more of mine than I can give you,' not intrude upon your misory; Ï will go no venture."

father till this mystery is explained."
"But you shall, willy-nilly." Thereupon
Browning laid hold of the collar of Saunders, and dragged him along, till finding his exertions unnecessary he desisted. As they drew this time we had live happily and contented near the house, in a path hollowed out of the not deep snow which had fallen that season, the large man caught sight of some foot-prints, leading from the fields to the door. He examined them attentively until satisfied of the clouding cares of this the large man caught sight of some foot-prints, leading from the fields to the door. He ex-

devil is the trouble now?"

"Go home," said the large man, after some hesitation, and rising from his seat, "go home with me and you shall see. I can't tell you. Come, you shall have the best, which is poor enough; you shall eat, drink, and sleep. As for talking, truly I like it as well as any one, and no man likes a jolly hour better than I; but—I don't feel in the humor lately. Come, what say you?—and

A feeble voice responded, "Who?"
"Who!" answered he in a voice of thun der, "she that disgraced an honest man and his family. Tell me where you have hidden her, that I may thrust her forth on the

night."
" Nay, hesband, she has gone again." "Twill not do, wife; her footsteps lead in, but there are none going out." "Poor girl; she went out the back

rack, filling the night with a holy tranquility, and making every flake of snow to shine back a star. The village stores were closed, and most of the inhabitants had retired, so that the siloned was the more painful to the small limp of darkness, the store disclared the certoff the twant. The hinter two or three efforts household gods, and descerated the hearth-

and won't stand this any longer. I must say On one side lay a large, overgrown boy, rest something or burst. How far is it to your house?"

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"About a half-mile. Would it were thousands! You can see it on yonder hill, back from the "Why, what the dragon troubles you man? there as mall boy was playing with some wet chips, throwing them occasionally into ashes, in a poevish manner, which denoted that his discovered the screen of his companions discovered the screen of his com and the usual comferts of rural life, besides complied. some hunter's trappings, and a long rifle, kept clean and bright as the glisten of its mounting testified. In one corner was the curtined recess, where the parents slept, close by which, in the nook made by the fire-place, was the old Dutch clock with its big white

some dried sprigs of asparagus; close by, was a shelf on which lay the family Bible, a psalm-book, and few school-books, composing the library. All these perhaps Saunders did not notice; though by the fitful blaze they Browning returned and said in a deep voice : "You have told the truth, wife; but here-

after let her not so much as step across my threshold. The world is wide enough for us

wrong."
"We do her no wrong. 'Tis she has

vronged us, by dishonoring an honest fami-y. Shall we keep the shame here to rankle and fester in our household?"

bade Saunders be seated, the same time introducing him to his wife. By orders, the boys having replenished the fire and lit a candle, he sent them and the girl to bed. In s few moments the room assumed a more cheerful aspect, as the wood kindled and

their meeting in the ovening, in such a joy-ous and nucleal manner, that the spirits of the husband and wife began to catch a glow. As he closed lie said, "Now Brown-"George" Saynders "this is too strangs ing treat me to a chapter or two of your life, for belief. What has befallen you? I will and so we shall be square on the score of adling treat me to a chapter or two of your life. story of humble village domestic life-mar-riage, toil, the accumulation of a little pro-

porty, children, and then continued "Up to have heard us talk to night, grew to be very their direction, and broke out:

"Well," said Saunders, recovering from his surprise, "here's a scene. What the again? Well, I can show her the wide world devil is the trouble now?"

"The thousand devils I has she come back her. The village youth, the rich as well as poor, sought her society, and strove for her once more. Hers it shall he by Heaven!" smile above that again? She was my prides darling; but I was not ambitious of her, and only pictured for her a happy union with some honest and worthy But while this plain, simple picture was fresh upon my fancy, a young man of wealthy parents, but of dissolute habits, be-

came very attentive to Susan, and as I have since discovered, had been so for some time previous to my knowledge, and against the commands of his parents. From his character I thought, and it correctly too, his visits boded me and mine no good; so I forbade him my house, and my daughter his presence. Stolen interviews took place between them, and I was obliged to keep close watch upon

his wife. Saunders sat there looking into the fire which roared up the huge chimney, and brushed away a tear. His position novel most of the inhabitants had retired, so that out of fashion and respect when the modern and painful; and horrose and war to the silence was the more painful to the supply of darkness, the stove displaced the window and looked the window and l was desirable, as the air was becoming every moment colder, the moon and stars brighter, and the sky clearer. When they had reached the outskirts of the village, the patience of Saunders became exhausted, and he broke out:

"Confound it, Browning, talk! I can't into a momentary blaze to illume the scene."

"The very controlled by the sympathiging stars, their eyes glimmering upon her, as it were, the outskirts of the village, the patience of the huge and renew their love to one the love to one their love the love their love their love the love regarding the scene, and listening to the regarding the scene, and listening to the regarding the scene, and listening to the love the love regarding the scene, and listening to the love the love the love regarding the scene, and listening the scene, and listening the scene, and listening the scene, and listening the love regarding the scene, and listening the

vealed, and he knew by the manner she pressed the hurden to her heart that it was

child she bore. She approached so near that her blue lips were visible, and stood looking longingly toward the house. Sud-denly her dark eyes fell upon him glaring intensely but imploringly. The ghastliness of the vision, and the vividness of the apparition, rivited him to the spot. She beckoned to him with a wild gesture. He thought she spoke, Twas the voice of Browning dispelling the illusion. He called to Saunders to be seated, who, glad to find it a matter of fancy

[Concluded next week.] A SINGULAR INCIDENT.

The Lynchburg (Va.) Republican publishes the following incident, remarkable alike for its singularity as well as for the melancholy fulfillment to the brother of one of the parties named.

"Just before the war broke out, and before Lincoln's proclamation was issued, a young Virginian, named Summerfield, was visiting lew York, where he made the acquaintance of two Misses Holmes, of Waterhury, Vermont. He became somewhat intimate with the young ladies, and the intercourse seemed to be mutually agreeable. The proclamation was issued and the whole North thrown into blaze of excitement. On visiting the ladies one evening, at the hour of parting, they remarked to Summerfield that their present and defects, secret and open, were from day meeting would probably be the last; they to day received. The whole netghborhood must hurry home to aid in making up the overcoats and clothing for the volunteers from Lawyers and clergymen were present at the said it was growing cold, and she knew not their town. Summerfield expressed his regret that they must leave, but at the same ing crew by open condemnation; the inspectime especially requested them to see that the

overcoats were well made, as it was his intention, if he ever met the Vermont regiment in corpulent, with florid complexion, sandy hair, and a round, chubby face, rendered rather inexpressive by a pair of light-blue eyes. He was called Harry Saunders. Between these two so dissimilar, as is not infrequent, a boylish intimacy had been formed, which had not been broken until manhood and its pursuits had separated them. Even then their bearts refused the division; and often and again.

The large man's hand fell down to his man, fell down to make the flash of the gun, and, upon rushing up and the papers at Pittsburg report some actu.

The large man's hand fell down to a serve with florid complexion, sandy hair, and a round, chubby face, rendered rather inexpressive by a pair of light-blue eyes. He we have been as David and Jonathan; and to nice, and an Jonathan; and to nice, and an opportunity sought the same that twenty millions will be in arms against two course, whether he wish that twenty millions will be in arms against the world dislikes those matches that end by one of the some that twenty millions will be in arms against two course, whether he was fought in which was from the town of Waterbury, was son to Virginia. The battle of Manassas was fought in which was from the town of Waterbury, was son to Virginia. The battle of Manassas was fought in which was from the town of Waterbury, was son to Virginia. The battle of Manassas was fought in which they were onigaged, and on opportunity sought the same that twenty millions will be in arms against twe they were onigaged, and was fought in which was from the town of Waterbury, was son to Virginia. The battle of Manassas was fought in which was from the town of Waterbury, was son to triping the same they were onigaged, and they was colled the same they were subsisted by private cent specific marked by fighting its provided dislikes those matches that end was about to four the same that twenty millions will be in arms against twe town of which was from the town of Waterbury, was son to triping the same the town of Waterbury, was son to triping the same battle, to kill one of them and take his cont.
"Now for the sequel. Virginia secoded at the flash of the gun, and, upon rushing up and the papers at Pittsburg report some actu-to secure the dead man's arms, Summerfield ally so worthless they were left on the docks. to secure the dead man's arms, Summerfield ally so worthless they were left on the docks.

observed that he had a fine new overcoat The remaining five hundred were left at Hunstrapped to his back, which he determined to tingdon for the benefit of the contractors. In appropriate to his own use. The fight was over, and Summerfield had time to examine He answered: "Ask me not. Speak not a word of her or you will snap these rusty old heart-strings. I cannot suffer much more." Then with a bitter laugh he muttered: "The secret must out in time; and then shall the shaft of my vengeance fall!

Due sne will que in this weather."

"Die! would to Gop she had died in her blessed infancy, shrouded in her spotless in nocence. Then would our angel-child have been a radiance in the spirit-land, lighting and to whom he had made the remark we have quoted, in which the dead man was adsolved in the spirit-land, lighting and inspiring us through the darkness of this bitter world. But now, O Heaven! Well, dressed as brother. The evidence was marked with the name of Thomas Holmes, and in the pockets were found letters signed with the names of the names of the latest and the labeled infancy, shrouded in her spotless in location whom Summerfield had known in New York, and to whom he had made the remark we have quoted, in which the dead man was adsolved in the spirit-land, lighting and to whom he had made the remark we have quoted, in which the dead man was addressed as brother. The evidence was a first and the latest are pound to some time is many to the power; a felon's doom through life should be the residence will be of little practical value unless Congress whom Summerfield had known in New York, and to whom he had made the remark we have quoted, in which the dead man was addressed as brother. The evidence was a sound in the pockets were found letters signed with the names of the sisters and the labeled with the name of Thomas Holmes, and in the pockets were found letters signed with the names of the sisters and the labeled with the name of the sisters and the labeled with the name of the sisters and the labeled with the name of the sisters and the labeled with the name of the sisters and the labeled with the name of the sisters and the labeled with the name of the sisters and the labeled with the name of the name of the sisters and the labeled with the name of the name of th his prize, when, remarkable as it may appear, bitter world. But now, O HEAVEN! Well, dressed as brother. The evidence was conclusive; he had killed the brother of his friends, well 1 — Let her beg!" sive; he had killed the brother of his friends,
There was silence for a moment, and the and the remark which he had made in jest red this narrative is literally true. Summer-field now wears the coat, and, our informant states is not a little impressed with the sin-

ulators, traitors and public robbers after the most approved and in the most effective man-

equisition, he draws \$160,000, and deposits it in his name, with his private account, in they have not the pecuniary resources to ful-one of the city banks. Stranger still, four fil them, and not manufacturers of the articles nspection of his youchers.

Such were the prominent transactions oc-

curing at a time when a man's generous instincts should freely have offered everything

this country.
This was the cloud no larger than a man's whole sky has been wrapped in gloom, and ble and deserve sovere censure. What excuse this thing will end. The mania for steeling this gang of middle non. All the ill-gotten seems to have run through all the relations of gains found in their pockets is so much stolen Government. Almost from the general to the drummer boy: from those nearest the throne of power to the merest tide-waiter. Nearly every man who deals with the Governmen seems to feel or desire that it would not long survive, and each lead a common right to plucder while it lived. Even in the matter of the purchase of two sailing vessels, two men of combine and unite? It is no answer to say New York, to the crime of larceny, added the that the work is done as cheaply as before sin of perjury, that they might rob from the the spirit of the faw has been violated and the Preasury \$8,000.

President of the New Haven Propeller Company, after taking from the Government \$19,-000 more than she cost, took of that amount nearly \$8,000 to line his pockets, and in excuse to his company basely pretended that he had in, but there are none going out."

Poor girl; she went out the back door. I dared not ask her to stay, for your anger. Poor, poor girl!"

Browning then went out to ascertain the truth of what his wife said, leaving Saunders standing by the door; he having entered unnoticed by Mrs. Browning remained there noticed by Mrs. Browning remained there are none going out."

and I was obliged to keep close watch upon to bribe an ex-nember of Congress to gain an audience to the head of the bureau; and from that cowardly insinuation an honerable, high-leaving his prey. So she fell. Oh! had the stars fallen, and buried myself and her in that cowardly insinuation an honerable, high-leaving his prey. So she fell. Oh! had the stars fallen, and buried myself and her in the truth of what his wife said, leaving Saunders by to what I am now!" Here he stopped and standing by the door; he having entered unsubjected to calumny. That President, before the committee, testified that after taking \$19,000 in profits from his country, he was so anxious to serve her in this, the hour of her extremity, that he appropriated nearly to bribe an ex-member of Congress to gain an audience to the head of the bureau; and from was so anxious to serve her in this, the hour of her extremity, that he appropriated nearly \$8000 of his colleagues' money to his private use, so he could device some machine to take \$8000 of his colleagues' money to his private use, so he could devise some machine to take all the Southern cities, and no one get hurt. Colonels, intrusted with the power of raising regiments, colluding with contractors, barteving away and dividing contractors for horses, and other supplies, to enrich personal fa-

been set in the very Departments of Government. As a general thing, only favorites can
The laboring men who testify against offiment. As a general thing, only favorites can obtain contracts which bear enormous profit. conspiracies, after the bidding has been closed, If that he so, better dishand our armies, and to defraud the Government of the lowest bid, let the oligarchs of the South rule and reign and by allowing the guilty to reap the fruits over us. of their crime, has itself become partcips

criminis. Who pretends any public exigency for giving out by private contract, without btds. over Who pretends a public exigency to make a private contract for rifling cannon, to the

amount of \$800,000?

Kentucky is proverbial for her splendid horses. Her loyal citizens would have been benefited by sales to the government. Who will pretend that the public exigency required that when cavalry regiments were to be forwarded from the State of Pennsylvania to the land of 'the dark and bloody ground," it was neces sary to transport, at great expense, the re-maining disabled, diseased horses left in the Keystone State? My colleague on the committee (Mr. Dawes) a few days since spoke of the peace offering to Pennsylvania politicians, and referred to the horses of Colonel Williams'

Regiment.
There is yet another case. A contract, not made upon the responsibility of the Bureau, as the late Secretary said, but by his express order, and refused to be made until so ordered. I refer to the contract to purchase one thousand horses, to be delivered at Huntingdon, Pennsylvania. Such a horse market the world never saw. The first inspector—an honest man—of the first hundred rejected three in five. The next day owners refused to present themselves, and by some legerdemain he was removed and others substituted: then horses of all ages, from two to thirty; of all diseases inspection, and sought to deter the buccancerhorses to be ridden upon the crowd, to drive

hem away, if possible. Horses, with ruining sores, which were seen by the inspectors, and branded; and if that single transaction over fifty thousand dollars were stolen from the Government .-Such fiends in human shape care not for ex-

intention to establish a high contract roses, ago system. The testimony of Mr. John Smith, of Lingston, N. Y., powder manufacturer shows that in the month of May he proposed to give Mr. Weed a per centage for a

till the New-Year came in; but the more we feast, the glummer you grow, and ('tis but half-past nine now) by midnight you will be stupid as an owl at noon-day, and I shall be snoring over my mug; and the New-Year might, come and go without a smile to well-might powerfully come and go without a smile to well-might powerfully the voice of his comrade bidding him to come the voice of his comrade bidding him to come the voice of his comrade bidding him to come the voice of his comrade bidding him to come the voice of his comrade bidding him to come the voice of his contracts for powder to Mr. Weed, who they could you page?"

The speech of Mr. Van Wyck, chairman of the contracts for powder to Mr. Weed, who they could you page?"

The speech of Mr. Van Wyck, chairman of the Congressional Investigating Committee, excoriated the corruptionists, speculators, pectage of the corruption of th somewhat strange that the Secretary should appoint Mr. Weed as his messenger to carry his wishes to the different bureaus, Mr. Smith understood that he was to pay Mr.

Two million dollars, by the Secretary of the Treasury were placed in the hands of a committee of high-toned, honorable men, to be aid out on the order or requisition of Mr. Dummings, without his producing to them any ouchers. Strange as it may appear, while its money was there to reach the contract in the hospital at St. Louis, Missouri, is sixty, week-lay. A terrible mortality for the small army louchers. Strange as it may appear, while its money was there to reach the contract in the hospital at St. Louis, Missouri, is sixty, week-lay. A terrible mortality for the small army louchers. Strange as it may appear, while its money was there to reach the contract in the hospital at St. Louis, Missouri, is sixty, week-lay. A terrible mortality for the small army louchers. Strange as it may appear, while its money was there to reach the contract in the hospital at St. Louis, Missouri, is sixty, week-lay. A terrible mortality for the small army usual, my friend." "You seem to walk more erect than usual, my friend." "Yes, I have hear later to the contract in the hospital at St. Louis, Missouri, is sixty, week-lay. A terrible mortality for the small army usual, my friend." "Yes, I have hear later to substitute the contract in the contract in the hospital at St. Louis, Missouri, is sixty, week-lay. A terrible mortality for the small army usual, my friend." "You seem to walk more erect than usual, my friend." "Yes, I have hear later to substitute the contract in the contra paid out on the order or requisition of Mr. Cummings, without his producing to them any vouchers. Strange as it may appear, while this money was there to respond to his requisition, he draws \$160.000 and denosits Favorites obtain contracts when frequently

months after his agency had consed, he leaves to be delivered. The professional politician no vouchers with the War Department. The War Department, in its generous confidence, seeks no settlement with the Doctor, nor an inspection of the vouchers. enrich himself, or extort from the pockets of honest industry; takes it to sub-let to skillful hor well worked in manufacturers at reduced prices. The Deing they have not in and of themselves the hand which increased and spread until the facilities for executing them, are reprehensi

gains found in their pockets is so much stolen from the Treasury.

Even in the Treasury Department—pure and unright as I believe the Secretary to bewhat business man could justifiy, or who, in his own transactions, would allow, that a con-tract of over half a million expenditure should be competed for by only two firms, who could millionaire enriched; besides, the products o In the case of the Stars and Stripes, the all departments of labor are cheapened by the resident of the New Haven Propeller Com stagnation of business. In this matter of the ank-note contract, as in some others, under lings control the affairs of the department

they say who shall approach within the char-med circle, they say whose papers shall be put on file, and whose shall be gladdened by the eyes of the Secretary.

The soldiers who, borne down by discas and overcome with fatigue, is found sleeping at his post, you punish with death; while the miscreant who holds his festival at this carnival of blood, rides in his carriage, drinks champagne, and dines with Cabinet ministers, you treat with deferential respect. Do

ses, and other supplies, to enrich personal fa-vorites; purchasing articles, and compelling false invoices to be given.

While it is no justification, the example has been set in the very Departments of Givern-

obtain contracts which bear enormous profit.

They yielate the plain proposals, on the false and shallow pretext that the public exigency requires it. Should this last as long as the Belopenesian war the same excuse would be used. The Department which has allowed consuiracies after the bidding has been closed. It is the see better place of the Mississippi, from the Potomac to the Romanic and the Mississippi, from the Potomac to the Romanic and the Mississippi, from the Potomac to the Romanic and the Mississippi, from the Potomac to the Romanic and the Mississippi, from the Potomac to the Romanic and Romanic and

This committee has been in session for months Government officials must be aware of its power of examination; still, at the commencement of this session, inspectors were colluding with contractors; superintendents, rejoicing in the title of captains, were selling Govern ment horses to private citizens, taking diseased and worthless horses from the commons branding them in the service of the United States, so they might receive full pay for the same; city butchers buying meat from the Government supplies.
Your Government retains in this capitol, in

f honor and profit, and around ou council boards, men whose hearts are filled with treason, and minds with rebellion. Your departments are disinclined to hear charges of treason or corruption; they would rather estracise those who furnish the truth than remore the treasonable and guilty offenders. I am not harsh; I only speak what, standing in the mighty and august presence of stirring times, contemplating a bleeding, suffering country, I feel it my duty.

I have a right thus to speak in terms of

warning and admonition to an Administra-tion which I aided to elect, to whose principles I am committed, by which we must pass through the Red sea of tribulation, and must o carried safely through the wilderness beond. But I have a right to ask and beseech, in the name of a commerce crippled, labor paralyzed, finances disturbed, and the Treasiry empty, in the name of that gallant army f 500,000, which this day on the tented field are waiting to rescue a country loved through fire and blood, to lay down and die that a nation may live—in the name of 500,000 hearth-stones made dreary by the loved ones away of the vacant chairs around the evening fires of the thrice 500,000 friends, anxiously looking, fearfully, tremblingly hoping, that this Administration shall remove treason from the capitol, and corruption from the land.

ter the dentist had prepared his instruments and was about to commence operations, the man of mouth began to strain and stretch his mouth till he got it to a most frightful extent "Stay Sir," said the dentist, don't trouble yourself to stretch your mouth any wider, for intend to stand on the outside of it to draw Men of talent are often the captives of

heautiful fools. But there is one consolation—they do not long remain captives, or they soon cease to be men of talent. A young lady at Niagara was heard to

exclaim. "What an elogant trimming that rainbow would make for a white lace overdress." "Don't you mean to marry, my dear sir?" "No, my dear widow, I'd rather lose all

sir?" "No, my dear widow, I'd rather lose all the ribs I've got than take another."

Young ladies are like arrows-they are

Odds and Ends.

Punch says that Rarey, the horse-ta-mer, is "the Philosopher of the stable mind." When your lady-love sends you to Pa," you may go farther and fare worse. The ocean of love is not always a Pa-

What is the difference between a sailor and a soldier? One tars his ropes, the other pitches his tent.

for in regard to late suppers, cause and offect may be stated in a single word—attenuated—(at ten you ate it.)

What mechanic may be expected to outlive all others? The boot and shoemaker -for he is everlasting

Tody Varmouth asked Garrack one day why Love was always represented as a child? He replied: "Because Love never reaches the age of wisdom and experience." A dealer in ready made linen advertises his shirts and chemisettes under the mellifluous appellation of "Male and Female

Tom Browne says, "a woman may learn one useful doctrine from the game of backgammon, which is, not to take up her man till she's sure of him."

"Pooh I pooh !" said a wife to her expiring husband, as he strove to utter a few parting words, "don't stop to talk, but go on

A married monster said that he lately dreamed that he had an angel by his side, and upon waking up found it was nobody but his wife.

"Does the razor take hold well?" inquired a darkey, who was shaving a gentle-man from the country. "Yes," replied the customer, with tears in his eyes, "it takes hold first rate, but don't let go worth a cent." The horse " warranted to stand with-

out tying," which a man bought at auction the other day, is offered for sale by the purchaser, with the additional guaranty that "he will not move without whipping." A lady at her marriage requested the

plergyman to give out to be sung by the choir the lymn commencing: "This is the way I long have sought.
And mourned because I found it not."

Miss D-says that the first time a young man squeezed her dress she felt as if she was in the land where rainbows came

gib up residing tree weeks ago, and moved off on account of de wedder."

An IRISHMAN'S WILL.—"I will and bequeath my beloved wife Bridget all my property without reserve; and to my eldest son, Patrick, one half the remainder; and to Dennis, my youngest son; the rest. If anything is left, it may go to Dennis McCarty.

An Irish posthoy, having driven a gentleman a long stage during torrents of rain, the gentleman said to him, "Raddy, are you" not very wet?" "Arrah! I don't care about being very wet; but glass your honor, I'm very dry."

Rep A man was walled in the night and told that his wife was dead. He turned over, drew the coverlet closer, pulled down his night-cap, and muttered as he went to sleep again. "Ah! how grieved I shall be in the morning !" REMINDING HIM OF HIS ANCESTRY .- A no-

gro boy was driving a mule, when the animal suddenly stopped and refused to budge.—
"Won't go, ch?" said the boy, "feel grand, do you? I suppose you forgot your father was ı jackass." £ A sailor being asked how he liked his bride, is reported to have remarked, "Why, d'ye see, I took her to be only half of me, as

twice as much as I. I'm only a tar—sho's a tartar. A butcher's boy carrying a tray on his shoulder, accidently struck it against a lady's head and discomposed her wig,
"The deuce take the tray," cried the lady

the parson says, but dash me, if she isn't

in a passion.
"Madam, said the lad, gravely, "the deuce cannot take the tray." "Why don't you wheel that barrow of coals Ned?" said a learned miner to one of his sons; "it is not a vory hard job; there is an inclined plane to relieve you." "Ah!" replied Ned, who had more relish for wit than

the plane may be inclined, but hang A juryman was asked (out West of course,) whether he had been charged by the presiding judge. "Well, Squire," said he, "the little fellow that sits up in the pulpit, and kinder bosses it over the crowd, gin us a

talk, but I don't know whether he charge new" I say, Pote Johnsin; is swords" boli-shed in do army?" "Ov course dey isn't, snowball, what makes you ax sich a supid question, you ignorant niggah?"—" Oh, nuffiin, only I heered de oder day dat three tousand sogers was going to take de field wid

Sickles! 107" My lad," soid a traveler to a little boy whom he met, clothed in pants and small jacket, but without a very necessary article of apparel, "my lad where is your shirt?"

Mammy's washing it." "Have you no other?"
"No other," exclaimed the urchin in surprise, "would you want a boy to have a thousand shirts?"

12 "Daddy," said a hopeful urchin to his paternal relative, "why don't our schoolmaster send the editor of the newspaper an ac-The send the editor of the lickings he gives the boys?"

"I don't know, my son," replied the fond parent, "but why do you ask such a question?" "Why, this paper says that Mr. B. has tanned three thousand hides at his establishment.

Young ladies are like arrows—they are lishment during the past year, and I know all in a quiver till the beaux come, and can't that old Grimes has tanned our hides more a twice that many times."