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And throngs of glad singers with Jubilant breath Make the air with their melodies rife; And one known on earth as the angel of death Shines here as an angel of life! And infinite tenderness beams from his eyes, On his brow is a heavenly calm. And his voiceas it thrills through the depth of

Is as sweet as the seraphim's psalm Chrough the musical groves of this beautiful Walk the Souls which were faithful in this, And their pure white forcheads by zephyrs are

And breathe the sweet odor of flowers More fragrant than ever were kissed by the In Araby's loveliest bowers Old brophets, whose words were a spirit of flame Blazing out o'er the darkness of time,

And martyrs, whose courage no torture could Nor turn from their purpose sublime; and saints and confessors, a numberless th Who were loyal to truth and to right, And left as they walked through the darknes

Their foot-prints encircled with light. And the dear little children who went to their Ere their lives had been sullied by sin While the angel of morning still tarried a guest
The spirit's pure temple within— All are there all are there—in the beautiful land

The land by the spoiler untrod, And their radiant forcheads by breezes ar That blow from the gardens of God. My soul hath looked in through the gateway of On the city all paved with pure gold And heard the sweet flow of its nur streams,
As through the green valleys they rolled

A pilgrim and stranger on earth, Yet it knew, in that glimpse of the beautiful That it gazed on the home of its birth.

And though it still waits on this desolate strand

Miscellaneous Bending. THE TRAVELER'S STORY.

BY LEVIN C. TEES. I am a commercial traveler. I am employed by a large mercantile house in the city of New York, and so employed, I travel over many miles of country, visit many places, and see many sights. I have met with not a few personal ad-

ventures. Some of these were comic, some sentimental, and a few perilous. I shall try to describe one of the latter.

of my principal to receive my last direc-My employers' names were Boggs and Griffiths. Boggs was the principal of the firm, and it was him I found in the office. He received me cordially, and then, after placing the loose papers on his desk in their proper places, he came and sat down

"I sent for you, this afternoon," he said, "ostensibly for the purpose of giving you instructions regarding the firm's business, but really to repose a confidence in, and ask a favor of you about a private matter of my own." He paused a moment, as if considering

"Can you keep a secret?" he asked. "My dealings with you and your partner should answer that question." "Pardon me-I know you have kept the firm's secret well, but this is another affair. It may be crime I have to confide. It is a secret that, if known here, would stain my honor and injure the business." "If your secret is not a capital offence.

ty. I am willing to hear it and keep it after "Then I can tell it with safety. It will involve you in no trouble and will greatly benefit me. If I remember rightly, you have been in our employ for over ten

"I began with you in the spring of "I thought so. You will remember at that time we were only a struggling firm. was the moneyed man, but green and inexperienced in the business. How I came by that money my disclosure will

"In early life I received a good education, and was immediately afterwards put to a trade. But the trade did not suit me; I longed for a sailor's life; so I shipped before the mast on board a Pacific whaler, and on her I visited some of the "One of the sailors, who happened to

Clarke, took a great fancy to me, though I never did to him. He was a plain, rough, honest fellow, while I was his very opposite, both in regard to manners, and fear, honesty. That man loved me, if ever one man loved another. Why, sir, he would follow me about the decks almost as any spaniel would have done, and always wished to be in my society. How repaid his fidelity I will presently show. "We had captured all the whales we desired for that voyage, and were on our return to America. We stopped at China, and shortly after leaving there, the adventure that I have so long kept a secret be-

"We had calm weather for a number of days, and our ship was nearly motionless an CHURCHES supplied with pere GRAPE being moved only by the tides. When the live broave did come as grand or the the breeze did come, as usual on those seas, it came with a vengeance, and the "I do not intend to describe our ship-

safely into the boats. The captain and the mate and two of the sailors got into the long boat, abandoning, unintentionally I suppose, Clarke and myself, who were compelled to take the cutter.

ed us in that angry ocean. that open boat. The cutter nobly outstrode the storm, and when the calm weather staring at everything and everybody, came, we were but little exhausted; but | rather than the one he was addressing.

They taste the rich fruitage that hangs from th was the first one attacked by the loathsome

> "He had a wife and family in America and he seldom lost an opportunity to better their fortunes. On starting on his last voyage, he had supplied himself well

place the gold in his wife's hands. I sol-

less. I went into business and succeeded. Then I came here to New York, and was still more successful, as you know. I have grown rich through the stolen gold. but the curse of it still remains. The images of that poor widow and her children are ever before my eyes-suffering, perhaps, for want of the money I have taken. Men look at my cheerful face and call me

terrible remorse at my heart. have got told you this story without have often favored you, and I don't think you are the man to refuse when I ask your aid in this dilemma. However, I do not ask your help for nothing. I am rich

and can amply repay you for any service I may require. I answered that I had heard his story with considerable interest, and while I strongly censured the course he had pursued, still I could not but be affected by the generosity of his attonement. I of justice, but if he choose so humble an individual as myself to carry out his plans of reparation, my services were freely at his command.

He insisted, at least, on bearing the nec-

of justice which he was now about to for another difficulty threatened me. carry into execution. Before I left the office he placed in my the widow. The money was composed of

Heft New York about eight o'clock that evening, and in due time arrived at the little town of T---, in Indiana. It was raining when I alighted from the cars, about nine in the evening, and the place looked dreary enough. However, I walked into the little frame house that

logdings for the night. I was directed to a small hotel that but I was cautioned to be careful if I had numerous travelers had lately been robbed at that hotel, and suspicion had fallen on the landlord.

"I suppose I could not be allowed to remain here for the night?" I said, glancing around at a number of empty benches in the room, with a view of making a bed on them. But the railroad functionary

I was terribly undecided what to do. I was reluctant to stop at the hotel with such a bad reputation. The amount of the breeze should cease as they were for it | prove a tempting object for plunder, and would endanger my life. But then I had no means of obtaining other occommodawreck. Enough to say the ship went down | tions. I could not go from door to door and only six out of her crew of twelve got | soliciting lodgings. To sleep in the street was still more out of the question.

I came to a decision at last. I would risk the dangers of the hotel. Ascertaining the precise location of the enough for robbery, but not for murder. all having authority over us, is an ex-

"The ship was rapidly sinking, so we On arriving there, I took an anxious sur- | should be killed or not, I was saved. could lose no time in leaving it. I did vey of the occupants of the bar-room not want to put anything on board but through the window before entering. instruments to navigate with and sails | There were four men in the room; one of and provisions. Clarke surprised me by these I took to be the landlord. The men opposing wishes for the first time. He in- | were seated around a table in a corner

As I turned the handle of the door, and ed, as only quiet men can when they are | boldly entered the room, the men turned | in earnest and I consented to help to lifthis | slightly, but immediately resumed their chest into the cutter, but refused to do so | occupation. Pretending not to notice | with my own. We just escaped the suc- them. I called the landlord aside, and intion which the ship made, as she sank into quired if I could obtain a night's lodging. The landlord was a short, thick-set fellow, with hair as red as a live coal, and "We were several days on the Pacific in | a rough, sensual face. His eyes had a

disconcerting trick, when he spoke, of He replied that I could have lodgings and a supper, too, if I had money to pay for it. whereupon I requested that some supper might be served. I was shown into a back parlor, and seating myself at a table, waited patiently for my supper to

The parlor was a small one, and was lo cated between the bar-room and a small entry that led to the kitchens beyond. The door between this parlor and the barroom was a sash door, and the glass was partly covered by a curtain. Happening to look up, I discovered the landlord's and another face peering at me in the space above the cloth. On seeing I had observed them, they quickly withdrew,

but I felt their attentions boded me no good. My supper was brought by a pretty damsel of eighteen, who wore such an innocent, good-natured face, that I was surprised to find her in a house of so bad re-

The supper proved a good one, and while discussing it, I almost forgot my | the romantic hero at the risk of being sent fears. The meal despatched, and as it was getting late, I told the landlord I would like to be shown to my room if it suited his convenience. Without replying, he dived beneath the bar, brought up small brass fluid lamp, lit it, and told me to follow him. He led me up through was the greatest novelist and the best bea dark entry, and winding stairs, to a room situated in the second story, near the front of the house. After unlocking the door and leaving the lamp on a dressing-stand, he slouched out and left the

I was just about to prepare for bed, vhen I distinctly heard footsteps-soft, stealthy footsteps-out in the hall, approaching my door. Presently there came knock. "Who is there?" I demanded.

"Don't speak so loud," a woman's voice answered. "or they will discover me. Open the door, I want to speak with you." I opened the door. It was the young lady who had served me my supper. She happy; they cannot see the remorse—the, was standing in the hall all in a tremble and her face blanched with fear. "Why, my girld I asked, "what is the

> on the dressing stand. "Then you may be able to defend yourself. Hark!" she whispered, glancing sus- 1840. piciously back toward the stairway; "there

is a stealthy step. If I am discovered it will be my ruin and yours too."

She was gone before I had even time to thank her for the kind service she had various aspects of local life in this countries. will be my ruin and yours too." done me. I closed my door and locked it. I now looked about the room to discover if there was any other way besides the never asked reward for performing an act | door for a person to gain an entrance to | my chamber. There were the windows by the side of the bed. I looked out of them and discovered that they were just above the roof of the porch. Any one might easily climb up on the roof and so effect an entrance. But there were shutters, and strong ones at that. In a few moments I had all entrance by the win-

dows well fortified. At one end of the room was a small wooden panel inserted in the wall. What | could be the purpose of this? Was it there to hide the opening of some disused chimney, or did it furnish a private entrance to my room?

The stock of fluid in my lamp could not have been very extensive, for the light behands the sum of twenty-five tousand dol- | gan already to burn low. I dared not go lars, that I was instructed to present to down stairs for another lamp. The consequence was inevitable. I must meet my foes in the dark, if they choose to visit me. After the light went out I sat by my edside, waiting anxiously for an attack, wishing the worse to come then if it was to come at all, and waiting for morning. I heard the great clock down stairs strike twelve-then one. By this time I was thoroughly exhausted and could remain awake no longer. Almost carcless whether endom.

"Then it will not do for me," said I,
"for I have no idea of journeying all this distance to be robbed. I suppose there are no other houses where I can procure accommodations by paying a little extra?"
"No," was the reply; "I do not know of any other."
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The noise of the opening thing to know, that the domestic life of the President of the United States is singular happy and beautiful—a noble example for American homes. I have this from the best authority—from friends who have of late been guests at the White House trucks in singular happy and beautiful—a noble example for American homes. I have this from the best authority—from friends who have of late been guests at the White House trucks in singular happy and beautiful—a noble example for American homes. I have this from the best authority—from friends who have of late been guests at the White House trucks are the first the forther of the United States is singular happy and beautiful—a noble example for American homes. I have this from the best authority—from friends who have of the United States is singular happy and beautiful—a noble example for American homes. I have this from the best authority—from friends who have of the best authority—from friends who have of the United States is singular happy and beautiful—a noble example for American homes. I have this from the best authority—from friends who have of the United States is singular happy and bea

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I was saved by a Vigilance Committee, though I owe my first thanks to the gena few hours before. She had been furtive-

at all surprised to hear this. I suppose, in the interests of romance, I should have married the young lady who saved my life. But I happened to have a wife living, and I had no idea of playing to the Penitentiary on the charge of biga-

No sadder news could come across the ocean than the news of the death of Charles Dickens, for unquestionably he

produced.

To this journal he presently contributed a series of papers, sketching off the social characteristics of English class-life, as presented by the middle and lower sections of society. In 1836, under the title of "Tales and Sketches by Boz"—a nom de plume, the above papers were collected into a revise form, and published in two

Soon after the publication of the latter joint work, he visited the United States, and on his return home, in 1842, brought

menced the annual production of those delightful Christmas stories, which have had no small share in the consolidation of his fame. Of these the Christmas Carol, 1843, and the Cricket on the Hearth, 1846, are two of the most exquisite idyls in the language. Of his larger works in addi-tion to those we have noted, the most es-

eemed are Dombey and Son: History of

quisite pathos and humerous fidelity."
In 1867 and 1868 he delivered an admirable course of readings in this country, which were very profitable. In this city and elsewhere he was welcomed by the most enthusiastic audiences. His last work, on his return to England, was "The Mystery of Edwin Drood," which is now in course of publication in Every Saturday.

oublished in this country by Messrs, T. B. Peterson & Brother, of this city.—Star. DOMESTIC LIFE AT THE WHITE HOUSE

Saturday.

ington to the Tribune, thus gossips; "I think it ought to be known, for it is a good thing to know, that the domestic life of the fame and power. That White House stands like a light-house, surged about by a sea of hungry office-seeking, and more hungry curiosity—but what privacy they would not work. I should fall a helpless victim to the ruffians. Three of them had victim to the ruffians. Three of them had State dinners, balls, and receptions, than the dear old love that united them in their the dear of the trait united them in their home on the Western prairies, and which they wisely brought along with them, as their chief household god. No one can deny to the President and his wife rare propriety and evenness of manner, alike without a touch of arrogance or superciliances. Under their propriets by the contents of the without a touch of arrogance or superchine defrom my hand and turned upon me. I was felled to the floor, and the ruffians held me down.

"Stick your knife into him, Bill," said one; "dead men tell no tales."

The worthy addressed did not seem distributed by the seem of the condition of life, remain yet the real man and the real women, marvelously unchanged. This is difficult topic to treat of just here, where genuine old fashioned hero-worship gives way to sycophantic subserviency or blind party animosity, and where honest, respectful lov-The worthy addressed did not seem disposed to be so cruel. He was brave alty toward rulers and magistrates, and

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1854." I replied. Cor. 4th & Cherry Streets, explain:

> remotest nations of the globe. be my messmate, and whose name was

sisted on our placing our sea-chests in the of the room engaged at cards. They were cutter, thereby occupying much valuable all rough, savage-looking fellows. time. Of course I objected, but he insist-

the deep waters, and which nearly egulph-

the worst was to come. "In our dispute about Clarke's seachest, we had neglected to put the necessary quantity of provisions on board and the terrible dangers of starvation began to appal us. We had eaten all but a small quantity of bread and salt meat, while our supply of fresh water was entirely exhausted. When the bread gave out, we had nothing left but the salt meat, and the inevitable consequence was scurvy. Clarke

disease, and the poor fellow did not long "The night before he died he told me some of his past history, and I learned why he was so earnest to have his seachest placed in thecutter.

with opium, and this he had exchanged with the Celestials for gold on arriving in China. This gold, amounting in value to two thousand dollars, he had in his chest, and that was the reason he was so careful " His dying request was, that if I survived and got safely to America, I would

emnly promised to do so, and ere long 1 was compelled to give the poor fellow the last sad obsequies the circumstances would allow. "I will not prolong my story. I was picked up by an American vessel, and in due time arrived in America, and was landed in New Orleans. As you may have guessed, I turned rascall—tempted by gold -and robbed the widow and the father-

essary expenses I should incur, and upon my consenting, he gave me my instruc-The widow Clarke, whom I was to find and deliver the money to, lived in the State of Indiana, near the town of T-, on the line of the T. II. and St. Louis R. R. It appears Mr. Boggs had long before ascertained the residence of the widow, and kept himself posted on her locality, as he had been years brooding upon this act |

twenty-five one-thousand dollar bills. Rather a large sum to carry on the per-

"Then it will not do for me," said I,

said it would be against orders.

However, I had no time to think of this

death came or not, I threw myself on the served as a station, and finding the sta- bed and soon was sleeping as soundly as tion-master, inquired where I could get | if I had been in the safest house in Christ-I don't know how long I slept. I had stood a short distance up the only street | a terrible dream. It is indistinct now, the village could boast of. I was told but I remember I awoke in a fright. It that I could get lodgings there, no doubt, was some time, before I again realized where I was, and the danger I had appre any money or other valuables about me, as hended. I listened intently. There was a noise-a creaking at the end of the room where I had noticed the panel. Creak! creak! creak! The noise of the opening

already entered. I sprang from the bed, and seized the foremost villian by the throat, determined to sell my life as dearly as possible. But more timid of the crew were anxious that money I had with me, if discovered, would it was three to one. My useless revolver which I was using as a club, was wrench-

house, I set off towards it at a brisk walk. While they were debating whether I ploded idea.

There came the loud talking and shouting of many voices, the tramping of heavy boots; then came blows at the door, as by an axe, and my persecutors left the room

by the panel door quicker than they came into it. tle girl, who had warned me of my danger ly listening to the conversation of the ruffians, and had learned their plans. At first she did not know how to act, but finally concluded to arouse the nearest neighbor and ask him to get help and come to the rescue. Now, it happened that a Vigilance Committee had lately formed privately, and were now in session at this neighbor's house, debating what punishment should be awarded to my landlord and his confederates for their

On hearing the girl's story they immediately rushed to the rescue, and they did not come a moment too soon. The three ruffians who had broken into my room were captured before they could

escape from the house, and taken to a lonely place near by and executed. With a grateful heart toward my deliverers, the next day I left the village where my sojourn threatened to be so fatal, and without further incident, arrived at the house of the widow Clarke and executed my mission. Of course she was greatly surprised and greatly pleased when I handed her the money, and said "she was as thankful as I could be that I hadn't been robbed and murdered." I was not

THE DEATH OF CHARLES DICKENS.

loved of the people that England has ever Charles Dickens was born at Portsmouth, England, February 7, 1812. Early in life law was selected as his profession, and he was placed in the attorney's office. The dry drudgery disgusted him, however, and before he was twenty-one he removed to London, where he embarked on a literate of the control of ary career, at first as a reporter of Parlia-mentary debates for the Morning Chronicle

The book proved a success both in England and in this country, and the dy i in the city of New York, preparing for a journey to the Far West. I had received my orders to canvass some of the leading establishments in the Western cities, so establishments in the Western cities, so Lused all despatch, arranged some private business I had, and then went to the office of my private business I had, and then went to the office of my private business I had, and then went to the office of my private business I had, and then went to the office of my private business I had, and then went to the office of my private business I had, and then went to the office of my private business I had, and then went to the office of my private business I had, and then went to the office of my private business I had, and then went to the office of my private business I had, and then went to the office of my private business I had, and then went to the office of my private business I had a revolver that was lying in 1835: "Life and Advantures of Nielson More to relieve my mind of the sole possession of a dastardly secret. I was not to relieve my mind of the sole possession of a dastardly secret. The men down stairs meditate wrong to you. You cannot leave the house now, but pray be on your guard. Are you armed."

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> try, as they then appeared to European eyes. Many of the statements given in this work were controverted, and produced a smart phillipie, under the title of Change for American notes.
> In 1844 Dickens' novel of Martin Chuz zlewit appeared, and also a work on Italian travel. In 1846 he started the Daily News newspaper, still in flourishing existence, the editorship of which he soon abandoned for the more congenial sphere of fiction. Previously, in 1843, he com-

teemed are Dombey and Son: History of David Copperfield, 1849-50; Bleak House, 1853; Little Dorrit, 1856; Our Mutual Friend, 1861; Great Expectation, etc.
In1850 he founded the popular serial magazine, called Household Words, which was subsequently merged in All the Year Round. Zell's Encyclopedia, from which we gather most of the above facts, in its statch of Dickens says: sketch of Dickens, says:
"As a public reader of his own books, and also as an amateur actor, Dickens is scarcely less distinguished than as a creator of literary characters. As a novelist, he in his own walk of fiction stands unrivaled: or, in other words, no writer who has yet appeared has succeeded in deline-ating the middle and lower strata of Eng-lish manners and character with such exquisite pathos and humerous fidelity.

Grace Greenwood, writing from Wash