A blind old man! a poor man blind!

See how he trembling stands and bowed,

Of years. His harp breathes no soft ode.

His gray head bent beneath the load

Behold my father, people kind!

O, have pity!

Nor lustre of the evening sky.

O, have pity!

He soon will hear the gentle call

Forsake him not in anywise-

Lewistown, January 12, 1857.

O, have pity!

· O, but I will though.'

that manner.'

Have pity on my father, all!

The light of day cheers not his eye,

The bitter tears that for him flow,

The hand that sweetens all his wo,

The look of love-he can not know.

From Heaven, "Come up"-and then his

Will open 'neath those brighter skies.

MISEELLANEOUS.

THE MOTHER'S LESSON.

'No, no, Laura; you must not speak in

you talk, one would suppose that I were

about to enter a nunnery instead of being

Laura Burke was a young, happy crea-

like thousands of others, she looked only

upon the pleasures of the future, and laid

enjoyment that she might secure to herself

independent of all other circumstances .-

Her mother, Mrs. Amantha Burke, had

moulded her features to its own cast .--

Upon her pale brow there were lines of

sorrow, in her deep blue eyes there was a

· Ah, Laura,' said Mrs. Burke, 'I fear

only that which may flee from you ere

you can grasp it. You forget that the life

the home of powerful experience.

unhappy trait in your disposition.'

look for a mere drudge in his wife.'

sible for your support.'

me the slave of a husband? Am I going

mother.'

me. I shall be my own mistress.'

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Scene fourth will be a display of a choice se-

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An intermission of some time will here be lowed in order to give the audience an oppor nity of examining an extensive stock of

READY-MADE CLOTHING, ell made out of good material, and cut out on

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THE HINSTBEL. The Boy Begging Alms for his Blind Fa- A good husband looks for all that is kind with internal emotion, yet he never forgot ther. Translated from the German of Kr BY I. J. STINE. " Ein blinder Mann, ein armer Mann!"

> What is the use of making such a mountain out of nothing?"

made William very unhappy.'

around your neck and shoulders-something that would protect you against the cold; and surely a husband has a right to do that.'

'And why not? Why, mother, to hear shan't rule me,'

that her daughter loved William Withinga good wife ought to be.

her plans only for the greatest amount of springing to the side of her kind parent, cut of all. and throwing her arms about her neck,

not yet passed life's autumnal equinox, for not over eight and thirty years had as yet warm and vigorous, she was still moved forever close within my own heart.' by a spirit of deep melancholy that had

side and looked wonderingly up.

'He died before I can remember.'

nance was shed the unmistakeable shad- she could speak, but at length she com- I allowed this to make me more angry gospel. He told how his heart had yearnows of thought and feelings that could manded her feelings, and laying her hand than ever, and I determined that I would ed to see his wife, and how he had forgivonly spring from a heart that had become gently upon her daughter's brow, she com- not give up that I had done wrong, and en her all she had done, and also that he

Laura, listen to me now, for I can hold Laura, I cannot tell you all that follow- for that purpose he had come back. blind eyes. You are picturing to yourself what may be your own future.

going to be. A truce to your soberness, Withington is his counterpart.

and just as far as you use your earnest | could not be happy unless I too was hap- saw-my husband again! Laura, you are too wilful and I fear that gave it little heed. I did not remember ter, and she wept aloud. even to your husband you will betray that that the wife's dominion was the home of 'And you saw him not when he died,'

But tell me, mother, would you have her earthly heaven. 'I only looked upon the surface of the grief. to be married just for the sake of having marriage relation, and when I entered up-I shall maintain all the privileges that be- pleasures as they flew past.

'Of course, the first few months of our mother dear, I cannot see what there is married life were happy, but there were uttered, 'Amen!' that should frighten you. Let me tell you clouds across our way that should never that William Withington is not the man to have gathered there. At length I came to

· Certainly, and he does it because he harsh, never unkind, and though I have hopes he shall be happy in your society. seen the big veins in his temples swell and gentle in his wife. His home is his himself so far as to use words he would refuge from the cares and business of life, wish to recall. O, God! how my heart and there he looks for the sweet peace and sinks within me as I think how blindly I content which no other spot on earth can trifled with a man's feelings. He did afford, and if he find it not there, where everything in his power to make my shall be look? O, Laura, I tremble be- home comfortable-my every wish was cause I greatly fear you will forget all this!' answered so far as it could be justly done, 'Now, mother,' uttered the half thought- and he was as careful of my health and less girl, 'you will really provoke me .- peace as he could have been of his own

"At length you were born. I call God to witness that I loved you most dearly · Hush, Laura. Only look for yourself but yet your innocent cries and your tax upon what occurred on last Sabbath even- upon my time and care, I allowed to someing. Then you betrayed a temper that times flurry me, and when my husband would beg of me to remember the precious · Well, and didn't he provoke me to it?' charge of my infant, and only smile upon (No; by no means. He only wished its care, I met him with sullen looks and you to wear a more suitable dress to the bitter words. Not long after you were born my hasband took a stand in the po-And I should like to know what busi- litical field, and his talents soon placed ness it is to him what dress I choose to him firmly in the respect and good will of the people. He was chosen a member of 'A great deal, Laura. He only request- the State Assembly, and he began to devote ed that you would wear something more much of his time to the duties which his fellow-citizens placed upon him. Instead of taking a pride in the talents of my husband, and lending him aid, I only found fault that he was away from home so filled with tears, and his utterance choked. Then let him wait till he is my hus. much. He told me the duty he owed to At that moment a low cry broke from the band, and even then I'll teach him that he his country, and spoke of the trust his lips of Mrs. Burke. The minister turned fellow-citizens had confided to him, and and caught her eye. All present wonder-Mrs. Burke gazed a moment into the that while we owed our freedom and social ed at the strange scene, but when in a handsome features of her daughter, and happiness to the just laws of the land, it moment more, the mother tottered forward married. No, I tell you no husband rules then a tear came into her eye. She knew behooved all citizens to do what they con- and sank upon the bosom of the clergysistently could to maintain those laws and man, they were lost in astonishment. ton with her whole soul; but she saw, too, provide for their execution. But I underture, just on the eve of matrimony, and that that love would fail to make her what stood nothing of the matter, and I did not bowed his head, 'Amantha!' sympathize with my husband in his pat- 'My husband! Oh, my husband! Have 'Mother, dear mother,' exclaimed Laura, riotic sentiments. This was the unkindest you come to forgive me!'

Once, when we were in company, a piness for us yet on earth?' I said it. When we returned home he embrace of her father. The fair girl sat down by her mother's reproved me for what I had done; I was At length the mystery was explained to only angry. He begged of me to remem- those who had witnessed the novel scene. 'It is of your father that I would speak.' ber his feelings. He told me I was mak- But to his wife and child alone did James ing him miserable. I didn't care. Then Burke tell of all he had suffered-how he

that you are looking into the future with up a mirror within which you may see ed; how I taunted that noble hearted man, Years passed away since that evening, how I trifled with his feelings, and how I and James Burke and his wife still live. 'I was scarcely eighteen when I gave blindly, recklessly unriveted the strong but their old age is happy-happier far my hand to James Burke. He was a links that bound his heart to me. I saw than their days of youth. And Laura, you are about to enter is one of important man of kind feelings and a warm heart, that a change had come over his counter she is indeed a noble, true-hearted wife. and I knew that he loved me truly and nance; it was deeply pale; and that his Her 'Mother's Lesson' was her salvation. .O, mother,' cried Laura, with a light faithfully; yet his feelings were impulsive, lips quivered. He went to the cradle It sank deep into her heart, burying forevringing laugh, 'don't talk to me about duty. his sense of right and wrong was keen and where you were laying, and took you up er all of evil that turked there, and send-Goodness knows, I've always had enough unmistakeable, and in every emotion he in his arms. He pressed you to his boof that. No, no, my halcyon days are was sensitive in the extreme. He held som and kissed you. I saw a tear fall and graces of the female character that do eoming. If William marries me it must his honor sacred, and to small things he from his eye, and I saw his lips move as be for what I am, and not for what I'm stooped not. Let me tell you that William if in prayer. Then he laid you back in the cradle and left the room. He came . When I married my husband I knew not back to me that night. The next day Laura, Laura, be serious now, and lis- his disposition and feelings; I loved him, I received a letter from him, in which he ten to me, for I can see the rock upon and yet I had resolved upon no plans to informed me he had placed ten thousand which your bark of happiness may be meet his wishes and make his home hap- dollars in the hands of a trustworthy per wrecked.' Mrs. Burke spoke with a seri- py. I forgot that love has its imperative son, and that I could draw the interest ous air, and the shade that passed over her duties-that the mere marriage relation semi-annually for my support. I was alcountenance showed that she felt deeply may be made the most miserable on earth most frantic with grief; my heart was alwhat she said. 'You must know that instead of being the most happy. I forgot most broken; my head whirled in agony, your happiness for the future will depend that my own happiness depended upon the but I could gain no intelligence further .upon your own exertions,' she continued, happiness of my husband, and that he From that moment, Laura, I-I-I never

endeavors for the peace and happiness of py. A very small amount of cool reflec- As Mrs. Burke ceased speaking, her your husband, will your own be gained. tion would have shown me all this, but I head sank upon the bosom of her daugh-

> her husband, and that that home should be murmured Laura, winding her arms around her mother's neck, and sobbing with

'I know not that he is dead, my child,' a man to rule me? By no means, I know on its duties I only then felt that I had returned Mrs. Burke, and as she spoke my rights better. He may be assured that nothing to do but to grasp at the transient she sank upon her knees and prayed that her daughter might be saved.

With her whole soul in the word, Laura * * *

Laura Burke stood by the side of Wilallow myself to forget some of my duties. liam Withington, and her right hand rested 'My child, you misunderstand me .- In the presence of my husband I was some- within that of the young man. It was You misconstrued my meaning. You times morose and gloomy. He gently chi- evening, and she stood there to be marknow that your husband becomes respon- ded me, but I was governed by a false, ried. There was deep happiness, calm willful pride, and would not own that I and serene. Thought reigned over her 'That's his own choice, though, is it was wrong, and I often accused him of countenance, and even the bridegroom being unfeeling toward me. He was gazed half wonderingly upon her as she

appeared so deeply impressed with the Individuals slander their betters. Persons solemnity of the occasion.

place, he having come from a distant part day, generally. In politics, there is very of the country, and at the present time little patriotism or love of country, while had assumed the duties of the pulpit for demagogues seek to mislead, and build up one Sabbath, while the regular clergyman was absent from town.

The magic words that made William and Laura man and wife were spoken, the couple awaited the parting advice and counsel of the minister. He spoke of the important duties they had taken upon themselves-of the responsibility they had voluntarily assumed. Then he fixed his eyes upon the fair bride, and while his lips trembled and his eyes gathered mois- if the present generation of men, could see ture, he said:

'To you, my fair child, I would fain give a word of more counsel. You must remember that the HOME-ALTAR is under your ministrations; and Oh! fail not to see that the purest of your affections are kept burning there, so they shall ever light with a joyous brilliancy the life you have chosen. Oh! could you but know what earthly bliss hangs upon your course, you would never-never-

The clergyman stopped. His eyes had

'Amantha!' whispered the man, as he

'Yes, yes, my wife. Is there not hap-

what makes you weep? Forgive me for gentleman spoke to me of the high posi- The mother would have spoken, but what I have said, if I can affect you thus.' tion my husband had gained, but then I she could only cling more frantically to her ·Laura, sit down by my side, and I will treated the idea of my husband's neglect- husband, and bless him that he had come tell you something that I have hitherto ing his business for such things with a back to her. None were there but who been hers. She was a woman of strange kept from you. I will open to you a page sneer. He heard me. I knew that James wept at the scene; and Laura left the side beauty, and though the flood of life was yet in my life book that I meant to have kept had never neglected his business, and yet of her new made husband to seek the

light that seemed to turn all vision inward . The tears gathered more thickly in the he assured me that he would not live with had wandered from place to place, and upon the soul, and over her whole counte- mother's eyes, and it was some time ere me if I continued to behave as I had done. how he at length became a preacher of the hade him leave me as soon as he pleased. had determined to see her once more, and

ing forth into active life all those charms most adorn the true and virtuous wife.

RASCALITY ABOUNDING. The Gospel is preached to the people

regularly, all over our country-religious papers and magazines are circulated in families, and many valuable persons set good examples before the world-but notwithstanding all this, and more, observation teaches us, that rascality abounds in all classes of society. Petty thefis are daily committed-such as robbing money drawers, stealing clothes, and dry goods, chickens, ducks, corn, and other eatables. Strolling vagabonds, dealing in counterfeit money, and diseased horses, are all over the country. Gamblers, travelling and local, and resident rogues, are all on the alert. Pious villains, with faces as sanctified as the moral law, are keeping false accounts and swearing to them, for the sake of gain. Whiskey shops are selling by the small, in violation of the law .-Drug Stores are training up drunkards in high life, and affording facilities for Sabbath drinking, which can be had no where else. The rich are oppressing the poor, and the poor are content to live in rags and idleness. Country dealers in produce. come to town and exact two prices for all they have to sell, and the owners of real estate in towns, are asking double rents, to the injury of business, and the growth of towns. Banks and Corporations, intended for the public good, have their favorites, and are partial in the distribution of favors. Families persecute and envy each other .-

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of low origin put on airs, and falsely pre-The clergyman who had come to per- tend to be more than they are. Cheating form the ceremony, was a stranger in the and misrepresentation, are the order of the their own fortunes at the hazard of ruining the country. In religion, there is more hypocrisy than grace, and the biggest scoundrels living crowd into the Church, with a view to cloak their rascally designs, and more effectually to serve the Devil!

In a word, rascality abounds, among all classes, and in all countries. The Devil is stalking abroad in open day-light, without the precaution to dress himself! And themselves in the Gospel Glass, they are as black as Hell!-Parson Brownlow.

INTERESTING RELICS.

The will of J. Sampson Simpson, a rich and prominent Jew, of New York, was filed last week. Mr. Simpson was seventy-seven years old when he died. He retrred from the practice of the law some thirty or forty years since, and purchased a farm in Yonkers, the value whereof has since risen greatly. His property is probably worth \$400,000 to \$500,000.

We present a copy of those clauses of his will which are of interest to the public. By the first clause, John H. Riker and Ansel Leo are appointed executors. By the third clause, bequests are made

to Ausel Leo " of my old Hebrew manuscript Bible, now in my possession, originally belonging to Mr. Joseph Simpson, my grandfather; also, the original correspondence between Dr. Cooper, President of Kings (now Columbia) College, Dr. Kennicott, of Oxford, and my grandfather; also, the original Hebrew letter from the Jews in China to my father, with his answer in Hebrew; also, a letter in English from a Jew in China to my father; also, a manuscript in unknown characters, entitled ·Ex domo sapientissimi comitis St. Ger. main qui orbem terrarum percucurrit. I also give to him my cabinet of minerals and fossils. And I enjoin upon him to make such disposition of my manuscripts and letters, by gift or will, that after his decease they shall not go out of his fami-

After directing the investment of \$50,-000 for the support, &c., of his nephew. Moses A. Isaacs, the will goes on to direct the payment of the principal, after his death, to a responsible corporation in New York city, existing at the death of Mr. Isaacs, "whose permanent fund is established by its charter for the purpose of ameliorating the condition of the Jews in Jerusalem, Palestine-whose duty it shall be to transmit the interest thereof to Jerusalem, to ameliorate the condition of the Jews living there, by promoting among them education, arts and sciences, and by learning the mechanical and agricultural vocations."

If no such corporation exists, and the above intention can be accomplished through the instrumentality of the Jews' Hospital in Jerusalem, or any other corporation consenting to receive the principal and apply the interest as directed, it is to be paid By the ninth clause, \$3,000 is bequeath-

ed to the Trustees of the Congregation Shearith Israel in New York city. The residue of his estate is distributed

among the decedent's relatives.

The will is dated "the 6th day of Tebeth, 5,617," corresponding with the 2d of January, 1857.

A Surplus of Doctors .- According to correspondent of the Medical World, physicians have multiplied so rapidly in this country that newly fledged M. D.'s are puzzled to find a community which require their services. They are exceedingly numerous in the Eastern cities, while the West is actually overrun with the sons of Esculapius. The writer says he has recently made an extensive exploration to and over the far off West, and finds the condition of things as stated. In all the thriving towns and settlements in Minnesota, Kansas and Nebraska, there are more medical men than patients. One or two invariably monopolize all the business worth having, but even the most celebrated are poorly compensated, while the prospect is not bettering. The writer very wisely counsels his young brethren to be-