

with a scarce perceptible delineation to the very margin of a stream, where it was

"You will not blame me that I seek happiness. He had alighted from the stage st before it entered the village, and pro to mak ceeded at once to the residence of Lucy. As Mrs. May entered the room, the wife. Oh, how much of bliss has crowded into this one anticipation, and though in-dood it will be a 'sad bridal,' it will sweetsmile on his lips faded, for her pale face en the cup of bitterness which is now told a sad tale to his heart. "Clarence, dear Clarence, you have the pressed to my lips." In a few minutes we re-entered that halwelcome of fond hearts.' "How is Lucy ? Why is your face deadlowed chamber; the light of day had faded, pale? Oh, say is she not dangerously and a single lamp was burning on the stand. Lucy was arrayed in a muslin robe 1 ! tell me"-and a thought of misery enwhich scarcely outrivalled her cheeks in tered his heart; "she is,-oh, my God, my Father in Heaven, strengthen me,-she is whiteness, save where the hectic, now heightened by excitement, flushed dying,-even now, dying !" "Nay, nay, Clarence," said the mother, Clarence seated himself by her, and she soothingly, "Lucy lives, and we must hope was raised to a sitting posture, and supfor the best; but be not alarmed if you see her face even paler than my own. Are you sadly, "'Tis a worthless offering, Clarable to bear the sight now ?" There was but little consolation to his ence. He pressed it to his fevered lip-his fears in the reply of Mrs. May. Lucy was living, but there was an anguish in the face pale and flushed by turns. The minister arose and stood before them, and in said hurriedly, "oh, take me to her at once, a few words and simple, united those two -now," and he pressed his hand on his lovely beings in a tie which all felt must throbbing brow, and then sinking on his be broken ere another sun should rise.knees, while Mrs. May knelt beside him, Yet was that tie registered and acknowledged in Heaven. he entreated God, in a voice choked with emotion, for strength to bear the trial, to As the holy man pronounced them one kiss the rod of chastisement, to receive the flesh, and lifted up his hands and voice in bitter with the sweet; and prayed that the benediction, Lucy put her feeble arms around Clarence and in a low voice murcup might pass from him, even as did his master in the days of his incarnation and mured-"My husband."

hope kindled a bright smile in his manly Lucy now motioned us from the room garden where taste and beauty reigned suand we retired. Clarence was the first to face, as he entered the little parlor, where preme-a second Eden which extended he had spent so many hours in exquisite to speak.

all who approached without being seen, and months, remained there until two o'clock in the 24 best morning. But no one came. As the time 2d best had elapsed that was set by his fair visitor, he considered himself absolved from his obligation, never doubting in the least

Best fattened hog, NO. 11.-Poultry, Best lot of Shanghai Fowls, not less than)

previous classes, except upon a recommenda For the choicest and largest assortment } of Table Vegetables. Diploma and \$ ion from the Judges. Under this general head, premiums will be awarded upon articles of ingenuity, usefulness and merit, which may be exhibited, which are provided for in the foregoing NO 19!--- Domestic Manufactures. Exhibitors must become members of the So-Farm Journal and ciety, and have their articles and animals en ered on the Secretary's Books, on or before fuesday evening, 12th of September : and all Best 10 yds. Woolen Cloth. Domestic 1 articles and animal, except Horses, must be brought within the enclosure, as early as Tues-day noon, in order that they may be suitably arranged for examination by the Judges on Wadwaday, norming Best 15 yds. Woelen Carpets, Diploma and Wednesday morning. Horses will be received on Wednesday morn

bounded by a white picket, and by a hedge of low-trimmed shrubbery, over which the eye caught the flashing waters as they swept on, glowing in the crimson radiance of the sunset. I entered the house and stepped lightly

along a carpeted passage, tapped softly at the door of the chamber of sickness-aye of death.

"Welcome, doctor," said the silvery voice of a lady, who sat by a low couch, partially hung with white drapery. "Welcome! the dear sufferer is now in a quiet slumberbut must presently awake, and one of her first enquiries will be for you." "How is your sweet Lucy now ?"

"She has been quiet and apparently com fortable all day. It is her Sabbath, doctor, as well as the worshippers who go up to the earthly courts of Zion. Oh .. she added, while the sunlight of joy irradiated her features, pale with long vigils at the bedside of her sweet Lucy, "Oh ! how full of consolation is the scene of moral life and suffering, of earthly bitterness, of expiring hope !'

"Yes my dear friend," I replied, cup of affiction is indeed sweetened from on high. I have seen death to-day clad in the robes of terror. He took from my hopeless care a victim all unprepared even after long and faithful warning; and the reconciliation of the sad struggle, the terrible anguish vanquished, the fierce triumph of the conqueror, and the piercing wail of exhausted nature, haunt my memory still; and even in this earthly paradise . cannot forget them.'

"And is poor Edwards gone at last to his dread account? Oh, how fearful !" and the gentle lady covered her face and

Some time elapsed. I lingered at the couch of Lucy till she should awake, and taking from the stand a small though elegant copy of the bible, I opened the silver clasp, and my eye caught the simple inscription of the fly leaf :--- "To my Lucya parting gift of Clarence." I had designed to read a portion of the word,

thought was for the time engrossed. I had known Lucy May from her infancy, and she was scarcely less dear to me than my own daughter. Indeed, they had grown up like twin blossoms, and were together almost every hour of the day. Seventeen summers they both had numbered-though Lucy was some months older; no brother or sister had either of them, and hence the intensity of mutual love. Their thoughts, their affections, and their pursuits were in

common. They called each other 'sister,' and their intercourse honored the endearing name.

And Clarence-the giver of this little volume in my hand-who² was he ? Clarence Hamilton was the son of my best earthly friend, and a notifier youth, in all the lofty faculties and endowments of the heart, and intellect, never rejoiced in the vigor of life and early manhood. To him had Lucy been betrothed; for more than a year, and he was now absent from the village, though we trusted that when each sun rose, that its setting would bring him back in answer to our cautious summons .-Especially had hope and expectation grown within our hearts, on that evening, yet had not a word been spoken on the subject of the widowed mother of the lovely Lucy.-At length, however, she raised her head, and observing the open volume in my hand

she said in an assumed tone of cheerfulness "I trust Clarence will come home this evening. It is now______ "Clarence ?" said the sweet patient, opening her dark eyes and looking eagerly

around. Her eye rested on her mother and myself, and with a slight 'quiver, and a sad smile, she said, "he is not come."

"No, my darling, he is not yet come; but there is more than an hour to the close of the day, and then-" "God grant he may come," said the

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anguish. He arose and with a calmer voice "My wife !" responded Clarence, and said, "I can see her now."

their lips met in a long and sweet embrace. At this moment I joined them, with Lu-We gave them congratulation, though cy's earnest request that Clarence should quick tears exchanged the sweet kiss of come to her at once. We entered the holy love and friendship. That night before the last hour, the anchamber just as Ellen had partially opened

a blind, and the last rays of sunlight gel Azriel came as a messenger of peace streamed fairly through in the room, and to that bridal chamber, and though new fell for a moment on the white cheek of foundations of earthly bliss had been opened in the heart of Lucy Hamilton, she Lucy, rendering its hue still more snowy. Alas! Clarence; as his earnest eyes' me repined not at the summons, but while hose of his betrothed,—her whom he had

heavenly joy sat on her features, and her left in the very fiush of perfection, of youthlips murmured-"peace-farewell husband ful loveliness,-now how changed ! His -mother-sister-all," her pure spirit took its flight, and her lifeless body lay in heart sank within him, and with a wild sol of anguish he clasped her pale thin fingers, and kissed her colorless lips, kneeling the the embrace of the woe-stricken but humble Clarence-who still lingers in this while at the side of her couch. weary world doing his Master's work, and "Clarence, my own Clarence," said the

waiting his will to be re-united to his answeet girl, with an effort to rise, which she gel bride in Heaven. did, supported by his arm. He spoke not -he could not-dared not speak.

Clarence, cheer up, my beloved," but her fortitude failed, and all she could do was to bury her face in her lover's bosom and weep. We did not attempt to check farmer, living in Madison county, was ri-their grief; nay, we wept with them, and ding towards his home, not far distant, he sorrow for a while had its luxury of tears observed a man and a woman by the road side, engaged in repairing tin-ware. A few unrestrained.

Clarence at length broke the silence

"Lucy my own dear Lucy! God forgive house, and after some conversation, asked ded fervently, lifting his tearful eyes to plied that he did not. She then told him 2d best, Best Single Mare, 2d best do Heaven, "Father, give us grace to bear that she had seen him on the road a few this trouble aright," and turning to me, days before, and that his appearance had added, "Doctor, oh? pray that we may made such an impression upon her mind, Best pair of Mules, have strength to meet this hour like Chris- that she was compelled to call and see him tians."

When the voice of prayer ceased, all and that she was well acquainted with its feelings were calmed, but I deemed it ad- | mysteries. She saw at once that he was visable to leave the dear patient to brief repose; and Ellen alone remaining, we re- had been born under a particular planet. tired to the parlor, where Clarence learn- and that great things might be expected of ed from us more of her illness, of her true condition, for I dared not to delude which seemed to contain a number of diahim with false hopes. "Docfor", said he, with visible anguish, an unknown tongue, a few "hocus pocus"

is there no hope?" "Not of recovery, I fear, though she

may linger some time with us, and be better than she is to-day.". "Then God's will be done," said the

oung man, while a holy confidence lighted up his face, now scarcely less pale than that of his betrothed Lucy.

Day after day the dear girl lingered, and many sweet hours of converse did the whole affair as an attempt to humbug ments in the portico of the house, and as Clarence supported her, and saw a tint of where three hat crowns full of gold had

that his money was safely deposited in the handkorohiof. Unrolling itcarefully, what washis dismay at seeing, not a roll of bank bills, and four

pieces of gold, as he had left it, but a package of brown paper and four cents, in lieu Best lot of Bannams, thereof. Even the handkerchief had been Best lot of Game Fowls, changed: instead of being his own, it was Best lot of Native or Dunghill Fowls,) one precisely similar. One of the strangest things in all this strange transaction is that a counterfeit five dollar bill that was placed in the package of money, was taken out of it, and returned in the roll of brown paper. How this was done is a mysterv ported in his arms. She placed her wasted we cannot solve. The farmer who has been Best pair of Pea Fowls hands in his, and said, half playfully, half so completely bamboozled out of \$3000, Best Caponed Turkey, we cannot solve. The farmer who has been now seeks to find some remedy at law.

Strange as this story may appear to many, we have the facts from the most undoubted authority, and we have given them just as they occurred. We can sympathize with our friend, the farmer, in the loss of his money, for he is not the first of the ed hour. masculine gender who has been, and, alas, he is not the last who will be duped by a 2d best, pretty woman.---Columbus (0.)

Journal. "Don't lay in that posture, dear," said Mrs. Partington to her nephew, who First premium to be awarded to the best) was stretched on a sofa with his heels a foot or two higher than his head. "Don't lie so; raise yourself up and put this pillow under you. I knew a young man once who had a suggestion of the brain in consequence of laying so-his brains all ran down into his head!" and with this admonition she left him to his nap in the little sitting room.

PREMIUM LIST OF THE LANCASTER COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY, For articles to be exhibited at the first Lancaster County Agricultural Fair, to be held at Co-lumbia, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday the 13th, 14th and 15th days of September, 1854. CLASS NO. 1,-HORSES AND MULES. \$12 for best Stallion for heavy draught, 2d best do do Best Brood Mare for heavy draught, 2d best do do Best Stallion for quick drg't and saddle, 122d best do do do. Best Brood Mare for quick drg't and saddle. STRANGE CREDULITY ----- A \$3000 Best Horse Colt between 2 and 4 years old, 2d best do do do Best Filly or Mare Colt between 2 and 4, About two weeks ago, as a gentleman 2d best do do do' Best Horse Colt between 1 and 2 years, Best Filly or Mare Colt, NO. 2 .-- Matched Horses. Gelding Mares. and Mules. For best Carriage Horses,

days afterwards, a woman called at his 2d best Best Gelding, 2d best Best Jack. 2d best do Best team of Mules, not less than 4, 2d best She told him that she was an astrologer, 2d hest CLASS NO. II -CATTLE. an extraordinary person, and knew that he NO. 3 .- Short Horns.

him. She then took from her apron a book 2d best do do do Best Bull between 1 and 2 years, grams, figures, &c., and read from it, in COWS.

sentences, after which, closing it and put-2d best do do ' Best Heifer between 2 and 3 years old, ting it back into its hiding place, she went into the kitchen, bought a few pounds of 2d best NO. 4. - Devons. butter of the wife of the gentleman, for BULLS

For best Bull 3 years old and upwards,

COWS. Boot Cow 3 years old and unwards. Clarence and Lucy pass together; once him. Not at all discouraged, the woman Best Heifer between 2 and 3 years, even she was permitted to spend a few mo- called again the next day, and wound up 2d best NO. 5.-Natives or Grades.

3 one Cock and two Hens Best lot of Dorking Fowls Boot lot of Poland Fowls Best lot Spanish Fowls, do Best lot of Jersey Blues, Best lot of Bucks County Fowls, do do Best lot of Malay or Chitagong Fowls, do not less than 5, Best lot of Poultry owned by Exhibitor, Largest Collection of Fowl Best pair of Capous, Best pair of Turkeys, Wild Geese Muscovy Ducks, Common Ducks. Best pair of Pea Fowls.

plowman, 2d best plowman,

the time of entry.

Best Farm Wagon,

Best Corn Cultivator.

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Diploma and

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2d best do Best Hay rigging,

2d best do Best Grain Drill,

Best Harrow,

2d best do

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CLASS NO. V.

Best pair Linen Knit 2d best do do Best pound of Linen sewing thread, 2d best do do NO. 20.—Household Manufactures. Best Ornamental Needlework, CLASS NO. IV. 2nd best do Best artificial flewers, NO. 12.-Plowing Match. The plowing Match will take place

on 21 best do 2:m- Best variety Worsted work, Thursday morning, at 9 o'clock. Persons come best variety Worsted worl peting in the plowing match, will have their i 21 best do do Teams hitched and in readiness at the appoint. Best Fancy Needlework, 2d best d Best Quilt, 1st premium to be awarded for the best plow, \$5 4.2d hest. Best Counterpane,

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2d best,

2d best

do white seed corn,

do

CLASS NO. VIII

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Best lot of Silk Cocoons.

2d best do Farm Best pair of Woolen Blankets,

2d best do Best Rag Carpets, 15 yards,

2d best do Best pair Woolen Kuit Stockings,

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Best Double Coveriets

Manufacture, Diploma and

2d best do First premium to be awarded to the best) 4 2d best do 1
Articles of Domestic Manufacture to be made
5 in the family; and in all cases, the exhibitor
8 must furnish evidence that they are so manu6 factured. And no article manufactured in Factories, or out of the family, will be received in
9 title of the family. plow boy under 18 years. 2d best plow boy under 18 years, either of the classes of Domestic Manufacture the name of the plowman must be giv-en as well as the kind of plow to be used, at NO. 21.-Manufactures other than Domestic. Best niece of black Broadcloth, American man ufacture, 20 yards, Diploma Best piece blue Broadcloth, American manu facture, 20 yards, Best piece of woolen Carpet, manufactured i Factories, 20 yards, Best piece of Satinett, 20 yards, Diploma Best piece of Satinett, 20 yards, Diploma NO. 13 -Farm Implements, No. 1 of Bleached cotton shirting } Diploma 30 vards, do 30 yds. Diploma unbleached Farm Journal bleached cotton sheeting } Diploma Diploma and 30 yards, unbleached Diploma and Farm Journa do 30 yds. · pair woolen Blankets, " variety of Flannel, Bestlot of men, women and children's Best seed planter, for horse or hand) power for hills or Drills, Diplo-ma and Boots and Shoes, Diploma and 2d best do Best lot of men and women's Saddles ? 8 2d best do do do 12 Best Cultivator for general purposes and Bridles. Diploma and 2d best, Best Traveling Trunk, Diploma and Best broadcast sown. Diploma and 2d best do Best Carriage, Buggy, and Hunting Wagon. Best specimen of Cabinet ware, Diploma and 2d best do

2d best do Best improved Bedstead, do Diploma and 2d best do Best improved School Desks and Chairs, 2d best do do Best lot of Sole, Harness and Upper Leather. 2d best do Best lot of Calf Skins, dressed, 2d best do CLASS NO. IX. NO. 22.- Agricultural Productions of Field Farm Journal Crops. WINTER PREMIUMS. For best 5 acres of Corn, 8 Best acre of Corn, "5 acres of Wheat, NO. 14.-Farm Implements No. 2. acre of Wheat, 5 acres of Ryc,

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acre of Rye, 5 acres of Barley, Farm Journal acre of Barley, 5 acres of Oats, Farm Journal, or 1 Farm Journal acre of Oats, Diploma acre of Timothy Seed, Farm Journal acre of Clover Seed, acre of Irish Potatoes, Farm Journal and acre do acre of Carrots, NO. 15.-Farm Implements and Machinery. \$8 do Farm Journal and 4 acre Sugar Beets. acre Maogel Wurtzel, acre Turnips, A acre Tobacco. Competitors for premiums for the above agricultural productions, must produce a ful statement of the mode of cultivation, and ac

company the same with a certificate of two re-spectable men as to the product and measurement of the ground, and also exhibit a sample of each crop at the annual meeting of the Soci-ety in Lancaster on the second Tuesday in January next, when the premiums will be award-ed.

the bat must be entered previously. The managers doubt intend to assure ary exhibitor, who neglects these requirements, that his article can be passed upon by the Judges while every effort will be made to

secure the examination and proper notice of ev-ery article on exhibition. Justice to those who comply with the rules of the Society, , requires that they shall, in all cases, first receive atten tion. Res Persons are de-ired to forward to the

Secretary at Lancaster, previous to the 6th of September, their entries of what they intend to exhibit. Articles or animals removed from the ground

before the close of the Exhibition, (except by permission of the President,) dannot receive a premium, though awarded. Adimals and arti les entered for exhibition will have cards cies cutered for exhibition will have cards attached, with the No. as cartered at the busi-ness office; and it is desired that Exhibitors should in all cases, obtain their cards of No. and class, previous to placing their stock or articles on the grounds. All persons who intend to exhibit Horses, Could Shoen or Fring, or the intend to for

Cattle, Sheep or Swine, or who intend to offer Stock for sale, should notify the Secretary of such intention, on or before the 9th of Septem-ber, and leave with him a list and full descripion of such stock, in order that proper arrange ments may be made for their adcommodatic ments may be made for their adcommodation. Applicants for premiums are particularly requested to pay attention to the directions attached to the list of premiums for fat cattle, fat sheep, milch cows, &c., and the statements required from exhibitors of those articles, must be lodged with the Secretary before the 6th of Seutember:

September: When anything is exhibited to the Judges, which they shall devia meritorious, but beyond their power to award a premium to, they will . Diplom furnish a note of the same to the Committee of fiscretionary premiums, for their consideration \$2

ind action. No animal or article can take more than one premium. All productions placed in competi-ior for premiums, *must* be the growth of the competitor. When there is but one exhibitor, although he

may show several min is in a class, or sub, division of a class, only one premium will be awarded; that to be the first, or otherwise, as the merit of the animal or article may be ad-judged. And a premium will pot-be awarded, when the animal or article is not worthy, though here be no competition. Hay and Straw will be furnished gratis, for

all animals entered for premiums; and grain will be provided at lowest cost price, for those who desire to purchase.

PAYMENT OF PREMIUMS. The premiums awarded will be paid by the Treasurer, at his office on the grounds, till the close of the day, and on Saturday following at

the same place. All cash premiums will then be paid and de-livered, if called for Persons to whom premiums may be awarded, \$10 are informed that utless they call for their pre-miums at the Fair, application must be made by letter, or otherwise, to Christian H. Lefe-

by letter, or otherwise, to Christian H. Lefe-ver, at Lancaster, with whom, the Book of Awards will be left. The Secretary will forward the Diplomas awarded, in such mauner as may be directed by the persons entitled to receive them.

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS. The Managers will take every precaution in their power for the safe preservation of stock and articles on exhibition after their arrival and arrangement upon the grounds : but will not be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur. They will expect exhibitors to give per-sonal attention to their articles, and at the close of the Fair to attend to their removal; and when the Fair is announced as closed, on Fri-day, after the Address, exhibitors, or their agents, will be required to take charge of their articles, as the Society can take no further articles is a state society can take and the society of the s

care of them. Mr. Amos S. Green will give attention to all articles for Exhibition, directed to his care, at Columbia, previous to the 11th of September : and on that day and until the close of the Fair a porson will be in attendance at the railroad at Columbia o take charge of articles intended for Exhibition and have them conveyed to and from the Fair Ground, free of expense to

Exhibitor. By Order of the Board of Mauagers.

CLASS NO. X.

Diploma and Best Weighing Machine for general Farm purposes, Best lot of large Scales, Best portable Cider Press, Diploma and

2d best do Farm Best Scythe and Snathe, Diploma and

2d best do Best Threshing Machine, Diploma and

Best arrangement for raising water, } 8 other than pumps, 2d best do do do \$8 Best Hay and Cattle Weighing Scales,

\$8 Best Mowing or Reaping Machine, Di-)

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Best Sweep Horse Power,

Best Pump for Wells, 2d best do Best o

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2d best do Best Roller, for general use, 2d best do Best Clod crusher and Roller combined, 2d best do Best Fanning Mill, 2d hest do do Best Hay and Straw cutter, Diploma and 2d best do Best Vegetable cutter, \$8 2d best do Best Clover huller, 2d best do Best Horse Rake, 2d best do Best Corn sheller, horse power, do do Diploma and 2d best do do Diploma and Best Corn sheller, hand power, do and 2d best do

For best Wagon Harness for Farm, 2d best do Best Cart Gears, 2d best do For best Churn, BULLS. \$8 Best Grain Cradle.

For hest Bull, 3 years old and upwards,

Best Cow 3 years old and upwards,

on her first visit, the farmer paying but lit-

which she paid liberally, and went on her way. A day or two afterwards, the woman called again reiterating what she had said best Bull between 1 and 2 years, 2d best do do Best Bull between 1 and 2 years, 2d best do do do do A day or two afterwards, the woman

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