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THE OLD BACHELOR

The Bachelor's lonely chap The macnetor's nonety charp.
No gentle wife has he
To have, his slippers warm at night, Or pour a cup of iea;
Though cold may blow the wintry wind, And cheerless are the streets. He wanders forth to look upon. s friends' much envied sweets.

The "blues" ne'er trouble married men. O'er him they have control ; Poer luckless wight! from morn to night The gout disturbs his soul; And if he goes up to his room His grate is full of rust; His pocket full of emptiness. is clothes are ful. of dust.

Now look upon the married man-What sight can be more fair? He has - what bachelors have not-An independent air, He has no fear that he will die For want of proper care; In pain or health, he knows that he Vill get the best of fare.

tee him in his parlor now. The fender 'neath his feet ; He's reading to his wife the news-The picture looks complite! Plenty, health and ease are his, And all the joys of life, He knows he have the sympathy Of his children and his wife.

Trom the French of Hoistem

THE MUTE WITNESS: OR THE DOG AND THE ASSASSIN

BY MRS. A SOULE

Wasestraveling in 1787, through the beautiful art of Leipzig. I observed about a half a league from the gate of the town a few rods from the highwas, a wheel, and the bones, of a chained corpse consel to the gaze of every passer.

The following is the history of that criminal, as canted a from the tips of the judge who conducted me mal, and condemned him to be broken alive. A German buscher being benighted in the midst aftest, his his way, and while endeavoring to the mad was attacked by three highwaymen-He was on horseback and accompanied by a large of the other obbers seized the horse by the by lewline two others dragged the butcher from esallle and feiled him. The dog leaped imnedia ely upon one of them and strangled him the other wounded the animal severely that he shed into the thicket, uttering the most fearful alpast wounded the dog and falling was despatchby the thiref, who found upon him a large sum a gold, a silver watch and a few other articles of

The next morning, two wood cutters, happening tem. They examined them, and endeavored to estore life, but in vain. One of them dressed the rounds of the dog, gave him some food, and sought ome water for him, while the other hastened to e nearest village to inform the magistrate of the sovery. The officer accompanied by several dendants, was soon on the spot; a surgeon exammed the wounds of the three bodies; they drew presbal process and interred them.

The dog had dragged himselt, in the course of denight, when all was quiet, to the corpse of his maser, where he was found the next morning.-He allowed his new friends to dress his wounds, and as it foreseeing that he must consent to live hat he might one day avenge the murdered; he sked on quiety while they dug the grave and had be mountably, and resisted all the efforts of ped at all who came near him, except the woodman who had tended him. He bore his caresses. but no souner d d the man attempt to take his paw bremove him from the grave, than he gnashed steeth and would have wounded him severely if he had not quickly fled. Every one admired the fidelity of the dog and when the woodman ofesticulty he was induced to accept the money; but he finally did, and from that moment burdened timself with the care of his new pensioner.

The details of this horrible event were publishel in the principal journals of the country. M. Meyer, a brother of the butcher's, reading some ime afterwards the advertisement of the magistrate hasiened instantly to his presence, saying he had fears which he believed now were only too well founded, that his brother had fallen into the hands of robbers, as he had left home with a large sum in sally could med when the magistrate related to him his hands, and evinced numerous other demonstrations of greet and joy. By different parts of his yer sowl, ye can't vote!"—Post. diess, Meyer recognized the body of his brother when they disinterred it. The absence of the gold disappearance of the horse, convinced the ma- the week.

gistrate and the witnesses that the deceased had not only been assailed by the two, but also by one or several others, who had fled with the horse and the

Having obtained permission M. Meyer, removed his brother's corpse to his native village and interred it in the adjoining cemetery. The faithful dog followed the body, but by degrees became attached to his new master.

Every effort was made by the most diligent search and the offer of immense rewards, to discover the assassins. But in vain; the horrible tragedy remained an enigma.

Two years had passed away, and all hopes of solving the mystery vanished, when M. Meyer received a letter urging him to repair without delay to Leinzig to close the eyes of his maternal uncle, who desired to see him before he died. He imbrother's dog, who was his companion at all times-He arrived too late. His relative had deceased the previous evening, bequeathing him a large fortune He found the city crowded, it being the season of the great fair held regularly there, twice a year.

While walking one morning on the public square attended as usual by his dog, he was astonished to behold the animal suddenly rush forward like a flash. He dashed through the crowd and leaned furiously upon an elegantly dressed young man, who was seated in the center of the square, upon an elevated platform erected for the use of those spectators who desired seeing the shows. He held him by the throat with so firm a grasp, that he would soon have strangled him, had not aid been instanty rendered They immediately chained the log thinking of course he must be mad, and strove to kill him. M. Meyer rushed through the crowd, arrived in time to rescue his faithful friend, calling eagerly in the meantime upon the bystanders to arrest the man, for he believed his dog recognised n him the murderer of his brother.

Before he had time to explain himself the young man profiting by the tumult escaped. For some moments they thought Meyer himself was mad, and he had great difficulty in pursuading those who had bound the dog, that the faithful creature was not in the least dangerous, and begged earnersly of House of Representatives. them to release him that he might pursue the assassin. He spoke in so convincing a manner that his hearers finally felt persuaded of the truth of his assertions and restored the dog to his freedom, who joyously bounded to his master, leaped a few times, and then hastened away.

He divided the crowd and was soon hoon hi enemy's track. The police, which on these occasions is very active and prompt, were immediate. ly informed of this extraordinary event and a number of officers were soon in pursuit. The dog became in a few moments the object of public curiosity, and every one drew back to give him room. The butcher, who by this time had disen- Business was suspended, and the crowd collected ned himself from the grasp of the second robber in groups conversing of nought but the dog, and his kinde and killed him. But at the same the murder which had been committed two years

Alter an hours expectation, a general rush indicated that the search was over. The man had siding in the vicinity of Worcester, was picking stretched himself upon the ground, under the hea- blackberries in a field near her house, having with Take It-plundered the corpse, leaped upon the vy tolds of a double tent and believed himself hid- her, her only child, a bright eved fille fellow of den. But in spite of his fancied security, the aven- less than a year old. The babe sat upon the ground ger had tracked him and leaping upon him, he bit in an open space, amitsing itself with grasping at a a that path were surprised to find three dead bod- him, tore his garments and would have killed him clump of yellow weed that grew within reach, and es and a large dog, who seemed to be garding upon the spot, had not the assistants rushed to his eating berries that were brought him from time to

He was immediately arrested, and led with M. happened two years before and insisted upon the and thinking he must be safe as long as he was so imprisonment of the man, declaring that he was the happy, she remained a little longer where she was. murderer of his brother for his dog could not be dethe latter, the judge was not satisfied with his refound upon him a large sum in gold, some jewels, and five watches, four of them gold and very valwe and drank but would not leave the spot. He uable, while the fifth was an old silver one, of but little consequence. As soon as Meyer saw the last. a wel them to bury the bodies; but as soon as he declared it to be the same that his brother wore the last was replaced, he stretched himself upon it, the day he left home, and the description of his upon his, and nearing him by an almost impercenwatch published months previously, corroborated lible motion! bystanders to induce him to move. He snap- his assertions. The robber had never dared expose it, for fear it would lead to his detection, as he was

all the principal journals of Germany. legal proceedings of eight months, the murderer was condemned to be broke alive and his corpse level to carry him tood and water every day, that to others. On the night preceding his execution, he might not pensh, the magistrate proposed ta- he confessed, amongst other crimes, what till then is 3 up a collection to renumerate the man, who he always denied, that he was the murderer of ment, and all would be lost! What could be done? was poor and the tather of a large family. With Meyer's brother. He gave them all the details above related and declared that he always believed that the accursed dog died of his wounds. "Had snake with it, and stood upon it to prevent his esit not been for him," he repeated several times, " I cape. should not have been here. Nothing else could have discovered me, for I had killed the horse and led to one side, and began to sob. At the same time

buried him with all that he wore "

" BUT TE CAN'T VOTE."-Great was the amazement and dismay among the Irish laborers when gold for the purchase of beeves and had not since the steam-shovels were first put an operation on a been heard from. His suspicions were only too certain section of the Vermont Central Railroad, and one of the sturdiest of the Hibernians, after gaz- care of your spirits and conduct and your reputation the singular conduct of the dog which he described ling at his buge rival for a few moments, thus apos will take care of your self. The utmost that you Meyer, accompanied by the officer and several trophised the enemy: "Well, faith, ye are a big omers repaired to the grave. As soon as the dog det it of a baste, and mighty strong in the arrams; Perceived his maste's brother, he howled, lapped may be, now, ye think yerself as good as an Irishman, but (with a look of ineffable contempt) d-m

and the watch, the wounds of the butcher and his that a number of ourang outangs can be seen pass. shield against its ills however things might go amiss, dust of the two other bodies, together with ing along Washington street, every pleasant day in and the world frown against me, it would be a

Dick Dalley's Great Stamp Speech.

FELLOW CITIZENS :-This are a day for the poperlation of Boonville, like a botitailed pullet on a Orleans, mentions an incident of thrilling strangeness rickety hen-roost, to be lookin' up. A crisis has ar- and one very descriptive of the Western hunter, riven—an somethin's bust! Where are we! Here | many of whom marched to the defence of New Or-I is, and I'd stand here and expirate from now till the day of synagogues, if you'd whoop for Daily ed Andrew Jackson. Fellow Citizens-Jerusalem's to pay, and we hain't got any pitch. Our hyperbolical and majestic canal of creation has onshipped her rudder, and the captain's broke his neck, and the cook's div to the depth of the vasty deep, in search of dimund! Our winwam's torn to pieces, like a shirt on a brush fence, and cities of these ere latitudes is a vanishin' in a blue flame. Are such things to be dil ? I ask you in the American Eagle, who whipped the shuggy headed Lion of Great Britain; and now site mediately hastened thither accompanied by his a roostin' on the magnetic telegraph, if such doins is goin' to be conglomerated ! I repeat to you in mountains, if we's goin' to be extemporaneously bigyogged in this tashion !

O. answer me! Let me not bust in tenorance." as shakapeel says. Shall we be bamdoozlefied

ranks and bear me through.

out with a mill grab if I won't stick to yer like brick dust to a bar of soap. Where is my opponent ! No where! I was bro't up among ye, feller citizens, of General Coffee had opened upon us, and tore and sail, you then have \$18,000 per day thrown and papped in a school house, but he can't git me with his hifaulin' words. Hictum, albranto, catnip, Brazeel, Toglooney, and Baffins Bay! What do you thing o' that !

" Go it porkey-root hog or die !" as Shakapeel said when Caesar stabbed him in the

Feller Citizens-'Lect me to Congress and I'll abolish mad-dogs, musketeers, and bad cents, and Our eves were rivetted upon him; at whom had in fast fishing. On each line is attached the hook go in for the annihilation of niggers, camp meetings he levelled the piece? But the distance was so and jails. I'll repudiate crows, and flustifiben great that we looked at each other and smiled.horks. I'll have barn raisins every day-Sundays We saw the rifle flash, and my right hand companexcepted=and littuor enough to swim a skunk -Yes, feller citizens, 'lect me to Congress, and I head of a rigiment, fell from his saddle. The hunshall be led to exclaim in the sublime the terrific ter paused a few moments, without moving the language of Bonaparte, when preachin in the wil- gun from his shoulder, then reloaded, and assumed dernese-" Richard's himself again !"

On, then, onward to the polls-" gallop apace with anti spasmodic yells for Daily. Cock your another victim. Once more, the hat rim was thrown of silver, or a piece of the mackerel itself. When muskets, I'm comin.

" Hence ye Brutes, broad axe and glary!"

A RATTLESNAKE STORY - Last fall, a woman to

time by his mother.

The latter, at length, intent upon gathering the Meyer and the dog, then carefully bound, before fine fruit, passed around a rock which hid herchild the judge, who hardly knew what to think of so ex from view. She was about to return to him, when raordinary an affair. Meyer related all that had hearing him laughing and crowing in great glee.

Suddenly the little voice ceased, and after anothceived. During all the time it was found almost er minute's delay, the young mother stepped upon impossible to hold the animal who seemed deter- the rock and looked over, expecting to see her babe mined to attack the prisoner. Upon interrogating asleep; and instead of which, he was sitting perfectly motionless, his lips parted, and his wide thies and ordered him to be searched. There was open eyes fixed with a singular expression upon some object which at first she was unable to dis-

> Yet who can judge of her horror when on closer scruting she perceived, some four feet from the in. gathering around us, and shutting the spectral hunfant, a rattlesnake, with his glittering eyes fastened ter from our gaze. We lost the battle; and to my

zed her, that for an instant she half believed the duties; and when, at last, we became enshrouded us not evade the point of these remarks, by recurrwell aware it had been described very minutely in dreadful fascination had extended to herself: but in the smoke, the work was completed, we were ing to the maxim about allowance for temper. In short after the most minutely and convictive salvation to her child, he was inevitably lost, in some degree restored her powers. She glanced wildly around for something that might be used as to ren ain chained upon the wheel as an example a weapon, but nothing appeared, and already the venomous reptile had passed over half the space which divided him from his victim. Another mo-In her hand she held a broad tin pan, and spring-

ing from the rock, quick as thought she covered the

which I beheld before entering the city of Leipzig. | cause of her terrible fright was dispatched. A Good NAME -- Always be more solicitous to preserve your innocence than concerned to prove it. It will never do to seek a good name as a pri mary object. Like trying to be graceful, the effor to be popular will make you contemptible. Take

are called to do se the guardian of your reputation

is to remove injurious asperations. TASTE YOR READING .- Il I were to pray for a taste which should stand me instead under every variety of circumstances and be a source of happi COMPLINENTARY.-The Boston Mail says ness and cheerfulness to me through life, and a taste for reading.

incident in the battle of New Orleans.

A British officer, who was in the battle of New leans, as volunteers in the army under the renown

"We marched," said the officer, 4 in a solid col.

umn of twelve thousand, in a direct line upon the wise, be judged with the most heartless scrutiny. " It was a strange sight, that long range of cotton bales-a new material for breast-work-with the the name of the peacock of liberty, when he's flew crowd of beings behind, their heads only visible the coast of Prince Edward's Island, the Magdalen in over the could-capped summits of the Rocky above the line of defence. We could distinctly see Islands and Northumberland Straits, are considered their long rifles laying over the bales, and the batwith such unmittigated oudaciousness? Methinks I most, was the figure of a tall man, standing on the ly anchored, the lanterns light on each vessel and hear you yelp-" No sir, hoss fly!" Then 'lect | the breast-works, dressed in linsey-woolsey, with swung upon the shrouds, one may fancy they are me to Congress, and there'll be a revolution sure. buskskin leggins, and a broad brimmed felt hat, that | looking upon some huge city lying in repose, with Fellow Citizens-If I was standin' on the ada- fell around the face, almost concealing his features. its lamps all trimmed and burning. mantine throne of Jubiter, and the lightnin' was a He was standing in one of those picturesque grace clashin' around me, I'd continue to spout! I'm full ful attitudes, peculiar to those natural men, dwellof the bilin' lather or Mount Etny, and I wont be ers in forcests. The body rested on the left leg, and large item in the expense of carrying on the trade quenched! I've sprung a leak, and must howl like swayed with a curved line upward; the right arm This is either herring, porgies, or clams, well salted a bear with a sore head. Flop together—jump into was extended, the hand grasping the rifle near the and cleansed, put up expressly for the purpose. muzzle, the butt of which rested near the toe of his The average cost of it is about three and a half dol-Feller Citizens-You know me, and rip my lungs right foot, while with the left hand he raised the lars per barrel, at least two barrels of which are

tensely upon our advancing column. The cannon

continued to advance unwavering and cool, as if

"The roar of cannon had no effect upon the figure

nothing threatened our progress.

standing upon the cotton bales, but he seemed fixed and motionless as a statue. At last he threw raised the rifle to his shoulder, too aim at our group. ion, as noble a looking fellow as ever rode at the certain death. Gen Coffee's battery, and thousands ty. of musket balls playing upon our ranks, we cared not for-there was a chance of escaping unscathed -but to know every time that rifle was leveled towards us, and its bullets sprang from the barrel one of us must surely fall; to see the gleaming sun flash as the deadly iron came down, and see it rest motionless as if poised upon a rock, and know when the hammer struck, and the spark flew to the fall primed pan that the messenger of death drove unerringly to its goal-to know this and still march on, was awful. I could see nothing but the tall figure standing on the breast-works-he seemed to grow, phantom like, higher and higher, assumeing through the smoke, the supernatural aphe reload and discharge and reload and discharge with indiscribable pleasure that I behell, as we mind, the Kentacky riflemen contributed more to our defeat than anything else, for weile he remain-

tack. We lost the battle." So long as thousands and thousands of rifles remain in the hands of the people—so long as men come from their childhood able, ere the down appears upon the chin, to hit the centre of a mark or strike the deer, at one hundred and fifty yards, in no law but that of right, and the honorable obser-The charm was broken; the child moved, sway- | vance of friendly intercourse, America is unconque- | bathing, as not only a requirement of health, and the mother recovered her voice and screamed for He expired on the wheel and his was the corpse aid, retaining her position till it arrived, when the Allegheny Mountains, would be able to subdue the lowing directions to those who choose rivers and prairie, and mighty rivers of the west,

> RAILROAD DIALOGUE .- Railroad Official -" You'd etter not smoke sir !" Traveler-That's exactly just what my friends

Railroad Official-but you must not smoke here

Traveler-So my doctor tells me. Railroad Official-(indignant)-but you shant mokesir!

Traveler-" Ah! just what my wife says sir." If two hogsheads make a pipe, how many would

make a cigar ! a oak leg said when the mad dog bit it.

The Mackerel Fisheries.

Probably but few are aware of the great extent of the mackerel and other fisheries of this country It has been estimated that during the symmer months, or tather between June and November, more than twenty thousand vessels are constantly engaged in the different kinds of fisheries, employ- ity." ing no less than 250,000 men. By a treaty with Great Britain, American vessels are allowed the American defences. I belonged to the staff; and privilege of fishing within certain limits of th Gulf as we advanced, we watched through our glasses of St. Lawrence, and the quantity of fish taken from the position and arrangements of our enemy, with this place alone, is truly astonishing. The coast of intensity an officer only feels when marching in Newfoundland yields its codfish to the hardy sailor the jaws of death with the assurance that, while he from May until December, while the better class thus offers himself as a sacrifice to the damands of of mackerel are taken from August to October -his country, even action, be he successful or other. | Many mackerel, however, of a proper class are taken along the South shore of our own country prior to this, but as a general thing they are deemed worthy of little notice. The bay of Chaleur, along the choicest mackerel grounds. Here the fleet of tery of General Coffee directly in our front, with its vessels congregate at one time will often amount great mouths garing towards us, as if waiting to de- to two thousand sail, although as a general thing your us, and the position of Gen. Jackson, with his not more than from two to four hundred vessels staff around him. But what attracted our attention | sail in company. At nights, when the fleet is safe

The bate alone, which is ground up and thrown to the fish to keep them about the vessel, is a very rim of his hat from his eyes, and seemed gazing in- thrown away per day in good fishing. Allowing at the time we are in the Gulf there were two thousthrough our ranks with dreadful staughter; but we away to the fishes, or say \$100 per vessel for each | Tribunc. trip which is below the actual amount, and we thus have the enormous sum of \$200,000.

The method of taking the mackerel is very sim ole. The Vessel is "hove to," and men are arranged on the "windward" side as many as can back the rim over the crown with his left hand, conveniently stand from bow to stern. Each man is provided with four lines, only two can be used which is sunk into an oblong bit of lead called a "jig" A barrel is placed behind each man, into which the fish are "snapped," as caught, the jiw

tearing out as easily as though made of paper .-Oweing to this tenderness of the law, the fish must be hauled very carefully, though with grea rapidity. One man stands 'amidships,' throwing his former attitude. Throwing the hat rim over his the bait which has been carefully ground, to keep eyes, and again holding it up with his left hand, he | the fi-h about the vessel while the hooks are batter firy loosed steeds," and make the welkin' tremble fixed his piercing gaze upon us, as if hunting out with any tough substance, either park rind, a bit back, the gun raised to the shoulder. This time the fish bite rapidly, no sport is more exciting, a we did not smile, but cast short glances at each oth- dozen men will often catch from thirty to filty barflashed, another of us dropped to the earth. There ed, scrapped, washed in three waters, and then salt. was something most awful in thus marching on to ed-the whole being done with astonishing celeri-

Peace at Home -It is just as possible to keep -most of us had walked as coolly upon batteries calm house a a clean house, a cheerful house, an a hundred times more destructive without quaiting orderly house, as a furnished house, if the heads set themselves to do so. Where is the difficulty o consulting each other's weakness as well as each other's wants : each other's tempers, each others characters? Oh! it is by leaving the peace a home to chance, instead of pursuing it by system, that so many houses are unhappy. It deserves no tice, also, that almost any one can be conteous and naticut, in a neighbor's house. If anything go wrong, or be out of tune, or is disagreeable there, it is made the best of, not the worst; even efforts are made to excuse it, and show it is not felt, it is attributed to accident, not to design; and this is not pearance of some great spirit of death; again did outy easy, but natural, in the house of a friend. I will not, therefore, believe that what is so natural his rifle with the same unfailing result; and it was in the house of another, is impossible at home. but maintain without fear, that all the courtises of soneared the American lines, the sulpherous cloud cial life may be upheld in domestic societies. A husband as willing to be pleased at home, and as anxious to please as in his neighbor's house, and a day to her family, as on set days to her guest, The sight of her darling's perils so nearly paraly | ed to our sight, our attention was drawn from our | could not fail to make their own home happy. Let giving way to it. Fits of ill humor punish us quite as much, if not more, than those they are vented upon; and it actually requires more effort, and inflicts more pain to give them up, then would be re. real 2-that poor dear mother is working heiself to quisite to avoid them.

> Barning.-Bathing, after some fashion or anoththe most vital part; so long as there is a great pro- er, may be regarded as the instinctive gratification partion of the republic who live free as wild Indians | common to all living beings. It is a law imposed know no leader but their own choosing, knowing by nature on all perspirable creatures. Historic precedent and contemporaneous psage is in favor of able-and all the armies of the combined world, cleanliness, but as a pleasure and recreation. A4 though they might drive them from the east of the the bathing season is now upon us, we give the folfree-souled hunter amongst the mountains and great the sea for their ablutions, as a means to prevent from it, the more clear and fruitful it will be. If accidents by drowning. "Many are drowned by raising their arms above water, the unbuoyed weigh of which decress the head. Other animals have neither motion nor ability to act in a similar manner, therefore swim naturally. When a man falls into deep water, he will rise to the surface, and will continue there, if he does not elevate his hands If he moves his hands under water in any way he pleases, his head will rise so high as to allow him liberty to breathe, and if he will use his legs in the act of walking (or rather walking up stairs,) his shoulders will rise above the water, so that he may use less exections with his hands, or apply them to some other purpose."

> "Wood is the thing after all," as the man with Ir you grant a favor forget it; if you rec. ité one seats, ladies and gentlemen, I think no more of remember in

Ventilation

"Why," tays Thickscull " whence comes all this clamor about Ventilation ? If so vital a mater, why didn't the want of it kill them I'd like to know ! I mistrust : it's one of the new familed isms, and closely allied to Socialism and infidel-

Most conservative Thickscull your forefathers did not thrive in the absence of ventilation but because they had it. It is precisely because we have all departed, necessarily and irrevocably, from their habits that selected attention to ventilation had ecome so necessary. They lived far more in the open air and less in crowded assemblages than the present generation does; they sat around huge fireplaces which voraciously suckled the vitiated air up the chimney. They slept oftenest in spacious unpartioned chambers and garrets, whence the stars were visible through the crevices in the sides and rouf Such bedrooms needed no ventilators-need none now. The mischief is that you can not have them, or will not sleep in them. The hospitable old fireplace has been narrowed and lowered, or has given place to a stove or furnace; the bedroom is ceiled and papered; the doors are listed. the floors caulked, and the modern house, though in some respects more commodious and comfortable, is far less healthful and invigorating than those it has supplanted. Hence the necessity for special regard to ventilation.

There were hovels and dens of old, where the poor herded in an atmosphere fouler, if possible, than that of our modern churches during pervice. and our mansions on soirce nights; and from these Spotted Fever, Black Death, Plague, and other perilences went forth to devastate the world. If you want these results of the wisdom of our ancestors back again, just blunder on in defiance of the monitions of science respecting respiration and air, and you will probably be accommodated .- New York

A FRAGMENT .- Swittly glid our years-they follow each other like waves of the ocean. Memory calls up the person we once knew-the scenes in which we were once actors; they appear before the mind like phantoms of a night vision. Behold the body rejoicing in the glory of his soul-the wheels of time cannot roll to rapidly for him-the light of hope dances in his eye-the smile of expectation plays upon his tips-he looks forward for ong years of joy to come, his spuit burns within him when he hears of great men, and mighty deeds -he wants to be a man; he longs to mount the hill of ambition, to tread the path of honor, to hear the shouts of applause. Look at him again, he is now in the meridian of life, care has stamped the wrinkles on his brow, disappointment has dimmed the lustre of his eye, sorrow has thrown its gloom upon his countenance, he looks back upon the waking dreams of youth, and sighs for its futility; each revolving year seems to diminish his happiness, and he discovers that the season of youth where the pulse of anticipation beats high, is the season of enjoyment,

Who is he of the aged locks? His form is benand tottery-his footsteps move more rapidly to: wards the tomb-he looks back upon the past-his days appear to be few, he confesses that they were evil, the magnificence of the great is to him vanity; the hilarity of youth, folly; he considers how soon the gloom of death must shadow the one, and disappointment the other, the world presents little to attract, and nothing to delight him, still, however, he would linger in it, and still he would lengthen out his days-though of "beauty's bloom, of tancy's flash, of music's breath," he is forced to exclaim, "I have no pleasure in them." A few years of infirmity, insanity and pain, must consign him to idiocy or the grave-yet this was the gay, the generous, the high-souled boy, who beheld his ascending path strewed without a thorn. Such is human life, but such cannot be the ultimate destinies of

IDLE DAUGHTERS .- "It is," says Mis. Ellis, " a most painful spectacle in families where the mother is the drudge, to see the daughters elegantly dressed, reclining at their ease, with their drawing, their music, or their fancy work, and their reading; bewife as intent on making things comfortable every guiling themselves of the lapse of hours, days and weeks, and never dreaming of their responsibilities, as a necessary consequence of their neglect of duty, growing weary of their useless lives, laying hold of every newly invented stimulant to rouse their the certainty, that, unless she was the instrument of in otter confusion, and unable in the extremity to is worse than folly to refer to our temper, unless we drooping energies and blaming their fate, when restore order sufficient to make any successful at | could prove that we ever gained anything good by they dare not blame their God, for having placed them where they are."

"These individuals will often tell you with an air of affected compassion-for who can believe it death."

" Yet no sooner do you propose that they should assist her, than they declare she is quite in het element-in short that she would never be happy if she had only half as much to do."

THINK -Thought engenders thought. Place one idea upon paper, another will follow it, and still another, until you have written a page. You cannot fathom your mind. There is a well of though, there which has no bottom; the more you draw you neglect to think yourself, and use other people's thoughts, giving them unterance only, you will never know what you are capable of. At first your ideas may come in lumps-homely and shapeless but no matter-time and perseverance will arrange and refine them. Learn to think, and you will learn to write-the more you think, the better you express your ideas.

We would admire the rhurchwarden's wife who went to thruch for the first time in her life, when her husband was charchwarden, and being somewhat late the congergation were goting up from their knees at the time she entered, when she said, with a sweet condesending smile," Pray keep your mysell than I did before,