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Selected Loetry.

DRIVING HOME THE COWS

Out of the clover and blue-eved grass He turned them into the river-lane : One after another he let them pass, Then fastened the meadow bars again

Under the willows, and over the hill, He patiently followed their sober pace; The merry whistle for once was still, And something shadowed the sunny face

Only a boy! and his father had said He never could let his youngest go Two already were lying dead

Under the feet of the trampling foe But after the evening work was done And the frogs were loud in the meadow-swamp

Over his shoulder he slung his gun

And stealthily followed the foot-path damp. Across the clover, and through the wheat. With resolute heart and purpose grim Though cold was the dew on his hurrying feet,

and the blind bat's flitting startled him. Thrice since then had the lanes been white. And the orchards sweet with apple-bloom And now, when the cows came back at night, The feeble father drove them home.

For news had come to the lonely farm That three were lying where two had lain And the old man's tremulous, palsied arm

The summer day grew cool and late, He went for the cows when the work was done: But down the lane, as he opened the gate, He saw them coming one by one

Brindle, Ebony, Speckle, and Bess, Cropping the butter-cups out of the grass But who was it following close behind?

Loosely swung in the idle air The empty sleeve of army blue; And worn and pale, from the crisping hair, Looked out a face that the father knew.

For southern prisons will sometimes yawn

And yield their dead unto life again And the day that comes with a cloudy dawn In golden glory at last may wane. The great tears sprang to their meeting eyes;

For the heart must speak when the lips are dumb, And under the silent evening skies Together they followed the cattle home

Miscellaneous.

THE DIAMOND NECKLACE.

cicts I am not inclined to give its particlar name, though I got good reports and nent, and left it with the character of an tell might appear somewhat compromisng in the eyes of strict lady-superintendits if it ever came across them.

Well, I had been about a year in the series, when a Jewess named Jemima Jacobs prison-dress did not improve, as you may magine. Her trial had taken place at the somehow willing enough to oblige Jacobs. magine. Her trial had taken place at the and jewelry to a large amount from a wealthy tence elapsed, she had made the round of of fire in the faint gaslight. lewish family in which she had been kitchen-maid. The evidence was clear against her, the family being the chief witnesses .-Jacobs was convicted and sentenced to one year's penal servitude—a lenient sentence as it was thought, for her offense. But the amily, while they appeared against her, anxiety to mitigate her punishment by all

ne means in their power unlucky kitchen-maid. As my readers are ake place through two opposite gratesregulations. I frequently occupied that post, took a fancy to occupy it. only some inches shorter; to me he Jacobs would go, and in she went, first day. She was an enormous woman, ere it waited for them till the interview had passed away I congratulated myself on vas over, and father, mother, son, or daught the prospect of no more removals, rs never staid more than five minutes .-

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regulations, and consider them all for her her repentance, which Jacobs continued to good, and a declaration that they should answer in the negative; and it appeared take her back again to their service at the to me that the Josephs heard that reply be executed; so the burglar kept his word in expiration of her sentence if she behaved with increased sorrow every day. Their well. Jacobs made suitable responses and very humble acknowledgments; but one grief; she made the accustomed response thing struck me as remarkable, and it was humbly and calmly, as if certain that the colors, done with neatness and dispatch. Hand- never omitted in one of their visits—they requisite amount of contrition would come resses, and everything in the Printing line can afraid I have not." This was so regularly her out-of-the-way cell more resolutely after prison-searches and other improbabilities, of our noble, self sacrificing soldiers, and executed in the most artistic manner and at the done that I at last concluded it must have every visit. some religious signification known only to the Jews. The conduct of the Josephs for some time. It was mid-winter, and, be- crevice of his condemned cell. Like a prutoward their convicted kitchen-maid was sides being unusually cold, a season of pecertainly more amiable than Gentiles generally show in like circumstances. But we Whoever has had to do with female convict years passed, and no opportunity for acting their homes and families and go hundreds, matrons and assistants soon began to think establishments will be aware that, in the upon it came within his reach. He grew that the cause might be found in Jacobs dark December, or rather the Christmas old, infirm, and ready to retire from busiherself. A more civil or submissive creat- and New-Year times, there is always a dis- ness, in which it appeared he had not realshe scrubbed the stone floors, made the rough bags, was locked up at night, and trasting with the monotony of prison-life, the surviving relatives of the diamond-loseven attended the chapel with the same un- or to some occult influence of the season er. According to Jacobs the bargain had murmuring humility. Jacobs gave no what a rare jewel she must have appeared in our eyes, and what a contrast she presented to the other women of the ward.

I am not going to enter on the woes of an

gain my best regards. I positively liked trouble she wouldn't have taken, no haste ran without being called, fetched and car- generally fell to pace about all the long ran without being called, fetched and carried without being bidden; and when allow-winter night through those gloomy stone strength of a promise that she should be ed to clean my room, as a reward for good conduct, because it conferred additional liberty, she made everything look as bright looking in at the inspection-hole above cob (of course with the connivance of the with. Now the Christian Commission fills ng seemed to be Jacob's hobby—an uncom- their watch. mon one for a Jewess-and still more rare was devoted to sweeping, scrubbing, and polishing up her own cell in every corner. Walls, floors, and even the ceiling got the benefit of her exertions; she reached them with an agility which nobody could expect from her squat figure. Almost the entire ward was indebted to her in this way, which brings me to the only troublesome inclination Jacobs ever showed. There was no such thing as getting her to rest or remain in a cell more than two or three weeks once it was fairly scoured out, and there was nothing more for Jacobs to clean, not a speck of dust left on its bare walls or in its four corners she became uneasy restless always imploring leave to change with her next neighbor. Prison-rules do not recognize such humors; but, as in the working mark that I had on a pair of list-slippers, clean breast--there was nobody within of every system, rules will be relaxed and modified according to character and circumstances, so in female convict establishments, the good-will of officers, the consideration of directors, and sometimes the general de- cell of my model prisoner, I caught a low Perhaps it was weakness, perhaps it was sire for as much of a quiet life as can be rasping sound, as if something were being something worse, in an assistant-matron; got in such places, admit of small matters done with a fale of chisel. There was a but, notwithstanding the gravity of that and allowances beyond the strict regulations. Jacobs seemed to understand the looked through the inspection-hole. The at the time; moreover, I was keeping comam married, and long out of business fact, and took her measures accordingly .-ow, but some fifteen years ago I was an The only request she ever made to directors, lady-superintendent, or chaplain—the only privilege she ever coaxed from me, in return but working with both hands, and a small were engaged in waiting only till he got a bit of iron, as if to widen a crevice she had step higher in a certain city office, and ssistant-matron in a prison for female con- lady-superintendent, or chaplain—the only for her spontaneous services-the only approach to intimacy with her fellow-prisoners she ever tried, was for leave to exchange flicient officer: for the story I am about her cell. There was a report among us-I know not how it originated—to the effect ity to know what she could be about, or in- regulations. I promised on the spot never that the Josephs had made interest in her favor with the prison authorities. Whatever the influence brought to bear on the her work, and soon perceived that the ob- day there was a variation in the dialogue ice, and got fully acquainted with its ducase might be, certain it was that Jacobs's ject was to get her fingers in to get some- Jemima solemnly assured them of her comrequest was always granted : she got leave was placed in my ward. She was young - to exchange. I could not be as obdurate as her hands were scratched and bleeding in which sparkled in their Jewish eyes would ot over twenty. I should say-but not at the directors to a creature who served me many places by coming in contact with the have given any body unacquainted with all handsome, being coarse-featured, squat, and as for her fellow-pris-sharp edges of the stone and the broken and the broken bit of iron; but at length she succeeded in principles. After that no stone was left or gratify each other generally, they were

were unanimous on the subject of her pre- the way, and partly because there was a knew you would; but you won't be hard vious good-conduct, and showed a laudable dark tradition attached to it. I must tell on me; you are a merciful lady; the Jos you that my ward formed part of what was called the old prison—a division of the and maybe you would be good enough to After her arrival within our penal walls building much more ancient than the rest, no visiting-day elapsed without some of which, in former times, had been approprithem coming to see and converse with their ated to male convicts, and a noted burglar was said to have escaped public execution | very brilliant pin. as I hope) without experience of prison-dis- by hanging himself in that very cell. Such cipline, I may mention that such interviews stories never can be got to die out, partice convict standing at the inner, and her as far as possible to save the officers troubnds at the outer one, and a prison officer le in case the cell should be wanted. That hat nothing is said or done contrary to the No. 49 was left in its emptiness till Jacobs floor?" thus had an opportunity of seeing the had heard the tale or not I had no certainty; shole family, for they came in turn by one it was very likely that some old inhabitant and by twos. Let me premise that their of the prison would soon make her aware word." I knew that was correct, and it Jacobs. ames were Josephs, and their place of busi- of it. I advised the Jewess against her s a notable one in the city, with a jew- meditated exchange, told her she could not er's shop in front, and a pawnbroker's of- expect to have another, after going round round the corner. They consisted, as the ward as she had done, warned her that ar as I ever knew, of a father and a son, a No. 49 was the most solitary, and probably ther and two daughters. The father, a from its long emptiness, coldest of all the all, thin, stooping man was always rather cells; but my advice and warnings were all The son was exactly like in vain. Humbly obstinate as ever, in id not look many years younger, though, termined in my wrath that she should not course, he must have been; and I can- make another flitting in a hurry, whatever ot say how I found out that his name was recollections of the burglar might arise .-Probably it was from hearing his But to my agreeable surprise Jacobs ap ther call him so, for he came with her on peared to think nothing about him; she scrubbed and cleaned and polished No. 49 essed in expensive but half-soiled finery. with as much energy as she had shown in er two daughters were handsome dashing her former apartments-if possible. I thought s, with full faces, an abundance of jew- more. The ward-women were unanimous and very fashionable bonnets. They that she knew all about the burglar, but in ly came in their carriage to the top of the cell Jacobs remained, as if perfectly road in which the prison was situated; satisfied at last; and when nearly a month

the ward; and at last requested, with her

usual pertinacious humility, an immediate

No. 49 was indeed a sort of forgotten or

In the meantime the Josephs kept com he sight of Jacobs and the exchange of a ing to see her at her grate, chiefly the moth ery few words with her seemed to satisfy er and daughters; indeed, I observed that em, but one and all accosted her with the the gentlemen of the family, having doubtsame sorrowful kindness, as if deeply less more business on their hands, were but whom they had been instrumental in bring- was some confusion and a profound silence those breeches."

monition to submit implicitly to the prison ing with the accustomed inquiry regarding

Things had been going on in that fashion assistant-matron, but the unexampled good behavior of my new prisoner, while it spared my nerves and temper, could not but but increased watchfulness was neverthethan usual. A dreary business it was for she wouldn't have made to serve me; she the assistant-matrons to whom the work and polished as if it had been new. I was every cell-door, and anxiously wishing for family) stole plate and other valuables con-

> when it occurred to me, about three o'clock in the morning, the weariest hour in the whole watch, that all night long I had not cell, as I have said, was out of the way ; there was a sort of bend or angle in the confusion when, on softly approaching the to your charity, miss." the corner, with her face close to the floor, hitherto quiet and most manageable Jacobs. She had not heard, and couldn't see me: tend by making that crevice, was still greater. I stood for a minute or two watching

What on earth are you doing, Jacobs? said I, speaking out of my own astonishtreme end of the corridor, and the only one far less amazed look than mine must have

unused cell, partly because it was out of her customary low and humble tone. "I take this," she continued, coming close to the locked door, and presenting to me, through the inspection-hole, a small but

No, Jacobs," said I, "I will not take ticularly in prisons; but it was hushed up from the Josephs; but I want to know what you have been doing up at this hour in your cell, and what was that you took seated in the space between them to see did not happen, to my great satisfaction, and out of the crevice between the wall and the Mr. Adams and I were thinking of going

"I'll tell you all, miss, and leave my case to your charity," said Jacobs: "thank my small brilliant stuck in the one corner of it, stars, the women are too far off to hear a and I knew the gift came from Jemima made me stand at the inspection-hole to hear her tell, in the dead silence of the winter night, one of the most singular tales of | we do now, and their lives were as active device and endurance that I ever heard.

The string of brilliant beads was an old fashioned diamond necklace, valued at I paths. Yet a little while and all this will forget how many thousands. It had been have happened. The throbbing heart will sold or pawned-Jacobs would not decid- be stilled, and we shall be at rest. edly say which, but I believe the latter-to funeral train will wend its way, and the a grand-uncle of the Josephs. Some intimation of the diamonds and their wherea- darkness and silence of the tomb, and it for they made an attack on his premises spoken of but the things of life shall creep spoils of less value, the precious necklace. The grand-uncle had pursued them with all and song will be heard in the room where the force of law, and with all the power of we died; and the eyes that mourned for us riches. Many of the gang were taken, and be dry and animated with joy, and even among them the leader, in whose possession our children will cease to think of us, and the diamonds were believed to remain. But no bribe, no promise that the Jewish attorney employed for the purpose could offer, would induce him to give the smallest in- said a young lady, while walking one day formation regarding the place of their con- with her intended, during a slippery state perate character, and owed the firm a grudge | the somewhat hesitating swain, "with some on account of a brother in the same trade, little assistance from your father !" There

was a brief inquiry after her health, an ad- The dialogue was always the same, conclud- after those very diamonds. He stood out stoutly against every persecution. The Jew should get no knowledge out of him; be executed : so the burglar kept his word in the manner already mentioned, leaving his future prisoners. But the Josephs's attorthe diamonds had been smuggled in with the chief of the robbers, and hidden in some dent son of Israel, the attorney had kept

acting on the spirits and tempers of those been a stiff one, though, owing to the lapse trouble; and anybody accustomed to look difficult subjects, I cannot say, but certain of time, the failure of memory, and the alwindows are then broken, more blankets possible for the attorney to say what cell and sheets are torn up, more fierce battles the burglar had occupied. By judicious infought, and more women carried off scream-quiries, however, the Josephs found out ing to the dark cells, than at any other per- that such a cell still existed, marked and iod of the year. We had nothing of the made memorable by its peculiar legend; kind as yet, and were hoping to get over and their kitchen-maid, Jemima, being of the troublesome time in comparative quiet; pure Jewish race, and a distant relation, volunteered to recover the family treasure

would have thought of. It appeared that she had fixed her affecpassages, wrapped in a cloak, and with a made Mrs. Samuel Josephs, if her scheme lantern in hand, listening for every sound, proved successful, this true daughter of Ja- done, and then they have no money to buy pleased, of course; but cleaning and scour- the six o'clock bell, which would relieve | cealed them in her box of clothes, incurred suspicion and search, was committed, tried, I was on that duty one night about the and sentenced to a year of penal servitude

> She depended on her own ingenuity for in the morning, the weariest hour in the getting into the dreaded cell and discover-whole watch, that all night long I had not looked into or even approached No. 49. The removals, her scrubbing and scouring propensities, and, I sincerely believe, her humble services to me. How she contrived to passage which led to its door, and might bribe the woman to those exchanges with have suited its ancient use—namely the small articles of jewelry brought to the condemned cell of the old prison. Jacobs prison, and retained in spite of hair-cutting ert. Then the warm gushings of the heart had never given any trouble, and was certainly not a breaking-out subject. I felt it no neglect of duty to leave her alone from one of them. But the most curious part of hour to hour, while all the rest of the wards the business, to my thinking, was the were duly inspected; but for regulations' Joseph's regular question concerning her sake, I felt that I ought to see the door of No. 49, as this was almost my last round.
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> Sosepirs regular question concerning her repentance, which was nothing less than an agreed-on signal, and meant, "Have you Often have I heard them say, "it does me Back I went in its direction, and let me re found them yet?" Jacobs made a perfectly so much good to have you come and talk to beams as it would have received although which were thought perfect treasures to a possible earshot—and when she had told matron on the night-watch for their noise me all the poor Jewess concluded with that lessness; but judge of my amazement and sad and simple appeal: "I leave my case

gas was burning very low, and crouched in pany on my Sunday's out with Mr. John Adams, my present lord and master. We prospects. My own little romance made friend that sticketh closer than a brother. me sympathize with poor Jemima more than and, great as my surprise was, my curios. I ought to have done, according to strict

to report, never to reveal her secret. When the Josephs came next visiting thing out. The effort seemed desperate, for plete repentance, and the unfeigned joy getting two fingers into the crevice, and unturned, no effort spared to abridge the out with them came a string of beads so time of Jemima's penal servitude. brilliant that they flashed like so many drops official, from the Home Secretary down ward, was besigned with applications and petitions, and what influence they brought to bear on the superior authorities was transfer to No. 49, the last cell at the ex- ment; and the Jewess turned round with a never made known to me; but Jacobs got her sentence commuted, and was released from my ward and custody within one month, reckoned from that memorable night. She went her way exactly as she came.-There was nothing remarkable in the departure of the Jewish maid but an unusual amount of humble thanks and acknowledgr nents to all the prison-matrons, especially myself. The next sight I got of her was on one of my Sundays out, when the Jo seph's carriage passed me, and there was my model prisoner seated beside the large mother, and quite as well overlaid with any bribe from you, and I want nothing finery. If Mrs. Samuel recognized me she did not appear to do so. Our ways were different, and we never came in the slight est contact. But two years after, when to church together, a very handsome wed-

as our own. The heavens will be as bright over our graves as they are about our prayers will be said, we shall be left in the bouts reached a noted gang of burglars, may be but for a short time we shall be one night, and carried off, among other on and our names shall be forgotten. Days shall continue to move on, and laughter will remember to lisp our names no more

"I hope you will be able to support me, The man was a strange and des- of the pavements. "Why-ay-yes," said grieved by her unfortunate position. There | rare visiters, particularly the son Samuel. ing to justice for an unsuccessful endeavor | when the lovers' colloquy had ended.

U. S. CHRISRIAN COMMISSION.

Camp Distribution, Va., Feb. 22, 1865. U. S. Christian Commission. Of late there has been much light thrown upon the theory of internal views of oil and Mr. Editor: Having had twelve weeks experience in the U. S. C. C., I propose to no exact measurement of oil or salt water cell invested with traditional terrors for all give in your valuable paper, (with your ap- levels can be relied upon for the discovery proval of course,) to the people of Bradney, in the course of his frequent conferen- ford county, a little account of what I have each have been found upon different levels bills, Blanks, Cards, Pamphlets, &c., of every valuety and style, printed at the shortest notice. The Reformer Office has just been re-fitted with Power Presses, and every thing in the Printing line can afraid I have not." This was so regularly and style printed at the shortest notice and Jacobs as invariably answered, "I'm afraid I have not." This was so regularly and style printed at the shortest notice. The seen, hoping that I may thereby induce the in good time; and I could not help think discovery, or rather guess. From hints in advertently dropped, and looks involuntaring the run of the well is each nave been found upon different levels in the same basis, and without special regard to the sandstone strata, or oil rock.

It should be remembered that the course of the well is each nave been found upon different levels in good time; and I could not help think discovery, or rather guess. From hints in advertently dropped, and looks involuntaring about fourteen feet and closely screwed together, is inserted in two sections and because the printing line can afraid I have not." This was so regularly and style, printed at the shortest notice. The the same basis, and without special regard to the sandstone strata, or oil rock.

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It should be remembered that the source of the well is a seen, hoping that I may thereby induce the in the same basis, and without special regard to the same basis, and then an irreduction of the well is the same basis, and without special regard to the same basis, and without special regard to t just let me say right here that I think if the surface; there being in the one case ever the true spirit of christianity has been constant descent, with a free passage from exhibited by men on earth, it is done in the the higher to the lower level, from the culiar concern to us matrons and assistants. that surmise for his own future benefit; but Christian Commission. To see men leave aye, thousands of miles to administer to the necessities of the needy soldiers, withare no prison officer could desire to have in position to small riots among the inhabit- ized much money; and then it occurred to out pay, with hard fare and hard work, looks where gas and salt water are found in the charge. In fact, Jacobs required little care; ants of the cells. Whether it arises from she scrubbed the stone floors made the the remembrance of former festivities considered a sure index something like true christianity. Now let the remembrance of former festivities, consulting of the wants of our dear prove true in the northern oil district, where prove true in the northern oil district, whe soldiers. It is not expected that the Chris- they have a strong show of gas and salt tian Commission is to do what the Govern- water, extending over a territory embraced ment ought to do, but to fill the vacancy in Bradford, Tioga, Potter, M'Kean, and after female convicts will have an idea of I am, from woeful experience, that more terations made in the old prison, it was implicitly the Government. The soldiers in bituminous coal and oil basin of the State. health needs very much a house-wife, which In this district the people are running wild will contain a little thread, a needle or two, in land speculations, particularly on the a few buttons for pants and some for shirts, water of the Sinnamehoning River and its as the buttons frequently drop off; they want combs, they want handkerchiefs and down to the first sand-stone stratum, and towels, they want pens, ink, and paper and producing gas and strong salt water; inder my charge, and the poor Jewess seemed the round of the wards more frequently the fourteen years for Laban's daughter and gloves, none of which are further wards more frequently the fourteen years for Laban's daughter pished by the government and fit the round of the wards more frequently the fourteen years for Laban's daughter pished by the government and fit the round of the wards more frequently the fourteen years for Laban's daughter pished by the government and fit the round of the wards more frequently thick bushes were almost growing to the water's edge, and bowing their heads water's edge, and bowing their heads envelopes, they want reading matter and dicating beds of rock salt in that vicinity. thick bushes were almost growing to the obliged to buy of the sutler or at the store, the Tioga well, where salt has been made. it takes most of their wages, and then their Enough salt water is already discovered a spear to strike them. The boatmer familie must suffer; and then Uncle Sam and tested to know that Pennsylvania is laughed, and asked me how far beneath the does not always pay as soon as the work is monopoly, and will soon produce more than about four feet. He assured me they were as far as possible that deficiency for the healthy soldier. Now let us look after the sick and wounded soilder: the thing he their bosoms all at one time to the sun. - head with perfect distinctness as it lay on mon one for a Jewess—and still more rare among the inhabitants of our wards. All the time she could spare from prison work was devoted to sweeping scrubbing and still more rare among the inhabitants of our wards. All the time she could spare from prison work was devoted to sweeping scrubbing and sentenced to a year of penal servitude within the prison where the diamonds were believed to be hidden.

I was on that duty one night about the middle of December. I had made the stipulated rounds, and found every thing quiet, believed to be hidden.

She depended on her own ingenuity for she was prize the thing he wants most is a friend, and being from home little stone has fallen. At once crushed the stipulated rounds, and over shadowed, it still struggles beneath us pierced with holes; one seemed ity would seem to oblige each to look for bravely against all odds to expand its pethimself as best he can, the appearance of a tals like the rest. For many days this ef-Christian delegate among them with the fort is continued without success. The milk of human kindness in his heart, symer,) squats on its breast, and will not addropped a ten cent piece into the water, pathy in his countenance, is like the oasis mit a single sunbeam. At length the flow- which is one hundred and ninety feet in

> me, I do wish you would come oftener." Then when the appetite is wanting, to have a little jelly, a taste of canned peaches, could begin housekeeping with respectable to the Saviour, recommending him as the

are necessary for his comfort, will do very

genuine disciple of Christ especially, without regard to denomination or preferences, I appeal with confidence for aid to the Christian Commission. Our common hu-I appeal in behalf of your country's brave While I watched it, of a sudden something selfishness prevent you from coming to the arrow, and the butterfly vanished. short I appeal with all the sympathy of my scribed the gay insect, and thus suddenly heart to all classes both old and young heart, to all classes both old and young, had cut snort its career.

The incident may seem trival, yet it has philanthropy and christian benevolence. I intent only upon pleasure. In a career of not be misapplied to any considerable exgates and the judicious distribution of the nity has its verities; and what compariblessed the Christian Commission far be- reer of sin. The voice of God says, "Fading-dress was sent home to me, with a ple, but foreign nations are pouring their praised." "A prudent man forseeth the lord? offerings into the Christian Commissions ple pass on, and are punished." treasury (instance, Honolulu has sent us \$18,000). Friends of the cause if you Generation after generation have felt as could meet the hundreds of soldiers in the from meeting, was met at the door by his change of camp Distribution and see and wife. "Pretty time of night, Mr. Toot, for chapel of Camp Distribution and see and wife. hear some praising God for his mercy, others pleading for mercy at the foot of the ly !" "Tisn't three -it's only one; I heard much of a lady when attired in twelve-cent cross, and others by scores asking chris- it strike; committee always sits till one calico, in Boston, as when arrayed in full tians to pray for them, and hearing them o'clock." saying in the sincerity of their souls, I have found the Saviour precious, I am sure your resolution would be made immediately, I must and will have a part in such a work

> and preaching every evening. Yours truly, E. P. Coburn.

as this. We have prayer meetings every

An exchange says, our junior partner them as miserable as they strive to make out a stitch of work and sitting in state, returned a pair of trowsers to his tailor others. Idleness is burdensome, envy inast week because they were too small in creases to madness, and through lying own hands, was knitting stockings for her

your skin," said the tailor.
"True," quot colleague, "for I can sit down in my skin, but I'll be split if I can in

The tailor caved in.

OIL AND SALT IN NORTHERN FENN'A.

salt by the borer, and is acknowledged that of either of the substance in the basin where they are both known to exist, for a remote resemblance to that of rivers on source of the stream to the ocean when, in the other, the oil and salt vein in the bowels of the earth may, from internal In the western oil district of the State, Cameron counties, which cover the eastern branches, where many oil and salt wells Some are already are now being sunk.

she consumes.—Petroleum Recorder. God's Love Inexhaustible.—Suppose a meadow in which a million of daisies open the water—forty feet deep—we saw its tiny stone, (a mighty rock to the tiny flowto the weary way worn traveller in the des- er stalk, having gathered strength by its depth, and I clearly saw it shining on the constant exertion, acquired force enough bottom. This seems incredible. I think the to overbalance the weight, and tossed the water possesses a magnifying power for I flowing not only in looks and words, but also in the bestowment of such things as intruder off. Up sprang the daisy with a bound; and in an instant another floweret seen so distinctly from a tower one hundred was added to the vast multitude which in and ninety feet high. We rowed to the much to cheer, encourage, and recuperate that meadow drank their fill of sunlight. north side and suddenly we perceived in The sun in the heaven was not incommoded by the additional demand. The new comer thither, and long flexible roots, luxuriant received into the open cup as many sunno other flower had grown in all the mead-

ow-in the earth. Thus the sun, finite though it be, helps us to understand the absolute infinitude of or berries, or tomatoes, or something of its Maker. When an immortal being, long that kind, will often induce an effort to take crushed and turned away by a load of sin; something, and I have often heard them say "that does taste good, let me taste again." Oh, you can hardly conceive the difference Ch., you can hardly conceive the difference Father's long offered but rejected love, the of the remains of a mastadon which had it will make in their appearance. And Giver is not impoverished by the new dethen in such a state of the mind, you can mand upon his kindness. Although a with great prospect of success, point them thousand millions should arise and go to the Father, each would receive as much of that Father's love as if he alone of all fallen creatures had come back reconciled to God Now to the christian I appeal, and to the -Rev. Wm. Arnot.

THE BUTTERFLY AND THE SWALLOW .-- One bright summer's day, as I was riding out,a large, richly colored butterfly rose in the air, and kept on its way a short distance manity demands a little sacrifice at your before me. As the beautiful creature fluthands for the benefit of those who have tered amid the splendors of noon-day, dissacrificed so much for you. To the patriots playing its brilliant tints, it seemed to have defenders, do not I beseech you let a sordid darted from above with the speed of an relief of our suffering, dying soldiers. In a swallow; in quest of food he had de-

the high and low, rich and poor, that you its morral. Many a youth are like that will put your hands to this great work of butterfly, delighting in idle display, and can assure you that your benefactions will folly they journey onward towards eternity tent, as I have the means of knowing that suddenly ended, and death bear their souls more noble hearted, honest, rigidly eco- away unconverted, unprepared. Young nomical company of men are not to be found man, cease from your dissipation, your than those engaged in the Christian Com- levity, your love of sen. Toung than those engaged in the Christian Com- cease from your vain thoughts, your ambinission; the most rigid economy is praction to be envied, your criminal neglect of iced in regard to the living of the dele- religion. Time has its vanities, but eterstores. As another inducement for you to son between them? Death is on the wings come to the rescue, I tell you that God has from your dream of pleasure and your cayond the expectations of the most sanguine. vor is deciteful, and beauty is vain; but a He has not only the hearts of our own peo- woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be the evil and hideth himself; but the sim- deal more to make a lady; and though it

Mr. Toot, coming home late one night you to come home-pretty time, three o'clock in the morning; you, the father of a fami-"Mr. Toot, you're drunk, three in the morning." it's one. I heard it strike one as I came a lady," says a celebrated English visitor round the corner, two or three times !"

O. THE TONGUE .-- The slanderer of whichever sex is a pest in any society. They fles, and were introduced to her ladyship morning at 9 o'clock, and prayer meetings are a character made up of a combination of vices, the most prominent of which are, lying, backbiting, idleness, hatred, revenge. No single one, but altogether these vices after the compliments were over she reare found in their composition which make sumed her knitting. There we were with revenge is sought. This is but a faint husband." Does not that sweet republican "But you told me to make them tight as picture illy executed of a community's greatest plagne.

Womn grown bad are worse than men,

HOW AN OIL WELL IS BORED.

A correspondent of the Boston Traveler writing from the oil regions of Pennsylva nia, gives the following description of the manner in which oil is found:

"In selecting a spot for a well, the arte-

sian driller raises a derrick about 110 feet

in height, bringing up a steam engine of about six horse power, and then, after driving down an iron pipe about six inches in diameter through the earth and gravel some fifty feet or so, to the first strata of rock, introduces a drill, of about two and a half inches in diameter, attached to a temper screw, and thence to the "working beam" and engine, with which he bores now at NUMBER 41. the rate of eight or ten feet per day into the solid slate and soapstone, say one hundred feet; he then comes to the first strata of sand stone, which may be ten or twelve feet in thickness; and boring through this comes again to slate and soapstone of a bluish cast, and working on, say for twenty feet or so, he reaches the second strata of sandstone, out of which there comes rushing up, when the right vein is struck, inflammable gas, salt water and petroleum The bore of the well is enlarged by a rim bag, which expands when wet, is fixed be tween the tubing and the walls of the well in order to prevent the surface water from descending; a "plunger," or valved piston is introduced into the tube, and the suckingrod being attached to the "working-beam the conduit pipes and tank, which may hold sixty barrels, being in readiness, the engine moves and the precious treasure gushes forth. This is what is called pumping a well. In the "flowing wells," that is, such as send the oil out spontaneously, the drill stone, but this in some instances is very deep. In a well on Watson's Flat the drill has reached the depth of three hundred feet, and yet the third bed of sandstone is

> REMARKABLE FOUNTAIN IN FLORIDA.-Taking a narrow path we crossed through some dense underwood, and all at once stood on the banks of the Wakulla Spring There was a basin of water one hundred yards in diameter, almost circular. The fishes attracted our attention, and I seized at least twenty feet from me; and it was

to look into unfathomable abyss. From its gorge comes forth with immensive velocity a living river.

Pushing on just beyond its mouth, the water fish which were darting hither grass on the bottom all arrayed in the most beautiful prismatic hue The gentle swell occasioned by the boat gave to the whole an undulating motion. Death like stillness reigned aroud, and a more fairy scene I never beheld. So great is the quantity of water here poured forth that it forms a river of itself large enough to float probably drank from it. The bones were of immense size, and showed the animal to

CARELESS PEOPLE. Only the other day our nerves were worked up to explosion point by an account of a surgical operation by which a woman's trachea was opened to remove a silver dime which had lodged these. And how on earth did a dime ever getin to a woman's wind-pipe? Simply be caure she was careless, and laughing with no other place where she could put her ten cent pieces?

have been one of the largest of his class .-

We do feel sorry for a creeping baby when it gets hold of the bars of the grate by mistake, or cuts its fingers, or bumps its head, but with grown people, who suffer om their own recklessness, we have very little patience. What is the use of a women converting

her mouth into a pin cushion, and then expecting our sympathy, when a sudden neeze or an unexpected cough peril

What is the use of a man balancing him sdlf on an oscillating chair, instead of sit ting up straight like a Christian? Are we expected to find vinegar and brown pape for the contusion on the back of his when he finally comes down with a crash

What is the use of women picking their ears with a long knitting needle. the women do when a child running against her would send the instrument three inches into her brain, if she has any?

WHAT MAKES A LADY .- When Beau Brum mel was asked what made the gentleman his quick reply was, "Starch, starch, my This may be true; but it takes may to some seem singular, I am ready to maintain that no conceivable quantity of muslin, silk or satin, edging, frilling, hoop ing, flouncing or furbelowing, can r se, or per dressmaker, constitute a real la

Was not Mrs. Abbot Lawrence just as It's | court dress at St. James, London? "A "I say Mrs. Toot, Mrs. Washington was said to be so grand (Mrs. Thorpe), "we thought we must put on our best bibs and and bands; so we dressed ourselves in our most elegant rufand don't you think we found her knitting and with her check apron on! She re ceived us very graciously and easily, but simplicity command your admiration?

Ir has been said that a chatting little soul in a large body is like a swallow in a because the corruption of the best turns to barn—the twitter takes up more room than the bird.