

Dallas City as I have before remarked, is situated upon a rising and level mount of the Mississippi,-back of the town is a noble forest of Oak and Walnut, some two miles inwidth, extending many miles up and down

while upon the table stood a lighted lump. to Downers grove, my beautiful prairie home Night now began to draw its silent shadows come in time one of the most flourishing inwhich the different trains had been room-Your room this is my room a good sleigh ride with a whole bevy of rosy

I then hailed him when the following dialogue for the first five weeks of my sojourn in Illinois. over the habitations of men, and the moon, land cities of western New York. Left on ensued beteen us, myself acting the part of Left Chicago accordingly on the morning lovely queen of eve, shed its soft and mellow the Dunkirk Express at 4, A. M., for Great in Turkey-and among the people most likely opened, and a kind voice, in the parlor, said, complainant -- What are you doing there- train, arriving at my destination at 1 P. M. light upon the scene. We were now within Bend, -- arrived there at 7 in the morning. Trying to lock the door-What business have After spending a pleasant time, and enjoying a few miles of the suspension bridge, over Here we were again detained until 3, P. M., the intrigues of the French charge, M. Benedetti, assing and then took the passenger train for Oakley's,

of such misunderstanding already appears in the to brow a quarrel-the resident displomats. By

was composed. /Before the servant had time quarter where it was to be properly looked for- to close the one door pehind me, another had

"This way, dear, do come to the fire and get warm, it's a bitter cold night, and we'l have tea. This is your aunt Margaret," leading me up to a fine, elderly lady by the fire-

the river,-as we pass through this 'luxuriant growth of timber, from Dallas we arrived upon one of the most beautiful Prairies, of Southern Illinois, covering an area of some 80, or 100 square miles in extent. Often have I gazed with rapture upon its broad bosom. as the rising sun shed its radiant beauty upon the scene, and the smoke of an hundred cottages ascended to the heavens, resembling as many Steamers upon the dark Atlantic. In fact the great Valey of the Mississippi, of which this is a part, for richness and fertility of soil, cannot be surpassed by any upon the Globe. The time had at last arrived when I was to bid adieu to friends I had acquired after a five months sojourn in their midst. To me they were months of happiness, and now I was about to leave for my distant home, the thought of returning was not to me one of jov; but of pain: but fortune so decreed it and we must all bow to her stern mandate. Who does not love the hallowed associations of the past, as they cluster fondly around memory's purest fount, and awaken it is that the immortal mind cultivated by noble impressions, and surrounded by the sweet endearments of friendship glows with Heavenly beauty, and reflects its cheering sunny rays npon our rugged pathway. As we pursue our weary pilgrimage through this earthly vale of sorrow and tears. Nol we never can forget the past, it is to us a soothing baim for the spirits troubled waters, it. calms the fierce passions of our nature, and lulis them to rest. Softly and without a murmur, as smooth and placid in their beauty as the mirrored bosom of Heaven's own blue clime.

The past bright golden past. How quickly thy fleeting hours have flown, And 'round my path the loveliest flowers are cast

To cheer me on to my distant home. Adiev dear friends, perchance we meet no mor 'Mid earthly scenes of joy and tears, But wend our way to that spirit shore, Where joy knows no sorrow, nor no fears. Left Dallas city, on Wednesday, March 15th, for Burlington Town, the nearest sta tion on the great Railroad route to Chicago. Mississippi, my cousin being my companion and a good horse and wagon, to convey us to our destination, some twenty miles distant ----

cluster of dwarf oaks, scattered along their beautiful; reached Salisbury at 11A. M., which sides. While you could almost imagine by the way is quite a pretty place, contains you see the wigwam's smoke ascending up- two flourishing Literary Institutions one of wards, from some lovely vale in their midst, them under the patronage of the Presbyterior some grim warrior gazing in bold defiance | ans, the other of the Universalists-left soon ready to pour upon you the missiles of death. | after our arrival for Mendote, our route leading amid the thrilling echoes of the savage war- us through the most beautiful portion of cen-

this room is mine, procured for my own con- Wednesday in cample time to take the nine sion among the passengers to obtain a view found myself amongst friends of my boyhood, displaced ministry, and loudly complains to his venience, as I wished to be alone. An expla- o'clock train on the Michigan Central Road, of this magnificent structure of art. Those who welcomed me as I stepped from the cars, Government of the Frenchman's underhanded ation ensued in which he informed me that Having several hours at liesure in company less courageous than the rest, preferred walk-he was in trouble and resided in the State of with my friend Frank Gates, brother to one ing over for fear some accident might befal us Ohio, had been purchasing land near Burling- of the Firm of Jewett, Gates and Johnson, in our passage. The train stopped for them of my native Susquehanna. How different, him to a nominal embassy to Persia, without that seemed to say that the speaker was a ton and was now on his way home, but hav- whom I have before mentioned, we set out to get off; as each passenger has that privi- though, in contrast with the vast Pairie ocean, removing him from Constantinople- Let them privileged person, and a "Harry, don't, you'll ing some business to transact in that place he take a stroll on Michigan Avenue, the great lege granted him by the Company. I had of the West. Still it was home, sweet home, quarrel as they will-it is all very interesting to had procured the disputed room for his own est place of fashionable resort in the City. It accomodation in which I by a mistake had was indeed a fit season for such an excursion. been placed by the waiter,-the whole mys- An hour more and the glories of golden suntery being cleared up we both fell into a hear- set, would bathe the spires and domes of the ty fit of laughter over my unlucky fright and gay Metropolis with a rich and mellow light, snspicion of his being one of the light finger- in noble contrast with the scene around. ed gentry; after which there being two beds . Michigan Avenue is beautifully laid out on in the apartment we both took oursives to rest | the shore of the Lake, where majestic waters when I forgot the robber like intrusion in sleeps | stretch far away in. imposing grandure and soft and refreshing slumbers-The next morn- beauty. The different walks along its sides, ing all wascalm clear and beautiful, the King | are elegantly adorned with noble shade trees, | Suspension bridge is over 800 feet in length,

lustre upon the broad face of Nature .- Has- the wearied man of toil, the Princely Banker, in its passage over of 900 tons. The average somely built of brick and stone, and contains villas and residences of the wealthiest men in age. The regal coronet blazing with jewels conversing on various topics of interest. How richest discription was the elegant private halo of glory that surrounds nature's noblebeautiful it must appear to the tourists on some residence of Col. R. K. Swift the Princelv men and the architect of so great a work as lovely Summers day as he stands upon the Banker. Adjoining these splended mansions Niagara Fall's Suspension Bridge. What an open deck of the splendid steamer as she are lovely flower gardens, set out with every important lesson to the American youth! ous scenery that everywhere presents itself to in the balmy months of summer, shed their like powers of the mind can be increased by his view. No wonder that millions of the old sweetest fragrance upon the passing breeze, mental cultivation? For such men are the and the new world have gazed enchanted up- Au! could they but speak, would they not noble ornaments of our land, and the true on Banvards immortal work, the sublime Pano- tell you many a thrilling tale of the past ?--Isles covered with a sea of golden flowers, ing schemes of the deadly aksassins, who at

and Giant Oak intersperced with willow and butchery of his innocent victim. the Locust can be seen spreading their dark ters.

Farwell Mississippi and thy loved Prairie shore I trust that yet I may see thee once more Our way lay along the bank of the sweet And the steamers that o'er thee in beauty doth glide

And as we gaily trotted over the Prairie, we over sunken matches affording nothing of inhad a fair view of the scene around. To terest to the traveler until we were some 10 our right was a long and lofty range of ro- miles from the river when we emerged upon mantic bluffs, with now and then a small the broad prairie which to me is always

longer woos his lovely bride upon her Prai- before I took the cars for Rock Island City. and celebrated chief Pontiac, in which they thunder tones rung far above the din of con- pillow, every night. very sharp teeth, and like the better kind of ly, saying, "So, ho, master Impudence, you rie shore, nor adorn her raven tresses with When we arrived at the junction of the Chi- were only saved from famine and the savage flict and the shouts of victory, and as the Lo The man who run up a column of figwatch dogs, are very apt to bito strangers. Ey. have got your match I hope," and the young bright flowers of love. The last echoes of cago and Salem Railroad, we were detained cruelty of their invaders, by timely succor and smoke of battle gathered its midnight curory effort has been made, or is supposed to have gentleman dismissed the dog, which was sit-been made, to rid the city of these dangerous and the dog, with wagures tumbled down and was badly hurt. their savage war-cry have died, away long by a collision between two freight trains just reinforcements from their eastern brethren. tain over that sanguary scene, veiling from -long ago. Their bones now repose upon ahead of us until 11 in the evening. To pass Here was also witnessed the ignominous sur- sight the glory of the heavens, Niagara's Kor The man who lately left town said his the banks of their loved Mississippi. At time as agreeably as possible two render of the American General Hull, at the times some stray warrior will revisit the buri. young gentlemen whom I had before noticed head of a greatly superior force, to the Brit. :`

y-so many bogus dollars.

sir. I would have you to understand sir that checked lasses. I returned to Chicago on for near a week. All was bustle and confu- arriving there at 4, P. M., I once more before this taken my station close by the car -a name ever joyous to the wander's ear- poor Turkey, who will be still more gratified to was all that I knew of cousin Harry at that window, which being hoisted gave me a fair one when far away that will steal with its read the semi-official proposition in the London view of the work, and the noble train com- sweet visions of the past around his couch, Wallachia and Moldavia, which it was the premenced slowly its passage to the other side. Be- and again will he roam as in days gone by, tended object of the war to secure to her, and to neath us to the height of 250 feet from the through the meadowed lawn, the sunny glen, form them into an independent power ! water, rolled Nisgara's dark current in beau- or sitting by the side of the pebbled stream,

ty and grandeur. Onward we glided, while not a vibration was felt to show that there But one link had been broken that bound of day in robes of gorgeous majesty, arose in which in the summer season, spread their and is so solid and compact in its construc- she lays in the arms of death,-consigned the cloudless Heavens' and shed its golden dark foliage in gorgeous drapery, affording to tion that it is estimated to bear a weight from sight amid the dark portals of the tomb. tening on board the Ferry boat we were soon and the poorest Artisan, its cooling shade weight of the different trains that passes over love-a love as boundless as the migty ocean wafting our way over the Mississippi, while as a shield against the hot and sultry rays of daily, is from 150 to 200 tons. This great whose deptht has never been sounded and the gentlest emotions of the soul. How true Burlington lay at our feet. The city is finely the noondays sun. Fronting these beautiful and majestic work was built by an American whose heigh is loftier than the heavens—an men would continue such yast capital as that situated upon a lofty and undulating bluff that side walks, richly paved with handsome gran- citizen, whose name I have forgotten and origin heaven born-flowing pure from the company has employed, in a losing business. It and all the other romances connected with in places rises abruptly from the river and in ite, are some of the most elegant specimens of has identified him forever with American fountain of the Great Eternal, and by its no- might be necessary to reply seriously to this others of a gradual and easy asscent, it is hand- architecture imaginable, comprising splendid genius, as one of the greatest engineers of the ble influence, the moulder of statesmen and argument, were there no other affairs than Ocean a population of over 8000 inhabitants. On- Chicago. Conspicuous in their midst by its or diamonds, may adorn the queenly brow reader, I must draw to a close. You have people to enter than, being in, to get sately out. ward glided the boat the passengers busily gothic style and marble ornaments of the with joyous beauty, yet it brings not that roamed with me the boundless pairie, when all things into view, that of their own proper earnglides proudly along to gaze upon the gorge- kind and variety of beautiful flowers, which Does it not teach them how greatly the god- by Niagara's majestic cataract as it rolled in plunder, or the hope of a free passage to and from pillars of a nation's glory. Put up at the please and interest, and if such has been the

rama of the Mississippi, her numerous lovely Yes methinks they would tell you of the dar- Franklin House for the night, and the next result, it will be to him his noblest reward .-morning in company-with a gentleman from In conclusion permit me to indulge a hope her lofty cotton-woods, the stately Sycamore the silent midnight hour, sat plotting the Elmira, we set out on a stroll to see the Falls, that we may yet meet under more favorable about half a mile distant. As we passed along there was one contin-They would speak gently to you of the foliage in gracful festoons over the dark Wa- lovely maiden, with the consumptives hectic ued booming sound that seemed to jar the paths of literature, striving to enrich the mind ship Company. The report disclosed the un-

flush upon her fair cheek, clasping them softly very earth, while over the dark forest trees in her snow white fingers, and pressing them | that surrounded it, hung a dark midst of ri- tion of pure and noble principles. With these, made from the earnings of the year. A commit-Where oft I have gazed on thy dark rolling tide, to her rosy lips with joyous delight. But sing vapor. Soon we were by its side and my best wishes, I bid you all a parting adieu. tee was therefore appointed to investigate the atshe is gone now, they would say in sweet gazing with rapture upon its majestic subaccents of sadness, gone to a brighter home, limity. Above the falls are the grand rapids

where flowers of majestic beauty grow along formed by the river surging and breaking H. Chapin's sermons is the following pointed mittee was listened to by the stockholders, on lamp, bubbling away in its merry, domestic Left Burlington Depot for Salisbury at 7 these bright celestial vales, and shed their around the rocks in its midst, forming a truly passage: "Many a man there is, clothed in Wednesday, and the very solemn enunciations of manner; herself, it seemed to me, a kind of A. M., our route for a portion of the way led Heavenly fragrance throughout the ceaseless noble and beautiful scene, before making the respectability and proud of his honor, whose the President, were most solemnly confirmed. human kettle, with her cheery fireside human ages of eternity. Left Chicago at nine P. M., taking the below. Niagara's dark floods roll silently great Western route through Michigan and and majestically onward, with scarcely a rip-Canada, arriving at Detroit, the Metropolis of ple to be discerned on its smooth and ex- scramble and get; and so in the midst of this Michigan at ten, the next morning. From what nansive bosom, and then in majestic glory, great universe, which is in perpetual circulacould be seen of the place during our short this mighty column of moving waters, rolls, stay in its midst, I should be led to judge like Etna's firery wave, on to the awful gulf from its fine situation, that it would' at no beneath. But hark, hear you not that fear- out of the narrow circle of their self-interests; distant day become a large and flourishing ful sound, as it comes rolling up from whose decalogue is arithmetic, whose Bible is city. It contains at the present time a popu- those mysterious depths, that thrill the soul their ledger; who have so constructed and lation of near 40,000 inhabitants, which is with terror, as if some spirit of the departed, whoop,-but let us pause, such is only a fan- tral Illinois and the best farming country ir. rapidly increasing. There are some incidents was to appear clothed in the habilliments of cy of our own creation. The red man of the the State, with the exception of the Mississip- of American history connected with the the grave. That sound is the voice of Ningara forest no more plies his bark Canoe upon the pi valley, arrived at Mendote at 3, P. M.; place that are worth mentioning. Here it speaking in tones of mystic thunder from its Great Father of Waters. No more is seen, changed cars there, and were soon on our was that occurred, in her earlier settlement snow capped throne of mighty waters. That

the cabins smoke carling gracefully upwards way to Chicago, passing through in our route and progress, that memorable siege of its in- voice was heard upon a lovely summer's eve, the privilege of hollering. To protect the eration, and will probably be adopted at a future which I afterwards discovered was about as from some flowery vale,-the Indian lover no the City of Aurora the station where 5 months habitants by the Indians under their skilful upon the blood-stained fields of Nisgara. Its constitution, Dobbs sleeps with it under his meeting.

modeled-Lord Stratford, the labors strenuously to effect the restoration of the

Notwitstanding the splendor of our grand listening to its sweet murmuring sounds. Ocean Lines of Steamers, the profits they pay have much less brilliancy than those of many enterptises of less magnificence. The agents of me to the home of my childhood. No mothlanded safe upon the American side. The er's voice was there to welcome her absent the Collins line, as everybody knows, have for jigs, as the firelight flickered on them; a lisome years past been annually engaged in boring son to the parental abode. Cold and lifeless Congress for a munificent charity, to enable the There are some persons, it is true, who consider Ab, who can tell the extent of a mother's the pretense a mere imposition upon the national the elevator of mighty nations. And now, dear Steaming into which it is a good deal easier for lighted by the glory and majesty of the ings, the Collins floating palaces have not been ex- the tiny egg-shell china cups, almost trans-heavens. You have seen the great father of ceedingly good property, and that it is alone owing parent in their delecate beauty. waters as it rolled in stately beauty, to the to the patriotic spirit, or the individual sympathy, Mexico's blue sea. You have stood with me or indifference as to the disposition of the public imposing sublimity into the awful chasm be- Europe, on the part of members of Congress, or to neath. All this you have seen, as described the genial influence of good suppers paid for by by a boyish pen, whose only aim has been to are kept in motion.

The California lines were at first exceedingly reproprietors to be still drawing in their golden arvest. One of these the public has before seen abel," she said at last. circumstances as author and reader, wherein -the other was presented in the late annual rewe will roam like kindred spirits the various port of the President of the Pacific Mail Steamwith noble gems of thought, and the eleva- pleasant fact, that no dividend could well be NED LOPEZ.

POINTED EXTRACT.-In one of the Rev. E. daring leap of two hundred feet in the depths centreal idea in life is interest and ease, the The company was found to be indebted to the conception that other men are mere tools to extent of \$1,568, 684, aud to have assests amountbe used as will best serve him, that God has endowed him with sinew and brain merely to by depreciation of its stock amounting \$140, 915, tion of benefit, he lives like a sponge on a rock its par value, (which is not so low a point as boarding school ?" asked Harry, as he hanto absorb, and blost, and die. Thousands in many other stocks have deservedly reached.) Sun- | ded me a second muffin. "You don't seem our great city are living so, who never look dry financial schemes for improving the state of to like it." affairs were recommended; also the proposed It was too bad; for now I new that my hardened and stamped their nature, that in spiritual estimate they would pass for on-

Lo Dobbs says the first scroundrel who Company, for the prevention of ruinous compe- tea. attempts to dissolve this glorious Union, ought tition. These measures are still under conside Aunt Margaret drew her lips over her ter th to be ground to death in a bark mill without

near as her dignity would permit bur to come There is a class of men in this city who have to a smile, while Aunt Patty la aghed gleeful-

side, "and I'm your aunt Patty, dear; though minister. we're not much of relatives either. I believe. "And I'm your cousin Harry, dear," a mocking voice from the corner, into

he sat in too obscure a corner for even the dancing, merry light of the hickory fire to illuminate.

How cozy and comfortable everything lookd, after the paper flowers, and wax flowers, and dilapidated annuals of the large, tawdry drawing-room of the boarding-school. The wonderful twisted legs of the old-fashioned furniture seemed to be dancing quiet little a kind of rough play, grasping a marvelouslooking ball, from some chair, table or escruproprietors to keep their vessels above water toire. The curious, black, old cabinet, in the corner, stood grim and prim, scarcely deigning to smile as the ruddy firelight played hide pride of those guardians of the Republic's inter- and seek over its multitudinous doors and ests and honor, and ridicule the idea that shrewd drawers, making one think of lost wills, and old cabinets. But the firelight lingered the obseriest around the table in the centre of the room, with its snowy damask cloth, its oldinshioned glittering silver, led off by the platina tea-urn, with its grim lion's heads, blinkagain. There is no reason at all to doubt, taking ing inoffensively at one, as they grasped the huge silver rings which served as handles, and

Orphan and stranger as I was, all this domestic comfort, after three years in a pinched. genteel ; boarding school, opened my heart to my unknown relatives.

In the meantime, . my, bonnet and wraps had been moved by aunt Patty's own plump Collins, that the walking-beams of the Collins line hands, the bell rung, and lights and tea were brought in.

Aunt Margaret drew her spectacles down emunerative, and many suppose their fortunate to her eyes and scrutinized me for a moment. "You are very much like your mother, Is-

"Jezebel ! what a name for a woman." put n master Harry, who now came forward his saucy face lighted up with irrepressible. mischief.

Aunt Margalet wound her varn up systematically to the last inch, stuck the long needles through the ball, and laid it upon the fairs of the Association, and see if the case was little work stand beside her. Aunt Patty actually thus bad, and if so, why? and further, buisted herself with the brightly polished copwhat should be done ? The report of this com- per kettle, which was brought in over a spirit placed the muffins, as brown as an oak leaf in autumn, and the strangely twisted silver ing to a less sum, viz, \$1, 427, 768, the actual loss toast-rack on the table, and we took our seats. "This is poor fare, isn't it, after the sump-

the stock standing at nearly four percent. below | tuous table you have been accustomed to at

relinquishment of the agency by Messrs. How mischievons cousin could have enumerated land & Aspinwall, who seem to be tired of the every mouthful I had eaten, and I was nearly quired for the use of the company : also, that possible, "I like it so well that I'm sorry to uired for the use of the company: also, that see you feeding your dog so soon, for I'm not atrenuous efforts" be made to affect an amica- nearly done yet," and I passed, my tiny cup ble arrangements with the Nicaragua Transit to aunt Patty for some more of her fragrant