Montrose, Susquehunna County, Penn'a, Chursday Morning, February 25, 1858.

HOME.

Where er our weary footsteps stray O'er this dark vale of tears, If we be cheered by Hope's bright ray Or clouded by dark fears, Down Memory's golden gleaming track Our minds will ever roam; And fancy take us back To childhood's happy home.

O, be that home where glaciers rist Amid eternal snow. Or, be it where soft summer skies In cloudless beauty glow; O, be it but a lowly cot, As Lwere a palace dome. Tis to the heart a sacred spot. For O! 'ils childhood's home.

I gaze in mourning down the past, Throngh avenue of years. Where Love its bright jewels cast, All changed, alas! to tears: Save one!-brightly still it gleams. Nor time can mar its wile; Still in my heart its glow beams-My mother's gentle smile. O, not the crumbling hand of Time,

Ambition's dream of fame. Nor sorrow's bright, nor stain of erime, Not glory, grief of shame, Can bid my heart that spot forget, For Ol my heart will roam, "Till dark in death life's sun is sot, To childhood's happy home.

Blest be the heart that made the bright Home of my happy hours-Be gleaming found them love and light, And blcoming sweetest flow'rs! And they that slumber still in death, May blossoms o'er them bloom-O! Memory twines her faires wreath, To deck Affection's tomb.

DO YOUR BEST.

Yes! do your best in every scheme For human good designed; Strive with a strong carnest hope To benefit your kind; Try every plain and honest plan-Perhaps you may succeed, And find that winning fellows work. Sufficient for your need.

Then do your best! try, yet again, With brace unshrinking heart; Among life's moral conquerors. Through striving, do your part. Secure the road you mean to take, The part you mean to play, And if it be an honest one, Work steadlast on your way.

O! do your best! from mora till noon, From youth till age's night; Life has its triumphs and its woes, Its human wrongs to right. And though you may not do at once All that you must desire, You've toil'd too long to lose your gains; Be patient-do not tire.

But do your best! fear not, nor fail, Your onward path is plain; And time you know can wonders work, The while you try again. Then where there's labor for your hand Shrink not, but stand the fest: And full success shall crown the work For which you've done your best!

OFF WITH HIS HEAD. A breathless, excited individual, says a late number of the San Francisco Morning Call, rushed into the office yesterday, and enquired for the chief.

impassive officer.
"I vant," said he, with a Teutonic accent, "I vants ein baper to tell me kill te thm tog. He bites my legs so pad. I have got the hy-these lovers, the boats have gained the shore, drophobe, and will kill him, or I goes mat and been received by the Governor with all

too."
Ah now I see," said the impassive temperforce of arms against the dangerous animale." them to allegiance.-Apartments were pro "Mein gott, no- dat ish not it-I vante te give me liscence to kill the tog. I vants him house, at which place Lord Howe made his to make me beper so ven I kill the tog he head quarters.

can night go into de bolic court and swear. The next day the troops were landed, and can nicht go into de bolic court and swear against me."

What, the dog !" "Nix, te man."

"Oh, yes," said the officer, who was quietly chuckling at the caution evinced by the Gerthen you want to get a warrant to arrest the they flew to arms. Their first blow was struck governor's daughter, was not to be rejected her rival, and conjured him by all he held man who owns the dog so that the animal may not again attack voli." "Nix-no te toy-te man vat owns te tog. You see if I kill him-"

"Who-the man?"

to think the officer was quizzing him. "I think you vants to make chokes of me. paired to Bonker Hill, and threw up those Tunderwetter and blitzen !- I vants shustice not chokes. I vants fo cut de tam togs head poured death and destruction upon the British off, and if shunice will not give me a baper I cuts his head off anyhow."

dialect, made known his wants and received an order to execute the vicious animal. As he was going out, he met the impassive

"All right!" he inquired.

owner of to tog kills him. "Who-the owner?"

"No, te tog. You make tam fool of yourself by saying te tog ven I mean man and ven I mean a man you say tog. Now you gone to ter teufel!" and the German incontinently hurried away to meet out vengeance to the animal who had crossed him in his "glorious nath."

To keep skippers out of the bacon in the summer-eat it in the spring.

"The sun shines bright on us to-day," said a black-republican candidate to a demowelt Brimstone before night."

THE BETRAYER'S FATE

A TALE OF THE REVOLUTION.

It was on a bright and beautiful morning, about the first of June, that the British fleet. commanded by Lord Howe, came to anchor lately broken out in a manner, which threatthe gallant frigates came abreast of the town, played, bells rung, and boats were seen sailing eyes were visible. Soon he gave the long which seemed to give indications of the re- enemy. The first discharge was dreadful, turn of a victorious fleet, rather than the ar-Government house, how the old Province and ran down the hill in entire confusion. House, was hung with banners, and in the Through the efforts of their officers they raievening brilliantly illuminated. The frigate lied, and again approached the American Lion, Lord Howe's flag ship, came to anchor works; but only to be again repulsed withnear. Long Wharf, and a signal from his greater loss. "main top," the other frigates followed the example of their leader; auchors dropped, sails were furled, and the commander of each period was ordered on board the flag ship. Soon the boats were got in readiness, and Lord Howe and Staff prepared to go on shore. Among his staff was his nephew Lieut. Graham, a young officer, who had accompanied him to America. With Lieut, Graham went his affianced bride.—They entered the boats; and while they are proceeding to the shore, we will give our renders an insight into our

Miss Emily Morgan was the only child of he offered her his hand.

Lieut. Graham was a professed rake, and he played well his cards for her destruction. sight; the blaze of the camon alone told the When the spark of war, was kindled in the pairtots of the approach of the enemy. Ato quell the rebellion, and Lord Howe was appointed to the command. He immediately ordered his nephew to join him. This was an event entirely unexpected, as it was provoking to Lieut. G, as he had just formed his acquaintance with Emily Morgan, and feared that his absence would be the means of his useless to continue so unequal a struggle; he will meet his just reward." losing so vien a prize. He informed her of the Americans had lost their brave Warren, his uncle's determination, and her grief was and they slowly retired, leaving the hill in although he felt the justness of his last te-both drawn up to witness an execution. indeed bitter. A few days before sailing, he possession of the British. persuaded her, by promise of immediate mar. Lieut. Graham commanded the left wing. in a few moments entered, having found scaffold, about to be launched into eternity. the house of her uncle, and go with him. He was immediately carried from the field to his demed to be hung the next morning, procured her the dress of a soldier, and she lodgings, and was received by his almost diswas, unknown to the commander, enlisted as tracted bride. The wound was not of a danger a volunteer. A face has a second and the care of Emily, he began slowly to recover. adding, that she had, unknown to himself, For many days she watched at his side; she secreted herself on board, and that her wish would not leave him; and it seemed her was to assist and comfort him in the wilds of greatest pleasure to administer to his wants. Lieut. Graham repeating his promise, to her whole soul. They often went to a favorite

spangled heavens, or choosing from those no mortal eye to see them, and no noise to bis hands. bright orbs their favorite star, each endeavering to excel the other in love. She loved him vith that pure and constant affection, which alone is found in the breast of virtuous woman; "What do you want of him?" inquired an and believing that love returned, gave him beneficial effect upon Lieut. Graham, for in

love was returned, the sequel will show. While we have been giving the history of join his regiment. these lovers, the boats have gained the shore, honors. Lord Howe was informed that the nor; who, having completed her education, vided for Emily Morgan, in the Governor's

the citizens of Boston were compelled to support the whole British army. Even the churches were not held sacred; but the old South was converted into stables for their His unde often remainded him of the fulfil horses. Repeated outrages of this kind so ment of his promise to Emily, but of no avail. why he had so cruelly cast her off. She beg at Lexington; where the Americans defended fend their dear beloved shore. The Americans *Nix, nix! Gott for tam, you gets everything were stationed at Cambridge and Watertowii, by de tail," cried the lager beer, who began under the command of Generals Prescott and Putnam, and on the evening of the 16th, re-

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and presented a grand and imposing effect.

The day was fine and not a breath of air

American to buckle on the sword, and to dethe outskirts of Boston, was now the comfine day was fine and not a breath of air

American to buckle on the sword, and to dethe outskirts of Boston, was now the commander in chief of his own forces, of Boston up my mind to invest I called on my way

was stirring. The surrounding house-tops fend his country with his life. Washington B. "Yes," replied the latter, " and it did the and hills were crowded with spectators, any had arrived and taken command of the harbor, and the whole British army. The from dinner. same on Sodom and Gomorrah, but they lovely awaiting the result of the first battle American forces. He made his head quarfor American freedom. The Americans lay ters at the house now standing on the Water. was covered with British frigates; and the with some anxiety.

whole ranks of the Brittons were mowed

They did not again attempt the works un til the arrival of additional troops from the city. The men-of-war at anchor in the harbor also opened their cannonade upon the brave defenders of the Hill, and under their tower the British were enabled to divide their forces; and they now approached the works from the different point. To this time the battle had raged with all the horrors of war; the air was filled with the shricks of the wounded and dying; and to add to the horrors of the day, Lord Howe had commanded Charlestown to be set on fire; which being done, the flames spread with astonishing raau English officer of high rank, who fell in pidity, and all Charle-town was wrapped in battle but a short time before, leaving his one awful conflagration; the Americans had daughter Emily an Orphan of the age of expended nearly all their powder and ball. seventeen. She was extremely beautiful, as and their last discharge was soon to be poured Lieut. Graham was convinced of at the first upon the last approaching Britons; the air sight. He was deeply in love with the pretty was so completely filled with the smoke of orphan; and to make his success more sure, burning Charlestown, to which was added the sultry smoke of the battle field, that the light of the sun was entirely hid from their sight; the blaze of the cannon alone told the American Colonies, a large force was raised, gain the voice of Putnam was heard, and for the last time their well directed fire mowed down the enemy.-The Americans had now went on board the Dion, as his flug ship, and expended their ammunition, but not their

and was wounded in the second attack.—He Lieutenant Morris guilty—and he was con- proved to much for the British General, and America. Had not Lord Howe's orders been, He was soon able to go out, and enjoy the to reach Boston with all possible despatch, he pure air of heaven, which he often did, leanwould have returned; but as it was, and on ing upon the arm of one who loved him with marry her on his arrival, he gave orders for spot beyond the British line, where they reapartements to be put in readiness in his newed their promises of love made before leavbelieved that she posses-ed his undying affec-Night after night did that youthful couple tions. Those visits to that spot were often might be seen together, gazing upon the together, clapsed in each others arms, with would place the newphew of Lord Howe in the body of his nephew, he muttered to him-

their own hearts, and the distant roll of the trum from the camp of the Americans .-

hands Tills blow to Emily was dreadful. She re

Wharf, and then proceeded in boats to Char and many were the curses that were uttered gaged in throwing up those breast works lestown shore, where the line was formed, to against Lieutenant Graham. About the time which proved the savior of Boston. Washingawait the arrival of Lord Howe and staff. of Lietenant Grabam's recovery, Lord Howe ton continued passing from rank to rank, en-Presently a magnificent bark, covered with was to give a grand ball in honor of his vic- couraging his men in their noble work, and the ensigns of mighty England, approached tory on Bunker Hill. In the mean time the by morning they had accomplished their the shore, and Lord Howe was among his news of that battle had spread like wildfire work. The breastwork were finished, cannon soldiers. - About two o'clock on that memor- throughout the length and breadth of the mounted, and everything in readinces for a able day, the British soldiers commenced their land; it proved the incentive which caused mighty struggle.

Their brilliant uniforms, and every American to prepare for action. The That morning's sun arose upon a scene long white plumes, with their highly pol- voice of Patrick Henry in the south, the voice which had been prepring during its journey, ished guns, glittered in the sun, while the of Adams in the north, and above all, the which greatly changed the condition of the loud strains of martial music reut the air, wrongs and tyradny which the mother countwo armies. Washington, instead of being

firmly entrenched: not a man moved, not a town road, and there matured those plans consternation which seized upon the minds of word was spoken, but they lay as still as death, which in a short time compelled the British to both officer and soldier on board of these vest have one?" awaiting the approach of the enemy. For leave Boston. These plans were nearly ac- sels, may be better imagined than described, the last twelve hours they had been engaged complished; but for want of more explicit They saw they lay completely at the mercy in that noble task, without a mouthful to knowledge of the true situation of the enemy, stay their appetite, or a drop of water to defer action until he gainquench their parched lips; yet in spite of the wished for information. He thought their privations, there they stood, shouldor to that at the coming fete of Lord Howe, a ju
seemed evident to a looker on that something lessly shoulder, ready to peril their lives for the dicious officer might gain access, and obtain unusual had occurred, from the movements in Boston harbor. The fleet was composed good of their country. They had been joined for him his desired information. He information both on shore and on the water. All seemed ing off like het cakes. They are in great defect wenty sail vessels of the largest class, and during the day by the noble Warren, whose ed his officers of his wish, and Lieutenant bustle and confusion, some running here, some mand among young men," he said, smiling. on board of them were the officers and soldiers advice and courage rendered important ser- Morris volunteered to go. Lieutenant Morsent by the Brithish Parliament to subdue the vices. As the British approached they com- ris was an officer of great promise, a bosom rebellious spirit of the Bostonians, which had menced a terrible cannonade upon the hill, friend of Washington, and had been educated without doing much damage to the Ameri- in England to the profession of arms. He ened some trouble to the British tulers. As cans .- Above the din was heard the voice of served under Braddock, in his disastrous poitment and chagrin. the gallant Putnam, commanding his men campaign, but joined the forces of his counsalutes were given and answered, flags dis not to fire until the whites of the enemy's try at the first outbreak of the war. He was until convinced of their truth by his own available funds, and prudently denied mypersonally acquainted with Lieutenant Gra- eyes; then his rage was at its height. "At self. to and fro; to which were added the cheering wished for signal, and the impatient Ameristrains of music from a dozen bands—all of caus opened their first disharge upon the same school. Lieutenant Graham was the of one rebel;" and he commanded Lieut. Mora lottery or gift enterprise? If so, you can down like grass, while the remainder turned ed by him, he should be betrayed, as he was which place he was conducted by a file of of the prizes. It was continually speculating the Thames. He received his instruction from

> officer, gained access to those balls. Lord Howe had offered a large reward for the capture of a spy, in order to make an exthe Americans. His men were constantly on tain the reward. For a long time Lieutenant Morris avoided supicion; but when about to depart, was recognized by Lieutenant Granext morning he was brought before Lord to be seen, which had just been erected. All might be the lady who was to bring her in- been thrown forward at the came time, and Howe and charged with the offence of being a traitor and a spy. He answered, that if, in | be executed ? Who was missing? The roll joining the forces of his countrymen, who had was called : Lieut. Graham , was the one .assembled to defend their lives and their pro- From his servant they learned he had been perties from the tyranny and oppression of missing since the last evening. At that mothe mother country—"if," said he, this conment a messenger arived from Washington, stitutes treachery, then am I traitor indeed." informing Lord Howe of the capture of Lient. As to the ct arge of being a spy, he freely Graham, and offering him in exchange for confessed that his intentions were to procure their prisoner, adding, that should the execuhoped he might accomplish; but he had been do the same to Lieut. Graham. Gen. Washfoiled by one who was indebed to him for his ington also gave the British forces five hours life, and now, to repay him, had meanly be- to evacuate Boston; which if not done, the trayed him, and would take that life which total destruction of their fleet would be the had saved his own from an early and watery grave. "But," said Lietenant Morris, "his cup is nearly full; he has sacrifice the virture and reace of mind one who placed confidence in his oath, whom he seduced by fair words an officer of the king."
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> And promises to leave her home, friends, for The rope was put around the prisoner. courage; they leaped from their entrench, and promises to leave her home, friends, forments, seized the muzzle of their guns, and tunes, and all that was dear to her, and now even with starvation of their faces, made the shamefully has he cast her off; but the ven- to mount the distant scaffole, and by the aid plumed warriors of Europe quail. But it was geance of Heaven will soon overtake him, and

Lord Howe commanded him to be silent, remark. The officers retired to consult, and The sight of his nephew upon the distant

traitor, a rebel and a spy. Duijnandig touth han was one, who from canducted to the British lines to await his word that was uttered; and when she heard Lieutenant Morris speak of herself, and her betrayer, the finer feelings of her heart were and by the exchange of prisoners, she saw awakened, and she resolved to rescue him. that Lieut, Graham would regain his liberty, As soon as the sentence had been passed, she and she lose her revenge. As he departed to started for the American head quarters. She meet Lieut. Morris, she followed him-and arrived there ovecome with fatigue, and de when about to be exchanged, she drew a knife sired an interview with Washington, which from its sheath, and its long, sharp point was granted. She informed him of the fate drank the heart's blood of Lieut. Graham .of his lieutenant, which Washington had ex- The soldiers sprang forward, but too late to apartements to be put in readiness in his line home. She was indeed happy, for she pected, owning to his non-appearance. She save him; and they had the mortification of told him the story of her wrongs the had conveying to their general the lifeless body suffered, through the baseness of her betrayer, of his nephew. The blow that deprived Lieut. right after night one that ship, and by the starry polonged until after the shades of night had and her wish for revenge. She wished him Graham of his life, also deprived Emily Morpace the deck of that ship, and by the starry polonged until after the shades of night had and her wish for revenge. She wished him Graham of his life, also deprived Emily Morpace the deck of that ship, and by the starry polonged until after the shades of night had and her wish for revenge. She wished him Graham of his life, also deprived Emily Morpace the deck of that ship, and by the starry polonged until after the shades of night had and her wish for revenge. She wished him graham of his life, also deprived Emily Morpace the deck of that ship, and by the starry polonged until after the shades of night had and her wish for revenge. She wished him graham of his life, also deprived Emily Morpace the deck of that ship, and had cast her sable mantle around to give her the services of an officer and a gan of her reason, and she died in a short time and her wish for revenge. She wished him Graham of his life, also deprived Emily Moron a bright evening, those youthful lovers the earth.—There-they would sit for hours few men, and before she slept that night, she of a broken heart. As Lord Howe received

Washington at first would not listen to so the five hours had already elapsed, and Lord base a proposal; but believing that with Howe knew that Washington would keep his Lietennant Graham in his hands, he could Repeated visits of this kind seemed to have effect the ransom of his young friend, he congot in readiness to embark. They were sented to place in ambush at the point she marched to their boats amid the cheering her pure and unsuspecting heart. How that a short time he was pronounced to have desired, a force sufficient to capture her strains of music, which ill accorded with the egained his usual strengt, and was ordered to guilty betrayer; and having arraged about feelings of both officers and men. As the the time of meeting, she departed, and arriv- rear guard of the British passed down Long During his sickness, an arrival from Eng. ed at the city without awaking suspicion, as Wharf, Washington entered on the other side land had brought the daughter of the Gover- she had from Lord Howe a pass permitting of the town, with drums beating, colors flying her to come and go at pleasure.

spirit of rebellion was on the increase; but had come to rejoin ber parents.—She was a As soon as the daily drill was over, she ament, fon require authorite to proceed with he doubted not that his presence would awe young lady of great beauty and winning sought out Lieutenant Graham and informed manners. After the recovery of Lieut. Gra- him of her determination to leave for home, ham, he went with his uncle to jay his res- and that, for the last time, she wished to pects; and as nephew of the commander-in- meet him upon the spot where they had thief, hie was received with much attention. spent so many happy hours. He was much His first visit was an pleasing, that he often pleased with her intention, and readily conrenewed it, much to the mortification of sented. Soon after the hour of dusk, they Emily Morgan, who, however, said nothing, departed for that favorite spot. Upon arribelieving that he would respect his oath, val, she told him that her intention in bringing him there was, to hear from his own lips incensed the Bostonians, that from all quarte a So tempting an offer as the hand of the ged and prayed him to recall his love from for any who had neither rank, money or dear to remember his oath. She recounted their magazines; and as the sound vibrated high born connection. He saw with pleasure all the sorrows she had undergone for his throughout the country, every sword was un- that his visits were not unwished for, and in sake, and all she asked in return was his love; sheathed, and every ann were bared, to de a short time he offered, and she received his but of no avail. He threw her from him with scorn, adding, that he did not come there to be entreated; he tought that he had ceived a note from him, informing her of his all passed, that she was a foolish girl to do as intentions, and urgently requesting ber to she had done, and she must take the consepaired to Banker Hill, and threw up those breast-work, which on the following day would find him a friend. She received his she exclaimed, "Henry Graham, you have dismissal without a murmur, and he believed known what it is to enjoy a woman's love; that slie was resigned to her charge. She you shall now feel a woman's hate." At a The rising son of the 17th shone in all its had of late given her whole heart to her besignal from her, the Americans sprang forsplendor upon the firmly entrenched Ameri- travet, and now most painfully was she dis- ward and seized Lieut. Graham. He was And the lover of sour crout started to leave splendor upon the urminy entrended American the hall, but meeting the chief justice at the cans. The British general was suprised at so appointed. That love which had reigned bound, and they departed for the American door he conversed with him in the German successful a feat, accomplished by undisciplined troops, without experienced officers, and her parions sought revenge. She did not camp deserted. From au officer left to await and he looked upon it more as an accident, wish for slight revenge; upon that favorite them, they were informed that Wahington than the premeditated judgement of the spot; without any mortal eye to see her, she was fortyfying Dorchester Heights; to which than the premediated judgement of the place that he should not live to receive love place they departed and upon arrival, their American commander. He immediately gave orders for the troops to be got in readiness to from another—she swore his death.

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The news of her disgrace spread through both officers and soldiers were buisely ensured to got the town, and even the American camp:

of one whom they had been taught to look seemed evident to a looker on that something lessly.
unusual had occurred, from the movements "Yes," said the clerk, "the tickets are gothere: boats were seen carrying the officers on shore, and no one seemed to know when or make their chance surer."
how to act. To the patriots it was pleasing I was about, upon this hint to follow their

only officer among the British who knew ris to be brought forth. A gallows had been understand my state of mind for the month him; and he did not believe, that if recogniz- erected upon Fort Hill for his execution, to which must intervene before the declaration the means of saving his life, at the imminent soldiers, attended by Lord Howe and staff. upon my chance of success, and what I should peril of his own, while a party were bathing in From the top of the hill, the American works do if, on being declared the lucky winner of were visible to the naked eye. Lieut. Morris the first prize, I should find the lady whom I Washington, and in the disguise of a British mounted the scaffold, and in answer to Lord had won intolerably ugly and unpreposes-Howe, he said he had much to live for, but sing. In such case would the sum of twenty he willingly laid down his life for his country. He thanked him that he had been permitted ample of him, and by such an act intimidate to die in the sight of the achievement of his to wait till the alternative was really present countrymen, and he prayed that success might ed. In the mean time I was particularly the watch for such a person, in order to ob- be the harbinger of the independence of his observant of the pretty faces whom the pladear beloved shore.

was wonder and amazement. Who was to information for his commander, which he had tion of Lieut. Morris be persisted in, he should

> Lord Howe's lip quivered with rage, as he evolaimed:

> "No! they will not dare to hang like a dog neck. At that moment, a prisoner was seen of his glass, Lord Howe could distinguish his nephew. And now a singular sight presented itself, of two armies, in sight of each other, and and the prisoners to be exchanged, and he was During the above scene, Emily Morgan had

watched the proceedings with intense interest; self, "Tis the fate of a seducer." But two of word, and he gave orders for the troops to be and received that homage which a willing people were ready to pay to the deliverer of

THE GIFT ENTERPRISE: Drawing a Wife in a Lottery.

EY CARL CANTER.

My name is Nathaniel Bugbee. Perhaps rou have seen me at sometime, standing beand the counter of my employers, Messrs. Haberdasher and Co., who for five years past bave been selling their goods at an ALARMING SACRIFICE! as the columns of the daily papets and a large placard in front of the store have constantly made known to an interested public. As the uninisted might find it a difficult matter to understand how such a wav of doing business could be profitable to the my hand with warmth. firm, I will just whisper in confidence, that the alarming sacrifice alluded to is always on "You are the fortunate winner of our first offer my arm to the spinister-much against the part of their customers.

This, however, has no direct bearing upon my story. Let me only say, in addition, while upon this point, that my salary, although had ascertained that the name of the young large edodgh for my own maintenance, had lady whose hand I had won was Ethelinda resent expensive style of living. Therefore town in western New York. t may easily be inferred that I must either resign myself not to marry at all, or find some one who to a heart superadds a for-

The tender undetstands my position suffiently to understand the feelings with which I read an advertisement of the following purport, in the papers sometime since.

The advertisement in question set forth the lady, together with twenty thousand dollars! either the young lady or the winning party should see fit to decline the matrimonial alliance intended, the rejecting party should for feit all claim to the twenty thousand dollars which should go to the rejected.

The price of ticketi in this tempting lottery was only two dollars : Boston agents, Messrs.

" Yes."

the clerk, and received a ticket marked 11,-"Rather a high figure," I remarked care-

I accordingly passed a two dollar bill to

Some take as many as fifteen or twenty to

occurrece; but to the Tories, it was disap- example and purchase a few more when I luckily reflecting that a board bill due the Lord Howe would not believe the tidings next day would take up all my remaining

thousand dollars be sufficient to sugar the pill ! I could not tell, but wisely concluded card-An Alarming Sacrifice-drew to dur During his recital, the eyes of the British store, I amused myself by picking out parofficers had been turned towards Dorchester ticular young ladies, and representing to my ham, arrested, and thrown into prison. The Heights; for at that moment a gallows was self the possibility that some one of them

tended twenty thousand dollars.

Without dwelling upon this I will only say
that I saw several whom I should have been perfectly willing to marry at a less high figure. I am aware that some of my romantic young lady readers will shake their heads at shricks which first alarmed, and finally this admission, and brand me a mercenary fellow with a heart not large enough to be gersworth having. But, my dear young ladies, had no particular interest in any young lady, fazcinations of the sex generally, and I renture to say that if I happened to meet any married at last) there is no knowing what

might happen. I can imagine Mr. Bugbee shaking in her shoes at the mere supposition. To proceed with my story. The month slipped slowly away, as all such periods of supspense do. I should scarcely date say how many mistakes the preoccupied state of my mind led me to make, such as returning to a customer seventy five cents more in change than was due her, on which occasion my employer, the senior Mr. Harberdasher, severely remarked that when I made such mistakes I should take care to let them be on the other that while giving back too much change was highly reprehensible, giving back too little would be a venial offence which he would

The month at length drew to a in an excited frame of mind, walked down Messrs, Shave Co's office in State street. | accepted an invitation to take a seat in the The office was already full of anxious ticket holders who were alternately elated or depressed by their success or want of it. I was particularly amused by a scene which trauspired just before my own turn came. The applicant before me was a tall lady of thirtynine or therereabouts, exceedingly spare, and very prim in her, ways. Though she did not heen introduced to her on one occasion as Miss Charity Billings. She was the very picture of a prim, methodical old maid, and professed to have a very low opinion of all mankind, possibly because they had proved so blind to her varied attractions. I sonfess I was surprised to see Miss Charity in such a place, as I had supposed that the pomp and vanities of this world, including, of course, filthy lucre, were as nothing in her sight. However appearances ase deceitful. 'Your Number, ma'am !" inquired the clerk.

"5678." Primly pronounced Miss Chari-

The clerk consulted the list. When he looked up, his face violently struggled to retain his gravity. "You have drawn, ma'am," said he,

elegant rosewood cradle!" Miss Charity's face turned all colors, and her embarrasment was considerably increased by a suppressed laugh which her quick ears

did not fail to catch. "Where shall I send it?" inquired the

Miss Charity looked undecided; but fortunately a person with speculation in his eye, stepped up and offered to take it off her hands | The young lady, Miss Carrie Blackstone, who at a reasonable rate. Miss Billings at once proved, as I suspected, to be the niece of the recovered her composure and prepared herself for making the most of her prize. which she eventually sold to the man.

"No. 11,579 !" I again repeated, taking my aunt and myself. She said little, but left the The clerk, after a brief examination, seized

"Sir, I congratulate you!" he exclaimed. prize." I went home on my head or heels-I am

not quite sure which-not, however, until I

assistance, I could not help regretting the outward appearance of cheerfulness. conditions on which I was to become the enmy part of the contract.

advantages of a certain gift enterprise in a & Co., for a month's vacation, merely alleg-brilliant list of prizes closing with—what do ing that important basiness called ine away. you think? No less than the hand of a young I could not help blushing, when I ptoffered the request, which led to meaning looks being The conditions were that if upon acquaintance exchanged by the other clerks. None of them, however was in my secret.

myself at Oswego, purchasing a ticket by "I-I thought," said she, blushin stage to Coventry, which as I was told, was it was my aunt that—that you distant some twenty miles from that flourishrom dinner.

"Have you any tickets left!" I inquired, only cast stolen glances at me, which I pre- every other consideration—and much more to tended not to see, while I, in turn, looked at the same effect.

"A few," was the prompt reply. "Will you her whenever I could get a chance. Whenever our eyes chanced to meet, they were instantly withdrawn. All this was very foolish of course, but I may allege, In my own defence, that my opposite neighbor, besides being exceedingly pretty, was the only presenta-ble looking lemale in the couch. Close beside her was a spinister, of thirty nine or thereabouts, with a pursed up mouth, and two ing off like hot cakes. They are in great demand among young men," he said, smiling.—
each cheek. Her nose was long and thin, white she hetself was lankness personified. Add to this a pair of blue speciacles and vou will readily imagine that the beauty beside her was heightened by contrast:

There appeared however, to be some acquaintance between them, as I observed the younger lady speaking familliarly with her

The road over which we were riding was rough and hubbly. In parts it inclined to one side, so that one part of the coach was lifted higher than the other. On one of these occasions the inequality was further increased by the wheels at the upper end passing over a stone. The jolt was such that the passengers were all violently precipipated to one side of the coach, and I, much to my surprise, but not at all to my displeasure, found my pretty neighbor opposite, seated in my lap. I made not the least effore to relieve myself of the unexpected burden, but the young lady, half blushing, half laughing, withdrew as quickly as possible from her embarrassing predica-ment. On looking about, I observed that the gentleman at my side, a bluff, stout gentleman, was in a state of ludicrous perplexity.-The spinister, whom I have mentioned, had opening her arms in the vair endeavor to save herself, they involuntarily clasped her oppo-site neighbor around the neck. In her bewilderment, she did not immediately release

convulsed with secret laughter all the passen-Fortunately for us, we were near the end you must remember that, as at that time I of our journey. My opposite neighbor and I was more likely to be influenced by the brick house, about half a mile from the hotel,

her hold, but uttered a succession of piercing

Coventry Arms, I inquired of the landlord, in of you before I become acquainted with the Coventry Arms, I inquired of the landlord, in present Mrs. Bugbee, (be it known, I am the morning, if he could inform me where Miss Ethelinda Blackstone resided. "In a brick house, about a half mile from

-here," was the reply.
"A two story brick house, with liliac bushes on either side of the gate?" I inquired.

"That's the place." I at once jumped to the joyful conclusion that my pretty stage companion was the lady to whose hand I could urge so strong a

I dressed myself carefully, and about ten o'clock, armed with a letter of introduction from the President of the Gift Enterprise, walked over to the brick house. My modest knock called to the door m

pretty stage companion. A blush of recognition squaed that I was not forgotten. Slammering out something about the heart of the morning, a neuvered my letter of and

parlor. My inamorata left me, to read the letter in private.

Meanwhile, I began to feel the embarracement of my position. Nevertheless, I deter-mined now that I had taken the first step, not faint or falter, with such a prize in view, On

the walls of the little parlor were various neat and tasteful drawings, at esting the skill of very prim in her, ways. Though she did not recognize me, I remember perfectly having my late companion.

While I was busily occupied in examining these, the door opened, and admitted-the spinister. I knew her instantly, by her long

nose and yellowish hair.
"Mr. Bugbee?" she said. I bowed.
"I am Miss Ethelinda Blackstone, to whom

your letter was addressed."

I was petrified. It was the nunt, then and not the niece whose virgin hand I had won .-In my dismay and perplexity I with difficulty ejaculated that I was glad to make her acquaintpuce.

"I feel. Mr. Bugbee," said the spinister. casting down her eyes in modest confusion, that—that this meeting is on both sides, an embarrassing one. As we may both desire to become better acquainted, may I ask your company to tea this evening? Our hour is six." Hastily accepting the invitation, I seized my hat, and in avery unhappy state of mind

returned to the hotel.
"If it had only been the thought, "I should have been ted; but I never, never can make up my d to wed this antiquated spinister. A hunded thousand dollars would not tempt me!" I took tea at the house of Miss Ethelinda, elder lady, was very demor; but I could now and then detect a mischlevous glance from

her black eyes, as they rested in turn on her

burden of the conversation to us. As might he supposed, it was precise, formal, and bearv. After tea we walked out. I was forced to my will-while Miss Carrie very demurely

tripped behind.
"How long will this farce be kepe up?" I thought, sighing. I am very much afraid Miss Ethelinda will throw the burden of precluded all thoughts of matrimony in the Blackstone, and that she lived in Coventry, a rejection upon me. She appears to have When suber second thought came to my I groaned in spirit, but had to preserve an

So it went on for a fortnight. Miss Etheviable possessor of twenty thousand dollars. | linda evidently looked upon me with favor, I reflected with a sinking heart that the lady | while she became more and more distasteful might be as ugly as a Gorgop, in which case to me, more especially as I was already deep she would of course, insist on my performing in love with her niece. Hitherto I had no opportunity to speak in private with the lat-I at once petitioned Messrs. Harberdasher ter. It so happened that at this time, on one to Co., for a month's vacation, merely alleg. of my daily calls, I found the old lady absent. Carrie assured me that she would be in soon. Accordingly, nothing loth, I decided to await in her company the return of her aunt.

Before the interview was over, so bewitching proved my companion, I blundered out

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"I—I thought," said she, blushing, "that I vesy carnestly assured her that although ing city. The stage went farther, but Coven- I had the highest esteem for her aunt, I loved try was one of the places on the route. Op- only her-that I was perfectly willing to re-Shave & Co., State street. Having fully made posite me, in the stage sat a young rosyup my mind to invest I called on my way cheeked maiden of very attractive appearance.—that no amount of money, however large, She was was somewhat demure, withat, and could satisfy the heart—that love outweighed