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E. F. WILMOT, M. D., Graduate of the Allopathic and Homœopathic Colleges of Medicine, would return his sincere thanks to the people of Gt. Bend and vicinity, for the very liberal patronage with which they have favored him, and he hopes by a strict attention to business to merit a liberal share of the public confidence. Great Bend, January 22d, 1861.

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Cash Paid for Hides,
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New Milford, July 17, 1861.

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OF THE

SUSQ. COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

TO BE HELD WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9th AND 10th, 1861.

PREMIUM LIST.

DIVISION I.—HORSES.—CLASS I.—*Stallions and Mares.*

Best stallion and one of his colts, ... Diploma and $5
2d best, ... 4
3d best, ... 3
Best stallion which has not stood in the county prior to this year, Dip. and 3
Best brood mare and colt, ... 5
2d best, ... 4
3d best, ... 3
Dr. A. Chamberlin, Brooklyn;
F. F. Badger, New Milford;
Wm. H. Jones, Dimock; } *Judges.*

CLASS II.—*Single and Matched Horses.*

Best single gelding or mare over five years old, raised in the county, $5
2d best, ... 3
3d best, ... 2
Best pair of matched horses, (geldings or mares,) over 3 years old raised in the county, ... 5
2d best, ... 3
Best pair of matched horses owned in the county, not raised here, ... 5
S. F. Carmalt, Apolacon;
John Blanding, Harford; } *Judges.*
P. S. Cassedy, Dimock;

CLASS III.—*Colts and Mules.*

Best pair 3 years old colts, ... 3
Best pair 2 years old colts, ... 2
Best pair yearling colts, ... 2
Best yearling colt, ... 1
Best pair mules, ... 3
2d best, ... 2
Best jack, ... 3
2d best, ... 2
S. D. Townsend, Brooklyn;
J. D. Goodwin, Montrose;
W. M. Tingley, Lenox; } *Judges.*

DIVISION II.—CATTLE.—CLASS I.—*Devons.*

Best devon bull, 3 years old and upwards, ... $5
2d best, ... 3
Best do between 1 and 2 years old, 3
2d best, ... 2
Best do under one year, ... 2
Best devon cow, 3 years old or upward 4
2d best, ... 3
Best devon heifer 2 to 3 years old, 3
2d best, ... 2
Best devon bull calf, ... 2
Best devon heifer calf, ... 2
J. S. Hawley, Hawleytown, N. Y.;
James E. Carmalt, Choconut;
David Wakelee, Springville; } *Judges.*

CLASS II.—*Durhams.*

Best durham bull, 2 years old or over, $5
2d best, ... 4
Best do between 1 and 2 years old, 3
2d best, ... 2
Best do under one year, ... 2
Best do cow, 3 years old or upwards, 5
2d best, ... 4
Best do heifer from 2 to 3 years old, 3
2d best, ... 2
Best do bull calf, ... 2
Best do heifer calf, ... 2
E. G. Babcock, Bridgewater;
David D. Brown, Apolacon;
Stephen Carpenter, Harford; } *Judges.*

CLASS III.—*Grade Devons.*

Best bull, ... $5
2d best, ... 3
Best cow over 3 years old, 5
2d best, ... 3
3d best, ... 2
Best heifer, between 2 and 3 years old, 3
2d best, ... 2
3d best, ... 1
Best four yearlings, ... 5
2d best, ... 3
3d best, ... 2
Best five calves, ... 5
2d best, ... 3
3d best, ... 2
Best bull calf, ... 3
S. W. Breed, Brooklyn;
Wm. C. Ward, New Milford;
J. Meacham, Jessup; } *Judges.*

CLASS IV.—*Grade Durhams.*

Best bull, ... $5
2d best, ... 3
Best cow over three years old, 5
2d best, ... 3
3d best, ... 2
Best four yearlings, ... 5
2d best, ... 3
3d best, ... 2
Best five calves, ... 5
2d best, ... 3
3d best, ... 2
Best bull calf, ... 3
S. W. Truesdell, Liberty;
Norman Mitchell, Franklin;
C. Stark, Bridgewater; } *Judges.*

CLASS V.—*Natives.*

Best bull, ... $3
2d best, ... 2
Best cow over three years old, 3
2d best, ... 2
3d best, ... 1
Best heifer between 2 and 3 years old, 3
2d best, ... 2
3d best, ... 1
Best four yearlings, ... 3
2d best, ... 2
3d best, ... 1
Best five calves, ... 3
2d best, ... 2
3d best, ... 1
C. J. Hollister, Dimock;
J. Stone, Jr., Forest Lake;
Jas. Flynn, Middletown; } *Judges.*

CLASS VI.—*Oxen and Steers.*

Best pair working oxen over 4 years old raised in the county, ... $5
2d best, ... 4
3d best, ... 3
4th best 1
Best pair steers between 3 and 4 years old, raised in the county, ... 3
2d best, ... 2
3d best, ... 1
Best pair steers between 2 and 3 years old raised in the county, ... 3
2d best, ... 2
3d best, ... 1
Samuel Tewksbury, Auburn;
O. F. Prichard, Springville;
W. F. Austin, Bridgewater; } *Judges.*

DIVISION III.—*Swine.*

Best boar, ... $3
2d best, ... 2
Best breeding sow, ... 3
2d best, ... 2
3d best, ... 1
Best four spring pigs, ... 2
2d best, ... 1
Best four pigs less than 10 weeks old, 2
2d best, ... 1
Christopher Byrne, Choconut;
I. A. Main, Dimock;
P. H. Tiffany, Brooklyn; } *Judges.*

DIVISION IV.—*Sheep.*

Best fine wooled buck, ... $2
2d best, ... 1
Best do 3 ewes, ... 2
2d best, ... 1
Best do 3 lambs, ... 2
Best coarse wooled buck, ... 3
2d best, ... 2
Best 3 do ewes, ... 3
2d best, ... 2
Best do 3 lambs, ... 2
Best middle wooled buck, ... 3
2d best, ... 2
Best do 3 ewes, ... 3
2d best, ... 2
Best do 3 lambs, ... 1
Leicesters, blakewells, &c., are classed as coarse wooled; saxony, merino, &c., as fine wooled; and south downs, &c., as middle wooled.
Thomas White, Auburn;
Reuben Harris, Jackson;
Wm. C. Miles, Dimock; } *Judges.*

DIVISION V.—*Butter and Cheese.*

Best firkin of butter made in June, ... butter knife worth $3 and $2
2d best, ... knife worth 2 and 1
3d best, ... do 2 and 1
4th best, ... do 2 or 1
Best fall butter, ... do 3 and 2
2d best, ... do 2 and 1
3d best, ... do 2 and 1
4th best, ... do 2 or 1
Best 10 lbs. butter, made by girl under 18 years, ... knife worth 1
Best cheese, not less than 25 lbs., 3
2d best, ... 2
J. Dickerman, Jr., New Milford;
Pennel Carpenter, Harford;
S. S. Ingalls, Gibson; } *Judges.*

DIVISION VI.—*Fruit and Vegetables.*

Best fall apples, not less than 12, and as many more varieties, ... $2
2d best, ... 1
Best winter apples, do 2
2d best, ... 1
Best pears, not less than ½ peck 1
Best quinces, ... 1
Best & greatest variety of vegetables, 1
Thos. Johnson, Bridgewater;
E. R. Hoag, Silver Lake;
James Leighton, Franklin; } *Judges.*

DIVISION VII.—*Vinegar, Honey and Sugar.*

Best cider vinegar, not less than 2 galls. $1
2d best, ... ½
Best ten lbs. maple sugar, ... 2
2d best, ... 1
Best 10 lbs. Honey, ... 2
2d best, ... 1
John Dubois, Great Bend;
Landis Lyman, Springville;
R. S. Birchard, Jessup; } *Judges.*

DIVISION VIII.—*Cabinet work, Pannel Doors and Carriages.*

Must be entered by the Manufacturer.
Best pannel door, ... $2
2d best, ... 1
Best exhibition of cabinet work, ... 5
2d best, ... 3
Best carraige, ... 5
2d best, ... 3
Isaac Reckhow, Gt. Bend;
N. P. Wheaton, Franklin;
R. T. Ashley, Brooklyn; } *Judges.*

DIVISION IX.—*Farm Implements, and Blacksmithing.*

Best plow, ... $3
Best cultivator, ... 2
Best corn sheller, ... 2
Best straw cutter, ... 2
Best churn power, ... 2
Best three tinkins, ... 2
Best horse rake, ... 2
Best 9 horse shoes, ... 2
2d best, ... 1
R. T. Haywood, Gt. Bend;
George Walker, Dimock;
David Thomas, Middletown; } *Judges.*

DIVISION X.—*Seeds.*

Best bushel of corn in the ear, ... 1
Best ½ bushel of white winter wheat, 1
Best ½ bushel of red winter wheat, ... 1
Best ½ bushel of spring wheat, ... 1
Best ½ bushel of rye, ... 1
Best half bushel of clover seed, ... 1
Best ½ bushel of timothy seed, ... 1
Best ½ bushel of flax seed, ... 1
W. M. Tingley, Lenox;
S. Horton, Friendsville;
Philo Sherwood, Rush; } *Judges.*

DIVISION XI.—*Leather, &c.*

Best 3 sides harness leather, ... $2
2d best, ... 1
Best 2 sides sole leather, ... 2
2d best, ... 1
Best 3 sides upper leather, ... 2
2d best, ... 1
Best carraige harness, ... 2
2d best, ... 1
Best team harness, ... 2
2d best, ... 1
Best pair fine boots, ... 2
Best pair coarse boot, ... 1
R. L. Satphin, New Milford;
Harry Barney, Apolacon;
C. D. Wilson, Clifford; } *Judges.*

DIVISION XII.—*Domestic manufactures.*

Best ten yards flannel, ... $2
2d best, ... 1
Best five yards fulled cloth, ... 2
2d best, ... 1
Best 15 yards woolen carpet, ... 3
2d best, ... 2
Best 15 yards rag carpet, ... 3
2d best, ... 2
Best 6 pairs woolen socks, ... 2
2d best, ... 1
Best 2 pairs woolen mittens, ... 1
2d best, ... ½
Best 10 yards linen cloth, ... 2
Best 15 yards cassimere, ... 2
Mr. L. F. Fitch, Montrose;
Mrs. D. Darrow, Bridgewater;
Mrs. Denison Thomas, Dimock;
Mrs. S. A. Newton, Brooklyn; } *Judges.*

DIVISION XIII.—*Fine Arts, Ornamental Needlework, &c.*

Best specimen of ambrotypes, ... $2
2d best, ... 1
Best patch work quilt, ... 3
2d best, ... 2
3d best, ... 1
Best quilt of any other kind, ... 3
2d best, ... 2
3d best, ... 1
Best bed spread, ... 2
2d best, ... 1
Best winter bonnet, ... 1
3d best, ... ½
Best lady's sacque, ... 1
2d best, ... ½
Wm. M. Post, Montrose;
Miss Eliza H. Cassedy, Dimock;
Miss Rach'l P. Carmalt, Choconut;
Miss Fanny Mulford, Montrose; } *Judges.*

DIVISION XIV.—*Poultry.*

Best phir of turkeys, cock and hen, ... $2
2d best, ... 1
Best 6 fowls, over 1 year old, ... 2
2d best, ... 1
Best 6 spring chickens, ... 2
2d best, ... 1
Best 6 ducks, ... 2
2d best, ... 1
D. D. Warner, Bridgewater;
H. S Searle, Bridgewater;
Seth Mitchell, Montrose; } *Judges.*

DIVISION XV.

To the farmer whose productions are the greatest, (hay included), in proportion to the number of acres under cultivation, taking into account the stock kept on His farm during the season, ... $10
To the next, ... 5
Reports to be made to the executive committee previous to the January meeting.

DIVISION XVI.—*Township Associations.*

To the township society that makes the largest and best exhibition, ... $20
Townships intending to compete for the premium will please notify the Executive committee at least 30 days before the fair.
F. M. Williams, Bridgwatr;
Judson Stone, Forest Lake; } *Judges.*

DIVISION XVII.—*Sweepstakes.*

Best stallion, gelding, or mare, any age, $5
Best bull, any breed, ... 5
Best cow, any breed, ... 5
Best buck, any breed, ... 5
All animals entered for competition in this class will be subject to an entry fee of one dollar extra.
The cattle in this class will be led once around on the track.
Frank Moxley, N. Milford;
A. P. Stephens, Gt. Bend;
Abner Griffis, Montrose; } *Judges.*

DIVISION XVIII.

Best herds of cattle, not less than 12, raised and exhibited by one man, ... $5
2d best, ... 3
Wm. Jessup, Montrose,
Henry Drinker, Montrose,
Hugh McCollum, Montrose, } *Judges.*

DIVISION XIX.—*Plowing.*

Best plowing, ... $5
2d best, ... 4
3d best, ... 3
4th best, ... 2
5th best, ... 1

Regulations &c.

The Committee and Secretary have an office on the Fair Grounds, where the Judges are requested to meet at 10 o'clock of the second day, when their names will be called and vacancies filled; and they will enter upon their duties and be ready to report in writing at 2 o'clock of the same day. It is hoped that all persons appointed on Awarding Committees, will be present at that hour. The Judges can resort for instructions and to make out reports to the office.

Exhibitors wishing to compete for premiums, must have their animals or articles entered on the Secretary's Book, the first day of the Fair, if possible; and a card, which will be received from the Secretary, C. L. BROWN, must be placed on the animal or article to be exhibited. They must be all on the ground for exhibition by 10 o'clock, a. m., of the second day, or they cannot receive a premium. No animals or articles can be removed before the close of the exhibition except by permission of one of the Executive Committee.

No animal is to receive an award in more than one class, except in sweepstake studs and colts.

There will be voluntary Lady and Gentleman driving on the track, at 3p. m., first day.

Superintendents of the different departments will have all animals and articles systematically arranged. The officers of the society and superintendents will be known by their official badges.

A more specific programme of the arrangements, and each day's appointed work, time, &c., will be posted up in and about the Fair Grounds.

A sufficient Police force will be in attendance, day and night, to protect the property of exhibitors.

Arrangements are made for all stock over night. There will a Committee at the entrance of the Fair Grounds, to direct all persons driving in stock, over night.

Stock can be entered ten days previous to the Fair by calling on C. L. Brown, Secretary. Office at F. B. Chandler's Store.

Colts and Mules must be exhibited in stalls, over two years old.

Exhibition of horses for premiums will take place at 1 p. m., first day, and 11 a. m., second day. Sweepstakes exhibition at 1 p. m., second day.

No premium will be awarded to any person exhibiting articles or animals not entered in the name of the *bona fide* owners of the same.

See new Premiums in the list.

SUPERINTENDENTS.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT—Wm. H. Jessup.

SUPERINTENDENT OF CATTLE—Avery Frink.

SHEEP AND SWINE—M. J. Harrington.

FARM IMPLEMENTS—Elijah Mott.

DAIRY HALL—Samuel Bard.

MECHANICS' HALL—G. W. Tilden

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES—Wm. A. Crossmon, and M. M. Mott.

LADIES' HALL—D. W. Searle, George Jessup, Mrs. Rose B. Allen, Miss Ellen Searle, and Miss Fanny Stark.

As there is no State Fair this year, nor any in most of the interior counties, we desire that our exhibition will exceed any Fair ever held in the County. We desire that the Exhibition of Stock will be large, as it is the most important of any department exhibited. Also a good show of Fruit and Vegetables.

The Ladies' Hall will be decorated with evergreens, and we hope to see it filled with articles and a good selection of flowers that will do credit to this department. Several additional premiums have been offered.

The Fairies' Grotto, with some new additions, will be at the fair, by request of the Committee.

Mr. John Moore, of Binghamton, will be present, both days, with his New Revolving Swing, with calash top.

Good music will also be in attendance.

Price of Admission.

Badge of Membership, which will admit all articles competing for Premiums, with family who are females and minor male children, $1,00. Badge of Membership, which will admit family as above, without competing for Premiums, except in Division 12 and 13, (Domestic and Ornamental Needlework,) 50 cents. Single admission 15 cents.

All clergymen and families admitted free.

Plowing Match.

The plowing match will be held in Jackson township, on the lands of Philip Steenbeck, on Tuesday September 24th. Teams to start at 2 o'clock. Dinner free for competitors, also feed for their teams.—Committee of arrangements, Reuben Harris, T. M. Tingley, A. D. Corse, O. H. Perry, Leander Griffis.

Judges—Martin Hall, Jackson; Fowler Peck, Harford; Jacob L. Gillet, Gibson.

A. BALDWIN, } *Executive*
J. C. MORRIS, } *Committee.*

Fearful Depravity.

The following details, extracted from the *Courier de Lyons*, France, disclose the most fearful depravity ever, perhaps, recorded in the annals of crime. They are so extraordinary that we are tempted to give to our readers a translation of them. The scene of the occurrences is in the department of L'Ain. On the 26th of May, a little before midnight, a girl with dishevelled hair, her clothes covered with mud, her countenance wild with fright, ran breathless into the village of Balan, near Montluel, and implored aid and protection of a driver of a chaise, who happened to be entering his house at this late hour. She stated that she had just escaped from being murdered. The constable of the district was immediately sent for, and after having heard her story he at once conducted the girl to a police station at Montluel. There after having recovered herself a little, she stated that in the morning she was accosted by an individual, who appeared to be a peasant, and who asked her to tell him where he could find an office for engaging servants. He represented that he was the gardener of a chateau near Montluel, and that his master had ordered him to find a servant to replace one that was about to leave.—He said that the place was an excellent one, the wages high, perquisites frequent, master and mistress kind, and the duties light and easy. It so happened that the girl (whose name was Marie Pichon) was at that time about to quit a situation which she held at La Guillstiere; her week's notice expired that very day, and she was dazzled by the fair prospect offered by this unknown individual. "If I had had to deal with a gentleman," said she, afterwards, "I should have suspected some trick, but a peasant gave me no uneasiness." She packed up her trunk at once, the fellow persuading her to take with her everything she had. Accompanied by him she went to bid good-bye to a relative who resided in the quarter Pierre Seize: the two then bought some lunch, for which Marie paid; and the man continued so to occupy the time that there was no taking the train to their destination until seven o'clock in the evening.—Thus they did not arrive at Montluel until nightfall. The unknown took the girls trunk on his shoulders and told her to follow him along a solitary path leading to the fields. After walking about a quarter of an hour, he complained of the weight of the trunk, and proposed to the girl to hide it in a clump of thick brushwood, promising to fetch it in the morning early with his master's chaise. She consented, and the trunk having been duly concealed, they continued their journey, now down solitary lanes, now across fields, on pretence of shortening the distance.

The night was dark, and the poor girl began to grow frightened; she avoided walking in front. But at length, at about eleven o'clock, fatigued with walking three hours, she asked if they would soon reach their destination. "Here it is," said the man, and at the same instant he threw a noose over her head. Marie Pichon had presence of mind enough to throw down her handbox and umbrella, and to raise her hands in time to prevent the noose from being drawn tight; then violently pushing off the man, she took to flight across the fields, sometimes meeting with falls into ditches, and tearing her face and hands with the thistles. At length the moon began to appear above the horizon, and the poor girl saw across the plain the white houses of a village; a light was burning in one of the houses, which served her for a beacon. She could now direct her course more certainly, and at length she arrived, out of breath, at the village of Balan.

On hearing of her story the entire brigade of police turned out, and the men were sent in different directions. At daybreak the girl was taken to the railway station at which she had got out, in order that she might retrace the path she had traversed. On reaching the field where the trunk had been concealed, the signs of broken twigs were discovered, but the trunk was gone. The neighboring roads, lanes, ferries, and so on, were searched, but without result. A statement of the affair having been made to the magistrates, the Court of Trévoux directed an inquiry. The particulars obtained at Lyons corroborated the story of Marie Pichon. The officers then went with her over the ground which she had traversed with the assassin; this she was enabled to trace by some observations she had made, but there was no vestige of anything that could put justice on the track of the criminal. The handbox and umbrella which the girl had dropped were not to be found. Yet the guilty man was close by all the time. It was discovered afterwards that he could watch the proceedings of the officers from the top of his vineyard, on the neighboring eminence.

This attempted crime made the greater impression on the neighborhood, because it seemed to be the work of an assassin who had committed, six years previously, a similar crime, as yet unpunished. About the end of February, 1855, some sportsmen found in a wood, belonging to the commune of Tramoye, which bordered on that of Montluel, the corpse of a young girl, with numerous wounds on the head. Her death appeared to have been recent, she was stripped of all her clothes and of everything she had; and it was with difficulty that some very small objects were found in the underwood, which, subsequently, together with her photograph, (which was immediately taken,) served to identify her. For more than a year the investigations of justice were fruitless.—However, providential circumstances enabled the officers to ascertain that the unfortunate girl was named Marie Baday, a native of Loulans, in the department of Saone-et-Loire, and afterwards a domestic servant at Lyons. Like Mary Pichon, she had been one day accosted by an unknown peasant, who had offered her an excellent place at a chateau in the neighborhood of Marie Pichon had yielded to this allurement, and had expiated her imprudence by her death. The information then acquired had furnished also the description of the man. He was a person of middle height, with eyes deeply sunk under his eyebrows, his upper lip double and cut. Ever since that time this villain had carried on this species of crime. Several domestic servants had escaped from his hands with great difficulty, some of them losing their effects.—The circumstances which proceeded these attemps, the district wherein they were made, the invariable description of the unknown with hare-lip,—all proved that it was one and the same person concerned in them.

Minute search was now instituted by the police of Lyons, but without result.—At length, Providence put an end to this series of crime, and Marie Pichon was the instrument employed to bring the criminal to justice. The circumstances attending this last attempt, especially the carrying off of the trunk, so short a time after it; and the facility which the guilty man evidently possessed of evading the immediate surveillance of the neighborhood, gave rise to the suspicion that he resided somewhere in the environs. His description was advertised, and on Sunday, the second of June, the magistrate of the district, upon information furnished by the Constable of the Commune of Dagneux, went, accompanied by the Mayor and the Police, to the house of Martin Dumolard, a small farmer in the Commune. The alarm manifested by this person, the striking resemblance of his features to the description of the unknown, his antecedents, the incredible quantity of articles of clothing belonging to female domestics which was found in his house, were conclusive against him. Dumolard was at once arrested, taken to Trevoux, and that same evening, confronted with Marie Pichon, who identified him positively. A few days afterwards his wife was also arrested for complicity in theft. From that moment the inquiry proceeded rapidly. All the articles and effects seized were exposed and classified in a large room of the tribunal of Trevoux, Some of them were identified, especially some articles belonging to Marie Baday, who had been murdered at Tramsey.

But the subsequent course of this history is still more sad. From certain revelations made by the woman Dumolard, inquiries were instituted at Montluel.—Two corpses of victims of Dumolard were disinterred in the woods. They were the remains of females. The death of one of them must have occurred three or four years ago, for the corpse was little more than a skeleton. Certain indications proved that the assassination of the other must have taken place about the end of last February. The corpse was in an astonishing state of preservation, and it was immediately identified by the three sisters of the victim. An old mutilation of the hand, perfectly visible, removed all doubts. The agonizing cries of the three sisters at the sight of the corpse, produced a profound impression on the bystanders, which contrasted horribly with the imperturbable coolness displayed by Dumolard in presence of the mortal remains of his victims.

Shortly after this, another corpse of a young girl, in a state of complete nudity, was found in a wood near the residence of Dumolard, but no vestige of anything that could aid in the identification of the body could be discovered for a long time. At length the string of an apron, like that usually worn by female servants, was found in a thicket hard by. This string corresponded with that upon an apron found in the house of Dumolard, and which wanted one string. Here was evidence which seemed to connect the fate of the poor girl with the monster now in the hands of justice. Other discoveries are expected shortly, and there is reason to believe that many more unsuspecting servant girls have been murdered by this demon in a similar manner. Since the days of Blue Beard there has not been so remorseless an enemy to the fair sex as this same Dumolard. But his motive for committing these monstrous crimes is the most extraordinary part of the business, viz: to plunder his victim of their cloths and of articles of small value—for a poor servant's effects in France do not amount to much. It does not appear that he was actuated by any other motive than simply a desire to murder on a large scale and to rob on a small. If the man be not a monomaniac, he is certainly one of the greatest fiends on record.

Courtship and Cleaning House.

It was the most golden and glorious of September days. The veil of blue haze hanging like a canopy over the distant hills, seemed absolutely to quiver in the radiant glow of the Autumn sunshine, and the grades, whose amethystine clusters blushed through the trellis of clinging leaves, grew deeper in color and more blooming, as if they had stolen the imperial dye of a thousand purple sunsets and brilliant dyes, as the sun mounted higher and higher, and still higher, in the cloudless dome of heaven. No frescoed ceiling hung with jeweled pendant was ever more beautiful than this arbor of grape leaves, whether light and shadow in fitful arabesques danced with every moving wind—and so thought Richard Mayfield as he came slowly up the garden path that led to his brother's house.

The mansion, however, was far from presenting the gala aspect which prevaded all nature, and our hero's countenance underwent a ludicrous transformation as he eyed the yawning windows and wide-open doors.

"By all the powers," said he to himself, "if Isabel isn't cleaning house again!—Well, women are the most unaccountable creatures! I do believe they delight in turning things upside down, and making themselves and the rest of the world uncomfortable. What the use of choking people with dust and deluging 'em with soap and water twice a year? However, let the dear enigmas have their own way. I'm sure I'm the last person in the world to object."

With that he ascended the steps, and his eye caught the colony of whitewash pails and lime kettles that surrounded the front door, and entered upon the scene of action. It was quite plain from the shout with which the children greeted his appearance, that he was a general favorite.

"Hallo, uncle Dick, we're cleaning house," cried Master Henry Augustus Mayfield, who was mounted astride of a doubled up feather bed, castigating it fearfully with his mother's best silk parasol.

"Aint it splendid, uncle Dick?" exclaimed Miss Julia, who was endeavoring to "put out" the principle of sound from a thirty dollar music box, by introducing a carving-knife into its interior works, while Mrs. Mayfield, half distracted by calls from different directions, was totally unconscious of the mischief thus being wrought.

"Dick, I am puzzled and annoyed," she said. "Here is John called to the city by a pressing lawsuit, and the whole house upside down!"

"Thought that was what you ladies liked," said Dick, perching himself up on the top of the dinner table, and securing a shell basket, from the destructive grasp of the smallest Mayfield of all.

"And my cock has gone, and the fire won't burn, and the wall whiteners havn't come this morning, and the parlor ceiling is half unfinished, and the sewing society is to be here to-morrow night—and Dick, what will I do?"

"Don't fret!" said Richard, soothingly. I will make the fire burn, or I'll know the reason why; and I can finish the ceiling for you!"

"You!"

"Yes, me. Didn't I whiten my own room at College, when we boys had smoked it into the color of an old snuff box? And then I'll tack the carpet down, and see about puting these dislocated beds together."

But Dick, you must be to tired after dancing until twelve o'clock at the pic-nic last night."

"Me tired? Fiddlesticks! Where's the refractory stove?

The very fire was not proof against Dick's sunny determination. It broke into a cheerful blaze the moment he attacked its citadel, and Isabel's face brightened simultaneously. The skills with which he next erected a scaffold, and mounted thereon, with a panoply of whitewash pails and brushes, was perfectly astonishing, the more so as his slender figure and rather pale complexion conveyed the idea of one who was adapted only to Broadway pavements and glittering ball rooms.

"I suppose the workmen did not leave their ward robes when they went away last evening, Bell?" he asked when he had scaled the rather perilous hight.

"No," said his sister-in-law laughing.

"Now just hand up that old shirt—and also a piece of that bed cord yonder. Now don't you admire my tout-ensemble?"

Uncle Dick looks like a ghost," said master Henry Augustus.

"No he don't, he looks like the old miller down at the pond," stuck in Miss Julia.

"Upon my word I don't know which of you are the most complimentary," observed Richard drily. "Now then clear the track every soul of you and give me a chance."

And he worked on, now breaking into a clear, mery whistle, now pausing to survey his achievements, but oftenest of all, relapsing into thoughts of the beautiful