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FOR THE MINERS' JOURNAL.
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I see thee bright and beautiful,
I hear thy voice,
I feel thy warm and sweet smile...

THE SCULPTOR'S TASK.
A Story of Mystery.
It was a summer's night in Italy.
The stars were dimmed with the soft blue mist...

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tion, and each shrieking at the idea of a bleeding assassin plunging among them.
'Is it a woman's hand?' Heaven's! cried the Count...

The Count obeyed, fixing upon the Prince an inquiring gaze; for, he, as well as many present, now believed that he could tell better than any one the history of the beautiful hand.

CHAPTER VI.
The door slowly opened, and a full sized middle-aged man, enveloped in a grey cloak, entered.
On his head was a low cap like a priest's.
The studio was strongly lighted, for Frederick was to complete a bust that night...

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am here," said he, with animation, after covering from his surprise, I have said that my mysterious book and hand of the miracle! Initiate me into the mysteries of thy dark philosophy, wonderful man, and I will serve thee with all my soul!

'Take thy first lesson! Behold!'
The female extended her mutilated arm and he firmly bowed with all the clay to the flesh.
Then, while she instinctively shuddered, he fixed upon her his burning gaze...

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Boys and Girls.—Where are they?
What has become of the juvenile race that used to make the walking ring with the frolicsome laughter, the free, unrestrained sports, the merry, innocent pastimes of happy boyhood and girlhood?

'Sweet is the laugh of girls.'
It was well, then, and one in the 'green lanes' of merry England, on the sunny slopes...

Our American boys are not well grown boys; they are homely, as Carlyle would say—miniature men, dressed up in boots, with long-tailed coats, or smart frock coats, gloves and cane, and too often bare in cigar smokes...

The girls! How many of them are allowed to give forth the impulses of their generous sensitive natures? They, too, are little women. They, too, often do not kiss their amply-brothered, much less are they caressed by them...

Education.—Class in natural philosophy will come up and recite. What is your lesson on today? Hydraulics. Who invented hydrostatics? Hero of Alexandria. Very well; what does hydrostatics treat of? It treats of cold water, and Hero says that it is improper to treat with any other liquid. What is the money-rip-all law? Right; describe the common pump. The common pump is a log of wood stuck up near a wall, with a box outside of it, stuffed (full of sawdust) to keep it from freezing. It has a spout on one side and a handle on the other, and the handle has a chain round it, secured with a strong padlock; to keep people from stealing water. How is the box fixed?—Dunno, sir. Next. With pump water in the pump?—How? What makes water rise in the pump? It is owing to the vacuum in the barometer. This is a demagogic, hypocritical, humbugging age.—Demagogues, hypocrites, humbuggers.

DEARER, AVANCEMENT IN FRANCE.—The Courier de Lyons gives the following additional details of the overwhelming of the greater part of the village of Yalencette. The avalanche, after reaching the foot of the mountain, was carried over a space of several hundred yards by its own impetus, before it could reach the village and covered it with snow and timber, and pieces of rock, some down with it in its course, to the depth of from twenty to thirty feet, burying eighty-two persons beneath its weight. Of these seventy-two have been dug out unharmed, but the ten other perished. To accomplish their rescue, apartments were made over the houses of the houses, and through them the living were drawn up, but the dead were reached until transversal cuttings could be made. Several animals were also saved alive. The avalanche made so little noise in falling, that the inhabitants who did not suffer from it, were not aware of the disaster till seven in the morning, three hours after it happened; and even those who were caught by it, believed it to be only a heavy fall of snow that had crushed their roofs, and stopping up their doors and windows, waited patiently till day expecting their neighbors to come to their rescue.

LORD BROUGHTON AND M. DE TOCQUEVILLE.—A correspondence has taken place between M. de Tocqueville and Lord Brougham, arising out of the assertion of the latter in the House of Lords, that M. de Tocqueville, in his Chamber of Deputies speech on the treaties of 1831 and 1833, "had shown marvellous ignorance of the right of search question." The French deputy replied, with a good deal of acrimony, the charge of ignorance, and denied that he had intended to produce "criticisms" between the two countries. He accused Lord Brougham of uttering a "sheer calumny," "an odious imputation," in saying that he had desired to engage Lord Brougham in a debate on England and France. Lord Brougham, who replies to his correspondent in the third person, after going into a brief analysis of the speech in the chamber, repeats that M. de Tocqueville expressed himself in a way to show his ignorance of the American treaty of 1833, which the United States acceded to the right of search; and he concludes by expressing his sorrow that he has given offence to M. de Tocqueville, but that he is far from wishing to impute the abusive and unbecoming style of his letter.

SINGULAR PARROT.—The following singular phenomenon is related by the Courier de la Morille. During the prevalence of an epidemic complaint at Villeveyrac, a parrot, named Metis, a medical man was called in to attend a woman forty-four years of age, suffering from the prevailing ailment. On entering the room where she lay, which was on the ground floor, raised about half a yard from the earth, which was damp, he observed on the outside of the building a pale blue flame, which went out on opening the window, but left a pungent odor, which he detected in relating his observation to the doctor. In relating his observation to the doctor, he stated that the parrot was sitting on the person of the woman. An anatomical dissection was related some time ago in the English journals.

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