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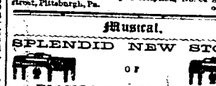

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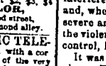

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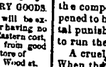

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Camphor,	Arrow Root,
Citric Acid,	Gum Arabic,
Calomel, (Eng.)	Oil, Liquorice,
Cardamum Seeds,	Iodide Potass,
Epsom Salts,	Iodide Iron.

MACKEOWN & FINLEY, 167 Liberty street.

BAGS, BAGS.—Seamless Bags always on hand. The trade supplied at Boston prices; freight added. se28 HITCHCOCK, McCREERY & CO.

FANCY CASIMERES JUST RECEIVED AT

C. HANSON LOVE'S, se7 MARKET ST.

CLOVERSEED.—50 bags prime, in store and for sale by se9 J. B CANFIELD.

500 REAMS STRAW WRAPPING PAPER, Double Crown, Single Crown and Medium just received and for sale at manufacturers' prices at Paper Warehouse of W. S. HAVEN, se26 corner Market and Second sts.

CODFISH.—2 tcs. in store and for sale by ja25 J. B. CANFIELD.

PEACHES.—50 baskets to arrive this morning, for sale low by DAVID C. HERBST, se11 corner Liberty and Hand street.

50 HHDS. SUGAR arriving and for sale by se19 J.B. GARDINER.

OILS.—5 bbls. Linseed; 15 do Winter Elephant; 5 do Bank Oil. For sale by se6 JOHN MELLOR & SON.

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THE LAST VICTIM OF THE GUANTLET.—An imperial rescript, bearing the date of the 20th of August, 1854, and the signature of the Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria, has abolished forever-more, within the realms of the whole Austrian Empire, that terrible chastisement, running the guantlet. Terrible it was indeed; a cruel and barbarous remnant of those dark and dismal times called the middle ages. I witnessed the last execution of this kind; and record it for the benefit of those who still cling with a strange fondness even to the worst legacies of bygone centuries.

On an autumn morning in the year 1851 the garrison of the fortress of Theresienstadt, on the Eager river, in Bohemia, was formed in a large square on the spacious place before the Residence of the Commandant. In the middle of the square, drawn up in a file, stood a company of a Rifle Battallion, to which the delinquent belonged. It was unarmed, each private (there were three hundred) being provided with a switch, and placed at a small distance from his next man. At the tenth stroke of the clock the drums were beaten, and amidst a silence deep and oppressive the prisoner was marched into the square.

He was as fine a looking man as ever I have set my eyes upon; tall, powerful and well formed. His handsome features, to which a black moustache gave a bold and martial expression, shone forth in the full glow and vigor of manhood, only they were of a deadly paleness.

He was a non-commissioned officer, and during the last campaign in Italy, in 1849, he had distinguished himself in such a manner that his superior officers had recommended him for promotion. Austria is more gedeross than England towards those that shed their blood in her service, and he would have been made a commissioned officer long since—in spite of his humble origin—but his poverty—for it had not been for a fatal impediment. This impediment was his own passionate temper; he was a very irascible man: harsh and brutal towards his inferiors, morose and stubborn towards his superiors whenever they deemed it necessary to check or punish him. He was hated by the men to the utmost. There was not a private in the whole battalion that had not vowed him revenge. He had never made one friend, nor did he care to have one. Strict in the performance of his military service—the most minor duties of which he discharged with the utmost exactness—he went his own way, proud, reserved, solitary. Innumerable were the punishments which he had brought upon the men; for however slight the offense might be, he was sure not to pass it over in silence.

His superior officers respected him for his usefulness, his ability, and his exactitude; but they did not like him. The evident lack of humanity in the man make him an object of doubt rather than of love. Moreover there was a vague rumor about his having once struck at his own officer in the midst of a pell-mell caused by a hand-to-hand encounter with the enemy. The report never took a clear shape, the officer having been killed in the engagement, and the gossippings of a few wounded soldiers having been much to incoherent and contradictory to lead to a formal investigation of the matter; besides it was the victory of Novara. He had greatly distinquished himself, and old Field Marshall Radetzky had—with his own hands—affixed the golden medal on his breast. The rumor, however, together with the knowledge of his harsh and brutal temper, caused his name to be erased from the list of those that were recommended for higher promotion.

When this incident was made known to him, he became even more sullen, more rigid, more cruel than ever; but always—as it was well understood—for the benefit of the service; the slightest demands of which he performed with the same immutable strictness as he enforced them to be done by others.

A few weeks previous to the dreadful punishment which he had now to undergo, he was commanding guard in the outworks with some twenty or twenty-five men of his own company. It was a chilly, rainy night, and, when the sentries were relieved, they were glad to stretch themselves—wet as they were—upon the floor near the fire-place in the middle of the guard-room. The floor not being very clean (floors seldom are in these localities,) and the white uniforms of the men being wet, it was no wonder that the dirt adhered to them with a tenacity that defied all exertions to get it off, when the wearers were roused by this serjeant to prepare for standing guard once more. The more they tried to rub their clothes clean, the more steadily he lent a helping hand to their endeavors by an application of the end equipment of every Austrian non-commissioned officer—the stick. Whilst he was fully at work, cutting away at the men with a powerful arm, the door opened, and the officer on duty entered the guard room.

"Attention!" commanded the serjeant, and, saluting his superior, made the usual report that nothing worth remarking had happened. The officer a young ensign, fresh from the military school, and almost a boy, took no notice whatever of this important news, but asked the serjeant in a brisk and somewhat impetuous manner:—

"What he was striking the men for?"

The serjeant already much annoyed at this interference, gave a surly and unwilling answer and, when the young officer rebuked him, in a severe and perhaps somewhat haughty manner, the violent and passionate man, losing all self-control, lifted up his hand against his officer.

It was but one fatal moment, quick as lightning. The uplifted hand never descended; it was caught by a dozen powerful arms. He was felled to the ground, and disarmed. Half an hour afterwards he found himself in irons in the casemates.

Lifting the arm against a superior is considered a capital crime. In this case it had been committed whilst both parties were on duty, and the Austrian military laws are the very last in the world to be trifled with. The following day he was tried by court martial, and sentenced to be shot. When the sentence was forwarded to the competent authority for ratification, it happened to be the superior's anniversary day; capital punishment was commuted, the criminal had to run the gauntlet.

A cruel act of grace was this commutation! When the first sentence had been read over to him, he had remained cold and impassable; not a muscle of his proud face stirred. He did not fear death; he had looked it in the face many a time without flinching, and to die in the open air, pierced by a dozen balls—a soldier's death—what should he care much for that! But when he was informed that he had to run the gauntlet twice through his company, after having been previously degraded, he trembled for the first time in his life. He knew of many a soldier who had run the gauntlet, thrice through a whole battalion, and not one been the worse for it save the ground, and disarmed. Half an hour afterwards he found himself in irons in the casemates.

When he received the first stroke his features assumed an expression of pain, and his firm-set lips quivered slightly. This was, however, the only sign of sensation. Crossing his arm over his breast and pressing his teeth close together, his proud face remained henceforth immovable. His merciless enemies enjoyed but an incomplete triumph after all; they might slash his body in pieces, but his proud and indomitable spirit they could not break. The blows descended with a fearful violence upon him. After the first dozen, blood came but never did he utter one single exclamation of pain; never—not even with a look, did he implore for mercy. An expression of scorn and disdain was deeply set on his face, as pale as death. When he had reached at last the left wing of the company, his lacerated back presented a frightful appearance. Even his most exasperated enemies might well have been satisfied now: if it had but been possible, the commanding officer himself would have interceeded in his behalf, but this was not even to be thought of, the law must have its course. They faced him right about; he had to make the same way back again.

There was one formality connected with this punishment which was a cruel, barbarous and shameful mockery; the delinquent had to thank his executioners for his tortures.

When the victim had arrived at the file leader of the right wing of his company, and the dreadful execution was over at last, he threw one last, long look, full of contempt, at his tormentors. Then he was seen staggering like a drunken man towards the commanding officer. His eyes, swollen with blood, beamed with an unnatural brightness, his respiration was short and painful; touching his head with his right hand, in token of the military salute, he said in a voice that came out of his throat with a rattling sound, but that was nevertheless distinctly audible all over the place: "I have to thank your honor for this exquisite punishment, and fell down dead.

PEKIN AS SEEN BY AN AMERICAN.—A correspondent of the Philadelphia *Inquirer* was at Pekin, the capital of China, a short time ago, and what he saw of it, how it impressed him, he thus describes:

"On arriving at the capital of the Chinese empire we find a city containing about two million of inhabitants. Such is the estimate, but doubtless the calculation is made in the usual spirit of Eastern exaggeration. Be that as it may, the walls are fourteen miles in circumference, twenty-eight feet high, twenty-four feet thick at the base and twelve at the top. There are spacious towers all round, at seventy feet distant from each other and at all the gates are look-out