MY IDEAL.

Small, frail of figure, young; and like a child For utter trust and large and loving eyes; With bair like golden seawed, running wild In g. istening clusters to a tiny waist, A rosebud mouth, with sayings not too wise, But very sweet to hear: a satin skin, White mostly, but dushed faintly from within With rosy lights—as when a lamp is placed With porcelain vase—as though a rose With blown, white heart were slowly growing Like pearls entwined with blossoms, she shall

wed To Nature's charms all grace that art bestows. She shall be pure and true a nough to greet.
A poor relation in the gaping street! W. ct. (Saint Paul's)

EPHEMERIS.

-Mayor Kalbfleisch of Brooklyn is -324 deaths occurred in Philadelphia

last week. -Dumas, pere, is hard at work on his cook-book. -The Duke of Edinburgh plays the

violin passably. -The servant and principal heir of Humboldt is dead.

\_In Toledo, Ohio, there is a society called the He-sorosis. \_The widow of Heinrich Heine has

married a Frenchman. -\$20 is the admission fee to Ristori's entertainment in Rio.

-When last heard from Mr. Louis A Godey was in Norway. -Cincinnati is enjoying the agonies o

the school book question. -Governor Senter, of Tennessee. only thirty six years old. -The Boston Post says Byron's char-

acter has been Stowe-len. -Two large pictures by Gustave Dor have arrived in New York.

-A plague of cholera is devastating the dominion of the Shah. -The Sultan is said to have two Chris

tianized Turks in his Cabinet. -New cramberries are already coming from their home in New Jersev.

-Key West has not escaped her an nual visit from the yellow fever. -A child named White was stung to

death by bees at Newport recently. -In Paris the favorite day for wed dings is not Thursday but Saturday. -Seventeen million gallons of water

per diem is what Brooklyn requires. -Ten dollars per annum is the salary of a private soldier of the Italian army. -840 per month are the wages of a maid-of-all-work in an Oregon house

-Twelve hundred persons were punished in London last year for cruelty to animals.

-A movement among the Car-lists-The great reduction in freight rates?—N. Y. Express

known oratorio by Mendelssohn has been unearthed at Leipzig. -In 1796 Cleveland had just three in-

habitants, now it claims to have thirty thousand times that number. -The dis-establishment of the church in Wales, is the most recent step spoken

of by the English dissenters. -Moosehead Lake in Maine will soon be approachable by rail. The road

thither is almost all graded now. -A Newark backman hung his canvas turn from dinner found it full of letters. -One of the very worst jokes gotten

off recently is on Commodore Vanderbilt, who is called the ancient marryin-er. Cincinnati proposes to pay \$300 apiece for the traveling expenses of a selection of her business men, to be sent to Cali-

fornia. The Philadelphia Ledger has a correspondent who is anxious to know when the much-talked-of Anglo-Saxon race is

to come off. A stage blonde in Troy caught her hair afire the other evening. The blazing mass came off immediately and didn't hurt her a bit.

-Admiral Semmes tried to be chosen President of the Alabama University, every effort was made to discover his wife, but Cyrus Northrup received more votes and got the place.

A peasant in the Black Forest claims to have invented a new kind of watch, which answers all the purposes, and can be made for half a florin.

-A brewer in Cleveland tried to drown himself in a vat of his own beer, but he was rescued. Of course he couldn't afford not to sell the beer of his bath. -Miss Hamel, the young woman who

married a Bourbon among us, has succeeded in constructing a reconciliation with the old Bourbons on the other side. -The King of Hanover has written a

France to crush Prussia. The opinion givings that Col. Scott applied to Secreof so disinterested an author is valuable. M. Du Chaillu, has taken to the rostrum in favor of woman's suffrage. He illustrates his speeches with anecdotes

drawn from his experience among the gorrillas. \_Madame Maltinger, the prima donna, is learning to swim, as she is to sing the the leading part in Wagner's new opera 46 Reignold," in which she has to do some

real swimming. -A diunken mother in St. Louisthrew her baby out of the window, and an old woman passing caught it in her spron. Fortunately nobody broke the fall of the

mother when she followed her child. -A New Orleans woman drowned herself because it is not worth while living.

neat plan would be to adorn them with metallic signs connected with batteries from which at night they could extract illumination.

-Mrs. Stowe has been ill since her Byron article was published. This illness may result from the severity with which that article was received, in which case we suppose it may be considered a very critical illness.

-Out in Illinois, another of those lizards, with singular taste as regards domestic architecture, has been discovered. He lived, until last week, in a man's stomach, but a cruel fate has expelled him from the home of his choice.

the Prussian navy. But suppose it was used for that purpose, what is to become of the Munichians who would thus be deprived of their natural beverage by a tyrranous North German monopoly?

-England is fast going to rack and ruin; all of her time honored institutions are being threatened or attacked. This was, indeed, in his usually pleasant eye year the Ministerial whitebait dinner at Richmond, succumbed to the progressive march of the radical exterminators.

-A gentleman in Litchfield, Conn. having reached his hundredth birthday, his friends determined to give him a reception in the church. Arrangements having been made, as the old gentleman entered the church with his two brothers, each over seventy, the entire audience arose and sang "Old Hundred."

-The ruins of Fort Ticonderoga are reported to be disappearing rapidly. The | ble, sir." farmers in the neighborhood have pulled down and carried away some of the oldest portions of the structure, (which presented the finest specimens of the architecture of the time in which they were built.) to build stone fences with.

-There is said to be danger, of New Jersey blowing away altogether if they don't have rain pretty soon. The dust is so deep there now, that if the drought continues for a little while there will be reason to hope that the valuable discovery will be made whether New Jersey really has or has not any solid foundation beneath the sand.

-Cassagnac has at last caved. One of challenge to fight, "hand on breast and pistol on forehead, ignorant as to which has the loaded weapon." He further adds that "the moment our eyes are fixed. on each other, one of us must vanish into nothingness." M: Cassagnac declines to see the vanishing point.

-The Richings opera troupe has reorganized for the season and contains the following artists: Caroline Richings and Miss Blanche Ellerman, soprani; Mrs. as inhumane as he was ungainly. Toward morning he fell asleep and slept late. Before he was fully dressed there came a Haigh, Bernard and Brookhouse Bowler, | fore he was fully dressed there came a tenori; Drayton and Arnold, baratones, | quick knock at the door of his chamber, and Henry Peakes, bass. Judging partly and he opened it to President Lincoln! by hearsay and partly by experience, we should say that the troupe is only inferior to that of last year inasmuch as Mr. Camp. bell's place is hardly filled by the new man. Mr. Castles' sweet voice will be missed, but the present troupe is unusually rich in fair to middling tenors. .

PRESIDENT LINCOLN.

A New and True Story of the Late Pres-(From Bickens' All The Year Round 3

During the summer of the most disasfeed bag on a lamp-post, and on his re- trous and doubtful year of the late American war, the Colonel of a New Hampshire regiment lay for some weeks extremely ill of camp fever, near Hampton Roads, in Virginia. Hearing of his critical condition, his wife left her northern home, and, after much difficulty, made her way to his bed-side. Her cheerful presence and careful nursing so far restored him that he was in a short time to be transferred to Washington. In the Potomac river the steamer in which the invalid officer, Colonel Scott, and his wife had taken passage, was sunk in a collision with a larger vessel in the night time. The crew and nearly all the soldiers on board were rescued and saved themselves; bul amid the horrible scene Colonel Scott became separated from his wife and she was lost. The Colonel was picked up in the water by the crew of the larger steamer, and under his direction or rather her body, for all hope of finding her alive was soon abandoned. The sad search was fruitless; it was resumed in the morning, the people along the shore, humane Confederates, lending their aid. But the gray, sullen river refused to give up its dead, and the young officer, half frantic with grief, was compelled to go on to Washington. Within a week, however, he received word from below

that the body of the lady had been washed on shore; that those good country peo-ple, generous foes, had secured it, cared for it and were keeping it for him. It happened that just at that time imperative orders were issued from the war depart. ment prohibiting all intercourse with the peninsula—a necessary precaution against The King of Hanover has written a pamphlet proving it to be the duty of military plans. So it was with some mis-

> tary Stanton for leave to return to Virginia on his melancholy duty.
> "Impossible, Colonel," replied Mr. Stanton, firmly; "no one can have leave to go down the river at this time on any private mission whatever. Our present exigencies demand the most stringent regulations, and I hope I need not say to you that no merely personal considera-tions should be allowed to interfere with great national intérests. Your case is a sad one, but this is a critical, perilous, cruel time. 'The dead must bury their

The Colonel would have entreated, but the busy Secretary cut him short with another "impossible," from which there was absolutely no appeal. He went forth from the presence, and returned to his hotel, quite overwhelmed. Fortunately, he was that afternoon visited by a friend, to whom he told the story of his unsuc. herself because it is not worthwhile living.

We would gladly receive intelligence who immediately exclaimed, "Why not concerning the source whence she drew had but little hope, but, acknowledging that it is worth while that the plan was worth to do not not start to the source whence she drew had but little hope, but, acknowledging that the violets on that that the plan was worth trying, drove The latest idea is the use of the tel- They were too late. It was Saturday below—they are tender and tearful with

was a first with antique in a court of the first for forest or an ex-

spend Sunday at Soldiers' Rest, his summer retreat. This was but a few miles from town, and the Colonel's indomitable friend proposed that they should follow him out, and they went. There was then a popular behefthat all the wronged, the troubled and suffering could find a refuge n "Father Abraham's" capacious bosom a belief that was not far out of the way Yet there were times when, overburdened wearled, tortured, the patriarch longed to clear that asylum of its forlorn inmates to bolt and bar, and double lock it against the world; times when life became too hard and perplexing for his genial, honest, na-

ture, too serious and tragic and rascally a thing by half. It happened, unluckly, that the poor colonel and his friend foun the President in one of his most despond ent and disgusted moods. He was in his -Munich makes enough beer to float little private parlor, alone in the gloaming. He was lounging loosely in a large rocking-chair, jutting over in all directions. His slippered feet were exalted, his rough head was thrown back, his long throat bare—he was in his shirt sleeves. Yes, dear, fastidious English reader, in was genuine Yankee abandon-make the most of it. He turned upon his visitors

a look of almost savage inquiry. There a wild, angry gleam—a something like the glare of a worried animal at bay. Col. Scott proceeded very modestly to tell his story; but the president interrupt ed him, to say brusquely, "Go to Stanton: this is his business."

"I have been to him, Mr. President,

and he will do nothing for me." "You have been to him, and get your answer, and sull presume to come to me Am I to have no rest? no privacy? Must I be dogged to my last fastness, and worried to death by inches? Mr. Stanton has done just right. He knows what he is about. Your demands are unreasona-

But, Mr. Lincoln, I thought you would feel for me." "Feel for you! Good God! I have to feel for five hundred thousand more unfortunate than you. We are at war, sir; don't you know we are at war? Sorrow is the lot of all; bear your share like a man and a soldier." "I try to, Mr. President, but it seems hard. My devoted wife lost her life for

coming to nurse me in my sickness, and I cannot even take her body home to my children.' "Well, she ought not to have come down to the army. She ought to have stayed at home. That is the place for women. But if they will go tearing about the country in such times as these,

and running into all sorts of danger, they must take the consequences. No the St. Pelagie prisoners has sent him a that I am not sorry for you, colonel. As for your wife, she's at rest, and I wish I were.' Saying this the President leaned back wearily in his chair, and closed his eyes, not noticing, except by a slight wave of his hand, the departure of his visitors. I am not ashamed to confess that my hero

tossed restlessly that night upon a pillow wet with manly tears, that he was desperate and resentful, utterly unreconciled to the decrees of Providence and the War Department, and that he thought Abra-Lincoln as hard as he was ugly, and fore he was fully dressed there came a The good man came forward, pale and eager, tears glistening in his eyes, and grasped the colonel's hand, saying: "I treated you brutally last night. I ask your pardon. I was utterly tired out, badgered to death. I generally become about as sayage as a wild cat by Saturday night, drained dry of the 'milk of human kindness.' I must have seemed to you the very gorrilla the rebels paint me. I was sorry enough for it when you, were was sorry enough for it when you were gone. I could not sleep a moment last night, so I thought I'd drive into town in the cool of the morning and make it all right. Fortunately, I had little difficults of the could be seen that the could be seen that the could be seen to the could

culty in finding you."
"This is very good of you, Mr. President," said the colonel deeply moved. "No it isn't, but that was very bad of me last night. I never should have for-given myself if I had let that piece of ugly work stand. That was a noble wife or yours, colonel. You were a happy man to have such a noble woman love you; and you must be a good fellow or such a woman would never have risked so much for you. And what grand wo-men there are in these times, colonel! What angels of devotion and mercy, and how brave and plucky—going every-where at the call of duty, facing every danger! I tell you, if it were not for the women, we should all go to the devil, and should deserve to. They are the salva-tion of the nation. Now come, colonel; my carraige is at the door. I'll drive you to the War Department, and we'll see

Stanton about the matter." Even at that early hour they found the Secretary at his post. The President pleaded the case of Col. Scott, and not only requested that leave of absence should be given him, but that a steamer should be sent down the river expressly to bring up the body of his wife. manity, Mr. Stanton," said the good President, his homely face transfigured with the glow of earnest, tender feeling, "humanity should overrule considerations of policy and even military necessity in

matters like this " The Secretary was touched, and he said something of his regret at not having felt himself at liberty to grant Col. Scott's request in the first place.

"No, no, Mr. Stanton," said the President; "you did right in adhering to your rules; you are the right man for place. If we had such a soft-hearted old fool as I here there would be no rules or regulations that the army or the country could depend upon. But this is a pecu-liar case. Only think of that poor woman!"

Of course, the "impossible" was accomplished. To the surprise of the Colonel, the President insisted on driving him to the navy-yard, to see that the Sec-retary's order was carried out immediately, seeming to have a nervous fear that some obstacle might be thrown in the way of the plous expedition. He waited at the landing till all was ready, then charged the officer of the steamer to give every assistance and attention to his "friend, Colonel Scott." With him he shook hands warmly at parting, saying, "God bless you, my dear fellow. I hope you will have no more trouble in this sad

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