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Sunbury, Oct. 8, 1858.—

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Copy of a letter from J. Noble, Esq, Mayor of Boston, Lincolnshire.

To Professor HetLoway, Dear Sir .- Mre. Sarah Dixon of Lieuorpond Street Bos-

tules as to diet, &c., she was perfectly cured, and now enjoys the best of health.

I remain, Dear Sir, yours truly.

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Sussex, dated Jan. 12th 1853.

To Professor Holloway,

Sir.—I suffered for a considerable period from a severe
attack of Eryainelas, which at length settled in my leg, and
rasisted all medical treatment. My sufferings were very
gract, and I quite despaired of any permanent amendment,
when I was advised to have recourse to your Ointment
and Pils. I did so without delay, and uni bappy to say
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December 21, 1853,—1y.

ORPHANS' COURT SALE. PURSUANT to a decree of the Orphans' Court of Northumberland county, Penn-sylvania, made on the third day of April, 1854, the undersigned William H. Marshall, sixth day of May, 1854, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the house of William M. Weaver, Innkeeper in the town of Shamokin, Northumberland county aforesaid, the undi-vided interest of the said Laura Viel, a minor, whatever the same may be (being one equal undivided twenty-fourth past or share, more or less,) in Twenty Five certain

Tracts of Land, to wit; in all that part of the lands embraced within the said twenty five tracts, which is situate in the county of Northumberland, Being twenty five certain tracts of land which were patented to one Richard Soderstrom, by twenty five several letters patent, dated respectively the nineteenth and twendates respectively the nineteenth and twentieth days of March, 1795, enrolled in Patent Book No. 23 and 24, and were by the said Richard Soderstrom, by deed dated the twenty second day of April 1795, recorded in Northumberland county in Deed Book K, page 359, &c., granted and conveyed unto larges Odier Approved Respect Labe. James Odier, Augustos Bonsquet, John Bous-quet, and Henry Lewis Dopasquier, their heirs and assigns, as tenants in common, and not as joint tenants, and were then situate in Mahanoy township, Northumberland county, now partly in Northumberland county, and partly in Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, and were surveyed on warrants granted to the following named persons, and contain according to the official survey thereof, respectively, as follows, to wit; John Darr 399 acres and allowance; John Did 444 acres and allowance; Mary Darr 382 acres and allowance; Peter Darr 460 acres and allowance; Luke Darr 385 acres and three quarters and allowance; Smith Evans 390 acres and allowance; Luke File 336 acres and allowance; William Harrison 414 acres and allowance; John Hoglin 202 acres and a half and allowance; Luke Hoglin 406 acres and a quarter and allowance; Robert Irwin 414 acres and allowance; Luke Boyle 407 and a half acres and allowance; Abigal Lukins 436 acres and three quarters and allowance Robert Poor 393 acres and allowance; John Smith 410 acres and a quarter and allowance; Luke Smith 438 acres and a half and allowance; Robert Smoke 398 acres and a quarter and allowance; Abigal Smith 347 acres and allowance; Robert Tid 375 acres and three quarters and allowance; Luke Fidler 450 cres and a quarter and allowance; Smith Lukens 481 acres and a quarter and allowance; John Housel 345 acres and three quar-ters and allowance; John Meadling 376 acres and allowance; Jeremiah Jackson 390 acres and allowance and Mary Smith 411 acres and a quarter and allowance—and containing in the whole, nine thousand eight hundred and twenty nine and a half acres and allowance. The sale to be for the best price that can be had for the same, and for cash, to be paid at

the confirmation of the sale.
WILLIAM H. MARSHALL, By order of the Court, P. PURSEL, Clk. O. C. Sunbury, April 22, 1854 .- )

> FLOOR OIL CLOTH. C. M. BAILEY,

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An Affecting Sketch.

TLIA CLARE.

THE DESTROYER AND HIS VICTIM

BY EUGENE ST. CLAIR.

CHAPTER I.

"She loved not wisely, but too well."

Sweet Ella Gare! Do you remember her, with her full, dark eye, beaming in its divine beauty, like a star, through the long remember her, with the soft vermilion bloom stealing across her rounded neck, like the first rosy bloom of morn, and her ripe red lips, modeled after Cupid's bow ever wreathed with smiles? Do you remember her, with her form of exquisite light step, buoyant and free as that of the wild gazelle among the 'green sunny high-

lands' of its own blest Araby? pride and pet of Willowdale. She was oved alike by the young, and those whose claim for queen, as hers? Was there n weary bird, far out at sea, with nought to village dance, what rivalry among the youth to secure her as a partner! Was there some poor, lone widow, prostrated by refuge to the wanderer.

sickness and distress to penury, who but the gentle Etla was the first to bring some long desired luxury, and, like a ministering his staff. And as the clods fell on her langel, keep nightly vigil by the lonely couch, until the long, long hours had waned and morn broke on "her dim, weary

Ella's eighteenth birth-day was fast apshripe of her excellence and beauty, none had kindled a reciprocal feeling in her breast. It was not because she was wayward or capricious in her taste, but because the fair girl had, like all, her own ideal .-In all her romantic dreams of maidenhood, there had been a face-a glorious face-Ella Clare remained unchanged.

So passed the sunny-hued hours youth! The rose and jessamine twined of a tear. round the casement, and poured their fragrance through the lattice of her pleasant home. Gaily, at eventide, the song floated out on the still air of the valley, from the Clare Cottage, and the old man, her sirehe of the wrinkled orow and age worn form in the nation's councils, and men whose Mr. Stanly afterwards took occasion in his of the Lancaster district, who faithfully secand as the tear drop gathered in his dim upturned beaming face, and her curling death! We may not look beyond the curtresses of golden brown!

sors in the dim and shadowy past, and as jewels-the Destroyer or his Victim! the distance between him and the dark valley grew less, the love of the white-haired old man waxed stronger and stronger for

Poor old man! how little he dreamed of the woof that fate was weaving in the destiny of Ella! How little he knew of the night with the dark storm-cloud, that so soon was to darken the home where the rose and the jessamine twined, and whose light was the love of the beautiful girl, -a night of horror and gloom, that would drive her forth to wither and die alone in the tempest .-Poor doomed one!

"A wandering bark, upon whose pathway shone All stars of heaven, except the guiding one."

CHAPTER II.

"Thy doom is settled; my as Sealed as if the genius of your star had writ it.

HUGALD MOORE. Then came the destroyer, and her doom was sealed! A tourist satiated with the wonders and magnificence of the Old World, George Mortimer had come to Wil- an answer. lowdale in search of the beautiful and picbecame a welcome and an honored guest at yet been crowned.

every fireside. It rarely falls to the lot of man to posess the rare, the noble beauty that belonged to the accomplished stranger. Indeed, I know not if I ever gazed upon a face more superbly elegant or intellectually beautiful. And they met, he and Ella Clare-and then was her ideal realized! There was the face, the glorious face, with all the granduer of hidden thought-with fascination, that had been with her for years, and formed the sum of a thousand golden dreams!

I remember how her dark eye beamed with a light brighter, purer far, than any gem ere drank in the flaming Orient, when first they met; and when he talked with her, and told her, in that voice of from those thin, Grecian lips, which seemed to tremble with eloquent expression.

And the winged hours flew on. The heart of that bright young being an object now on which to pour its long pent-up wealth, and O! how fondly did she love him! He was her light-her life, and she had throned him there within her breast, the only deity that she could worship. O it was a wild adolatry! But as well might she have striven to breast the mighty torrents of Canadian rivers, or roll Niagara's billows back from whence they came, as check this tide of wild ungovernable love! And how did he receive this rich oblation of a pure young heart? Could he return this fond devotion-did he love her ? Aye, with such love as the lustful Tarquin bore the noble Roman wife !- Such love as pulls down from its pedestal of heauty the noblest handiwork of the Great Archi-

of its influence. Aye, he loved her, and she became his bride !- But there was no priest, or altarno ring or nuptial vows; like as the gorgeous serpent wiles the trembling bird with her mysterious fascination, so did George Mortimer, by the magic of his eye-the frembling lashes, and her laugh of music and her tresses of golden brown? Do you remember her, with the soft vermilion tween him and the priceless gem he cov-

tect the love that withers like the deadly

upas tree, all that comes within the circle

And so she fell, down, deep down from the dazzling pinnacle of her purity! Angels high up yonder, far beyond the stain-less azure, laid down their golden harps, grace and beauty of proportion, and her and wept such pearly tears as only angels weep over the fall of an erring sister!

the dream was over. The companions of .It was thus that I saw her first, when her youth, with revelings, passed her by she dawned upon my vision like a dream on the other side; young, light-hearted of fairy land. Sweet Ella Clare! The creatures, that knew not their frailty. Her Mortimer-her god was gone !--so the bloom faded from her cheeks, the coral no heads were white with the frosts of many longer lingered on the quivering bloodless winters. Was there a May-day festival, lips—the step lost its buoyancy, and the whose name was sounded with such ac- eye its glad light of other days. Like a

white-haired old man leaning heavily on

I stood beside her grave, and near, a

coffin, ringing the death-knell of the last | a very flattering compliment was paid by the hope that had made life worth the living, he turned him away to his desolate home, where the rose and the jessamine no longer bloomed, and the sunlight had ceased to proaching, and as yet, among the throng fall—away to his desolate home, to lie devotees who had worshipped at the down and die! The web that fate had been weaving was finished, and the night with the storm cloud had come!

Sweet Ella Clare! Thou of the beaming ye and the tresses of golden brown! Thou hast gone to thy long, long home, beautiful one, and the sunshine of eternity is on thy brow, the changeless smile is on thy lip possessed of a wondrous charm, and until but thou art not forgotten; for often in the the coming of its prototype the heart of shadowy twilight young forms are seen around thy lowly grave, and, forgetful of thy fall they drop there the heartfelt tribute

And the destroyer!-did you ask me what become of him? O, he went torth into the world and wore the purple, and drank deep of the cup of fame, and held high honors in his country's gift. He sat his country, and continued his argument .--would bend his grey head on his staff, years were twice his own gave him the address to the jury to thank God he lived in eve, call down the blessings of high heaven his eloquence. He was fawned upon, and told to twelve honest men, and the teller not upon the child of his love, sitting there so courted and caressed, and honored among always punished for so doing. Mr. Stanly lovingly at his feet-so lovingly with her men, throughout life; and then came tain of the dim, mysterious future, but who, So passed the sunny-hued hours of youth. think ye will stand the highest on the one by one they flew to join their predeces- mighty scroll, when God makes up his

> [From the San Francisco Herald, April 1] INTERESTING FROM JAPAN.

From the Java (Dutch) papers of December 27th, we learn that the Dotch East India to some clergyman whose mission was to Company's ship Hendrika arrived off the preach the Gospel of Truth ! roads of Batavia on the 15 h of December, direct from Japan.

On the 20th of August, there had arrived in the roads of Naugasaki-the Japanese fort | tigation into the conduct of Deputy Warden at which is located the Dutch factory-a Watson, of the State Prison, who is accused Russian frigate, a corvette, a screw steam. of cruelty towards a negro prisoner whom he boat and transport ship, under the command suspected of stealing from him \$300. On of the Admiral, Pontiatine, conveying a let- mere suspicion, and for the purpose of exter from the Chancellor of Russia to the Em- torting a confession from the prisoner, Watson peror of Japan. On the 21st of September ordered him to be thrown into a dungeon, the Admiral, with a number of officers, was his bed and every rag of bed clothes taken received, with great pomp and honors, by from him; and for sixteen days and nights the Governor of Nangasaki. The letter was he was kept confined, without the light of then received and forwarded to the capital, day, with the ground for his bed. At three Jeddo. However, at the departure of the seperate times he was brought out by Watson, Hendrika the Russians were still waiting for stripped to his skin, and whipped with a cat

The Hengrika confirms the report heretoturesque of his native land. Of the finest fore received by way of China, of the death dition without a bed or a particle of bed order of intellect, his manners polished by of the Emperor of Japan. At the time she clothes, to pass three days and nights as best foreign travel, it did not take long ere he left, his successor, the Prince Royal, had not he could. At the end of that time he was

The British have their eyes on this fleet of the Rossians, and the very moment war is back, he was told that he would be kept condeclared in Europe the news will be expres- fined and whipped every day till the expirased to China, and the British cruisers on that station will swoop down upon it and make These barbarities coming to the knowledge prizes of the whole expedition before it has of the Leaislature, they have instituted an the least intimation of danger.

Since the above was written, we learn from the Captain of the ship Robina that Commoall its nameless charm-its wierd and mystic dore Perry's fleet, consisting of the war. steamers Mississippi, Powhattan and Susque hanna; the frigate Macedonian; the sloopsof-war Plymouth, Vandalja and Saratoga and the storeships Supply, Lexington and Southampton had arrived at Loo Choo some time in January from Hong Kong, all well.

It will be recollected the Commodore purlow, mysterious eloquence, strange tales of chased on his first visit to Loo Choo, a tract Eastern lands, where he had journeyed, she of land for a naval depot, and for such other hung entranced on every syllable that fell uses as the American Government might desire to put it to. Upon this tract, lying upon Nappa Roads, it seems a fort has been erected by the Americans. Perry left an officer and twelve men in charge of this fort, and sailed again on the 17th of January for Jeddo. Loo Choo is about half-way between Hong Kong and Japan, and Perry probably reach. ed his destination about the 25th of January.

THE LIQUOR LAW OF MICHIGAN .- Judge Ross Wilkins, of the U. S. District Court, in a letter to one of the Judges of the Supreme Court of Michigan, says he has no doubt the liquor law of that State is unconstitutional, as all laws are when the legislature, in express terms, submit a general act to the people before it can "become a law," directly delegating the legislative power to the people.

I am friendly to the reform, and so far as consistent with our fundamental law, I would of a lady to George the Third, that the thing advocate the absolute and entire suppression of the liquor traffic. But I can never countenance any infringement on the Constitution, even to effect so great a blessing to this and succeeding generations.

WILKESAARRE, April 21. Execution at Wilkesbarre .- James Quinn the murderer of Mahala Wiggins, by cleaving her skull with an axe on board a canal boat, last fall, was executed here to-day, by virtue of the warrant of the Governor. He left his cell at half past one o'clock this afternoon, and on reaching the jail-yard he ran eagerly up the steps of the scaffold. He then looked around with apparent unconcern 'And now the shadow began to fall, for and composure, and with seeming indiffer ence to his fate. During the prayer, he smiled and bowed on recognizing acquaintances among the persons assembled to witness the execution. All being prepared, at a few minutes of two o'clock the Sheriff bade him strewell, and the drop falling, he died with but few struggles, and without having made any confession.

> The Bill to Abolish Capital Punishment in Ohio was debated at great length on Thurs-day afternoon last, in the Ohio State Senate and finally lost by two votes.

The other day, in a cause before an honor-

able Judge of Santa Clara county, California, jury to the Hon. Edward Stanly, of North Carolina, who was engaged in the suit. I, appears that Mr. Stanly was under the impression that a conspiracy existed against the client's rights, who was none other than the celebrated pioneer, Capt. Graham, of San Di. ego, whose residence in the country dates from 1832 In the course of his argument, Mr. Stanly took occasion to allude to the unfairness which seemed to characterise the proceedings, at the same time intimating to grant any public land, for milicad parwhat the court deemed a suspicion that it was not entirely unbiased. Whereupon, the clerk was ordered to fine Mr Stanly twenty. five dollars for contempt. That gentleman stopped in his argument, walked up to the clerk's desk and paid the fine, remarking at the same time that nothing gave him more pleasure than at all times to render cheerful obedience to the constituted authorities of referred to the Committee on Public Landsprecedence and sat enwrapt in wonder at a free republic, where the truth might be gained his case, and the jury, after having rendered their verdict, enclosed a complimentary note to Mr. Stanly with the amount of the fine that His Honor had imposed, which that gentleman returned with an assurance request that they would give the money to some charitable institution, for the benefit of those who needed it more than himself, or

CRUELTY IN THE OHIO STATE PRISON .-The Ohio Legislature has before it an investill his back was cut to pieces, and the blood made to flow from his wounds. In this con again taken out, whipped as before, and this repeated for three times, and when last put tion of his sentence, if he did not confess .investigation, and the report made establishes the facts. Notwithstanding the atrocity of the transaction, efforts are making to hush it up, and keep Watson in his place .- Ledger.

OUR AMBASSADOR AT PARIS. The National intelligencer has an interesting gossipping letter, from a private correspondent in Paris: "Mr. Mason, our Minister at this capital, is an estimable and honorable man, and personally is highly respected; but is unfortunate that, at a time like the present, with a general war about involving the whole continent,

great disadvantage." "Our citizens are here in crowds, and presents themselves in great numbers to Mr. Mason for presentation to the Emperor. At a recent levee, our good-tempered Minister, at the head of some thirty or more of his countrymen, said to the emperor, as he stopped before the group, 'permit me to introduce your Majesty to my countrymen; they are all Americans.' This turning of tables, by introducing the Emperor, only created a smile; but one of the group made a much more unfortunate error. He was a New Yorker, and had been, it appears, personally acquainted with Louis Napoleon when in former days the latter was in that city. Of this, in very bad taste, he reminded the Emperor, and then added: I hope to have the pleasure of again seeing your Majesty in- New York? This was almost as bad as the speech

A deadly assault was committed on the person of Moses Richardson, at Tamaqua, on Monday night, the 17th inst , by three Germans. It appears that some difficulty occurred between some Americans and Germans, at a Beer shop, where a dance was going on .- In the melce, Richardson received several terrible and fatal stabs with a butcher knife, one gash severing the jugular vein .-He died almost instantly. Three persons, charged with participating in this murder, have been arrested and lodged in the county Prison, to await trial .- Pottsville Register.

A MARBLE PALACE .- F. W. Hughes, Esq. Attorney General of the State of Pennsylva nia, has purchased a fine lot on Broad stree and Master, Philadelphia, on which he intends to erect a splendid marble residence, It will have a front of 25 feet. The owners of property in this section of that noble thoroughfare, we understand, will not sell for the erection of houses less than twenty-five feet

Judge Price, lately wounded in an affray

Correspondence.

For the Sunbury American.

WASHINGTON, April 23, 1854. Friend Masser : - In looking over a late number of the Sunbury American, (April 8) I noticed that you have received the same erroneous impression which many others have received, in regard to the grant of publie land which your member, Col. Straub, has sought to obtain from Congress to aid in the construction of the Sonbury and Eric Ruil road. You say that Congress is not dispose poses, out of the State in which the lands a e located. Let us see how the case really stands and what the prospects are of ultimately obtaining the grant in question.

At an early day of the present session, Col. Straub prepared a bill, appropriating 1,500, 000 acres of the public land for the benefit of the Sunbury and Erie Railroad, which was On that committee was the Hon. Mr. Hiester, onded your member's efforts to procure a favorable report. At first, the prospects of obtaining such a report were decidedly unfavorable. Even Mr. Hiester became discouraged; but by dint of the unwearied exertions of Col. S, the Committee finally authorized Mr. Hiester to make a report to the House in favor of the asked for grant. "Observer," the Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Ledger, says that Mr. of his appreciation of the compliment, and a Hiester reported Senator Cooper's bill to the House with the Land Committee's endorsement. No report whatever has been made; the friends of the project believe that it would be inexpedient to urge the matter at the present time. This week, Mr. Bennett's bill for the distribution of the public lands among the old and new states will come up for the action of the House; and of this you mny rest assured, that satisfactory assurances have been given to Col. Straub, Mr. Hiester, and other Pennsylvanians, who have shown the liveliest solicitude in order to secure a railway communication with the Lakes, that in case of the passage of the bill, provision at the same time will be made appropriating the 1,500 000 acres for the benefit of the Sonbury and Erie road. It may not be out of place to state, in con-

nection with this subject, that the present congressional delegation from your State is composed of a greater amount of effective, working talent, than was ever known before; and here let me suggest to my cratic friends of Pennsylvania, not merely the propriety, but the necessity of keeping their representatives longer in office than the customary period-always presuming that they have proved themselves to be both honest and capable. You send a man to Congress, and by the time he has become versed in the parliamentary rules-by the time he is initiated into the modus operandi of transactng business at the public departments for the benefit of his constituents - by the time, from frequent encounters, he has been sharpened into a keen and cuccessful debaterand by the time he has attained the respect and confidence of his fellow members, and therefore in a situation to promote the interests of his district, he is "rotated," as it is ermed, out of office. "The democratic doctrine of rotation in office must be preserved !" exclaims the pot-house politician. Demoratic nonsense! After a young laid had served his apprenticeship fanhfully, and was capable of turning out a job in a most skill-. he does not understand French, which is a alland workmanlike manner, who would hink of pushing him out of doors to make coom for the services of some awkward, igporant booby ? Who would think of discharging a clergyman, doctor, or lawyer, on the simple ground that their professional services had covered the exact period of four years The more experience they have the greater their reputation and influence, and the more largely are their services sought after. The service of legislation is the most profound and intricate of all services, for it embraces, within its vast range, the primitive principles of law, physic and divinity. The doctrine of rotation may with both safety and advantage be applied to some fat office holder, with plenty to receive and nothing to do; but in my opinion it is sheer folly and madness to apply it to men who have by study, experience, and natural gifts, become able legislators. The reason why the South and West have had such a preposiderating she most wanted to see was a coronation 112 influence in our national affairs is, that the people of those sections of the country when they succeed in electing a good man to Congress, they take good care to encourage, foster and sustain him; and to retain him long enough in office to obtain a national influence and a national reputation. If the doctrine of rotating an M. C., out of Congress every four years had prevailed there, we should never have heard of our Clays , Calhouns, Bentons, Forsyths, McDuffies, Kings, Crittendens, and other illustrious names.

The season here is cold and backward .-Congress is doing --- nothing. Everything, it seem , must be postponed until the dog days.

Law or DESCENT IN UTAH .- In Utah, on the death of a man, his property descends to the Mormon Church, his wives and children not being recognized as heirs. The church is the sole heir of all property.

CHEAP LIVING .- The Jeffersonville Advocate, of Tazewell county, Ya., gives the prices current in the town as follows :- B con 9 a 10 cts; butter, 10 cts; eggs 6; cts; flour, with Col. McLin, at Ripley, Miss , has since per bbl., \$2,50; dried app es, 75 cts; dried peaches, \$141 50 per bushel; corn, 50 cents.