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ONE STEP MORE. What though before me it is dark, Two dark for one to see? I ask but light for one step more: 'Tis quite enough for me.

THEY'RE ADVENTURE. Tilly Clifford was sitting one evening in the door of her humble home, an old brown farm house, situated two miles away from the centre of the village of N—.

A Negro Squatter's Home. Fifteen miles out of Chattanooga, on the Bridgeport road, I came upon a negro squatter. The cabin was a structure of poles, which a team of oxen had dragged over and the roof was simply a lot of straw and weeds and bushes thrown upon the rafters and held down by limbs.

THE WHEAT HARVEST IN DAKOTA. St. Louis, August 10.—A special to the Globe Democrat from Fargo, D. T., says: The weather in the Dakota wheat belt is cold enough for fire and hot whisky punches.

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A GREAT ASYLUM ON FIRE. The County Insane Asylum Destroyed by a Brand from an Incendiary Fire—Removing the Inmates. LANCASTER, Aug. 13.—Two alarms of fire within the brief period of an hour were not much of a novelty to the people of this sorely stricken town, where of late the incendiary spirit has been rife and where the destruction of property has been so extensive and disastrous that the insurance companies have come to hesitate before they will accept risks upon the most valuable and substantial structures in the business centre of the city.

THE INSANE ASYLUM ABLAZE. While the firemen were at work on the Wetzel building, flames were seen issuing from the roof of the rear part of the County Insane Asylum, which stands some distance back from the Philadelphia turnpike, and is situated about a quarter of a mile from the scene of the fire.

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NATIONAL QUESTIONS WHICH ARE INVOLVED IN THE STRUGGLE THIS YEAR. Mr. Blaine, having been invited to speak in his native State, (where the Democrats in Pennsylvania have started an Independent movement to promote their chances, has said he cannot stump owing to pressing business affairs, but writes his views in an extended letter designed for general publication. It applies as well to Pennsylvania as to Maine.

THE MAINTENANCE OF A PROTECTIVE TARIFF. "No candid man believes that a protective tariff would be upheld for a single year if the opponents of the Republican party should come into power, and by just so much as any voter in Maine helps to elevate the free-traders to power by so much he aids to impel the manufacturing and agricultural interests of the State.

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