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attacked Lincoln and Seward. Occa-

sionally now an old Northern dough-

Stanton soon after the death of that great War Secretary. Others believe that Mr. Black inspired that venomous

book. "Lamon's Life of Lincoln." Many passages of that work bear the

mark of his polished but Jesuitical pen, while it is known that Lamon

and Black were associates and part-

ners as lawyers and claim agents while

Seward is now the object of defama-

moral philosophy applied to Govern-

do it in this letter to Mr. Adams, is apt to reject such philosophy as too refined and too spiritual. Men of Mr.

Black's class recognize as their only

validity if contrary to this."

Alexander Hamilton, the framer of

protecting the rights of human na-

member "that it has ever been the

the only touchstone of moral recti-

Milton's "Defense of the People of

ed by the public executioner, its au-

who first inculcated it, drank the fa-

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JOKE ON THE LIGHTNING ROD MAN.

Max Adeler tells this story in the Philadelphia Saturday Post: Up in Blossburg the other day as by instinct, when Booth and Payne lightning rod men drove up in front of a bandsome edifice standing in the midst of trees and shrubs to Mr. Sumface-a race almost extinct-attacks the memory of Lincoln or Stanton or mers, who was sitting on the steps in front. He accosted Summers as the Seward, guided by the same kind of instinct. The latest instance may be front, found in a published letter addressed to Charles Francis Adams by Jeremish S. Black. Some people will remem-ber Mr. Black's bitter attack on Mr. owner of the residence, and said :

"No," said Summers. "Are you going to put any on?"
"Weil, I hadn't thought of it," re-

plied Summers. "You ought to. A tall building like this is very much exposed. I'd like to run you up one of my rods; twisted steel, glass fenders, nickel plated tips-everything complete. May I put one up to show you? I'll do the job cleab.

the book was in preparation. Mr. "Certainly you may if you want to. I haven't the slightest objection," said tion by this busy jackal. As an exponent of the principles of the Demo-cratic party Mr. Black is the highest Summers.

During the next half-hour the man authority.

It is this which gives the subject the that time the job was compled. He had his ladders up and at the end of called Summers out into the yard to greatest importance. Can the leopard admire it. He said to Summers : Our attention is chiefly directed

"Now that is all well enough, but, now to his attack on the higher law if it was my house, I'd have another and the astounding ignorance displayed rod put on the other side. There's by the writer, of what Republicans nothing like being protected thorough-regard as the simplest principles of ly."

"That's true," said Summers; "it would be better."

ment. The mere lawyer we know, would be who essays to dispose of the higher law in the way Mr. Black attempts to the man. "I'll put up another, shall I?" asked "Why, of course, if you think it's

best," said Summers. Accordingly the man went to work

again, and soon had the red in its place.

religion the worship of the State. Unlike that party, the great men, the leaders of mankind, ever manifested supreme faith in God and humanity. "That's a first-rate job," he said to "I like such a man as you are-big-Adams denounced the apologists of hearted, liberal, not afraid to put a dollar down for a good thing. There's stove. Mary Ann went to sewing, and some pleasure in dealin' with you. I I sat looking at her. Directly my the Stamp Act as "enemies of human nature." The authority of British law, as laid down by Blackstone, was like you so much that I'd put a couple | bear ment began to take effect, and I quoted against the act in these words: more rods on that house, one on the felt like I wanted to bug Mary Ann. The law of nature being coeval with north and one on the south, for almost God himself, is, of course, superior to nothin'." any other. No human laws are of any

"It would make things safer, I suppose," said Summers.

"Certainly it would. I'd better do the Constitution, affirms that "the sa. it, hadn't I-hey?" "Just as you think proper," said

cred rights of mankind are not to be rummaged for among old parchments Summers. or musty records. They are written as with a sunbeam in the whole vol-So the man ran up two more rods, and then came down and said to Sumume of human nature, and can never mers, "There, that's done. Now let's be erased or obscured by moral powsettle up."

"Do what?" "Happy, thrice happy," said Washington, "shall they be pronounced hereafter who shall have assisted in "Why, the job's finished, and now I'll take my money." "You don't expect me to pay you, I

"Of course I do. Didn't you tell me to put those rods on your house?" "My house?" shouted Summers. Thunder and lightning! I never or-Locke inculcated the doctrine that go on. Pay for it? Come, now, that's

there is a divine law which is over protty good. The Blossburg people say that the manner in which the lightning rod all society and all states, and which is man tore around town and swore was fearful. But when he got his rods off England," although at the time burn | the court house he left permanently. He don't fancy the place.

thor only by good fortune escaping the same fate, was but a promulga-"Here's yer nice roast chek'n," cried tion of the same philosophy so de-rided by ex-Attorney General Black. ped at a North Carolina railroad staan aged colored man, as the cars stop-Guizot, in writing of the decline of tion.

Roman civilization, arrives at the this "Here's yer nice roast chick'n 'n tamomentous conclusion: "The only ters, all nice and hot," holding up his foundation of our hope for humanity | plate and walking the platform.

"Where did you get that chicken, is in the great truth that there exists a law which, by whatever name it may | uncle ?" asks a passenger. Uncle looks at the intruder sharply,

be called, whether reason, the law of God, or what not, is at all times and and then turns away, crying: "Here's yer nice roast chick'n, gen-Is it strange that the advocates of th'm'n, all hot; needn't go in the house

this philosophy are still persecuted for that." and denounced? Adams, Hamilton, "Where "Where did you get that chiken?" and Washington escaped the scaffold repeated the inquisitive passenger, "Look a yer," says uncle, speaking only by the success of their cause, while those from whom these statemen privately; "is you from de noif?" derived their philosophy-Locke, Sid-

ney, and Vane-perished as felons or sought refuge in exile. Socrates, who "Is you a friend ob de cullud man ?" "I hope I am." "Den don't you nebber ask me tal hemlock, and Cicero fell by the

The train started.

Although a printer may be standing There are two Indian tribes in still all day, yet in his own way, he is Maine, the Passamaquoddies and the a great traveler, or at least his hand is, in the legislature by one of their own number. These two representatives islature as Thou art," of the red man take no part in legistraveled over by his band will average lation, but are allowed to draw their about one foot, going to the boxes in the case, and of course the same dispay just the same as the representatives of the white men. They spend tance returning, making two feet for most of their time during the session every letter he sets. This would make in the rotunda engaged in pipe smoka distance each day of 48,000 feet, or ing and in chatting with each other in

a little more than 9 miles, and in the the dialect of their fathers. course of a year, leaving out Sundays The son of the Ex-Emperor Napor -and good printers never work on Sundays-the printer's hand travels about 3,000 miles.

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A BEAR STORY WITH A MORAL,

A man killed a bear and brought the meat to town to sell. I asked him if it was good to eat. He said, certainly it was, and cheap as dirt at twenty-five cents per pound. I asked him why bear meat should be any higher than any other meat. He told me bear meat had a peculiar effect on the human system; that those eating "I see yo have do lightning rods on it would partake for a time, not only of the meat, but of the nature of the

> a dollar-my last dollar, and he foldthat he must have told a lie. In fact, after thinking over the matter, I would not believe him under oath. Now, I and specifications.

After supper we sat down by the stove. Mary Ann went to sewing, and So I put my arm around her, and she told me to take it away, and wanted to know if I hadn't been drinking again, (I never drank a drop in my life). I hugged her little and she growled. I knew then the jig was up, and the bear meat had gone back on me in her case, but I thought I would try it again. Her arm flew back and I saw a thousand stars. This riled me, my bear meat turned or me, and I slapped her square in the mouth. Well, I have a confused remembrance of seeing her spring toward me, of and feeling a sensation as if I was being run through a threshing machine,

and then all was blank. pride and boast of America that the dered you to put those rods up. It gone out to buy some chairs. The serrights for which she contended were would have been ridiculous. Why, rights of human nature."

dered you to put those rods up. It gone out to buy some chairs. The serrights for which she contended were man, this is the court house, and I'm feel sore and bad, and I don't want It gone out to buy some chairs. The ser-Cicero wrote that denial of a higher law "subverts all union in a state and destroys the community of the human law "subverts all union in a state and destroys the community of the human law is sold it anxious to rush out your rods, and as to me -well, you know how it is your-

> The Baron de X-- was a miser 'Here," said he, "are ten sous; go and buy me a sheet of stamped paper. I wish to make a will disinheriting my nephew." "But, Monsieur, stamped paper is new twelve sous a sheet."
> "Twelve sous! Heavens! It is too dear. I had rather let my scountirel of a nephew inherit."

One of the peculiarities of the colthe singular alacrity with which they on the most trivial provocation are equally plentiful.

A few days ago a very handsome lady entered a dry goods house and in-quired for a "beau." The polite clerk threw himself back and remarked that he was at her service. "Yes, but I want a buff, not a green one," was where I got dat chick'n again. Here's the reply. The young man went ou yer nice roast chick'n, all hot."

A clergymen being asked to open a Legislature with prayer, offered the following ambiguious petition: "May Penobscots, and each are represented corruption and sin of every form be as far from every member of this leg-

> The old Michigander boasts that he can bring an argument to a p'int as he reduced. quick as any other man. It occurs to us that he can bring a quart to a pint much quicker.

leon HI will attain his majority on big leather strap," feelingly replied duty, 24 well as performing a charita-

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A SPIRITED GIRL.

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bought four pounds and paid that man tempt to cross would be full of danger. A boat being procured, the young ed it up, rolled a paper around it and put it down in his pocket. Then he slapped his pocket to see if it was instantly to be pushed from the shore, there. He then went on to say that and all embarked on the perilous voysometimes when the bile wasn't right age. The party had nearly reached the meat had the contrary effect, and the head of an Island, about a third made the woman growl; and some of the distance from the opposite times in place of wanting to hug her shore, when the current became more husband she would want to hug the rapid, the cakes of ice very large, and man that killed the bear. I told him their situation extremely dangerous. that I didn't like bear meat, and never The ver, excessively frightened, and did; that I felt sick; that I owed a forgetful of everybody but his own man the dollar and he would sue me if I dil not pay him right off. But he piteous accent; "Oh, I shall be told me he had just paid his internal downed! I shall be drowned!" and revenue tax and hadn't a cent in the world. I thought then, and still think, uttered not a word-her courage and presence of mind seemed to increase with the peril. A tremenduous cake am a poor man, and could not afford of ice fairly capsized the boat, but it to throw meat away, and so I took it was so large that all got on it. The home, and Mary Ann (that's my wife's lover rendered no assistance at all. It name) cooked it, and we are it for supper. It tusted good, I think bears and and, as good fortune would have it, possums are made out of the same the stream between it and the Missiouri Summers, as they both stood eveing it, timber, only put up on different plans shore was frozen over, and they crossed without difficulty. They reached a tavern near the river, and after changing their wet garments and becoming warm at a good fire the lover hinted to the young lady that it was time now for them to have that knot tied, as the magistrate had arrived for that purpose and was in the next room. She gave him a most withering look of contempt, and declared she would not unite her destiny with one who was selfish and cowardly. It was in vain that he attempted by entreaty and argument to change her resolution-she was immovable and replied to him with scorn. A few days afterwards she returned to the house of her guardian, thankful that she had escaped marrying a man whose only object was her fortune. Her lover returned hearing a frightful roaring in my head, to this side of the river also, but such showers of ridicule and contempt were bestowed upon him that he found it best to decamp, which he did, I can see a little out of one eye this | ing behind him a host of unpaid demorning, and can set up in bed with a mands. The story has this moral, that pillow behind me. Mary Ann has young ladies should be careful with whom they altempt to run away.

A PROPOSITION.

A New Yorker, in a spirit of wag-

gery, doubtless, offers as a suggestion to Congress, "That Senators and Representatives shall receive compensation on and after the 4th day of March, to the extremity of meanness. He 1875, as follows: When the balance was at daggers drawn with his nephew, of trade with foreign countries is against our people, each Senator shall who was his heir and moreover a spendthrift. Finding his end approaching, the Baron called his valet. the \$3,000 per annum, and when the balance of trade with foreign countries is in our people's favor each Senator shall receive \$10,000 and each Representative \$7,500 per annum. In termining the balance of trade, neitheir bullion nor coin shall be counted as an import or export." Whatever the spirit that prompted the suggestion, it fairly hits the nail on the head. Congress is practically uninterested in ored people down South is said to be this entire issue of finance. The members receive, each, a certain salary, go to law. Suits involving amounts and dawdle time away when the inranging from two dollars downward terests of the country are actually are numerous, and slander cases based suffering. Could its members be in-on the most trivial provocation are terested, in the financial welfare of the nation, by having their salaries depend on it, we would have, very soon, an entirely different condition of affairs. It is entirely feasible, within five years, to resume specie payments, by so legislating as to give the country an op portunity to provide for itself. Wheth er this is done or not, one great need at present is to determine promptly what shall be done in relation to finances. If anything or nothing, let it be declared, that the business of the country may adjust itself to the situation. We regard the non-action of Congress, on the finances, as the greatest misfortune the country has at this time. It is not a wrong proposition, if this is to continue, that salaries shall

A great deal of the present misery "What," said a teacher to a pupil, "makes you feel uncomfortable when you have done wrong?" "My papa's think they are discharging a religious