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SOUTH DE DESCRIPTION

Our regiment was quarrered in a small and miserably retired place. There was no society, no enjoy ment, no open house few were left to our own resources; nothing mained but to collect together at each other's fedgings, where, except our uniforms, there was nothing to be

There was only one persons that joined has isfaction. No one knew the reasons which it evidently vexed and pained him. had induced him to give up the commission, The ishabitannts of the capital and of other

Our conversation often felle on duelling .-with that he ended; he never sheered into any his bouse, remitted to our several duties. details, and it was evident that the subject was

It happenedelige ten referen affects time day dined with Silvio; we drank very deeply, as usual, and after dinner used all our endeavors to induce the host to play a, game at bank.—
For a long while he refued, for he very seldom played; at length he gave wag to our entreaties, and produced the cards; He then strewed on the table fifty ducate, and sadown to throw.

We arranged ourselves around him, and the play brgan. While playing, Sylvalwaye presented the most strict ellences he never engaged in any disjutes or expanations. We they his peculiarities, and therefore never di-turned him in any of his arrangements. On this occasion, it happened that knong our number was a young officer who high lately joined the regiment. While playing, he had unwittagly made a faise calculation; Silvio took he chalk and a gonzed the laur mit augusting to his own reckoning. The effect, thinking he had made a mistake, endengared to explain it to him. Silvio disregarding is interrupton continued to throw. The efficient housing patience, took the chalk, and attreed Silvio's account, thinking it to the an Grentional miscalculation. Silvio evidently sid not approve of the conduct of the heurenand, and immediately replaced the original figures. The officer beated with wine, excited with the gime, and Provoked by the laughter, of his companions. considered hunself volently insulted, and in the hight of passion, seized a bines candlestick which was near him and marked it at Silvio,

the officer departed, but not before he ind aquainted the libst that he was ready at any time to answer for the affroit he had given.—
We did not didn't the analysis and given. affair, and already looked upon our companion as a dead mun. The play continued for a thort time; but, feeling that, after what bid Pased, Silvio could not be in thich humor for play, we dispersed, each one to his quarters there we occupied marselves in reflecting of the Moute of the evening, and on the changes that would ensue from a rarancy, The next morning at the manage we were already speculating in the probability of our compade's existence, when he hipself, appeared among us; we were all eagers to know by what lucky stroke of forme he had deduped. To our questions, be answered that he had that is yet vecelved comparisation from Sil p. This very sand standard da. We at to him south

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the lieutenant was still alive. We asked one, none in the nrmy. We hoasted of drunken-

tion, and made friends. mmense effect upon our young minds. The not openly countenanced by the commanders, I want of couringe in excused by young people was hoked on as a necessary evil. less than the lack of any other of those qualities which excite their admiration; for cournge they consider the most worthy of human virtues, and even a pulliation for all possible and celebrated family was appointed to a va- knew them pretty well by heart. When these failings. However, by degrees, the whole affuir was allowed to pass by, and Silvio once

more accounted his former ascendency. For my own part, I could no longer approach him with the same feelings of confidence and pleasure with which I had hitberto done. Naturally of a romantic disposition. Lat first felt an irresistible inclination towards this man, whose life was such a riddle, and whom I be who did not belong to the or y. He was a lieved to be the fiero of some secret and tragical nun ef about thirty five years an ageswhich, tale. He liked me, at least I thought so, for I we fiels, fully, justified, us in considering him alone was free from the attacks of his neveran old man. His year, and exterionce induced failing sarcasm, and he often conversed, with us to look on him with no little deterence; me an various subjects with great freedom and shile his ordinary morosenest austere man-extraordinary gaiety. But after that unforner, and bitter surcasm, worked it powerful in-duence on our young minds. A certain mystery this was mixed up with his date; ho up promised, and that he had taken no stens to peared to be a Russian, but hade lorgen inting retrieve it, I could not shake off, and it prevenpessed to be a reasont, our parassection in the retrieve it, I could not shake off, and it preventages time he had served it, it regiment of ted me from behaving towards him as I had busing but it was evident the he did not test formerly done. Silvio was too keen and expand his term of service, or siline arrounding perienced not to observe the change in my beces connected with it, with any degree of sat- harror, and dan to guess, the cause of it; and

and settle in such a miserable place as this great cities have no idea of the many trifling shock the hat chesch, a late the set of the circumstances which produce an incredible same time wretchedly and producally; he always indugance on the minds of those far, removed went on foot, clad in an old work out overcoat, from the more civilized world, as, for instance yet kept an open table for all the officers of the initiety and excitement attended on postour regiment. It is frue, this timers consisted only of two or three diches scooked by an some expectings betters, some anoney, others old discharged soldier; but obtaining the diches scooked by an newspagers. This for and recipient of a packlike water. No one knews his vircumstances, et of these generally opened it on the spot; and or the source of his incorfe, for did any of communicated the principal news to an enger avmaenture to question him out the subject. - dience. The office at such times presented in His birary consisted of a familier of voton es, picture of the most enlivening and exciting charmostly on maintary subjects, and novels. He auter? Shive was generally found among us, willingly lear them, and never expressed any for he received his betters through our regiment. with to have them returned. It's chief amuse. One day he received a packet with the greatment consisted in exercising with pistols, and est imputione he tore it open; his eves beamed the walls of his house bore sufficient evidence with delight as he began to run over its conof his partiality for this exercise, for they tents. All the officers, being engaged in dea ms partially for this exercise, for they recompletely covered with the marks of bullets. The skill to which he and attained in did not object the influence which Silvie's continuition of the marks o from exposing his head to his uperring aim. rendered my speedy departure necessary. I set off to-night; consequently, I hope you will-Silvio (for that was his nane) never joined not refuse to dine with me for the hist time. with us on these occasions. To the question, if I shall expect you without fail," said he, eterit had fallen to his dot- toobe engaged in turning to me. With those words, he hustily he would simply answer that it find; but retired, and we having all agreed to meet at

A r ved at S.lvin's at the appointed hour, and disagreeable to him. We supposed that there found almost the whole regiment assembled. were on his mind unpleasant recollections of He had affendy packed up all his valuables: some victim of his deadly skill. With regard there remultined scarcely anything but the bare to his courage, it never effered into our heads perforated walls. We sat down to the table. to suspect him of anythin (approaching to tim- The host was in extraordinary, spirits, and his idity. There are some p oplass hose appear- good humor soon extended itself to all his ance alone forbids our entertaining such sus- guests. The corks were flying continually, the glasses wereifrothing and hissing incessantly. We drank to his sai coss times out of number, mint showered over him curig od wishes.

It wis lite in the evening when we rose from the table. When Shio had taken leave of all, and we were preparing to depart, he took me by the hand and led me aside, and said quietly: "I wish th speak to von."

The guests left, and we remained alone. We eat opposite each other, and for a long time smoked our pipes in silence. Silvio was much embarrased; already traces of his convulsive merriment had disappeared. A deadly paleness, glistening eyes, and the thick clouds of smoke issuing from his mouth, gave him the appearance of a perfect fiend. At last Silvio intermpted the silence. "Perhaps," he said! we shall never see each other again. Before we separated, I wished to unburden myself on a subject of which the particulars are well known to you. You have no doubt observed that I care very little for the opinion of others; but you I love and respect, and it would be very painful to me to leave on your mind any wrong impressions as to my conduct on the ocession, to the particulars of which I have i just referred." "

eferred." "
He stopped, and began to fill his pipe, which had gone out. Meanwhile, I sut perfectly silent, with my eyes cast on the ground.

"It seemed strange," he continued, "that I distructed attachering from that drivik-em insulent, Bodolf. You agree that, having by right the chaice of weapons, his life was in who barely succeeded in excaping the danger- my hands, while I was comparatively free from ours missile. Silvio resempt Esycountymance danger. Leculd ascribe my moderation to gengrew pale with rage, and with making eyes he erosity, but I do not wish to deceive you. If I "Sir, oblige me by learing this place, could have punished him without exposing my ful lady. and thank God that this counted in my own self three the state of the counter of

> deed, I should not be justified in explising my life to any danger; for arx years ago I received an instit that my energy is still alice."
> My currently tras excited to the utmost.

Then you did not fight with him ?" inquired I. "Circumstances must have prevented you ?" "I did fight with him and here is something which wilk bear witness of the affair," he an-

Silvio rose, opened a small box and took from the red out of the red recommend with a tased made of gold tringe, and tringed with the loan. He past that any and I observed that it had been shot through at about an angle and a

had fiem the firehead. A second in the journey. Hussara ; you know also my character. In whatever suriery I have ever been thrown,

Silviu will not fight? Silvio did not fight; be Duels were constantly taking place in our as second or principal. My companions idol-The termination of the quarrel produced an ised me, and although my proceedings were

"I was revelling, with a feeling of undisputed security, in the enjoyment of my acquired reputation when a young man of a very rich cancy in the regiment. Never before or since have I met with such a brilliant predigy of fortune. . Imagine to vourself a man in the flower some appearance, unbounded givery, courage feelings with which I regarded a rival who posfuncied security was only a delusion; my popularity began to decline. Influenced by the high opinion entertained of me, the new arriwithout any apparent regret, left me to myself. iment, and especially in the society of the lafind a quarrel with him. I wrote epigrams; my solitary abode, a report became current ly incomparably livelier. He jested; I retor- appearance.

The arrival of a rich neighbor is an epoch

"At last, we both happened to be at a ball the center of attraction of the whole of the ladies, and, above all, I saw the hostess assiduous in her attentions towards him; all seemed to render him homage; all attention seemeddirected to him alone. A comparison of my present position with that it had been not long ago was sufficient. My resolution was taken; and meeting with him afterwards in a side room, I whispered into his ear some meditated insult. He flew into a rage, and struck me a blow on the face; we drew our swords; then followed a scene of confusion : the ladies fainted, the gentlemen separated us, and we hast- bust; on the marble mantle-piece was a splenened that very night to settle the dispute in a

more satisfactory manner. It was at day freak that I arrived at the arpoited spot, with my three seguids. With the utmost impatience Lawaited the appearance of my opponent. The sun had risen, and it was already getting hor, when I saw him in the distance. He was coming on foot, accompanied by one assistant. We histened to meet him. and as we approached I saw that his cap, which The second measured twelve pages. It was my place to fire first; but I was so agitated with the desire of revenge, that I felt there was no dependence on the accuracy of my aim; so in order to gain time enough to cool my fevered brain, I proposed that he should take the first shot; to this be would not uprie; we were therefore obliged to cust lots. He the ever for tunate, drew the lucky number. We resumed our places; he took his aim, fired, and sent the bullet through my cap. It was now my turn : his life was at last in my hands. I gloated over my victim with a fieudish delight, and eagerly looked at him, endeavoring to catch, if only a shadow of agitation; but there he stood, stoically indifferent, helping h meelf to the ripe cherries which he had brought with him, and spitting the stones from his mouth with su h lorge that several of them reached the place where I was standing.

"He equatimity perplexed and enraged me. Of what use is it, thought I, to try to punish a man who does not care a pin whether he is ering the pi-tol, said: "It appears that you corresponding with the mark of the other are very unconcerned about death just now; perhaps you would like to breakfast first; if so, count. have not the slightest wish to disturb you." "You do not disturb me in the least,"

he. Fire, if you please; and if you do not wish to fire now, you can reserve it for any fu-ture occasion. I shall hold myself at any time at vour service."

"I turned to my seconds, explained to them the uselessness of revenging myself on an individual so indifferent to life as my opponent, and with that the duel ended.

"I left the service, and then found my way to this place. From the time I came here, not day has passed in which I have not thought of sengeance; and now my hour is come." Silvio took from his pocket the letter which be had received in the morning, and gave it to hand." me to read. Some one-it appeared to be an agent of his had written from Moscow to in- will lay your excellency a wager that you will

"You guess," said Silvio, "who that certain." person is, who is about to marry. I am going I had not fired, for a whole me, th, as my pisperson is, who is about to marry. I am going I had not fired, for a whole me, th, as my pisson of the cheek a joke; in another j ke he sent a regard death with such indifference, on the eve think was the consequence? The first time I bullet hough this cap which I wear; and in a regard death with such indifference, on the eve | think was the suprequence? The first time ! of his wedding day, as he did on a former occasion, when feasting on those cherries."

With these words, Silvio rose, flung his cap on the floor, and began to pace the room backwards and forwards like a tiger in a cage. During the time he had been speaking, I sat quite motionless, while strange and conflicting emotions violently agitated mo.

The servant entered, and announed that the horses were ready. Silvio very warmly pressed my hand, and we took leave of one another most affectionately. He jumped into the telegal a small wagon without springs in which were deposited two boxes, one containing his whole collection of pistols, and the other, all his muyable property. We bade adieu price

I have always been the ruling genius. From miserable country residence in the district of plack on the walls a series

after ball into a card which he had nailed my youth up, it has been my prevailing pas- Dolova. This kind of life was not at all suited to the great doors at the entrance of the yard, sion to be preeminent. In my younger days, to my tastes; and while initiating myself in He received us in his usual manner, but did extravagance of conduct was in vogue; hrre- my new duties, I cast many a linguing thought but mention a word of the occurence of the gularity and wildness of behavior was the on my former boisterous and careless life; but previous evening. Three days passed by, and order of the day; and in this I was second to the most difficult task of all, was to accustom myself to spend the long winter evenings in Silvio?" another in astonishment : Is it possible that mess. I drink deeper that Bachus himself, complete solitude: I generally managed, in some way or another, to employ myself until contented himself with a very slight explana regiment, and on every occasion I acted either my dinner hour. I chatted with the old people who lived near me; role about, inspecting new a brother-officer, but for five years I have had works which had been set on food; but, with no intelligence of him. From your manner, I the daylight, these resources failed me; noth- suppose your excellency also knows him?" ing remained for me but to sit idle the remainder of the evening. A small number of books, which I found in a rupboard and in the storehouses, I read so many times, that at last I sources of intellectual enjoyment were exhausted. I had resource to the services of my housekeeper, who related to me all the tales she could of youth, intelligent, possessing a most hand- remember. Although well stocked, she could not last forever : when she did fail, my wearithe most daring, a high-sounding name, and ness and vexation became so insupportable, that riches of which he himself did not know the I toselved to drown my cares in the less inner sun?" extent, and you may form some idea of the cent bottle. This only increased my wretchedness, by adding to it the weight of bodily was not long before I began to feel that my becoming a habitual drun and, of which I saw bears witness to our last meeting." many deplerable specimens in our district.

ance; but as I received him coldly, he had, steward. The counters had visited it on one that distressing event." occasion, and that was with her husband, dis . It cannot be helped," replied the count.-I thoroughly hated him; his success in the reg | rectly after their marriage, and then had only "I shall relate the whole occurrence: he remained a month. However, in the second knows how I offended his friend; now let dies, drove me to desperation. Lendenvered to spring after I had taken up my residence in him know how he revenged himself." to these he replied with epigrams which always that the countess with her husband, intended appeared to nie more unexpected and much to pass the summer there; and in the beginsharper than my own, and which were certain- ning of June, the report was verified by their

of great importance to people who live in the country. It is the talk of the neighborhood given by a Polish gentleman. Here I saw him for some months' beforehand, and it furnishes the principal topic of conversation for at least three years after. I longed with the greatest impatience to see them, and, on the first Sunday after their arrival, I set out immediately for dinner, to pay my respects to their excel-I-neies, as their nearest neighbor and most obedient servant.

The servant showed me to the count's cubi net, and went to announce my arrival. The ly; around the walls stood culmards filled. Shows light a man covered with dust, whose camped four days, and sailed from thence to with books, and on each cupboard was a bronze did mirror; the floor was covered with green, ored to recognize him. "You do not know me age. The U. S. paymaster visited us on the cloth, and on the cloth were placed several, small righ corpets: Living as Lind ferrorlong the sound of his voice, which I well remem- gory Notes nestled in pockets which had not a time in such an invignificant dwelling, I was bered, I was struck motionless, and my hair seen a deat in three long months. quite unprepared for such a sudden change. I began to feel very, ill jut ease, and awaited the appearance of the count with just as much diffidence as a country solitifor would the arrival of a great man of state. The door I measured twelve paces, placed myself at that. A part of the Regiment has been out near opened, and the count, a fine, hands me man he held in his hand, was filled with cherries. of about thirty-two years of age, entered. He ill of enudor and approached nie affability. I began to take courage, and was beginning to recommend myself, when the count interrupted me, and prevented any further applogies. We sat down, and I found his conversation so free and perfectly unconstrained, that in, a short time I conquered my uncasiness, and just recovered my ordinary selfpossession, when the counters entered, and all my embarrassment returned with renewed fo ce. The count perceived the state of my feelings, and in order to give me time to recover ing me as, though he wished to lay aside all ponent who is unarnied. Let us begin from myself, began to speak to his wife, thus treatcoremony, and regard me as a respected neighor. In the meantime, I moved about here ard there, examining the books and pictures. I am no connoisseur of pictures, but one attracted my attention; it represented a scene in Switzerland. I was not struck with the beauty of the scene, or with the skill of the painter, but my attention was riveted by seeing the marks of two balls which had been shot dead or alive? I reflected a moment, and low- through it, the mark of one ball very nearly "This is a good shot," said I, turning to the

> "Yes " he answered. " this is a celebrated shot. Do you shoot well?"

> "Pretty well," I answered, delighted that the conversation had fallen on a subject with which I felt perfectly at home. "At thirty naces from a card, I will not miss, provided have a trustworthy weapon."

"Really?" said the countess, with a loc of great attention. "And you," said she turning to the count, "could not you shoot with equal accuracy at thirty paces?"

"Some day we will try," he replied -Longer ago, I did not shoot badly; but four years have passed since I took a pistol in my

"Oh, if, that he, the case," I observed, " form him that a certain person whom he knew not hit a card even at twenty pace , for the was soon about to marry a young and beauti- pistol requires daily practice. This I know from experience, for I was reckened one of the best shots in our regimen; a.d on one occasion tried. I missed a buttle at twenty-five paces, four times ranging. No, your excellency, to attain a perfection in the use of the pistol. one must not neglect to practice. The best shot whom it has ever been my lot to meet. practised every day at least three times before dinner. His practice seemed so natura to him as the glass of woodky which he drank to sharp en his appetite."

The count and counters were nleased that I had at last gone into a humor for talking.

"Add at what did he fire?" inquired the count.

"." I will toll you exactly. Whenever he happened to see a fly on the wall-you hough. countess, but I can history you it is true-when-Courses my pistol? I Courses always hyoughe wile lay in a sween; the people in the histas A few years had, passed away, when domes him a londer one, ... He took! his nimenbang ! tiq circumstances compelled me to settle in a and the remains of the fly found a resting terrupt his retreate. He went out on the steps.

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before I had succeeded in recovering my eer-"That is extraordinary," said the count.

" And what, was the name of this prodigy,"

" Silvio, your excellency."

some bair-brained young officer ?"

of that hair-brained individual?"

currence ?"

following account:

he said, that my pistol is not loaded with ther-

ry stones; you will find this bullet very hard.

But it appears to me that this is not a duel.

shot." I was giddy with excitement, and at

first refused; but dreading to prolong the har-

rowing scene, I at last loaded another pistol.

tore off two bits of paper, and threw them

into his cap, which I remembered having shot

through on a previous occasion. On drawing,

I found that I had again the first number You.

are still as lucky as ever, count,' observed Sd-

vio with a smile, which I shall never forget.

My excitement was so great, that I knew not

how I did it, but I fired, and hit that picture:"

The count pointed to the picture in question,

his face burning with the excitement caused

by the recital of this most momentous circum-

stance. The countess was paler than the white

handkerchief which she was holding in her

"I fired," continued the count, "and thank

God. I missed. Silvio was taking his aim,

when, on a sudden, the door opened, and my

wife rushed in, and with a shrick feil on my

neek. With her presence, all toy former cour-

age returned. My dear,' I said, 'do you not

se that we are only jesting. Why are you -e

alarmed? Go, drink a little water; calm your-

self, and return, and then I will introduce you

to this gentleman, who is an old friend and

companion of mine.' Mg wife scarcely cred-

sted all this, and turned to Silvio, whose stern

and ridgid countenance was not calculated to

produce a very favorable impression, she said:

Till me, is it really true that you are only jo-

king?' He always jokes, comment, answerd

joke be has just now fired at me and missed :

now, it is my turn to joke. With this he was

about to take his nim, when my wife threw

herself at his feet. Rise, Masha; disgrace

ful, disgraceful !" I roared, in the madness of

with the feelings of this afflicted and terrified

woman. Will you fire or not?' I will not,'

answerd Silvio, 'I am satisfied; for new I

to my feelings of astonishment.

Thus I heard the end of a story, the begin-"Silvio!" shrieked the count, jumping out ming of which, had so moved me on a former of his seat. "Is it possible that you know occasion. With the hero I never met afterwards; but I have heard that during the rehel-"And how should I not know him, your lion of Alexander Ipsilanti, he re-entered the excellency? We were all on terms of intimacy. army, held the command of a detachment, and with him; in our regiment, he was treated as was killed in a buttle near Scoolani,

## From the Tioga Cavalry Company. FORTRESS MONROE, Dec. 28, 1861.

FRIEND AUITATION. Please drop your office. "I know him very well. Did he never mention to you, anything of a very strange po- dignity for a few moments, and listen to what a Tioga boy has to say. We left Tioga valley "De you refer to an insult he received from on the 26th day of August, and since that time many important changes have been witnessed "I'do. But did he mention to you the name by the Troy Cavalry. Our company is now under the command of 1st Lieut. B. B. Mir-"He aid not, your excellency. Oh!" I conchell, farmerly of Mitchell's Creek, Tioga Co., tinued, as the truth began to dawn upon me. our Captain being absent on a furlough. 264 "pray excuse m .- I had not the slightest Lieut, D. O. Tears, is from Columbia, Brad. ..... Is it possible that you are the per- County, while our Orderly Sergeant is the same Victor: A. Elliott as formerly. We came inter Washington on the 29th of August, and "I'm the very person," said the count, with a look of great embarrasament; "and took up our abode on the top-most pinnacle of sessed such preponderating advantages. It suffering. I confess, also, that I was afraid of that picture, which has excited your curiosity. Meridian Hill. Here we went through the process necessary to become Pennsylvania suldiers. Twice per day did we don our military "O my dear," interrupted the countess, "do About three miles from me was a fine estate not on any accourt enter into any details of trappings, which consisted of a stick a la sabra belonging to the Countess B. : but the beau- the affair. It would be very dreadful for me and march, counter-march, left and right turn, val at first sought to cultivate my acquaint fiful mansion on it was occupied only by a to be obliged to listen to the particulars of and the other many queer resitions of a soldier in camo. At length, after constant drilling for some time, we were brought out to receive the gallant steeds, which Government had so kindly purchased for our especial use. at the rate of \$120 each. And Mr. Editor. you can't form any idea of the great military spirit The count drew his chair towards me, and which pervaded the breasts of the members of with the most excited curiosity I heard the our little band, on taking hold of those beautiful beasts by the mane, as we didn't have any "About five years ago I married. The honey hatters. Each man felt himself far superior. moon I spent here on this estate. In this house to King Richard, who oried: "My kingdom I have passed some of the happiest momentr of for a horse;" as we all had horses without even my life; but it has been also the scene of an a king. The next day was spent by the lads event of the most painful remembrance. Ore (our troopers) in leaping their chargers over evening, we went for a ride on horsback; the enormous dykes and fences, but with a sorty horse on which my wife rode became restive, effect in some cases, as a certain private Kirkand she, being alarmed, gave me the reins, and endall, from Lawrenceville, can testify, inashaving dismounted, waiked home alone. On much as he is just recovering from the effects reaching the yard, I saw a traveling telega. of a sad turnthe, which he got from the back My servant informed me that there was a man his beast. Four days after getting our equipin my cabnet who wished to see me; he refused ments, we were ordered to Ball's Cross Roads, to give his name, saying simply that he had Va., from which one squadron was ordered in-

> seemed to stand on end. With an effort I oz- At the present time, it is credibly, stated claimed Silvio! 'I'am Silvio,' he replied. 'I that the 11th Pa. Cavalry (of which we form am come to settle an account which has long a part) is the best in the service; for the time been standing between us. 'Are you ready?" - they have been in

> corner, and begged him to fire quickly, before Great Bethel on se scout a number of times, my wife returned. He lingered and after some but without effect. Dec. 22d, about 700 of the hesitation, asked me for a light. I procured R. hel Cavalry came out as for as New Market him a candle, and starthe doors again, after Bridge, but they could not stand Yankee fire, ordering that no one should disturb ust I once and soon man back, faster than the came. more hegged him to fire. He took out his pis-

> tol, and simed it. I counted the seconds-I A PETITION FOR EMANCIPATION. thought of her—O terrible agony of those moments! Silvio dropped his hand. I am sorry, The following eincular and petition; setting forth the negessity of emancipation, are in circulation for signatures:

> but a mere assassination. Where is your pistol? I am not accustoned to fight with an opthe beginning; we will cast lots for the first, tag per tion on the subject of Ematicipation." recommend it to the public for general ad botion . and circulation. Conice may be obtained from either of the subscribers. New York, December, 1861.

W. C. Bryant, H. A. Hare, M. B., James McKaye, Wm. Goodell, Sant. R. Davis, Nathan Bruwn. Andrew Buwdoin, John T. Wilson, S. S. Joe lyn, Jas. Breeland, Christ Bould,

some business of importance to transact with to Marvland to protect the elections, shortly

me. I hastened to the room, and saw in the after we were ordered to Annapolis, where we

outward appearance gave evident tokens of this place, where we arrived on the 27th of

carlessness and neglect. He stood here by the Nuvember-many without clothes, blankets.

chimney-piece. I went up to him and endeave or any of the things helonging to camp equip-

count?" said he with a trembling voice. At 4th of December, for the first time, and Trea-

Wm: Curtisa Novas. J. W. Edmonds, Oliver Johnson, J. E. Ambrose, Edward Gilbert, Mansfield French, James Wiggins, Geo. B. Cheever, D. D., J. R. W. Sloane, Dester Reirhanke. Sam'l Wilde: Alexander Wilder,

PETITION. hand, and I could not refram from giving vent To the President of the United States and to Conurces

The people of the United States represent: Tout they recognise as lying at the very foundation of our government on which has been erected the fabric of our free institutions, the sulemn and undying truth that by nature all men are endowed with an unalienable right to liberty.

That so far as this great truth has been in any respect departed from by any of our neuple, or by any course of events, the toleration of such departure has been caused by an overshadowing attachment to the Union, and he conscientious fidelity to those with whom we had voluntarily united in forming a great example of free government.

That such departure-whether willing or unwilling, whether excusable or censurablehas nevertheless given birth to a mighty power in our midst-a power which has consigned four millions of our people to slavery and arrayed six millions in rebellion against the very existence of our government; which for three-quariers of a century has disturbed the my rage. And your sir, cease your trifling beaue and harmony of the nation, and which has now armed nearly half a million of people against that Union which has been hitherto eo dear to the lovers of freedom throughout the have seen your agitation, your dreat of my world.

presence, and your lack of courage. This is That by the very act of the slave-nower its enough." With that he turned, and was going sell, we have, all of us, been released from out; but stopping in the doorway, he cast his every obligation to tolerate any longer its existeye on the picture through which I had shot, ence among us. and almost without taking un nim he put a

That, we are admonished-and day by day bullet through the same hole I had made just the conviction is gathering strength among us more, and he was soon for away on his long ever he saw a fly on the wall, he calted out befor. He immediately dissappeared. My \_that no harmony can be restored to the mation, to pence brought back to the people, no were filled with herror, and none-dared to in-perposity seeing to our Union no permulate terrupt his retreate. He went out on the steps. cy established for, our government, no lope called for his driver, and was an his journey shadow for the continuance of our freedom, us-