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### THE SONG OF THE CAMP.

A CRIMEAN INCIDENT-BY BAYARD TAYLOR.

"Give us a song!" the soldiers cried, The outer trenches guarding,
When the heated guns of the camps allied
Grew weary of bombarding.

The dark Redan, in silent scoff,
Lay, grim and threatening, under;
And the taway mound of the Malakoff
No longer belched its thunder. There was a pause. The guardsman said: "We storm the ferts to-morrow:

Sing while we may, another day Will bring enough of sorrow." Then lay along the battery's side, Below the smoking cannon—
Brave hearts, from Severn and from Clyde,
And from the banks of Shannon.

They sang of love, and not of fame; Forgot was Britain's glory— Each heart recalled a different name, But all sang "Annie Laurie."

Voice after voice caught up the song, Until its tender passion Rose like an anthem, rich and strong-

Their battle-eve confession. Dear girl, her name he dared not speak, Yet, as the song grew londer. Yet, as the song grew louder, omething upon the soldier's cheek Washed off the stains of powder.

Beyond the darkened ocean burned The bloody sunset's embers The bloody sunset's embers,
While the Crimean valleys learned
How English love remembers.

And once again a fire of hell
Rained on the Russian quarters,
With scream of shot, and burst of shell,
And bellowing of the mortars.

And Irish Nora's eyes are dim For a singer dumb and gory; And English Mary mourns for him Who sang of "Annie Laurie."

Ah, soldiers! to your honored rest, Your truth and valor bearing; The bravest are the tenderest-The loving are the daring.

#### HISTORY OF CUBA, Or Notes of a Traveler in the Tropics , by Marturin M. Ballou.

The prospect of acquisition by the United States of the Island of Cuba, renders all in which is scarcely more substantial in appear- tol. Cuban loyalty is evinced in an annual formation respecting that "affluent piece of earth" doubly interesting. Mr. Ballou has

f space of time, the adminorder for the registration of slaves introduced into the island in violation of the treaties of 1817; the decree freeing more than fifteen thousand emancipados in the space of a fort-night; that of May 25th, enrolling and arming negroes and mulattoes; the project for importing negroes and mulattoes from Africa, under the name of free apprentices; the institution of free schools for the instruction of ly marked as on the Sabbath. In the former the blacks, while the whites are abandoned

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Continuous and the colored and white population of the colored and white population, that it may maintain its grasp

"Of course the reason for this is quite ap

parent, and is openly acknowledged in Ha vanna, viz: that these youths, during their residence here, adopt liberal ideas and views of our republican policy, which become fixed principles with them; nor is there any doubt of this being the case, for such stu dents as have thus returned, unhesitatingly (among friends) avow their sentiments, and most ardently express a hope for Cuban in-dependence; and this class, too, upon the island, are far more numerous than might at first be supposed. Those who have been educated in France, Germany and England. seem at once to imbibe the spirit of those youths who have returned from the United ates; and long before there was any dem onstration relative to the first Lopez expedi tion, these sons of the planters had formed themselves into a secret society, which is doubtless still sustained, with the avowed purpose of exercising its ability and means to free Cuba, sooner or later, from the Spanish

CUBAN LADIES .- "We have said that the creole ladies never stir abroad except in the national volante, and whatever their domestic habits may be, they are certainly, in this respect, good housekeepers. A Cuban belle would never, we fancy, be made to understand the pleasures of that most profitless of all employment, spinning street yarn. While our ladies are busily engaged in sweeping the sidewalks of Chestnut street and Broadway with their silk flounces, she wisely leaves that business to the gangs of criminals who perform the office with their limbs chained. rium. It is, perhaps, in part owing to these habits that the feet of the Cuban senorita are gard it as a perpetual insult, a bitter, ironical such a marvel of smallness and delicacy, seemingly made rather for ornament than use.

She knews the charms of the petit blest charms that its a proper state of the petit blest charms that delights the Parisian, and accordingly as you catch a glimpse at it, as she inght the highwayman praise the generosity.

Sand the epithet of 'ever faithful' writer's mind, in brief: She is permitted no writer's mind, in brief: She is permitted no writer's mind, in brief: She is permitted no vide writer's m ance than writing paper.

given us a political, historical and statistical for ornament and for dancing. Though with the perpetual presence of twety-five to thirty account of the island from its discovery by a roundness of figure that leaves nothing to be desired in symmetry of form, yet they are ger portion of his book is compiled from a light as a sylph, clad in muslin and in lace, has been justly styled the garden of the journal kept during a brief residence on the so languid and light that it would seem as if island-around which he may almost be said a breeze might wast them away like a sumto have "put a girdle." His style is remark-mer cloud. They are passionately fond of ably spirited and his statistical information dancing, and tax the endurance of the genhas been pronounced reliable. We leave our temen in their heroic worship of Terpsichore. readers to judge from copious extracts of the Inspired by the thrilling strains of those Cu-PROSPECT OF THE PURCHASE OF CUBA.—"A brilliant, they glide and whirl through the peaceful solution to the question of Cuba, by mazes of the dance hour after hour, until its sale to the United States, is not regarded daylight breaks upon the scene of fair revel. as probable by the best informed creoles .- Then, exhausted but not satisfied, they betake They say that, even if the Queen were disposed to sell the island it would be impossible to obtain the consent of the Cortes. The in imagination of the lively notes, and to beat time the swells of the haciendas, delighting the even depending of the swells of the traveler, and diversifying the even denote the sons to the United States integrity of the Sonnish domain, including dearn over the soft words and winning clan-

give them a direct interest in the mainte- in expressive glances. Their costume is vne- jar birds and these the names of which ever made by our of course, render their chaste affire exceeda conscious weakness, and not any hisitation ed' women among them, nor is it hardly pos-

itary prepartions on a grand and costly scale, very much doubt it.
at home, while in the island she is making "The creote ladies lead a life of decided like the humming bird. Parrota settle on the large levies and enrolling colored troops, not ease and pleasure. What little work they do sour orange trees when the fruit is ripe, and as militia, as the government have falsely is very light and lady-like, a little sewing or fifty may be secured, by a net, at a time. given out, but as regulars? We are reluctioned by the sultry hours of the day. They wait pigeon; the flesh is rather tough, and as the island, but candor compels us to state the plausible arguments of those who assert that dear volante, and then go to respond by sweet birds, about the lagoons, which are most tenplausible arguments of those who assert that no success can possibly attend to the plan for smiles to the salutations of the caballeros on der and palatable, one is at a loss to account istration of Gen. Pezuela has been signalized military band, and then perhaps to join the by measures of great significance and immay dance. Yet they are capable of deep and may be seen at all times sailing lazily and high feeling, and when there was a prosmost precious jewels and ornaments as a contribution to the glorious cause of liber-

to their own resources; and, finally, the legalization of intermarriages of blacks and
whites, which last measure has actually been
earried into effect, to the indignation of the

tongue, unknown to the mass of worshippers; all these give the services a holiday and carnival character.

"Far be it from us to charge these congregations with an undue levity; many a lovely creole kneels upon the marble floor, entirely estranged from the brilliant groups around her, and unconscious for the time of the admiration she excites; many a caballero bows in reverence, forgetful, for the time being, of the bright eyes that are too often the loadstone of attraction to the church; and there are very many who look beyond the glittering symbols to the great truths and the great Being they are intended to typify. But we fear that a large portion of the community who thus worship, attach more importance things represented. The impression made by the Sabbath ceremonies of the church strikes us as evanescent, and of such a character as to be at once obliterated by the excitement of worldly pleasures that follow.— Still, if the Sabbath, in Catholic countries, be not wholly devoted to religious observances, neither are the week days wholly absorbed by business or pleasure. The churches and chapels are always open, silently but eloquently inviting to devotion; and it is much to be able to step aside, at any moment, from the temptations, business and cares of life. into an atmosphere of seclusion and religion. The solemn quiet of an old cathedral on a

THE ROYAL FICTION .- "The constant presence of a large military force increases the no better way of placing the grievences of discontent and indignation of the creoles.— the Cubians, as emanating from the home gard it as a perpetual insult, a bitter, ironical steps into the volante, you perceive that it is of a rich traveler who surrenders his purse, daintily shod in a French slipper, the sole of watch and diamonds at the muzzle of the pistribute of some twenty four millions of hard ed by Spain; ice is monopolized by the gov-"The feet of the Havanna ladies are made money; the freedom of the gift is proved by

world, perpetual summer smiling upon its favored shores, and its natural wealth almost baffling the capacity of estimation. The waters which surround it, as we have already intimated, abound with a variety of fishes, whose bright colors, emulating the tints of precious stones and the prismatic hues of the rainbow, astonish the eye of the stranger .-Stately trees, of various species, the most conspicuous being the royal palm, rear their luxuriant foliage against the azure heavens, eye of the traveler, and diversifying the every control to the solution of the state of the traveler, and diversifying the every control to the solution of the state of the traveler, and diversifying the every control to the solution of the state of the traveler, and diversifying the every control to the solution of the state of the traveler, and diversifying the every control to the solution of the state of the traveler, and diversifying the every control to the solution of the state of the traveler, and diversifying the every control to the solution of the state of the state of the traveler, and diversifying the every control to the solution of the state of ment; and it would require the abrogation of a fundamental law before it could be consummated. Now the Spanish subjects well of a ladjes, their very motion being replete summated. Now the Spanish subjects well and ladies, their very motion being replete red flamingo stands patiently by the shore of sold must pay six per cent. of their value to the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was sold must pay six per cent. of their value to the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was sold must pay six per cent. of their value to the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was sold must pay six per cent. of their value to the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was sold must pay six per cent. of their value to the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was sold must pay six per cent. of their value to the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was sold must pay six per cent. of their value to the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was sold must pay six per cent. of their value to the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was sold must pay six per cent. of their value to the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was sold must pay six per cent. of their value to the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was sold must pay six per cent. of their value to the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was sold must pay six per cent. of their value to the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was sold must pay six per cent. of their value to the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was sold must pay six per cent. of their value to the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was sold must pay six per cent. of their value to the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was sold must pay six per cent. of their value to the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was sold must pay six per cent. of their value to the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was sold must pay six per cent. of their value to the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was sold must pay six per cent. of their value to the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was sold must pay six per cent. of their value to the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was sold must pay six per cent. of their value to the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was sold must pay six per cent red flamingo stands patiently by the shore of supple. Their voices are sweet and low, 'an a sum the United States might be willing to a sum the United States might be willing to a sum the United States might be willing to a woman,' and the subduption of their complexions is relieved by the reflection of its plumage—for his unconstitution of their complexions is relieved by the arch vivacity of night-black eyes, that alternately swim in melting luster or sparked kingdoms of Cuba. Among the most familiary that the most familiary to subduce the reflection of the waters—dyed by the reflection of its plumage—for his unconscious prey. It would require a volume to describe the vegetable, animal and mineral kingdoms of Cuba. Among the most familiary to subduce the complexions is relieved by the growth of the land of tar, pitch, and turpentine, was bounded to the vice presidency. When the reflection of its plumage—for his unconscious prey. It would require a volume to describe the vegetable, animal and mineral kingdoms of Cuba. Among the most familiary to swindle the people, everything being to taxed, and there is no appeal from the deciral ward, and there is no appeal from the deciral ward, in his slow, emphatic manner, as mance of the present order of things. Those er ostentatious, though costly; the most delwho take this view of the question say that
if Spain has not promptly rejected the overthe most exquisitely made satin shoes, these,
Spainsh woodpecker, the gandy-plumed par-Spanish woodpecker, the gaudy-plumed parrot, the pedoreva, with its red throat and Minister at Madrid, this decay indicates only ingly expensive. There are no 'strong mind- breast and its pea-green head and body. variety of wild nigeon There is also a great of purpose. It is simply a diplomatic trick; sible to conceive of any extremity that could blue, gray and white; the English lady-bird, Why, they ask, if induce them to get up a woman's right con- as it is called, with a blue head and scarlet Spain had any idea of parting with the isl-and, would she be be making naval and mil-might produce such a phenomenon, but we embroidery; the bath and siesta divide The creoles stew and eat them as we do the the Pascoss, and after the long twilight to the for the taste that leads the people to eat the Plaza de Armas, to listen to the Governor's parrot. The brown pelican is very plenty on over the sea, and occasionally dipping fo pect of the liberation of the island, these fair fish. Here, as among other tropical regions patriots, it will be remembered, gave their and even in some southern sections of this country, the lazy-looking bald-headed vul ture is protected by law, being a sort of nat

"The agriculturists of the island confine sugar, coffee and tobacco, almost entirely neglecting Indian corn (which the first set-lers found indigenious here) and but slightly attending to the varieties of the orange. It is scarcely creditable that, when the gen-

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that rest about her: but every picture has its

Island is the reverse in the present instance

Her wrongs are multifarrous, and the restrictions placed upon her by her oppressors are each and all of so heinous and tyrannical a week day is impressive from its very contrast character, that a chapter upon each would with the tumult outside." be insufficient to place them in their true light before the world. There is, however, government, clearly before the reader, than by stating such of them as occur readily to cent.: the island has been under martial law since 1825; over \$25,000,000 of taxes are levied upon the inhabitants, to be squanderernment: flour is taxed so high as to be in-admissible; a Creole must purchase a license before he can invite a few friends to take a cup of tea at his board; there is stamped paper, made legally, necessary for special purposes of contract, costing eight dollars for a sheet; no goods either in or out of doors, can be sold without a license; the natives of the island are excluded entirely from the army, the judiciary, the treasury, and the customs; the military government assumes the charge of the schools; the grazing of cattle is taxed exorbitantly; newspapers from a broad, with few exceptions, are contraband; letters passing through the post are opened and purged of their contents before delivery;

Treatment of Scarlet Fever. Julia A. M-, of Pottsville, Pa., desires our advice in refer-

ence to the domestic treatment of scarlet fedeed if the throat is ulcerating and the symptoms putrid, increase it to produce occasional vomiting. This will not only aid in cleansswabbed with composition or pepper tea, sweetened with honey, and a poultice of brewer's yeast, thickened with powdered elm bark externally, changing every 4 or 6 hours. Mixing a little of the yeast with cold water and administering it in table-spoonful doses every 3 or 4 hours will prove anti-septic in all cases where the putrid symptoms predominate.—Medical Reformer.

Coolness of Wellington .- It is related of the Duke of Wellington that he was once in great danger of being drowned. It was bed time. the captain of the vessel came to him aid: "It will soon be all over with us? 'Very we'l," cooly responded the Duke, then I shall not take off my boots!'

Do not go into a sick room, while

#### ANECDOTES OF WEBSTER.

When Deniel Webster was a law student, e helped to support his brother Ezekiel, at College, by copying deeds, &c., while the latter occasionally recruited his finances by choolteaching. Under date of Salisbury, N. H., Nov. 4, 1802, Daniel wrote to Ezekiel as "I have now by me two cents in lawful federal currency. Next week I will send them, if they be all. They will buy a pipe-with a pipe you can smoke-smoking implies wisdom—wisdom is allied to forti-tude—from fortitude it is but one step to stoicism, and stoicism never pants for this world's goods. So, perhaps, my two cents, by this process, may put you quite at ease about

After having declined a comfortable office, n order to pursue his profession, Daniel wrote ing appointed Clerk of the Court of Com-

denly stopped, saying, "Grace, we have been if You became my little assistant—my home thus engaged in untying knots; let us see if we can tie a knot—one which will not untie for a lifetime." He then took a piece of bird, and I miss the little voice that I have tape, and, after Beginning a knot of a pecuwas the ceremony and ratification of their engagement. And now in a little box, marked by him with the words "Precious Documents," containing the letters of his early courtship, this unique memorial is still to be found. The knot has never been untied.

[The subjoined anecdotes are related by a prespondent of the Boston Transcript.] Soon after Mr. Webster came to the bar. he was retained in a suit between two neigh-

bors. It seemed that they had got to logger-heads about a disputed line, out of which had grown trespass suits and all sorts of con-troversies, and that the more malicious and artful of the two had so plied the other with Mr. Webster to manage it. On the trial, proof was evident that the day of reckoning had at last come. In summing up for the plaintifi, Mr. Webster, after making a strong argument against the defendant, showing that he had again and again instituted suits against his client, merely to perplex and annoy him, closed as follows: "In a word, gentlemen, the words of the good old psalm." Then looking at the jury but pointing to the defen-

He digged a pit, he digged it deep, He digged it for his brother, By his great sin, he did fall in The pit he digged for 'tother.

Sternhold and Hopkins:

And so it proved. The verdict was heavy against the "digger."

In 1852, when the Whig Convention was in session, first came news that Gen. Scott, he deliberately wiped his razor: "Well, I do not see, then, but that the Whig party have

It is related of Mr. Webster and Mr. Mason that they were once riding the circuit to-Keep the bowels moderately open with castor oil: give freely of elder blossoms, deep and the weather cold, and both were balm or composition tea to promote perspi- well muffled in bufflaloes. Mr. Mason was to refuse submission to any evils however it is evident that there is a decided tendenwell monthed in bullatoes. Mr. Mason was to refuse submission to any evils nowever frowning, are conditions we must either fullit is well known, had a very deep voice, affil or sink to littleness, to uselessness,—per-nary organs. This tendency must be diverting. the road, where it was not very easy turning heart and unconquerable spirit, every man out, they met a bluff countryman, with his should address himself to the work of the ox team, who shook his goad at them and day; striving with pure views and religious sang out "turn out there—turn out!" They trust for an increase of his talent, and for a ing the throat, but prevent an accumulation of putrid matter in the stomach, which in of putrid matter in the stomach, which in on the whole, and began to threaten, when abashed in the last day. He who strives a label cases should be guarded against. If Mr. Mason began to rise, until he had got up need fear no failure. His triumph, though be thought is sore, keep it well gargled or all bad cases should be guarded a summer and to the assonished view six feet and more, and to the assonished view of the teamster, seemed to be going higher, bearish manner, "Turn out yourself, sir!", "Gee, gee," cried out the teamster, "why don't you gee ?" putting the brad into his oxen as he cleared the track for what, to his astonished vision, appeared a brace of giants. This latter anecdote reminds me of the

case of the gentleman who was riding with a snan-new turn-out when he was saluted by a teamster he was about meeting with an imperative order-"Turn out, there! turn other day." Our owner of the gay equippage, not caring to risk his carriage encounter with an ox-cart, took up a position on the extreme right, and waited patiently for the horrid despuiler of vehicles to pass erous soil produces from two to three crops perspiring freely. The pores being open, He could not, however, resist his ouriosity to thinks it "was a doubtful annually, the vegetable wealth of this island they will absorb infection.

He could not, however, resist his ouriosity to thinks it "was a doubtful know what dreadful thing the cartman did he "was ever born at all!"

do ; and so, leaning his head out of the carriage, he accosted him with the inquiry— "How did you serve the man the other day?" "How did I serve him?" replied the teamster; "why, he wouldn't turn out, so I turn ed out myself!"

## LOVED AND LOST.

[Mr. Bradbury, Editor of the New York Musical Gazette and Review, having recently lost a little daughter, thus touchingly allude

Kittie is gone. Where? To Heaven. An But she could not stay with us any longer. She had an angel sister in heaven, who was waiting for her. The angel sister was with us from Salisbury, (on the 10th of June, 1804,) to his brother, in this wise: "Zeke, I don't believe but what Providence will do well for us yet. We shall live, and live comfortably. I have this week come within an ace of beheard, I knew little Kittle was near. If my mon Pleas, for Hillsborough county. Well, you will say, you are no better off than if that no sound could be heard, I knew Kittie you had not come within an ace. Perhaps I was coming. If, after an hour's quiet play, am--say nothing, but think a good deal, and a little slim shadow passed me, and the doo opened and shut, as no one else could open After Daniel had taken up his residence at and shut it, "so as not to disturb papa," ortsmouth, and commenced practicing as a knew Kittle was going. When, in the midst young lawyer, he also soon commenced practiong as a young lover, by visiting Miss Grace Fletcher. At one of these visits, probably with a view of combining utility and enjoyment, he had been holding skeins of silk thread for Miss Fletcher, when he suddenly storage arrives (Gray, when h

so often heard in the adjoining room, catch liar kind, gave it to her to complete. This ing up and echoing little snatches of melod as they were being composed. I miss those soft and swift kisses. I miss the little hand that was always first to be placed upon my forehead to "drive away the pain." I miss the sound of those little feet upon the stairs I miss the little knock at my bedroom door in the morning, and the triple good-night kiss in the evening. I miss the sweet smiles from the sunniest of faces. I miss, oh! how I miss, the foremost in the little group who came on do not stoop so low now, Kittie, to give that first kiss. I miss you at the table, and at family worship. I miss your voice in "1 want to be an angel," for nobody could sing law in one shape or another, that he had nearly ruined him. The latter at last became aroused, and brought an action against the other for malicious prosecution, and retained you in Heaven. "Papa, if we are good, will of malice was clear and convincing, and it en when we die?" When the question was asked, how little did I think the angel was so near. But he did "truly" come, and the "I do wish papa would come." Wait a little while, Kittie, and papa will come. The jour ney is not long. He will soon be "home."

# Effort is the price of success in every de

partment of human action. From attainment of rudimental knowledge to the salvation of dant, he repeated from his favorite authors the soul, every step in progress is made by undaunted toil. The boy drones over his book, a slave to listless laziness, thereby se caring to himself a place at the foot of society. The Christian, who, like Bunyan's Timorous Mistrust, flees at the voice of lions, i undone. The man who shrinks from difficulty in his business or profession, who refu ses to climb because the rock is sharp and the way steep, must make up his mind to slide back and to be in the shadows below while others use him as a stepping stone to their own rising. For this—such is the constitution of society-there is no help. The poet wrote truly who said-

"Thou must either soar or stoop, Thou must either serve or govern, Must be slave or must be sovereign, Must in fact be block or wedge, Must be anvil or must be sledge."

To shake off an indolent spirit, or stir ane' slippery places, to wrestle manfully, even mounting at times almost to a growl. On chance to ruin. Therefore, with a brave victory, which shall enable him to stand un abased in the last day. He will salves he will be let internally, aside from good nutritious delayed for a time, shall come at last.—Addiet, but little is needed. Whenever symp-

> RATHER Too Honest .- At a late meeting of a County Temperance Association, men bers were asked to relate their experience of get well. the effects of the new law.
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> One aged and somewhat unsophisticated

gentleman, on being importuned to give his opinion on the subject of the local sale and use of liquor, said:

"Well, I guess about all I can say is, that ed that I used to buy rum for tew shillings a gallon, and now they tax me six, and it aint more'n half as good as it was wont to be, either." He was permitted to sit down.

Mr. Hammond, assistant editor of the Alba ny Register, says he was not born rich, and thinks it "was a doubtful piece of luck" that

# From the Medical Reformer. HAPPY RESULTS OF A POSITIVE OVER A NEGATIVE MIND.

# BY WM. FIELDS, M. D.

The physician that would be successful in the practice of medicine, must possess and exercise a positive influence over the mind of his patient. I do not mean by bluster, arrogance or a domineering spirit, for he should always treat his patients with the most perfect respect and kindness for this is always due to every one solicting his pro-fessional aid. But I mean that when called angel came and took her away. She was a to see a patient he should in the first place lovely child—gentle as a lamb; the pet of examine the case most thoroughly, not only the whole family; the youngest of them all. tient that you not only understand his ailment but are really concerned for the restor-ation of his health. This course inspires the confidence of the patient and gives you possession of at least one half of the ground without a single grain of medicine. In the next place after a thorough and rational explanation of his or her disease, speak with ssurance in reference to your ability to eradicate it—speak positively, and thus by mind acting on mind you gain another fourth at least of the ground in the management of the case. Thus may three fourths of the cure be performed, I most positively believe, in almost every curable case. The next and last step is to give the medicine. Deal it out with your own hands to the patient or nurse, telling them exactly how you desire it to act in every particular, and charge them to watch as with an eagle's eye in order that they may report to the physician at his next visit. If the physician understands his purness he can do it, and the result will prove most salutary, especially if he confines his

appliances to the innocuous materia medica.

To illustrate, I will relate a case or two out of the hundreds I could refer to were it

Mrs. Moore, seven miles from Steubenville, Jefferson County, Ohio, was confined with her second child, took cold and brought on a fever. Had two physicians attending her for four months. At length she took to sweating, drinking quarts of water, which would pass off through every pore of the surface: her clothes would be so thoroughly wet through that her friends would have to this time, after her physicians and friends and tines after her physicians and triends had given her up to die, I was called in to see her. I examined the case most thoroughly, and though never having met with a similar one in all my practice, I assumed all the confidence imaginable. I told her I could check the perspiration in one hour. I did so, and had her relieved of all the worst symptoms in a short time, and that too by the most simple treatment. My confiden and positive assurance exerted a beneficial influence over her negative condition—this done more than all the medicine I gave her.

Mrs. Cotner, of the same county, lay for wo years with a torpid state of the liver, dyspepsia and nervous debility. She was confined to her bed during this whole period. Her physicians had salivated her, keeping her mouth discharging most excessive-I examined the symptoms in my usual thorough manner, spoke positively in reference to the name and character of her disease and that I could certainly cure her. She recovered rapidly, turned off her hired girl and done her work without assistance

Spitting Blood. Joseph C——, of Columbia, N. Y. I have had two attacks of hemorrhage from the lungs. I am of sanguine temperament, with some little tende plethora. The attacks came on with scarce any premonitory symptoms. My occupa-tion has been that of Agriculture. I am now engaged in Teaching. Am I consumptive? What shall I do?

If you would live long quit the Schoolroom instanter. It is not the place for you: it is too close and confining. You need a continual supply of pure fresh air, and you must have it. Resume your former occupation. You need exercise, but be careful that it does not amount to actual fatigue; that would prostrate you. Spitting of blood if neglected, will terminate in confirmed self to exertion, to reach constantly upward, consumption. It is an evidence that the fatal disease is already lurking in the system -that the destructive work is already begun. There may be slight ulceration, but ary organs. This tendency must be diverted. Plenty of good air; gentle exercise; the whole surface; occasional applications of mustard to the chest and on the spine just opposite to slightly irritate the skin, all these conjoined will be found serviceatoms of an attack supervene take of ple grains, mixed in a little sweetened water, three times a day. Persevere and you will

Going West .- A Brother Jonathan, in a warm argument with John Bull, on our national institutions, was endeavoring to floor his antagonist, who had sneeringly remarked that "fortunately the Americans could not go any farther westward than the Paci-fic shore." Yankee searched his pregnant orain for an instant, and triumph plied, "Why, good gracious, they are al-ready levelling the Rocky Mountains and carting the dirt out West; I had a letter last week from my cousin, who is living two hundred miles west of the Pacific shore on made land!"