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Oh country, marvel of the earth! Oh realm to sudden greatness grown The age that gloried in thy birth Shall it behold thee overthrown? Shall traitors lay that greatness low ! No. Land of Hope and blessing, No !

And we who wear thy glorious name, Shall we, like cravens, stand apart, When those whom thou hast trusted aim The death-blow at thy generous heart ? Forth goes the battle cry, and lo! ... Hosts rise in harness shouting, No!

And they who founded, in our land, The power that rules from sea to sea, Bled they in vain or vainly planned . To leave their country great and free ? Their sleeping asnes, from below, Send up the thrilling murmur, No!

Knit they the gentle ties which long These sister States were proud to wear, And forged the kindly links so strong Fur idle bands in sport to tear-For seornful bands uside to throw? No. by our father's memory, No !

Our humming marts, our iron ways, Our wind-tossed woods on mountain crost, The hoarse Atlantic, with its bays, The calm broad ccean of the West, And Mississippi's torent flow. And loud Niagara, answer, No!

Nor yet the hour is nigh when they Who deep in Eld's dim twilight sit, Earth's ancient kings, shall rise and say, "Proud country, welcome to the pit ! So soon art thou like us, brought low ?" No, sullen group of shadows, No!

For now, behold, the arm that gave The victory in our father's day Sirong, as of old, to guard and save-That mighty arm which none can stay-On clouds above, and fields below, Writes in men's sight; the answer No!

Written for the "Star of the North." A TALE OF GUATIMALA.

FOUNDED ON FACTS. BY ARTILLERIST.

History furnishes us with many examples of persons rising from obscurity to the most exalted positions in life, not from the effects of extraordinary abilities, but the result of a peculiar state of circumstances. The following tale founded on facts, fully illustrates

Ever since Spanish America threw of the voke of Spain, it has been suffert to the most distressing forms of anarchy; and intestine tomalis have made the fairest lands under heaven the resort of desperadoes and official out throats. It is immaterial which faction gains the ascendancy, as the taxridden and helpless natives must equally

On the banks of the Rio Dulce, dwell Jorge Puerco, an Indian of Guatimala -His occupation was that of a swine herd. and by industry and good fortune he had succeeded in accomulating all the necessaries and many of the luxuries of an Indian's life. He had but two chi dren, a son and a daughter. The mother died while they were yet young. Both had been educated in a manner by the parish priest, while their own inquiring minds had added to their stock of information. Juan assisted his father and taught a village school till the age of twenty, when he was impressed into the service of the so called repub lic, unwillingly serving the oppressors of his face. Though he performed his duties with the meekness characteristic of a descendant of Montezoma, yet a spirit of deep revenge was settled in his breast, burning the deeper from the necessity of concealing

Maggella, the daughter, possessed all the charms of out Indian maidens, without their savage manners and dress. Her hair was jet black; falling naturally over her shoulders; and spited admirably her dark blive complexion. Like the race, her featores were regolar and hands and feet small, while the contour of her whole form proved her Aztec descent.

The casa in which they lived differed from those of their neighbors in being beaufully situated, strongly built for the kind. and in being kept cleanty. The roof condoubled as to turn rain. Both ends were open. The interior formed one apartment, in the centre of which was the fire which

Not far from her humble dwelling sat the maiden, deeply absorbed in a book kindly loaned her by the parish priest. The aun was setting in the gorgeons west, and all the beauties of a tropical sunset appeared The grove of orange trees, the fragrant cof-ice and carso gave forth their perfumes to the air, while the music of feathered so ters as they winged their way to their ne

music of her voice and instrument.

the conversation. The stranger was none in the army against the Government. One square, three months, . . . . . . . 3 00 sation. He sat himself by her side with pose.

> The muscular form and determined as- her new position." an attack. Relying upon his being an offi- son who brought me to it." cer and also armed, he angrily ordered "Be not too hasty,-my coy bird, remem-Francisco to return to his cabin. The lover ber that you are in my power, and that in della, then with haught but a macheta, or power to execute." should engage in bloody strife.

In the meantime Maldito's companions returned, and perceiving the position of the Her proud form was drawn to its fullest paries immediately attacked Jorge and Francisco with their weapons. The latter vainly endeavored to reach his foe, but he quickly retreated behind his men and nrued them on. The contest was too unequal; and Francisco soon lay bleeding upon the ground, while Manuella's father was being pinioned a brotal soldier held a bayonet to his breast.

Manuella who had been a spell-bound spectator of the scene, now rushed forward and in frantic tones besought the lives of

"Only spare them to me" she cried "and all that we possess shall be yours. Take our property-destroy our homes it you wish, but Oh! spare me the lives of those who have loved and protected me from infancy! Regard the old age of my father, and feave me not afone in the world?

She knew not the character of the man she addressed. With a gloating eye he gaz ed upon her picturesque beauty, heightened as it was by her distress.

their lives be spared, and not only that, your father retain his property."

demanded I will yield it to preserve those I so dearly love."

"It is this,-that you, accompany me the capital where you shall live it, regal luxuries your heart can desire."

He, likewise had mistaken the character for Cuba. of the maiden Jorge Puerco clenched his fists and regarded his daughter with a warn- rushed to Maldi tos mansion and encounter- so thick upon us, and naturally should coning glance. Francisco raised his bleeding ed him as above described. head the better to hear her answer, while Manuella rose from her knees and with flashing eyes contronted the base villain.

your proposition, so do your worst."

Maldio for a moment was taken aback at the decision of character manifested by one oners securely to the corner posts of the erally. casa, then seizing the struggling Manuella, he rushed from the place. Old Jorge made superhuman efforts to release himself and them, because they are liable to decrease as follow his daughter, but in vain. Francis fast as they increased; because they cannot breakfast! co was so weakened with the loss of blood salisfy the boundless desires of the imthat on making an effort to rise he fainted. mortal soul; because there possession is The screams of Manuella however, attract- connected with new anxieties and reed to the place the widowed mother of Fran sponsibilities; because their possessor is cisco. The terrified woman gazed tremb- subjected to peculiar and, injourious templing, at the bloody features of her son, now tations; because they must all be left at histed of plantain leaves, so skillfully rendered more ghastly by the uncertain death, and death may come at any hour; and light; but resuming an Indian stoicism she because the good things of the present life released both the prisoners, and applied the are of insignificant value, when compared usual Indian remedies to the wounds of her | with the treasures of heaven, which he for- long it is since you stood at the same place of pure hallacination of the mind. Besides cocked their humble meal. A corner was son. The father rushed forth in the dark ever forfeits who makes worldly wealth his ness and aroused the surrounding natives surpreme good. well-knewing that his unaided efforts would be useless. His hastily racited tale had a

magical effect upon his auditors. tevenge, which only wanted occasion to journed to a back yard in the vicinity, where they longht until Tuomey was badly Aces of the abduction of Manu-cut about the head and arms. A policeman General M'Clellan is not yet 35; General ake it worship the God of Nature. The cita spread like wild fire, and the further it then came in and arrested them. Gill was Fremont is under 48: General Lyon after gazing upon the fading land-spread the more settled became the determinant of the letter.

and made evening melodious with the those who were cursing it by their presence.

Old Jorge was chosen as leader, and he She soon returned to the cabin and by secretly armed his followers with the forthe fading twilight saw a dark looking cre- midable macheta and such other arms as ole in close conversation with her father, could be seized. He also sent a messenger She struck a light and intensely listened to to his son, who was to form a combination

it. The old man remonstrated, pleading ed as day was dawning. After placing her the necessity of what he had for his own in a room, he unloosed her arms and removsupport, but the officer was inexplorable, ed the gag, and then left her to the care of and ordered his myrmidens outside to se- the servants. She however, declined their the tour of the fashionable watering places cure what they came after. While they attentions, and was soon left alone. Hopes were thus employed, he cast his eyes on of escape still occupied her mind. The lond Manuella, who was reclining in a corner, before her was untouched, but exhaustion eagerly waiting for the result of the conver- compelled her to take a few hours of re-

> the familiarity of an old acquaintance; but On awaking she felt much refreshed, and the maiden immediately arose and proceed- proceeded to examine the doors and wined hastily towards her father. Muldito dows; but to her disappointment found rushed towards her and would have pushed them securely fastened. A stiletto was his impudence further had not a blow from found in one of the drawers which she conold Jorge Puerco laid him upon the ground. cealed about her person resolving to use it Hourse with rage he jumped to his feet, if occasion required. The unlocking of her drew his sword, and doubtless would have chamber door aroused her from her medikilled the old man had not a more formida- lations. It gave entrance to the hated form ble apponent met him in the person of young of Maldito, who had come for the purpose Francisco, a thriving fisherman from the of humbling Manuella's prile, as he called neighboring shore, who had just come on it. He took a seat, and after a moments's one of his accustomed visits to Manuella. -awkward pause asked her how she liked

> pect of the youthful but powerful Indian for "I detest your fine prison," replied the a moment deterred the coward from making maiden with a flashing eye, "and the per-

class, he put himself in a posture of defence her hand, but darting from him she drew the slander us when away. Indeed, they pass went well with the italian army, and victory and signified his intention of protecting the stiletto from her bosom, and stood at the through the world silently and unnoticed. seemed within its grasp. The enemy, uninmates of the casa from insult or violence. extremity of the room in an attitude of de- like the feather that falls from the wing of der the Austrian Marshal Radetzky, was Old Jorge, fearful of the consequences of fense. At this moment she was a picture the soaring bird. having gone so far, advanced with the in- to behold. She was no longer the gentle tention of conciliating the two ere they Indian maiden of the Rio Dulce. The fire of her nature had been aroused and even Maldito gazed in awe at the figure before him. height, the long black hair was in confusion about her shoulders, her nostrils dilated, Their blood grows stagnant in the country, trians !" and precipitately retreated. The lips compressed, while from her eyes flashed a determination to defend herselt to the last from the base villain.

glance Francisco comprehended the scene. and one blow from his macheta clove the trembling Maldito's skull in twain. Manuella fell weeping into the arms of her father, who hastened to a-sure her of her safety. happy. Let us never sneer at quiet people Austrians within several miles. The lover seated himself by her side, and then. They fill their appropriate places exthe events of the three preceding days

They had collected a large number of their Indian friends and marched towards "Upon one condition," replied he, "shaft the capital; their force receiving constant accessions by the way. No regular plan of attack was formed, but rushing to the bar-"Name the condition" responded the sup racks they soon took prisoners the few solpliant maiden "and though my own life be diers there, who were only too glad to be allowed to return to their homes Besides to large combination against the government consisting of citizens and soldiers. The splender and be surrounded with all the government officials fled in terror, and seiz ing a schooner in the nearest harbor sailed

The records of the country relate the bal- induce us, like Young, to ance of the story. Old Jorge was chosen ruler by the unanimous voice of his adhe-"Hear me," said she with a voice tremb- rents. Though not skilled in the finesse of a ling no more, "slavery aye death itselfis pre- diplomat, he administered justice impartialferable to the life you offer me. I detest ly, and released the people from the bur- We feel it in the cool, invigorating breeze ment of men, and all of the evils of the pre- domestic pesis, the flies, clinging in stiffenwhom he had regarded as a simple Indian Manuella and occupied an honorable posi- it in the diminishing length of the days; maiden, but it was only for a moment. - ion near Jorge. Juan busied himself in but we feel it-ah! most sensibly, gentle With a fiendish smile upon his swarthy procuring teachers for the people, and in reader-when coiled up under a blanket, lery, still the Prussians at the moment were feature, he ordered his men to tie the pris- improving the condition of the masses gen- indulging in pleasant dreams of having so panie-stricken that they surrendred the

Ir riches increase set not your heart upon

These untutored men had long quietly got into a quarrel together recently, at the 'hand in our chips'-the game of life will hours had elapsed before any report had endured oppression, but like their nalive corner of Park and Worth streets, and agreed close, and others will take our places and been made to the public. We repeat that

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> Quiet people must be those angles in disguise that imaginative people talk so much about. Very likely they will never do us any positive good; the blessing we receive from them are negative, and we pass them sons who wish to be let alone : we all of us silent, or at least they only address os with wards achieved brilliant victories. that silent language of the eye, which ex- In the month of July, 1848, the Italian

They do their own work in their own way, field Republican

## The Summer is Over

We can hardly realize the fact, so short does the time seem since bads and blossoms, blue birds and lilacs, welcome the return of spring; but the summer is over, done gone for the season,' as the darkey says .-The leaves are still green, and ample to afthe aid Jorge brought, Juan had formed a ford grateful shade; but in a few days they will wear a yellow tinge, and they will no longer be treated with their wonted respect when pedes rians seek the sunny side of the street to travel. Although the transition from summer to fall is so silent, and occurs just After seizing the barracks, the whole force at a time when the fruits of the earth are fine our thoughts to a channel which would

-"take no note of time,

Save by its loss;" yet we see the unerring shadow of coming events-the steady tramp-march of fall .dens of confiscation of property, impress- of morning and evening-we see it in those ceding tyranical rule. Francisco married ed groups to the kitchen ceiling-we see been appointed a commissary in the army, or received a heavy horse contract, and a shrill voice dispels the terrible delusion by shouting from the bottom of the stairs

Reader, go down to the bank of the river son of the flight of time. The blue river rolls on quietly and majestically, as it did a

ON GUARD.

At midnight, on my lonely beat, When shadows wrap the wood and lea A vision seems my view to greet Of one at home that prays fer me.

No roses blow upon her cheek-Her form is not a lover's dream-But on her face, so fair and meek, A host of holier beauties gleam.

For softly shines her silver hair,

A patient smile is on her face, And the mild lustrous light of prayer Around her sheds a moon-like grace. She prays for one that's far away-The soldier in his holy fight-And begs that Heaven in mercy may

Protect her boy and bless the right. Till, though the leagues lie far between, This silent incense of her heart Steals o'er my soul with breath serene, And we no longer are apart.

So guarding thus my lonely beat, By shadowy weed and hannted lea, That vision seems my eye to meet Of her at home who prays for me. CAMP CAMERON. -Harper's Weekly

Panic-Stricken Soldiers.

The question is often asked, will troops that have fled from a battle-field in a panic by unnoticed. They let us alone, and the in- ever get over the demoralizing effect? We habitants of Secessia are not the only per- have, in reply, only to say that panies are not uncommon things in war, and are not have had that feeling more times than we confined by any means to new levies, such can tell. We get tired of the incessant rat- as composed our army at Bull Run. Nepotle of the machinery of society, and long to leon I, with an army composed of his best shut down the gate. Then we appreciate veterans, suffered from two panies, among the unobtrusive attention of our quiet friends; the most disgraceful recorded in military anthey don't talk to us when we wish to be nals, yet the same troops a few days after-

presses so much, but never wenties us .- army, under Charles Albert, was marching They never bore us by making us listen to toward Mantua for the parpose of besieging cast one glance at the pleading eyes of Man- this mansion what I propose I have the their ambitions plans; and more they never that important fortress; the Piedmontese anger us by telling us of our faults. They secretary of war, Gen. Bava, commanding short sword usually carried by those of his With these words he attempted to seize don't flatter us when present, and don't the advance, eleven thousand strong. All It is doubtless wisely ordered that some was there. One fine morning, (so Gen men should be willog to be the leaders of Bava relates in his report to the parliament society, and should enter the lists as candi- at Turin,) as the advanced troops marched dates for the honors of the world. There along, a shot was suddenly fired out of a are men who can no more restrain their solitary house, a mill sea. The tirailleur ambition than they can dam up the ocean. raised the cry, " the Austrians ! the Ausand they rush to the city to engage in its cry was repeated by a whole battalion which more active and more exciting pursuits - at the same time wheeled about and march-Their goal is ever before them, never reach- ed back at double quick time. The move- ized to conduct such election, shall take the The suspense was terrible to both, but ed, and they are happy only from inces- ment was soon degenerated into a wild run. like oaths or affirmations, shall have the to Literature, to Foreign Affairs to Agriculdid not last long. A thundering noise was sant toil. But the mass of mankind always The fright communicated itself to the other like powers, and they, as well as other per-Leard on the outside gates, and the shouts come in and go out at the back entry of troops, and in a short time the whole ad- sons who may attend, vote, or offer to vote of an assembled multitude came distinctly life, and are never seen in the parlor or on vance corps of eleven thousand men were at such election, shall be subject to the like the great thoroughlares. They are substra- dissolved into an ignominious route and, in penalties and restrictions as are declared or In a moment Francisco. Old Jorge, and ta or mankind, rarely seen, but supporting spite of their commanding General, fled for provided in this act, in the case of elections Juan, his son, rushed into the room. At a the rest. The minister furnishes them with more than ten miles, antil there course was by the citizens at the usual place of electheir theological opinious, the newspaper arrested by the approach of reinforcements, tion. gives them their views of other things .- Gen. Bava resumed his march the next day.

taking her hand in his, as if to assure him- actly, and perform their duties faithfully .- of such recent occurrence that it must be fa- tary of the county in which such electors self of her salety, proceeded to recapitulate Can as much be said of all of us ? .- Spring | miliar with intelligent people. At the battle would have voted if not in military service. of Sollerino, a French corps of fifteen thou- And the said judge shall transmit another sand picked troops ran some fifteen miles return of such election to the commanding Daily Tribune (311 issues per annum) \$6 graphic description of this most disgraceful mand, and shall transmit the same through pen of H. J. Raymond, of the New York the commonwealth.

Times, who saw the panic The battle of Rosbach, which was fought November 5th, 1757, bears a strong resemblance, in many particulars, to Bull Run-On the occasion referred to, Frederick the Great, with twenty-five thousand men, attacked the combined army of the French and Imperialists, fifty-lour thousand strong, under the command of the French Dake de Soubise. Two French regiments fought for a half hour and than the whole army began to waver, and finally the entire force broke, abandoning arms, artillery and camp equipage. The route was continued for more than forty miles from the battle field.

Panics have even seized men in fortified camps and cities. After the battle of Jena, October, 1806. Murat came with three cavalry regiments before the Fotress Steittin, and asked an unconditional surrender. He had, strange as it may seem, no infantry or artilstrong fortress to a weak cavalry force .-Remberg, the commander, had six thousand men, one hundred and fifty cannon, and plenty of provisons. Napoleon was so astonished at the result that he wrote Murat, jestingly, "that he would melt his guns, as and you will receive an admonishing les- Prussian fortresses were best taken by cav-

hundred years ago, and just as it will do a panies every one of which took place, hundred hence. The foliage of the trees are among veteran regular troops, were without green apparently as they were a month cause. They did not, as at Bull Run, ago; but on close inspection, you will de- tollow a severely fought battle, where the tect a tinge-a slight fade. Reflect how enemy was reinforced, but from the effect and saw the same trees putting forth the these mentioned instances of panics, our foliage now about going to decay. Does it disaster at Bull Run properly takes its place not seem but as yesterday? Thus days, as a repulse of a reconnoissance in force. A DUEL WITH CHEESE KNIVES .- Two months and years burry by, and it will not It was nothing more, and would never have superior valor. In the cause of our own troops, Bull Ren will serve as a stimulous to new deeds of heroic action.

ELECTIONS.

Laws in Relation to Malitia and Volunteers. The following to the Act of Legislature called out of the State in the service of

Provisions in case any of the Militia or Volunteers shall be in Actual Service at the time of

the General Election

their country :

of this common wealth, qualified as hereto. means the moral, intellectual and material fore provided, shall be in any actual service advancement of our country. It has aimed in any detachment of the militia or corps of volunteers, under a requisition from the others may not be willing to accept till to-President of the United States, or by the authority of this commonwealth, on the day of the general election as aforesaid, such readers to think and judge for themselves citizens may exercise the right of suffrage rather than adopt blindly our own or others' at such a place as may be appointed by the | conclusions, we believe we may fairly claim commanding officer of the troop or company to which they shall respectively belong, as fully as if they were present at the by the most general thorough and practical usual place of election: Provided. That no member of any such troop or company shall be permitted to vote at the place so appointed, if at the time of such election he shall ture or peculiarly exposed branches from be within ten miles of the place at which he would be entitled to vote if not in service

Section 44. The proceedings for conducing such elections shall be, far as practicable, in all respects the same as are herein directed in the case of general elections, except that the captain or commanding officer of each company or troops shall act as judge, and that the first lieutenant, or officer second in command, shall act as inspector of such election, so far as shall relate to such company or troops; and in case of the neglect or refusal of such officers, or either of them to serve in such capacity, the officer or officers next in command in such company or troop shall act as judge or in- with all our energies their efforts to uphold spector, as the case may be.

Section 45. The officer authorized to per from the duties of judge shall administer the fully strong we believe the American Reproper oath or affirmation to the officer who | public far stronger, and that the unanimons officer shallhave been sworn or affirmed, he shall administer the proper oath or affirmation the officer whose duty it shall be to act as judge, and such officer acting as judge shall appoint two persons to act as clerks, and shall administer to them the proper oaths or affirmations.

Section 46. The several officers author-

Section 47. Within three days after such for acquiring information increase with and it was purely accidental on the part of election, the judges thereof shall respectiveand live and die, peaceful, contented and the people in the mill. There were no ly transmit through the nearest post office, a return thereof, together with the tickets, But the most remarkable case of panic is tally-list and list of votes, to the Prothonoback to Brescia, because five struggling officer of the regiment or battalion as the Austrian huzzars suddenly appeared on the case may be; who shall make a general reroad, there object being to surrender them- turn, under his hand and seal, of the votes selves as prisoners to the French. A of all the companies or troops under his comaffair was published at the time, from the the nearest post office, to the Secretary of

> Section 48. It shall be the duty of the Prothonotary of the county to whom such returns shall be made, to deliver to the return judges of the same county a copy, certified under his hand and seal, of the return of votes so transmitted to him by the judges of the election in the companies or troops

Section 49 The judges of the proper county or counties in which the volunteers or militiamen aforesaid may have resided at the time of being called into actual service as aforesaid, shall meet on the second Tuesday in November next after the election -And when two or more counties are connected in the election, the meeting of the judges from each county shall be postponed in such case until the Friday following the little known to the country. There are now said second Tuesday in November.

Section 50. The return judges so me shall include in their enumeration the vote as returned, and thereupon shall proceed in all respects in the like manner as in provided in this act in cases when all the votes shall have been given at the usual place of election.

TIMING EACH OTHER .- They have a story n Chicago about a drunken captian, who met a private of his company in the same condition. The captain ordered him to be the barracks for the troops, and other "halt," and, endeavoring in vain to assume | necessary buildings, the roofs of which are a firm position on his feet, and to talk with dignified severity, exclaimed, "Private There are consequently no barbette gone Smith, I'll give you :'I (hic) four o'clock bere. This part of the Port, however, is to gissober in." "Cap'n," replied the soldier, "as younr' (hic)-sight drunker'n I opposite which is the sally port in one of am' I'll give you t'l five o'clock to gissober | the angles.

Another NEWSPAPER GONE.-The Vermont Patriot, of Mountpelier, for more than men, named Dan'l Tuomey and John Gill, be long before we will all be called upon to assumed other importance if twenty four a generation the Democratic organ of the Green Mountain State, issued its final number last week. The late death of its mountains, the calm was only on the surface; for in their breasts raged the fires of They accordingly, procured two, and adles and our vexations. poet, was disastrous to its interests.

We should so live and labor that what fined in Fort Latavelle, to make their

NUMBER 38.

The New York Tribune - New Yolume. On the seventh of September, 1867 the New York Weekly Tribune commenced the twenty first year of its existence; the Daily authorizing the Militia and Velunteers of Tribune being some months bluef and the the State to vote at general elections when Semi-weekly Tribune somewhat younger. For more than twenty years, this journal has labored in what us conductors have felt to be the cause of Humanity. Justice and Freedom, endeavoring to meliorate the condition of the oppressed and unfortunate to honor and encourage useful exertion in Section 43. Whenever any of the citizens whatever sphere, and, to promote by all to be right rather than popular, and to espouse and commend to-day the truth that for this journal the credit of having qualified its readers to detect and expose even its own errors. To develop the minds of the young Education, and to encourage and stimulate. Productive Industry, through free grants of Public Lands to actual settlers and cultivators, as also through the projection of immatoo powerful foreign competition, are among the aims to which this journal has adhered through good and evil report, and which it steadlastly commends to American patriot-

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This place, having been selected by the Government for the sale keeping of its political prisogers, has become quite an im-portaut post. Heretofore it has been but about twenty-or thirty men confined within

The Fort is built in an isolated position, on a shoal or small island in the narrows, about 7 miles below New York and about four hundred yards from the shore. For: Hamilton is also near it, on the sea shore. The shape of the Fort is quadrangular, with the angles pointing to the sea and bay and either shore, diamond wise. Facing Fort Hamilton are two tiers of heavy cannon in bomb proof casemates. On this side, which is less protected than the others, appear to seen rising above the walls of the Fort completely commanded by Fort Hamilton

On the other sides guns are mounted en barbette, in addition to the heavy casemen, guns below In fact, the entire structure, whatever may be said of its capacity as a defence against foreign invasion, seems to be more than sufficiently strong to keep in security as many State prisoners as are likely to be put in it. It would sorely puzzle Jack Shephard or Baron Trenck themselves, were these worthies alive, and con-