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#### From the New Orleans Picayune. Dust to Dust.

Dust to dust! the tolling bell Peals the mounful "Fare thee well!" Dust to dust! the solemn drum Warns again of doom to come. Dust to dust! the good and brave, Great and lowly, lord and slave, Wrinkled age with silver bair, Youth and strength and beauty fair, Both the venal and the just Own the doom of Dust to Dust!

Pass the solemn pageant by ! Who shall be the next to die? Who shall read his neighbor's face, And the mystic dooming trace He of firmest heart and limb, Death may somest call for him : While the victim, lingering ill, Breathes the air of beaven still. While there's life there's hope and trust, Till the hour of Dust to Dust !

Honored ashes, noble c'ay Mingles with the dust to day. Drooping round the sable urn, See a mighty nation mourn. Glorious in memory's | reath, Now the soldier sleeps in death In the earth he loved to plough, Lowly dwells the farmer now. Lifted to a nation's trust, Falls the ruler, Dust to Dust!

Dust to Dust! The story's told, O'er the dust the stone is roll'd, And where darts the spirit then, That must fill the thoughts of men. Dust to dust! what power may save Mortal dust from earthly grave ? Dust to dust! the chant of Doom While we hasten to the tomb. Man is feeble, God is just! Requiescut ! Dust to Dust!

### A Noble Article.

We take the following from the Dial, r April, a publication issued monthly ray of truths, that every thinking man ould preserve .-

## LABOR.

D FRAUD!

a burthen to the world. He may be portions.

peace, to love one another and pass se morning from land to land, the vil- of the animal are firm, and contain no of the seasons being more felt in this ge and city grown glad in its light. marrow. The cavity of the brain is crop than many others. hat is poor economy as it is, which quite large, verlooks these men. It is a vulgar The proprietor, Mr. Koch, in his

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# AND SHAMOKIN JOURNAL.

Absolute acquiescence in the decisions of the majority, the vital principle of Republics, from which there is no appeal but to force, the vital principle and immediate parent of despotism .- JEFFERSON.

By Masser & Elsely.

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sists partly in lessening the number of large rivers and lakes, which is proven only once in the season; as he consiunproductive classes, and increasing by the formation of the bones; 1st, his ders there is much danger of disturbing phia the workers and thinkers, as well as feet were webbed; 2d, all his bones the young tubers by removing the earth, giving up the work of Ostentation and were solid and without marrow, as the or causing the formation of new shoots Folly and Sin. It has been asserted on aquatic animals of the present day; 3d, or tubers by repeated hoings or hillings. high authority, that if all men and wo- his ribs were too small and slender to The secret of his great crops appeared men capable of work would toil dilis resist the many pressures and bruises to consist, in his bringing rich fresh completing her task by the way-side, little dream his will. He consented only under the stipulation gently but two hours out of the twenty- they would be subject to on land; 4th, earth from the barn yard, or the mould that they are to be in turn the great pillars of the four, the work of the world would be his legs are short and thick; 5th, his deposited in swamps, and giving each sountry. As we are desired to leave this goodly done, and all would be as comfortably tail is flat and broad; 6th and last, his hill a shovel full, as a top dressing. He heritage behind us, we should resolve to place it in they now are, even admitting they all exist in a timbered country. His food went to sleep the other twenty-two consisted as much of vegetables as of hours of the day and night. If this flesh, although he undoubtedly consuwere done, we should hear nothing of med a great abunbance of the latter, the sickness of sedentery and rich men. and was capable of feeding himself with Exercise for the sake of health would his fore feet, after the manner of the be heard of no more. One class would beaver or otter, and possessed also, like not be crushed, by hard work, nor ano- the hyppopotamus, the faculty of walkdemned, in order to resist the just ven- occasionally to take air. geance nature takes on them, to con-sume nauseous drugs, and resort to ar-been very wisely adopted by the Creadignity and a blessing, and find likewise alligator, or perhaps the migatherium. abundant time for study, for social intercourse, and recreation. Then if a man's calling were to think and write. he would not injure the world by even of the United States, we believe first excessive devotion to his favorite purs met his wife, then Miss Cooper, in our be slight.

## From the Louisville Journal.

The Missourium. creation has at length arrived in our cupies and would grace a coronet. She city, and will be exhibited at the Wash- is the grand-daughter of the late Major tent." ington Hall so soon as the bones, which | Farlie, an officer of the late revolutionare now contained in fourteen large ary war, one of whose daughters was the city of Boston. It is an eloquent boxes, can be put together. This, the the wife of Mr. Cooper. Mrs. Tyler proprietor informs us, will be near the was educated with the utmost liberality The world dishonors its workmen, a printed description of the skeleton, to high station she now occupies. Mr. by vellow, constitutes scarlet. Obve is formed by ones its prophets, crucifies its Sa- give readers some idea of this mighty Cooper is still living to witness his mixing nd, blue and yellow. Lalar and violet are ours, but bows its neck before wealth, wonder of creation; as such it may daughter's elevation, hale and healthy, formed by different proportions of red and blue. wever won, and shouts till the wel- well be regarded, for in comparison it is said, and with hair like the drifted White is composed of all the different colors unia rings again, Long LIVE VIOLENCE with the Missourium, mammoths, mas- snow. Mrs. Tyler has her only sister, ted. Black is the absence of ellecter. When red. todons, and all other hitherto discover- who is younger we think with her, to The world has always been partial to ed monsters are but small affairs. We aid in doing the honors of the White oppressors. Many men fancy them- have already given some account of House. lves an ornament to the world, whose this animal, and of the circumstances esence in it is a disgrace and a bur- under which it was exhumed; we have the stage. She trod the boards, hoween to the ground they stand on. The now before us an accurate measure- ver, in mere obedience to her father's in who does nothing for the race but ment of the principal bones of the skes at his ease, and fares daintly, be- leton, which will serve to give a better

man, with his head or hands, what spine of the neck, 6 feet. From the aim has he to respect or substance? edge of the upper lip, measuring along Boston some years ago for her father's Moses Whitson, a quaker, living in Salisbury It fish and basket of vegetables pro- the eye is 3 feet; from the lower edge des substantial food for a dozen work- of the upper lip to the first edge of the bition of tender womanly emotion-a akes them comfortable and happy, is four teeth, and the upper jaw has beblessing to the land though she have sides two enormous tusks. The teeth She evidently labored under the most number, who stopped the carriages and commenry oyster or berry that fop has eaten, root, and is buried in the skull. The t was made to support human nature, and remained fixed in its socket during most refined of her sex. She was upusumer of food and clothing. That St. Louis, which fortunate circumstance blic opinion tolerates such men is no enabled us to know the exact position eir thought. He who invents a ma- bending somewhat down, and then Saturday Courier. ine, does no less service than he who coming with their points up again, mails all day with his hands. Thus the king a sweep, from extremity to extreventors of the plough, the loom, and mity, in a straight line across the head, e ship, were deservedly placed among of 15 feet. The longest rib measures 5 ose society was to honor. But they, feet 6 and a half inches in length, the so, who teach men moral and religis shortest 2 feet 3 inches. The scapula, is truth, who give them dominion over or shoulder blade, is 3 feet 1 inch in e world, instruct them to live together length, and two feet 7 inches in breadth. The length of the humorous, or foreood lives enlightened by Wisdom, arm, is 3 feet 5 and a half inches, and armed by Goodness, and enchanted its greatest circumference 3 feet 3 inch-Religion; they who build up a lof- es. The femur, or thigh bone, is 4 feet er population, making man more man- and a half inch long, and 8 and three-, are the greatest benefactors to the fourth inches in diameter. The feet of Pennsylvania, in 1839, raised 600 to the epest wants of the soul, and give men the animal appear to have been web- acre, and the crop of Mr. Morris, of e water of life and the true bread from bed. The fore foot has four toes and a

habits and nature :

tificial and hateful methods to preserve for the protection of the body from of peach trees. Farms near the cities deeper will in all probability be the research of the a life that is not worth keeping, because the many injuries to which it would be have a two fold advantage. Their proit is useless and ignominious! Now exposed while swimming or walking ducts are readily fertilized .- American school house every where. No child should be remen may work at least three or four under the water; and, in addition to Sentinel. times this necessary amount each day, this, it appears that the animal has been and yet find their labor a pastime, a covered with the same armor as the

### The Lady of the White House.

The son of Mr. Tyler, now President suit, for the general burthen would still city. She could have little dreamed then, that she would ever occupy the high position in society of the Mistress of the mansion occupied by the first officer in the gift of a free republic .--This gigantic wonder of the animal But she is worthy of the place she oc-

Miss Cooper was for a short time on will, and from a deep filial sense of obligation to his wishes. The profession use wealth has fallen into his hands, idea of its immense size and huge pro- of an actress was ever repugnant to her seen her performance of Virginia in chaste and beautiful reading-an exhiaim was to gratify and aid her father. and situation which the tusks occupied tragedy was ended. At this time many

## Potatoe Culture.

The greatest crops of potatoes on record, are those grown by General Barnum, of Vermont, which reached from 1.500 to 1.800 bushels per acre; and he gives it as his opinion, that in a good soil, and with his mode of culture, from 800 to 1,000 bushels per acre may safely calculated upon. The reports of the Agricultural Societies show that from 500 to 700 bushels per acre are not uncommon. Mr. Bache, of Wellsborough, Cataraugus, N. Y. fell but little short. caven. They are loaded with con- thumb. The longest toe measures 1 The average crop in the country canmely in their life, and come to a vio- foot and 8 inches, the shortest 1 foot; not, we think, be estimated at more nt end. But their influence passes and the thumb 7 inches. All the bones than 175 to 250 bushels, the influence

The methods of planting are various. nued a tentmaker and Jesus a carpen- the following remarks on its supposed is to plant in drills, 22 inches apart, and the strange proceedings, or in other words to see a der his arm, to be protected; and near his heart to the setts in the drills ten inches from fool on horsback .- Balt. Ocean.

Now the remedy for the hard service | The animal has been, without doubt, | each other. The drills are kept clean, | that is laid upon the human race con- an inhabitant of watercourses, such as but the earth is killed around the plants fed and clothed, as well educated and tusks are so situated in the head, that it does this with the aid of a horse and competent hands. housed, and provided for in general, as would be utterly impossible for him to cart, the horse and the wheels passing | Under our own eyes how wonderfully has the

#### Farming and Tree Growing.

A friend of ours, has in the vicinity of this city a most excellent farm, which | borhood. Cities may be said to sleep beside one he cultivates with great assiduity. We another,-The news that nlarms the one, is borne think we can safely say, from our almost as swiftly as light to waken the other. And knowledge of his success, that there is yet we are only at the dawn of the day of knowther oppressed by indolence, and con- ing on the bottom of waters, and rose no more lucrative business, nor one ledge. The great multiplication of human minds more delightful than his. In addition (sparks from the Deity) will open us myriads of to the ordinary grain crops, he last secrets, that lie now almost upon the verge of disyear sold two thousand dollars worth covery. The richer the vein of education, the

> Important Discovery The National states, that a distinguished mineralogist had just communicated the following fact to the editor of that journal, which he considers most important to the commercial interest of the country; A wonderful discovery had just been made in the South of France. It consists of a coal mine of 100 square leagues in extent. The coal obtained from this mine is found to be superior to the coal produded from the most celebrated collicries in existence. The south of France, Africa, Italy, Spain, and even Great Britain, will derive consalerable advantage from this discovery, and the trade of the Mediterranean will be benefitted by it to an incarculable ex-

#### Colors.

There are but three (!) princry colors-red, yellow and blue. Blue and red combined, constitute purple. Blue and yellow combined, constitute all the close of the week. In the meantime we and munificence, and is bountifully fit- variety of greens. Blue and red constitute orange will endeavor, from data furnished us in ted by nature and station to adorn the color, Red (which alone is pure caumine) qualified yellow and blue are perfect, and also perfectly blended, the compound proves white. | Rather incredible, but true, nevertheless. Black is uniformly produced by fire, which is a powerful destroyer of all colors. New York Mechanic.

## Desperate Resene of a Slave.

Early on the morning of Wednesdy the 9th inst says the Lancaster Intelligencer, two of our city feelings, and her sensitive nature shrunk police, Messrs. Lewans and Mxans, proceeded in polished gentleman, a scholar, the askeleton measures 32 feet in aster of elegant accomplishments, but length and 15 in height. The head honors of which she neither hoped nor long as he takes no pains to work for measures, from the tip of the nose to the sought to win. We remember to have slave, belonging to the latter, who had absconded into this country, and was secreted in the house of he rough-handed woman, who with a the roof of the mouth, to the socket of benefit. It was not acting; it was township, where they found her. They came in so abruptly as to arrest her at once, without difficulty. Placing her in a carriage they drove off; g-men, and washes their apparel, and front tooth, 20 inches. Each jaw has striving after a certain aim; and that but had hardly progressed four miles before they were attacked by a gang of blacks, about ten in education, while this fop with his are each four inches broad. The nose painful embarrassment, and it was with ced a discharge of stones upon the horse and those difficulty that she sustained her role, having the slave in charge. The attack was sudes her duty so far as she sees it, and The tusks are ten feet long, exclusive In the dress circle were many of her den and fierce-evidently the work of desperadoes, deserves the thanks of man. But e- of I foot and 3 inches, which forms the close personal friends; for though an who had been instigated to the deed by others, Mr. actress, she moved in the best circles Grabill fired upon the negroes, and, it is supposed, is performed its duty better than he. right tusk was found firm in the head, of the city, and was caressed by the with some effect. Mr. Lewars then fired; and the ball struck one of them on the back of the neck. it has done so," while he is but a its excavation, and its transportation to held through all her performance by the wounding him considerably, and no doubt dangerencouragement of her friends; but each ously. The fire-arms seemed to have very latte one heaved a sigh of relief when the massace in checking the negroes, who succeeded in rescuing the woman, and in carrying her off. The productive classes of the world in the head of the animal during its life. sympathies and cordial friendships Mr. Grabill was cound-rably hard and Messes, e those who bless it by their work or They were carried almost horizontally, were extended to Miss Cooper .- Phil. Myers and L wars are considerably bruised. The attack was made in an unfrequented spot and at an early hour in the morning.

There can be no doubt that the blacks were incited to this ourage by others. The very fact that the fugitive was concealed in the house of an abofirianist would be enough to affirm this assertion. The desperate beings, who have been taken under the special care of so many persons in this county, required but little encouragement to perpetrate a deed, which can only tend to make their own situation and that of the rescued slave much more mis-

P. S. It is rumored that one of the Negroes has

GIVING A HOUSE SODA WATER .- Last even ing about nine o'clock, a young blood, wishing to show the extent of his superlative greatness, mounted his charger and rode into an apothecary establishment at the corner of Baltimore and South sts., for the purpose, us he said, of giving his horse some soda water-the unimal being in all probability, what his rider was not, opposed to strong drink. The hero, we learn, rode in at one door and out at

The following excellent remarks are from the weekly American Sentinel, decidedly the best and most valuable weekly paper published in Philadel-

The rising generation will soon ho'd our places. We are one by one, stepping across the confines of time. The school-boy with his satchel, and the smiling httle girl, that passes by us with her open book.

between the rows .- Albany Cultivator, world changed. We no longer ask for the speed of the bloo 'ed racer to bear our important despatchcoming generation. We should therefore, open the fused a seat for the poor excuse of "want of room" Build schools and churches, and you will require fewer jails. In our day we may be said to concentrate existence, and enjoy more of it than many of our long lived forefathers. That is no true standard he has tarried upon the earth's surface. The just test is the amount of mental happiness that one

may experience in a whole life. A man may doze away a tediously extended existence with little or sup his ears. no thought beyond the brute that perisheth. While another who "looks up" and "looks through" the great secrets of nature, and duly contemplates the wonder-working hand of a wenderful Providence. may from a single thought find a perennial source of pleasure. If, therefore, we can extend our existence by contallishing and improving our minds, it becomes us to open the fountains of intelligence to the young, that they may gather up all the knowledge we have, and start well equipped on their exploring voyage of the mighty future-the mighty

We think our fathers fools so wise we grow No doubt our wiser sons will think us so.

## Wonders of Australia.

future teening with great events!

In this remote part of the earth, Nature (baving ade barses oven ducks, greeke caks elms and all useful productions for the rest of the world) seems was all the audience wanted, and so Jim Crow determined to have it a bit of play, and to amuse emerged triumphant from the ashes of a damned herself as she pleases. Accordingly, she makes play, to delight Europe and America withcherries with the stone outside, and a monstrous mimal, as tall as a grenadier, with the head of a tabbit, a tail as big as a bed post, hopping along at the rate of five hops to a mile, with three or four young kangaroos looking out of its false uterus, to see what is passing. Then comes a quadruped as big as a large cat, with the eyes, color and skin of a mole, and the bill and webfeet of a duck, puzzling Dr. Shaw, and rendering the latter half of his life miserable, from his utter inability to determine whether it was a bird or a beast. Add to this, a pair of with the legs of a sea gull; a skate with the head of a shark; and a bird of such monstrous dimensions, that a side bone of it will dine three real carnivorous Englishmen-together with many other productions that agitated Sir Joseph, (Banks) and filled him with emotions of distress and delight. Sydney Smith.

## A Strange Place to Die.

The Vicksburg Whig of the 29th ult. says that a man was found on the day previous on the roof of three story brick store, having apparently been dead for some weeks, as his body was horribly mutilated by the birds that had been flying about him. Who he was, whence he came, or how he got there, no one could tell. He was unknown by all about there, but had chosen that strange, grand death-bead where, in midair, far above the dull earth, alone in the midst of that populous city, with the blue skies for a canory and the stars for watchers, his spirit had passed to its long home.

A Conssense Direction - Come to my room. I want to see you.'

"Where is your room?" "In the St. Charles Exchange."

"Well I believe there are several rooms in that louse, how shall I get to yours !"

"Come right in and turn round the left-come up one pair of stairs, torn right round left again, come forward, come up, turn round, come forward and knock at the door."

"Stop, dont you think I should get there quicker if I was to go down the middle and up again, cross over, turn round, promenade, shake a stick, dance round two pair of partners and follow my nose?" "No, no; just follow my direction and you'll

be sure to find me." "Or lose myself, to a certainty."-N. O. Pic.

Matthew Henry says ; - Woman was made of rib out of the side of Adam :- not out of his head to top him-not out of his feet, to be trampled upon ind, they would rather Paul had consprinted description of the animal, makes ful and thorough preparation of his land, the other. A large crowd were attracted to winess by him; but out of his side, to be equal with him; un-

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ingly.
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#### Origin of Jim Crow.

The New Orleans Picayone states that a few years ago, Thomas D. Rice, now the famous pegro comedian, was an actor in a western theatre. and though he did some things cleverly, he was particularly remarkable for nothing but for being the best dressed man in the company. An original place was got up, in which Rice was persuaded to do the character of a pegro, much against that he should have permission to introduce a negro song of his own.

Rice was fond of riding, and frequently visited a stable in town where there was a very droll negro hostler, who used to dance grotesquely and sing fingments of an old song about one Jim Crose. Very little difficulty was found in transforming the es from city to city. We have drawn the hereto- hostler into a tutor, and in half an hour Rice was fore remote parts of our country into near neigh- master of symphony, melody, and all the stops, words and drollery of the far-famed and irresimble

The evening for the debut of the new play came on, and never did Kemble or Talma study more intens, ly over the effect of costume then did like in dressing for his negro part on this occasion .-- He had easily contrived to throw together a few verses with witty local allusions and to highten the extravagance of the dance to its greatest extent of grotesque ab urdity. The play commenced and Rice went on, dragging heavily and lamely-Rice himself failing to ctir up the drowsy audience with life clumsily written negro part, until the third act where the song came in.

Utter damnation was lowering ominously over the piece, and the actors had already pronounced it that measures a man's life by the number of years a dead failure, when the hitherto silent and gloomy green room was startled by a tumultuous round of cheers breaking out suddenly in "front."

"What can that be !" said the manager, pricking

Another verse of the song was sung with the extravagant dancing accompaniment, and the house shook with still more violent applause.

"What is that !" said the manager. Who's on the stage ?"

"Rice is singing a negro song." was the reply. "O, that's it! ch!" said the manager, who was a stickler for "legitimate," and concluded that an audience which could applaud such a thing would be just as likely to hiss it the next moment.

But the new song continued to call down expressions of pleasure that could not by any means be mi-taken, and at its conclusion the manager bounced out of the green room, and down to "P. S." to listen to the loudest encore he ever heard in his theatre.

The play was announced again, but after two or ans it was discovered that the song

"Turn about an' wheel about An' do just so;

An' ebery time I wheel about

Bowery boards.

I jump Jim Crow!

A-heah-heah-heah-whooh!" Rice soon found his way to New York, and Hamblin was not long in snapping up the new cord, which he made tell to as handsome a tune as any other that the great caterer ever played upon the

"Fortune brings in some boats that are not steered," and when Thomas D. Rice was playing "William

Tell" in Cherry street, New York, he little dreamed of ever making a fortune by singing Jim Crow? There is some objection to the following anec-

dote, but the wit of it is so excellent, that we cannot resist the temptation to print it :-

"Who DAR?"-Gumbo was a wicked negro who had witnessed the ravages of the cholera in 1832 with stoic indefference, but in 34, seeing his best friends dropping off by dozens in Negro Alley, Buffalo, began to have some fears of giving the last kick himself, in pretty much the style he was want to "fro' dat next brickbat" in row, Gumbo then, for the first time, thought of praying, to use his own phrase, "to de Angel ob de Lord." declaring that if he could only be spared dis time, he would be ready next year to be taken up and "lib forebber in Massa Abraham's bussom." Some wags, having access to an adjoining room, separated by a board partition, hearing him at the devotions knocked.

"Who dar !"

"De Angel ob de Lord !"

"What he want !" "Want Gumbo !"

Blowing out his candle with a whew, "No such niggar here. Dat niggar been dead dis two tree week-dat be de trute-de fact !- Bost. Post.

When the celebrated George Buchanan was in France, the king took him to view his picture gallery. At length they stopped before a picture representing the crucifixion. George requested an explanation. "That sir," said the king, "is our Saviour; the one on the right hand is the Pope, and the one on the left is myself." "I am much obliged to your majesty," replied George "for the in formation you have given me, for though I have often heard that our Saviour was crucified between two thieves, I never knew who they were before."

A CASE FOR THE TEMPERANCE SOCIETY .- The themometer got high before dinner time, yesterday, and fell down in the evening .- Boston Post.