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GOLDEN ROD.

Wheh Fortune waves her wand of gold O'er cities by the sea, Toe wild see-shore takes Fashion's mout 1. And blooms in gayety.

There Pleasure brings her iris throng To fret the dark cliff's way. And mock with arry dance and song The ocean's sombre away. All summer long the cream-white sail

Laughs at the sea-gull's toll, And brazen hoofs like quick-dropped ball Beat the surf-haunted soil, And lightest fall where grandest meet The trysting land and sea Sweet your of love, formed but to greet

The lips of revelry. In Life, then, such an idle fete, A wild swift dance and free, With ravished draught of wine poured lat-In dream-lands by the sea?

Ay, Gayety-'tis but the mask Subtle as Sorrow' own. To hide wan prayers that vainly ask And tears that smiles disown;

To hide the heart's pent woos that wake O restless Sea, with thre, Whose billows set to raythms that sche A reckless melody;

To hide the soul's linked-deep unres With thee, O dreaming Sea. Whose kiss is on the horizon's breast. Where heaven stoops to thea.

The Ghost of Holly Lodge.

"The old lady has taken Holly Lodge for three years.'

A low whistle escaped from the lips they al! declared. So they went to bed, of a somewhat "swell" specimen of the to think and tremble, for few could clerk variety, on this announcement.

case, Charlie. Although from nine to the elder Miss Grimshaw, who was on when that thing is a desk, still there is time nothing of the sort ever occured. compensation to a certain degree."

on Charlie, "or a hare, or a rabbit; said as he rushed out to see what it was not a bit of hunting; not a pack of a cold blast passed him when the door a gong. hounds for miles around. These Grim- was opened, and when his sister sugmother, knowing that she has dangh- phenomenon, he looked sadly scornful, ter's, and-son" (with meek emphasis); and ejaculated "Stuff!" in a hollow "and now she is in for that horrid old voice. The next night a similar scene rookery for three years! The Grim- took place, and then the family resolved shaws have just gone out, and made a that some one should sit up and watch

the business; but, Charlie, you're a even Charlie, the household protector, could not think of being naughty! No, a spirit alone.

every sense of the way, but he had a self equal to; but anything disembodied neighborhood, as far as I am aware, to weakness. Who has not? He admired is beyond my range and experience." appearance and saroir faire, but he was nights it was repeated, until they fearnot above feeling just a little jealous of el to leave their beds, but cowered, him, especially when the last recom- covered their heads and wondered. Mrs. medation was considered; and Frank Dalton looked pale and worn, and Lucy by merely saying he could do it.

Charlie puffed his short pipe for some moments in silence, the puffing becoming more rapid as time flew, until at last and let the place, and go somewhere he seemed to have a gleam of inspira. else." tion shed on him through the hazy clouds which filled the room.

"I would not mind betting a hamper of champagne that before six months are over our heads, we are out of this unpleasant hole."

"Done; a dozen drank on the premi-

ses here or there! How do you mean to effect ejectment?" "That remains to be seen. I have not

teen months?" Frank looked at him to see if there

was a gleam of humor in his brother's meaning, but his face confirmed what his lips uttered in singleness of pur- ton found that sea air was necessary pose. He evidently believed in his su- for Lucy; and Mrs. Grimshaw consen-

time. Charlie to the country, to help tenant was found. Charlie remained and true." move his "people," as he called his behind, reluctantly, as he declared, to mother and sisters, to their new home. send off the luggage and save them the Up to the house and down the house, trouble. Then when the gates closed and round the house, and loitered and on the carriage, and the family were moved, and racked his brain to think off, the dutiful son proceeded to his of something as knowing and sharp as sanctum, and laughed loud and uproar-Frank would have thought of, to make jously. He looked at his watch. the house untenable; but he was at his That evening a fly drove up to the wit's end, and there seemed to be no Laurels, and from it emerged Frank. weak point to assail. He thumped the The brothers "eld-fellowed" each othwalls for hidden passages, in hopes of er after a few moments of settling and getting up a ghost, but even there he unwrapping, found themselves tete-awas baffled. There was what is called tete, seated one on each side of the fire, usters which wound up three stories Frank trying not to see it.

above, and down to a celler below. low, and as the kitchens and offices the sort of a place we are in?" were behind in a wing, over which were the servant's rooms, Charlie dwelt in the horror of rats, but his sisters did for my deep sense of honor' might sugnot mind; the rats would go if Charlie gested an idea to her. Her letters were would only get a terrier or a ferret; great fun, holding as I did the key of sun, white and violet being often deep- track mashed. His clothes were literwhile his mother hinted at a cellar door the cypher." some day. So he had to let the staircase, and the danger to the household, and all his other arguments, be as they exorable. say; but still be haunted the house during the interval of moving in. After peering into garrets, and getting him- you knew that." self into a state of dust and whitewash which would have horrified his fastidious brother, he was about to give it up, electric shock, he sprang out of bed, the receipt of customs in a western and forfeit the champagne, when, ac- and rushed to the door. eldently kicking an iron bolt from the skylight which was lying on the floor, it started on its travels, and, to the amazement of our hero, gave him a long chase before he regained it, in consequence of the obnoxious staircase, that gave out echoes in its descent which would have startled any nervous family into convulsions. As he first rushed gently. ed up again to replace it, the mind of stand it. Why, it made me jump out Charile Dalton took in a new flash of of bed, although I was prepared for the inspiration. He stood midway and looked up, and then he looked down, and see if he were alone, to make sure his yourself, as you are. Well, really, then he looked into all the rooms, to secret was a secret still, and then he Frank, I am surprised!" went away, whistling gently, medita-

to literature and farming—that being in stairs lay a chain, to one end of which allusion to the few acres, called grand- was attached a small cannon ball. illoquently the domain, which surrounded the house.

At length an event occurred which disturbed the serenity of the whole way. family, servants included, which became the talk of the neighborhood for Charlie raised the chain, and held it days; and which finally effected a do- up by one end. "Here he or she is, mestic revolution. It was between sir, the author of our-say rather, my eleven and twelve-nearing the witch- release," ing hour-when all the servants were asleep, and the ladies were nearly so. Charlie declared he was dreaming of opening a hamper of wine, with Frank's acceptance, when he was awoke by one of the most "awful rows" he ever heard in his life, and jumping up to find out then he suddenly dropped his burden. the cause, met his mother, her head an Down went the shot over the corners

erged a scared, ghostly figure, in unrecognizable attire. "Did you bear that?" "Oh, what "Cannot imagine." "What can it be?"

edifice of white frills, and her person

gown. In a second one door opened,

then another, and then from each em-

Perhaps Charlie himself was the most demonstrative, though in a quiet way. He was awe-struck.

"We must look into this, but it is too, cold for you, mother. We will see about it."

So a procession was formed, each holding a candle for fear of some being

more, and then every two or three

then; now we are in for it.."

should lose my senses if I saw her."

Charlie shrugged his shoulders.

comes when its watched for. I thought

Frank, however, was scarce warm in

"What is that? I say, Charlie, wha

Loud derisive laughter greeted him

"Yes, that's it," said the other, very

"Well, no wonder they could not

from above, and then the younger

brother rushed up stairs.

ns the trick, old fellow."

"Is that it?"

is it? Is that the thing? By Jove-"

tone.

blown out. From the cellar to the gar- thing nearly as deafening as the first regions or in New York. ret, and down again, they followed each exhibition ensued. It was only more other, but perfect tranquility reigned everywhere. "Nothing out of place," muffled. "I hit on that in case of the other attaacting notice. They are queerly built, sleep; and then they got up to whisper "Rather be myself than you, in that mysteriously, wonder, and to consult

five is rather too much of a good thing, a visit, and who declared that in their and begin to spend the evening. I only at a cat in the back yard. sent you to bed to heighten the effect." And when Charlie looked stern and "What about the howis?" "Not a bird a fellow can shoot," went sad, and they asked him the cause, he "A cat I kicked down; and then look here." Concealed under the step was hurry.

of his fist.

So they sat down, and having, after shaws have done it-got round my gested certain scientific reasons for this the manner of men, accomplished their Jones's face and began to hunt for a object, began to feel remorse for it. After a mutual silence, Charlie said,

I say, Frank, I tell you what we'll mind the champagne, I'll make up the for it. For some time it was difficult rest, and we'll go to sea, when you can the razor one pull down over the side "If I were in your place, I'd soon do to get a volunteer for the first watch, get a day, some way. Some day I'll of Jones's face, he wiped off the blade, muff!-such a dear darling pet! you declaring he was not inclined to meet not like to mislead her young mind on its edge and whipped the strap with it the subject." "Anything that has flesh and blood But whether he did or did not, the

"Now do you see it?"

"I do not understand."

the deserted mansion.

"No; I will go with you."

hear."

"I|see nothing," and as he said this

"Take care, old fellow, that's it." and

So they went up to the top landing.

close to which was Charlie's door, and

duced a few round stones about the size

his pushing in a stone; and then some

One of the boards on the upper step

Now Charlie was a good fellow in in it I am ready fer, and I flatter my- subject has remained a mystery in the if he thought it would rain. Ghost of Holly Lodge.

They were in a railroad car, journey ing to Chicago. On the opposite sea could stimulate him to attempt anything and Jane serious and thoughtful. The was a man of commanding figure, mas house became funereal in its air and sive brow, and thoughtful expression "What a fine countenance, James. "Oh, Charlie! Jo beg mamma to try wish I knew his occupation."

"Maybe he's a lawyer, Amelia." "No, he's not a lawyer. There's too "No, Indeed, Lucy. I did what much benevolence in that face for

could before we came; she would not lawyer." listen to me. You would not back me "He may be a banker." "Not a bit of it! A man with such a

heavenly expression couldn't content "I should die before the time expired if we remained. Every one is talking himself with money getting. His sim you? A barber can't open his mouth, of it, and the Grimshaws will have it in life is higher than that." "Do you think he's an editor?" there is something we have brought with us-some spirit belonging to our

"An editor with such a face. An editor saying hard things about everyfamily, you know; and Anne says the butter woman says a servant disappear- body, ridiculing long dresses, and abu- right! You shall be shaved and have hit it off yet; but if you could do it why ed from here some years ago, and per- sing his mother-in-law. An editor should I not, being your senior by eigh- haps she is buried in the cellar! I cutting and slashing his enemies, skinning public men indiscriminately, and mercilessly slaughtering his best friend for the sake of a three-line paragraph! "Women are never satisfied," he said. But the end of all was that Mrs. Dal-

No. James, he's a philanthropist. He is a Christian minister, or a learned professor, spending his life for the good cheaper than to be kept away from ted to take the house off her hands, on of mankind. His face plainly indi-And then each went his way for a condition that she paid the rent until a cates that he is all that is noble, pure you stop bleeding.

"I guess you are right, Amelia. I'll take your word and his face for it." At the next station an inquisitive farmer took a seat beside the man with noble brow, and asked him about his vocation. Amelia held her breath and listened to the reply. It was this: "I keep a saloon and meat shop. My

wife sells beer, and I do my own but cherin'!' Alpine Flowers.

The Alpine flowers have remarkably deep and vivid coloring. The most brilliant blues and red, with a rich no break to the succession of sharp-other's faces, Charlie with his hands in amidst the white and yellow flowers of wise seem to assume a purer and more dazzling hue in these high regions. A "Well." said he. "I've won the cham-There was no door to the cellar be- pagne, I suppose Jane has told you similar richness of color is met with in the vegetation of the polar districts, "Yes, my fine fellow, and I twigged ened into a glowing purple. The Alpine green turf which renders the pasture "Go to bed, old fellow. It never

lands of the High Alps so famous.

Among the young ladies who sat a the sheets, when, as if struck by an church fair, and retailed kisses at the nominated value of ten cents each, was a vinegar-visaged old maid, who had crowded herself in on the gauzy pretense that she felt it her duty to do her share toward helping along the good cause. When it came time for closing, the young ladies turned over to the church treasury from \$5 to \$10 apiece, while the ancient temale handed in solitary dime, the value of one kiss that she received from a blind man whose taste was so vitiated by tobacco chewing that he was unable to detect the

"You would not make a bad ghost Thus rebuked, the junior clad him-

He Talked.

"Ah! I'm in luck," said Jones as he barber reading a paper; "won't have he kicked the rusty affair out of his to wait for my next," and he tossed his hat into a corner and seated himself for a shave.

> "How is this?" said the barber, reading from a paper that marks its witty column with a blue pencil; "by George, how's this; pretty good, I take it," and

he read : "Come and see; or rather stand and "Did you ever see a pump handle anything? Did you ever see a witty cism? Who ever saw a dog call her?' and the good brrber laughed heartily at these scintillations of wit, and said

blamed clever." dragging the clanking chains after it. inclosed in a crimson flannel dressing and making unearthly echoes through Then he turned to the vellow fever department, and, after reading three or four dispatches, asked Jones if he "Well, I give in. The cleverest trick thought the scourge would reach Oil have seen for many a day. But, then, City.

you have eighteen months the start of Jones said there was a possibility that it would get here by the middle of the "I smoked a pound of Cavendish bewinter, and he would like to be shaved fore I hit it off to my satisfaction, beand fixed up before it arrived.

sides my regular allowance. But you The barber said it was a terfible known in time it would have shown on thing, yawned, laid down the paper the stairs. Look here!" and he pro- and shuffled up to the chair. He arranged the towels about Jones neck, felt his beard, run his fingers through his hair, scrutinized a wart on the side was loose-sufficiently so to admit of of his nose, turned his chin and asked him if he had his tooth fixed in the Oil Jones answered as best he could, con-

sidering that the barber still kept his lip hauled down taut. After examining the dental work on you see; such a space between the steps the tooth, which he unhesitatingly

and the lining, and nothing to check it pronounced a "good job," the barber from top to bottom. An acoustic phe- let go of Jones's lip, and went out to nomenom, nothing more. But come in throw a stone at a dog that was barking

When he came back Jones said he would like to be shaved as quickly as possible, as he was in somewhat of a

"Certainly, certainly," said barber, and he spread the lather over razor. After examining several, he began to slap the strap with one, while he remarked that fall had probably set in do-throw in your savings, and never in earnest, and that the base ball fever was about as bad as ever, &c. Giving tell Lucy in confidence, for I should laid it down, took up another, examined as before, asking Jones if he thought business wasreally picking up any, and

Jones moved uneasily on the stocks, this day, and during the long winter and said he was sure there would be a his brother as "a town swell," as he The unearthly noise was heard once evenings the rustics often talk of the storm, and he wanted to get shaved and have his mustache waxed before the flood came.

The barber grew pale around the mouth and his lip quivered. "You said that once before." he remarked curtly. "Don't say it again, please, or there'll be trouble. I'm a gentleman when dealing with a centleman, but I know when I'm insulted, sir."

"Well, confound it all," exclaimed Jones, very much out of patience, "I came here to be shaved and not to be talked to death."

"O, you want to be shaved, do you." exclaimed the barber in a rage. "You you before-I don't know you-I won't it brought us deeper and deeper into don't want to be talked to death, don't know you !" can't he? O, no, a barber is a doggoned machine, I suppose, and must move

your moustache waxed so blamed fast I'll make your head swim!" And buckling down so his work he shaved Jones in two minutes and a half by the watch, and cut him seventeen of despair. times by actual count.

Moral-Let a barber talk. It is business for two or three days while

An Actor's Terrible Death, Mr. Mc Wade, the popular actor, gives

the following account of the death of Tom Jourdan, at Cynthiana, Ohio. Our company was completely broken down by the terrible calamity. Tom's death was one which few could witness and not afterward remember till the day of judgment. I trust my eyes may never again sup upon such horrors. Poor Tom! He went out to meet the incoming train which was expected to bring him a package of the material out of a well staircase-that is, spiral-with looking good-hamoredly into each brown, shading to black, are observable which we make stage lightning. Caliing to a friend to watch him board a pointed stairs encircling a rail of bal- his pockets, and meekly triumphant; the low countries, and these tints like- train as they do in Texas, he made the fatal jump. His left hand missed its hold, throwing his body backward between the cars. When the train had passed over him he dragged his manwhere the hues not only become more gled remains to the side of the track. who was at the bottom of it, and but flery, but undergo a complete alteration Just then he presented a horrible specunder the influence of the constant tacle; both legs and feet were mashed summer light and rays of the benighted as you have seen pins laid upon the ally torn from his body. The flesh It was in vain, however, Frank peti- plants often grow in dense masses, and about the abdomen was cut and torn, It was in vain, nowever, Frank peti- plants of their extraordinary splender of color- and hung in bloody chunks, while the in use it should never be more than four weeks old that the landlady was ing lends that magic charm to the fresh viscera cozed and slipped out. Warm three parts full of water. By these anxious to sell as she had enough St.

> journey. mass of flesh.

ously: "Oh, Father, forgive me, for I have

The good man waved away the large

the slowly-dying man. Jourd in was conscious and able to make all the reentered the barber-shop and found the sponses, though he could only keep his

that "some of them fellers are most

Bijah Engaged.

have been to poor Tom.

window and said:

to send her up, of course."

Brinh.

that you were about to take a wife." into the corridor.

ted bushel basket belonging to the City deserted this inhospitable region, around nard road, and the horses trotted mer- the friendly wings of shelter. The She knew him at sight, and she rose up hill to climb, but the Chammounix and called out:

"Darling, I knew you'd come!" word. The wobble of his knees was of the Eau Noire, or Blackwater, applainly heard by the audience, and he peared, and we began descending on breathed like a boy running out of a that side, to go around the dark and re- Said one of the gents, "Did you ever distinct and extending at some points melon patch with four dogs after him. pulsive mountains that gives its name plaintively inquired the woman.

she softly asked.

I'll sue you for slander!" his silver plaited coal stove!" she said, row, fitted with stones, and as uncomhis silver plaited coal stove!" she said, row, flited with stones, and as uncom- work each day to keep that miserable to shine with a soft and slightly diffused turning to the reporters, with a gesture fortable to ride on as some of our Phil- tousle in order. The woman's husband white light. The sky in the vicinity of

Bible that I don't even know her name ! cow or two was seen hunting for herb- around with fire and fury in her eyes. | culiar milky hue, in the zenith to a purpointed her slender finger at her nose. the sad-looking villages, with miserable "if you turn my love to hate it will be houses, and a most poverty-stricken ap-

the worse for you!" 'Let 'er turn! Let 'er turn! I say

ou are---" She clawed out for him, and she just eached him. Four of her finger nails raked his nose from bridge to end, and all the hair on the top of his head if he hadn't been bald.

"Serpent!" she hissed, through her meet you on the street and throw snuff into your villainous eyes!"

"You'll never get out-not for one hand holding his nose and the other for six months on a charge of drunkenwent up and inquired:

"Mary Ann, why did you try to play that on me?" she yelled back: "Wait till I come out!!"

Care of Goldfish.

widemouthed one as possible, and when francs I could have bought a little fellow blood, which seemed to come from the means you will secure as much air as Bernard dogs already. heart, poured down and bathed the possible for the fish. Keep the globe in After the rest, we started again, and pulpy mass, Tom raised himself upon the most airy part of the room-neither found that the route diverged into two his hands and looked down upon in the sun nor near the fire. Change gorges, one going off through the Trient, his awful condition, and moaned out; the water daily and handle the fish tenhis awful condition, and moaned out: the water daily and handle the fish ten-"My God, what a sight for a man to derly when doing so. A small net is suddenly to the right between two look at!" He was as conscious of his the best thing with which to remove mountain. This was the worst portion condition as you are of yours at this them. The best plan is to have two of this very bad pass. The narrow, de-

ting meanwhile. Suddenly he became self in some of the garments from his reconciled to the house. He told his mother he would give up the idea of hunting, fishing and shooting, and take the cellar, and there at the foot of the line and the control of the control of the prize and to rise enriched.

The Duke of Norfolk has given land brother's store, and, clothed to a certain ground our neck, yet they safely, though sometimes with bated the corporation, to be preserved as relia, which came in time for him to adhere the cellar, and there at the foot of the creation ground for the people forever. The Duke of Norfolk has given land magnitude.

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The Duke of Norfolk has given land to the sent for his robes and parapherms are often like the stones used by the pearl divers, which enable them to reach the corporation, to be preserved as reliance in time for him to adher the corporation, to be preserved as reliance in time for him to adher the corporation, to be preserved as reliance in time for him to adher the corporation to the corpo

An Alpine Trip. age to me, but what an eternity it must and knitted as they trudged along. The road passed eastward up the valley,

with the swift-rushing Arve coursing along first on one side and then on the Just as the old man was getting his other. It was a narrow, winding way, parlor in order for visitors he received originally intended only for a mule path notice that his presence was desirable and all along huge stone piles were at the Central Station. Making his way placed on one side, intended as buoys covered with snow. We passed the which seem to concern you more or came rushing, through a vast morain less. There is, for one, a female in the of debris, down to our feet. Then we corridor who says she is engaged to toiled up a tremendous hill and came you. If such is the case I don't want in full view of the mountain known as the Silver Needle, which sends down "Engaged to me! Great Heavens! another great glacier, and getting gradexclaimed the seemingly astonished from the Arve, we mounted up a height "Well, that's what she says. I don't the mountain pass known as the Monknow anything about your love af- tets. This was one of the wildest and brake fixed firmly. It was one of the The brighter stars and planets near the fairs, though I have had many hints most desolate regions I ever saw. No- worst rides that any one could take, and region of the sun and moon appear. body lived there; nothing grew but

"Let me see the demoness who dares stunted grass and moss; there was every bone bruised sore, we at length about us show how rapid is the action make affidavy that I am going to build scarcely a tree or bush to be seen, but got down to Martigny, which had seem- of light, by yielding to the influence of fires for her this winter!" demanded the whole thing was covered with huge ed from the summit to be so near; and the eclipse phenomenon, popples and the old janitor, his eyes as wild as those boulders dropped about indiscriminateof a runaway horse, and he was shown by, and some of them as large as a three urement went, but perpendicularly it shut, gradually unfolding as the darkstory house. Even the cows and goats was a great way off. After nine hours' ness increases. Birds fly to their nests, She was there. She sat on an inver- which we saw almost everywhere else ride we turned into the great St. Ber- fowls to their roosts, and chickens to

had banged hair, a thin nose, and a whose rocky, bare peaks stood up chin sticking out like a bay window, against the sky. It was a tremendous horses were used to the work. The men

"Don't you recognize me, Bijah!" to the pass, the Tete Noire, or the Black Head. Rocks and desolation reigned "Never, never!" he shouted, dan- on this side, but the road was down eing around on his toes. "I never saw hill, and that was a satisfaction, though the dark and narrow valley. Here to "My love, have you been drinking?" comfort us was a monument erected to a French nobleman, some time age over-"Don't call me your love-don't put whelmed in this pass by an avalanche,

on them ere grins for my benefit? You Down through the savage and barren front of a cigar store. All right! all are an old impositoress, a jackaless, a region we went at a brisk pace, because swindleress, a leceitess, and if you do the Swiss and Savoyard horses always not own up that you have been lying, trot down hill, as it is the only chance they have to trot at all, but the road "And only last night he called me was frequently a breck-neck one, naradelphia cobble stone streets. Directly that-" "I never did! I'll make oath on the an occasional but appeared, and then a "Boy, beware!" she hissed, as she age, and afterwards we passed some litpearance. Getting finally to the bottom we passed the pretty cascade of Barberine, and Just beyond it crossed the boundary between France and Switzerland, marked by a square stone by the roadside. There was no custom

the other hand would have gathered up vegetation in the whole valley to suppart a revenue officer. Then we left the Blackwater, and gradually toiling elenched teeth, "when I get out I'll up the side of the Black Head mountain, mounted towards the terrible-looking gorge which gives this route the name of the "Mauvais pas" or the Bad Pass thousand years!" he called back, one Here, at a small inn by the roadside, we stopped to refresh the horses. From keeping her off. She was then sent up of feet to the mountain top, whilst from ness and disorderly conduct. When he the back door a stone would drop a thousand feet into the torrent below.

At this inn were a half dozen of those famous St. Bernard dogs that do such a good service in these Swiss passes in times of snow. They were large, good looking and hungry-and, very much like dogs at home, gathered around the When purchasing a globe, procure as table to pick up scraps. For a hundred

Every burden of sorrow seems like a was artificial. But we got through it magnitude.

flowing down the mountain side, which forms the torrent that runs through the A Philadelphia traveler thus describes bottom of the defile. The mountain eyes open by great efforts. They would a trip from Chamonnix to Martigney. stood up in front of us like a wan, but close in spite of his efforts to keep the We started soon after daylight on a away up in a little indentation was a witness that event. The sky was pereyes open by great efforts. They would a trip from Chamonnix to Martigney. stood up in front of us like a-wail, but close in spite of his efforts to keep the we started soon after dayinght on a lids up. "Keep your eyes open as long cold, clear, frosty morning. Most hut. We asked if men could possibly feetly clear, not a cloud being visible, as you can, my son," urged the priest. Blanc and all of the two grand ranks of live in such a place. The answer, At last they closed forever on the snow-covered mountains that enclose laughingly given, was that they could, world-before life and consciousness the famous valley were clearly visible. and that we would see how they lived were above the clouds. Probably no left them, however-and he pitcously The glaciers glistened and the hoar frost there, for that hut stood on the summit mouned, "I can't keep them open any whitened everything. The town was of the Forelaz, the mountain that we While all this had been going allhistir, for the trip negotiation hadexci- must go over, and that the road led to the astronomers will show. For two on, a bystander picked up a huge hunk ted the people, and they gave us a royal the hut. We were astonished, but subof flesh which lay on the track ten feet send-off in honor of the victory over missive; in fact were willing to go any- was completely shorn of his glory. It away, and placed it near the mutillated the Swiss. The Chief assisted us into where to get away from the miserable was a scene of awful sublimity, from body. When I came up to the horrid the wagons, and the men and women region we had just passed through. scene. Tom looked in my face and all along the road as we quickly trotted Then the road began to ascend, zig-za4. Jestic orb of day, slowly retreating in groaned, "Oh, Mr. McWade, Isn't this out of the town, bade us God speed. It roundabout, turning and twisting, up an awful condition?" Poor Tom! He was the the first time ever I knew hack- the most perpendicular side of the hill. few moments since he was utterly exlived three-quarters of an hour, and men to be so much more delighted at It was a hill of hills; a most exhaust- tinguished from the earth. There was was conscious to the last. His body taking less. We were pleased too, as ing drag up, we did it; got to the hut no want of preparation for the grand was completely paralyzed, and he suf-fered no pain whatever. He begged of Jack Frost made the ears and toes tin-and then were rewarded with a magme to take charge of his remains and gle. Yet, cold as we were, there were nificent view. On one side of the narsee that they were decently interred, as women and children out in the little row ridge on which we stood was the and the photographs taken have never he had not a friend in the world outside cultivated patches of ground, some of the profession. The kind father who them barefooted, digging potatoes, and through which we had passed, with all execution. A few minutes before the solaced his dying moments, sang high the entire valley was resonant with cow the Mont Blane range of Alps behind contact (2.37), every man was at his mass over the remains next morning. bells, as all the animals were being I never shall forget that soul-sickening driven to pasture, each with its tremendeath by the railroad track. That dous bell and its guardian, the latter two great mountains guarding the head ing heat of the sun gradually diminthree-quarters of an hour seemed an often being women who carried babies, and the Jungfran and ished, and as the black disk of the moon the Bernese Alps far away behind them. The horses rested a few minutes and blotting out the daylight and its king, road zig-zagged down that side in the impressive. Gradually the fullness of below, that you could almost throw a for either. The twilight perceptibly down town he was kindly greeted by to mark the route when the valley is bis Honor, who tossed the remains of a covered with snow. We passed the We trotted briskly down hill, sometimes sciousness that we are passing into the State Fair egg-plum out of the alley Mer de Glace (Sea of Ice) with a mag- in imminent danger of rolling over a valley of the shadow of a darkness that nificent view, and the little stream into precipice; sometimes through woods can be felt. The moon steadily but "There are four or five cases here which this great glacier resolves itself and bushes; sometimes on so narrow a slowly overlaps the disc of the great luthough still down, down, the more dis- and shade more rapidly than the fastest tant seemed the town. Occasionally a locomotive on a descending grade, cow disputed the road with us, and Gradually the sun seems to have become but I was never engaged in my life!" ually into a ravine which led away out of the way as there usually is with the moon appears to be eating out the a cow on a railroad. We joited over light from this cone between her own of 5000 feet and crossed the summit of stones and went around sharp angles, sphere and the vortex. We are becom-

Sealer of Weights and Measures. She which barren rocks kept guard, run-rily into the town. They had accom- horses stand with heads and tails erect, looked about forty years old, and she ning up to the snow-covered mountains, had banged hair, a thin nose, and a whose rocky bare peaks stood up the worst pass in Europe. It Wasn't Her Hair at All. all walked, thus lightening the road. Bijah stood before her without a Having crossed the summit, the head walking down Main street, and a lady of total obscuration. The thin white

> enough to spoil the best hair in the ces appear, like flashing beads, while trade.

tirely off style." "Went out of fashion two years ago.

tire plug. "And just think of charging seven my appearance in the entire landscape, follars for a lot of hair like that."

"If I had it in my store I wouldn't culiar color produced by an electric get rid of it in five years unless some light. The limbs of both sun and moon lunatic came along."

"It can't cost less than three hours' work each day to keep that miserable appear as ordinarily at night, but seem

And then the lady in front turned the sun has changed from blue to a pe-"You miserable pupples, I'd thank plish tinge and a more gloomy aspect,

and have you arrested." As soon as the gentlemen recovered

their breath the Pittston man ex- or to that of the telescope. Momentaclaimed: "Your hair, madam! your hair!"

"Yes, my hair. You just keep your inpudent tongue off it." "I positively declare neither of us saw you or your hair." "Then what were you talking about

it for ?" "Talking about it: We were not even thinking about it."

it in that contemptible style?" "Why, madam, I do business in that pronomers in noting and recording obtown, and that gentleman deals in hair servations. The photographers have lu Scranton, and we were conversing worked incessantly. The professor deabout a lot of hair we saw together in tailed to note the time by the chrono-Philadelphia yesterday and on which meter, and during the entire eclipse, the dealer tried to cheat him."

"And that is all?" "Upon my honor that is all."

cent: word of it."

dy their astonished nerves ..

It is said that a grain of musk is ca- the sun in the heavens. And now the condition as you are of yours at this moment. Some one of the loungers had run to a train that was on the point of leaving the depot and brought from one to the other daily, always being careful that the fresh one is perfectly a priest who was about to start on a it a priest who was about to start on a pable of perfuming for several years a bright rim slowly emerges, and as the far preferable) is fresh and clean. Nev- the rocky side of an abyss, the bottom es, and each cubic inch contains 1000 on the daylight seemed gradually to "My son, do you know me?" asked continued asked the plenty of fresh air and fresh water—the priest, rushing up to the mangled the priest of with boulders, snagged trees, and all ail nearly three billions of cubic the total phase, but the instant the sun they will derive sufficient nutriment sorts of rubbish brought down by the tenth of an inch. Now, it is pro-Tom opened his eyes and cried pite- from the animalculæ contained in the torrent. Up we telled through the nar- bable, indeed almost certain, that each of daylight seemed to have returned. water. Numbers of people kill their row defile, occasionally peeping over fish by giving them bread; for, though the edge, or dropping a stone whose room contains one or more of the parbread is good for goldfish, and they will fall was so far off we could not hear it. ticles of the musk, and that this air has but not its increase before sunrise. The eat it, the uneaten crumbs immediatly and this was unanimously voted about been changed many thousand times. gloomy aspect of the mountains was The good man waved away the large get sour and deteriorate the water, to crowd out of hearing distance, and get sour and deteriorate the water, to the worst looking region that nature Imagination recoils before a computation soon relieved, the chilliness of the at--The Royal Foundry of Munich has crowd out of nearing distance, and the great injury of the fish. Keep the could possibly invent. There was not could possibly invent. just completed a colorsal bronze of Aiex. the canopy of the sky, and with the globe out of the reach of cats and dogs a redeeming feature, and scarcely a diffused and expended, yet have they graveled earth for a death bed, he took graveled earth for a death bed, he took became invisible, the clouds lost their foothold for the road excepting what altogether no appreciable weight and bright peculiar tints, and at the hour

The government party stationed at

Pike's Peak to observe the late eclipse for indeed spectators at Pike's Peak better point could have been selected on the path of totality, as the reports of first to last, and looking now at the mathen started down hill again, for the the spectacle became more and more same fashion as it zig-zagged up on the day dissolved into a dull, reddish-gray other. There was Martigny, almost twilight, that looked like smoke or fog, beneath us, looking so near, though far but was too transparent to be mistaken ledge that there was scarcely room for minary, but its shadow sweeps over the the wagon; and the further we went, mountain tops in many lines of light there was as much trouble getting her a mere cone, and the opaque body of all holding on tight, and the wagon- ing involved in the blackness of night. after two hours of it down hill, with The air has grown chilly. The plants ment and alarm. A deadly ashen hus has overspread the faces of all present. and for a while the firmest hearted are Recently a couple of gentlemen were terrified. We have reached the verge with one of these pitch-forward hats crescent has at length become a sparkwas walking shead of them a few feet. ling corona, nearly rhomboidal in form, see hair put up in that style before?" half a degree beyond the edge of the "Upon my word I never did. It's gun's disk. Rose colored protuberanthe black ledge of the moon seems to "And then the color-why, it is en- stand out like a stareoscopic picture. The mercury in the thermometer has fallen thirteen degrees, and we have The lady looked mad enough to eat a become thoroughly chilled by the sudden change. There is a peculiar gloothe foliage of the trees having the peem shaking violently. Mercury and Venus are plainly visible. They do not ou to let my hair alone. If you dare rid glare similar to that which somewhile the east is lighted up with a lutimes attends an autumn sunset. The darkness is now so great that the sight presented to the unaided eye is superirily the shadow is increasing, the follage of the trees is no longer visible, the moment of total obscuration has arrived. Naught is to be seen above but tne stars and a circle of light around the moon, the clouds becoming arrayed n all the colors of the rainbow. It is dead midnight at 3.42.15 P. M., local time. The moon has occupied about one hour, or accurately one hour and "Then what were you talking about four minutes in reaching this position. Not a second has been lost by the asfrom its commence.nens to its close, has never for a moment allowed his eye to wander from the dial plate, thus losing The lady looked a little mollified, but sight of the eclipse in any of its pharemarked with a slightly seornful ac- ses. The solemnity of death seems upon us. Not a word is spoken, and "It may so, but I don't believe one the silence is appalling. The duration of total obscuration is but little more And she sailed off with her nose well than two minutes, but the suspense is up in the air, while the two greatly fearful. We are in the pall of darkstartled gentlemen stepped into the ness relieved only by cheering rays of National House for something to stea- promise from the planets and fixed stars, which increase the awful subimity of the passing moments. Only the brilliant rosy jets, caused by the refraction of light, are visible to mark

> of 4.47 the final contact was announced. THE "sweet by and by" is now spoken of as the "saccharine future.