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#### THE CONSTITUTION-THE UNION-AND THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE LAWS.

only his valet, a hard-headed German,

remained with him; and this fellow

shall be home before then."

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ACROSS THE SUNLIT LAND.

Cours, Love, across the smullt land, as blithe as dryad dancing free, While time slips by like silver sand Within the glass of memory.

Ere Winter, in his reckless glee, Bights all the bloom with ruthless hand, Cours, Love, across the sunlit land, As highle as dryad dancing free. And all the years of life shall be ful vales that wide expand Like pendelui vales that wide en fo meet a bright untroubled sea By radiant annre arches spanned ; Come, Love, across the sunlit land, As blithe as dryad dancing free1

> THE CONFESSION L

The little town of Coldwell-fast rismatic patients, who came there to bathe in the ky ferruginous waters of the so startled as on the day when a rumor was spread that Mr. Dermerell had tilled his wife. A wife-murder is always an appalling thing, which frighters families more than any other sort of crime because it must needs be the ontcome of those wretched domestic troubles about which all married people have some experience; but when the suspected murderer is a gentleman knewn and respected as Edward Dermotell was, the shock comes with al. the greater force. Phose of the Coldwellites who had no high opinion of artists as a class occame comfortably rooted in their antipathy against them by this horrible affair ; for Dermereli was a painter, and a very promising one, who had already made Coldwell popular by the pretty itndscapes of its virous which he had exhibited in the Academy. Many in the town had regarded him in the light of a public benefactor, and, as he was an artist who paid his bills regularly and wore his mit ent like other folks', nobody would have thought him capable of such an wife by poison; though the persons above-said, who dislike artists, seemed to think it a natural thing enough, once + charge had gone forth against him.

Edward Dermerell was not yet in custody; he was being watched by the police until the coroner's inquest should e over. Detectives slept in his house, and had taken possession of all his papers; he could not go out without heing followed by constables, who, under pactence of preventing him from being holded, dogged him to see that he did not escape. On the morning appointed for the inquest, a crowd composed of all the inhabitants who could leave their shops or their work, tried to push into the fown-hall, where the coroner was going to sit; and those who could not gain admittance loitered outside to get a good view of the accused when he

"As to that, chloral doesn't always leave a trace," responded Mr. Pencuik, with a shake of the head and a lower-the truth that came to his hps; but ing of his voice,

friend. Two policemen followed at a this murderer's ?" asked Sir Richard, The little town of Coldwell-fast ris-ing in importance as a resort for rheu-their heels. Mr. Dermerell was a wellname-this little town had never been was a flush on his cheeks, but he did

public thought about him. No hooting took place, the crowd fell back to kind enough to receive him because I let him pass, and the general demeanor of the people was cold-equally free from animus or compassion. Just as Dermerell reached the town-

hall, a landeau, which was recognized tion, that will do." as Sir Richard Levington's, came from the opposite end of the street. The and he turned on the uppermost step of the building in full view of the public to wait for the carriage. This was deemed a bold measure ; and the crowd swayed forward with curlosity to see whether Sir Richard would shake hands abstantiable thing as destroying his a middle-aged man, of spare figure, gray-whiskered, and spectacled, about twenty years older than his wife, and more respected than popular in the county, for he concerned himself neither about sports nor politics, but only "I think it will be better that Lady about art, archaology, and scientific agriculture. His equals thought him rather a bore. Alighting from his carriage and giving his arm to his lovely wife, Sir Richard walked pompously up the steps of the town-hall, but at once accosted Dermerell and gave him his hand : Lady Levington also shook hands with the artist. Those who had pressed forward to catch the words that might | hands, meditating on what he had just be exchanged heard Sir Richard express heard. The shock to him had been his sympathy for Dermerell in an unemotional way, as if he thought the acmotional way, as if he thought the ac-cusations against him came from mere multer to the motion any occasion so heproved : "I am sorry for all this trouble

"And no doubt the post-mortem will given to a rascal! Do you know, byreveal how much poison was found in the-bye, who that woman is of whom the body," suggested Mr. Binks, a local Mrs. Dermerell is said to have been so jealous ?" "Why, it's Lady Levington," an

when he saw the stupefaction on the The listeners were impressed, and baronet's face, he bit his tongue so

thickened into a closer circle while the sharply that he pulled a grimace. "On chemist continued to play Sir Oracle, my tongue !" he cried, putting up his of prison. It was a woman's plan, till some exclamations in the crowd an- hand to that member ; "who can have nounced that Edward Dermerell was set such a useless clumsy thing in my coming. He came, in effect, walking head ; it's always playing me tricks." up the street with his solicitor, a bar-"Do you mean to say that Lady Levrister, and a Dr. Bable, who was his ington's name is being associated with

looking man of about thirty, with a not appear frightened. To give himself a countenance he talked confidentially with his friends as he came along, and glanced neither to right nor left That is all I've heard." of him. He was not so unobservant, however, but that he perceived the bows which some made, and he returned them with a kind of alacrity which proved that he was on the look-out for every token that might reveal how the

in indignant wonder. "Of course it's all moonshine," stammered Dr. Bable, stumbling over his in the icy ferruginous waters of the spring whence the place derived its eyes. He looked sad and worried, there this bittle town had never been a flower-bed. "People talk folly because they are fools. Dermerell often came here; her ladyship was kind to him; and his wife, who was a hysterical devil in petticoats, grew jealous. "That is obviously the natural explanation of the matter," said Sir

Richard, after a moment's pause, duriny which he had recovered mastery over his features and voice, "Lady Levington never quite shared my infatuation about Dermerell, but she was wished it; and I am sorry now that | put this tax on her good-nature. won't trouble you to see my wife, doctor; if you will just leave a prescrip-

"But I can't prescribe without see ing the patient," replied the doctor, artist heard the sound of the wheels, who perceived that he had got into disgrace.

"Oh, she is simply feverish, with pulse capricious, and a bad headachevery much afflicted, in short."

"Well, quinine if fever sets in, and a little dieting meanwhile. Of course if the prostration continues, I would advise you to take her ladyship abroad for a change of air and scene."

"That is what I think of doing," answered Sir Richard coldly, as the doctor sat down to write a prescription. Levington should not remain in England during Dermerell's trial. Well, good-evening, doctor."

"Good-evening, Sir Richard," ancalmly swered Bable, who went out with a flea in his ear, feeling that he should never

again be summoned to Torwood Hall, When he had gone Sir Richard sank into a chair and buried his head in his very great, for he trusted blindly in his | this !" she panted, thrusting the jourpublic tattle that would eastly be dis- haved as to justify the aspersions of slanderous tongues. He remembered

the doses; that will be for the jury to determine; but I shall have to state any of Gainsborough. Dear, dear I to think that so much talent should have been be better for her than to stay at Torwood, which had become associated remain stainless. with such mournful recollections. So

the same evening, Sir Richard, his Heatthy Hints for Women wife, and two children, with their nurses, started from London, and thence

went to Dover to cross the Channel. "Have you many sick people to look-out for, Doctor?" said a New York Before departing, Lady Levington gave Hannah all her spare money and some reporter to an up-town physician. "Yes, indeed," was the reply; "pler jewels to sell, in order that she might be able to bribe Edward Dermerell out ty of sick people all the time, most of them women, however." weak and wild, but both parties to it "How do you explain it?"

were sincere in thinking it might be "Well, women have a stronger ima executed Sir Richard had stated that gination than men, and besides, they are not so careful. Here are some rules he should go to Ostend ; but on arriving in this town, he told his wife that which, if followed, will help women it would be better they should proceed very much to Blankenbergh, as being quieter. The baronet received no visitors and

Sleep in rooms so thoroughly ventilated that the air will be as pure and no English papers He had discharged sweet as the out-door atmosphere. If his servants and taken Belgian ones; women would increase the capacity of their lungs and breathe air abundantly charged with oxygen, four-fifths of seemed to have received orders to watch their ailments would be prevented. But his mistress, for Lady Levington nowho has the wisdom to convince them ticed that he followed her at a distance of this? When a mother thinks her whenever she went out. She did not rosy nine year old daughter is deformed care much about this, for she trusted and she must put her in stays to change

to Hannah; but three weeks passed her "horrid" figure to one that is trim without her receiving a line from her and neat, what can we hope for the servant. Then another week went by, daughter when she takes the responsiand Lady Levington, whose health had bility of her own garments? If I could not been much restored by the sea-air, do the greatest thing to stay degeneracy could contain her impatience no longer, and disease of the human race it would and one morning a sked her husband be to convince women that lung power abruptly when Edward Dermerell's more than anything else contributes to trial would take place? She had never health, longevity and power of endualluded to this subject once since leavrance. ing England, and now trembled as she The dress and exercise that increase

awaited her husband's answer : "Oh, it don't come on for two months," replied ability to breathe with the diaphram and abdominal muscles do more to prethe baronet coldly, "and I suppose we vent and cure diseases of women, if not all diseases, than all other possible pre-It was three days after this that Lady ventatives and medicines.

Levington, having gone out for her cus-Upon rising in the morning three or tomary morning walk on the esplanade four times a week, take a quick, invigoalone, sat down on a form where two rating sponge bath, accompanied by English ladies were reading a newspa- friction from the hand, a Turkish towel per between them. The first words she heard them pronounce, as they made or brush.

Follow this by a draft of cold or hot remarks about what they read, made water, the latter if there is dyspepsia. her thrill from head to foot. "Would If one has been accustomed to high you mind lending me that paper for a living, to rich and greasy food compomoment, please ?" said Lady Leving- sed largely of the carbonaceous starch, ton in a broken voice. "There is a re- sugar and fat, a change to a simple diet port of Mr. Dermerell's trial in it, is will work wonders in a short time. The whole system will be relieved and

"Yes, he has been sentenced to death," answered one of the ladies The habit once established. The habit once established for a diet that furnishes nutriment demanded by "Death !" exclaimed Lady Levingthe system, one cannot be induced to

ton, and almost snatching the paper out return to that which gorges, stimulates of the astonished donor's hand, she and fattens, but does not nourish. The rushed off with it, running down the real relish and gustatory pleasure found esplanade and tearing into her house. esplanade and tearing into her house. in a fruit and grain diet can never be Her husband was just coming out, and appreciated by those who indulge in she met him in the passage : "Here, see consistent mixtures of stimulants and disease-producing elements. We have only to look at the records

of such lives as Humboldt, Goethe and tion and a greedy desire to revel in the "What of it " asked Sir Richard, Bryant to know what a life of temper- luxurles that wealth can purchase even

Some Facts About Suicide "The proportion of female to male suicides is about six to one." Women are free from business cares and do not drift into intoxicating habits; they also take disappointments in love more philosophically than menthey regard a disappointment as a natural sequence, in fact are disappointed you entered?" if they are not so disappointed. A great many men do not expect it, and not being prepared, are so upset that they generally resort to extreme dissipation or suicide. The great majority of wo men select poison as the easiest method of crossing the Styx. They are naturally afraid of a pistol, and would naturally scream and run if they saw one

Next to poison they select hanging, and they almost invariably make a bungling job of that, just as they do in attempting to cut their throats. Very often they jump from a window, and invariably scream; no doubt they shut their eyes when they take the fatal

The proportion of married suicides is old Greeks to write upon." scarcely large enough to admit the argument that marital unhappiness was "They're curiosities," replied he, the main cause. On the other hand, it "There are few in existence. is argued that family ties tend to check British Museum has two, said to have been in use in the time of Moses." uicidal intent, or rather execution, Being of a more refined nature than man, and less inclined to the tragic or I asked. "Why, that old guy, as you call him, is rolling in money," said the dealer. "A piece of rare bric-a-brac himself, then!" I remarked. You wouldn't eroic, women naturally select the easiest and less barbaric methods of death. Shooting or cutting disfigures the body, and a woman wants to be beautiful even in death, and besides, when she takes think these things, human or otherpoison, she has an opportunity to say a last word which she may have forgotten. wise, one meets in your place, are worth anything at all, and yet they command It is argued by some that woman, being fortunes-from foots," ss courageous than man, selects the "That man who just left," contineasiest means of poison; but it is a quesued the dealer, "came here a year ago tion whether suicide is not more a matand with great secresy produced from ter of bravery. Many hold that it reunder his coat what seemed to be a rare diptych. He wanted £300 for it. Fd quires no heroism to commit suicide, and no doubt the great majority of selfhave bought it if he had said £500, but killings are done in moments of intense £300 was like offering Buckingham frenzy and without deliberation. Palace for the price of a villa. This

The absence of deliberation accounts made me suspicious. I examined it for so many failures; which are 30 or 40 closely and found it a patchwork of per cent., and this is the strangest part | carved lvory, but the work was new of it. While attempts to commit other | and consequently bogus. F said nothcrimes may be resisted or disturbed the ing, but refused to buy. The man, who would-be suicide almost invariably is a good actor, begged that I would seeks retirement, where he is free from not betray him, saying he had stolen it prevention; yet he often fails. Of course, from a monastery in Pavia." this is owing to natural nervousness, "You didn't buy?" want of method, and fright. It seems a "No."

paradox; but they are frightened at "Then why this rage?" their own desperation. "Well, only two weeks ago I was seat for by a millionaire to value some The extreme poor class furnish the

property he had bought in Saxony, I largest percentage of suicides, owing went to his residence and the first thing probably to the trials and disappointmy eyes lit on was this bogus diptych, ments of their checkered lives. The which my disreputable visitor had manmiddle class furnish the remainder, exaged to sell at last, thus cutting into cepting in a few cases there is no sulcide among people of wealth. Not havmy business,"

"Did you betray the fraud?" ing to combat the world, pride of posi-"No. That would discourage the illionaire all through and the genuine

NEWS IN BRIEF. Bogus Bric-a-Brac. As I was going into the Wardour -Modern needles first came into use street shop of an acquaintance, London, who deals in bric-a-brac, I was passed fn 1544. -Michigan has 60,000 Knights of by a rough-looking man, making a rapid Labor. exit. My friend was in a passion. Of -Coaches were first used in England course, I inquired the reason. in 1569. "Did you see that wretch leaving as -The average human life is thirtyone years. "Well, he's the worst fraud in Eng--The hotel business in New York is overdone. "Ah! invents bogus bric-a-brac, does -There are 123 incorporated clubs in he?" I gently inquired. "No, but he's the agent for those New York. -Oueen Victoria has nineteen grand who make it in France and Spatn and daughters. try to foist it on the dealers here," -The first steamboat plied the Hud-'How has the man ruffled you?" I son in 1807. "Ruffled ! Why this is the second

-The first newspaper advertisement time he has tried to play had business on me," said the dealer. "You know -There are 1 -There are 150 distinct varieties

of the banana. -Five railroads now run into Jack-

sonville, Fla. "a diptych is a couple of ivory tablets -The first newspaper was published put together, and they were used by the

in England in 1588. -London has a society to promote window gardening.

-In Sierra Mojalia, in Mexico, water The sells for \$2 per barrel.

-The first use of a locomotive in this country was in 1829. "Did that old guy get one of them?"

-Horse thieves are operating extensively in Chester county. -Birmingham, Ala., has gained 4,000

population within a year. -A certain cornfield in Georgia will

yield 115 bushels per acre. -Savannah harbor will soon be twen-

ty-two feet at mean high tide. -Freemasonry, the world over, em-

braces 14,160,543 members. -The postal service of the United

States cost \$46,225,900 in 1883. -Montreal policemen are required to

speak both English and French, -There are said to be 1,871,217 illu erate voters in the United States,

-Savannah is now the largest ship per of naval stores in the world,

- It is said that \$,000,000 meteors pass through the atmosphere daily.

-The entire city of Cumberland, Md., is to be lighted by electricity.

-Lehigh county, Pa., boasts of the first church organ built in that State,

-A man at Reno, Col., has had his tongue paralyzed so that he cannot eat. -Thirty-six men and nine women

committed suicide for love in Italy in 1883.

-The last battle fought on the soil of England was on Sedgemoor, July 6, 1685

-It cost the United States \$5,456,-339,31 to take care of the Indiana in 1883.

Norwich (Conn.), there at said to be two square miles of pond

-The wool clip of 1884 is estimated

-In Canada, one per on in every 17,-

-For the purpose of transportation

-A Paris physician is quoted as say-

ing that "it is a legend, not a fact, that

cholera hastens the corruption of a

"Yes." land in the matter of curios." while seeking a self-destructive method. asked.

what a diptych is, don't you?" I confessed I did not. "Well," said the dealer in old trash,

ussed with all the nausecus details which rumor had been able to collect. and there was a name which every tongue counled with the suspected murderer's-that of Lady Levington, wife of Sir Richard Levington, of Torwood

His offense was meanwhile

Sir Richard and Lady Levington had been Edward Dermerell's best patrons, He had won his first medal by a portrait of the baronet's beautiful wife and he had since been invited frequently to Terwood, to paint pictures for the leconation of the Hall-being treated on all occasions as an honored guest. These things were notorious and it was also well known that Dermerell's wife had never been invited to Torwood with him, Why? Some said it was because she was a foreigner who could not speak English; others because she was an invalid ; but since her servants had begun to tattle about the circumstance which had preceded her death everybody in Coldwell was aware that Mr. and Mrs. Dermerell had not lived happely together. The tradesmen of the town remembered the artist's wife as an eccentric dark-eyed lady, sometimes dowdy in her attire, sometimes alsundly over-dressed, and they had noticed this peculiarity in her, that, when smartly arrayed, she would haggle over her purchases like a fish-fag. whereas when she was shabbily clad she gave her orders in a good-natured careless style, never asking about the oust of things, but apparently bent on gratifying all her whims so far as her purse would allow. Her servants described her as a scold, but they, too, had observed that there was a strange house in dressing-gown and slippers-a who would recline for hours on a sofa, playing with her lap-dog, or telling forwhen she donned her fine dresses, she her lists and pulled out bunches of his Edward Dermerell's innocence. hair, cilling him all sorts of atrocious hames. It was admitted, however, that Mrs Dermerell was very attractive, and, burring the fact that she could hardly read or write, a person who gave one the idea of being a lady when she chose to put on company manners. "Truth is," said Mr. Chickwood, a fussy local grocer, "I've heard that Madam Dermerell was a 'model,' whatever that may mean ; but I s'pose it's clothing about her, as a Venus, a Susama, and all that; and that Mr. Dermerell married her when he was residing abroad and scarcely able to scrape a living with his brush,"

"Anyhow he never much liked her," said Mr. Pencuik, a serious chemist; "I shall have to depose that he came three times to my place to buy doses of chioral, saying that his lady wanted them for sleeplessness."

"And didn't that excite your suspic lons ?" asked Mr. Chickwood, with his head on one side, as if his friend Pencuik had not displayed the necessary amount of prudence. "Sleeplessness doesn't excite a chem

ist's suspicions," answered Mr. Pencuik, in a tone of superiority. "You sell lucifer matches, don't you, without thinking that your customers are anxious to poison themselves with the phosphorns 9

"Ay, it depends on the dose though," replied Mr. Chickwood, rebuked and rather confused.

"Well, supposing a man buys several small doses and then mixes them-that happened, and blamed himself as the would make one big dose, wouldn't cause of it. it?" said Mr. Pencuik, who, seeing an

attentive circle of listeners gather round him, spoke sententiously. "I be said repentingly, to the doctor; "but found him, spoke sententiously. "I be said repentingly, to the doctor; "but don't say that Mr. Dermerell did mix His genius is unquestionable; his por-

s put upon you, Dermerell," he that, during the first period of their acsaid ; "I suppose you are prepared with evidence to show that your poor wife's death was accidental." "It is my belief that she committed

suicide," answered Dermerell, "Intentionally do you mean ?" "I'm afraid so."

"Dear me! But were you at hon at the time of the occurrence ?" 'Yes, I was at home all the even-

"Then you are not going to prove an alibi.

"No-o; I cannot set up an alibi." Was it fancy ? but it seemed to some husband was standing by her. of the people who overheard the artist that he hesitated and glanced towards Lady Levington as he pronounced these words. Her ladyship was pale as a statue. Sir Richard on his side had slightly flushed ; and after gazing steadfastly at Dermerell for an instant, nodded to him and passed on. But now a small incident occurred, for Lady Levington, by accident or design, dropped her muff, and, quitting her husband's arm to receive it from Dermerell's hands, she appeared to exchange a word with the latter. Nobody heard wringing her hands. what she said, and some doubted that she had spoken at all ; but these were mistaken. Lady Levington had whis pered;

"I trust to your honor." And Edward Dermerell had replied : "You may trust me."

husband.

п. What did he mean by that? There was a secret between Dermerell and the baronet's wife, but it was confined to be hated her; but he bore with her their own breasts. During the inquest more patiently than any other man on capricionsness in her behavior, for on Lady Levington's name was not mensome days she would lounge about the tioned, though the servants who deposed were more than once near to saylanguid, smiling, and childish creature, ing that Mrs. Dermerell had been mainly jealous of her ladyship. The coroner checked them from uttering the name, tunes to herself with cards, or else so that they were made simply to say hanging about her husband's studio and that she had been jealous "of a lady." snoking cigarettes; whilst on the days The coroner himself and most of the people in court-perhaps everybody ingave herself insufferable airs, screamed | deed, except Sir Richard-knew what at everyloady about trifles, and accused this meant ; but the people pitied Lady the full hard of making love to Lady Devington for being mixed up in such ency over Sir Richard too; and now Levington. A housemaid affirmed a case, without venturing to breathe a ushered him out of the room, saying my that Mr. Dermerell, returning from word against her reputation; and not lady was feverish and ought not to be Torwood, had one evening been as a soul suspected that by a single word saulted by his wife, who beat him with the Baronet's wife could have proved out, Hannah locked the door and re-

She did not and could not speak that word for in saving Dermerell's charac- way," she whispered in alarm. "Noter she would have destroyed her own, thing will happen to that man if you tainted her husband's honor, put a only keep quiet and trust to me. What's stigma on her two little children, and caused herself to be driven forth as a and robbed of your children, and turned social outcast. So she sat through the out into the streets like a beggar, siminquest with an icy weight at the heart, ply for the pleasure of making a fuss?" yearning with an awful wistfulness for some new fact in the evidence which wailed Lady Levington, who was weak might dispel the host of circumstantia woman who postures, without much alities which had accumulated against Dermerell ; and when at last a verdict there'll be an end of it," answered of "Wilfel Murder" was returned against the artist, and two policemen the worst we can bribe the prison wardstepped forward to handcuff him, she rose, trembling in every limb, and so weak that she could hardly stand. Her husband had to lead her out hastily to

prevent her from swooning. That evening when Dermerell had

been lodgod in a cell of the county me. You know I never liked Mr. Dergaol, his friend Dr. Bable was sum- merell from the first, and didn't apnoned to Torwood Hall to attend upon Lady Levington, who had been taken ill. This doctor-a little pot-bellied sake, because you're dearer to me than fellow-was the best man alive so far any of my own kin, my lady." Here as good intentions went, but he was an incorrigible chatterbox, his mouth being I heard Sir Richard and the doctor talk like a leak which let out all that en-

tered his head. On arriving at the Hall, he found Sir Richard pacing about his study dejectedly. The inquest had convinced the baronet of Dermerell's guilt, and he was stricken with remorse at not having divined the man's true character

before. He thought his wife's prostration but too natural after what had

change of scene, said he, as much as she did. Lady Levington made no ob-jection, because Hannah had advised her to consent without demurring to "I ought to have been more careful,"

ceed, no fear."

his escape ?"

as a child in Hannah's hands,

with icy indifference. "But he's innocent !" aried Lady Levington, in despairing agitation, Seeing the impassiveness in her busquaintanceship with Dermerell, she used often to speak his praises, but that latterly she had ceased doing so, and band's face, she drew him by the sleeve had even spoken of him in terms of dis-paragement. No judge trying to get at the truth through a clouded cause into the parlor and throw herself on her knees. "Richard, hear my confes-

ever looked sterner than Sir Richard did at this moment. At last, uncertain save this man-what to think, he rose and repaired to "My poor child, you are mad," said his wife's room. There was only a the baronet, with an affectation of kind-

night-light in the large chamber, and ness, when he had heard her first words. food not more than twice a day and Lady Levington lay, dressed, on her "No, I am not mad : hear me to the bed, in a semi-comatose state, for she end !" screamed the distracted woman, did not immediately realize that her clasping his knees. "No, uo, you want tending; I must send for a doctor," said Sir Richard, "Do you feel better, dear?" asked Sir Richard

there not ?"

twice before he obtained an answer. and he tore himself away so resolutely "You will save him, won't you? that his wife fell forward on the floor and remained there with her arms outwas the reply which Lady Levington stretched, convulsed by hysterical weepabruptly gave, as she sat up, rubbing her eyes and staring around her wildly

The same evening two Belgian doc--a strange dishevelled figure. tors certified that Lady Levington was "Why should I save him if he suffering from hallucinations which guilty ?" asked Sir Richard calmly; made them fear brain-fever; and they and he felt as if something within him were right, for during the night the broke. It was his confidence in his wife which was destroyed. fever declared itself.

"But he is innocent," continued she

'How do you know that ?" Edward Dermerell had been sen-"Oh, it is all as plain as day," extenced to death. He awaited his doom in gaol calmly, and never by a word declaimed Lady Levington, speaking as if to herself, for she did not look at her murred against the justice of his sen-"It's that odious wife of his tence. A report was brought to him by the chaplain that an attempt had who killed herself, and did it so that been made to bribe h m out of prison, suspicion might point at him. She cunbut that the authors had been discovningly chose her time and her poison. and she had made him buy it. She was ered and would be pnnished. He exa bad heartless woman, and no wonder pressed his disapproval of what his friends had done, saying that the jury's verdict had been given on the facts laid before it, and that he had nothing earth would have done, for he never to complain of. He added that he told even me all that she made him sufwished for no attempts to get him a re-Lady Levington might have said a prieve, as he preferred death to penal

III.

ervitude. good deal more, for she was talking This serenity lasted until the very faster and faster, but her maid Han night before the day appointed for the execution, and then Edward Dermerell nah suddenly entered the room, and proceeded with gentle authority to asked to see a Roman Catholic chapquiet her. Hannah, a middle-aged serious-looking woman, was her mis-tress's confidante and deeply devoted to lain. He was a Protestant, but he wanted to make a full confession, said he, and would only make it to a priest her. She exercised a sort of ascendwhose lips would be scaled. Next morning at seven o'clock, when the prisoner had but half an hour more to live, a Roman Catholic priest was introduced disturbed. When the baronet had gone into the condemned cell.

The attendant warders, without leavturned hastily to the bedside: "My lady, ing the cell, withdrew. into a corner, you'll lose yourself if you go on in that and Dermerell fell on his knees, then said in a low whisper : "Father, I wish to tell the truth to a man who will never reveal it, that one person at least may think well of me when I am gone. I am innocent. On the night when my wife died I was with Lady Levington. I used to have clandestine meetings "But they say he committed murder, with her, but my wife found it out, and in a fit of mad jealousy poisoned herself "Well, they'll find out he didn't, and in such a way as to make suspicions of her murder point to me. These are the Hannah bluntly. "If things come to facts, I swear it before God. I die now, because Lady Levington's honor was a tonsorial establishment. entrusted to me, and I could not betray

> her.' "Great heavens, but this is suicidel" exclaimed the dismayed priest. "Is not yet time to save you ?"

"No, I have purposely put off my confession till the last minute," said "Yes, my lady; you leave it all to Dermerell quietly. "Hark, the bell is already tolling : there are steps in the prove of his goings on with you; but I passage. Now give me your pardon and helped and protected you both for your

blessing. The cell-door was thrown open, the governor coming in all dressed in black, saw Edward Dermerell step for- The left-handed barber counteracts this about taking you abroad for your health; and if that's done, I'll stay beward to meet him with his face shin ing. It was the priest who wept.

hind, and you'll give me some money to bribe those warders with. I'll suc Some weeks later Sir Richard Leyngton, standing by the bedside of his wife, who was recovering from illness,

This promise appeared to soothe Lrdy Levington, and she spent a tolerably said, with cold tranquility : "Let us say quiet night. Next morning Sir Richard no more about Edward Dermerell. announced to her that, acting under he murdered his wife he was rightly medical advice, he was going to take her to the Continent. He needed me. I purposely let him meet his doom. Do you hear ??

for the miserable, is no doubt the cause If there is no appetite wait for its of the scarcity of suicide among the bidding; do not coax it by stimulants wealthy class. and appetizers. Rest of the uncounter organs is often the best and surest cure for many diseases.

sion ; you may spurn me afterwards if you like, but I must speak the truth and give up strong tea and coffee, hot bread, One afternoon a few years ago, I was sitting in my chambers in the Temple, pork and rich pies and cake. Eat only London, working at some papers. My what the appetite demands, and until desk is between the fireplace and one of the symptoms are relieved, partake of the windows, the window being two or three yards on the left side of my chair possibly only once. In fasting, if the and looking out into the Temple, Sud-

denly I became aware that I was lookstomach has a feeling of goneness or ing at the bottom window pane which craving, drink a cup of hot water, hot lemonade or thin gruel made from wheat, barley or oats.

She Bravely Held the Fort.

The other day a Bismarck gentleman was coming up from Standing Rock and stopped to see a man whe lived near the Cannon Ball river. In response to the knock on the door he heard a shrill, sharp "Come in!" and upon entering found a sharp-faced angular woman sitting in the room under an open scuttlehole leading into the loft above,

> "Is the gentleman of the house in?" he asked.

"Can I see him a moment?"

had a fall and slightly cut her face so that the blood came. After telling the story my wife added that she was so "Why can't I, madame? I would like o speak to him on busines alarmed when she saw the blood on the "If you was a-dving and Jim war the child's face that she had fainted. What only doctor in Dakoty you couldn't sot

I had seen in the window then occurred to my mind and I asked what time it was when this happened. She said, as far as she remembered it must have been a few minutes after 2 o'slock. This was the time, as nearly as I could calculate, not having looked at my a apple sass'd feel soothin' to his stomwatch, when I saw the figure in the window pane. I have only to add that this is the only occasion on which I have known my wife to have had a fainting fit. She was in bad health at the time and I did not mention to her what I had seen until a few days afterward, when she had become stronger. I mentioned the occarrence to several of my friends at the time.

mixed into the row!"

heard her voice saying: "Jim, when you get tired o' yer foolin' an' want this sass, jest squeal out!" And a gruff voice from the darksome garret respondhe ought to be ashamed of himself, etc., ed: "Soss!" but the strapped passenger held up his

No Good.

and thrown out hints that the boilers "Is there a left-handed barber in this of this boat were rather old and liable shop?" asked a man as he walked into to explode?' "Not that I know of." "We have one, sir. Take a chair." "Have I been around predicting a A reporter watched the strange cusstorm, and thus detracting from the

tomer as the left-handed knight of the pleasure of the trip," brush scraped his chin, but could not "Haven't heard of your doing so." discover anything different from the "Have I slipped up to this one and

manipulation of a right-handed man, that one to slur your boat for being but there was, just the same, and here slow, and have I said that you were carrying at least ninety people more than your license allows? Twice thus it is: "You see," said the boss barber, "when a man is shaved all the time by far this boat has neglected to answer

a right-handed barber the beard is pushed over to the right, and when it grows out it looks like a lop-sided map. tendency and the roots are directed in the way they should go. A left handed barber is a new wrinkle, but he is a

good thing to have in the house.' Yesterday two blacksmiths were co versing in a South Side saloon on the relative abilities of two helpers. "Jim is a good enough man, but he can't use his left hand."

hanged: if he was innocent, as you said in your crazy wanderings, then he was justly punished for his offence towards ers have to stand on both sides of a forge, and while one strikes right hand-

"And the fraudulent dealer?" "Oh! I had it out with him. came back to-day, as you say. A Premonttion.

time he had a twisted sword, manufac-1 300,000,000 pounds and is worth \$85,tured in Sheffield, which he wanted to 000,000. sell as an old Damascus blade, but I -Experiments in raising tobacco gave him a plece of my mind, and he near Quakertown, Pa., are proving suc-

"What's the good of 'em?"

was glad to skip." "But he'll sell the Damascus blade, I cessful, -A Bucks county, Pa., man owns a suppose?" said L "Of course he will, and to the same lictionary printed in the sixteenth cen-

tury. millionaire, my old customer, perhaps, -Mme, Albant, it is announced, will and I dare not show him up. Isn't it sing in concert here early in the coman outrage?" exclaimed my furious ing year.

I did not feel much pity for him, but I heard enough to entertain a whole- 230 is an inventor; in South Carol some suspicion of the integrity and anone in 21,182. tiquity of old curios-and this conversation may be turned to profitable ac- to America the Bartholdi statue will be

count by Americans who are bric-a-brac divided into three hundred distinct hunting in Europe at the present moment. Verbum sat sapienti.

friend.

Nicknames of Generals.

dicated the confidence of the men

times he was called "Old Three Stars,"

during his career in the field.

Humphrey, being a distinguished en

Thomas earned for him the significa

and familiar name of "Old Reliable."

The New York city regiments in the

sons. Kilpatrick was nicknamed 'Kill.

indefinitely. Among the confederates familiar

the federals. The soldiers of the army

of Northern Virginia usually spoke of

General Lee as "Bob Lee." Little Ma.

corpse. Every general of prominence has -A prisoner in jail at Louisville is nickname bestowed upon him by his said to have no less than ten wives liv-

Darts.

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troops. Some of these names were of a ing, and he is not a professional Morsarcastic nature, but usually they in- mon, either. -Pennsylvania manufactures \$693 their leaders or their admiration for 854 gunpowder a year; also in paper them. General Grant was commonly bags, \$854,478; upholstering materials,

known over the watch-fires in the army \$176,000. of the Potomac as "Old United States," from the initials of his name, but some--Alligators' teeth are now used for buttons, bracelets, earrings and bangies. They take a high polish and are that number indicating his rank as heu-

very durable. tenant-general. McClellan was endear -The Indians who were found on ed to his army as "Little Mac." Meade this continent east of the Mussissippi who wore spectacles, was delighted to by the first European settlers did not learn that the soldiers had named him exceed 200,000.

"Four-eyed George," for he knew it -The Worcester (Eng.), Musical was not intended as a reproach. Burn Festival recently held, netted £40 over sides, the colonel of the First Rhode that of 1881, the total receipts being regiment, rose to the dignity of 'Rhody' £1066, 1s. 4d. when he became a general, Hooke

never liked the sobriquet of "Fighting -Sharks, some of which are nine feet Joe," though he always lived up to it ng, have become so numerous in Long Island Sound, that spearing them is now Pope a popular pastime. was saddled with the title of "Saddle

ba: John," in memory of his famous order about headquarters being on horseback. His men used to say that their headquarters moved pretty rapid- aloft a monstrous cross.

ly at times. Sigel, the German gener--One-third of the population of Jeru il, was known in the other corps as salem are Jews. They number 50,000, "Dutchy." Hancock won the brevet and devote themselves exclusively to of "Superb" from a remark made by mercantile occupations. General Meade at Gettysburg, when

-A movement, it is said, is on foot the second corps repulsed Longstreet's to expunge all traces of English conquest in Dublin by substituting Irish for English names to all the streets.

gineer, was invariably styled "Old Mathematics," The Pennsylvania re--There are seventeen quinine factories in the world-six in Germany, four serves used to call Crawford 'Physics,' in the United States, three in France, he being a surgeon at the beginning o two in Italy, and two in England.

his military career, Logan, with his long black hair and dark complexion, -There are three Sundays every week in Jerusalem. Friday is observed by the Mohammedans, Saturday by the was "Black Jack" with his men. Sher idan, the cavalry leader, was "Little Phil," and Sherman's troops spoke of him as "Old Tecumseh." The ster-Jews and Sunday by the Christians,

-A Los Angeles fruit grower has ling nature and steadfast purpose of several banana trees in growth, con-taining nearly 100 bunches, and believes the raising of the fruit is an assured Alexander McDowell McCook, 'like success. Hooker, was called 'Fighting McCook.'

-A bill will be presented to the next Vermont Legislature forbidding the Fifth corps changed Sykes to 'Seksey.' Halleck was derisively nicknamed 'Old importation of or manufacture of oleomargarine or any of the imitations of Brains,' and Rosecrans had his name butter.

shortened to "Rosey." Lew Wallace -A white pine forest, containing (eswas "Louisa" to the soldiers under his timated) 1,000,000,000 feet of lumber. command; he was a great favorite for is situated in the centre of the Terri his fighting qualities, and the soldiers tory of Arizona, which is supposed by Have I said I would make complaint adopted that appropriate name for want many to be a treeless waste. of a better. Kearney, who left an arm

-Discovered among the ruins of the infe preservers and found the comple-in Mexico, was invariably known in the ment short? Have I overhauled your ranks as "One-armed Phil." Butler Zuni and Aztec cities are spindles and whorls remarkably like those employed was styled "Cockeye," for obvious reaby the Highlanders in Scotland. while Custer was called "Ringlets" on position of some would indicate an antiquity of at least 2,000 years.

> -Six thousand tons of silver money -in round figures \$136,000,000 are now in the U.S. Treasury, the bulk of it being stored in New York. Only about \$5,000,000 of it, it is stated, is actually held at the Treasury Department in Washington.

Have the courage to work and sup strew wild mint where you wish to keep Bone." Early was called "Bad Old port yourself, though it may be by handling the pick, rather than sponge on your relatives, and act as a dude.

was about on a level with my eyes, and there I saw the figure of the head and face of my wife, in a reclining position, with the eyes closed and the face quite white and bloodless, as if she were dead. I pulled myself together, and got up and looked out of the window, where I saw nothing but the houses opposite, and I came to the conclusion that I had been drowsy and had fallen asleep, and

were at dinner she told me that she had

lunched with a friend who lived in

Gloucester Gardens and that she had

taken with her a little child, one of her

meces, who was staying with us, but

during lunch or just after it, the child

after taking a few turns about the room to rouse myself, I sat down to my work again and thought no more about the matter. I went home at my usual time that evening and while my wife and I

with a shotgun on her knee,

"Yes, sır; he airi." "No sir; you can't see a hide nor hair of 'im!'

an eye on him till he gives in an' talks decent. At dinner a while ago he told me to pass 'im the apple soss, an' I tol' him it wasn't soss but sass; an' he said he knowed better, it was soss, an' I tol' him that when he took a notion that

ach to say so, an' he said he'd have that soss or die. Then I tol' him I'd defend that sass with my life, an' made a break for the shotgun, an' he made a break up through the scuttle inter the loft. When his senses come to him an' he gives in that sass is sass, he kin cum down; but if he makes a break afore that, off goes the top of his head, Thar

up in the loft, an' that's the way the matter stands just now, an' I reckon you'd better mosey along an' not get

As the gentleman moved away he rate the man for a dead beat telling him

sets the sass, stranger, and thar's Jim

The Clerk Saw the Point On one of the excursion steamers run ning out of Detroit the other day, the clerk found a passenger who had neith-er ticket or money. He began to be-

finger and said:

"Have I been among the passengers

the signals of vessels coming down,

under the law? Have I counted your

small boats and found that none of

"O, I see! An old steamboat man-

yourself at home and ride as far as you

please. If you happen down-stairs

shake!" stammered the clerk. "Excuse account of his long flowing curls; and

me for not identifying you. Just make so the catalogue might be prolonged

come to the office and try some of my nicknames were not so common as with

To prevent the incursions of mice hone was best known as "Skin and

them could be launched?"

cigars,'

