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# Select Poetry.

From the Portemonth Journal ES OLD CHURCH BELL

tere - s.v Sabbath morning gaignobe era smedens er . - ne hills and valleys fair wintry winds are sighing at the shedows thick are lying. ja rea, no to blook and bare,-

had 'ast - ve. ringing, pealing out upon the air ... I fram door to doo as and weesy. and throng of paths lone and dreary

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yes his shifter at the are rived + . - erd taşt plaintivê beii, --... a urnfaity and slowly, A ke the high and lowle mitten to the passing knell,-. <sub>Least</sub> the solemn mosning of the deep-toned fo

tay and gay to-morrow .... 'es grist changes tung orgen chons, upward stealing m the leepest fount of feeling. tered by that iron tongue,

# Choice Miscellany.

#### CHEPLE CHASE ON THE PRAIRIES. From the California Pioneer

with fifty painted demons saming after me that i here occan

what my eye except a few shy antelopes, were clustering on the opposite side, seeking a the earth, they will soon suffer greatly from the wary caution and quick perception ren favorable spot to follow.

ed, betokened the long desired buffalo. Away horse was rapidly failing, great flakes of foam my pistois and glancing at my rifle lock; I struck | lantly onward, spurning the wild sod of the praispur- to my steed and galloped forward, never rie with his flying hoofs. But the goal was neardoubling that the opportunity so ardently coved by won. Oh! if he could hold his pace a little

vening valuey I rose another gently swelling roll 'now exhibited their wonderful powers of enduof the prairie, and as I gains I the summit, again | rance | Onward they swept after us with unditue in wing cloud of dust met my gaze, and this minished speed, their unshorn manes and sweeptime considerably nearer, and as I closely regard ling tails mingling with the flowing drapery of ed it. I perceived that it was rapidly approaching the wild rifers, and flying out upon the wind and I began to discern the flashing of bright ob. The timbered backs of the "Little Blue,". jects gleaming out from obscurity. This looked which I had so earnestly longed for, had been unlike the buffalo, and as the object, whatever it it is some moments concealed by a long but genmight be continued to approach, I halted for a tle ascent, the summit of which I was approach better view, and was not long in making jut a jing. If from here the white wag ins our camp large band of mounted ludicars, their show white should be visible over the uninterrupted plain I

nees, but supposed it might be some hunting par in sight of safety-to be taken within view of ty of friendly Pottawa: omies or Sioux; and at all the camp by these implacable savages! My brain events, knowing the mettle and powers of my steemed with these maddening doubts as I neared horse, and having a retreat at pleasure, I thought | the spot which was to decide my fate, and I tremtisfactory inspection. Gradually across the provide consign me to despair the meaning expanse of the prairie, they drew nesser and I neared the summit; another bound and w nearer, now disappearing from view in conssing were over, and were flying with faltering steps

than a quarter of a mile, and, thinking a closer speakable, far away, but directly before me, acquaintance undesirable, I turned my horse's nesting at the base of the long dark line of cothead with a view of riding moderately toward tonwowl, in full view of the panting fugitive, camp til, they should manifest some design to noomed up the white circles of tents and wagon follow me, when imagine the chill of horror which tops-dearer to my longing gaze than to the decurleded my blood as I saw two small parties in sert worn pilgrim the lofty minarets and marble my rear, gailoping together from either side to palaces of Eastern story cut off my retreat, and heard the terrific yen. A shout of triumph and exhultation burst from which all three raised as they saw their wily may my tips as I discovered the welcome acene, and noeuver discovered, and that further shence would recognized the gate of my deliverance. I looked

and by a wide circuit, attain my rear, I, green victim horn that I was, never dresming of this common. But I was saved. Covered with sweat and ludean stratagem while stupidly regarding the foan, my gallant preserver burst into camp, and, first and only object which had attracted my as I sprang from the saddle into the midst of e first of day June, 1849' Six years ago' gaze. But was there not yet time! The two in-my startiel comrades, with a groun of exhausstringer than fiction it seems that on this tercepting parties were rapidly converging to tion he sunk quivering to the earth. The faith-universary of that ever eventful day, after ward to one of my retreat, and were already ful creature toiled to the last; he had done his engall the viciss, to less of experience, af with a sprinter of a mine of each other, while I that, his powers were exhausted, and yielding mug the compass of life's stormy seas and was not more than half that distance from the at last to utter prostration, he stretched his wea ag hands with every extremity of fortune, centre. The main body with fearful who op dashe by himbs upon the sward, and I thought that the . 15 - atod at last in this quiet little sanc- od on to cos my in My horse was fleet and last race of my gallant grey was run. How I the barn of that mighty city, which was true, but he was also travel worn and fatigued nursed him though that long night, how I coverme goal of our nope, around me, the wild. How long could be distance those wild coursers, ed him with my own store of blankets, and supplied m the illimitable prairies exchanged for at langer. But there was no time to deliberate him carefully and cautiously with grass and wathese fardingy office, my shorting chare. Now or never was the chance. Another moment, ter, how I trudged along on foot day after day for searced for this old aim chair; the badge would be too late. Grasping my ride with a fir- the next two weeks and led and cherished him - propeer laid aside for a more peaceful but mer clutch, and re-assuring with caressing words as carefully as a feeble child, I have not time to the trightened steed, who alone could save me tell, but although many a mile he carried me in | preachers: the frightened steed, who alone could save me will, out along a many a "Two of them were in the same purple together Six years of stern experience, of lonely from a horrible fite, I made a boil dish for the after days over those dreary deserts, and many a "Two of them were in the same purple together to say While one was preaching, he happened to say The straight of ever charging, never ceasing toil interval which still separated the detached pure time brought me alongside the flying buffalo in while one was preaching, he remains the still separated the detached pure time brought me alongside the flying buffalo in while one was preaching, he remains the still separated the detached pure time brought me alongside the flying buffalo in while one was preaching, he remains the still separated the detached pure time brought me alongside the flying buffalo in while one was preaching, he remains the still separated the detached pure time brought me alongside the flying buffalo in while one was preaching, he remains the still separated the detached pure time brought me alongside the flying buffalo in the still separated the detached pure time brought me alongside the flying buffalo in the still separated the detached pure time brought me alongside the flying buffalo in the still separated the detached pure time brought me alongside the flying buffalo in the still separated the detached pure time brought me alongside the flying buffalo in the still separated the detached pure time brought me along the still separated the s mm il, have changed the boy into the man, ties, and up in which they were ripidly closing his mid career, yet never again did he run an the emancipated stu- Nobly the gallant animal responsed to the call eight mile steeple against the field, with fitty un-

-we of the slave of business. But have pursuers, trembing in every limb with the in and fifty pointed warriors yelling in his rear tor stormy vicissitudes and will excitements, tensity of his exertions, he flew over the ground wafrem the mind the fearful memories of and with the fleetness of the wind, he died be a wraft seens, long ago, when the tyro of the tween the approaching hordes, within a hundred threes first looked on death? Ah, no! On yards of us on either hand. With the energy of

Once in sight of camp and the prudence of my the Columbia river

month aft r in both toiling onward to this hind our wagon wheels tr. of a k-mith, gunamith and tinman, in each is land of god, whose lefty sterras and [was now descending a rong but gentle in of which he is a good workman. The other, brofor plains have gathered to their eternal chination toward a broad level depression in the ther. Brother Magean, superintends the farming. are so many a member of that gallant, practic which spread out about a couple of hun. The corr, they have built a windfull, carpenter's the Blue, the toil worn mules scattered ridge I had just or seed. I reached the for of a mount or the missionaries. The church is quite eminent French Painter: The artist was coming from Versailles to Pato be the first of the party to slay the long widel it I could not guess. A terrific you burst works of ornament are not their only deeds.

of the timber which sail of the tiver, so as the wild savages came charging down the hill, then own tobacco pipes, turned with a lath out | Vernet raised the back of his hand to his mouth, Then I sad to I up my stood and, with rifle tumu'th described home and friends, mine of wood, and lined with tin-all have been made and kissed it twice violently. On emerging from sallie how, started out or the northward, good with the bright anticipations so long cherishes by their industry. They also make their own the obscurity ha found that the tadies had with-ward observed my departure exchanged el, of a golden future in the land of promise, candies, soap, vinegar, &: They have a farm drawn their attraction from him, and were accustake at my probable disappointment, but came turinging in wild confusion through my or about one hundred and sixty acres, and raise ing each other of having been kissed by a man in the entity of the thrilling a focuture that I to ming brain. There was one hope be a specific wheat, parley, onions, and garden vegetable gen- the dark! The Indians are excessively fond of car. | Presently they arrived at Paris; and Vernet To were about the confiner of the Pawnee term, no opportunity for choice. Resistance rots, and if the children see carrots growing they on leaving them said:

"Ones, and had indeed not a warmed by a con- was madness. I was hemmed in on every side must cat some. Father Hoecken says, "I must "Ladies, I shall be put trappers whom we had met but a few but one. Straight ahead was my only chance and my eyes to the theft, because they cannot, inquiry, Which of these two ladies was it that stevi us returning from their wintering I might flounder through, and, at all events, suf-In the mountains, that their war parties focution or capture in the box was no worse thru \ \ \ und the Mission buildings are the houses it yet confident in our numbers, and the instantaneous destruction where I was. Dashing it is mittives, built of logs and newn timber:mability of our ungractised yes to detect the rowels into the trembling enimal, I madiy without the tribers emphatically a wandering one wes of them we had attributed the well urged him forward. The son, though covered yet mission and its vicinity is looked upon warning of the mountaineers rather to a with grass and apparently firm, gave way at as a supporters. Their wanderings do not genf news.n ingering than any thing eige, and every step. Plowing his way by gigantic efforts erally extend over a tract of country more than despised those wild Bedouins of the prai now for an instant raising himself on some har a hundred and they subsist by fishwhom we had heard so much, but had as der spot, then sinking to the saddle girths, urg d ing and nanting the deer and bear. In the winby my francic exerctions, terrified to phrenzy by ter the whole band moves to some noted vension

them impossible of approach up in the open. Their deliberation saved me. It required a es. Far as the vision could reach, nought strong control of reason to walk my failing horse

longer! The tireless mustange of the Indians

Charging down the hill and seroes the inter ; -no match for his fleet limbs in a short stretch.

Still, however, I scarcely thought of the Paw- poor horse was on his last legs. But to perish

At length their distance was diminished to less dications of my comrades; and oh! rapture un-

back. One after another the savages came bound-While the main body had continued to attract ling over the ridge, pressing on with the wild fumy attention by advancing conspicuously toward ry of disappointed rage. But their practiced me, those two parties had taken advantage of eves were not slow to discover my refuge, and could them temporarily from view, to diverge, gazed with buffled malignity after their expected

mothe stern, fixed purposes, the utilita. Snorting with terror at the wild shouts of our tained coursers of the desert for his competitors,

## The Indian Mission of St. Ignatius.

We find appended to the report of Gov. Ste- the ark." Enters first looked on death. An, no. On yards of us on other name. Which my kneed and vension the Northern or Oregon route for a railwarm't than." the and over the first sudden moment of toward the mix hope of safe, fifty yellong demand by Dr. Geo. Suckley, Assistant Surgeon the way, and addressing the people, exclaimed Unite. States Army, from Fort Owen, down the with great indignation, "I say Abraham was thar, the terrible war noop, our sting from may mone used upon our macas, such some and our Roy. Clark's Fork, and Columbia rivers, with great ludiging throats, the reckless, despiration, the fluery flying in the wind, onward we speck not. Better Roy. Clark's Fork, and Columbia rivers, or their abouts" ing excitem at of that wild chase of eight sugramal pursuel, over the broad expens of a Vancouver. In this account some interesting es with fifty painted demons saming after me that is are occan particulars are given in regard to the Roman derived mustaings, the apparing fear, as the Som the fleetness and blood of my American Carbone Mission of St. Ignamus, situated on the gathered in the flauxs of my flying gray, cours began to tell on the caluring our sower . Many's river, and under the care of Father be toam flew from his heaving nostrile, lest flores mustange of the Indians. Some of the Hocken. This mission has been established for the foam new from his heaving nostries, less the findings of the Analas Some of the present. This mission has been established for the presents who understood the passage, as extremity, and, above all the exacting rear, and after running two or three missions of the presents who are brought understood the passage, as extremity, and, above all the exacting rear, and after running two or three missions of the presents who understood the passage, as extremity, and, above all the exacting rear, and after running two or three missions has been established to the presents who understood the passage, as the heard it read, "Now these eight did Miller of the presents who understood the passage, as the heard it read, "Now these eight did Miller of the presents who understood the passage, as the heard it read, "Now these eight did Miller of the presents of the presents of the presents of the presents who understood the passage, as the heard it read, "Now these eight did Miller of the presents of the passage, as the heard it read, "Now these eight did milk as the passage of the passage, as the presents of the pre tops of my comrades have in sight, we used I shackened speed, for I well know that the During the first two years, the missionaries lived tops of my compades have in sight, we using t spackeded speed, for a well and what are build of skins, and accompanied the Inor the summit of the last half that divide bottom and enfurance of Indian horses, we use in huts made of skins, and accompanied the Indame who was plying her distaff, and listening wim safety, and the wild newl of the bar tome; to traverse immense distances at a single it ins on their hunting and fishing expeditions. safety, and the wind news of the one stretch, is almost without limit, and many a long. Long found it very hard to live. Afterwards, side She was reading in the Book of Genesis, thing is forgotten, and tout unsplaka- mile was still before us. Again they would dishowever, they established permanently, and comtalsion of teering, whin my trightened minish the distance, and again I was obliged to mencel triling the ground, adding a little every ushed into comp, and, his duty done, his urge my jaded steed to his best efforts. But I year to the surface cultivated, and steadily inspent, his powers exercised is appeal life- was beginning to breathe freer, the nest stortling are using in weifare. They obtained pigs, poulthe earth, and as it recirculation the sad- arranges over, half the distance was accomplishing, cattle, horses, agricultural implements and tad fervently thanked that Providence who ed. If my gillant could but mon air, his tree tree. Their supplies of clothing, groceries, wols, that again oked down upon and protected me in my mentions for four unles more I was safe see is, &c, are supped directly from Europe to

and abuffalo." an animal we had not not from the exultint warriors as they appeared over A grandstone, newn out of the native rock, and The painter was an

the beautiful undulating and the appalling yells of the approaching enemy and groun i, where during the heavy snows the deer Disom of the trackless prairies I role gent the shots which had began to whistle ar and us, reannot escape, and are readily pursued and killed 4 980m of the trackless prairies I rote gent. The shots which had began to whistic at land and reading pursued and aniety on the quetter for any indications of the noble animal toiled gallantly on and gained, with cubs. In this way they have exterminaet of my desires; but, though I eagerly the firm bank just as the dusky form of my pur- ted this anima; in a l'except one or two places, and the horrison as I proceeded, not a using sucre, infuriated at the possible loss of their prey, and unless they pay more attention to cultivating

wan' of food When the missionaries first came among these Indians, they were a poor miserable, half starved i monotously unfulating surface of gently slowly up the hill, while the Indians were floan- race, with an insufficiency of food, and nearly ing and naked hills, covered only by the dering after me through the swamp. But I naked, living upon fish, cames and other roots, grass and flowers of every bue, extended rightly judged that a little breathing time would and in the last extremity, upon the pine tree fery direction toward the far horizon, when not be was ad on him. I turned the summit of moss. They were of a peaceful disposition, brave, one sky of summer kissed the distant hole, the bili just as the discomfited Indians were beting spurs to my jaded horse, once more we sprang dea of a future state or of a Great Spirit; neiforward in that mad race of life and death. On there had they any idea of a sout. In fact, they 42 1 levert I rode stowly along, lazily must ward we rushed over hills and valleys, across had not words in their language to express such

They thought when they died that was the went romance and reflection. The arder of the flew from his mouth. Covered with mud and last of them, and often buried alive the very old hunter took possession of me, and hastily loosing drenched with sweat hestill, however, toiled gal- and the very young, because they could not take care of them. The missionaries had an arduous labor before them, but soon gained the confidence of these poor red men by kind offices, such as at tending their sick, furnishing them with food, and teaching them farming. The missionary told them of their Creator and Saviour, and they istened and believed. The name which they gave the Creator, in their own language, is "the One who made himself." Of the soul they had no conception, and at first the idea was singularly translated to them that they had a gut which never rotted, and that this was their living principle or soul.

The chief of the tribe became converted and was baptized, and the mass of the tribe followed the example; and now almost all pray, and have shields and burnished same heads glaucing should yet reach them But oh! if another of brightly in the morning sun these interminable ridges should intervene! My great respect and affection for Father Hoecken Previous to the advent of the missionaries they believed in charms, and every man had his amulet, or deity, of which he expected good or ill With some it would be a mouse, a deer, a buffalo, fish, feather, or any similar object, and what-Incurred no great risk in waiting for a mor- as- bled with eagerness for the view which might ever it might be, a portion at least of the article the savage always carried with him. No youth on growing up was considered a man until he had discovered his medicine or charm. This was some conceiled bollow, and again displayed in down a gentle inclination which swept away in done by going to the top of a mountain and rebold relief against the sky as they surmounted gentle undulations to the longed for timber, still maining there without food until he had dreamabout a mile ahead. I strained my eyes for in- ed of an animal; the first one dreamed of becoming his amulet. During the Winter all the large game killed

is brought to the camp, and distributed equally among all but one man, who is chosen distributor for the Winter. Singular to my, no grumbling or disseffection is ever manifested at the distribution The land occupied by the mission is poor, and the missionaries have often tried to induce the Indians to remove where the soil is better, but without avail. They reply, "This is our country; here are the graves of our forefathers; here we were born, and here we wish to die; we do not wish to leave our country poor as it is The missionaries have done great things for them -their bolies as well as their souls. Theft is a the numerous hollows, which at times had con- on after another pulled up his panting steed and couled them temporarily from view, to diverge, gaz d with bafflel malignity after their expected religion so far as external forms go, and to the extent that their present limited understanding will admit

## The Hard Shells.

The "Hard Shell Baptists" are a well known sect in the south and south-west. They are not related, that we know of, to the Hard Shell Democrats, though their christen name is the same They go dead against the Bible, temperance and education societies: hate missions to the heathen, and all modern schemes for converting the rest of mankind. Of course they are opposed to learning, and speak as they are suddenly moved. A Georgia correspondent writes to the Drawer, and relates the following of one of their

interruption, and only took occasion to repeat,

still more decidedly, "I say, when Abraham built

To the same southern correspondent we are indebted for another reading of a passage which has been variously construed. It will be recol-

lected that in our July number we told the story of the preacher who understood the passage, as can bear," to muan "now these eight did milk a bear " Our friend says:

and being not perfect in the art, she would now and then miscall a word So it chanced that she 'read, stammeringly these words-"Now these "What, what's that?" said the old lady, "read

The good daughter complied and looking more

Once in sight of camp and the prudence of my the columbia river
was on this days in years ago. Eighty-five of which pursue is would give but once at the eighty of the two lay brethren, Brother Francis,
terry wanderers over the trackless prairies. ty Am room rifles which would gleam from be- is a pick at all trades, being by turns a carpeninght milk a bear, but to milk a bear, my daugh

Kissing in a Tunnell. - Dick Tinto, the drell yards with at its base. My savage parse and bia Kemith's shops, barns, &c , besides an Paris correspondent of the New York Times, the wag one all reserves of on the banks of ers were for a moment out of sight behind the extenent chapel, and a dwelling house of hewn tells the following story of Horace Vernet, the

suchful vigilance of the guart. Some of on what seemed hard ground; and O, despair, correct. The handsomely carved and gilded alters in the cars. In the same compartment with ary were bathing in the clear stream, some sank to his belly in a treacherous swamp. Ab tar, and statue of "Our Maker," brazen crosses, him were two ladies whom he had never seen be g. mending c. others, washing, lounging, can the gathering years of all futurity ever blot and rich pronze founts, which ornament it, one fore, but who were evidently acquainted with exit the gathering years of all factoring years of all factoring sold and find the bound suppose must have been imported, but him. They examined him very minutely, and her. estash by day of rest and indolence, when ment? How far this seemingly impassable bure they were not. They are the result of the patient | commented upon him quite freely—upon his exil genius possessed me with the sudd u rier extended up and down the rivu et worth die lab or and ingemuity of the missionaries. But martial bearing, his hale old age, his military

The painter was annoyed, and determined to a autered, but which now began to be the the crest of the ridge and recogniz I the loop in a ded by the same hand which made the chi- put an end to the persecution. As the train pasand theme of conversation and conjecture ma they had too truly anticipated formed see out wrought it; tin ware, a blacksmith's shop | sed under the tunnel of St. Cloud, the three the bors were hunning turk es in the fears biled my blood. In that brief moment, belows, ploughshares, bricks for their chimneys, | travelers were wrapped in complete darkness

"Ladies, I shall be puzzled all my life by the

an elderly and respectably dressed gentleman was found lying senseless upon the side walk in Cincinnati A crowd soon gathered around him, man's head into her lap, and then used means whereby he was so car revived as to call for water, and a coach, and requested that the little girl might accompany him home. He proved to be a retired merchant and his prostration a case of paralysia, while the invenile Samaritan who conwidow. He was so far recovered that on Monday last he rode to the residence of the mother of the child, and presented her with a check for two tributed to his relief was the daughter of a poor hundred dollars, hang a handsome glold chair around the neck of the little ministering angel, on which was suspended a plain but costly gold watch, upon the case of which was the following inscription-"Presented to Mary C Perkins by her friend, William Breshers

#### From the Casemovia Boyaldisan. WILLIE BELL. Down in youder shadowed valley

Where the death-tide waters rell. Where huge phantoms ever daily, With the fleeting, fainting soul, Where the hymn of death is waking In the gloom with measured swell-Thither went, our heart-strings breaking. Little, leving Willie Bell.

All the spring-time played he gladly, With the sun-beams from the sky-In the summer watched be sadly All the spring flow'rs fade and dis And be wander'd by the brook-side, Where the gusking waters fell-Where the angel's song at night-tide

Music low to Willie Bell. But when summer blossoms faded, And the autumn leaves flow by-When the gentle bade, were shaded By the snow wreaths from on high, Then a voice came down from Heaven, Like the waves in winding shall, Then an angel grown was given

To the brow of Willie Ball. Polded then his hand of whiteness O'er the marble, lifeless breast, While sweet strains from harps and brightness Welcomed him to heavenly rest: And the eves of blue were closing O'er the check where death-damps Sil While in dreamless sleep reposing. Was the form of Willie Ball. Down within the grassy meadow,

Down within the silent vale, Where at even comes the shadow Of the moonbeams, still and pale There, upon the coid earth's bosom, 'Mid the snow-flakes as they fell, Laid we our bright animmer blossom Lov'd in death, sweet Willie Bell.

# The Cradle away up in the Garret.

## BY M. LOUISA CHITWOOD

It was an old fashioned little oradle. The proud daughter-in-law would scorn to have it in the nursery. Her children sleep in dainty oribs; and the relic of oldened times is pushed into a laid claim not only to a good moral, but a religidarkened corner, away up in the garret It is ous character, was visiting in a large town on a quiet autumnal day; such days are full of the Hudson river, about midway between New memories; and the old grandmother is thinking, York and Albany. This person owed a clergyman, thinking. She arises at length, and totters up, living in New Haven, Conn , the sum of one and up, the lofty flight of stairs; she passes hundred dollars; and one day he called at the through the elegant rooms; she gains the garret, house of another elergyman of his acquaintance and sinks down beside that unsightly cradle; and in the town first mentioned, and requested to be bows her trembling head over it, as if watching allowed the privilege of writing a letter there to the slumbers of a babe. That hittle garret, with his clerical creditor, in which the sum due that one long beam of sunlight streaming from the gentleman, was to be enclosed. Writing mahigh window; and the spider webs woven over terials were furnished, and he prepared the letthe rafters, and one cricket, singing lonesomely ter in the study of his obliging friend, and in from some silent corner, is a good place to dream | his presence. Memory is unfolding picture after picture, for the grandmother to look upon.

eastern part of the room; and a little stand, with letter in the post-office "
a Bible and hymn-book upon its white fringed. The reverend gentleman readily acceeded to his And she is sitting by the window, her foot gently | the clergyman al. the while looking on in the cradle. Never yet have his dewy; rose-bud | ways. the bees humming in the little bed of pinks, be-soon as the serious was opened low the window. She sees the shadow leaves of the letter, the Virginia creepers, playing upon the grass, in the found himself requested to "Please find one arms that oling about the rough logs. She hears the rivulet's ripple as it winds through

mossy spots, and leaves the roots of the old syca- bank-note! abre, whose shadows fall upon her roof She nears the birds singing, away off in the woods She sees, ...h! best of all, her husband coming home from his daily labor. His step is on the aill, his merry voice speaks her name and then little John"P. S. I have taken the liberty to borrow

ay is clasped to his heart. Another picture. She is a little older now -It is winter; there are drifts of snow on the eaves; as far as she can look, one unbroken mass of snow She hears the winds moan through the sycamore. The flowers are dead; the rivulet frozen: the hearth, and the cabin home warm with its and her baby smile seems sad also; her hands are lasped and thrown above her head and she smiles

and all out of doors is so beautiful. Flowers in lope were two waters, differing in color, one partly and made certain arrangements to send her to the woodland; birds in the woodland; joy-music overlapping the other, as if they had been put everywhere. Everywhere? No, there is sadness on by differerent persons at different times. in the cabin house. There is another babe in home so early

Another picture. Johnny has grown up to nearly manhood. Charlie is a stout, merry boy, mailed, the agent ascertained that it must have day of her departure, and after comparing notes, and there are others about the fire-side. The left immediately after being deposited, and the concluded there must be "something rotten in mother is a good deal older now Her hair is advanced age and excellent character of the poststreaked a little with silver; her brow furrowed; master, who made up the mail on that occasion, and her cheek very faded. There are fair daughters entirely cut off suspicion in that quarter Lizzie died. Grace, with her dazzling blue eyes, man who witnessed the mailing of the litter, and Chicago, over his own name, and at a very respectant golden hair. Mary, with sad dark eyes, like from him were obtained the facts already stated. The hour for early risers on the next (Sabbath) her dead sister. Annia mich has like the litter and the facts already stated. and sons; that have been born unto her since in a fit. A little girl apparently twelve years of her dead sister. Annie, with her lips ever dewy | Concerning the writing of the document, and its | morning, the fair Margaret was routed from her age, emerged from the crowd, raised the fallen with love and joy. Reginald, with eyes and brow deposit in the letter box in a perfect state, after sleeping apartment in the Sherman House, and so like his father's. And Louis, the youngest, the money had been enclosed, he was ready and transferred to one a trifle less commodious, in the pet and the darling. An unbroken family, willing to make oath, and had be been called that very popular hotel in Chicago, yelept the

Another picture 'She is a widow now Her beloved sleeps with little Lizzie. God knows whose heart thus beats against thorms.

Another picture. O God, have pity! The houseby sad years. No wonder the pa laied hand very dissimilar to either of those which appeared her philanthropic exertions to pickning oakum, trembles, as it clasps the craftle. No wonder tears upon the "post-boy" letter.

fall where sunny heads once nestled. No wonder

From the consideration of all these facts, I was pension tarry, where she will no doubt continue at the strang vicinsity is which had so suf- streams and through ravines, in heating flight, ideas. Trey considered themselves animals near- lady to whom was awarded the first prize for rid- the old grandmother cries out "I ather have satisfied that a gross and contemptible fraud had to keep. It ranslated me from chings first to the section and had showed in the chings first to the section of eight minds between me and camp, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance of the far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of me, far in the distance, directly in front of mercy." for she feels the need of st rength and hear ing at the "Ladies" Equestrian Exhibition" of the far in gard hear ing at the "Ladies" Equestrian Exhibition" of the beaver, and possible the mercy." for she feels the need of st rength and hear ing at the "Ladies" Equestrian Exhibition" of the State Pair, held at Elimination of the wilder of the beaver, and possible the mercy." for she feels the need of st rength and hear ing at the "Ladies" Ladies" ing at the "Ladies" Ladies and possible the state o

bus already wodded. Annie joined her fortunes tation in community was nord to one, alas! unworthy, and died far from her mother's house, of a broken bears. Regunded a place, I could ascertain whether he had lately went into the gay world—was tempted—was lest!

—and the grave of the drunkard and debanchee

been likely to have done, if it was true the charges closes over his bright head. Louis, the pet, the youngest, is winning himself a name beneath Italian skies; the beautiful life of the poetpainter is his own, and his face is inspired, almade a confidant of him to some extent, and Over the ocean do his mother's prayers often go aforesaid letter was mailed, its author offered him

garret—the to-day—the empty oradle She is denomination had been obtained, as before mealiving with Johnny, in his coully home She is | tioned, in exchange for the "small trash." The ennsidered an intruder by the daughter in law; merchant could not change it, but sent the flour, and her son—her Johnny—the first-born, whom and changed will which he supposed to be the she had watched over and cradled on her breast, same a few days afterward.

"Mother is getting to be quite troublesome; | ed to call on the adventurous deceiver of the she is growing childish."

The desolate old grandmother knows this, and longs for the grave. She has outlived all that makes ther "Insatiate archer! could not one suffice?" life attractive. God compass that weary, almost house of many measions.

#### Cheating the Clergy.

[The following extract from a forthcoming work by J Holbrook, Esq , Special Agent of the P. O Department, entitled 4 Ten Years

Among the Mail Bags, will give our readers an insight imo the way adopted by a great many people, to cheat their creditors, and lay their own rescality upon the broad back of Uncle Sam's of

"Our collection of "outside" delinquencies would be incomplete, were we to omit the following case, which was investigated by the author not long ago, and in which not a little in-genuity, of the baser sort, was displayed. It will serve as a specimen of a numerous class of cases, characterized by attempts to defraud some cer respondent, and to fasten the blame of the fraud upon some one connected with the Post-Office We could give many instances of a similar kind, did our limits permit.

A person of good standing in community, who

After he had huished writing it, he said to the clergyman, "Now, as the mails are not always, She sees a cabin home. It is in the flush of safe, I wish to be able to prove that I have actualsummer time; there are green boughs in the fire- ily sent the money. I shall therefore consider place, and around the clock, and over the mantleboard There are short, white muslin curtains, bank, where I wish to obtain a numbered dollar charge of forgery, knavery, cheatery, and humrawn partially across the windows. There are note for some small trash that I have, and bear two beds, with a bureau between, standing in the i witness that I enclose the money and deposit the

ber cupboard, with its brightly polished pewter; 2 bill of the required denomination was placed is an Irish lady. She came to Alton some six and the pine table, secured by her own hands .- in the letter, which was then sealed with a wafer, toughing that same dear little cradle; and her They then went to the post-office, (which was eyes, lifted from her sewing, now and then, to directly opposite the bank, and after calling the see if her heart's pride is coming. How deliciously attention of his companion to the letter and its an uncle, also, who had very kindly dropped off, and left her a few thousand "pages". Conse-It is her first-born, her darling Johnny, sleeping | letter box, and the two persons went their several and left her a few thousand "puns"

her breast, his dear blue eyes look lovingly into to whom it was addressed was at the post-office, her own. She is the young mother again, as | waiting for the assorting of the mails He waw a memory paints that sweet baby face. She hears letter thrown into his box, and called for it as

the sunlight, as the breeze stirs the long clasping hundred dollars," acc., with which request he would cheerfully have complied, but for one 83.70, of another 8150, of another 850—and slight our unistance, namely, the absence of the

This fact was apparently accounted for by a proscript, written in a heavy, rude hand, entirely different from that of the body of the letter,

this money, but I send the letter, so that you needn't blame the man that wrote it "

to the post master, and in his opinion, as well as that of the clergyman, a daring robbery had been the birds silent. But there is a bright fire upon committed. The latter gentleman was advised by the post master to proceed at once to New crimson light Johnny's playing with father; and York, and confer with the Special Agent, and at s baby girl, the little Lizzie, is in the cradle; the same time to lay all the facts before the Post ragile, delicate, beautiful; she has dark eyes, like Master General He did so, and it was not mother's, only they bear a sadder, softer look, long before the Agent had commenced the investigation of the supposed robbery

In addition to the proscript appended, the letn her sleep, as if the angels were whispering to ter bore other indications of having been tampered with, which at the first aight would seem almost conclusive as to the point. Upon the enve-Notwithstanding these appearances, there were

the cradle. It is robust, and the blood of health circumstances strongly conflicting with the supflows in its veins. It is Charlie. Why are they position that the letter had been robbed. The sad, then? Johnny sits with his face hidden in postscript was an unnatural affair, for no one his mother's bosom, and she is sobbing. Under guilty of opening a letter for the purpose of apthe front window is something covered with white propriating its contents, would stop to write an The neighbor women are moving noiselessly about, explanatory postscript, especially as such a course speaking but little. Lizzy is in her coffin. There would increase the chances of his own detecis an empty grave where butter cups dot the grass. tion. And in the present instance, there had Dear little Lizzie; Joy that the angels took thee been no delay of the letter to allow of such an Saturday morning accompanied by two unsus addition.

By a visit to the office where the letter was

An interview was then held with the clergyupon he would have done so in all smeerity and "tombs

honesty. how bereft she is; to Him she looked for balm; to then one sort of letter paper, he informed me he had a hearing before Justace Plantack, (where Him she prays for her dear children, and most had had but one kind in his study for several name she forged;) the roughest kind of testimony every pang, that they might be saved. Yet, how been written, showed that the latter was a total. Was presented, at an hours notice against her; often it is torn, crushed, broken by those she has by different article from the first; the shape and she was seat to Edwardsville jail, and for immesheltered in her bosom! God pity the mother design of the stamp, the size and the shade of the diste trial at this term of Court, the witnesses paper, were all unlike. Morever, the wafers used | were served with a special "come quick," to go at the bank, where the hundred-dollar note was hold altar is almost desolate. You have gone obtained and the letter containing it, sealed, were said the prospect is that Mrs. Agues will confine

Beauty, to her, was a curse, and she fied to a son in questions of rom the replice made, to aplistant land with one fascinating as a serpent, peared, as I have already stated, that his sepa-

most, by the beautiful associations about him learned that the very day after that on which the in payment for a barrel a flour, a hundred dollar Another picture—Oh no, it is two real The old note on the bank from which a bill of the like

Armed with hese irresistible facts, I proceed clergy, who had attempted to make one member of that body second his intention to chest ano

"Mr T-," said I, after some preliminary worn out heart, with His love, and take her to his conversation, "it's of no use to minoe matters. The fact is, you did not send the money in that New Haven letter. You offered it the day after you pretended to mail it, at Mr. C.'s store. You see I've found out all about it, to I hope you will not deny the truth in the matter.'

I then gave him his choice, to send the humdred dollars promptly to his New Haven correspondent, or allow me to prove in a public man-

mer, the facts in my possession.

Being thus hard pressed and finding himself cornered, he confessed that he had prepared the letter which was receeived in New Haven postscript, double wafers and all—before he left home, and that while crossing the street from the bank to the post office, he substituted this for the one he wrote in the elergyman's study! he promised to send the money, and pretended to have suffered severely in his feelings, on account of this dis-

There is no United States law providing for the punishment of such an offence, but public opinion and private conscience make nicer distictions than the law can do, and often mete out a well deserved penalty to those who slude the less aubtle ministers of justice.

In the present instance, the foregoing story was made public by direction of the Post Master General; and the author of the trick, unable to sustain the ladignation and contempt of the community in which he lived, was compelled to make a heaty retreat from that part of the country.

### A Beguiling Widow.

The Alton (Ill.) correspondent of the St. Louis Republican writes as follows concerning the operation of a bewitching widow in that

We have had considerable excitement in Alton -the cause a gay widow of thirty-five, fat and fair, and of very genteel appearance, who was bugging divers good people of Alton out of about

Let me introduce our fair heroine as Mrs a Bible and hymn-book upon its white fringed: Therewerend gentleman readily accorded to his distributed by Margaret Agnes Kenney (She always spelled cover, beneath the little looking glass. There is request, and went with him to the bank, where her cupboard, with its brightly polished newter: 1 1111 of the name of the bank, where knows at all. She represented herself as an Irish lady of education and refinement. She had letters stating that she was an neiress of £10,000, left her by her grandfather in Ireland She had quently Mrs. Margaret cut a big stiff in Alton hips murmured "mother;" but his dimpled arms The letter arrived at New Haven by due course class her neck; his velvet cheek nestles against of mail, and it so happened that the clergyman her breast his dear blue area look look looks look looks are look looks against. No. 1 Malaga raisins, by the box, for her family use, sold a particular friend a lot, to which another original owner was not aware that he had parted with his fee simple; and to grease the warantee deed, she forg d the justice signature to the acknowledgement

Of one citizen she borrowed \$700, of another goodness knows how much more will turn up.-Of one dry goods merchant she buys \$1,500 worth of goods, and she obligingly patronizes a jeweller to the tune of \$270. During this time, turthermore, the illustrious Mrs Margaret Agnes takes a view of her latter end; and in anticipation thereof proceeds to make her will, wherein eedn't blame the man that wrote it (Signed) "Post Bot" another \$300, and to bogus relations in canada the rifled document was immediately shown at and New York several hundred each, thus divesting herself of some ten or lifteen thousand dollars of her grandfather's estate on one sheet she gives to this dear friend in Alton \$1,500, to of paper. The will is now before me, and is a rich specimen of what a keen, shrewd woman can do with a blind, bat-eyed man

Besides this, Madaine Margaret Agnes had plenty of beaux, who were tremendous fond of the rich enchantress, and she borrowed their carn ngs, scrapings and hoardings to the last dime. She also endeavored to become the "Lady Bountiful" in a smail way, by making delightful presents of dress patterns and jewelry to dear friends, and she adopted one young pretty lady, clothed her, The material part of the arrangement, however, the forking over the rhino, was not consummated by her ladyship, Mrs Margaret.

Thus time sped along on his well greased axis and all went well, except that Mrs. Margaret's her up, when suddenly she received the longlooked for announcement that the money had arrived and in store at the Metropolitan Bank, New York. So the lady starts for that place last pecting friends

Two of her creditors chanced to meet on the papers before a young lawyer of Alton; he prenounced that a forgery and swindle had been ... | committed; telegraphs to personal friends at

My paper is exhausted -- my romance must tail In reply to an inquiry whether he used more off short. Mrs. Kenney was brought to Alten, or sawing upon convict's fine wooven shirts, in the

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