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ADVERTISEMENTS.

# **ADAMS COUNTY TEMPERANCE** CONVENTION.

A T the County Temperance Convention held in this place in March last, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:-

Resolved, That it is expedient that the several Temperance Societies of this County meet, by a delegation of six members from each society, ni Gettysburgh, on the First Saturday of March, annually, with a view to our mutual improvement, and that in co-operation for the promotion of Temperance, there may be concord.

Resolved, That to said Convention each Society shall report the number of members received the past year-how many (if any) have been expelled as disorderly-and how many have withdrawn with the permission of the society—and the whole number in connection with the society.

It was also left to the "Temperance Society of Gettysburgh and its vicinty" to select the place of the next meeting of the Convention. At a meeting of said Society, held on the 26th

ult, the following resolutions were passed-Resolved, That the annual meeting of the Temperance Societies of Adams County be held in the Methodist Episcopal Church, in the Borough of Gettysburgh, at 10 o'clock A. M. on

### Saturday the 4th of March next.

Resolved, That the Secretary cause notice to be given in time, so that all the Temperance Socie ties in the county may be represented in said Con-

Resolved, That the Editors of the different papers be requested to give publicity to said notice. ROBERT W. MIDDLETON, Sec'ry. Gettysburgh, January 2, 1837.

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FROM THE ALBANY EVENING JOURNAL. I'VE THROWN THE BOWL ASIDE! I've thrown the bowl aside, For me no more shall flow Its ruddy stream or sparkling tide,

How bright soc'er it glow; I've seen extending wide Its devastating sway, Seen Reason yield its power to guide,-I've cast the bowl away!

O ne'er tempt me again To drain the cup of sin; For ruin dire, disease and pain, Taint all that foams within; Neglected duties rise In fearful, sad array,

Up to its brim. I will be wise,-I've cast the bowl way! I've seen the pride of all-The wise, the good, the great-

And veil their high estate. I've seen fair woman give,-Her very charm away,-Embrace the demon vile, and live!-

Like summer leaves, all timeless fall,

I've cast the bowl away! My days of revelry O gladly I give up They're but the masks of misery, Which still Jurks in the cup;

While Indolence and Want And Poverty display Themselves in every drunkard's haunt,-I've cast the bowl away!

A drunkard's gloomy grave Shall ne'er be made for me; O rather let the rushing wave Engulph me in the sea!

And may it be my lot To die 'neath Reason's ray! Remembered by the friends or not, I've cast the bowl away!

My path henceforth is plain, In honesty to live-To shun Intemperance and its train, By Industry to thrive; No duty to forget, And live to bless the day When I was led without regret, To cast the bowl away!

THE BEPOSITORY.

## The Widow's Ordeal; OR, A JUDICIAL TRIAL BY COMBAT.

[BY WASHINGTON IRVING.] The world is daily growing old and wise. Its nstitutions vary with its years, and mark its growng wisdom; and none more so than its modes of investigating truth, and ascertaining guilt or innocence. In its nonage, when man was yet a falliand doubtful cases of atrocious accusation.

in boiling oil or walk across read-hot ploughshares, and the result was regarded as a verdict from on

and perilous ordeals; and that too, when assailed

ly competent to the management of its own concerns, and needs no special interposition of heaven in its affairs, the trial by jury has superceded those superhuman ordeals; and the unanimity of twelve discordant minds is necessary to constitute a ver-

diet. Such a unanimity would at first sight, appear also to require a miracle from heaven; but it is produced by a simple device of human ingentity. The twelve jurous are looked up in their box, there to fast until abstinence shall have so darified their intellects that the whole jurring parcel can discern the truth, and concur in a unanimous decision. One point is certain, that truth is one and is immutable-until the jurors all agree, they cannot

It is not our intention, however, to discuss this great judicial point, or to question the avowed superiority of the mode of investigating truth, adopted in this antiquated and very sagucious era. It is our object merely to exhibit to the curious reader, one of the most memorable cases of judioccurred at the bright commencement of the reign, and in the youthful, and, as yet, glorious days of Roderick the Goth; who subsequently tarnished his kingdom and his life on the banks of the Gaudalete, in that disastrous battle, which gave up Wanted to learn the above business, about Spain a conquest to the Moors. The following is

There was once upon a time, a certain duke of lomains to be one of the wisest princes that ever lived. In fact, there was not any one measure FOR Polishing Brass and other Metals that that he adopted that did not astonish all his privy require a high and durable Lustre. This counsellors and gentlemen in attendance; and he Powder will produce a Polish with less said so many witty things, and made such sen- who only slept during the day time, kept vigils sible speeches, that his high chamberlain had at the one, and gaping with wonder at the other.

This very witty and exceedingly wise potentate lived for half a century in single blessedness, when his courtiers began to think it a great pity so wiso and wealthy a prince should not have a child after his own likeness, to inherit his talents and dominions; so they urged him most respectfully to marry, deal more burdensome, or more enduringly susfor the good of his estate, and the welfare of his subjects.

four or five years, & then sending emissaries to all twenty-first of June, the longest day in the year. ed to the Spainish court, to implore the gallantry parts, he summoned to his court all the beautiful It seemed as if it would never come to an end. A of the assembled chivalry. ing a ducal crown. The court was soon crowded the sun from the windows of the palace, as he slowwith beauties of all atyles and complexions, from ly climbed the vault of heaven, and seemed still

ridden.

There was only one thing that disturbed the ordeal. conjugal felicity of this paragon of husbands; though a considerable time clapsed after his marto propitiate heaven; he made vows and pilgri- jects indistinct. Suddenly some monstrous animal mages, he fasted and he prayed, but all to no purose. The courtiers were all astonished at the circumstance. They could not account for it .sturdy brats by dozens, without putting up a prayer, the duke wore himself to skin and bone with penances and fastings, yet seemed farther off from his object than ever.

At length the worthy prince fell dangerously ill, and felt his end approaching. He looked with sorrowful eyes upon his young and tender spouse, who hung over him with tears & sobbings, "Alas!" In a little while I shall be no more, and in the arms of another husband thou will forget him who has loved thee so tenderly."

"Never! never!" cried the duchess. "Never will I cleave to another! Alas, that my lord should think me capable of such inconsistency!"

The worthy and wife-ridden duke was soothed by her assurance; for he could not endure the thoughts of giving her up even after he should be dead. Still he wished to have some pledge of her enduring constancy.

"Far be it from me, my dearest wife," said he, to control thee through a long life. A year and a day of strict fidelity will appease my troubled spi- rantry had not been able to extirpate. rit. Promise me to remain faithful to my memory for a year and a day, and I will die in peace."

The duchess made a solemn vow to that effect. The uxorious feelings of the duke were not yet satisfied. "Safe bind, safe find," thought he; so his domains, on condition of her remaining true to it appear that, within that time, she had in any wise lapsed from her fidelity, the inheritance should go to his nephew, the lord of a neighboring terri-

Having made his will, the good duke died and ble being, and doubted the accuracy of his own his uncle had died without issue, that the domain have enjoyed the happy deliverance of the duchess. intellect, appeals were made to heaven in dark would be devised to him of course. He was in a urious passion, however, when the duced, and the young widow was declared inheritor of the dukedom. As he was a violent highor to maintain his innocence in armed flight and minded man, and one of the sturdiest knights in listed field, in person or by champion. If he pass. the land, fears were entertained that he might at- of the deceased duke went about armed to the ed these ordeals unscathed, he stood acquitted, tempt to seize on the territories by force. He had however, two bachelor uncles for bosom counsellors. These were two swaggering rakehelly old It is somewhat remarkable that, in the gallant cavaliers, who, having led loose and riotous lives. age of chivalry, the gentle sex should have been prided themselves upon knowing the world, and dance into the bargain, to witness that she had most frequently the subjects of these rude trials being deeply experienced in human nature. They took their nephew aside. "Prithee man," said One futal hour remained to be accounted for-and in their more delicate and vulnerable part—their they, "be of good cheer. The duchess is a young and buxom widow. She has just buried our brother, who, God rest his soul! was somewhat too much given to praying and fasting, and keeping his protty wife always tied to his girdle. She is keep her vow? Impossible! Take our words for riors, and veterans in brawl as well as debauch She cannot hold out for such a length of time, it is not in widowhood—we know it, and that's enough.

Keep a sharp look-out upon the widow, therefore, and within the twelvemonth you watch her tripping-and then the dukedom is your own." The nephew was pleased with his counsel, and bribed several of her servants to keep a watch upon her, so that she could not take a single step,

even from one apartment of her palace to another, beautiful widow exposed to so terrible an ordeal. The duchess was aware of the watch thus kept upon her. Though confident of her own rectitude, she knew that it was not enough for a woman | contradicted. to be virtuous-she must be above the reach of slander. For the whole term of her probation,

cious combat we find in the annals of Spain. It therefore, she proclaimed a strict nonintercourse with the other sex. She had females for cabinetministers and the chamberlains, through whom she transacted all her public and private concerns; and so adroitly administered.

All males were rigorously excluded from the palace; she never went out of its precinets, and whenever she moved about its courts and gardens, she surrounded herself with a body-guard of mai-Lorraine, who was acknowledged throughout his dens of honor, commanded by dames renowned for discretion. She slep in a bed without curtains, placed in the centre of a room illuminated by innuthroughout the night, seated in the four corners his jaws dislocated from laughing with delight of the room on stools without backs or arms, and with seats cut in checkers of the hardest wood, to

keep them from dozing. Thus wisely and warily did the young duchess conduct herself for twelve long months, and slander almost bit their tongue off in despair at finding no room even for a surmise. Never was or-

The year passed away. The last, old day ar-He turned their advice over in his mind some rived, and a long, long day it was. It was the maidens in the land who were ambitious of shar- thousand times did the duchess and her ladies watch among whom he chose one in the earliest budding more slowly to roll down. They could not help and his lovely bride, beaming with all the radiant the graceless nephew and the stranger knight.— of the means of inof her charms, and acknowledged by all the gen- expressing their wonder, now and then, why the beauty of the east, were hailed with shouts and

The courtiers extolled the Duke to the skies for the end of the year, as if three hundred and sixty- nobles vied with each other in the luxury of their | hurled to the ground and slain. He will not wonmaking such a choice, and considered it another five days were not sufficient to try and task the attire, their splendid retinues and prancing steeds der that the assailants of the brawney uncles were proof of his great wisdom. "The Duke," said fidelity of any woman. It is the last grain that they, "is waxing a little too old: the damsel, on turns the scale-the last drop that overflows the the other hand, is a little too young: if one is lack- goblet—and the last moment of delay that exhausts ing in years, the other has a superabundance; thus the patience. By the time the sun sunk below the a want on one side is ballanced by an excess on horizon the duchess was in a fidget that passed all the other, and the result is a well assorted mar- bounds, and, though several hours were yet to pass before the day regularly expired, she could not have The Duke, as is often the case with wise men, remained those hours in durance to gain a royal who marry rather late, and take damsels rather crown, much less a ducal coronet. So she gave by several very ancient, withered, and gray-headed youthful to their bosoms, became dotingly fond of her orders, and her palfrey, magnificiently caparihis wife, and endulged her in all things. He was soned was brought into the court-yard of the casconsidered, and by the ladies in particular, as a tle, with palfreys for all her ladies in attendance. pattern for husbands; and, in the end, from the In this way she sallied forth just as the sun had wonderful decility with which he submitted to be gone down. It was a mission of piety-a pilgrim reined and checked, acquired the amiable and cavalcade to a convent at the foot of a neighboring enviable appellation of duke Phillibert, the wife mountain, to return thanks to the blessed Virgin for having sustained her through this fearful

The orisons performed, the duchess and her ladies returned, ambling gently along the border of riage, he still remained without any prospect of the forest. It was about that mellow hour of twi- quiring into the merits of the case; for it seemed an heir. The good duke left no means untried light when night and day are mingled and all ob- clear that so beauteous a lady could have done sprang from out of a thicket, with fearful howlings. The whole femule body guard was thrown into confusion, and fled different ways. It was some time While the meanest peasant in the country had before they recovered from their panic, and gathered once more together; but the duchess was not to be found. The greatest anxiety was felt for her afety. The hazy mist of twilight had prevented silent, charmed by the music of her voice. At ing her fame and fortune in a deadly combat to their distinguishing perfectly the animal which had length: "As I hope for salvation, most beautiful outrance; and the lady herself hinted that she was affrighted them. Some thought it a wolf, others a bear, others the wild man of the woods. For upwards of an hour did they beleaguer the forest, put lance in rest to vindicate your cause: as it is, said he, "tears are soon dried from youthful hearts: of giving up the duchess as torn to pieces and de-promise lists and a fair field, and that the contest votired, when to their great joy, they beheld her shall take place b fore the walls of Toledo, in presadvancing in the gloom supported by a stately ence of my assembled court.

> He was a stranger knight whom nobody knew. of a noble presence and captivating address. He had rescued the duchess from the very fangs of the vor in the eyes of the beautiful widow. monster, which, he assured the ladies, was neither a wolf nor a bear nor yet a wild man of the woods, peculiarly hostile to beautiful females in the days

The ladies crossed themselves when they heard of the dangers from which they had escaped, and could not enough admire the gallantry of the cavalier. The duchess would fain have prevailed on her deliverer to accompany her to her court; but he made a will, in which he bequeathed to her all he had no time to spare, being a knight-errant, who had many adventures on hand and many dishim for a year and day after his decease, but should tressed damsels and afflicted widows to rescue and relieve in various parts of the country. Taking a respectable leave, therefore, he pursued his wayfaring, and the duches and her train returned to the palice. Throughout the whole way, the ladies were unwearied in chanting the praises of the was buried. Scarcely was he in his tomb, when stranger knight; nay, many of them would willhis nephew came to take possession, thinking, as ingly have incurred the danger of the dragon to

No sooner was the adventure of the wood made public than a whirlwind was raised about the ears of the beautiful duchess. The blustering nephew teeth, with a swaggering uncle at each shoulder, ready to back him, and swore the duchess had forfeited her domain. It was in vain that she called all the saints and angels, and her ladies in attenpassed a year and a day of immaculate fidelity.in the space of one little hour sins enough may be conjured up by evil tongues, to blast the fame of a

whole life of virtue. The two graceless uncles, who had seen the world, were ever ready to bolster the matter through, now like a bird from a cage. Think you she will and, as they were brawny, broad-shouldered warit—we know mankind, and above all, womankind. they had great sway with the multitude. If any one pretended to assert the innocence of the duchess, they interrupted him with a loud ha! ha' of derision. "A pretty story, truly," would they cry, "about wolf and a dragon, and a young widow rescued in the dark by a sturdy variet, who dares not show his face in the daylight. You may tell minediately placed spies round the duchess and that to those who do not know human nature; for our parts, we know the sex, and that's enough."

If, however, the other repeated his assertion, they would suddenly knit their brows, swell, look without being observed. Never was a young and hig, and put their hands upon their swords. As few people like to fight in a cause that does not touch their own interests, the nephew and uncles were suffered to have their way, and swagger un-

The matter was at length referred to a tribunal composed of all the dignitaries of the dukedom, and many repeated consultations were held. The character of the duchess throughout the year, was as bright and spotless as the moon in a cloudless his fame at home by his misdeeds, and, finally lost it is said, that never were the affairs of dukedom to eclipse its brightness. Finding human sagacity incapable of dispelling the mystery, it was determined to leave the question to heaven; or, in other words to decide it by the ordeal of the sword -a sage tribunal in the age of chivalry. The ne- the cavalier who lost the chance returned murphew and two bully uncles were to maintain their accusation in listed combat, and six months were allowed to the duchess to provide herself with three champions, to meet them in the field. Should she merable wax tapers. Four ancient spinsters, vir- fail in this, or should her champions be vanquish- that they and their steeds were like moving mased, her honor would be considered as stained, her fidelity as forfeited, and her dukedom would go to knight to be the same that had rescued the duchthe nephew as a matter of right,

With this determination the duchess was fain to comply. Proclamations were accordingly made, and heralds sent to various parts; but day after day, week after week, and month after month elapsed without any champion appearing to assert her loyalty throughout that dark-hour. The fair widow was reduced to despair, when tidings reached her of a grand tournament to be held at Toledo, in celebration of the nuptials of Don Roderick, the last of the Gothic kings, with the Morisco Princess Exilona. As a last resort, the duchess repair-

The ancient city of Toledo was a scene of gorgeous revelry on the event of the royal nuptials. The young king, brave, ardent, and magnificent,

-and the haughty dames of the court appeared in a blaze of jewels.

In the midst of all this pageantry, the beautiful, but afflicted ducl.ess of Loraine made her approach and severe aspect, and six beautiful demoiselles, cavaliers: and her train was borne by one of the most deformed and diminutive dwarfs in existonce.

Advancing to the foot of the throne, she knelt down, and throwing up her veil, revealed a countenance so beautiful that half the courtiers present were ready to renounce their wives and mi tresses, and devote themselves to her service; but when she made known that she came in quest of champions to defend her fame every cavalier pressed forward to offer his arm and sword, without innothing but what was right: and that, at any rate, she ought to be championed in following the bent of her humors, whether right or wrong.

Encouraged by such gallant zeal, the duchess suffered herself to be raised from the ground and related the whole story of her distress. When she concluded, the king remained for some time duchess," said he, "were I not a sovereign king, and bound in duty to my kingdom, I, myself would without daring to venture in, and were on the point I here give my full permission to my knights, and

As soon as the pleasure of the king was known, there was a strife among the cavaliers present for It was impossible to distinguish his countenance the honor of the contest. It was decided by lot, in the dark; but all the ladies agreed that he was and the successful candidate were objects of great envy, for every one was ambitious of finding a fa-Missives were sent, summoning the nephew and

his own uncles to Toledo, to maintain their accuout a veritable fiery dragon, a species of monster sation, and a day was appointed for the combat. When the day arrived, all Toledo was in commoof chivalry, and which all the efforts of knight er- tion at an early hour. The lists had been prepared in the usual place, just without the walls, at the foot of the rugged rocks on which the city is built, and on that beautiful meadow along the Tagus, known by the name of the king's garden. The populace had already assembled, each one eager to secure a favorable place. The balconies were soon filled with the ladies of the court, clad in the richest attire and bands of youthful knights, splendid. ly armed and de orated with their ladies' devices, were managing their superbly caparisoned steeds about the field. The king, at length came forth in state, accompained by the queen Exilona.-They took their scats in a raised balcony, under a canopy of rich damask; and at sight of them the people rent the air with acclamation.

The nephew and his uncles now rode into the As to the latter, she rode pensively along, but said cavaliers of their own rovstering cast, great swearers and carousers, arrant swashbucklers, that went about with clanking armor and jingling spurs. When the people of Toledo beheld the vaunting and discourtsous appearance of these knights, they were more anxious than ever for the success of the gentle duchess, but at the same time the sturdy and stalwart frames of these warriors showed that whoever won the victory from them must do it at the cost of many a bitter blow.

As the nephew and his riotous crew rode in a one side of the field, the fair widow appeared at the other, with her suit of grave gray-headed cour tiers, her ancient duennas and daisy demoiselles and the little dwarf toiling along under the weight of her train. Every one made way for her as she passed, and blessed her beautiful face, and prayed for success to her cause. She took her seat in lower balcony, not far from the sovereigns; and her pale face, set off by her mourning weed, was as the moon shining forth from among the clouds

The trumpets sounded for the combat. The warriors were just entering the lists, when a stranger knight, armed in panoply, and followed by two pages and esquire, came galloping into the field, and riding up to the royal balcony, claimed the combat as a matter of right.

"In me," cried be,"behold the cavalier who had the happiness to rescue the beautiful duchess from the peril of the forest, and the misfortune to bring on her this grievous calumny. It was but recent ly in the course of my arrantry, that tidings of her wrongs have reached my cars, and I have urged hither at all speed, to stand forth in her vindica.

No sooner did the duchess hear the accents o the knight, than she recognized his voice, and joined her prayers with his that he might enter the lists. The difficulty was to determine which of the three companions already appointed should night; one fatal hour of darkness alone intervened | yield his place, each insisting on the honor of the combat. The stranger knight would have settled the point by taking the whole contest on himself; but this the other knights would not permit. It was at length determined as before, by lot, and muring and disconsolate.

The trumpets again sounded-the lists were opened. The arrogant nephew and his two draw. cans uncles appeared so completely cased in steel. ses of iron. When they understood the stronger ess from her peril, they greeted him with most boisterous derision.

"O ho, sir knight of the dragoons!" said they: you who pretend to champion fair widows in the dark, come on, and vindicate your deeds of darkness in the open day."

The only rely of the cavalier was to put lance in rest, and brace himself for the encounter.

The sagacious reader, deeply read in this kind their more favored brethren! themen to be unparalelled for grace and loveliness. duke should have tagged this supernumery day to acclamations whenever they appeared. Their to horse, in mid career, and in that Sir Graceles, ny Journal. He sees their concussion, man to man, and horse struction for the DEAF and DUMB. - Alba

less successful in their rude encounter; but he will picture to himself the stout stranger spurring to their rescue in the very critical moment, he will see him transfixing one with his lance and cleaving to the throne. She was dressed in black, and the other to the chine with a back stroke of his closely veiled: four duennas of the most staid sword, thus leaving the trio of accusers dead upon the field, and establishing the immaculate fidelity formed her female attendants. She was guarded of the duchess, and her title to the dukedom, be youd the shadow of a doubt.

The air rang with acclamations; nothing was heard but praises of the beauty and virtue of the duchess, and of the prowess of the stranger knight; but the public joy was still more increased when the champion raised his visor, and revealed the countenance of the bravest cavaliers in Spain, renowned for his gallantry in the service of the sex, who had long been absent in quest of similar ad-

That worthy knight, however, was severely wounded in the battle, and remained for a long time ill of his wounds. The lovely duchess, grateful for having twice owed her protection to his arm, attended him daily during his illness. A tender passion grew up between them, and she finally rewarded his gallantry by giving him her hand.

The king would fain have had the knight establish his title to such high advancement by farther deeds of arms; but his courtiers declared that he had already merited the lady, by thus vindicatperfectly satisfied of his prowess in arms, from the proofs she received in his achievement.

Their nuptials were celebrated with great magnificence. The present husband of the duchess, did not pray and fast like his predecessor. Phillibert, the wife-ridden; yet he found greater favor . in the eyes of heaven, for their union was blessed with a numerous progeny; the daughters chaste and beauteous as their mother; the sons as stout and valiant as their sire, and all renowned, like him. for relieving disconsolate damsels and desolate

An Expeniment.—Every one can try the experiment lately mentioned by the author of Light and Vision; and, as it is a very curious one, and simple, we advise all those who would "dissipate dullness and give them a shove," to try it. "The thoughts cannot change unless the eye-ball moves," says this writer, if, therefore, we wish to recall any object, such as an apple, a child, a tree, or a river, we cannot, even in thought, look from the one to the other, as the eye would in reality when these objects were present, without the visible change in the eye.

If the eye-ball be held by the thumbs and finger perfectly quiet for a few seconds at a time, we find that we cannot recall to our thoughts the image of any thing, however ready the will may be to assist us. For example, let any one recall to his memory a tree full of fruit, and then press his finger against the ball of the eye, near the nose, and whilst the eye thus for a moment is left still, no imagine of the tree and fruit can be presented field, armed cap-apie, and followed by a train of to the mind. If we would revive in the mind the relative position and appearance of houses along in a row, as they are joined in a street, we shall find that the eye-ball is obliged to move just as it would if we were actually looking at them.

> The rationale of these phenomena, hitherto unobserved, appear to be, according to the author of this interesting work, that internal portions of the optic nerve must move or our thoughts cannot move, or that the motion of external organs is requisite for the contemplation internally of any one external object. When there is no eye-ball the optic never must move with every conception of external objects. This, though unnoticed by the writer, may, we think, appear very obvious by observing the eye-balls of the blind during mental operations and particularly when recalling ideas certain external things .- N. Y. Sun.

Modest Assurance.-A Scotch thief having been proved in the Glassgow police court, lately, to have stolen a herring barrel from a man in Stockwell street, the principal accuser proceeded to address the magistrate thus:-"Decd, sir, Baillie, the man at the bar is a great rogue. The stealing of the barrel is naething to some of his tricks,-He stole my sign-brod last week, and what does your honour think he did wi't?" Magistrate-"That would be hard for me to say," Witness-"Well, Sir, I'll tell ye. He brought it into my ain Shop, wi' my ain name on't, and offered to sell me't as he said, he thought it would be o' mair use to me than ony body else."

Undervable Reasons for the Choice of a Husband.—"What in the world could you see in Lord A. to marry him?"

"Why I saw a house in town," said the pretty Marchioness, "a box at the opera, and a lover in perspective!"

A stranger having entered the apartment, where the emperor Napoleon was shaving himself, when in a little town in Italy, he said, "I want to see your great Emperor-what are you to him?" The Emperor replied "I shave him!"

"I do not approve of shades in painting," said Queen Elizabeth to Daniel Myers. "You must strike off my likeness without shadows."

N. B .-- Her Majesty, when she spoke thus, was near sixty, and the "shadows," as she humanely called them, were wrinkles, big enough to roll Dutch cheeses in.

A New Editorial Era. - "The Radii," a new paper, inviting an exchange, was laid on our table this morning. In opening this sheet, we were really surprised to find that its Editor and Proprietor is DEAF and DUMB! We shall not attempt to describe the emotions which this incident excited. Such a Needless it is to relate the particulars of a battle triumph of philanthropy and education over which was like so many hundred combats that the severest inflictions of Providence, fills have been said and sung in prose and verse. Who the heart with gladness and gratitude,is there but must first have foreseen the event of a Here we see one of a class whom, bereft of contest, where heaven had to decide in the guilt two senses, were but a few years since shenor innocence of the most beautiful and immaculate doned to hopeless ignorance and neglect, now raised to an intellectual equality with