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WHAT SHALL THE END OF THESE THINGS BE? his own affairs, never inquired into them.

WHEN another life is added To the heaving turbid mass: When another breath of being Stains creation's tarnished glass; When the first cry, weak and pitcous, Heralds long-enduring pain, And a soul from non-existence Springs, that ne'er can dye again; When the mother's passionate welcome Sorrow-like bursts forth in tears, And the sire's self-gratulation Prophesics of future years-It is well we cannot see, What the end shall be.

When across the infant features Trembles the faint dawn of mind; When the heart looks from the windows Of the eyes that were so blind ; When the incoherent murmurs Sylable each swaddled thought, To the fond car of affection, With a boundless promise fraught, Kindling great hopes for to-morrow From that dull uncertain ray, As by glimmering of the twilight Is foreshown the perfect day-It is well we cannot see

What the end shall be. When the boy upon the threshold Of his all comprising home Parts aside the arm maternal That enlocks him ere he roam; When the canvass of his vessel Flutters to the favoring gales, Years of solitary exile Hid behind its sunny sails; When his pulses beat with ardor, And his sinews stretch for toil, And a hundred bold emprises Lure him to that eastern soil-

It is well we cannot see What the end shall be. When the youth beside the maiden Looks into her credulous eyes; When the heart upon the surface Shines too happy to be wise; He by speeches less than gestures Hinteth what her hopes expound, Laying out the waste hereafter Like enchanted garden ground; He may palter-so do many : She may suffer-so must all; Both may yet, world-disappointed, This lost hour of love recall-It is well we cannot see

What the end shall be. When the altar of religion Greets the expectant bridal pair When the vow that lasts till dying Vibrates on the sacred air : When man's lavish protestations Doubt of after-change defy, Comforting the frailer spirit Bound his servitor for ave; When beneath love's silver moonbeams Many rocks in shadow sleep Undiscovered till possession Shows the danger of the deep-

It is well we cannot see

What the end shall be, Whatsoever is beginning That is wrought by human skill, Every daring emanation Of the mind's ambitious will: Every first impulse of passion, Gush of love, or twinge of hate; Every launch upon the waters, Wide horizoned by our fate: Every venture in the chances Of life's sad, oft desperate game, Whatsoever be our motive, Whatsoever be our aim-It is well we cannot see If hot the end shall be.

MISCELLANY.

RELIGIOUS GRATITUDE.

There is not, says Addison, a more ward satisfaction that the duty is sufficient- the Cross. ly rewarded by the performance, It is not like the practice of many other virtues difficult and painful, but attended with so much pleasure that were there no positive command which enjoined it, nor any recompense laid up for it hereafter, a generous mind would indulge in it for the natural gratification that accompanies it,

If gratitude is due from man to man, The Supreme Being does not only confer upon us those bounties which proceed, more immediately from his hand, but even those benefits which are conveyed to us by others. Every blessing we enjoy, by what means soever it may be derived, is the gift of Him who is the great Author of good and Father of Mercies.

If gratitude, when exerted towards one another, naturally produces a very pleasing sensation in the mind of grateful man, it exalts the soul into a rapture when it is employed on this great object of gratitude, respective languages, on this beneficent Being, who has given us every thing we already possess, and from whom we expect every thing we yet hope

Narrow circumstances are the most powtwo for its final smiles.

swered, "a benefit received."

A man may be very zealous for some appendages of relicion, while extremely languid about religion A Good Wife.

A good story, under this head, is going We mean to keep a corner of our paper set, like the rounds, shorn of its most important a boy's rabit-snare in the woods, for entrapping features, the sequel to which is appended. poetry. Beautiful things are being written and travagant style, was in the habit of giving being lost, continually, and what a wild-wood his wife, every Monday morning, a certain world it is, where such lines as the following can sum of money, for the table and other be found in a poper without the writer's name! household expenses of the week. He never mentioned his business to his wife, and slie, deeming him capable of attending to

> About five years after their marriage, through some mismanagement, and the rascality of his confidential clerk, Mr. suddenly broke, and his failure was menlike all such matters, there all sympathy ended. The merchant kept the affair seit, was a newspaper paragraph in the Ledger. Shortly after dinner was over, on the discovery of the startling fact, Mrs. --- requested her husband to remain in the parlour a few moments, as she had something to say to him. She then left the room, hurried up stairs, and shortly after said:--

"George, the day after our marriage, you your love, and a rich fountain to look to in the day of trouble. Its passages have been precious to me, and, as your brow looks sad to me, I return it to you, that you may glean from it some consolation in this hour of gloom." She then left the room.

Ther merchant oppened the book carelessly, and a bank bill fell out. He picked it up and glanced at its face-it was a \$10 bill. He opened at the first page, and long been the companion of her walk, that continued to find an X between every two leaves, till he arrived at the commencement of the book of Revelations. He was saved-could commence business, and had a capital of nine thousand dollars to begin

He rang a bell-a servant appeared. "Request your mistress to come to me immediately," said the merchant.

The lady obeyed, entering the room with something between a tear and a smile. all this money?"

"This is the weekly savings of our household expenses for the last five years," was the modest reply. "Every week I put ten of the twenty dollars which you ing on the threshold of life? Secure a analogy with the character of that extraorgave me into Bible bank, that, when the moral character. This is the basis of suc- dinary man. day of trouble campe upon us, we should cess and true greatness. Without virtue have something to save us from the wolf." you cannot be respected: without integri-

delighted husband, clasping her to his heart. honor. You are poor, perhaps. No mat-And she is. Does any one doubt it !

lustration of the wondarful character of the ing? Of what use is he to the world?-Bible, and the facility with which even a You must make yourself. The richest child may answer by it the greatest of man in Maine was born of poor parents, questions, and solve the sublimest of mys- and earned by hard work the first dollar he formed, which, literally translated in the teries, was perhaps never given, than at an ever owned. The wealthiest man in Masexamination of a deaf and dumb institution sachusetts was born in North Yarmouth, some years ago in London. A little boy a small town in Maine, of equally humble was asked in writing, who made the origin. See to it, then, that you start fair. world?" He took the chalk and wrote underneath the words-"In the beginning. God created the heavens and the earth." The elergyman then inquired in a similar ven not then, unless something is to be manner, "Why did Jesus Christ come ing gained, either of interest to yourself, or for to the world?" A smile of delight and the person concerned. Tattling is a mean gratitude rested on the countenance of the and wicked practice, and he who indulges little fellow as he wrote-"This is a faith- in it, grows more fond of it in proportion ful saying, worthy of all acceptation, that as he is successful. If you have no good Jesus Christ came into the world to save to say of your neighbor, never reproach sinners." A third was then proposed, ev. his character by telling that which is false. idently adapted to call his most powerful He who tells you the faults of others, infeelings into exercise. "Why were you tends to tell others of your faults, and so the born deaf and dumb, when I can hear and speak ?" "Never," says an eye witness, "shall I forget the look of resignation which sat upon his countenance, as he took the pleasing exercise of the mind than grati- chalk and wrote-"Even so. Father, for it tude, It is accompanied with such an in- seemed good in thy sight,"-Bunner of

A Wond to Boys .- The "Learned Blacksmith" says-Boys, did you ever think that this great world, with all its wealth and woe, with all its mines and mountains, seas and rivers, with all its shipping and steamboats, railroads and magnetic telegraphs, with all its millions of darkly groping men, and all the science how much more from man to his Maker? and progress of ages, will soon be given over to the hands of the Boys of the present age-Boys like you, assembled in school-rooms, or playing without them on lippe has an immense private fortune; the so young; whilst others to be so young, both sides of the Atlantie? Believe it, nation allows him £500,000 per annum, must still look old? The cause lies very look abroad on your inheritances, and get besides £40,000 for the Count de Paris, frequently within themselves. Mr. Rant ready to enter upon its possession. The and a large allowance for the Duchess d' Kings, Presidents, Governors, Statesmen, Orleans. He has 13 or 14 magnificent Philosophers, Ministers, Teachers, Men palaces at his disposal, besides Neuilly of the future, are all Boys, whose feet, like yours, cannot reach the floor, when scated private property. He is entitled to all the circulation; my simple diet prevents indion the benches upon which they are learning to master the monosylables of their

ORIENTAL LEGEND .- "Every man," an Eastern legend says, "has two angels; one upon his right shoulder, and one upon his left. When he does anything good, the angel on the right shoulder writes it down niece. erful stimulants to mental expansion; and and seals it; because what is once well the early frowns of fortune the best securi- done, is done forever. When he does evil, the angel upon his left shoulder writes it down but does not seal it. He waits A Trush .- Aristotle being asked what till midnight. If before that time the man thing was the soonest out of memory, and cows down his blead and exclaims, 'Gracious Allah !- I have sinned !- forgive age, at Georgetown, Ky., committed to tal and myself, did not quit him for an in- were released on the 10th of June, except me!' the angel rubs it out; but if not, at memory accurately the whole New Testa- stant.' midnight he seals it, and the angel upon mant in six weeks, at the same time atthe right weeps.

la under her arm, might any morning be cent number of the Norwich Courter .seen wending her way to the old city grave The editor says it was communicated by and holding the many "estrays" of genius that Mr. ——, a merchant, now residing in ramble about in the shape of unowned or fugitive Philadelphia, who formerly lived in an expectation of the most intelligent gentlemen gentle peared to be a daily duty, and rain or shine | Connecticut, now upwards of 80 years of fail. From one who knew her history, we learned that some twelve years previ- follows: ous, her only son, a promising young man, had suddenly died, and been entombed at this spot. The shock of separation inflicttime had not wholly healed, and since she ations for the defence of the country, he saw his remains consigned to the earth, her foot-steps had almost daily been direct- and other means necessary to meet the tioned "sympatizingly" on 'change, and ed towards his resting place-her hands powerful foe he had to contend with, and had plucked up the weeds which grew upon his grave, and the small stone which tacked in such condition, the cause at once crot, and the first intimation the lady had of marked the spot had been worn smooth

> she heeded it not-her old umbrella hung | England. in tatters, but, though useless, it has so it had grown into a necessary habit to bear

it along. Again we met her a few days since; dead boy's tomb, removes the weeds which is a curiosity of itself: "Kate! Kate! where did you procure gather there, and, with her handkerchief, of her departure. Surely the devotion of two Greek words, Napos and Leon, which tract of his letter in reply:

Begin Life Right .- Are you just step-"You are an angelf Kate!" cried her ty you can never rise to distinction and

ter. Poverty is oftener a blessing than a curse. Look at the young man, who is BEAUTIFUL ANECDOTE.—A happier il-, heir to half a million. What is his stand-

Never repeat a story unless you are positively certain that it is correct, and edish of news is handed from one to another, until the table becomes enormous.

BEAUTIFUL SWISS CUSTOM. -- It was for, watch the setting sun, until he had left the reached the valleys below. A solemn si- ample of heroism worthy the days of old! lence then ensued, until the last trace of It has remained for Mexico to produce a the sun disappeared, when the herdsman second Joan of Arc, but not like her, sucon the top sung out, "Good Night," which cessful. I would have given a great deal was repeated as before, until every one to have seen her ladyship, had retired to his resting place.

Louis Phillippe's Income.-Louis Philand the Chateau d' Eu, which are his own drunk. My walking keeps my blood in firewood and timber cut in the royal for gestion; and never touching ardent spirits, his accession to the throne, he has derived. it is stated, upwards of 5,000,000 sterling from this source, equal to \$25,000,000,

"You should never let young men kiss you," said a venerable uncle to his pretty

"I know it, uncle," returned she peniforgiveness, seeing that when one has been kissed there is no undoing it,"

tending to her other domestic duties.

"BROTHER JONATHAN."

About six years since, an aged widow, The origin of this term as applied poorly clad, with staff in hand and umbrel- to the United States, is given in a rescenes of the Revolution. The story is as

When General Washingington, after being appointed commander of the Army of the Revolutionary war, came to Massagreat difficulty to obtain them. If atmight be hopeless. On one occasion at by her careful efforts to keep it clean and that anixous period, a consultation of the officers and others was had, when it seemwith a species of fatality invades the sa- preparation as was necessary. His Ex- word, and in the language of a distinguishher affliction became heart-rending. The tieut, on whose judgment and aid the Genefact being made known to a wealthy and ral placed the greatest reliance, and he cognition of the sovereignty of Mexico." returned with a splendidly bound Bible in benevolent citizen, he had them removed remarked, "We must consult Brother Jon-That even such a reunion, in name only, as the subject." The General did could have lasted long no one could have to a grave yard more remote from the city's athan' on the subject." The General did could have lasted long, no one could have hum, and to this spot her walks were di- so, and the Governor was successful in believed. I know that the Mexicans themgave me this precious book as a token of rected. A few years more passed, and supplying many of the wants of the army, selves had no such idea. Santa Anna had we again met her in her walks. Time When difficulties afterwards arose, and boasted so much of reconquering the counappeared to have worked a rapid change the army was spread over the country, it try, which he found himself unable even less vigorous, but her devotion for the spot still applied to a portion, but "Brother Jon to dictate the terms of even this nominal where rested the bones of her boy unaba- athan" has now become a designation of reannexation, which must have been of veted; and though the way was more weary the whole country, as John Bull has, of ry short duration, and would, in the mean-

WHAT'S IN A NAME!

in a NAME than has generally been conher step has become more feeble and slow, reded by savans. Indeed, we never could her head is bowed to earth, as though believe in the dogma, that a rose by any the United States had not been spoken of selooking for that resting place which is near other name would smell as sweet." The riously, nor, so far as I knew, thought pracat hand; the sometimes shelter and then following which we recently found in rum-ticable by any one. I wrote to Maverick, companion of her walks—the old umbrel- aging a multifarious collection of old-newsla-has fallen to pieces and been laid aside, paper volumes, not only clearly demonbut yet the widowed mother totters to her strates that there is much in a name, but it

"A French paper, Le Journal due Loiwipes the dust from the mournful record re!, says Napoleon's name is composed of a mother is undying .- St. Louis Reveille. signifies the Lion of the Desert. The letters of the same name ingeniously combined

> 1. Napoleon. 6. Apoleon,

3. Oleon. 4. Leon.

5. Eon.

2. On. By striking off the first letter of this word, and pursuing the same couse with each following word, six Greek words are Napoleon, being the Lion of the people, became a destroyer of cities.

A WOMAN IN THE FIELD.

A Monterey correspondent of the Spirit of the Times says, it is generally believed, that a company of Mexican lancers, at the late battle, was commanded by a woman named Dos Amados. The writer says: Seized with a patriotic spirit, she unsex-

ed herself and dressed in a full suit of a captain of lancers; she desired to be led against the foe, and swore that she would never yield until the "Northern barbarians" were driven from her natal land, or until she had shed the last drop of blood in defence of her native country. Previous to our attack, she was paraded before the troops, and greatly excited and augmerly the usage of the Swiss peasantry to mented their courage. She harrangued tham and desired to be posted at that spot valleys and was sinking behind the ever where the first shot should fall, and where snow-clad mountains, when the mountain- the thickest of the battle should wage. It cers would seize their horns, and sing is reported that on the 21st she led the through the instrument, "Praise the Lord." charge of lancers which proved fatal to This was caught up from Alp to Alp by the some of our command—among the numdescendants of Tell, and repeated until it ber, the lamented Field. There's an ex-

How to Look Young .- How is it that some men thought to be so old, still look once, on being asked the reason, said-

"I never ride when I can walk: I never eat but one dish at dinner; and never get ests, which are of immense extent. Since my liver never fears being eaten up alive.' But he forgot to add one of the greatest causes of all of lasting youth, "a kind, unenvious heart." Envy can dig as deeply in a human face as time itself.

FEARFUL ODDS .- Corvisart, a French physician of some celebrity, during the latter portion of the last century, was once la- duty, and that he could not think of asking tently, "and yet I try to cultivate a spirit of menting in company, the premature death any reward for it; neither would be have of Dr. Backer.

"It was not, at all events, for want of Miss Louisa West, a girl 15 years of the last days of his illness, we, Halle, Por- left them in captivity. All the prisoners

Noble Conduct of Texans.

lively interest:

Amongst the prisoners taken at San and with a young and interesting family. He was a man of fiery and impatient temper, and chafed, under his confinement, like a chained tiger. A good deal had ed a blow upon the mother's reason which chusetts to organize it, and make prepar- Mexico, and negotiations were about being entered into to that end, I knew that as. found a great destitution of ammunition Mexico only desired to save, in some degree, the point of honor, and that almost any terms would be conceded to; such as that Texas should have her own laws, religion, &c., that no Mexican troops shouldbe quartered in Texas; the Texans to their own revenue and other officers, pay The progress of improvement, which ed no way could be devised to make such only a nominal amount to Mexico; in one ered precincts of the grave, threatened to cellency, Jonathan Trumbull, the elder, ed member of the Mexican Cabinet, in disturb the ashes of the widow's son, and was then Governor of the State of Connection with me on the subject, "actual independence, with a mere nominal rein her appearance; her form was more became a by-word, "He must consult to attempt, that I have strong reasons to bent, her eyes more sunken, and her steps brother Jonathan." The term Yankee is believe he would have allowed the Texans time, have given the Texans the advan-

tage of the market of Mexico for their cot-The Maine Farmer says:—We have very soon have filled up Texas with a popever been of the opinion that there is more ulation large enough to have enabled her to have dictated terms to Mexico. This was early in 1843, when annexation to who was then confined in the castle of Perote, saying to him, that if he was in favor of such a reannexation as that, and which would have been so in name only, and would say so to me, that I had no doubt Santa Anna would release him. I give an ex-

"You say that you think that Santa Anna will release me if I say that I am in present a phrase which offers a singular favor of the reannexation of Texas to Mexico. I cannot persuade myself that such an annexation, on any terms, would be advantageous to Texas, and I therefore cannot say so, for I regard a lie as a crime, and one which I cannot commit, even to secure my release; I must therefore continue to wear my chains, galling as they

are. A man of principles less stern might, with an easy casuistry, have said, "I am dealing with an enemy who has violated the terms of my capitulation, and it is exorder designated by the figures, signify, How many are there who would not have reasoned thus? Such an act recorded by Plutarch would have added another page as bright as that which perpetuates the noble constancy and heroic virtue of Regu-

> Maverick was shortly afterwards released, as a personal favor to me, together with Mr. William E. Jones, formerly of Georgia, and Judge Hutchinson, formerly of Mississippi, where he was distinguished for great learning, and beloved by every one for his virtues. I sent them "on their way rejoicing." The residue of the prisoners taken at San Antonia, thirty-six in number, were those of whom I have before spoken as being released by General Santa Anna in so handsome a manner, at the time I was leaving Mexico.

hunting estray mules and horses, discover-turers hurt the farmers. ed a Mexican in the grass. One of the found that he was a Mexican, but had no idea of the value of their prize. They determined, however, to take him to the Texan camp, some ten miles distant, and made him mount behind one of them, while the other walked. When they approached the Texan camp the Mexican prisoners exclaimed, "El Presidente, El General Santa Anna," This was immediately after the massacre of the Alamo and Goliad, and the first impulse of the Texans | Shocking ! was to put him to death. Colonel Cooke, however, rallied the guard and saved the life of Santa Anna.

After Colonel Cooke was released from imprisonment in Mexico, with all his companions, he remained a few days at my house, and when, in answer to my inquiries, he narrated these facts, I asked him why he had not communicated these things to me before, and stated my belief that Santa Anna would have liberated him instantly. His reply was that in saving the life of Santa Anna he had done no more than his accepted his own discharge without that of all his men; that he would not under medical aid that he died," said he, "for in any circumstances have been released and Colonel Navarro, to whose nicce Colonel "Alas!" interrupted the Abbe Sieyes, Cooke was then engaged, and has since "what could be do against three of you?" been married. He could not speak of Na-

The following instances of heroic virtue, as re lated by General Thomson, will be read with

varro without emotion. I asked if I might inform Santa Anna that he was the officer who saved his life after the battle of San Jacinto, and that he took a very deep interest in the fate of Navarro. This he Antonia in Texas by Gen. Wool, in the could not resist. He was willing to do for fall of 1843, was a Mr. Samuel A. Mave- a friend what he would not do for himself. I she performed the sad pilgrimage without age, who was an active participator in the rick, a gentleman of very large fortune, mentioned the facts to an aide-de-camp of Santa Anna, who promised me that he would communicate them to him. But probably he never did so. All my efforts in favor of Navarro were fruitless, He, been said about a reannexation of Texas to however, made his escape from the castle of St. Juan de Ulloa, and returned to Tex:

> Amongst the prisoners of Meir, there were two of the name of Reese, Charles and William, the latter a boy of about sixteen. On his arrival in Mexico, I applied to Santa Anna and obtained his release.-A few days afterwards he called to see me, make their own revenue laws, appoint and said-"My brother Charles is engaged to be married; and, besides this, I know that he would be much more useful to my father and mother than I would, and I should like, sir, to take his place as a prisoner, and let him go home." In this ie was not acting a part : he spoke under deep excitement and with a glistening eye, and I do not know that his was the only moist eye in the room. I could protract these pages indefinitely in narrating similar acts. From the time of my arrival in Mexico until I left the country, there was rarely a month that it was not my good fortune to obtain the discharge of some of the prisoners, and I fully realized the truth of the lines of the greatest of poets:-

"The quality of mercy is not strained, It droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven Upon the place beneath. It is twice blest :-It blesseth him that gives and him that takes.'

MAGNANIMITY.-When the Emperor Vespasian commanded a Roman senator to give his voice against the interests of his country, and threatened him with immediate death if he spoke on the other side, the Roman, conscious that the attempt to save a people was in his power, though the event ever so uncertain, answered with

"Did I ever tell you that I was immortal? My virtue is at my own dsiposal, my life at yours; do what you will, I shall do what I ought; and if I fall in the service of my country, I shall have more triumph in my death than you in all your laurels."

Coor. Sir Walter Scott tells a story of gentleman, who, irritated at some misconduct of his servant, said-

"John, either you or I must quit this house."

"Vera weel, sir," said John, "where will

your honor be ganging to?" APPOINTMENT OF GEN. SCOTT .- The Philadelphia Inquirer says that the announcement that Gen. Scott has been sent to Mexico by the Government, has been received with very hearty approbation thro'out the country. From all points, language

of congratulation is heard. It is known Gen. Scott and Gen. Taylor, and that these officers will co-operate together for the good of the country, for the triumph of the national arms, the vindication of the national honor, and the conquest of an early peace. Great confidence is felt in the ability of Gen. Scott as an officer, and with reason. He has had much experience, his bravery is unquestioned and unquestionable, and the views he gave at the commencement of the canpaign in relation to the struggle with Mexico, have been fully confirmed. Should the war continue, he will doubtless win laurels, and thus strengthen his hold upon the affection of the Amer-

Pork .- The Fincastle Whig, mentioning that Messrs. Shanks and Anderson, of Botetourt, Va. had purchased ten thou-Colonel Wm. G. Cooke, of the Santa sand weight of Pork out of a drove, says: Fe expedition, was engaged in the battle "This is but a fraction of what will be conof San Jacinto. Two or three days after sumed by this establishment, and shows the battle, two Texan boys, who were conclusively the way in which Manufac-

A Monster Potato.-Richard Sondly boys cocked his gun, and was taking aim Esq. of Newberry, raised on his plantation at him, when the other told him not to a sweet potato, measuring two feet one shoot, as the man was unarmed. They inch and a half in length, and thirteen inches and a half in circumference, at thickest part.

> "What is the chief end of man?" inquired a school teacher of a pretty Miss. "Why, I suppose, it is to pop the ques*tion,*" was the reply.

> Marriage is at all times a perilous experiment, but Foote defines it to be "bobbing for a single cel in a barrel of snakes.'

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ENIGMA.

I AM COMPOSED OF 18 LETTERS. My 11 15 3 5 15 is an island in the Mediterra 4 15 12 3 7 16 is the name of a disting-

uished American General.
16 8 4 6 is the name of a certain lady. 13 10 3 17 15 was a festival celebrated every fifth year in the island of Delos in hon-

or of Apollo. 15 3 5 10 16 is the christian name of a very celebrated Poet.

13 8 16 6 15 11 is a town in the north of England. 13 18 15 16 11 10 is an exclamation very

common among the fair portion of creation
4 12 3 18 16 was a President of the United Etutes.

7'3 13 11 15 2 13 is a character whose lot of all others, is most pitcable. My whole is an extract from Burns! Poems, to

which every suitor generally gives utterance when ho (what is vulgarly styled) "pops the question."
PHILOKOSMIOTES Pensylvania College, Dec. 12, 1840,