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He that will not reason is a bigot ; he that cannot is a fool ; he that dare not is a slave.

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BACKBONE

When you see a fellow mortal Without fixed and fearless views, Hanging on the skirts of others-Walking in their cast-off shoes, Bowing low to wealth and favor, With abject, uncovered head, Ready to retreat or waver. Willing to be turned or lead -Walk yourself with firmer bearing. Throw your moral shoulders back, Show your spine has nerve and marrow-

Just the thing which his must lack. A stronger word Was never heard Than this-backbone.

When you see a theologian Hugging close some ugly creed, Fearing to reject or question Dogmas which his priest may read Holding back all noble feeling: Choking down each manly view-Caring more for forms and symbols Than to know the good and true; Walk yourself with firmer bearing. Throw your moral shoulders back: Show your spine has nerve and marrow-

Just the thing which his must lack A stronger word Was never heard Than this-backbone.

When you see a politician Crawling through contracted holes, Begging for some fat position In the house or at the poles; With no sterling manhood in him--Nothing staple, broad or sound; Destitute of pluck or ballest: Double-sided all around: Walk yourself with firmer bearing. Throw your moral shoulders back; Show your spine has nerve and marrow-Just the thing which his must lack. A stronger word Was never heard Than this-backbone.

A modest song, and plainly told-The text is worth a mine of gold; For many men most sadly lack A noble stiffness in the back.



PHYSICIAN & SURGEON. buman race. Statistics show that had picked them out with that dis- fewel an accidentals. Befo you fall Kratzerville, Snyder Co., Pa. one woman out of every ten is read cretion which I have aiready men- in lub wid a gal who looks too sweet of Kratserville and visitinity. Aug 29,77 headed. That would give Solomon tioned. I could see it without be for anything in a red plush sacque,

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ON ACCOUNT OF THE TARIFF.

Last week the Mulkittle went out into the country to a small watering place where the water is brought in bucket up a steap hill. This place was not chosen on account of its being a watering place or because it had any reputation as an in vigorating retreat, but because the man who owns the double log house on flow into silence. the top of the rugged hill extended to Mr. Mulkittle an invitation to come out and stay a few weeks with him. Ministers of the gospel are usually kind and generous and gently lean toward accepting anything in the nature of something to eat

that you are a mind to give them. Mr. Mulkittle declared that "Rough Kock," the name of the locality was a charming place, and declared that he would like to spend on the coffe pot and passed the corn bread to young Mulkittle.

Col. Juggle is quite a politician d the not day after the minister's rival, he said :

Parson, you appear to be a mighwell posted man ; I'd like to know

at you thick of the tarriff." I've never studied the matter y closely, having devoted my time the gospel,"

But there's mighty powerful goshitched up with the tariff. at a man to be consistant in every og, and before I hear you preach like to get your opinion on the stion that is about to split the ntry."

nize the Colonel, but finally he

of a tariff, don't you !" bat's where you're off. What

be rich, eh t" meant that-"

be great manufacturies orush nen that work for 'em." are mistaken sir, I-" o, air, you mean that I ought ger, no toil, no sacrifice, to serve his Solomon needed a guardian over y three prices for a mowing ma-

ou are too fast," said the may my name, and the name. ter. warming with the subject of my posterity be blotted on that a duty ought to be im forever from the memory of man-on certain articles, not so kind.-[Webster. or attice for a large and well selected] on certain articles, not sol kind.-[Webster.

"The infernal tarriff." "Where is it ?" "You don't know anything about

climbed into the vehicle the Colonel

stood in the yard and shook his fist

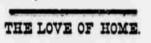
"What did you fight about?" ask-

at the crowd.

ed the boy.

it hush." "If you don't know anything about it, what made you fight ?" "Didn't I say hush !" "Yes, but I'd like to see the tariff. Is is something about the bible ?" Mr. Mulkittle gave his son such a

It won't do for even preachers to it is the subject of conversation.



It is only shallow-minded preten- omon's broom brigade had got seat- prising in him, though marvelous in ness. It was one of the grand things ders who either make distinguished ed in the ice creamery, one of the her, considering that he was sixty in the economy of God that He inorigin a matter of personal merit, or red headed wives should catch Solo and ugly. She was to be the queen serted in that famous prayer for the obscure origin a matter of personal mon winking at a strange girl at an of the reorganized establishment. reproach. Taunt and scoffing at other table. You may think Solo "Will there be a triple wedding !" the humble condition of early life mon did not know enough to wink, I inquired.

self, need not be ashamed of his ear . though Solomon in all his glory was that polygamy is not only a privil- give one who has wronged us. It is

Canada.

he Rev. Mr. Mulkittle was some at a loss. He was afraid to a venture, in that he might an-

family abode. I weep to think that Or-" think we ought to have some

dence do we want of a tariff?

benesth its roof, and, through the ing a thousand fires. Think of a ried ?" fire and blood of a seven years' rev. thousand pairs of hands in a fellow's olutionary war, shrunk from no dan- bair ! Boy, you have shown me that

> country, and to raise his children to him. He didu't have sense."-[Mila condition better than his own, waukee Sun.

> > LOOK OUT! LOOK OUT!! LOOK

Just that hundred red headed wives ignorant, hard-handed widow of for- income will afford her. Befo' you would be enough to make an ordina- ty or over, and her lot was to be am broke up over a gal who plays de ry man think that there was a land that of drudge in the admirably bal pianner, talks French, paints landthat is fairer than this Then there anced family which 1. der Measor scapes an' reads poetry, jist sit down would be, out of the other nine hun- contemplated. She was to "look an' figger who am to cook yer meat dred about three hundred blondes after the domestic economy," as he an' taters, patch yer cloze, darn yer RIEHL HOUSE

an even hundred red headed wives ing told. Emeline was a brawny, figger on how many such duds your B. F. VAN BUSKIRK,

FORGIVENESS.

We cannot, as Christian men and

daily use of His children the sen-

tence :. "Forgive us of our tres-

and the other six hundred would be expressed it. Sarah was neither a socks an' help ver make \$12 buy \$15 brunettes, and maybe he had a few handsome nor young woman, but worth of things. Befo' yer let a pa'r albinos, and bearded women, and fat some refinment was discernible, and o' flashin' eyes an' a capuin dimple women, and dwarfs Now, those he told me that she had been a captivate yer, look aroun' a little an' thousand women had appetites. de schoolma'am in Wales. She was for see if de owner has got a temper like look that the little fellow actually sires for dress and style, the same as practical use, too, his plan being to a wildcat. Marriage am a lottery Implements all women. Imagine Solomon say- make her a governess for his chil- simply bekase people take each other

ing to them, "Girls, let's all go down dren. Lottie was a blooming Lan- unsight an' unseen. discuss tarriff. No one is safe when to the ice cream saloon and have a cashire lass of twenty or so, quiet

dish of ice cream." Can you, with pretty in her coarse way, and I did your brain muddled with codfish and not ask the elder why he had chosnew potatoes, realize the scene that en her. They were evidently in love

would follow? Suppose, after Sol- with each other. That was not sur- women forget the duty of forgive-

months instead of weeks among its affect nobody in America but those or that he was not that kind of flirt, "Yes," the elder replied. "We passes against us," and yet how few carpets of moss and refreshing vines. who are foolish enough to indulge in but he must have been or he could call the ceremony a sealing, and is there are among us who really, sin Here Mrs. Juggle, wife of Col, Jug- them, and they are generally suffi- never have succeeded in marrying a performed in secret. Thereafter, I cerely cultivate the forgiving spirit ciently punished by public rebuke. thousand wives, in a sparsely settled shall hold a more approvad position as they ought. How few of us find and to disguise any spirit of dispar-A man who is not ashamed of him-argement, coughed harped harp

ly condition. It did not happen to an old masher, ond what I have seen ege, but also a duty which no saint one of the trying things in our expeme to be born in a log cabin ; but of men being bossed around with can be entirely excused from fulfill-my elder brothers and sisters were one wife, I don't envy Solomon his ing. There was some hesitation deeply and intentionly injured us born in a log cabin, raised among thousand. Why, just imagine that about sending me out as missionary and yet it is a thing we must do if

the snowdrifts of New Hampshire, at gang of wives going and ordering because I had taken but one wife, we hope to win the verdict of the Merchants' House, a period so early, that when the fall bonnets. Solomon would have and I don't suppose I should have faithful. This is a virtue which mu t smoke first rose from its rude chim- to be a king, or a Vanderbilt to stand received the appointment if I had be taught from the cradle by parney, and curled over the frozen hills, it. Ma wears five dollar silk stock- not given assurance of my intention ents, teachers, friends ; that must be there was no similar evidence of a ings, and pa kicks awfully when the to bring back two or more wives." taught by precept and example, by

white man's habitation between it bill comes in. Imagine Solomon "Then your church does more the home, the pulpit and the press. and the settlements on the rivers of putting up a few thousand pair of than to merely contenance polyga- Emerson gave a glorious tribute to silk stockings. How would you like my ?" I said. a great man when be said his beaut

Its remains still exist, I make to to have a thousand red headed wives "To be sure." was the reply, "the was as great as the world, but there it an annual visit. I carry my chil- come into the store this minute and examples of the patriarchs are all was no room in it to hold the memdren to it, to teach them the hard- tell you they wanted you to send that way, and there stands the in- ory of a wrong. The Pagan idea ships endured by the generations carriages around to the house at 3 junction of St. Paul: 'A bishop, was that it was weakness to forgive: which have gone before them. I o'clock so they could go for a drive t then, must be blameless, the hus- but the language of civilization as love to dwell on the tender recol- Or how would you like to have a hir- band of one wife." well as Christianity is that it is one

lections, the kindred ties, the early ed girl come rushing in and tell you "I should take that to mean that of the noblest traits of man to foraffections, and the touching narra- to send up six hundred doctors, be- more than one wife wouldn't do for give. Pope said that "to err is hutives and incidents which mingle cause six hundred of your wives had a bishop in Paul's days." man ; to forgive, divine."

with all I know of this primitive been taken with cholera morbus? 'You make a common mistake, sir. Paul enjoined bishops to take at To die in order to avoid the pains none of those who inhabited it are "O, don't mention it," said the least one wife, and we believe that of poverty, love, or anything that is

now smong the living ; and if ever grocery man, with a shudder. "I they had several. We also know, disagreeable, is not the part of a I am ashamed of it, or if ever I fail wouldn't take Solomon's place, and by divine revelation to us. that a brave man, but of a coward ; for it to grind down the poor to build in affectionate veneration of him who be the natural protector of a thou- mau's chances for salvation are is a cowardice to shun the trials and reared it, and defended it against sand wives if anybody would give greatly increased by the increasing crosses of life, not undergoing death savage violence and destruction, me the earth. Think of getting up number of his wives. A bachelor is because it is honorable, but to avoid

h. you mean that you want to cherished all the domestic virtues on a cold winter morning and build- sure of damnation. Are you mar- evil. Many men are mere warehouses

Hope rises and falls by the acci. full of merchandise-the heart, the dent of war, as the mercury of the bead, are stuffed with goods. There thermometer changes by the acci- are apartments in their souls which Lewistown, Penn'a dent of heat and cold. Let us rath. once tenanted by love, and taste and

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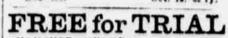
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