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### DEPREDATING HEN.

of all the things in nature that afflict the sons of men, There is nothing that I know of beats the depredating heu; If you see a wild-eyed woman firing

brickbats from the shed, You can bet a hen has busted up little flower bed.

she plunders and she scratches, she cackles and she hatches, And forty thousand cowboys couldn't keep her in a pen;

She was sent on earth to fret to exceriate the lettuce; She's a thoro' going nuisance, is the depredating hen.

I threw a brick and missed her, she hustled out my beans, But Julius Caser's statue was smash-

ed to smithereens; I saw her digging rifle pits where I'd put my pansies in, I fired a good-sized rock and my hired man on the shin. She bursts all bounds and shackles,

she gigles and she cackles, She makes me say some earnest things I haven't time to pen. I never used bad language, but now I'm filled with language. Alas! I've broke the record thro' that depredating hen.

But now thro' out my cabinet there floats a pleasant smell,

my cabbage bed a wreck, leaught that depredating hen and

flereely wrung her neck; Thear her fizz and crackle, no more On April 17th, 1883, a law was pass- ever had. she'il scratch and cackle,

like some hyena's den, She far too long has bossed me, she far too much has cost me,

leat at luncheon time today a hundred dollar hen. -From the Khan.

### Editorial Correspondence. AMONG THE BUCKEYS

THE OHIO LIQUOR TAX-ITS RESEM BLANCE TO THE PENNSYLVANIA 'HIGH LICENSE"-ITS ORIGIN AND ADVANTAGES.

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n has been and now is how ed A case was immeditely brought is himself held for the amount. with it. Ohio has been vir and taken to the Supreme Court and nothing. In this county, ed to remedy the evil and bring into ot, in 1882 they had forty sa- their treasury the means of support-The amount of taxes collect- ing a class of paupers they were inat time was on an averege strumental in making. The German n \$3.00 each. That is they Republicans like the "Prodigal Son" w that had been standing on dence, for, after declaring the law state books for 50 or more unconstitutional they refused to reying: "No liquor shall be turn the money to them. e drank on the premises in The people having a taste of the

te and no license shall be benefits of a law to regulate and tax for the same." When a the saloon business, and that in the o witness could be found saloons in the State to less than once ald swear that he had drank half and from the balance collected stronger than water and no a tax sufficient to enable towns and ld be found who would con- cities to increase their police force hen their apparently had and at better pay, to maintain their ase made, it always resulted municipal corporations, besides forgreement of the jury and nishing a certain amount, about onewas left to settle the costs. fourth, to the support of the county e assessor came to list their poor. Corporations and townships for taxation they usually were enabled to reduce their levies jog of whiskey,akeg of beer, just in proportion to the amount x, deck of cards, a few emp- collected from the saloons then runand glasses, which consti- ning. This law also had a "Local eir stock in trade. Yet he Option" clause, giving towns and hat keg of beer in the morn- corporations the privilege, by vote. xty cents and by evening he whether or not they wanted saloons t for three dollars, making to remain in their midst, and numerper cent in .one day. The one were the towns that took advanhe would buy another keg tage of and adopted measures to that

Their almshouses were filled with had set it aside they were compelled paupers, schools had to be support. to defend what they afterwards aced. State, county, township and mu- knowledged "a bad action," The ELMA GRIFFIN AWARENED IN HER being down the gloonly darkness of nicipal expenses had to be paid and result was the election of the Repubthe man who made his little six per lican ticket by a bandsome majority, cent. per annum bad to do it. Well thereby vindicating the "Scott" law there seemed to be an unjust dis- before the people; also electing a sged 19 years, 4 months and 6 days.' Presently I heard my mother's crimination and the people set about majority of the Supreme Court The words were engraved upon a voice, and I knew that she was to remedy it, and the manner of Judges. Soon after the meeting of silver plate, but there was no coffic speaking to my cousin Mary, who which we now wish to show and the the Legislature, which was again under them Mrs. Purroy, an el- was staying in the house with us effect it has produced. In 1851 an Republican, Mr. Dow introduced derly lady, visiting friends living on . Poor Elma, she said. I was so amendment to the Constitution was a bill similar to the "Scott" bill with Clinton avenue, Alameda but whose sure that God would space her to me, voted upon, also in 1874, to license slight modifications in that there home is in Brooklyn, N. Y., looked she struggled through that dread the liquor business and allow the was no clause requiring the written with an air of mingled pride and ful illness only to die in her sleep legislature to fix by law the amount consent of the owner of the premises reverence upon the carving, for her at last. It is very hard, Marie. they should be taxed and the certain in which the business of selling in- name was once Elma Griffin that I have often wondered since that as funds to which said taxes should be toxicating liquors is carried on. It was made to hold her remains. applied. In both attempts the was passed by a strict party vote. amendments were defeated. In the Again it was tried on its constitu- said, my mother invited a party of ning flash that they thought I was former by a vote of 113.237 against tionality and declared good. The acquaintances to our house to coles dead and had gut me into my coffin. and 104 255 for it, the majority bea law provides that one-fourth of the hit ing 8,982. In 1874 the vote stood tax collected shall go to the county 179.538 against and 172.252 for Ha poor fand, and the remaining threecense, the adverse majority being fourth to the town or corporation for little soft and boggy. One of my 7,286. In each case the liquor men the maintenance of its police and friends remembered this as she was and the Pronibitionists joined hands, other necessary expenses. each putting into the fight all their In the town of Nevada, before the might and means to defeat the mea- law was passed there were eight

sure. The Prohibitionists claimed places where intoxicating liquors that a license legalized the business, were sold, now four remain and they and as they said, made it respectable, collect for town improvements from The saloon men said we dont want these \$600.00 yearly. Fe-day you And the reason for that perfume isn't any license, for license costs money will hardly find a man outside of the and why should we pay out our saloons and the most radical Probi-For when I rose this morning, saw money when we can sell it namo- bitionist who has ought to say lested under the present law. So it against the "Dow" law. All unite in was and so it remained until 1883, saying that it is the best law they

ed called after its founder the While it does not entirely prohibit Ormske my summer garden look "Scott" law, taxing the liquor busi- the sale, as the Prohibitionits say ness each \$200.00, where whiskey they want, it does keep out of busiand beer was both sold. \$100.00 was the little "jugidogeries." those where they sold beer only. The who by a jog of whiskey, a keg of next year this was the leading fea- beer and get some out of the way ture in the campaign; the Republi- place and "start a saloon." We say cans defending, while the Democrats it shuts them up and concentrates and Prohibitionists opened their the business to the more business broadsides against it. The Demo portions of a town, where the police crats succeeded in making the Ger- can look after them. If there is such man Republicans believe that the a thing as making a salcon respectalaw was calculated to deprive them ble, we must say that since this law of their personal liberties, and with bas been in effect a more responsithe support of every saloon in the ble, respectable | set of men have State. With the assistance of their taken hold of the business.

At I promised a discuss allies, the Probibitionists, they suc- Under the provisions of the law Ohio Liquor Tax. I have ceeded in defeating the Republican they have to pay semi-annually in adared to do so and berewith ticket and electing a majority of the vance, and should they quit business the results of my investiga- Supreme Court Judges. The Dem- at any time they are paid back pro stating that the people of ocrats promised the saloon element rata of time paid. Should they reave been wres ling with the that should they succeed the "Scott" fuse to pay at the stated time it is n of this evil for many years law would be declared unconstitu- the duty of the County Treasurer to seen the "thorn" in the side tional and they would get back their proceed immediately and at once politicians of all parties. All money already paid under the law. take possession and close up the ledge it to be an evil and the A promise they only partially folfill- place. If he fails to do his duty, he

The law has become so popular free liquor State ever since on October 28, 1884, it was declared that you will notice the Democrats, mittance as a State. I say unconstitutional. But by this time the mortal enemies of the bill, make y free, for the tax collected a reaction had taken place in the no mention in their State Platform e business in the ordinary sentiment of the people. They be- this year-unquestionably for the ent of taxes amounted to gan to see that the law was calculat- reason that "a burnt child hates fire."

## She Found a Man at Last

Burglar: 'I tell you it's awful l less than \$120.00 a year. came back when they saw they were the way things are in New England. same time with their forty sa- being used only for the purpose of Twenty or thirty women to every things passed from me. I fancy He saw at once that life was not exwho had the ten cents, they power, and the saloons lost confi- 1 noticed a lot of the finest dia- but not of matters around me. I s brought up for violating short time it was in force, 18 months. She would be so to that she wouldn't weeks of oblivion, to see my mother that silver coffinplate for ten times you know.'

'Yes.'

thing she did was to look under the what he was talking about, bed, and there she saw me.'

·Did she scream or faint ?' 'She just grabbed me with both hands and held on like grim death."

'Eh! How did you get away ?' 'I explained to ber that I was already married and she let me go.'-Omaha World.

## Origin of Uncle Sam-

"Uncle Sam" as applied to the United States Government, was doubtless suggested at first by the initials etime 10 to 20 kegs would effect. As we said the people be-war of 1812. Samuel Wilson, a gov said nothing about them work of the world is not done by men ; and the same thing re- came dissatisfied with the decision ernment inspector of beef and pork at ay after day, year after year of the Supreme Court, for it was Troy, N. Y., was inspecting a quantit cent. on each day's invest- looked upon as a decision for parti- ty of provisions purchased from El only paid into the county zan purposes, and it again entered bert Anderson. The barrels were less than \$3.00 taxes per the political field in 1885 with powny other legitimate business er and effect by the Republican parital stock would run up ty. It was the leading issue of the known as "Uncle Sam" had a lot of be capital invested in a year ley was out for re-election. The was repeated until the initials U. S. dit a paying business and Republicans pushed the "Scott" law came by common consent to stand for to the front, and as the Demograts "Unale Sam."

SAVED BY A KISS

"Elma Griffin, died April 15, 1849. to ?" I thought.

it was then, and the ground was a about to start for her home with her brother, and she langhingly congrats ulated me on being housed already and having no occasion to brave the swamp. I was a wild young girl in those days, and I declared at once that I would go with them and re-

dissuade me except the girl's brother. We started, and when we reached my friend's house I was conscious that my feet were quite wet, and that a disagreeable chill had crept tion to go in and went away at once, I forgot the cold and damp as I waiked home.'

I think we must have talked a loug time as we stood on my .uncle's doorsteps, for suddenly Rob-my escord, I mean-said : 'Elma, your face is very pale. Have I kept you standing here too long ?' He talked to me for ten minutes after that, and then wished me good night and left me. I rang the bell, and when my mother opened the door I told her what I might have known an hour sooner, if I had given it a but very business-like tones, when she came to tell me the following morning she looked very anx-I could hear the doctor tell my mother I had typhoid fever, and that he could not hold out much hope for my recovery. I knew that my mother was weeping, but I was always a selfish girl, and I could only cry out : Robert ! Robert ! Where is Robert 7 and they told me. hardly thinking that I heard them. that Robert had been suddenly called upon to start for California early that morning, and had not even heard of my illness. He sent a let-

it until many weeks later. 'I grew rapidly worse, and gradmonds you ever saw on a Boston was in another state of being, in girl just going out of the house to a which the person acting and speakside. The doctor said the crisis was Examiner, past and I should probably recover, But when she came in the first but I did not feel any interest in

The quiet days of convalescence said nothing about them.

seemed to me a natur I sleep and lay pre requisite of endurance. with my eyes closed listening to sounds that I could not at first interpret; but slowly the knowledge gives employment to 200 girls. The came to me that my mother was compelled to put on their was beaten by George Hoadley two knowing what the latter initials ask her why she was grieving, but I the full amount of their years before, was renominated by the meant, a facetious workmen suggest- could not move or speak. The trance week. should they make six per Republicans by acclamation. Hoad, ed that they stood for Uncle Sam, was upon me. I was sensitive, however, and knew that I was lying up- being turned out daily in Allentown, the comfortable mattress of my bed | countries.

I could feel, too, very little covering over me, and despite my eyelids the room could be detected. 'Where in the world have they carried me

I did not really die of horror at that "On my nineteenth birthday,' she moment, as I realized like a lightbrate the day We lived some dis- They were going to bury me! I tauce outside of Williamsburgh, as strove hard to speak, but the sphinx was not more dumb than I. I tried to stir, but the rock of Gibralian might have moved as easily. 'Must my life be smothered out in a grave for want of a little speech or action

" 'It is hard indeed, dear aunt's replied Mary, but His will be done You must arouse yourself. The uns | 13. dertaker will close the coffin in a turn alone. Everybody tried to few minutes Do you think Robert -Mr. Parroy-will be here?"

" 'I hardly think so now,' answers ed my mother waarily. Something must have happened to delay him. He was to have arrived at bome yesover me, but I declined an invita- terday, but he did not come, and 1 postponed the burial until to-day course, Rob-the brother, I He had not heard of her death, mean-came with me, and somehow Poor fellow! The news will nearly kill him. There is one person in the world, I think, who 'oved poor Elma as dearly as 1 did'

'Oh Robert, Robert, I cried with a silent voice, come quickly. If you look at me you will know 1 am not

'I heard a knock at the bedroom Was it Robert? No, it was only the

undertaker. 'May 1 close it now ladies ! be neked, in professionally mournful

harried me to bed immediately, and heart was beating, and even I hardly knew it as the undertaker spoke. A ious. By noon I was delirious, but that it throubbed loudly enough for every one to hear it, for somebody rang the door bell, and I knew as well that it was Robert as though my eyes could have looked through brick and wood and mortar to see him standing ontside. Softly and quietly be entered the room ; gravely and calmiy he asked my mother and cousin to leave him for a few minutes alone with his dead. closed the door after they had gore out, and, stooping over the coffin, joints, abscesses, thickening gently kissed me. Then be started ter to me however, but I did not see I heard the quick nervous movement and I knew that I was saved,

'He hastily called my mother, and naily the knowledge of all outward the doctor was quickly summened. man. I had a narrow escape once. that I had a certain consciousness; tinet, though he had been just as positive four days earlier that 1 was quite dead.

'My husband declares that an old lecture or something and 1 watched ing-always strangely speaking-woman may say it now-that 1 my chance and got in and hid under was myself, and yet not myself. blushed and smiled when he kissed ber bed. You see, I was thinkin' Then came an utter blank, from me. At all events I lived to marry she would be so interested in the which I awoke, after nearly three him, and he would not part with think to look around for burglars, and the doctor standing by my bed- its weight in gold. - San Francisco

## Vegetarian Brag-

"The Roman soldiers," says the followed, and the doctor, seeing that Scientific American, "who built such was very weak, regarded me se- a wonderful road and carried a riously, and warned my mother that weight of armor and luggage that a relapse should be carefully guard- lived on coarse brown bread and sour would crush the average farm hand, ed against. I used at that time, wine. They were temperate in diet too, to fall into curious physical con- and regular and constant in exercise. ditions that I suppose were trances, The Spanish peasant works every day in which I knew all that was going and dances half the night, yet eaton around me but from which I did only his black bread, onion and not seem to care to arouse myself by watermelon. The Smyrna portet eats only fruit and some olives, yet he moveing or speaking These periods walks off with his load of 100 pounds. lasted longer and longer, but they The coolie feeds on rice, is more acwere not observed, and as they were tive and can endure more than the work of the world is not done by men who eat the greatest quantity. One morning I awoke from what Moderation in diet seems to be the

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housands and tens of thou- campaign. Hon. J. B. Foracre, who workmen handling the barrels. Not sobting beside my bed. I tried to A stick of timber 71 feet long, 18 by 18 inches, was drawn from Blossburg to the Full Brook bridge one day last

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