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Sing a song of greenbacks, A pocket full of trash, Over head and ears in debt, And out of ready cash; Heaps of tax collectors, As busy as a bee; Aint we in a pretty fix With gold at fifty three.

Abe in the White House Proclamations printing; Meade on the Rapiadan Afraid to do the fighting; Seward in the Cabinet. Surrounded by his spies: Halleck with the telegraph Busy forging lies;

Chase in the Treasury Making worthless notes; Curtin at Harrisburg Making shoddy coats;

Gillmore at Charleston Lost in a fog; Forney under Abe's chair Barking like a dog:

Schenck down at Baltimore Doing dirty work ; Butler at Norfolk As savage as a Turk ; Sprague in Rhode Island Eating apple sass; Everett at Gettysburg Talking like an ass;

Banks out in Texas Trying to cut a figure; Beecher in Brooklyn Howling for the nigger; Lots of Abolitionists Kicking up a yell, In comes Parson Brownlow And sends all to hell;

Burnside at Knoxville In a kind of fix : Dahlgreen at Sumter Pounding at the bricks: Grant at Chattanooga Trying Bragg to thrash;

Is it any wonder

# THE FIRST AND LAST QUAR-

The Union's gone to smash?

"If I am his wife, I am not his slave! said young Mrs. Huntly, indignantly. "It was more than he dared to do a month

ant or medicing. But her excellent on way." said Mrs. Carlisle

"Am I to be his slave, aunt ?" and the vonne wife drew herself up, while her eves

"No Esther, you are his wife."

"To be loved, and not commanded !-That is the difference, and he has got to

learn it." Were Edward to see you now, do you think your words and expression would in-

spire him with any new affection for you?" "I have nothing to do with that, I only express a just indignation, and that is a right I did not alienate when I consented to be come his wife."

"You are a silly girl, Esther," said Mrs. Carlisle, "and I am afraid you will pay dear for your folly. If you understood the duties and responsibilities of your position, and felt the true force of your marriage vows, you would seek to bend into better forms the crooked branches of your husband's hereditary temper, rather than commit an irrepara ble injury by roughly breaking them. I was not pleased with Edward's manner of speaking; but I must admit that he had provocation-that you were first, and therefore most to blame."

"I objected to him going to the operabecause I particularly wanted to see Ann Lewis to night; when I make up my mind to anything, I do not like to be turned from my purpose."

"Edward resembles you rather to much in that respect. Therefore there must be disposition to yielding on one side or the other, or unhappiness will follow. Hithertoas far as I have been able to see, the yielding has all been on the part of Edward, who has given up to you in every thing. And now, when he shows that he has a will of his own, you become very indignant, and talk about being his slave.

"It is to bad for you to speak so, aunt !-You never think that I do anything right."

And Esther burst into tears. Meantime, Edward Huntly, the husband, was at the opera, listening to but not enjoying the beauties of Norma. It was only a month since he had led to the altar his beautiful bride, and felt himself the happiest man in the world. Before marriage he had thought only how he should please Esther. The difference of his wishes to hers was felt as no sacrifice. But after the hymenial contract had been ratified, his feelings began gradually to change. What he had yielded in kindness was virtually demanded as a right, and against this, the moment it was perceived, his spirit rose in rebellion. In not altogether obliterated !" reatment without success, considers it his sacred duy to communicate to his afflicted fellow creatures the means of cure. Hence, on the receipt of an addressed anyclope, he will send (free) a convolute rescription used. Direct to fir John M. Dannell, vored, much more than he liked, of imperit be used. Calcined Pisster of seenst would spage the estic purpose.

Norma had just been brought out, and re-

Not in the least doubting, however, that Esther would be pleased to go to the opera, as she had more than once expressed a wish to see and hoar Norma, he secured tickets and considered the matter settled.

"We are going to see Norma to-night," said Huntley, in a gay voice, with a broad smile on his face, as he sat down beside Esther and took her hand.

"We are ?" said, chilled the warm feelings of the young man. "I am at least," he said, in a changed

voice. "And I am not," as promptly and much more decidedly, replied Esther.

"Oh, yes, you are." This was said with a suddenly assumed, half playful yet earnest rising abruptly, he retired from the house. manner. "I have bought tickets, and we will go to night."

ed Esther. "I wish to go somewhere else another, with rapid steps, and this was conto-night."

"But as I have the tickets now, you will go, of course. To-morrow night will do as his teeth firmly, and muttered audibly: "No well for a visit."

"I wish to make it to night."

"Esther, you are unreasonable." Huntley knit his brow and compressed his

"We are quite even then 1 believe I am your wife, not your slave in command." There was something so cutting in the bear it. Without a word he arose, and taking his hat, he left the house. In a fever of excitement he walked the street for an hour what he did, went to the opera. But the music was discord in his ears, and he left

before the performance was half over. from the room where she was sitting, with ler aunt, moving erect and with a firm step. called for a bed. Mrs. Carlisle did not see her for two hours. supposed, she was btterly repenting what in her room for the purpose of consoling her,

When the fit of weeping with which Estable of the received the received the reproof her aunt felt called claimed Esther as the clock struck one. should use caution, and not mistake a shrew apon to give had subsided, Mrs. Carlisle said "He cannot have the city defens dealing the subsided of the subside

in a solemn and most impressive manner: prove the saddest event of your whole life the saddest event of your whole life the pulpit is midnight, Esther, you cannot find clergyman, having declared from the pulpit No matter whose fault, the consequences him now, was a second Jesus that follow may be alike disastrous to the "But I must see him before he leaves me, Christ," a Democratic meeting unanimously and may follow with you. Oh! the consequences of a first quarrel ! Who can antici-

The voice of Mrs. Carlisle trembled, and then she sunk with a sob. Her manner

more than her words startled Esther "What do you mean, aunt ?" she said. But her aunt was too much disturbed to

speak for some minutes. "Esther," she said at length, speaking in a voice that still trembled, "I know a girl who, at your age, married an excellent but proud young man-like Edward, the lover yielded, too, and when, as the husband, he began to be a little less considerate and to act as if he had a will of his own, his wife set herself against him just as you have against Edward. This chafted him, although he strove to conceal his feelings. But in an un guarded moment, when his wife was more than usually self willed, a quarrel of no more serious a character than the one that has occurred this evening between you and Edward.

parted, and-" The aunt was unable for some time to control her voice sufficiently to finish the sen-

" And never met again !" she at length said, with such visible emotions as betrayed more

than she had a wish to reveal. "Never met again!" ejaculated Esther, sulden fear trembling through her heart and causing her cheek to grow pale.

"Days passed, but no word came from the unhappy wanderer from home and love. A week, but still all was silence and mystery. At the end of that time, a letter was received from a neighboring city which brought inteligence to his friends that he was there, and lying dangerously ill. By the next conveyance his almost frantic wife started for the purpose of joining him. Alas! she was too late. When she stood beside the bed upon which he lay, she looked upon the inanimate form of her husband. Death had been there before her. Esther! thirty years have passed since then, but the anguish I felt when I my husband, in that terrible hour, time has one of the sofas! A wild cry, that

ceived unprecedented favor. The newspa- huskily, while she grasped the arm of her had taken at the hotel, satisfied Huntley

annt.

would never return, the wife was in an ago-From that time Esther began to listen anx- It was the first and last quarrel. The tone and look with which this was jously for her, husband's return, but hour after hour went by and she was a tearful watcher.

"I shall go mad if I sit here any longer,' murmured Huntley to himself as the music came rushing on his agitated soul, in a wild tempest, toward the middle of the opera, and

How still appeared the half-deserted streets? Coldly the night air fell upon him. "The least you could have done was to but the fever in his veins was unabated. He ask me before you bought the tickets," repli- walked, first up one street, and then down tinued for several hours. Then the thought! of going home crossed his mind. But he set To be defied, and charged with being a tyrant? No! And has it come to this so soon?"

The more Huntley brooded, in his unhap py mood, over his wife's words and conduct, and denser and more wildly refracting became the medium through which he saw. His oride continually excited his mind, and threw way this was said that Huntley could not a thick veil over all the gentle emotions of other day met a woman twenty one years old

in front of the United States Hotel, his mind fifteen years old, and in nine months after John Hay, has been sent to re-organize the and a half, and then, scarcely raffecting upon made up to desert the young creature, who, was the mother of three live healthy children. state politically .- World. will in apposition to his. To leave the city | er of triplets again two boys and a girl; then under an assumed name, by the earliest lines, after a pause of eighteen months she pre-The moment Esther heard the street door and go he knew not, and cared not where, sented her husband with another round of close upon her husband, she arose and went | Blind passion was a prompter and guide. In | triplets, two boys and a girl. Her husband this feverish state he entered the hotel and lost his life at the battle of Stone River

Eleven, twelve o'clock came, and found

I will find him, and confess all my folly be-"What has occurred this evening may fore it is too late."

early for a sundering of the sacred bonds until morning it will be too late." and I lesotted, I nat Mr. riske has made that that have united you? And yet, even this Mrs. Carlisle bent her eyes to the floor, nothing herein contained is intened to slanmay follow. It has followed with others and for the space of a minute remained in deep thought. She then said in a calm

> "But where will you go, my child ?" Mrs. Carlisle added in a sad voice. "Where-Where shall I go eagerly in-

> quired Mrs. Huntley. "Esther, I cannot believe that Edward will desert on so slight a provocation. For a few hours, his mind may be blinded with passion, and be swayed by false judgment. But morning will find him cooler and more reflective. He will see his error, and repent of any mad act he may have contemplated. Still to guard the worst consequences should this salutary change not take place, I think it would be best for you to go early to the boat, and by meeting him prevent a step which might cost you each a life of wretchedness."

"I will do it! He shall not go away. O! if I could once more meet him all would be reconciled on the instant,"

Confident in her own mind that Edward took place. They parted in anger as you had determined to go away from the city in the morning, and fully resolved upon what she would do, Esther threw herself upon the bed; and in snatches of uneasy slumber passed the remainder of that dreadful night. At day dawn she woke up making preparations for going to the boat to intercept her hus-

"Be self-possessed, my dear niece," urged Mrs. Carlisle, in a voice that trembled so she could scarcely speak.

Esther tried to reply, but though her lips and tougue moved, there was no utterance. Turning away just as the sun threw its first ray into her chamber window, she went restrain herself, covered her face with her hands and wept.

On the day before, Esther had laid her gloves on one of the parlor mantles, and she went to get them. It was so dark she could stood and looked upon the cold, dead face of start. There lay her husband, asleep on a mighty poor President.

"Dear aunt! is this all true ?" she asked, An hour's reflection alone in the room he pers were filled with its praises, and the relative.

"Heaven knows it is to true, my child.— the aid of the night key he entered silently the aid of the night key he entered silently the very time his wife resolved to seek "Oh! if Edward should never return!" at the very time his wife resolved to seek Esther said, clasping her hands together. | him in the morning, and throwing himself on She had scarce hoard the last words of her a sofa in the parlor to think on what he and neighborood, in an expedition which, should next do, thought himself to sleep.

Once possessed with the idea that he All was of course reconciled. With tears of joy and contrition, Esther acknowledges ny of fear. No suggestion made by her aunt the error-she had committed, Huntly had in the least relieved her mind. One thought bis own of blame in his impatient temper, -one fear-absorbed everything else. Thus and thus he was also ready to confess the passed the evening until ten o'clock came .- dreadful suspicion that had crossed her mind

# Miscellaneous.

LEAP YEAR .- The year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty four is bissextile or leap year. It is so called because it leaps over a day more than a common year; thus, in common years there are 365 days-in leap year 366. It is said that during this year more bachelors commit matrimony than in any of the other three, and for this several reasons have been assigned .-Caring nothing about reasons, we hope the ball may commence rolling early in the year, and continue until thousand shall be able to say, in the language of Shakspere:

"She is my own : And I as rich, in having such a jewel, As twenty seas, if all their sands were pearl, The waters nectur, and the rocks pure gold.

An editor of a paper in Cairo, the who was the mother of eleven children. She At one o'clock he found himself standing was a refugee from Tennessee, married when in a moment of thoughtlessness, had set her In the next twelve months she was the moth-

How TO MAKE A PARADISE-Buy one acre The tea bell rang, but she did not come Mrs. Huntley in a wild state of agitation .- of ground. Fence it. Build a neat cottage down from her chamber, where, as her aunt Edward had not returned. The silence and on it. Marry an angel in hoops, and take her evident distress of Mrs. Carlisle struck down home to the cottage yourself. Abstain from she had done. In this, however, she was the heart of Esther almost as her own fears, all viliainous drinks. Join the church, and mistaken, as was proved when, on joining her The too vivid recollection of one terrible become a good Christian, live uprightly before event in her life unbalanced the aunt's mind; God and man, and you will have gained all the conversation with which our story opens and took away all power to sustain her the original happiness that has survived the

> solutely essential to the per ain safety SEVERE ON THE PREACHER .-- A Minnesota

happiness of both. Are you prepared thus perhaps forever to it will kill me. If I wait Resolved, That Mr. Fiske has made himder the original ass by intimating that Mr. Fiske is a lineal descendant.

> as I selate a college in the selection of the selection of Fun is the most consevative element of society, and cught to be cherished and encouraged by all lawful means. People never plot mischief when they are merry. Laughter is an enemy to malice, a foe to scandal, and a friend to every virtue. It promotes good temper, enlivens the heart and brightens the intellect Let us laugh when we can. To initial but ottemater absen w

It is said to be satisfactorily demonstrated that every time a wife scolds her husband, she adds a wrinkle to her face! It is thought the announcement of this fact wil, have a wholesome effect, especially as it is understood that every time a wife smiles on her husband, it will remove one of the old wrinkles !som , vied wyseve abadil aid

By the new Draft law, those enrolled before being 45 years of age, but coming to that age before the draft; may have their names struck from the roll by satisfactory proof of the fact to the Board. Those coming to be 20 before the draft, are to be

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CORRUPTION .- The Albany Statesman (Abolition) says "every branch of government seems to be reeking with corruption, and what is still worse" that praying hypocrites are preaching against exposing these rrscalities, lest it may 'hnrt the war."

Punch says :- "Mrs. Partington wants to know why the Americans cannot imitate the down stairs, and her aunt no longer able to French in the last move as in everything else. Why not submit the quarrel to arbitration? She is sure Mr. Lincoln is arbitrary enough for anything."

Prentice of the Louisville Journal not see, and therefore opened a window, and says: "Those clergymen are certainly cena sound between a sigh and a groan fell np- surable who refuse to pray for Mr. Lincoln. on her ear, and caused her to turn with a We are taught to pray for the poor, and he is

stood with her pale lips parted, and him, she threw her arms about cheek blanched to an ashy whiteness, bent position.

The Florida Disaster.

The public are already in possession of the main facts connected with the recent grievous disaster to the Union arms in Florida. A thousand poor fellows have been needlessly butchered, most of them from our own city had it succeeded, would have done nothing toward ending the war, and which was set on foot avowedly for political and not for military purposes. It would be easy, under the circumstances, to comment in an indignant strain upon the folly and crime of this waste of blood and treasure : but we prefer to state a few facts which should be kept before the country.

1. The expedition against Florida was exclusively the work of ABRAHAM LINCOLN. It was undertaken not only against the advice but without the knowledge of General HAL-LECK and the Secretary of War.

2. It is universally conceded by military men of all parties that Florida has no strategic value whatever. That the army sent to fight in or occupy the state is an army wasted, as much so as if it was sunk in the sea.

3. A thousand men-more or less-have been killed or maimed to effect some object which is not the overthrow of the armed rebellion. And if the conquest of that state is perserved in it will be at the cost of many thousands of fruitlessly butchered Union soldiers.

4. The administration papers admit that the object of the occupation of the state was a political one, to restore it nominally to the Union before the rebellion was over thrown.

These circumstances should be borne in mind, together with the significant facts that Mr. Lincoln is avowedly a candidate for reelection, and that his own private secretary,

A REBEL VIEW OF NORTHERN DEMOCRAcy-The Richmond Dispatch, speaking of the Democracy of the North, gives additional confirmation to a fact that has often been alluded to, namely, that the Black Republicans and the rebels are working together for the same end, the destruction of the American Union.

The Dispatch says:

"There was was one period of the war more danger from its seductive tongue than the brawling and bitter mouths of Lincoln and his Cabinet. Even now we would much rather have Lincoln for the President of the United states than the candidate of the con. servative Democracy. Lincoln seems to have been raised up, as was George the Third, to render a restoration of colonies to their tvrants impossible."

It begins to be conceded that the position of the Democracy is right and that its policy alone can restore the Union .- The Abolitionists are as much the enemies of the Constitution and the Union, as the confederates themselves. If the latter desire ever so much for a peace based upon state rights, the most formidale enemies would be found in the Abolition camp.—This is the class of men who call Democrats traitors.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF COMMON SCHOOLS .- The report of the State Superintendent of Common Schools, for the year ending June 4, 1863, is out. The report contains much valuable general and statistical information upon the condition and progress of the school system. The number of common schools in the State, exclusive of Philadelphia city, is 12.161, an increase on the last year of 171. The whole attendance of pupils is 634,499, an increase of 19,412. Average attendance of pupils-397,922, an increase of 9,659. Average length of school term, 5 months, 14 days .--Average cost of each pupil per month 50 cents, an increase of 1 cent. Number of teachers, 14,442-increase 62. Total cost of tuition, \$1,498,040, -increase \$130,859,-Total cost of the system, \$2,284,099-increase \$56,934. These facts are encouraging to the friends of a school system. Notwithstanding the war, the average attendance has been larger, the average per cent, upon the whole number in attendance one-half percent, greater than last year. There were 717 less male teachers, and 779 more female. teachers in 1863 than the year previousowing to the war.

BRADFORD COUNTY .- The Democrats of this benighted region held a County Convention at Towarda on the 2d of February. It was organized by the appointment of Carlton H. Campbell, President, Sidney Hayden and Wm. Coolbaugh Vice Presidents, and Delos. Rockwell and Samuel C. Nagle, Secretaries. George H. Stevens and E. T. Elliott were appointed Representative delegate to the next State Convention. Col. John F. Means Senatorial delegate, and Beecher Morgan and J Dewitt conferees to select a Senatorial Dele-

The Convention was addressed by Col. Piolette, C. L. Ward, F. Smith, W. Piatt. and E. T. Elliott, Esqs. We learn that the Convention was one of the most enthusiastic held in Bradford for many years, and that