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#### Miscellany. Selected

#### NAPOLEON'S THREE WARNINGS

The celebrated Fouche, Duke of Otranto, was retained for a time, it is well known, in the service of the Bour. bons, after their resoration to the throne of France. He retired to the town of Aix, in Provence, and there lived in affluent ease upon the gains of his long and busy career. Curiosity attracted many visitors around this rcmarkable man, and he was habitually free in communicating his reminisconces of the great events which it had deen his lot to witness. On one occa. sion the company assembled in his saloon heard from his lips the following

By degrees as Napoleon assumed the power and authority of a King, everything about him, even in the days of the consulate, began to wear a courtlike appearance. All the old monarchial habitudes were revived one by one. Among the other revivals of this kind, the custom of attending mass previous to the hour of audience was restored, and Bonaparte himself was punctual in appearance at the chapel of St. Cloud on such occasions.

At one particular time the punctuality of Bonaparte in his attendance on mass was rather distressing to his wife. The quick and jealous Josephine had dis. covered that the eyes of her husband was too much directed to a window in the gallery, where there regularly appeared the form and face of a young girl of uncommon beauty. The chestnut tresses, the brilliant eyes, and graceful figure of this personage, caused more uneasiness to the consul's wife, as the stranger's glances were bent no less often upon Bonaparte than his were upon her.

"Who is that young girl?" said Jose. phine one day, at the close of the service; " what can she seek from the First Consul? I observed her drop a billet just down at his feet. He picked it up ; I saw him."

No one could tell Josephine who the object of her notice precisely was, though there were some who declared her to be an emigrant lately returned, tice done !" and one who was probably desirous of the intervention of the First Consul in favor of her family.

With such guesses as these the consul's wife was obliged to rest satisfied for thetime.

After the audience of the same day a drive in the park, and accordingly went out, accompanied by his wife, his brother Joseph, Generals Duroc and Cambaceres and Hortense Beauharnois, wife of Louis Bonaparte.

The King of Prussia had just presen. ted Napoleon with a suberb set of horses, four in number, and these were harnessed to an open chariot for the party. The Consul took it into his head to drive in person, and mounted into the coachman's place. The chariot set off, but just as it was turning into at the gate, and the First Consul was thrown to the ground. He attempted to rise, but again fell prostrate in a stunned or insensible condi ion. Meanwhile, the horses sprang forward with the churiot, and were only stopped when Duroc, at the rick of his life, threw himself out in a swooning state. The rest of the party quickly returned to the First Consul and carried him back to his apartments. On recovering his senses fully, the first thing which he did was to put his hand into his pocket and pull out the slip of paper dropped at his feet in the chapel. Leaning over his shoulder Josephine read these words: " Do not drive out in your ear. riage today."

This can have no allusion to our late accident." said Bonaparte. " No one could foresee that I was to play the part of a coachman to-day, or that I should be awkward enough to drive against a stone. Go, Duroc, and examine the

Duroc obeyed. Soon after he return. ed, very pale, and took the first Consul aside.

" Citizen Consul," said he, " had you not struck the stone, and stopped our drive, we had all been lost."

" How," was the reply. " There was in the carriage, concealed behind the back seat, a bomb, -a massive bomb, and with a slow match attached to it-kindled! Things had been so arranged that in a quarter of an hour we should have been scattered among the trees in the Park of St. Cloud. There must be sometreach ery close at hand. Fouche must be told of this-Dubois must be warned."

" Not a word, then," replied Bona. parte. " The knowledge of one plot but engenders a second. Let Josephine remain ignorant of the danger she has escaped. Hortense, Joseph, Camba. ceres, tell none of them; and let the Government journals say not a word about my fail."

The First Consul was then silent for discovering her.

some time. At length he said : Duroc, her abode and her circumstances. It

"I have, Citizen Consul." "Come, then, let us drive in the park," said Bonaparte. The drive was resumed; but on this the field of Waterloo. occasion the coachman was allowed to

fulfil his own duties. figure of the young girl. She was not there. The impatient First Consul, with to those around, and a smile was on the noyed at her non appearance, and small well kiss to the imperial eagle. At this

was the 3d of the month, which the a paper at that moment, " read ! read ! riage to go to the opera, accompanied by his aid ec-camp Lauriston, and Generals Lannes and Berthier. The vehicle wrapped in a black mantle, rushed out upon the Place Carousel, made her way

paper crying : "Citizen Consul!read, read!" Bonaparte, with that smile which Bourrienne described as so irresistible, saluted the petitioner, and stretched out his hand for the missive.

" A petition, madame ?" said he in. quiringly, and then continued, " Fear | ments in the air nothing ; I shall present it, and see jus-

"Citizen Consul!" cried the woman imploringly, joining her hands.

What she would have said was lost. The coachman, who it was afterwords said was intoxicated, gave the lash to his horses, and they sprung with After the audience of the same day the speed of lightning. Napoleon, throwing into his hat the paper he had the Emperor then stepping into the boat, received, remarked to his companions : which waited to take him to the vessel. them respectable, and the morals re-" I could not well see her figure, but

I think the poor woman is young.' The carriage dsahed rapidly along : it was just isssuing from the street of St. Nicholas, when a frightful detonation was heard mingling with and followed by a crash of broken windows. The in. fernal machine had exploded.

Uninjured, the carriage of the Consul and its inmate; were whirled with undiminished rapidity to the opera. Bonaparte entered his box with serene brow the park, it went crash against a stone and unruffled deportment. He saluted as usual, the assembled spectators, to whom the news of the explosion came with all the speed which rumor exercises on such occasions.

All were stunned and stupefied Bonaparte alone was perfectly calm. He stood with crossed arm, listening ats tentively to the oratorio of Haydn, which was executed on that evening.

Suddenly he rem m'ered the paper put in his hands. He took it out, and read these lines :

" In the name of Heaven, Citizen Consul do not go to the opera to-night; if you do go, pass not through the street St. Nicholas."

The warning came in some respects,

too late. On reading these words, the First Consul chanced to raise his eyes. Exactly opposite to him, in a box in the third tier, sat the young girl of the chapel of St. Cloud, and with joined hands, seemed to utter prayers of gratitude for the escape which had taken place. Her head had no covering but her flowing and beautiful chestnut hair, and her person was wrapped in a dark mantle, which the Consul recognized as identical with that worn by the woman who had delivered the paper to him at the carriage door. "Go," said Bonaparte, quietly but quickly, to Launes, "go, to the box directly opposite to us on the third tier, You will find a young girl in a dark mantle. Bring her to the Tuilleries; I must see her ; " and without raising his eyes, but to make Lannes certain of the person, he took the general's arm, and said pointing upwards, " See there-look ! "

Bonaparte stopped suddenly. The girl was gone; no black mautle was to se seer. Annoyed at this beyond measure, he hurriedly sent off Lannes to boxkeeper had seen such an individual, but knew nothing about her. Honsparte applied to Fouche and Dubois; but all

Years ran on after the explosion of you come to morrow to mass in the the infernal machine, and the strange Chapel, and examine with attention a accompanying circumstances tended to young girl whom I shall point out to make the occurence more remarkable you. She will occupy the fourth win- in the eyes of Bonaparte. To the Condow in the gallery, on the right. Follow sulate succeeded the Empire, and victory her home, or cause her to be followed - after victory marked the career of the and bring me intelligence of her name, great Corsican. At length the hours of change came. Allied Europe poured its will be better to do this yourself. I troops into France, and compelled the would not have the police interfere. Emperor to lay down the sceptre which Have you taken care of the bomb, and had been so long shaken over half the removed it." came for a day the most remarkable spot on the globe; and, finally, the resusciated empire fell to pieces anew on

Bonaparte was about to qu't France. The moment had come for him to set On the morrow the eye of more than foot on the bark which was to convey one person was turned to the window him to the English vessel. Friends in the gallery. But the jealous Jose, who had followed the fallen chief to the phine sought in vait for the elegant very last were standing by him to give his confident, Duroc, were greatly an- lips which had recently given the farewas the attention paid by them to the instant a woman broke the band that services that day, Their anxiety was stood before Napoleon. She was in the fruitless. She was seen at mass no prime of womanhood; not a girl, but yet young enough to retain unimpaired The summers of Napoleon were chief. that beauty for which she would at any ly spent at Malmaison; the winters at time have been remarkable among a St Cloud and the Tuilleries. Winter crowd of beauties. Her features were had come on, and the First Consul had full of anxiety and sadness, adding inbeen holding court at the great apart. terest to her appearance even at that monts at the last of these palaces. It moment, "Sire!', said she presenting Republicans well called n voss, and in The Emperor took the epistle prethe evening Bonaparte entered his car. sented to him, but kept his eye on the presenter. He seemed, it may be, to feel at that iustant the perfumed breeze of the park of St. Cloud, to hear the was about to start, when a female, choristers chanting melodiously in the chapel as he had heard them in other days. Josephine, Duroc and all his into the middle of the guards about to friends, came happily before him, and accompany Napoleon, and held forth a among them the face which he was wont to see at the fourth window in the gallery. His eye was now on that countenance in reality, altered, yet the same. These illusory recollections were of short duration. Napoleon shook his head and held the paper between his hands and tore it to pieces, scattering the frag-

" Stop, sire," said the woman, " fol. low the advice ! Be warned ! It is yet

time! " No," replied he ; and taking from his finger a beautiful oriental ruby, a valuable souvenir of his Egyptian campaigns, held it out to the woman. She took it kneeling, and kissing the hand tudes of lawyers are a disgrace to the Not long afterward he was pining on the rock of St. Helena.

Thus of three warnings, two were useless because neglected until the danger had occured, and the thirdwhich prognosticated Napoleon's fate if once in the power of his adversariesthe third was rejected. .

" But," who was this woman, Duke of Otranto ? "

"Oh," replied Fouche, "I know not with certainty. The Emperor, if he knew ultimately, seems to have kept the

All that is known respecting the matter is, that a female related to St. Regent, one of the authors of the explosion of the street St. Nicholas, died at the hospital Hetel Dieu, in 1837, and that round her neck was suspended, by a of Napoleon.

The prospect of peace in Europe has raised the price in white oak staves in West Virginia, where the Spanish and French wine merchants get their supply of wine casks.

-It is said that orders have been sent to Philadelphia to prepare the iron clads at League Island, for transfer to Russia, in payment for Walrussia, as sooon as Congress orders the payment for the latter.

-It is announced that a Polish gentleman is now on an inspection tour in Texas, designing to select the most favorable locality for farming, preparatory to an extensive immigration of hi countrymen,

-A Canada paper says they have plenty of money there. It is scarcely possible to take up a paper published in Canada just now without noticing ad. vertisements with the beading ' Money to loan."

-It has been ascertained that vast quantities of firearms, ammunition, cut. lery, blankets and all varieties of goods used by the Indians, are introduced from Carada into this country, and sold to tribes in Dakota free of duty. The routes most patronized by these contra. Pembina and west of the Devil's Lake days since. intercept her. It was all in vain. The The saugglers are protected in their unlawful traffic by the Indians, who are thus enabled to obtain goods which Am the zeal of these functionaries failed in erican traders are forbidden to sell to cord, to pry for a night belonging, fifty them, and at greatly reduced prices.

#### The Gipsy's Warning.

Do not trust him gentle lady, Though his voice be low and sweet ; Heed not him who kneels before you, Gently pleading at your feet; Now thy life is in its morning, Cloud not this, thy happy lot, Listen to the Gipsy's warning, Gentle lady, trust him not.

Do not turn so coldly from me, I would only shield thy youth From his storn and withering power-I would only tell thee truth; I would shield thee from all danger, Save thee from the tempter's snare

Lady, shun the dark eyed stranger, I have warded thee, now beware. Lady, once there lived a maiden, Pure and bright, and like thee fair But he woord, he woord and won her.

Filled her gentle heart with care ; Then he heeded not her pleading, Nor cared he her life to save ; Soon she perished—now she's sleeping In the cold and silent grave.

Keep thy gold, I do not wish it, Lady, I have prayed for this, For the hour when I might foil him-Rob him of expected bliss, Gentle lady, do not wonder

At my words, so cold and wild; Lady, in the green grave yonder Lies the Gipsy's only child.

#### Out of Place.

Thousands seek to become "somepodies" through the avenue of professional life; and the professional life is full of "nobodies." The pulpit is crowded with goodish "nobodies-"-men who have no power, no unction, no mission. They strain their brains to write common-places, and wear themselves out repeating the rant of their sect and the cant of their schools. The bar is cursed with " nobodies" as much as the pu'pit. The lawyers are few; the pitifoggers many. The bar more than any other, medium, is that thro' which the ambitous youth of the country seek to obtain eminence. Thousands go into the study of the law, not ao much for the sake of the profession as for the sake of the advantage it is supposed to give them for political preferment. An ambitions boy who has taken it into his head to be " somebody," always studies law; as soon as he is " admitted to the bar," he is ready to begin his political scheming. Multi. profession and a curse to t They lack brains necessary to make quisite for good neighborhood. They live on quarrels, and breed them that they may live. They have spoiled themselves for private life, and they

spoil the private life around them. As for the medical profession, I tremble to think how many enter it because they have neither piety enough for preaching, nor brains enough to practice law. When I think of the great army of little men that is commissioned to go forth into the world with a case of sharp knives in one hand and a magazine of drugs in the other, I have a sigh for the human race. Especially is all this lamentation when we remember that it involves the spoiling of thousands of good farmers and mechanics to make poor professional men, while those who would make good silk ribbon, the exquisite oriental ruby professional men have to attend to the simple duties of life, and submit to the preaching that neither feeds nor stimu. lates them, and medicine that kills or fails to cure them.

WE sometimes think our winter days are rather short, but we ought to be thankful for the daylight we get, when compared with that vouchsafed to some of the latitudes of Europe. At Petersburg, for example-& city of more than 500,000 population, and in latitude sixty-the sun rises at present at a quarter past nine, and sets at a quarter before three, At Aichaugel, a town of 25, 000 population, in latitude sixty tour, the day lasts only from twenty-four minutes past ten to twenty minutes be. fore two.

-By the acquisition of Russian America the United States flag has been advanced to within thirty-six miles of Asia, and the area of the rep b c increased from 2,926,106 square an equality with the whites. miles to about 3,330,000

TELL the truth and shame the devil We know of an editor-not far away who tally elicits the fact that Mrs. Forrest can shame the devil, but telling the has ventured for the second time into truth bothers him considerably.

A Texas exchange thinks that Greely might work up a heavy Southern

-THE New Hampshire Statesman asserts that George Peabody sawed wood at the Columbia Hotel, in Conyears ago.

## Selected Doetry.

"ONLY." Only a withered rose and ! But she wore it in her bair, When she, in glorious beauty, Was like that rose bud fair ; But, as the flow'ret's wither In dewy morning tide, With all their sweetness round them, So she, fair rose-bud died ; And now, also, she's sleeping Where the rose tree's earliest bloom Scatters its fragrant tear-drops In sorrow o'er her tomb.

Only an old time ballad? But a song she used to sing ; Though worthless, perhaps, to others, To me a sacred thing. Ab, that grave, in it the music Of my heart lies buried deep, Since that sunny summer morning When they laid her there to sleep Oh, the long, long years I've waited, Oh the years that yet may come, Ere I join the sweet-voiced singer In our Father's happy home !

Only a few old letters. Yellow and dim with years! But of this faded writing Hath been baptized with tears : For she whose dear hand wrote them, Lies neath the churchyard sod? And up in the starry heavens Her spirit lives with God. Oh that those gates would open, And she, with outstretched hand, Would lead me to the glories Of the far-off better land.

#### NEWS ITEMS.

Governor Morton, of Indiana, is at the Arkansas Hot Springs for his health, Pope Pius IX was 75 years old on the 18th of May.

The Chinese rebels are depredating in the vicinity of Hong Kong.

There is considerable emigration from New England to Florida.

One of the State constables in Massachusetts is worth \$100,000.

Indiana incomes exhibit the largest decrease of any yet made. Wm. H. Langley, flour merchant, of Gallipolis, Ohio, has failed for \$500,000.

Fourteen barrels of copper mined in Tennessee are coming east. Forty four postoffices in South Caro-

lina are conducted by women. A man of war to be called "Algonia,"

is about to be built at the Philadelphia Nary Yard. Bishop Stevens, of Pennsylvania, ar-

rived at New York from France on Tuesday. In Baltimore a man was fined \$10 for e acking and eating peanuts in church,

during divine service. Governor Burnside, of Rhode Island, was inaugurated for his second term on

Tuesday. There are seven grounds for divorce in China-one of them being "talka-

tiveness in wome Secretary Stanton is said to be astonished and indignant at the stories published in detective Baker's book.

Mosquera has dissolved the new Granadian Congress and proclaimed himself Dictator.

Peru and Brazil have rejected Secretary Seward's proposition for a peace congress of the South American States.

The Wyoming extension of the Lehigh Valley Railroad was formally opened for travel last Wednesday. There is great distress in the eastern ownships of Canada West, owing to the

inundations. The coal trade is reported dull. Many boatmen in the canal trade in the region of the Luzerne mines are idle, refusing to work unless they receive higher wages

The iron-clad Stonewall, formerly a rebel cruiser of English build, has been sold to the Japanese government for half a million dollars.

Archbishop McCloskey has made up his mind not to go to Rome, but to send a Bishop to represent him on St. Peter's Day in the Holy City.

Two students of the National Deaf Mute College, at Washington, were drowned white s wimming in the Potomae last week.

The Sandwich Islanders are about to erect a monument in honor of Captain Cook, as a slight atonement for the conduct of their forefathers in eating him.

Rev. Julius Degmere has been arrested in Eric, Penna., for stealing \$16,000 worth of stamps while a clerk in the in. ternal revenue office at that place.

A majority of the managers of the St. Louis street railroads have decided to admit colored people to all their cars on

The revival of the Forrest Divorce case in the courts of New York, incidenwedlock, and is now residing on Staten Island.

There was a mutiny on the ship Paroutrage tragedy out of the fact that a see, on her voyage from San Francisco negro teamster was struck by hightning to Hong Kong. The mutinneers, how-near Columbia, South Carolina, a few ever, were put down an placed in irons. They were all negroes.

The United States Burial Corps, at Danville, Va., had a disturbance on uerday with some negroes, and two of each party were wounded. The Burial Corps were driven out of town.