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A FRENC WILL STORY.

" Is she dead ten ?"

"Yes mada," replied a little gentleman in a brown coat and short breeches.

" And he will ?"

"Is goin to be opened here immediately by er solicitor."

"Sha we inherit anything?" "It fust be supposed so; we have

claime/

"Who is this miserable dressed personad who intrudes herself here?"

d, she," said the little man sneeringle; "she won't have much in the will she is sister to the deceased."

What! that Anne who wedded in 182 a man of nothing—an officer!" Precisely so."

"She must have no small amount of mpudence to present herself here, before a respectable family."

"The more so as sister Egerie, of noble birth, had never forgiven her for that misallience."

Anne moved at this time across the room in which the family of the deceased were assembled. She was pale; her fine eyes were filled with tears, and her face was furrowed by care with precocious wrinkles.

"What do you come here for?" said. with great baughtiness, Mad. de Villeboys, the lady who, a moment before. had been interrogating the little man | your part, millionaire as you are, to give who inherited with her.

"Madame," the poor lady replied with humility, "I do not come here to claim a part of what does not belong to me; I sister's solicitor, to inquire if she spoke of me at her last hour."

themselves about you?" arrogautly observed Madame de Villeboys; "the disgrace of a great house-you, who wed ded a man of nothing, a soldier of Bonaparte l''

"Madame, my husband, although a child of the people, was a brave soldier, and what is better an honest man," observed Anne.

At this moment a venerable person age the notary Dubois, made his ap-Dearance.

"Cease," he said, " to repreach Anne with a union which her sister has forgiv en her. Anne loved a generous, brave to reproach himself with than his poverry and obscurity of his name. Nevertheless, had be lived, if his family had known him as I knew him, I, his old triend, Anne would be at this time hap- of indifference. py and respected."

"But why is this woman here?"

"Because it is her place to be here," said the notary gravely; "I myself re- pictures!" quested her to attend here."

M. Dubois then proceeded to open the will:

"I being sound in mind and heart. der in the convent of the Sisters of the | put upon the engravings?" Sacred Heart Jesus, dictate the following wishes as the expression of my formal desire and principle clause of my testament:

" After my decease there will be found two hundred thousand francs in money, at my notary's, besides jewelry clothes and furniture, as also a chateau worth two hundred thousand francs.

"In the convent where I have been residing, will be found my book, ' Hieu res de la Vierge,' holy volume, which remains as it was when I took it with me at the time of the emigration. I desire that these three objects be divided into three lots.

". The first lot, the two buffired thousand francs in money.

ture and jewels.

la Vierge.'

would have comforted her sorrows, if I that she was giving a first education to zttte." had known sooner of her return to her son. The news came like a thunder-France. I compromise her in my will bolt upon them. Madame de Villeboys " Madame de Villeboys, my much be-

loved cousin, shall have the first choice. " M. Vatry, my brother-in-law, shall have the second choice.

"Anne will take the remaining lot." "Ah! ah!" said Vatry, "sister Ege-

"Anne will only have the prayer book!" exclaimed Madame de Ville- purchasing house and equipages, she has boys, laughing aloud.

on her part."

The notary interrupted her jocularity. "Madame," said he, "which lot do

you choose ?" "The two hundred thousand france har mouev."

"Have you quite made up your mind?"

" Perfectly so." The man of law addressed himself then to the good feelings of the lady, said:

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the eccentricity of the deceased has thousand francs each." placed on a par with the other lots!"

"You must be joking, M. Dabois," exclaimed Madame de Villeboys; "you must really be dull not to see the intention of sister Egerie in all this. Our honored cousin foresaw full well, that her book of prayer would fall to the lot of Anna who had the last choice." "And what do you conclude from

that?" inquired the notary. "I conclude that she intended to in-

timate to her sister that repentance and | envy. prayer were the only help that she hadto expect in this world."

As she finished these words, Madame de Villeboys made a definate selection of the ready money for her share. Monsieur Vatry, as may be easily imagined. selected the chateau, furniture and jewels as his lot.

"Monsieur Vatry," said M. Dubois to that gentleman, "even suppose it had been the intention of the deceased to punish her sister, it would be noble on up at least a portion of your share to Anne, who so much wants it."

"Thanks for your kind advice, dear sir," said Vatry; "the mansion is situcame solely to see M. Dubois, my poor ated on the very confines of my woods, and suits me admirably, all the more so that it is already furnished. As to the "What! do you think people busy jewels of sister Egerie they are reminiscences which one ought never to part with."

"Since it is so," said the notary, " my poor Madame Anne, here is the prayerook that remains to you."

Anne, attended by her son, a handsome boy with blue eyes, took her sister's old Prayer book, and making her son kiss it after her, she said:

"Hector, kiss this book, which belonged to your poor aunt, who is dead, but who would have loved you well, had she known you. When you have learned to read, you will pray to heaven to make you wise and good like your father was, and good man, who had no other crime and happier than your unfortunate mother."

> The eyes of those who were present were filled with tears, notwithstanding their efforts to preserve an appearance

The child embraced the old book with boyish fervor, and opening it afterward, he said: "Oh! mamma, what pretty

"Indeed!" said the mother, happy in the gladness of her boy.

"Yes. The good Virgin in a red dress holding the infant Jesus in her arms.-Egerie de Damfremidg, retired as a boar- But mamma, why has silk paper been

"So that they might not be injured, my dear."

"But mamma, why are there ten silk papers to each engraving?".

The mother looked and attering a sudden shriek, she fell into the arms of M. Dubois, the notary, who addressed these present, and said:

"Leave her alone, it won't be much; people don't die of these shocks; as for you, little one," addressing a Hector, give me that prayer-book; you will tear the engravings."

The inheritors withdrew, making various conjectures as to the cause of Anne's sudden illness, and the interest which the notary took in her. A month afterwards they met Anne and her son, "I have pardoned my sister Anne the recently purchased a hotel for one hun-M. de Vatry hastened to call upon the notary to ask for explanation. The

good Dubois was working at his desk. "Perhaps we are disturbing you?" said the arrogant old lady.

"No matter, I was in the act of setrie was a good one; that is rather clever | tling a purchase in the State funds for

Madame Anne." "What!" exclaimed Vatry, "after still money to invest."

" Undoubtedly so." "But where did the money come from ?"

"What! did you not see?"

"When?"

"When she shricked upon seeing what the Prayer-book contained, which she inherited."

"We observed nothing."

"O! I thought you saw it," said the "Madame, you are rich and Anne sarcastic notary. "That prayer-book

lot, and take the book of prayers which graving was covered by ten notes of a

"Good heavens!" exclaimed Vatry, thunder struck. "If I had only known it!" shouted

Madame de Villeboys: "You had the choice," added the no-

the prayer-book, but you refused." "But who could have expected to find

a fortune in a breviary." The two baffled old egotists withdrew, their hearts swollen with passionate

you pass by the Rue Lafitte on a fine summer evening, you will see a charming picture on the first floor, illuminated by occupied. The table of the speaker the pale reflection of wax candles.

A lady who has joined the two fair hands of her son, and a fair child of six years of age, in prayer before an old book of " Hieures de Vierge," and for which a case of gold has been made.

"Pray for me, child," said the mother. "And for who else?" inquired the

"For your father, your dear father, who perished without knowing you, without being able to love you."

"Must I pray to the saint, my patron ?" "Yes, my little friend; but do not

forget a saint who watches us from hea- Mrs. L-) that she would not trust Fitzgera'd, 60; Viscount Guillamore, 87; ven, and who smiles upon us from above herself so near her honored grandfather. Baroness Wentworth, 67; Earl of Strathe clouds."

mamma dear ?" The mother, then watering the fair

bild's bead with her tears, answered, " Her name is-sister Egerie."

A NOBEE PURPOSE and the Glorious Result:-There are as many roads to fame and fortune as there were gateways to ancient Thebes. Your ambitious war. rior is for carving his way with the sabre-Your aspiring politician for ma- his family he attended our church twice nœuvring his way by subtlety and consummate art; but there is one broad grand path to the goal, along which nothing base can travel. It is the path set apart for the march of talent, energy, and noble purpose, and though full of obstacles, it contains none which a great | peace, and first in the hearts of his and was assisted in her search by Shear man cannot sermount. This fact has been exemplified in innumerable instances, but in few more forcibility than in the career of Dr. Holloway, of London. For twenty-five years he may be said to have been climbing

-"The steep where Fame's proud temple

shines afar.32 scattering blessings at every step. He appears to have reached the summit at last. The staff upon which he has learned in his ascent has been advertising, and by its aid he has not only realized a world-wide celebrity and a splendid fortune, but has been enabled to familiarize millions of the sick with the healing properties of his pills and ointment, who would never otherwise have of dyspensia in this country, and unfortunately their name is legion, have good cause to rejoice that so wide a publicity to the end. has been given to the virtues of his pills through the columns of the American press; for, if we are rightly informed, they ascertained that Madame Anne had no other advertised medicines have ever done before .- fulfil the promise of

A WINDFALL TO A LABORING MAN .-The Auburn Advertiser states that a laboring man named Daniel Rogers, who has been working for the past week for D. C. Goodrich in laying a cellar wall by the perch, in that city, has received a letter from Ireland stating that there is now in the bank of Ireland \$260,000 to his credit, from the estate of his grandfather. It is necessary to give six months' notice before drawing this sum from the bank. Mr. Rogers expects soon to go over for his fortune. This has not been unexpected by Mr. Rogers. He has had a sum deposited in the Weedsport Bank some time to pay his expenses to Ireland whenever the legacy should be determined. He will. on his return from Ireland, settle, with his fortune, in Auburn.

About ten days ago a terriffic hail storm passed over the section of country

Farewell Adress.

In the National Intelligence, during the year 1857, was given and an extract from a letter written by a lady, eighty years of age, residing in Philadelphia, to | fluence of good keeping long life : her grandson in Washington, describing tary, "and I myself urged you to take the scene at the delivery of this farewell address. The scene is graphi- men. They aim to make life as perfect cally described, and we reproduce the as posible—to have as little jarring of extract as appropriate to the present of the wheels and cogs as may be. They occasion.

his farewell address, in the room at the Madame Anne is still in Paris. If southeast corner of Chestnut and Sixth streets, I sat immediately in front of him. It was in the room Congress street. The daughter of Dr. B-, of Alexandria, the physician and intimate husband was the auditor, was a very dear friend of mine. Her brother Washington was one of the secretaries of the other. I was included in Mrs. H .--, scene. N H- declined going with Mrs. H-, who had determined to go early so as to secure the front bench. a narrow passage from the door of entrance to the room, which was on the east, dividing the rows of room benches. General Washington stopped at the end to let Mr. Adams pass to the chair .-The latter always wore a full suit of bright drab, with slash, or rather loose cuffs. He also wore wrist ruffles. He had not changed his fashion. He was a short man with a good head. With

a day. "General Washington's dress was a full suit of black. His military hat had the black cockade. There stood the Father of his country, acknowledged by a young friend, named Shean, only ten nations to be "the first in war, first in years of age. The mother missed him contrymen." No marshals with gold- who, on the discovery of the body, al colored scars; no cheering. The most | leged that the child fell into the water profound stillness greeted him, as if that accidentally. Marks of violence were assembly desired to hear him breath found, however, and Shean was arrested the homage of the heart. Mr. Adams and confessed that he killed the child and covered his face with both his hands. flung him into the water. The funeral The sleeve of his coat and his hands were covered with tears. Every now during the cermeony Shaen was brought and then there was a suppressed sob. I in. Mrs. Marsh saw him, and beckoned cannot describe Washington's appear. him to approach her. As he was led up ance as I felt it-perfectly composed to her, she put her arms around his and self possessed till the close of his neck in the most tender way, and exaddress. Then, when strong men's sobs claimed, "I forgive you Daniel, for killbroke loose, when tears covered their faces, then the great man was shaken-I never took my eyes from his face. Large drops came from his eyes. He been benefitted thereby. The victims looked to the grateful children who were parting with their father, their friend, as if his heart was with them, and would be uimost indifference.

GENERAL McCALL -After the long and terrible suspense experienced here they have cured and are now curing in regard to the fate of General McCull, more cases of this distressing complaint | we have the gratification of stating that than all other medicines combined. We a letter has been received from him by hear, too, of cures of scrofula and other Mrs. McCall saying that he is a prisoner external disorders by the cintment, which in Richmond and uninjured. He was "The second lot, the chateau, furni- exceedingly well yet not axtravagantly if they were not vouched for by the best struck in the breast by a spent ball, the dressed, taking an airing in a barouche. authority, we should pronounce incred. effects of which were but temporary.-"The third lot, my book, 'Hieures de This led them to make inquiries, and lible. These medicines seem to do what The general also sends word that he is quartered for the present at the "Spotswood House," the principal hotel in grief which she has caused us, and I dred and eighty thousand francs, and the advertise ments.-N. Y. Police "Ga- | Richmond, and that thus fur he has been very kindly treated. His capture is a source of deep regret, but it is indeed a source of consolation to all his friends that he is safe and well cared for. We learn that his capture was in this wise: he had posted one of the regiments of his division in a particular locality and during his absence it was moved without his orders or knowledge. When he returned from another part of the field the place was occupied by a rebel regiment, and it being dark he rode into the midst of the enemy, was surrounded and carried to Gen. Lee's headquarters as a prisoner of war .- West Chester Re-

The probabilities of a draft has wigs and dying their whiskers and passing for thirty-eight or nine years of age. has nothing. Could you not leave this contained sixty engravings, and each en stones were about the size of oranges, other side of eighteen.

How Washington Delivered His / LIFE PROLONGED BY CARE. The longevity of the human race is steadily increasing in civilized nations, if statisical tables can be trusted, and the following item from the Methodist shows the in-"Few men take care of themselves

than the better class of British nobleare-many of them-the hardest work-"When General Washington delivered ers and the healthiest men in the world; and it may be truly said that while one part of the mankind developes muscle at the expense of brain, and the other developes brain at the expense of muscle, the British nobleman is the only was between the two windows on Sixth | man now living who succeeded in cultivating at once brain and muscle. That their efforts are successful, here is friend of Washington, Mrs. H-, whose | pretty evidence. Twenty-four members of the British peerage died within the year 1860, and these twenty four have exactly completed, on the average, the General Washington. Young Dandrid- full measure of the allotted span of gre, a nephew of Mrs. Washington, was human life, the three score years and ten. They were as follows: Viscont party to witness the august, the solmn | Arbuthnott, 32; Lord Londesborough 54; Viscount Southwell, 83; Viscount Gormanston, 84; Lord Oranmore, 72; Bishop of Rochester, 84; Earl of Long-It was fortunate for N-C- (afterwards | ford 42; Baroness Stratheden, 63; Lord My dear father stood very near her; | fford, 82; Lord Heistesbury, 80; Arch-"What is the name of that saint, she was terribly agitated. There was bishop of York, 72; Lord Sandys. 58: Lord Elphinstone, 53; Bishop of Worcester, 77; Earl of Lauderdale, 76; Earl of Cawdor, 70; Lord French, 74; Earl of Leven add Metville, 75 :: Duke of Richmond, 79; Earl of Manvers, 82; Earl of Dundoland, 85. Total of united ages, 1680 years, which being divided by 24, gives exactly 70 years to each. It would be difficult to find a paralel to this in any class of any country in the world.

STRANGE MURDER BY A CHILD .- On the 3d inst., a promising son of L. H. Marsh residing in Franklin, Mass., aged only five years, was thrown into the river by took place from the Town Hall, and ing my dear little Sammy who is now an angel in heaven; and I pray to God to forgive you, too, and make you good boy. And now tell me Daniel, did little Sammy call for his mother?" The boycharged with the murder exhibits the

MURDER .- A man by the name of Gresh was killed at Galesburg, Ill., on the Fourth instant, by a man named Moore, Moore, being somewhat intox icated, came up to Gresh, and, after shaking hands with him in a friendly manner, says to him, "Gresh, I have a mind to kill you!" To which Gresh replied, "Blaze away," when Moore drew a knife and stabbed him to the heart, killing him almost instantly. No reason can be assigned for the brutal deed, as the parties had heretofore been on good terms.

" After all," says a modern writer, there is something about a wedding gown prettier than any other gown in the world!" All the girls will agree to that. In fact, lots of 'em marry just for the sake of the new "toggery." To them the bridal is more attractive than the bridegroom; the milliner more interesting than the minister. Men, however, take more substantial views of things, and would prefer to wed a downright pretty girl "without a rag" than an ugly woman with as many gowns as the executor found in Oneen Elizabeth's wardrobe! That's the difference.

"Cats have hitherto had purrhad a curious effect upon the age of mission to mew at night, as the recessamany. Men who have been wearing ry mew-sic to fill up the paws-es; but a late clause in the mew-nicipal regulations at New Orleans 'forbids females have suddenly owned up to forty-five, to converse with persons outside, after while young bucks who have passed with | dark '-such im-purr-tenences leading to a little south of St. Cloud. The hail the girls for twenty, have shrunk to the needless cat astrophes. (An un feline

With tremulous emotion, I accept thy bounteous score. But ask, with anxious yearning

> Thou knowest all my power: Thou'st read my life, and knowest Every weed and every flower; And if within my nature Any gracious gift there be, I would its brightest radiance Should transfuse itself to thee. God knows, no selfish impulse

Thou knowest all my weakness,

WILT THOU LOVE ME THUS FOR EVER?

Deep and carnest are thine eyes;

There are answering sympathies:

Thou gazest, deep and earnest-

I know that in our being

I know there dwells upon me An affection rich and pure,

And ask, with anxious yearning,

"Will it ever, thus endure?"

Quick changes come upon us-

Changes not in our control:

There are shedows and eclinses.

And dark tides upon the soul.

" Wilt thou love me evermore ?"

Draws my heart thus close to thine; I would that all thy toiling Should partake of the divine: I would be wise and perfect. Living traly, heartily, That life's most glorious halos Should surround and, hallow thee i

And if upon thy pathway I have cast one tiny ray!-Made one moment brighter, happier By my life or by my lay,-Then thou canst not love a nature That is meaner than my own ; Thou canst never have enjoyment In a soul of lower tone.

So I rest my heart contented, For in this clearer yiew, I see thou'lt not withold me Such leve as is my due: And, if some richer nature Win the gift that once was mine, I must bow my head submissive To a law of the Divine!

But, with carnest, endeavour, I would labour by thy side. Earn the right to be companion, ·Fellow-worker, and thy guide; Thro? all earth's weary turmoil Keep a loving soul, and pure, And thy bounties of affection Will for ever, thus, endure.

LIFE'S QUESTIONS.

BY THE DEAN OF CANTERBURY. Drifting away Like mote on the stream-To-day's disappointment, Yesterday's dream Ever resolving. Never to mend-Such is our progress:

Whirling away Like leaf in the wind, Points of attachment Left daily behind; Fixed to no principle, Fast to no friend-Such our fidelity : Where is the end?

Where is the end?

Floating away Like cloud on the hill. Pendulous, tremulous, Migrating still; Where to repose ourselves? Whither to tend? Such our consistency:

Crystal the pavement Seen through the stream; Firm the reality . Under the dream We may not feel it, Still we may mend-How we have conquered Not known till the end

Bright leaves may scatter, Sports of the wind; But stands to the winter The great tree behind. Frost shall not wither it; Storms cannot bend Roots firmly clasping The rock at the end.

Calm is the firmament Over the cloud: Clear shine the stars through The rifts of the shroud. There our repose shall be ; Thither we tend-Soi e of our waverings, · Approved at the end.

LULI ARY.

Now the twilight shadows flight. Now the evening lamp is lit; Sleep, baby, sleep! Little head on mother's arm, She will keep him safe from harm, Keep him safe and fold him warm; Sleep baby, sleep !

Baby's father, far away, @ Thinks of him at shut of day : Sleep, baby, sleep! He must guard the sleeping camp, Heark'ning, in the cold and damp, For the foeman's stealthy tramp; Sleep, baby, sleep!

He can hear the lullaby, He can see the laughing eye; Sleep, baby, sleep! And he knows, though we are dumb, How we long to have him come Back to baby, mother, home; Sleep, baby sleep!

Now the eyes are closing up. Let these little curtains drop; Sleep, baby, sleep! Softly on his father's bed Mother lays her baby's head, There, until the night be fled, Sleep, baby, sleep!

God, who dry'st the widow's tears, God, who calm'st the orphan's fears, Guard baby's sleep ! Shield the father in the fray ; Keep us all by night and day; . Sleep, baby, sleep !-