Should you ask us why this dunning, Why these sad complaints and murmurs-Murmurs lord about delinquents Who have read the paper weekly, Read what they have never paid for, Read with pleasure and with profit, Read of church affairs and prospects. Read of news both home and foreign, Read the essays and the poems, Full of wisdom and instruction ; Read the table of the markets, Carefully corrected weekly-

Should you ask us why this dunning. We should answer, we should tell you, From the printer, from the mailer, From the kind old paper-maker. From the landlord, from the carrier, From the man who takes the letters With a stamp from Uncle Samuel; Uncle Sam, the rowdies call him: From them all there comes a message-Message kind, but firmly spoken, "Please to pay us what you owe us."

Sad it is to hear such message When our funds are all exhausted, When the last bank note has left us, When the gold coin all has all vanished, Gone to pay the paper-maker, Gone to pay the toiling printer, Gone to pay the landlord tribute, Gone to pay the faithful mailer, Gone to pay old Uncle Samuel; Uncle Sam, the rowdies call him; Gone to pay the Western paper, Three and twenty hundred dollars.

Sad it is to turn our ledger, Turn the leaves of this old ledger, Turn and see what sums are due us, Due for years of pleasant reading, Due, despite our patient waiting, Due, despite our constant dunning. Due in sums from two to twenty.

Would you lift a burden from us? Would you drive a spectre from us? Would you taste a pleasant slumber? Would you have a quiet conscience? Would you read a paper paid for? Send us payment—send us payment, Send us payment-send us payment, Send the payment that you owe us!

For the Poung.

Mirthfulness.

Once, when travelling in a stage-coach I met a young lady who seemed to be upon the constant look-out for something laughable; and not content with laughing herself, she took great pains to make others do the same.

Now, travelling in a stage-coach is rather

prosy business. People in this situation are very apt to young lady's good humor was, for a time, very agreeable. Every old barn was made the subject of a passing joke, while the cows and hens looked demurely on, little dreaming that folks could be merry at their expense. All this was perhaps harmless enough. Animals are not sensitive in that respect. They are not likely to have their feelings injured because, people make fun of them; but when we come to human beings, that is quite another thing. So it seemed to me, for after awhile an old lady came running across the fields, swinging her bag at the coachman, and in a shrill voice begging him to stop. The good-natured coachman drew up his horses, and the old lady, coming to the fence by the road side, squeezed herself through two bars which were not only in horizontal position but very near together. The young lady in the stage-coach made some ludicrous remark. and the passengers laughed. It seemed very excusable; for, in getting through the fence, the poor woman had made sad work with her old black bonnet, and now, taking her seat beside a well-dressed lady, really looked as if she had been blown there by a whirlwind. This was a new piece of fun, and the girl made the most of it. She caricatured the old lady upon a card; pretended, when she was not looking, to take patterns of her bonnet; and in various other ways sought to raise a laugh. At length the poor woman turned a pale face toward her.

"My dear," said she, "you are young, healthy, and happy. I have been so too, but that time is past. I am now old, decrepit, and forlorn. This coach is taking me to the death-bed of my only child. And then, my dear, I shall be a poor, old woman, all alone in the world where merry girls will think me a very amusing object. They will laugh at my old-fashioned clothes. and odd appearance, forgetting that the old woman has a spirit that has loved, and suffered, and will live forever."

The coach now stopped before a poor-looking house, and the old lady feebly degranded: the steps. "How is she?" was the first trembling

inquiry, of the poor mother. "Just alive," said the man who was lead

ing her into the house. Putting up the steps, the driver mounted his box, and we were upon the road again." Our merry young friend had placed the card in her pooket. She was leaning her head upon her hand, and you may be assured that I was not sorry to see a tear upon her fair young cheek. It was a good

lesson, and one which we greatly hoped

would do her good.

It is pleasant to see a smiling face. We should encourage our hearts to look upon the sunny side of things, and there is no harm in being merry where no one is injured by it; in being merry where no one is injured by it; but in this, as in every other thing, let us be conscientious. The wise man has said, "There is a time to laugh;" but remember, dear children, if we would not displease this heavenly trather, we must take care "the property of the merry when conscience tells us it is to be done when the house of God, by saying that they couldn't help it. Now, what is to be done when help it. Now, what is to be done when children can't help doing wrong? When they kneel before God in prayer, do they say, "I have done wrong, but I could n't help it?" No, they would not dare say that. Let us, then, teach our hearts to be very honest, for unto Him who searcheth

Family Treasury. Little Willie.

the heart we must tell the whole truth .-

The name brings before me visions of his blue eyes and golden hair, of his rosy cheeks where dimples loved to linger, and

ning smiles that made him such a sunbeam | and let him stay in and be punished." in our little school. His heart seemed overflowing with love and sympathy for every one. I remember how he came to me "Because, sir, Rebecca, cannot go." one day, after a regiment of soldiers had marched past the school-house, bringing a strip of a buffalo-robe covered with long hair, which he had found beside the road; and as he held it up he said, pityingly: "Do thee; thomebody losth their whith-

kers." One afternoon I told the primer-class, of which he was a member, how Christ took you-she would be in the girls' yard.' little children in his arms and blessed them, and I taught them the verse, "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of your naughty sister go out?" heaven." That afternoon, after school was he put his arms around my neck and kiss- go myself." ed me, saying:

"I love oo, tecer." "What is love, Willie?" I asked. He thought a moment, then replied, earn-

"It's what makes us dood to folks." Af-Kwist that best 'ittle children?"

handed me a billet, saying timidly: "Mrs. Hamlin supposed it had been

hopes, how many duties unfulfilled, come do?" from too firm a relianceon its deceitful

But the next day Willie's place was vacant. I missed the bright face and ringing laugh of my little pet, and after school hadclosed, I directed my steps toward his father's house. On my way I met his sister. Taking my hand, she said, hurriedly: down to our house; Willie is so sick, and a Blow.

he don't know any of us." In a few moments I stood by the bedside of the little sufferer. He was tossing to and fro with restless pain, and they told me that scarlet fever was drying up the fountains

of that young life. As I entered the room, he said softly "Who is Kwist that best 'ittle children? Sitting beside him, I told him the sweet story of the cross. But reason was dethroned, and when I ceased speaking, he said ith pleading earnestness:

"Pleath tell me who is Kwist that best 'ittle children?"

"Will you pray for us?" asked the father. It was all he could say, for his heart was

full. Kneeling there, I prayed that God ing of the Irish citizens of St. Louis was would spare our darling if it was his will, hald at the Biddle Market presided over and if not, that he would comfort the hearts of his parents in their great sorrow, and make me more faithful to the little flock following expression of sentiment was gravely anwered that he thought not, for committed to my charge.

When we arose, a convulsion came over

"Pleath tell me who is Kwist that best 'ittle children; oh, pleath tell me who is Kwist that best 'ittle children."

to that dying child. God heard the prayer, for as we watched him, an exultant look glanced across Wil-I shall never forget his last words:

" There is Kwist that best 'ittle children. I coming, I coming." And the golden the remotest generation head was buried in the pillows. The beat Resolved, That we are convinced. ing heart was hashed forever.

blessed little children, there were eyes unly around us.

Brief was his life, beautiful his death. yet through God's blessing they were the dear Saviour who blessed little children. And in the great day of account, how many filled the prediction, "And a little child shall lead them."-Congregationalist.

The Play Hour.

In the Spring of 1835, I went into a school in Boston. There were about sixty profusely shed on every battle field from children belonging to it. When I went in, Concord to Shiloh, and from New Orleans they were all at play except two. As I to the City of Mexico, so do we, freely and entered, I saw two children, Leonard and proudly, pledge our lives, our fortunes and his sister Rebecca, standing by the teacher. our sacred honor, to the maintenance and Rebecca was four, and Leonard about seven defence of this great nation against the atyears of age. Never did a brother and tack of every foe whether foreign or dosister love each other more than they. mestic. Rebecca was a laughing, joyous, affectionate little child, and Leonard was all in all to by the British Government from an Irish her. She did not enjoy either food or play man in the country of his birth, is involunless her brother was present to share it with her. They never quarrelled; for the very reason that it was Leonard's delight loved justice, and who was willing to strike skeered em so bad!" to see his sister happy, and she was sure to for one and against the other, has proffered get the largest share of every thing he had. to that Government, in Ireland, allegiance When Rebecca had done anything wrong, as a voluntary act. her brother always stood by her, to avert | Resolved, That after the afflictions which or to share the punishment As soon as I have been endured by Irishmen under the saw them, I feared that Rebecca had been British Government, for ages, in their uadoing wrong, for Leonard had been crying. tive land-afflictions that reached not only The teacher said to me, as I entered and the property and the lives of the people,

which I know not how to dispose of." Leonard and Rebecca been missbehaving of all duties due to man and God, enrolls and attractive; both were modest, reserved themselves in the school?"

"No," said she: "Leonard has done nothing wrong, and seldom does. He is one of the best boys in school." "What is he crying for, then," I asked,

"if he has been such a good boy? Why does he not go out to play with the rest?"

best of all, were the gentle words and win- | wishes me to let his sister go out and play, | not been equally welcomed, or who still re-"How is that, Leonard? Why do you

yourself with the rest?"

"I could not play if I did go, sir." "Why not, Leonard?"

"Because, sir, Rebecca would not be joying herself at the same time." "But even if your sister should be allowed to go out, she could not play with "But then I should know she was there. sir, playing with the rest."

"But why do you wish to stay, and let "Please do not call her naughty, sir," excused, as I was locking my desk, Willie said the generous boy. "I love her, and stole softly back. Climbing upon the desk, would rather that she should go out than

> "Then you think," said I, "you would see her punished? Is that because you

teacher.

He stood with his arms around his sister, mine. I knew that Willie was the child he would have taken him up in his arms of irreligious parents, and that I ought to and blessed him. It was affecting to witencourage this his first seeking after divine ness his generous devotion to his sister, truth, but the tempter whispered, to-mor-row will do as well, and I yielded to the "This," said I to the teacher, "is love United States, the Constitution, and the

the room," said she.

She did so, and they were both happy. suffer and die ourselves than inflict suffer-"Oh, teacher, won't you come right ing and death on others.-From Kiss for

Miscellaneous.

Irish Loyalty.

Gov. Gamble, of Mo., lately issued an rder to enroll all able-bedied citizens of the State, who are subject to military duty. When the work commenced in St. Louis, number of persons claimed protection from the British Consul, as loyal subjects of her the British Consul, as loyal subjects of her Where have you seen anything like that Majesty, Queen Victoria. A crowd collected at the Consul's residence, and a riot chuckling contraband, "can't remember was imminent. Shortly afterwards a meetheld at the Biddle Market, presided over by Samuel H. Young, Esq., at which the whether his master had gone to heaven, he unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Certain persons in this city, Willie, and the little form writhed in agony. | numbering between two and three hundred, It was but for a moment, then he lay still and claiming to be Irishmen, have sought with closed eyes and clasped hands. Si-I the protection of the British flag as British lently we watched beside him, till the tick- subjects, with the view of obtaining exing of the old clock that stood in one cor- emption from their obligation to take up ner seemed like a somber interlude, weaving arms in defence of the American Union, the moments of suspense together. An against the rebellion initiated and waged hour passed on. Then there was another by native American traitors; and, whereas, convulsion. It was longer and harder than this is the first and only instance that has the last. At its close he lay pale and ex- ever occurred of such infamous baseness on hausted. Suddenly he opened his eyes the part of Irishmen domiciled in this and his lips unclosed. There was a strange country; and, whereas, the great mass of agonizing earnestness in his voice as he the Irish residents of St. Louis, the naturalized as well as the unnaturalized, have heard with profound astonishment and with feelings of humiliation, shame and disgust of this disgraceful conduct on the part of "Pray for him, for him," sobbed the men claiming to have been born in Ireland;

father, and I prayed then as I had never therefore, be it done before, that Christ would reveal himself Resolved, By the Irish residents of St. Louis, in mass meeting assembled, that we denounce the conduct of those men as cowardly, base and infamous; that they lie's face. He lifted his head and stretched | are unworthy the name of Irishmen, and forth his small white hands toward heaven. have entailed upon themselves a dishonor and will be visited upon their children to

Resolved, That we are convinced, from satisfactory evidence, that most of the men Two days after, when the clouds were who have thus claimed the protection weeping rain-tears, we laid him down to of the English Government, and who are sleep. And as the aged pastor told us that currently reported to be Irish, are, in fact, Willie had gone to see Jesus Christ who natives of England;

* * and the rest of them, though used to tears, and hardened sunburnt faces, of Irish birth, are but the bastard offspring that were moistened with something else of English convicts and rabble who, from than the rain drops that were falling thick- time to time, have settled in Ireland and assumed Irish names as a cover for their crimes or the baseness of their origin. Resolved, That we, the Irish residents of means of leading his parents to fix their St. Louis, embrace this occasion of renewhopes for both time and eternity on that ing the expression of our unalterable attachment and loyalty to the Government, institutions of the United States-that, as ransomed souls will there be who have ful- our countrymen during the American Rev-

olution, in the War of 1812, in the War with Mexico, and in the present wicked rebellion, gloriously attested their devotion to liberty, and their fidelity to this, the land of their adoption, by their sacrifices, their labors, their valor and their blood,

Resolved, That the allegiance claimed

but were aimed at their hopes, of the life "What shall I do? I have here a case to come, with a cruelty and a determination practiced only by a British Govern-"What is the matter?" I asked. "Have ment—the Irishmen who, in abandonment

and is born a slave. oes he not go out to play with the rest?" America is due from Irishmen, "all the charged the plundering parties in the front "Rebecca," said the teacher, "has been world over," the worship of the heart and rank of the National Guards. Notwithvery troublesome to-day in the school, and the approval of the judgment; not only standing every effort to disguise themselves as a punishment, I told her she must stay millions of her exiles who have been nur-in the house when the children went to tured, and the thousands of them who have them, and marking their intrepid conduct, "Well," said I, "why need Leonard cry about that? You do not keep him in to been honored in this country, sharing alike presented them, together with their father most positions of honor, in the forum and brother, to his staff. Not only pure, been honored in this country, sharing alike presented them to Gen. Dumouriez, who punish him because his sister has been a the field, but to the other millions of the but free from suspicion, they were the

main behind from the overruling love they bear their native land, cherish and avow the gratitude that is due to America by the democracies of all nations. They see "Well, but cannot you go and enjoy with clearer vision equality and freedom fundamentally established, and their proportions fairly granted to Irishmen; they see the exile transformed into the citizenthe man born dumb having his voice heard at the polls, and they witness with emotion the results that flow from this political baptism, when Irishmen are in a civil sense 'born again" in America; the reconstruction of a man spoiled and denuded of his rights, constitutes the noblest act of his race and the best proof of their endowment by the Divinity. The true Irishman embraces this truth instinctively, and it fires him with devotion to America, the

Resolved, That, until they purge themselves of the crime of hatred to the land of rather see her happy than be happy your-self, and you would rather be punished than, ing under a flag that never floated over that land but in conquest and in death, this meeting of loyal Irishmen, equally loyal "Yes, sir," said he; "I am older and herein to the land of their adoption and ter a little pause, he added, "Tecer, who is stronger than she is, and I can bear it their birth, proclaims the old Roman inter-Wist that best 'ittle children?" | better than she can. I could not be happy diet of "bread and salt" against these re-Before I could reply, there came a knock if she stayed in. Do, ma'am, let her go creant Irishmen in St. Louis, who claim creant Irishmen in St. Louis, who claim on the door. I opened it, and a little girl out," said the noble-hearted boy to his the certificates of British subjects; and as their hand is thus raised against America, so every man's hand in this assemblage is sent before."

It contained an urgent invitation for me to spend the afternoon with a friend of themselves in the ranks of the citizen soldiery of the country.

only country that establishes it as a rule.

Resolved. That the true Irishmen of St. voice. To morrow! how many broken that seeketh not her own. What can you Union; that neither the O'Donoghoe of the Isles, who denied Irish aid to British "I will let them play together here in intervention in American affairs, in the Rotunda, in Dublin, nor Meagher, of the Suir whose sword flashes as keen and bright on If we loved our enemies as Leonard did the battle-fields of America to day, as his his sister, with a love that seeketh not her young and fresh eloquence glowed in lusown, there could be no more wars or fight- trous periods at the foot of the British ing in the world, for then we should rather scaffold to which he was condemned in his land, for his love thereof; not even these instances of Irish loyalty to America shall in anything but ability, excel their countrymen now met in this assembly to set the stamp of their condemnation upon every Irishmen who claims a British certificate of protection.

Negro Wit.

The progress of our troops Southward brings out many specimens of negro drollery. General Sickles, being indebted to a contraband for important services lately, near Stafford Court House, gave him a handful of silver. The darkey's eyes glistened, and the General asked back as fur as dat !"

In another place, a slave, being asked about his master, said that he was dead Being further asked, perhaps jocosely, his mas'r always made great preparations when he intended to go anywhere, and he never knew of his making any preparations to go to heaven.

A Western correspondent gives the following capital story: Notwithstanding General Halleck's repellant and expellant endeavors, the irrepressible negro will come into our lines, in Cennessee, and the North-eastern regiments do not seem absolutely inconsolable about it. "Whom do you belong to?" asked a friend of mine, of one of these fugacious chattles, in camp. "I did belong to a lady in Mississippi," was the reply. "But whom do you belong to now?" "Well, mas'r," responded the voluntary exile with a gleeful twinkle of his white eves "that's a question not 'xactly settled yet.' He certainly had an accurate appreciation

A Contrabandish Idea of War.

of what the journals term "The Situa-

We were passing along the wharves, few days ago, wondering at the amount of business that was there transacted. While which will survive their wretched existence standing observing a cargo of horses being transferred from a vessel to the shore, an old contraband" appeared at our below touching his old fur hat, and scraping an enormous foot. He opened his battery upon us with the following:

"Well, boss, how is yer?" "Pretty well, daddy; how are you?"
"I'se fuss rate, I is. B'long to Old Burnenside's boys, dos yer?"

"Yes, I belong to that party. Great boys, aid they?"
"Well, I thought yer b'longed to dat party. Great man, he is, dat's sartin.

"We waited and waited; we heard ye was comin', but we mos guv yer up. 'Deed jess did; but one mornin' we heard de big guns, way down ribber, go bang, bang, bang, and de folks round yer began to cut dar stick mitey short, and trabbel up de rail-track. Den, bress de good Lord, we knowed yer was comin', but we held our aw. Byme-by de sogers begun to cut dar stick; too; and dey did trabbel! 'Pears dey made de dirt fly! Yah, hah!" "Why, were they scared so bad?"

"De sogers did n't skeer um so much as dem black boats. 'Kase, yer see, de sogers shot solid balls, and day not mind dem so much; but when dem boats say bo-o-m, dey knowd de rotten balls was comin', and dey skeeted, quicker 'n a streak o' litenin.' "What rotten balls did the boats throw

at them?" "Do n't yer know? Why, dem balls "Well, what are you going to do when

the war's over? Going along?"
"Dunno; "praps I goes Norf, wid dis crowd. Pretty much so, I guess. 'Pears ter me dis chile had better be movin'."

Heroic Sisters.

There dwelt in the village of Montagne France, at the period of the French Revo lution, two girls named Felicite and Theo phile Fernig. Both possessed beauty, sweet himself voluntarily under the care of a flag and apparently timid. The youngest was every fibre of which is saturated and drunk, thirteen years of age, when the nightly with the best blood of the best men of his attacks of the Austrians demanded an imcountry, forms the exception to his race, mediate and strong resistance. Soldiers being wanted; the sisters put on their Resolved, That to the United States of brother's clothes, amned themselves, and

gagement previous to April 5th, 1793. In an engagement near Brussels, they rushed headlong into the midst of the enemy. when a general officer called on them to surrender. The reply was a ball from the pistol of the younger, which laid him dead at her feet, and in the momentary confusion they drew back in safety. The same sister, at the battle of Jemappes, charged a Hungarian battalion with a small party of horse, and herself disarmed one of the most formidable grenadiers. His height on foot was nearly the same as her own whin mounted, and he was in despair when the tones of her voice, saying, "General, this is a prisoner I have brought you," revealed to him the sex of the brilliant officer. Felicite attended the Duke of Chartres, and never failed to charge the enemy at his side. Both the sisters aided in the escape of Dumouriez, accompanying him to the Austrian lines, the soldiers firing on them as they passed. Once beyond pursuit, they resumed the attire of their sex, made no unnecessary display of courage, and labored industriously to support their aged father. Theoph le died at Brussels, anmarried; Felicite weddod a Belgian General.

Agricultural.

Hints for August.

Early kidney beans and late cabbages may still be planted. Cuttings of various plants for green-house use, should now be made. Cattle disposed to "murrain" should be fed once a week with a handful of wood-ashes mixed with as much salt. Destroy the late broods of caterpillars. A few forksful of the soiling-crop fed to cattle. will keep up a good supply of milk. August is a good month for conducting draining operations, and clearing up forest land for cultivation. Gather the fallen fruit by hand, or turn your swine into the orchard to devour it, leaving none to rot on the ground. It is better economy to go over the grain-fields with a horse-rake, and secure the scatterings, than to leave them for the stock. Everything under the head of grain will be needed. Commence giving more food to hogs intended for fattening. Hops should be gathered. This is the proper season of the year for in arching trees and plants, whereby scions may often be united to a tree or shrub more readily and more successfully than by the ordinary processes of grafting or budding. Lettuce for Autumn use can new be sown. The millet-crop should be secured before the seed hardens, unless the grain is wanted. Do not allow your oats to get too ripe before cutting, thus injuring the straw for feeding purposes. Peaches, and other fruits should be picked for market before softening, to prevent bruising. Pruning should be completed this month. Peas designed for late use can still be sown, also turnips. Select two or three of the healthiest raspberry shoots in the hill for bearing next year, and cut out the rest, unless needed for setting out. Collect stones and pits, depositing them in boxes of dry sand or earth for future use. Save out different varieties of seed also, and thus not be compelled to purchase the coming year.

The Garden in August.

Keep all your crops free from weeds. 2. Pull up the haulm of peas, beans, etc. remove your compost-bed, or bury it be tween rows of plants.

3. Your dung or compost heaps should be kept free from weeds. If the seeds are permitted to ripen and fall into the manure, they will be numerous enough to seed the whole neighborhood. 4. Cherries, plums, and other fruit-trees

may now be budded. 5. Reserve peach, plum, and apricots for raising stocks to bud and graft on. They may be sown immediately, or kept in common garden earth or moist sand.

6. Sow radishes and turnips. 7. Where it can be done, turn swine into your orchard to eat the fallen fruit, and thus destroy the worms that are in it.

To Prepare Green Corn for Winter. Cut it from the cob without scalding and as possible and stir it often. It will dry quickly and keep well. When preparing it for the table, it is much better to change the water after it has soaked half an hour.

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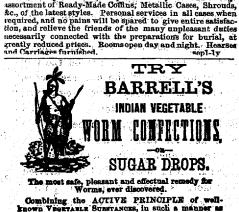
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