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"Life is only to be valued as it is usefully employed."

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MISCELLANEOUS

[From the Rochester Gem.]

The changes of Fortune. A PLAIN STATEMENT OF FACTS.

Some sixty-five or seventy years ago, a man, who acted in the capacity of both and my husband is now in the front room! cooper and sailor.

Very early one morning, and before any a young, beautiful, and tolerably well dress-Captain. She was told that he had not yet arisen, but she insisted on seeing him without delay, and with Tudor's permission, proceeded unaccompanied to his berth, and arousing him, addressed him-with,

Good morning, Captain; I have called to see if you will marry me.'

' Marry you!' replied the astonished Captain, believing her to be a suspicious character, 'leave my vessel instantly, if you know what is your interest.'

She then went to the mate's berth, and asked him if he would marry her, and receiving an answer similar to the Captain's, she went upon deck, where Tudor was engaged in some business, and put the same question to him.

'With all my beart,' said Tudor, in a half serious, half jocular manner.

'Then come along with me.' with motive which he afterwards declared he her uncle and his family. could never satisfactorily account for, even and hair, both of which operations he unquestionably stood in need of. She footed to every reader. the bill, and they left the shop, but soon did this, and the price was paid by the lady; Tudor threw aside his old tarpawing and left the store with his companion, in a bea-Majesty the King himself. They next visited a shoe store, where Tudor was not long

paying for them. Tudor by this time was puzzled to divine the object the lady had in view, and it must be acknowledged he was apprehensive all was not right. But fully aware that he had committed no crime to make him dread the face of any mortal, and wishing to see the end of the farce, which he considered had then fairly commenced, he was determined to press onward, for the worst, trusting every thing to his guide and companion. He solicited from the lady an explanation of her designs, but she told him to be silent was told to select the best suit of clothes in

others, was paid by the lady. Who the lady was or what her intentions tripped down stairs. were, he could not even surmise. He again asked for an explanation, and insisted upon will be explained hereafter to your entire were bent on her rescue! Most welcome,

One thing Tudor was obliged to acknowlfore resolved to ask no more questions, and companion in the bonds of matrimony. - of love and mercy?" This was something of a damper to Tudor, but nevertheless, he tacitly yielded; the of the scheme for Eliza's escape, and the

and certainly ignorant of where he was go- ment for that purpose was put in her hands other, and no sign-boards.—Ral. Reg. short a letter.

will soon be able to judge for himself.

Turning the corner of a street, Tudor and into the front of which they soon en- ing the ends together. tered. The room into which Tudor was only said:

vessel from Boston arrived at one of the arrangements by which you could deprive wharfs at London. Among the hands on me of it through life; but I have frustrated board was one by the name of Tudor, a your wicked designs-I am now mistress of steady, respectable, and well-looking young my own house, I was this moment married,

I must now leave the new married couple for a short time for the purpose of reverting other hand than Tudor had come upon deck, to the history of Mrs. Tudor. She was the only child of a wealthy gentleman whom I ed female came trippling down the street shall designate as Mr. A., not recollecting to the vessel, and inquired of Tudor for the his actual name, and for the same reason I shall call his daughter Eliza. He had spared neither time nor expense in the education of his daughter, she being the only object of his care and regard, his wife having didewhen she was quite young, and before his death, which took place before she was 14 or 15 years of age, he had the satisfaction of witnessing in her one of the most accomplished and beautiful young ladies in London.

A short time previous to his death, an arrangement was entered into between Mr. A. and a brother of his, giving the latter the possession of his house, servants, &c., and such other property as had not been deposited in the bank for the benefit of his daughter, till the time of her marriage, when the possession of them was to be given up to her husband. It was also a condition of officers and hands of the Boston vessel was and amidst the grim loneliness of desertion, the agreement, that in case Eliza died with, directed to a splendid carriage, drawn by "unwept and ansung;" yet not unbonored Tudor left his work and followed her out marrying, the property was to go to two cream-colored horses, richly capari- was he. He was a king, a conqueror,

Immediately after the death of Mr. A., to himself. By the time they had reached his brother removed into his dwelling.the principal streets of the city, many of the Bliza boarded in his family; and every shops had been opened. The lady entered thing went on agreeably for some months, a gentleman gorgeously dressed, stepped aldic pomp and blazonry were there; yet a barber's shop, followed by Tudor, beck- when Eliza discovered in her uncle and his out, and assisted a lady with corresponding was the scene honored by the presence of oned him to be seated, and ordered the family the manifestations that she should habiliments to alight; they then stepped on an innumerable company of angels, and kuight of the razor to take off his beard never marry-the reasons for which, from board the vessel, when the gentleman asked the admiring gaze of the Church of the what has already been said, must be obvious the captain what port he was from, how first born. And there was a requiem for

Unluckily for Eliza, she did not discover entered a hat store. She requested the best the diabolical plot in season to frustrate it amount of fare for passengers, and other "Blessed are the dead which die in the lot of beavers in the store might be placed in its bud. It was nothing less than this: on the counter, and then told Tudor to se- to shut her up in one of the centre rooms of lect such a one as suited him. He soon the third story of the house, to prevent her leaving it by keeping the doors and win. dations of the vessel, which were very dows thoroughly bolted, and to refuse her the company of her associates, by telling that he and his lady had some thoughts of ver hat that would not have disgraced his them when they called, that she was either at school, or was at some of the shops on cluded to do so, assuring the captain they business, or had taken a ride into the counin selecting a pair of boots nor the lady in try for health, and to see some of her relations, or by telling them something else equally false.

Eliza generally received her meals through a small door in the ceiling, from the hands fore leaving your vessel, permit the to make of her unfeeling aunt, to whom her cries you acquainted with Mrs. Tudor.' for liberation from her lonely and dismal if they had been directed to the idle wind. Three years was the unfortunate girl thus friend and companion, Tudor, the cooper! shut out from all communication with the world, when one morning her breakfast was accident had befallen him. I once more carried to her by an old female servant of and ask no questions, and immediately led the face of her old friend and servant- were drank. the way into a clothing store. Here Tudor burst into tears, attempted several times to speak but could not. Juan well understood Tudor distributed the wages coming to him the store that suited him, with correspond. the menning of those incoherent sobbings, ing articles of clothing, and the sailor in his and said, herself almost unable to speak bye, but not however, until he had extracted doublet, tar-bedaubed pantaloons, and che- from emotion, Hush, bush, Eliza, mis. a promise from the captain and his crew to quered shirt, was in a few, minutes meta- tress; I understand all. Your tyrant aunt call as often as convenient upon him, before morphosed into as fine a gentleman, as far was taken ill last night, and says it is doubtas appearance is concerned, as had walked ful whether she long survives. I will see riage, and was driven to his own door. the streets of that great metropolis for many you again, at noon and at evening. Some a day. The bill at this place, as at the of your old servants have long been plan. the most amicable terms, and were blessed cant withdraws, and the young lady re- tained the wisdom of his choice. The manning means for your escape, and are now with prosperity, and an obedient and re-Tador's amazement was now complete. in hope of effecting it;' and without waiting spectable circle of children. Some years He neither knew what to say or think - for Eliza's thanks and blessings, quickly after his marriage, he returned, accompa-

> Eliza, though unable for some time to partake of her repast, did so at last with a soul-inspiring intelligence!

'What!' said she to herself, 'is it possiedge-the lady, thus far, had done with him | ble that I am to be delivered from this vile as well as he could have wished; be there- place of confinement? Is it possible that there lives one who seeks my liberation to comply with all her requests and de- and my happiness? Is it possible that all mands. Presently she conducted him into connected with this establishment do not further. a magistrate's office, and politely requested possess hearts of adamant! God speed the minister of the law to unite her and her thee, Juan, and thy associates, in thy work start, and find, after going several miles,

It is unnecessary to detail all the minutia ceremony was soon commenced, and in two several interviews between her and Juan, seconds the couple were pronounced man for the three days she supplied Eliza with her meals. Suffice it to say that on the Without untering a word, or even ex- evening of the fourth day after the above out a reply as if he was singing psalmschanging a kiss, Tudor and his wife now interview, Eliza was furnished with an inleft the magistrate's, but not, however, un- strument to unbar the window, and was destination and profession. til she had given him a sovereign for his promised a rope ladder on the following services. The couple passed through many evening, to effect a descent from one of the streets in silence—Tudor hardly knowing windows in the adjoining room; but having and road,"—go half a mile, and discover hoping that the trembling hand of eighty the territory of the United States, and forciwhat he was doing or what he had done, loosed the bars the same evening the instru-

that occupied his wife's mind, the reader evening for the promised ladder, not knowing but that the plot might be discovered by We often hear of those who have fallen her uncle or some of his children; and she to the arms of victory, and who, fulled in ed to direct her footsteps as well as his own, clothes, by tearing them into strips and ty- which they gave their lives to defend, has

ushered by his wife, was furnished in a her rope, but fearing it might not be strong style of the greatest magnificence. She set enough to support her, it was sometime behim a chair, telling him to make himself fore she dared attempt a descent. But pre- household words; and painting has blazoncontented for a minute or two, and then fering death to a longer confinement, and ed their triumphs; and sculpture has fixed passed into another room. The first one fearing that she might be detected she re. them in the living rock; and poetry has here to address her was her uncle, who, on solved to make the attempt, resigning her decked then with the lustre, and crowned seeing her enter the room, jumped in aston- fate into the hands of Him who is the or. them with the halo of song. And we love ishment from his chair, and calling her by phan's friend. She did make the attempt, name, demanded how she had escaped from and was successful! Yes, she was now her room, and where she had been. She liberated from a prison in her own house, where for 'filthy lucre's sake,' she had been 'Thou fiend in human shape! I allow confined by her own uncle, and once more you just one hour to remove your effects breathed the pure air of freedom. This from this house. The actual possession of was about daylight. She immediately bent my property here you have long deprived her steps toward the dock where the Boston or's sleep and honor the brave who shed me of, and vainly thought you had made vessel lay, and from that period in her life their blood for their country, whether by till she ushered her husband into her house, the reader has already an account.

> The surprised and horror-stricken uncle stood in mute astonishment for some moments after being informed by Eliza of her marriage. She again repeated the command, 'Leave my house in an hour, thou monster!' and then returned to her husband, where the promised explanation was made.

The amazement of Tudor, and the transports of his wife, at the sudden changes in their fortunes and conditions, may possibly be conceived, but they cannot be expressed. Being incompetent to the task, I will not attempt to describe the scenes that successively followed the embrace of the happy couple, the kisses exchanged-the joy of the faithful servants at seeing their young mistress once more at liberty-the chagrin, mortification and decampment of the inhuman uncle and his family-the congratulations of old friends and acquaintances-the parties that were given by Mrs. Tudor, as well as those attended by her and husband -their many pleasant rides into the country, dic. dic.

to examine the cabins and other accommo- them." courteously shown him. He then observed soon starting to America, in case they conwould take passage with him. They then left the cabin, but before leaving the vessel the gentleman turned round to the captain and said-

· Capt. --- (calling him by name.) be-

It was not till this moment, that the capthe elegantly dressed gentleman, their old -they supposing that some sad, if not fatal leave the reader to judge of the congratula.

The remainder of my sketch is soon told. with his old associates-bade them good sailing-left the vessel and entered his car-

Tudor and his wife lived through life upon nied, by his wife, to his native place, Boston, where he built two or three wharves, that bear his name to this day. They afterone; but the only answer he received was, better zest than she ever had before. Her wards returned to London, where they died 'Follow me, and be not alarmed, and all old servants were still about the house, and as they lived since their union, honored and respected by all who enjoyed their acquaint-

> MISERIES OF TRAVELLERS .- One hour before night to be told it is five miles to a house-travel several miles, and be assured it is at least seven " good long miles"

> A long day's journey to go-get a late that you have forgotton some very important article of luggage-compelled to turn back-roads horrible

> To be benighted, and asking in great haste of a person by the way-side the disto your intended stage, to have him drawl

> In a strange section of country, on inquiry, told to "keep the plain straight for'-

ing or what agaited him, of the thoughts she determined not to wait fill the following [From the Church of England Quarterly Review.] The Christian Warrior.

gathered their ashes into marble urns, and After a few hours labor she completed enrolled their names with the illustrious dead. And those names have been borne on the tongue of posterity, familiar as the memory of the departed brave, and we move with more slow and measured tread as we approach their tombs, and we bless the sod that forms the warrior's pillow, and enshrine n our hearts the names of the sepulchured mighty. But while we thus pay a due tribite to those who sleep the warriland or set, still must we never cease to remember that the rest of the departed soldier of the cross is yet a more illustrious thing-that he is the true here who sleeps in the arms of victory.

> Earth knew not his conflict; she marked not his trend in her blood-bedewed soil. and her down tradilon barreate, and smoting villages, and plundered cities, and waters red with gore. The field of warfare was in the deep recesses of the lonely spirit. There was none of the "confused noise," 'and the garments rolled in blood, which marked the battle of the warrior but yet the struggle was desperate, and the conflict unceasing. 'Twas a conflict with those with whom peace would be ruin, and compromise destruction. Twas the tug of that desperate mortal strife, in which one of the antagonists is doomed, and there could be no more slumbering on the arms - no cessation from the war. Then how great the character of that repose in which such a conflict has ceased, and ceased for ever! How sweet the sleep of the war-

rior, after such a day of battle and alarms! And though he may have been unknown One pleasant morning, some four or five to the world, and have passed away in obdays after the marriage, the attention of the scurity, p_rhaps in heart-rending poverty, soned, which was approaching the wharf, passing through earth's scenes in disguise. and in a few moments halted in front of the And whilst no solemn dirge was chaunted vessel. The driver dismounted from the at his obsequies, and no long train of mournbox, and let down the steps of the carriage; ers thronged around his coffin, and no hermany days he was in performing the pas- the departing spirit, though no mortal voices sage, when he intended to return, the chaunted the strain; and the words were, questions of a like nature, receiving appro- Lord; yea, saith the Spirit, for they rest priate answers to the same, and asked leave from their labors, and their works do follow

MARRIAGE IN FRANCE .- We propose to trimonial arrangement, in that country .-The father of the young lady is first aphe cannot be prevailed upon to increase it, ing his discharge. and the applicant is obstinate, the negociaprison house, were no more effectual than tain and those around him recognised in preparation of the trousseau, which is made vernment. In cases of this kind, a Governher father. Eliza once more discovered tions that now followed, and the healths that action" closed .- The eldest daughter being cute a writ of error from the decision of invade their boundary with an armed force. lar kind is now, we will suppose, made for had been rendered upon his application for vernments on this subject will, at a future means have been so far impaired by the ne. United States, or to submit his case to the consideration; and, in the mean time, I less; we think, than 29.

another place in Massachusetts.

One of the parties still lives at Reading, Mass. The other died a short time since in New Hampshire, and the survivor now ought to possess, without question, all the learned for the first time his residence, by the obituary circulated in the prints. The old man immediately addressed a line to the widow, (if living,) or heirs of his deceased friend, stating, at the time they separated, that he was in his debt, and grieved him much that he had never paid it. In the letter he inclosed the debt and the same amount as interest, begging that he might be excused for not paying it before, and years would be sufficient apology for so

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

At twelve o'clock yesterday the Presibeheld, a few rods in front of him, a splen- accordingly went to work making a rope glory's lap to rest, have slept peacefully be- dent of the United States transmitted to did dwelling, towards which his wife seem- (if such it may be called) from her bed neath the sod; whilst a greatful country, both Houses of Congress the following Mes-

> To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States :

In coming together, fellow-citizens, to enter again upon the discharge of the duties with which the People have charged us, severally, we find great occasion to rejoice in the general prosperity of the country. We are in the enjoyment of all the blessings of civil and religious liberty, with unexampled means of education, knowledge, and improvement. Through the year which is now drawing to a close peace has been in our borders and plenty in our habitations; and although disease has visited some few portions of the land with distress and mortality, yet in general the health of the People has been preserved, and we are called upon by the highest obligations of duty to renew our thanks and our devotion to our Heavenly Parent, who has continued to vouchsafe to us the eminent blessings which surround us, and who has so signally crowned the year with his goodness. If we find ourselves increasing, beyond examknowledge, in every thing that promotes human and social happiness, let us ever remember our dependence for all these on the protection and merciful dispensations of Divine Providence.

Since your last adjournment, Alexander McLeod, a British subject, who was indicted for the murder of an American citizen, and whose case has been the subject of a correspondence heretofore communicated to you, has been acquitted by the verdict of an importial and intelligent jury, and has, under the judgment of the court, been regularly discharged.

Great Britain having made known to this Government that the expedition which was fitted out from Canada for the destruction of the steamboat Caroline, in the winter of 1837, and which resulted in the destruction of said boat and in the death of an American citizen, was undertaken by orders emanating from the authorities of the British Government in Canada, and demanding the discharge of McLeod upon the ground that, if engaged in that expedition, he did but fulfil the orders of his Government, has thus been answered in the only way in which she could be answered by a then, so far as he is concerned, there can Government, the powers of which are dis- be no claim to indemnity for the destruction tributed among its several departments by of his boat, which this Government would the fundamental law. Happily for the peo- feel itself bound to prosecute-since he ple of Great Britain as well as of those of would have acted not only in derogation of the United States, the only mode by which the rights of Great Britain, but in clear vian individual, arraigned for a criminal of- olation of the laws of the United States: fence, before the courts of either, can obtain . 6 discharge, is by the independent action of the Judiciary, and by proceedings equally familiar to the courts of both

If in Great Britain a power exists in the Crown to cause to be entered a notte prosegive a brief sketch of the progress of a ma- qui, which is not the case with the Executive power of the United States upon a pro- for either to have an efficient force on evesecution pending in a State court, yet there, plied to, with a view to ascertain what is no more than here, can the chief executive the portion he will give with her. If the power rescue a prisoner from custody withsum mentioned is theemed insufficient, and out an order of the proper tribunal direct. hands, and without even a remonstrance,

The precise stage of the proceedings at tion is at an end. At length there is found which such order may be made is a matter one who is willing to receive her upon the of municipal regulation exclusively, and terms proposed. Forthwith commences not to be complained of by any other Goas large as possible, with a view to secure ment becomes politically responsible only to her, for a considerable portion of life, a when its tribunals of last resort are shown supply of clothing independent of her hus- to have rendered unjust and injurious judgband. On the morrow of the wedding, the ments in matters not doubtful. To the cs. lations of peace with all nations, and to fulfather places in the hands of the bridegroom tablishment and clucidation of this princia draft for the balance of the dowry agreed efficiently than Great Britain. Alexander ing their own, that very desire would lead upon, and thus is this "fair business trans- McLeod having his option either to prose- to deny the right of any foreign Power to thus disposed of, an application of a simi. the Supreme Court of New York, which The correspondence between the two Gothe second. The father replies that his a discharge, to the Supreme Court of the day of your session, be submitted to your cessity of providing for the first, that he decision of a jury, preferred the latter, cannot but indulge the hope that the British can do nothing for the next until after some decining it the readiest mode of obtaining Government will see the propriety of reyears of prosperous business. The appli- his liberation; and the result has fully sus- nouncing, as a rule of future action, the mains unmarried until her father finds him- ner in which the issue submitted was tried, at Schlosser. self enabled to give her a portion suited to will satisfy the English Government that the her situation in life, without which no wo. principles of justicewill neverfail to govern which has recently taken place between the man can expect to obtain a husband. The the enlightened decission of an American tri- American minister at the Court of St. James, consequence is that a large portion of the bund. I cannot fail, however, to suggest Mr. Stevenson, and the Minister of Foreign sex remain unmarried during life; and of to Congress the propriety, and in some de- Affairs of that Government, on the right those who do marry, the average age is not gree the necessity, of making such provis- claimed by that Government to visit and ions by law, so tar as they amy constitu- detain vessels stiling under the American tionally do so, for the removal at their com- flag, and engaged in prosecuting lawful Good Example.-The Lowell Courier mencement, and at the option of the party, gives an instance of honesty, as remarka- of all such cases as may hereafter arise, mercial interests in that region have expeble as sincere. About sixty years since, and which may involve the faithful observ- rienced considerable increase, and have betwo young men of Essex county, Mass., ance and execution of our international ob- come an object of much importance, and separated, both leaving ther native town, ligations, from the State to the Federal Ju- it is the duty of this Covernment to protect the one for New Hampshire, the other for diciary. This Government, by our institutions, is charged with the maintainance of terruption. However desirous the United peace and the preservation of amicable re. States may be for the suppression of the

> armed men from Upper Canada invaded and, under circumstances of great harsh- guage neither of equivocal import, nor sus-

the States themselves.

ing the one and preserving the other .-

ness, hurriedly carried him up to the authorities of Upper Canada. His immediate discharge was ordered by those authorities, upon the facts of the case being brought to their knowledge-a course of procedure which was to have been expected from a nation with whom we are at peace, and which was not more due to the rights of the United States than to its own regard for justice. The correspondence which passed between the Department of State and the British Envoy, Mr. Fox, and with the Go. vernor of Vermont, as soon as the facts had been made known to this Department, are herewith communicated.

I regret that it is not in my power to

make known to you an equally satisfactory conclusion in the case of the Caroline steamer, with the circumstances connected with the destruction of which, in December, 1837, by an armed force fitted out in the province of Upper Canada, you are already made acquainted. No such atonement as was due for the public wrong done to the United States by this invasion of her terristory, so wholly irreconcilable with her rights as an independent Power, has yet been made. In the view taken Ly this Government, the inquiry whether the vessel was in the employment of those who were prosecuting an unauthorized war against that the business of transporting passengers to and from Navy Island in hopes of private gain, which was most probably the case, in no degree alters the real question at issue between the two Governments. This Go. vernment can never concede to any foreign Government the power, except in a case of the most urgent and extreme necessity, of invading its territory, either to arrest the persons or destroy the property of those who may have violated the municipal laws of such foreign Government, or have disregarded their obligations arising under the law of nations. The territory of the United States must be regarded as sacredly secure against all such invasions, until they shall voluntarily acknowledge their inability to acquit themselves of their duties to others. And, in announcing this sentiment, I do but affirm a principle which no nation on earth would be more ready to vindicate, at all hazards, than the people and Government of Great Britain. If, upon a full investigation of all the facts,

it shall appear that the owner of the Caroline was governed by a hostile intent, or had made common cause with those who were in the occupancy, of Navy island, but that is a question which however settled, in no manner involves the higher consideration of the violation of territorial sovereignty and jurisdiction. To recognise it as an admi-sible practice, that each Government, in its turn, upon any sudden and unauthorized outbreak, which, on a frontier the extent of which renders it impossible ry mile of it, and which outbreak, therefore, neither may be able to suppress in a day, may take vengeance into its own and in the absence of any pressing or overruling necessity, may invade the territory of the other, would inevitably lead to results equally to be deplored by both. When border collisions come to receive the sanction or to be made on the authority of either Government, general war must be the inevitable result. While it is the ardent desire of the United States to cultivate the refit all the duties of good neighborhood to-

1 berewith submit the correspondence commerce in the African seas. Our comlations with the nations of the earth, and slanve trade, they cannot consent to interpolations into the maratime code at the reasonable and proper means of maintain. mere will and pleasure of other Governments. We deny the right of any such in-Whilst just confidence is felt in the Judiciterpolation to any one, or all the nations of ary of the States, yet this Government the earth, without our consent. We claim ought to be competent in itself for the fulfilto have a voice in all amendments or altement of the high duties, which have been rations of that code; and when we are devolved upon it, under the organic law, by given to understand, as in this instance, by a foreign Government, that its treaties with In the month of September, a party of other nations cannot be executed without the establishment and enforcement of new bly seized upon the person of one Grogan, without our consent, we must employ a lan-