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The Husband's Lament.

By GRETTA.

Say, James, say that I should pang,
And leave me All that I may look
Upon her place here,
Then give away, all of you
And leave me to my grief,
I'll watch her through the long dark night,
And I will watch alone.

They're gone, and left me to myself,
Alone with this dull world,
There's no sound save the low wind
Folding distant fountains,
The light is only with my wife,
While she is gone, and I am left,
I feel I want, that I should pang,
Save my beloved woman.

I am standing for the last time,
For the last time by your side,
And do I feel lonely, and I feel,
It is so early here,
I'm waiting just to see again
The face I love, my dear,
Oh Alice, Alice, why are you still,
Why are you, once again, so still.

How could she be—how still the heart,
That ever beats to mine,
That were so dark, long years,
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The mode of managing things in this Southern country is somewhat peculiar for its locality. The American who narrates the circumstances that have been met with from Vera Cruz to the north, and on a regular trip from the coast into the interior of the country, is found that but one carriage would be in the line, and even that one was not found on which he discharged the goods and rested at his destination, who were all well armed. The Mexican travelers, taking the route in another way, never carry arms, but possess a small purse in the robbery, of which they are robbed accordingly. A few miles from Perote the road winds round a high hill, and the passenger is generally set out and walk.

The American, on this occasion had left their arms to the carriage, but their more prudent chief ordered them to carry them in their hands, upon the course of the ascent they possessed upon a group of robbers, whom the driver pronounced to be robbers; and who, but for their arms, would probably have attacked them. In less than a month after this, five or six Americans having left their arms in the stage at that spot, were attacked and stripped of every cent belonging to them.

It must be owned that this country has few advantages for the gentleman on the road. The highway between Vera Cruz and Mexico, is the great conduit of life in this country. Nearly all the commerce goes by that way, and nearly out of a hundred travelers pass by the same route. The chief portion of the road is, though an immense distance, but only winds up the sides of the mountains and then is bordered by forests of evergreens, forming a capital shelter for the most daring pirates, who being a commission of Hon. Johnson and Spenser's Bill on a grand scale, and making highway robbery an easy and safe speculation, the gaming table being the chief recreation of the whole battalion of Mercury.

Joint Trade to Cuba Point.—A public meeting of the citizens of Edenton, held on the 21st ult. for the purpose of manifesting to the world their high respect for their fellow townsman, Col. Robert L. Child, and all-voting to him, before his departure for Mexico, at the head of our brilliant volunteer force, some additional testimonials of affection and friendly regard of the fellow citizens. Resolutions were adopted expressive of their affection and thanks for the ability and patriotism with which he had discharged his duties of his responsibility of the important trust which has been assigned him to the army and formal proclamation of the appointment, and appointing a committee to tender to him the honor of a public dinner. The Edenton paper contains the very full account of the proceedings of the committee and Col. Child, from which we learn he departed accepting the honors, for the win of time.—*Raleigh Star.*

Consistency.—Henry Clay, editor of the Lynn Pioneer, who is now traveling in England, writes:
"The common laborer in this country, especially the agricultural laborer, whose average earnings for the year do not exceed twenty cents per day, is considered by those who rank above him only as a species of brute creation and not a human being. He is extremely stupid, and we do not see how it can be otherwise. In his case, as in that of the ignorant and uneducated classes in every country, the improvement upon the old plan, which are included in that, will have to give place before long to the new in all well regulated States.—*N. Y. Com.*

Royal Flour and Royal Price.—Last fall Mr. Hiram Smith an enterprising miller of Lee County, Va., a six-barrel mill of the choicest superior Genesee flour, manufactured at his mill in Whitman, Monroe County, to Queen Victoria, and for which, in due time, he received from her Majesty the comfortable testimonial of \$300. The flour was put up in lighted barrels, neatly finished, enclosed in sacks, and forwarded direct to the Queen at London.

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Mexican Highwaymen.
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Discovery of Wine.—Dr. Henderson, in his "History of Ancient and Modern Wines," gives the following account of the discovery of wine, on the authority of a Persian MS. The Persian Emperor who founded Persepolis, being extremely fond of grapes, put some into a jar to preserve them, tasting them while they were fermenting, he found them so hot that he put them back, and marked them on the jar. His favorite mistress, from some cause became weary of life, drank the liquor, which the fermentation being at an end, was so pleasant as to reconcile her to life, instead of poisoning her. The king found out what had taken place, and thus wine was discovered.

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