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#### DOUBTING.

In the days seen coming, darling,
When the pains and cares of life
Make me weary of the toiling,
Weary of the ceaseless strife;
When the band of time has sadly Left its traces on my brow, Will you really love me, darling, Really love me then, as now?

And the evening shades draw near— When my voice is weak and trembling And the silver threads appear—

Really, love me, taen, as now?

## A NARROW ESCAPE.

land dog.

and not until the deepening shades of bine.

shape of some small band of guerillas course. Practices in Halifux and adjoining by patriotic motives.

cloud which was rapidly spreading it- tain gorge.

to draw back into a tall tuft of grass steadier. and spacish bayonet growing beside

laneer his master was in; and faith, I did not much like the situation I fored

"But how to reach the friendly cover? that was the question which pezzied of abating.

a dozon men-tall, strapping fellows- of that wild spot. were radiating from the main body in different directions to perform the duty knocked resolutely at the door. of sentinels.

· Ore in particular was making for and I heard the click of a weapon. the friendly clump of wide-spreading " I am an American,' I replied, bit which had begun to sweep about the of this cursed mountain."

mountain.

Practice in the Counties of Halifax, bilding my noble dog to shift for him- figure of a man of brawny proportions, -In the Supreme Court of the State sel', I swung myself over the precipice, armed to the teeth, and of most villain- was in possession of the coverted corner, you, sir; only for you I'd be in prison at in the Federal Courts of the Eastern clinging to the network of vines, which our aspect. Collections made in any part of North shock and complained beneath my 'He held a flaring torch on high, the them grimly in the face, while my dog, ever need a man to die for you send for the papers just before the menageria come

that rayless void I found it impossible and tattered remains of my uniform; four. sharp howl of my dog as he darted off demanded: the squall, came the confused shouts of many of you are there?" men, a straggling shot or two mingling "I replied, in the best Spanish I

along the verge of the precipice, work nature had succeeded in scenting me, leave.' ing in the direction of gully, which, barst from the surrounding obscurity, which encompassed me.

bringing out every undulation of the whom I could rely in case of an emerrucks, every crevice and blade of grass; | gency. "It was during the Mexican war, support for my feet, and was giving my tive of a mixtured ferocity and cauning, teeth in the flish of one of them. when I was a sub in a caviley regiment, aching arms a rest, I glanced above while his eye, with an unsettled, starelit up Croz. Tempted by the high mountains and beheld the florae, dark-whiskered as he bade me enter.

"It was about the time that the ing furiously before the gale, or the feet. blood-thirsty and cowardly Casales had glare of the lightning, which prevented "Io my exhausted state, despite the ordered every Mexican to join the army. The lascer from discovering me, I am danger I felt was lurking about me, I out is search of my unforunate self; and commanded that no quarter should unable to say. At all events I escaped must have dropped off asleep, my head and they were returning from a bootless be granted to the hated Americans. bis notice, the shot did not come, and finding a support against a projection of search, when the report of a rifle fol-"I had not anticipated danger from watching my chance in the bills of the the chimney. the enemy, unless it might be in the tempost, I continued my perdous

thousand feet I was above the level of every inch of the way which I gained whom I had first accosted. the sea, but I found the elevation suffi- with the utmost difficulty, oftentines "Straining my ears to the utmost I nearest bought terminated their career, rient, even for the tried and practiced threatening to tear me bodily from the could manage to catch operational frag-

know, in the tropics. The sun had dis- when I at last found myself crouching gallows as as ever I care to meet again among the hills of Mexico in quest of ricch and femous. appeared in the folds of an immense on the muldy bottom of the old moun- under like circumstances.

adjoining counties, and in the Supreme self over the entire beavens, which from "The earth yielded bescath my feet, ceased but the occasional patter of raisits sable depths darted burid sheet of sand and publics swirled by; and ris-Claims collected in any part of North lightning, followed by the increasing log above the crash of the elements, I raunche proved that the storm bad but jun 20 1 Q roar of thunder, which already found an board the i-creasing roar of some ur- recently passed away. known torrent as it swelled and gath- "the you notice the glitter of those gred force far above me.

whistling for my dog, an animal to despair I rushed down the steep decliv- another flercely; of what value are which I was warmly attached. I was on ity, reckless as to where my feet might they? It's the glitter of gold I like to serving a life senterce, was innocent of yo kant even find one who iz alike half the point of retracing my steps down wander. Completely blinded between see; and we have already wasted too of the crime for which he was convicted, the time. Practices in the courts of Hallax and the rough mountain read, when the the misgled glare of the lightening and much valuable time. I for one say kill and he was immediately pardoned, after inchag of spurs and acconterments, the the intense darkness that followed each him. If the Yankee dig had a dozen trampling of horses, and the hourse flish, I stumbled on, feeling that every lives they should all be forfeited. He word of command was sufficient for me moment my steps were becoming un- has come here enasked; he shall not "The water was already up to my

the ravine.

faster, and the danger of the tempest importance?" A number of Mexican funcers were grew wilder still. My strength and even before me, preparing to bivouse for the faculties were failing fast, my feet were you not see he is too young to base night, and my retreat down the road litted from beneath me, and quicker gained any importance. As for Canales, "High precipitous rocks hemmed me along enveloped amid the spray and pains from him,"

road I had traveled had been originally "I think I must have lost myself for much more which it is unoccessary to cut. That notict was now in possession a moment, but waked, amid the dark- repeat. That my life was doomed was of the laucers, while is frost of one the ness and rearing waters, nearly strangled beyond all doubt; but I was not dissteep side of the mountain, verging als to death. Another instant and I was posed to make a vacancy in the corps most on to a precipice, sloped toward whirled heavily against some yielding without a struggle, and especially after-"To remain where I was would be effort. The vext flub revealed the the largers. only to court death, a namelers fate, an wreck of a tree, with the roots still "I felt the blood coursing through ing an account of the trial of O'Niel feel before the han got hold of him. There is unknown grave, for discovery was cer. clings g tenaciously to the side of the my veins with renewed vigor as I into the hands of O'Nier's brother-ladaw, ast much doubt that a bon could trot off

the crevices and rifts in the rock for its . The cool rain revived me. The ter. emitted fitful gleams which fell access to see O Niul. The latter told his sory uncertain life. Further on I beheld a rible strain upon my nervous system the arms of the scoundrels piled pro and his brother-in-law believed it. He those follows who will never lend his dark irregular fine disappearing in the had robbed me to a great extent of the miscaussly together in the corner of places the case in the hands of Mr. II. worky depths below. I straiged my strength and situality natural to my the ranche, eyes to the utmost, for the gloom of strong constitution. But my power of "At that n scartered promisenously about on the slipping a stout bar across the door. But for once, fortune favored me, steep side of the mountain, until a faint and I never laid claim to being a favor- glommer of light streamed tremulously ite, of the fickle jude. The dark line across my path. It was a welcome heard. proved to be a deep, dry gally, the sight, and, prisoner or no prisoner, 1 "Every nerve in my body jured; channel of some mountain stream, long made up my mind to risk life and liber- the blood rushed back to my heart as of capital providement which was pend- are made. The roar won't burt you, no

"I was unarmed; the only weapon I had sailled forth with had been aban- The odds were fearfully against me, "A sudden commotion among the doned on the edge of the principice, and as the four turned their wolfish gayly-trapped gentry behind me some previous to my attempting the perilous about to cook their evening meal, and less mass, amid the gloom and solitude

"A moment's hesitation, and " Quiero vive?' (who comes there?)

Dropping, my fowling-piece, and back on its rusty binges, revealing the their stupidity.

eyes in my direction, the clear, riege to O'Niel until the pardon it

search of their missing officer.

"The darkness had increased with as-tonishing rapidity, and as I swang over and deliberately he scanned the toro fangs to the enraged gaze of the greasy

atop of us. Put him out of sight, or in seach of me; then, amid the ruish of "What do you want here, and how we'll all swing,' but not one of them stirred.

with the crash of the heavy artiflery could master, that I was alone, and re- had a wonderful tranqui zing effect. rolling in the vast expanse above peated my doleful story of being lost in "Curses on ye!' shouted the leader, "Depending principally upon the "At that moment, to my surprise and knife in hand. 'Are you all afraid of strength and endurance of my arms, I astonishment, my faithful Newfound- the Yankee? I let him in here, and carefully and cantiously felt my way land, who, by some keen instinct of his this knife shall give him permisien to

tones. "Broad sheets of lightning lit up with "It was a welcome surprise to me. I duzzling distinctness the fearful scene, felt that I had at least one friend upon closely followed by his adherents.

the sterm.

a'nd, above all, the superb hunting, I brink, his eyes apparently fastened upon as I gazed about the recesses of the sallied forth early one morning accom- me as I hung suspended and flattened havel. It was almost bare of furniture, panied by no one save my Newfound- against the cliff, but a few feet below save a table and two broken chairs, A him, while the electricity twisted and fire blazed cheerily in the fireplace, "I was on ordent sportsman, my writhed, like tongues of infernal ser- before which were stretched three dark double-barreled gus worked to a charm, pents, around the muzzle of his car- forms wraped in tattered and greasy blankets. The gleam of fire-arms, as evening, accompanied by an numistak- It was a trying moment, my friends; they lay piled in the corner, did not nearly insensible, able growt of thunder, did I give a a situation well calculated to inspire a escape my attention; and you may thought to the flight of time or the lan- feeling of terror in the heart of the depend I did not feel the easiest in ling about me, my own troops were wife and the next best thing is a sekond portance of retracing my steps to the boldest. But whether it was the rain, my mind as I drew up before the removing the debris of the ranche from rute one. which was falling in torrents and drive fire, with my dog coiled down at my my limbs, and the Newfoundland was

"The low, monotonous hum of voices fiames attracted their attention. fell upon my ear, and cautiously recosfurking amid the mountain garge, actu- . It seemed as if the flood-gates of noitering from beneath the visor of my short work of the three miscreants who ated more by the hope of plunder than heaven had been opened; and the cap, I found that the three sleepers had scouraging wind, sweeping with terrific aroused themselves, and were in deep, wreck. They hawl vigorously for of will not attempt to say how many violence around the mountain, disputed earnest consultation with the gentleman mercy, but that was not to be thought which we are never fully prepared, and

"The howl and rush of the gule had

buttons? remarked one of the faur, "Nerved on by the strength of " Carse the buttons!" broken in

depart so easily." "Hush, Juan; you are too hasty. knees, and rushing by with a force that The question is, will it pay to dispose of made me grip desperately to whatever him ourselves and share the plunder projection I could find along the side of or take him to Carales? He might come down handsome. Suppose the The inexorable waters rose yet fellow should prove to be an officer of

than thought I was rushing helplessly carraje! yeu will get nothing for your

"All this I heard distinctly, and object. I raised my strength for a final undergoing what I had in escaping from for life,

"I drew myself up out of the rush of My brain grew clearer as the emi- posed that his consiction was just, and

night and the mosts of the storm, which endurance was great. I stumbled for- ing wistful glonces at a carbine, the was in the hospital, as he said, when the threatened every moment to barst above ward, feeling my way avoid debris of beetle-browed riscal who had lighted murder took place. Marcover, it was the deal of eight," my head, eaveloped all objects in dark-fallen trees, publicles and huge rocks, all me in the den glided across the floor, di-covered that the blow which killed "Why do they re

uncertain light of which fell across his his hair bristling with rage, stood me."

JOSH BILLIANS'S PROVERBS.

to pierce the gloom. I heard the short, then, in a voice harsh and growing, he "Knife him, lads, before they are

"That dark, death-dealing rifle-barrel foaming rage, as he dashed ferward,

"Perhaps the villian expected to once gained, promised to afford me the testifying his joy by leaping upon shake my nerves, and cause me to means of escaping from the dangers me and baying in his deep, powerful throw away my shot, but I never felt firmer, more determined in my life, "Qa he came, braudishing his knife,

"Changing through the smoke the remaining thee rushed upon me, but and once, then I had found a slight "The man's appearance was indica- were met by the dog, who buried his "I remember striking out with my

> and cheering on the dog, when, by some means, in the melee, a horn or canister of powder must have fallen sure to have a strate flush. amid the red-hot embers of the fire.

"When I fully realized what was pass-

licking my face. "It was, as I supposed, a party sent lowed by an explosion and the glare of

"Of course, my friend, we made were dragged forth from the burning trust. of in their cases. A swing from the that iz-twins,

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occurred in the Rhode Island State taught her child to be an infidel. Prison, in 1872. It was discovered at Haw kan you expekt to find two that time that James O'Niel, who was people in this world who are alike when about eight years' imprisonment. The facts in the case were these : Oa the 14 h of October, 1862. James Simmons was "This is a loop, called by some folks the Training Ground, and killed. About a so you may be easter tell a lion from a year afterwards, James O'Niel was ar- mule" Glessor, and convicted of the murder When a ked in court if he had anything to say why sentence should not be man has been painting him." passed him upon, O'Nici stated that he did put commit the murder. At the time it took place, he was in a bospital, recovering from the effects of a wound received at the battle of Cedar Mountain. He was a member of the 109th Pestselvania Rogime t, from which he had you to get into the house as soon as night deserted. The court postpaned (e)tence to give time for an investigation, O'Niel was sentenced to the State Praim

Six years later, an old newspaper givlooked the situation square in the face, living in Philadelphia. His friends supthe current, and crawled to a firm foot- sence of the peril I was in grew more they took no action in the matter. In reasonable hours, keeps placty of word January, 1872, O'Niel's brother-inday aprir, buys his wife four hats per year, and The dying embers of the fire passed throngs Providence and stopped votes our ticket, he is not of disturbed by B. Whitman, who, after great efforts, "At that moment, and as I was cast- succeeded to demonstating that O'Niel "They do. The sound is almost as loud Furnished at SHORT NOTICE and at Simmons was struck by John Reynolds, "Now, buys, flaish the job, and who struck it to save the life of his then there alike,' were the words I brother. There was a stir when the truth came out. O'Niel was pardoned at once, and a bill for the restoration of cine to do-last as Congressional speeches ty and demand shelter from the terrible the decisive moment arrived. Up to log in the Gengral Assembly, dropped matter how they decide it. storm, which still raged, but gave signs that time I had not stirred or changed out of sight with great celerity. The my position, leading the scoundrels to count upon an easy victory, no doubt, counsel fees, and the other expenses attending his release.

Nothing was said about the mattter decided my course of action. They pas-age. I left my heart faster as I ing notes of a bugle came rising and could be called, was tendered. Then had kindled a small camp fire, were neared the door of that tumble-down falling, filling the air with its melody. | the good news was broken gently to him, "A wild cry of joy burst involuntarily and he appeared dazed with happiness. from my lips, a thrill of hope pervaded He came out of prison and said, "How my whole being, as I listened. It came sweet the air smells." His mind had from my own gallant lads-a detach- been seriously injured, and he was not ment seat out, in all probability, in considered able to take care of the \$200 which the State offered him as a rec-"My four friends had placed, their ompease for eight years' imprisonment, limbs, in hopes, possibly, to partially cs- terly, in English: 'a United States hands on their mourdeous knives, un- and for making him half imbecile, but his cape the fierce gusts of wind and tain officer, who has lost his way on the side certain and undecided how to act brother-in law offered to take care of him, They turned for an instant toward the and was made trustee for the care of the "With a jerk the door was thrown door, leaving me to take advantage of money. O'Niel last words to Mr. Whit- for years, sold at bankropt sale a dozen man will probably never be forgotten by "When they again confronted me, I that gentleman. He said: "God bless with a rifle to my shoulder, looking now. I'll pray for you, sir, and il you

NO. 1.

[From Beilings's Almanax for 1879] Truth iz sed to be stranger than ficksbun-it is, to most pholks.

If yo undertake to hire a man to be honest, yu will hav to rize hiz wages every morning, and watch him dreadphull class besides.

I hav finally cum to the konklusion that if I kant prove a thing without betting 5 deilars on it, the thing haz got a dredphull weak spot sumwhere. The reputashun that a man gits from

hiz ancestors often wants az much alter ing to fit him az their old clothes would It is truly thus. Yang man, set down, and keep still, you will hav plenty uv chances yet to

make a phool ov yourself before yo It is a wise man who proffits by his own experience-but it iz a good deal wizar one who less the rattlesnake bite

the other phellow. I never question a suckcess enny more than I do the right ov a bull dog clubbed rifle, of parring rapid thrusts to lie in hiz own gateway. No I don't, Married life iz a little game, in which the woman, if she iz called, is almost

The things that i kant prove i believe "It exploded with tremendous vio- the mast; I believe that one apple iz leace, blowing off the roof of the house, sour, and moother one sweet, but i will reeding the wails asunder, and hurling giv cury highly eddikated man a span me to one side half sufficiated and or matched mules who will tell me what

makes them so. The best thing I kno ov iz a fust rate

There is only one thing that kan be sed in faver of tite boot-they make a man forgit all his other sorrows.

Causshan iz a good thing for a man to hav, but when he haz got so much ov if, that he iz afrade to tuch a kast iron line, for fear it will bite, ignorance iz what's the matter ev him. Whenever yo cum akrost a man dis-trusts everyboddy, you have found one

whom it is safe for everyboddy to dis-

There aint nothing so cheap az bad herves of a seaman, had be been placed oscillating ladder which had served one ments of sentences as they dropped mind firmly made up that, during the suckcess az sum shrewd kriticks have suckcess from the lips of the four comrades, who remainder of the campaign, nothing diskovered, they owe it to their airs, and "There is but little twilight, you "I had but little strength to spare were as promising candidates for the should ever tempt me to wonder alone assines, to adopt it at once, and bekum The world all praze the philosophers,

but toss their pennys into the caps ov the moskeys. It is allways safe to follow the religus belief that our mothers taught us-

STEAM ENGINES AND COTTON

"What is 519" was stabbed to an affray on the Dexter king of boasts. Take a sharp look at him

"What is the color of a lion?" rested at Westerly, be a man named "Their natural color is tawny, Where you see one fixed of with red, white, and

"So they are. It is a pity that their strength cannot be used in drawing street- UNITED "Are there many lions in this coun-

omes. Arries is the home of the han there; the nights are so warm that he does "C in the lion carry off an ext"

"It is said that he can, but it would be far better for the ox to carry himself off "Dang a tion ever attack a white man?"
"Very seid on. When a man is home at

welk is always in need of repairs." "Do liuns roor loadies"

"Why do they rour?" "Naturalists differ about that, Some way that he rour to let ether denizons of and ready to a gue matters, and other aserts that be rears because he has nothing

Can a lies catch a herse f' "Yes, unless he stubs his toe or stops to sick up a tender and juley child for function "Usp a man look a lion out of counten

That depends. Some of these modern lefaulters and office-holders could look a lion and of countenance with one eye shut. BOILER MAKER. In or sinney cases it is better for the man who tries the experiment to be up a

"It the elembant had sore eyes and had

been spreeing around all night, and the

sgue w s kind of hovering up and down

his spinul celumn, a tion would be apt to Never. After one has been jolted around the country with different circuses oked up with hot crawbars, he so soener gets out of his cage than he eats ten or i teen people and kills as many more. You will always see an account of it in

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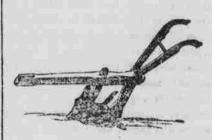
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When my step is slow and faltering Will you then forget your vow? Will you really locame, darling,

When life's flickering spack shines faintly When the she kering spark shines in Slowly corner the dying breath.— When the fired frame is resting. In the cold embrace of death; Will you come, and bending o'er me, Drop one tent apon my brow? Will you really love me, daring? Really love me then, as now?

that I found myself on sluty at Vera amid the yellow glare of the lightning with an expression I could not fathom. in the vicinity, the beautiful scenery, face of a Mexican peering over the "Strange forebodings filled my heart

echo through the valleys and gorges of "I did not fancy a wot jacket, and

"The dog cranched at my feet growlog ominously, as if conscious of the

in on three sides, through which the feam of that unddening which

ain to follow when the sentiaels should buck. "Cautiously I excamined the smooth side of the precipice, covered here and hold on the shelving bank of the apparent. there by a council of times clinging to torrent.

ness and uncertainty.