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Statistical Sector SCOTLAND NECK, N. C. the night. You are mistress now." I shall never be mistress of Delmar just received a letter saying that Ran-Hall, Aunt Mordaunt," I said, firmly, dolph Heath had returned and would be mor Hall by support. She clutched my "Now, Charlotte, my love," she said its banks of rock and eliff, hemlock and with wonder. laurel, pine and cedar, stretches a vale bustling into my chamber before I was "And why not pray?" back to the distant mountains as beautiawake, "do try and look your best toback to the distant mountains with the well, it of don't walk a carry that and exquisite as any in Italy or Switz-but. I t'ot everybody liked to have pabith "Because of the proviso. I will never night. Your are a beauty, I know, but a wed Randolph Heath. erland. There stand the great Unaka, L do Her face whitened to the hue of death. charming toilet sets you off amazingly. the great Roan, the great Black and the Lay off your heavy crape just for to night She was a loan widow, and I was her idol; great Smoky Mountains, among the loftand wear that white silk with the filv-ofand she coveted all these jewels and rich iest in America, on whose summits the acres for my heritage. For a moment we near the valley trimmings. You must fasci-nate this Randolph Heath at the outset; it clouds gather of their own accord even on lady. a on I breathless the brightest day. will be quite comfortable to have him at "But Randolph Heath's in Australia." "There I have seen the great spirit of your feet, for you must marry him, my suggested a friend, "and you are mi the storm, after noontide, go and take his at least until he returns. dear, you are too sensible a girl to make a evening uap in his pavillion of darkness begger of yourself" Poor sunty earroht at this last hone with and of clouds. I have then seen him I only smiled in answer, and I suffered a gasp of relief. aroused at midnight as a giant, refreshed "So you are, my dear." she put in ny maid to array me in the dainty silk. by slumber, and cover the heavens with we'll leave all these disagreeable things to But at set of sun, instead of receiving Randolph Heath in the grand parlors of be settled in the future. To-night, friends, the tempest, let loose the red lightnings the hall I was spreading away with my we will shut the doors against the stormthat ran along the mountain tops for a over toward the old ivy-sovered church. multiple conformation built of bricks imported from England a She swept off toward the glowing parlor century and a half before ; the church followed by her guests, while I fled away the clouds, to the music of that grand question has been asked a hundred thouabove the Delmars for five generations to my own chamber had been matried. In the soft elitter of organ of nature, whose keys seemed to sand times, and never satisfactorily answer-The afternoon, as I have said, had turn have been touched by the fingers of the ed yet. Some attribute the forgetfulness the oasts starlight we ware would An ed into rain and the wave thundered on the hour after I was home again. But as I Divinity in the hall of eternity, that to joy; some to confusion; some fancy the shores of the bay close by with a hoarse ery, like a human heart in pain. I paced ascended to my room I remembered that responded in notes of thunder that re- words are of such an extremely remantic my room restlessly. I could not marry this I had looked my last upon the blinking sounded through the universe. Then I nature, the man finds it more consistent Delmar diamonds and on the broad lands have seen the darkness drift away beyond with his dignity not to recall them. The Randolph Heath, whose face I had not the horizon and the morn get up from answer is none of these. It is much more of the hall looked upon since the days of my early I had hardly closed the door behind me childhood, I could not do it, for another when my aunt entered. face arose before me, in the face of the "Charlotte, you must come down at man I loved. A poor man, landless and nee you must indeed." she said. "Raninknown, yet who had grown so dear to me thick is in the drawing-room and asks to in the few brief months of our summer as before her glorious face to his bed-chamquaintance that to give him up were worse than death. Yet I was a Delmar, and it ee you. Don't be odd. Here, Lucile, do your young lady's hair. vale and heautiful river, where I was stead of an important speech, he was a sore trial to lose my hearitsee-t "And now, my dear, do put on your of sunshin diamonds," continued poor nuntie, flutter-

ing round me; "you should always wear

"I shall never marry him," I an-

"We shall see, my love. At any rate

gems, they become you."

hesitated.

urged.

swered.

church. I know the rector; he was, I

made publie."

find, one of my old schoolmates. Be mine the eloquent gentlemen from East Tento-night and I will go away content. Not nessee, a country sometimes called the till you permit it shall the marriage be "God-forsaken." Mr. Hayes responded : "I am yours," I said, "but let it be tonorrow evening. I will tell my aunt in a day or two afterward. Poor aunt, it will need that time to prepare her."

was born in East Tennessee, on the banks of the Wautauga, which, in the Indian It was arranged, therefore, that I vernacular, means 'beautiful river,' and

"Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,-I plead guilty to the 'soft' impeachment." I

Gentlemen,-I propose the health of

should meet my lover at the same hour beautiful river it is. I have stood upon its by his two shoulders, and, leaning over so next evening, and with a parting embrace banks in my childhood and looked down ending of the will was ended-"Charlotte, I hurried in, lest I should be missed. through its glassy waters and have seen a Aunt Mordauut was in a flutter of ex-Aunt Mordaum was of a busice had beliefd a heaven above reflecting, like two don't want any laby yet, and if you ever

where he keepth 'em. And they're awful "Good, good ?" cried the bald 'headed cheap, too. My papa hathn't paid for man, enthusiastically, "she can do more. my mamma's haby yet, but heth doin' A woman can do things that a man can't do. I know it." "You hear," said the lady, triumph-

"Well, Charlie, I'm sure I'm much oblige to you for your full directions, and antly, as she waved her hand, "you hear I'll know just where to go." what the champion of our downtrodden "Oh, Mith----, on needn't do. I'll sex says; a woman can do things that a don't believe a word you read under it. tell my papa just ath thoon ath ever he man can't do. Tell us, my friend, what tums home that oo want a haby and he'll a woman can do."

det one for oo, and----" "She can talk a man to death, by jingo," said the bald-haded man, "and if That young lady seized that little boy you could hear my old woman when she as to look full into his eyes, she said with gets her tongue onto me you'd believe it. delight in spoiling a horn. P. S .- For an expression lent by sudden terror: and don't you furgit it." A wet blanket falls over the meeting .--

Boston Post. say anything about it to your papa I'll

Henry Pierce, of Franklin County, N. C., report the following farming in the Peiershuar, U. Meesenger: This year that is acres in what, and made 60 binhels 25 acres in cons, and made good stacks: So acres is seem and made 21 bergen or 1,100 bunhels; 35 acres of coulten, and the state har, wrighting between 60 and 500 pounds and the future-only what I made myself, berg (themicalls and manipulated them myself, berg 960 pounds of butteratio cons. The "Home" can be used up to the

"A wink is a good as a nod to a was said by a man with a stiff neck, who wanted to nod but couldn't; although why any same man should wish either to wink or nod at a blind horse no man can tell.

Fast blind, fast find," was remarked by

said: "Write makes smite." And then he

MORE THAN "HALF SHOT."

"Your verdict is absurd." some one said

"Then why do you say he died from

"That's all very true," the Coroner re-

plied, "but the man who shot him was

drunk. Don't talk to me, if you please

I understand my business. Decased wa

killed by whiskey."-Arkansan Travell-

"If I have over used any unkind words,

Hannah," said Mr. Smiley, reflectively,

"I take them all back-" "Yes, I sup

pose you want to use them all over again

the effects of alcoholism, when we know

"Because he was never known

"He never went into a caloon

smote him that he died

o the Coroner.

"Why so ?"

"That's a fact."

he was shet?"

was the reply.

"You are right."

lrink

[Brooklyn Engle.] "Truth is stranger than fiction" was invented by an editor as a head-line to a

twenty line lie so monstrously extravagant that he knew nobody would believe ten words of it. The original use of this proverb is continued unto this day. Whenever you see that line in a newspaper

"I'll make a spoon or spoil a horn," was the thought of a man who never made a spoon in all his life, and whe one, and only took a mean man's malicious

kn w perfectly well that he couldn't make a man who likes to take his horn straight the introduction of a spoon always spoils

al the l "All's fare in love and war" was the in-pired thought of a railroad conduc-

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ry Randolph Heath, the ward and adopted

son of my grandfather, or else the entire

property was to go to this self-same Ran-

The will had just been read. The fu-

noral quests, or at least, the most import

ant of them, had listened to it in the draw

hung with portraits of my Delmar ancest-

ors, handsome men and lovely, golden-

"Charlotte," said my aunt, when the

my dear, you must invite our friends for

incroom holese the walls of which was

dolph.

haired women.

lose the Delmar jewels. All the Delmar women before me had worn these matchless old diamonds : and must I alone a them, be disinherited and dowerless.

"Yes, cheerfully," I said; "since to keep them I must give up the choice of my heart Dear, dear summer days !"

For it had been on a visit to a school friend, who lived in one of the loveliest consties of Pennsylvania, that I had met.

the preceding June, Herbert Stanley, For the first time in my life I had found in him a perfectly congenial soul. We liked the same poetry, preferred the same music, ad-

mired the same scenery. Ah ! what delicious days those were. We rode, we walked, come down and welcome him. That

we sailed, we read together. Our acquaint- much is due, at the least." ance soon past into intimacy, and from that ripened into love.

"O' beautiful land of mountains, with thy sun-painted cliffs, how can I ever forget thee

"But, auntic, the diamonds are not Gen. Forrest stood stupefied while Col. mine." I began, wishing time to think. Haynes pronounced these marvelous sen I was almost ready, then and there, to tence, and said he would not have been tell the truth. But I pitied auntie and nore smazed if he had been struck by the lightning's flash from the smult of "But they will be, my love, as soon as Smoky you marry Randolph Health." she

"A man of genius is one who can be row money of editor," says an exchange. But a man who can borrow money from the same editor twice is a prodigy.

"This is a nice time to come hom-This decided me. It was his due. As time! nice state! thanks, lovely. I thought we descended to the grand drawing-room you were going to wold me."

never, never, Now, will you promis

The interview was here tornin the entrance of the servant to usher the visitor into the presence of the convalesent

MYSTERY OF HONEY, MOONS

The courtship, the engagement, the cer- on the gentleman. He seeived me very emony are over. The bridegroom hands graciously. I rather liked his appearance. his bride unto the carriage and the honey- A trifle fat, but pleasant. MI Cleveland, com and darkness; have seen him awake moon begins. Now observe one of the said I, suppose we slin out and take some most singular facts in the whole history thing. He looked at me strangely, but most singular facts in the whole history thing. He looked at me strangely, but all the money. "Dead men tell no tales," was the joy that ran along the mountain tops for thousand miles, swifter than an eagle's flight in heaven. Then I have seen them to the bride in that carriage. Why? This to the bride in that carriage they for the first words are also be the to the bride in that carriage. They have be the first word are also be the ded it with me. A man who can act discourteously toward a guest is not we that ran along the mountain tops for a known exception. The bridegrosm never ted, suppose we dodge around and take a thousand miles, swifter than an engle's can recall the first words spoken by him snort.' Still he did not reply. That en-All the grandsons of Henry Clay were

her saffron bed like a queen, put on her prossic and practical. The secret of for robes of light, come forth from her palace getfulness is that he has already said to in the sun, and stand tiptoe on the misty her everything he could think would inountain top, and while night fied from terest her, everything that does interest him. His conversational resources are exber at the pole, she lighted the green hausted and he has nothing to say. Inborn and played in childhood, with a smile some dreamy commonplace, throws himself back in the cushions, devoutly thank ing heaven "the thing is over." Thus,

> before the honey-moon is five minutes old. the bridegroom breaks down. AN UNPAID-FOR BARY.

[New York Times.] "You ought to have your baby bapti

to a colored father. Yes, sah, but I can't afford de cost.

"I know it doesn't cost nuthin' fo' d mere act of baptism, sah, but yo' see I owe

de minister \$2 for perfo'min' de weddin a nice state you're in," she said. "Nice cer'mony a yeah ago, au' he mought objeet, sah, to baptizin' a baby dat hadn't been paid fo."

OF THE NEW DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENT.

[Arkanene Traveller.] Colonel Herimides Hobson, a promi itizen of Arkansaw, is dissatisfied with Cleveland's administration . . Let me tell you," said he to a party of friends the top other evening, "that fellow Cleveland is a

a police justice when he bound the rough fraud. over to keep the peace and fined him \$15. "A frand, ch?" some one said in

"All's well that ends well," was said by "Yes, sir a consummate fraud I called a murderer who killed a dude. The name of the murderer is suppressed lest he should be overrun with more orders than he could fill, and thus compelled to hire a clerk, who would eventually run off with

us exclamation of the first editor wh slew a man who came in with a continued story of sixty-five chapters. It was this thy of a prominent position same editor who, upon receiving a demand

CLAY'S DEGENERATED DECENDfor 10 cents from a poet for an epic poem upon which he had labored twelve years ANTS

dissipated. The brightest of them was Henry, who was shot dead in a barroom not long ago. It is recalled that "Jame the eldest was at one time engaged to Miss Maggie, daughter of Senator Bock. His habits compelled ker to break off the enhad died of alcoholism recoment. When her marriage with Mr. Corcoran, nephew of the banker, was arranged. Clay sent him word that the core mony should never occur. So tearful was Miss Beek of some tragedy at the church that when she arrived at the diagrader did not wait to have her wraps thrown around her, but nervously threw open the carriage door and ran into the vestibule. It was a cold, raw day, and she caught a cold.

which resulted in her death before the hone moon was over. The young man's threat did end in a tragedy."—Augusta (Ga.) Chronicle

TIT FOR TAT.

[Baston Courier.] The girls of Minneapolis have a

with the motto "The lips that touch wine ill never touch mine And the young men have form opposition club with the motto

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"For lips red with dye We never will sigh."

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red, 'Rastus," said a member of thechurch "It doesn't cost anything."