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The Happy Hour.

The busy day is over, The household work is done : The cares that fret the morning Have faded with the sun And in the tender twilight I sit in happy rest, With my darling little baby Asleep upon my breast.

White lids, with silken fringes, Shut out the waning light ; A little hand close-folded Holds mamma's fingers tight; And in their soft white wrappings, At last in perfect rest. Two dainty feet are cuddled, Like birdies in a nest.

All hopes and loves unworthy Depart at this sweet hour ; All pure and noble longings Renew their holy power; For Christ, who, in the Virgin Our motherhood has blest, Is near to every woman With a baby on her breast.

THE SALVATION ARMY AT WORK .-The "salvation army," which arrived in New York from England a few days ago, made its first attack on the sinners of the metropolis on Sunday last, although, according to all accounts, with but indifferent success. Mr. Ralston, who calls himself the commissioner of the army, and two of his female lieutenants, visited several saloons, where they were courteously received. In the evening they held a meeting in Harry Hill's theatre, which was crowded not only with the usual habitues of the place, but with church members. The services consisted chiefly of singing and prayer, interspersed with exhortation on the part of some of the lieutenants. The language and efforts used was commonplace, while the uncouth manners of the speakers and their pronunciation of certain words brought smiles often to the faces of the audience. Odd and queer, however, as the new-comers are, they seem to be terribly in earnest, and may be able to do good among classes who never attend churches.

ister, and, if they do not agree, it shows for McClellan, and I am glad that be that fraudulent votes have been cast. is coming. Here, Orderly, show this fore long." "They say old General thing. This applies to violin playing. kill.—Adv.

THREE YEARS IN BATTLE AND THREE IN PRISON.

BY RANDOLPH A. SHOTWELL.

CHAPTER EIGHTH.

Personal Narrative continued --- School Boy politics, and a taste of mob-law-Preparing to cross the Rubicon-Great Battle at Bull Run-How North Carolina saved

the day-A Farewell to youth, and school days -- Starting on foot to run the Blockade-Visit to Thomas Bayard at Wilmington, Delaware. Investing half of my last half dol-

ite Chiefs, an errand so absurdly hopeless, and so plainly dangerous, that on retrospect I fail to comprehend how any one should have been so 'green' as to undertake it. Yet as I recollect it seemed the last resort. Casual inqui-Marylanders trying to escape across it. Persons were arrested, even when travelling in carriages as though citizens of the neighborhood; and how much more suspicious would I appear, and inquiring the way as I went! To cross below the city was out of the the river bank for an hundred miles,) and then, after dodging between the Yankee pickets (posted all along the tow-path between the canal and the escaping, as well as to guard the cathe river,-a not very promising pros pect when you consider that I could not swim even the canal, much less the broad river! So, in my weary my moved forward into battle these and penniless condition the utmost risk appeared excusable, nay indispen-

Willard's Hotel, and as it happened he next day when the movement on Washwas standing in the door-way, about ington began in such haste! to take a horse to visit the camps on Arlington heights. He was surrounded by a glittering staff, but no one could fail to recognize the stout soldierly figure, the massive head, and familiar from the colored prints to be representing him on a prancing charg- the Portfolio-Armaque Virum. Ush

tude,' for their benefit. brass-buttoned, gold-epauletted, red-A man in Newton, Massachusetts, belted sons of Mars, clanking their has invented and patented a ballot-box swords and jangling their big spurs on that he claims is fraud-proof. If this the pavement, I ventured amid fear is the case, he has struck a very valu- and trembling to ask if he would inable thing, that as the ancients used to troduce me to the General. "Who say, "will fill a long felt want." The are you?"-quoth he. "I am a stranbox is a very simple one, and works as ger, sir, and wish to speak with the follows: The ballot is put in at the General." "What does the young top, through a small slit, and then man want?"-said the big son of the passes between two rollers, on the War-God, coming to a sudden halt in largest of which is a canceling stamp. front of us. I began a stammering After the ballot is cancelled it falls explanation of my great desire for a into the bottom of the box, the re- permit to cross the river, when he inceptacle for the ballots. The ballot is terrupted me in a stern tone, sayingdrawn between the rollers by the turn- "Do you want to join the army?" ing of a crank, and when it is turned "Yes-(hesitating)-sir; that is I had a bell rings, to call attention to the thought of it,"-and I tried to excuse fact that the box is in operation. A reg- conscience by adding the mental resister is attached which shows correctly ervation that 'the army' in my meanthe number of ballots that have passed ing was our own army, then at Muninto the box. The ballots can be re- son's Hill, only four miles South of moved from the box at any time while the Potomac. "Well," said he, "you voting is in progress, and be counted; are rather young for a soldier, but I but when any are taken out the can- was young myself when I entered the celing stamp is changed, so that every army; and we need young men. lot removed from the box will bear a told Mr. Lincoln"—(he was addressdifferent stamp. If two or more baling his staff rather than me)-"three lots are put in at once, only one is months ago we should need young canceled, and the register will indicate brains and young energies to carry that only one ballot has been cast. through this war to a successful ter-The number of votes cast must agree mination, and already we see that with the number indicated by the reg- such is the fact. The country calls ister and it.

ing troop, leaving the impression younger days and a better cause.

WANDERING AROUND TOWN.

Naturally I felt very much set aback on finding myself marched to a er, I sallied forth to visit the Lincoln- desk. It was observable that not a single other recruit was present; the recent battle having subdued the martial ardor of most persons in that region. In fact the city seemed filled with discharged men; members of regiments whose term of enlistment ries while on the boat assured me that had just expired. In the public buildthe entire river, both above and be- ings, notably the Patent Office, (whithlow Washington, was closely guarded, er I went to pass an hour in thinking owing to the large numbers of young what to do next) great crowds of tattered and muddy soldiers surged to and fro, some bragging loudly, but many complaining, of bad leadership and bad treatment altogether. More than once I caught the remark -travelling on foot, carrying a valise, "Well, I'm done soldiering! I was fooled into this thing once, but I've got enough. Others grumbled at question, while above it, I must first having been carried into battle just as get over the canal, (which runs along "their time was out." There was a modicum of truth in this. Gen. Mc-Dowell, in explanation of his advance upon Beauregard, says that he had to fight, because the three-months volriver to prevent the Marylanders from unteers (particularly those from Pennsylvania and New York) "refused to nal levee from being cut by parties of stay an hour beyond their time. The Rebels in the night), I must over Secretary War War wise, plead

with them in vain; they insisted on their discharge that Saturday night, And the next morning when the artroops moved to the rear to the sound of the enemy's guns." Perhaps they had lost confidence in their leaders. Gen. Scott's headquarters were at At any rate they were in the advance

AT THE WAR-OFFICE.

Shortly after ten o'clock I ventured to call at the War Department. The corridor was crowded with men, both civilians and officers, awaiting anleonine mane, with the plumed cha- dience. A select number were adpeau, at that time lithographed in mitted to the War-Office proper; and every shop window, and previously a still smaller number were granted personal interviews with the thrifty seen in every public house or tavern Pennsylvania Scott, panoplied with er "entering Mexico," or posing as the ers and messengers, aides and order-'Hero of Lundy's Lane." He strode lys, clerks and secretaries, were comback and forth with knit brows and ing and going incessantly ;-the priviimpatient look, but even upon my leged few, envied by all. My timid boyish and nervous observation left application did not at first receive the idea that he knew he was "ob- even a reply; the official merely nodserved of all observers" and in the- ding for one of the officers to follow atrical phrase was 'striking an atti- him into 'the Presence.' Several persons in the waiting crowd said they Selecting the mildest looking of the had been kicking their heels at the same spot since 9 a. m. Very curious conversation was indulged in by some of them, Red Tape being most bountifully abused. "It lost us the battle the other day, and will lose us the capital, I'm afraid!"-said one. "Yes"-quoth another-"if 'Little Mac' doesn't make a speedy change. we shall have the old 'Bladensburg Races' repeated, in Bull Run fashion. Why, do you know, there are 100 barrels of gunpowder packed down stairs in the cellar this minute-fixed to blow the whole Department sky-high if the Secesh should get in? Well, it's a fact! And the Capitol is mined in the same way." "Bah! that's all done for effect!"-said another-"of course, it is a good idea to make the country believe the capital is in danger. But everybody knows Jeff Davis means to stand on the defensive. That's his strong card :- 'only let us alone and we'll let you alone,'-he says." "Yes, but suppose Maryland secedes? Then the Rebels will claim this city as being in their territory." "Pshaw! man, do you suppose the government will allow a secesh con vention to meet now! Why, the State is full of soldiers already. You saw how they treated Marshal Kane

the other day, and I hear there will

be any number of big fish taken in be-

man to the Recruiting station, on the Dix has bought up two or three memnext block! Gentlemen, to horse!" bers of the Legislature to give him Then, climbing heavily into his notice of any attempt to pass an act magnificent saddle, he galloped off to of secession in secret session, and you the Southward, followed by a clatter- may be sure if the traitors try that game they will land in Fort McHenupon my mind that he well deserved ry." Singularly enough these casual his reputation for pomp and parade, predictions were fulfilled within a though assuredly a gallant soldier in month, by the wholesale arrest of the Maryland Legislature, the members being dragged from their beds at midnight, by armed gangs of soldiers, under Gen. McClellan's orders; an act recruiting station, but retained self- of arbitrary and inexcusable despotpossession sufficiently to thank the ism which is justly considered the lar in a shabby breakfast, and deposit- Orderly at the door, and spend some blackest spot upon his reputation, time talking with the officer at the though he claims to have simply followed Lincoln's orders.

TWO NAPOLEONS. Promenading over a stone floor, in momentary expectancy, for four hours or longer, is a discouraging business, and I more than once was on eve of retiring in despair, when some new arrival or departure, would cause me to linger; which I do not now regret, as it gave me opportunity to see, at close view, several personages since prominent in history. First among these, perhaps, should be named Prince Napoleon, of France, (the present head of the Buonoparte dynasty) who with his wife, the Princess Clotilde, had just arrived in this country. He came up the stairway chatting rather noisely-'for a Prince'-with Wm. II. Seward, the Lincolnite Secretary of State. They had walked over from the State Department to arrange for "Plon-Plon's" visit to the Bull Run battle field which occurred during the same week. Gen. Beauregard's pub- Presbytery is now composed of eighlished account of his visit, expresses the belief that it had other objects than mere sight-seeing. Of this I way speak in another connection.

The real Napoleon had not yet ta-

ken his departure from the building. when a shout was heard outside, and a squad of officers walked in with the "idol of the hour,"-the "hero of Rich Mountain,"-the "young Napoleon" who was receiving more newspaper and personal adulation than any man in the war at that period. He was in his 35th year, stoutly built, soldierlylooking, with a pleasing expression of feature, and little affectation it seemed to me. He had just arrived from Western Virginia, and issued his first order on the following day. Referring to this date afterwards, in an official report to the Secretary of War, he wrote-"I found no army to com- field has not yet perfected the revenue "secure the Southern approaches by on whiskey and tobacco-on the for-"undrilled, and dispirited; they were system, and have in view the reduconot even placed in military positions. tion of the vast army of revenue offi-"The city was almost in condition to cers. Under the operations of this tos.

"have been taken by the dash of a regi- bill the internal revenue service can "ment of cavalry!" Another officer, who was not so quickly admitted to audience, was Gen. Patterson, the Federal commander in the Valley, who permitted Gen. Jos. E. Johnston to escape to Manas- burg (Pa.) dispatch says: "The consas. So fierce was the howl raised in dition of the iron trade is more encourconsequence, that Patterson bent be- aging now than it has been for years. fore the storm, and resigned his com- Orders are still coming in freely from mand six days after the battle. He railroads and commercial centres, and now seemed visibly care-worn and the demand is constantly increasing. broken; yet I am disposed to think Country roads will soon be dried up, the old man was a victim to the same and orders will be still further increaspopular injustice which followed ev- ed. The idleness of fifty-seven mills ery unsuccessful Northern general, in the East will be short-lived. Pud-He had about 16,000 men, against dlers there ask for \$6, while puddlers 13.000 under Johnston (as the latter here are paid \$7.25. The demand is himself admits,) and the valley is so regarded here as reasonable. Our conformed that an able general could mills are all in operation. There are easily do. as Johnston did; to wit; no stocks on hand, and the production good features too. Peruvian money present a bold front with 3,000 or is greatly increased. The supply of will be worth something if the rise con-4,000 men, while secretly sending pig iron is short, and, with increased tinues. 8,000 or 9,000 through the mountain prices to be paid on new contracts passes, towards the East. However, and pressing demands, all reports of languidly at him and said: "I wish the a scape-goat was badly needed, and decline are pronounced absurd. fish would bite at your hook; if I was Patterson had the misfortune to be a In steel-rail production alone the ca- a fish I would."

failure at Ball's Bluff. TO BE CONTINUED.

into Fort Warren, on a charge of dis-

loyalty, as was Gen. Stone after the

RELIGIOUS NEWS.

Henry Ward Beecher says: "There is no use trying to dodge Jordan. If one proposes to follow the actions of Christ, he must be immersed."

McKendree Methodist Church, at Nashville, is to be rebuilt at a cost of \$30,000. The insurance upon the former edifice will furnish \$25,000 of this amount.

Of fifty-two Baptist preachers who died last year in this country, only five were under forty years of age. The oldest was ninety-nine, the youngest thirty-seven .- Religious Her-

Rev. Geo. B. Taylor, D. D., general superintendent of the missionary work Italy, has returned to his work in Rome, after a visit to his old home in

The average annual travel of the Bishops of the methodist Episcopal Church is fourteen thousand miles, at an average cost of little less than four hundred dollars. That is nearly forty-five miles for each working-day of the year. The money expended is doubtless the least of the outlay .-Richmond Advocate.

Dr. Hepburn, writing from Japan thus speaks of the Pan-Presbyterian Church of that morning land: "The Scotch Presbyterian, American Dutch Reformed and American Presbyterian have united and formed one Presbytery, called here Chiwkae. This teen foreign members and eight native pastors, and elders from nine-teen churches-a large and respectable body of men.'

A LUCKY FARMER DIGS UP \$800 .-Mr. John Bidgood, of Nash county living about eight miles from town. was made happy one day last week by being a recipient of a heavy windfall. While grubbing in the corner of his fence he dug up a rusty, old looking bundle, and upon examination found it to be a pocket-book. Being so elated with good fortune, he opened it in the presence of Major Dozier, and found it to contain the snug sum of \$800 in money. No one can tell which way the "wind listeth."-Rocky Mount Progress.

A NEW REVENUE BILL.-Col. Arm-"mand; a mere collection of regiments bill which he proposes to introduce "cowering on the banks of the Potomac, during the session of Congress. He "some perfectly raw, others dispirited hopes, however, to present it about by the recent defeat. Nothing of the 1st of April. It will provide for a "any consequence had been done to very material reduction in the taxes "defensive works; nothing whatever to mer say from 90 to 25 cents, and on "defend the avenues to the city on the the latter something like from 24 to "Northern side of the Potomac. The 10-and will be directed toward a troops were not only undisciplined, simplification of the internal revenue be maintained, he believes, with entire efficiency and yet at a great reduction in cost .- Statescille Landmark.

THE IRON TRADE BOOM .- A Pitts-Democrat, and he might consider pacity will be increased 66 per cent. himself lucky in not being thrown this year."

> Never hesitate to give Shriner's Indian Vermifuge when your children show the first symptoms of worms.

Natural_History--The Baby.

What animal is this?

This is a baby. He is now about three years old, and at the wickedest point of his early career.

What country does the baby most-

He can be found in every inhabited country on the globe, the same as mosquitos and boils.

Can they be tamed?

Yes, quite easy. After a little judicious discipline they cease to struggle and become subservient to the will of

Does a baby cat grass?

Yes, or anything else. They swallow pocket-knives, thimbles, buttons, spools, er any other object a little of the Southern Baptist Convention in | smaller than a tea-cup. If offered milk they seldom refuse it.

Do they graze during the day, or only at night?

They are always grazing, paying not the least heed to the hour. When not actually eating they generally give utterance to a peculiar cry. Strong men often jump out of bed at midnight in the coldest weather when hearing that cry.

What meaning is attached to this cry?

Men of deepest thought have agreed that it signifies to wake up the neighborhood and have some fun.

Of what benefit to mankind is a domesticated baby?

They are of no earthly account for the first few years, but by and by they can slide down hill on a cellar door and carry articles out of the house and trade for a wooden sword, or lose them

Do you know of any instance where the baby has attacked the household and killed or injured any one?

Such instances have been related by such eminent naturalists as George Francis Train and Texas Jack, but we don't put much faith in them. How. ever, if the baby was maliciously provoked, there's no knowing what it might do.

Are they a healthy animal?

No; on the contrary, no druggist could make enough profit in a year to buy him a pair of Arctic overshoes but for the presence of a baby in every household. There is hardly an hour in the day that the baby does not demand peppermint, paregorie, ipicac, or something else costing money.

What machinery is made use of to compel the baby to take a dose of castor oil?

There are several patent machines for the purpose, but most people fol low the rule of knocking him senseless, and getting the dose into his mouth before he recovers.

Is the bald-headed baby more domestic than others? Not a bit. He kicks around after

the same fashion, and has even a worse time fighting flies and mosqui-

What music do they seem to prefer? A base drum is their first choice, but they have a heavy leaning toward the sound of the stove-handle knocking the nose of the pitcher with the emptyings in it.

This is all about the baby. Take another look at him, for next week we shall write about some other reptile .-Detroit Free Press.

John Sherman doesn't expect to win the first prize, but he thinks he can save his entrance money.

"Does your mother know your route?" asked a rival when the bride and groom started on their wedding

The rise in the price of paper has its

They went fishing. She looked

The bangs on a lady's brow are better than a barometer. In wet weather they straighten down; in dry weather they frizzle up.

A Murray Hill young man has com-You cannot afford to trifle with menced exercises in drawing. He sits A little learning is a dangerous worms, they work in earnest and to down by his girl and draws her head over on his shoulder.