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WOMAN. Actors in the play of life, Seem a sister, mother, wife; They can play the kindest parts Round the scenery of hearts, Yielding pleasure ne'er forgot In the palace or the cot.

All can tell a mother's care; With a sister none compare; And a wife seems dearer still When the cup of gladness fill, Till the dream of life is told Like a fairy tale of old.

May we in a brighter sphere Meet a wife and sister dear! When the dream oilife is past, May we meet on high at last! And in realms of joy above, May we find a mother's love!

TRIFLES. Think naught a trifie, though it small appear-Sands make the mountain, moments make the year And triffes life. Your care to triffes give, Else you may die ere you have learned to live.

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## WOMAN'S REVENCE. A TALE FOUNDED ON FACTS.

None excelled and few equalled, or the coast of Spain, the beauty of Lady Enna; nor ever did truer knight couch lance in the defence of the walls of the old Castle, and in honor of its peeress than her manly husband, Ludovick. They which honor, love, and virtue ever do; on her fair face one might perceive the kind, beneficent heart that throbbed with in her breast, and in his bold and towering front might be distinguished the manly, upright virtue, that characterized his actions. He was a warrior of noble frame alike in the gayer tourney, or more deadly battle; a scourge alike to the wicked and to the enemies of his country; the low born quailed beneath his eye, while the noble tell beneath his arm-the minstrels loved to sing his praise; and many fair ladies sighed in envy of the lovely Enna, when they heard in their bowers the goodly praises the minstrel bestowed on that puissant knight. But vain might be their sighs, for his heart was devoted to his wedded wife, and nought could change his love. Their bridal feast had now gone by a twelve-month, and the pompous and final rejoicings of the first five months had subsided into the touching loys and more endearing companionship of the bowerwhere they loved to hold that sweet converse, which minds elevated by the soft emotion of deep rooted love, alone can feel. On a summer's eve, when the deepening shades told Enna she might expect the return of her husband from the gay and busy court, he with a heavy step and a heavier heart for the first time since their alliance, entered that love-fraught bower. "In the name of all that is dear," oried Enna, casting her arms around his steelcased neck, "tell me, my Lodovick, what has caused this change in thee? what has crossed thee, love? answered he, "no longer shall I listen to thy pretty tales of love; no longer kiss its rights ?"



## ELIZABETH CITY, N. C. SATURDAY, MARCH 24, 1849.

her more frequent opportunities of hear- revenge within his grasp; twice did he and bit the dust-

ing from him. But alas! how soon the give it up as ungenerous, but the evil nectar may be dashed from our lips; how spirit was stronger than the good, and and the pale cheek of fear was exchang- ting in the middle of the night into the than to yourself, is highly gratifying to us all. quickly will happiness turn to bitterness conquered; and before his mind could be ed for the smile of joy, as the young apartment of the well known author -We know you will discharge the duties of and despair, especially in the innocent again changed, he was at the table of his knight planted his foot on the fallen man, Balzac, was suddenly startled by a loud and despair, especially in the burst of laughter, and turning round, he be creditable to yourself, and, we doubt not, lowering, stormy cloud, wafted by the her fair name. Some believed; others "Coofess thy villainy or die!" cried he. winds of heaven, doth obscure the mighty looking up to her as a thing too pure to

beauty of Enna had raised no few admi- wore a bold front, on which appeared Enna. She is as pure as thy own silver he coolly asked Mr. Balzac for what rearers, who, when her husband was near, stamped the image of truth-yet all griev- shield, and may God forgive me as I do son he laughed so immoderately. I lauh,

dared not so much as breathe to them- ed that it should be thus. selves their very thoughts; but him they Report soon spread-Enna's name was "Takeit, poor wretch," cried he, "and had no longer to fear, and tender looks in the mouth of all-those that were see to whom thou owest thy life." The or valuables in the dark, and without a were giving way to tender speeches; and jealous of her could now take exceptions knight removed his helmet, and discov- lamp, when I can't discover any, even received my appointment. The appointment those who sought merely to gain a sight at her actions and multiply their trifling ered the lovely face of the fair Enna. of her form as she passed by, were now reminiscence. Poor Enna! she was doom- A few months afterward, Count Ludo struggling to render her some service, to ed to great suffering. At the same time vick clasped his beloved wife again to his draw her attention. For a time she was that the odious aspersions reached her bosom. He had been a prisoner and unconscious how far she had attracted the ears, and had roused her indignation to was now exchanged love and honor held attention of so many; for her mind was the highest, her scenes were overwhelm- them united in peace and happiness, but superior to evil thought; and want of ed with grief at tidings from the army, Lord Xavier was an ourast from manknowledge of the world led her to esteem that her husband was either killed or kind; the finger of scorn was pointed at all as virtuous as herself in idea and deed. taken prisoner; silently, but deeply, she him as a base and vile slanderer. He fell sorrowed, that the only being she loved in the wars of his country, fighting to re-Alas! how much she erred!

The truth, however, was too glaring, was carried from her, perhaps forever. trieve his lost honor. and could no longer be concealed; and Still there was some hope; he might still much anxiety and annoyance dit it give be a prisoner, and time might restore him her. But they were too puny and insig- to her arms; the afflicted ever catch at seemed formed to command that homege nificant to her to withdraw and seclude hope. Her mind was for a time numbed her from society; she merely contented with the poignancy of grief; but hope berself with casting them to a distance afforded some consolation. Who hath she to protect her in case of need? Whom with disgust and wounded pride. While matters stood thus, there came to fly to, to sustain her against malicious from the army Lord Xavier, bearing im- wrong? None hath she, save the supportant dispatches to Philip, then king of porting strength of her own virtue. Spain, praying him to raise fresh troops, "God aid me now in mine extremity, and distinguished prowess, invincible and transport them with all speed to the cried she "for I am sore beset, forlorn, south. It was in a time when the King and unprotected! 'Twere better he should was surrounded by his nobles and a ga- die than suspect my honor. Oh, Ludolaxy of beauteous dames, that Lord Xa- vick, Ludovick! would that thou wer vier had the honor of presenting his des- here to avenge thy injured wife but deeds patches, and had full time to view with not words, must now be thought of!" and admiration the amazing beauty that sur- with strength of mind worthy of a politirounded him. He was a man of no pre- cian, her course was quickly shaped. tensions save a large and muscular frame. Early on the morrow, when King a dark, piercing eye, and a pair of lips, Philip was holding counsel with the elite on which ever sat a peculiar smile, that of his warriors. Enna forced herself into bespoke villainy of purpose. A strange his presence, and on bended knees pourforeboding seized on the heart of Enna as ed forth her grievances and accusation she caught his gaze full on her face, and against Lord Xavier, claiming at once that with no concealed expression of in- protection of the kind, and demanding tense admiration; her heart seemed frozen vengeance. All cried shame on him, but within her, as she saw in him an old neg- he still persisted in his affirmation. lected lover, whom she had ever feared "Shame on ye!" cried Euna, "to drive and despised; she knew not why she a woman to this extremity; but I chaldreaded the man more at that moment lenge ye to the lists! the trial by the than she had ever done. The court was sword!" at an end, and as the nobles passed under "A dozen nobles, on hearing this the platform, where the ladies were seat- sprang to their feet with a cry of admiraed, Lord Xavier, as he passed Lady Enna, tion, and threw their mailed gauntlets, in bestowed on her a rude, vulgar, but ad- defiance before Lord Xavier. miring stare, and whispered audibly, "Thanks, thanks, my lords !" cried Eons, gathering up the gauntlets, and re "would she were mine!" She could not mistake his thought, his storing them each to its owner; "I would purpose; she knew well he would resume not that ye embroil yourselves for me Heaven defends the innocent, and to his old suit. Alas! her trial was at hand. A few Heaven I entrust my cause." hours afterward, he gained admission to The hour for the fight arrived; all was her presence to give letters that Count excitement and bustle, for all knew, and Ludovick had entrusted to him, little all reversed the Lady Enna-all hoped "Ill news have I for thee, dear Enna," suspecting he placed himself so much in that a fit champion would be provided, the power of a viper. From that moment and that her knight might be successful. she knew no peace, each day she was But time wore, and the king, in the midst toy love inviting lips ! No, I must to tortured by his vile presence, and his vile of thousands, sat a judge. Many a heart arms; my country calls me to battle for persuasion that brought the blush of shame beat quick and quailed with doubt and ioto her cheeks, surmounted only by fear as Lord Xavier appeared before the the glow that conscious pride induced. hustings. He was a man of noble bear Strong were his persuasions and forcible, ing; tall muscular, more fitted to be the but mildness was succeeded by anger champion of honor and truth than of his fresh honors shall be poured! I go to and stern determination, on finding him- own villainy. But where was Enna? She our emancipated country, to do no murself rejected, and spurned as a base was nowhere to be found to name her brave warriors of Spain, my partners in creature; threats were alike useless; each champion. Twice the trumpet of Lord day brought fresh fortitude and renewed Xavier sounded its loud defying blast, and of creation, and now sits roosting on the firmness to her, and further removed his yet no champion appeared; but the third was answered; and a knight, clad in chance of success. But the preparations for the departure bright steel appeared before the crowd, spoken with reverence by all Spanish of the Lord Xavier were drawing to a and made his obeisance to the king. He men-and thou shalt esteem me, dear conclusion, and he resolved to make his seemed quite a stripling, but wearing his last attempt, and accordingly threw in visor down, his face could not be dis the full force of soft persuation and harsh cerned; on his shield were three maiden threat; but he was met with scorn, and roses on a pure silver fillet. Lord Xavier years; and my only joy will be some kind repelled with disgust. High was his cast an eye of pity on him, and exclaimmessenger to tell me of thy glory, and Passion-bitter his imprecations; his ed: "Forbear, rash stripling, thou art no ardent love, or rather lust, seemed turned match for me; get thee gone while thou tled down to indistinctability, acquit my to the most implacable hatred, and, long- hast thy life?" His exclamation was only client and save your country !

THE DISCOMFITTED BURGLAR.

Louder than ever did the crowd shout; A thief who had succeeded in penetrasaw by the dim light of the moon pene-"Heaven hath conquered," groaned trating the chamber the portly figure of be contaminated, believe him hot-still, Lord Xavier; "I do confess that I have the author sitting upon the bed and hol-It may easily be imagined that the doubt oppressed them, as the slanderer slandered foully slandered, the Lady ding his sides .- Seeing himself detected,

> repent iti yet spare my life." replied the latter, "at the idea that you

should fancy yourself able to had money in broad daylight.

## TO IRON SILK.

Silk cannot be ironed smoothly so as any services of mine, or any merit which I to press out all the creases, without first sprinkling it with water and rolling it up tightly in a towel-letting it rest for an never-failing virtue and integrity of our State hour or two. If the iron is the least too hot, it will injure the color, and it should pointment. Ours is the only Whig State in first be tried on an old piece of the same the Union which has never swerved from her silk. Bright colored silks or ribbons, such as pinks, blues, vellow, greens, &c, always change color on the application of A YANKEE ATTORNEY ON CAPIan iron. Blacks, browns, olives, grays, pealed to in the day of trial. It is right we &c., generally look very well after iron-The following oration was delivered ing. Silks should always be ironed on This was doubtless the main ground on which somewhere in Wisconsin, by one of the the wrong side.

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profession, who would seem to have quite

The Postmaster General.

A large number of the citizens of Vermonts then in Washington, called at the residence of the Hon. Jacob Collamer, the new Postmaster General, on Thursday last, at 1 o'clock P. M., to congratulate him on his appointment to a seat in the Cabinet of President TAVLOR. It is said that every Vermonter in the city was present. They were a fine looking set of men. The best feeling prevailed among them all, and it was quite evident that all were highly gratified at the compliment paid to the unflinching integrity of Vermont by the appointment. Mr. Hale, in behalf of the delegation, briefly addressed Judge Collamer, in effect, as follows:

We have come here, sir, in this informal manner, to congratulate you personally on your appointment to a seat in President Tax-Lon's Cabinet, and to assure you that the compliment thus paid to our State, not less your new position in such a manner as will satisfactory to the country. We hope your success may be equal to your merit, and that, we are sure, will be sufficient to fill the measure of any man's ambition.

To which Judge COLLAMER replied as folows:

I thank you, gentlemen, for this filendly expression of your regard for me personally, and for the kind manner in which you have was doubtless intended, however, as a compliment to Vermont, and not as a reward of

may possess. In this view it may well be

gratifying to us all that the long-tried and has at last been rewarded by a Cabinet appolitical faith, and almost the only one which has never shared the patronage of the General Government. We have always been apshould be remembered in the day of triumph. the appointment was conferred upon me. It is a most responsible and laborious position.

"Oh, short-lived joy!" cried Enna, "are we to pari?'

scourge the Turk, with thousands of the strife. Thy husband shall return with the bright trophies of captured banners, and the loud shout of thousands in his train-his name upheld to honor-and more worthy of thy love."

"I must not mourn then," cried Enna; "but while thou art away, days will seem dreams of thy return."

an aversion to capital punishment :

May it please your Lordship and Gentlemen of the Jury-The case is as clean as ice, and sharp to the doin' as "no" from your sweetheart. The scripture saith "Thou shalt not kill;" now if you hang my client, you transgress the command as slick as grease, and as plump as a goose egg in a loafer's face. Gentlemen, I do not deny the fact of my client's hav-

TAL PUNISHMENT.

ing killed a man; but is that any reason Tom Dibdin, the author and celebrated why you should do so? No such thing punster had a horse which he called gentlemen. You may bring the prisoner "Graphy," and gave his reasons for chrisin "guiltyt" the hangman may do his du- tening him, as follows: "When I made ty; but will that exonerate you? No such up my mind to buy a horse, I said I'll by thing. In that case you will all be mur. o graphy; when I mounted him, I was top o derers! Who among you is prepared for graphy; when I wish him to stand still and the brand of Cain to be stamped on his he wont, I say you au to graphy; and brow to-day; who, freemen, who in this therefore I think 'Graphy' is a very propland of liberty and light? Gentlemen, 1 er name."

will pledge my word not one bl you has a bowle-knife or a pistol in his pocket. No, gentlemen, your pockets are odoriferous with the perfumes of cigar cases and tobacco. You can smoke the tobacco of rectitude in the pipe of a peaceful conscience; but hang my unfortunate client, and the scaly alligators of remotse will gallop through the internal principles her spectacles, "aint it orful ?" of animal vertebræ, until the spinal vertebræ of your anatomical construction is turned into a railroad for the grim and gory goblins of despair. Gentlemen beware one of the sleeves of a dress coat was lonof committing murder! Beware I say, of ger than the other was demanded-"Now meddling with the internal prerogative! sir, will you not swear that one of them

Bewarell sav. Remember the fate of the was not shorter than the other ?" man who attempted to steady the ark and case, and the lawyer gained the cause. tremble. Gentlemen, I adjure you by the manumitted ghost of temporal sanctity, to do no murder! I adjure you by the name of woman, the mainspring of the ticking time piece of times theoretical transmigration, to do no murder ! I adjure you by the love you have for the espleasure.' culent and condimental gusto of our native pumpkin, to do no murder! I adjure vou by the stars set in the flying ensign of

gle, that whipped the universal game cock magnetic telegraph of Time's illustrious transmigration, to do no murder ! And lastly, gentlemen, if you ever expect to wear long tailed coats-if ever you expect "Possibly" was the reply, "it is because in Springfield; one hundred and ten and a half free dogs not to bark at you-if you ever expect to wear boots made of the hide of the Rocky Mountain Buffalo-and to sum up all, if you ever expect to be anything but a set of sneaking, loafing, cut-throat ed, braided; small ends of humanity, whit-The prisoner was acquitted. A RAT! A RAT!

"Father! father! have you got a levy There are seventeen thousand different Pos about you? The great Zoological Avery Offices in the country, all requiring constant and Circuit is coming here to day; they've care and vigilant supervision. But, however got some new things father; a great Boy difficult and burdensome my duties may be, Constructor, and an African Lion just I shall endeavor at least faithfully to discharge from Asia, with forty stripes on his back them. And whatever ability I may bring to and nary one alike, all the monkeys on a my aid in the administration of the Departkeen jump; children under ten years of ment which has been committed to my charge age half price. May'nt I go father?'' I need not assure you that the character of "Why, sartin!" Vermont for integrity and virtue will never be compromised by me.

VALUE OF GOLD PENS.

Few persons are probably conversant with the extent to which this useful article has been introduced, or the present capital invested in its manufacture. The first gold pen was made in 1836, the use of the metal for this purpose having been suggested to Mr. Brown, of New York, by a clergyman Brown was succeeded in the business by

"Well," said the Mrs. Partington of Bagley and others, and a capital of \$80,000 our diggins 'tother day to a friend, "aint is now employed by Bagley in the manufacit a pity that sich a nice old creature as ture; \$75,000 worth per annum, has been General Taylor should take on so to sold by one house in New York, of this article. drinking? The papers say he is always In the manufacture of pens, the gold is first drunk first, and with all the honors too. 1 rolled out into ribands, and then cut with a guess that means he gets very drunk. die to proper shape, the points put on, and Dear me," said the old lady as she wiped ground down to the required hip. The points are composed of irridium, a new metal form-

ed with platinum, and costing from \$7 00 to A counsel for a Tailor, after one or the \$55 00 per ounce. It is estimated that at other party's witnesses had sworn that least 1,000,000 of gold pens, per annum, are made in this country; eight hundred pounds weight of gold a e used up every year in this small article! Who would have thought it!

Yet such is the fact. The demand for the The witness denied that such was the article is enormous, and it is difficult now to find a person who writes at all, unprovided with this most economical of pens. Nor is

Frank Hayman was a bull dog. I recollect when he buried his wife, a friend the use confined to our own land, but large asked why he expended so much on her quantities are exported to Europe. One infuneral ? "Ah sir," replied he, "she would voice, of 1,000 gross has been sent to Enghave done as much, or more for me with land, by Mr Bagley, where they sell for a guinea (5,00) a piece.

We copy from the National Eagle the fol-

owing account of successful farming :-"At the annual meeting of the Windson County Vermont Agricultural Society, held at Woodstock on the 10th January last, premiums were awarded for the following crops of corn, raised the past season, viz: one acre in Pomfret, one hundred and twelve bushels; one bushels; one in Hartland, one hundred and

A Mr. Gunn complained to a friend eleven and three fourths bushels; one in bushels; and three fields of corn, of four acres four bushels to the acre, the two others ninet;

A stingy husband threw off the blame of the lawlessness of his children in company, by saying his wife "always gives them their own way."--"Poor things," was her prompt reply, "it's all I have to give them.

"I wonder, madam," said a young German merchant to Miss G-----, "that smokers in this country are not in good odor.' they are so disagreeably perfumed."

that his attorney, in his bill, had not let Woodstock, ninety-nine and seven-eighths him off easy. "That is no wonder," answered his friend, he has charged you too Each, in Springfield, first one hundred and high." bushels each to the acre.

A man arrested for stealing a mirror, framed for an excuse that he had been tak-GEN. TAYLOR'S SUCCESSOR IN THE ARMY .---ing a glass too much. The mirror was At a dinner in New Orleans on the 22d, Feb. the cause of some reflections being cast up- Gen: Gaines said in closing his speech : "It gives me much pleasure and pride to on his good name. be restored to my old command of this divis-It is a popular delusion to believe that ion. I am the first officer of the U. States powder on a lady's face has the same ef-Army who ever relieved a President elect, fect as in the barrel of a musket-assists and I trust I may not be an unworthy success her to go off. sor of so good and brave a soldier. It wont do for a man to bump his head SANTA ANNA IN MEXICO .- The Mexican against a stone post, unless he conscien-Monitor, of February 10th, mentions the artiously believes that his head is the hardrest of several soldiers of the National Guard,

VERMONT FARMING.

Ere a month had elapsed, the sun gleahe issued from the castle with his band of warriors, to join the body of his country's the Turks, where we shall leave him, hewing his way among the enemy, creaherdine.

retirement; whole days would she love to sit and to contemplate with fervent look husband; or pore with eagerness over the of the cavaliers. book he loved to read when together in the bower. But constant tidings of his

med on the armor of Count Ludovick, as ing for revenge, he rushed from her pre- answered by defiance, and both took sence, resolved on her destruction. posture for the fight.

On the same evening Lord Xavier re-'Twas a fearful thing to see the young troops, who were already fighting with paired to his cafe, burning with revenge, and punny knight of the three roses opand anxious to catch something where- posed to the gaunt frame of Xavier, and closet scene in Hamlet where the Prince with to gratify the will. In this mood he all trembled for the lady's cause. But ting pools of blood and heaps of tawny took his seat at a little distance from a the young knight feared not, and met his vantage of the stillness, approached the slain, and follow the fortunes of our fair party of young nobles, who were full of antagonist's thundering blows with in- peanuts, &c, which lay at his feet in the mirth and conversation, so much so, in- trepidity and caution; avoiding them with pit. The countryman finally found the

For nearly twelve months did she keep deed, that they did not notice the en- alacrity when he threw his whole strength varmint nibbling his shoeleather, and herself aloof from the world, closeted in trance of Xavier, to most of whom he into the blow, and catching them on his prepared for action. At this moment the was personally known. Their jokes, shield when less heavily dealt; occasion- cry of Polonius behind the arras, aroused est. however, were laid aside, on the name ally giving a well directed, though not the made prince, who rushed up the stage and fervent hope some gift of her absent of Lady Enna being mentioned by one very ponderous cut, so much so, indeed, crying out, "a rat! a rat! dead for a ducat

"By my sword!" cried one, "she is the shouts of praise. Fiercer and fiercer with crushing force, his cowhide boot regular spree? loveliest in the land."

cess in arms, gave her a confidence which and water to obtain but one smile from to be so long foiled by so puny an an- "This way mister this way! Here he is money is not thought so much of now-agradually wore off a portion of her anxisher lovely lips," cried another; and every tagonist; the shouts of a crowd maddened here he is!" at the same instant holding days as a devil with a bag full of guineas." ety; and repeated invitations to court, to gallant then gave vent to his feelings in him; and, concentrating his whole strength up his mangled victim to the view of the visit those friends who had been compan- similar tones of enthusiastic admiration, for the blow, his sword would have cut whole theatie.

ions of her husband, at last summoned vet somewhat tempered with respect. through helmet and skull of the knight was she to find that her change enabled the heart of Xavier beat high, as he aside. All held their breath in fear and most of what little we have," as the gro- dred and fifty-five pounds, and stands nearly her to converse of her husband and gave fancied he now saw a favorable mode of suspense-Lord Xavier missed his aim, cer said when he watered the vinegar. I six feet.

The Yankee Blade teels a story of a green horn, who was absorbed during the upbraids his mother. A rat, taking ad-

that the lookers-on cheered him with "Just as the countryman brought down ery dram, how many must he have to a

grew Lord Xavier, and warmth for the upon the offending rats head, and leaping "My body should pass through fire fight was succeeded by passion and rage, to his feet, he cried with wild delight: than poetically says-"An angel without and papers in his interest.

who were going through the streets crying "Viva el Gen. Santa Anna!" There are various indications in the papers of a feeling in favor of the Ex-President, but the government Somebody; who writes more truthfully is rigorous in its measures against individuals

AN ASSISTANT EDITOR .- An Editor out West advertises for an assistant capable of writing on grave subjects. A person made application for the office, to whom he put the question-"Have you any Editorial experience ?" "No," was the reply; "but I have for four years kept the books of an undertaker."

It one must have three scruples to ev.

Stour Bor .- The Calais, Me., Advertiser, states that there is a lad in that town, who is "Hard times! and we must make the only 15 years of age, who weighs two hun-