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THE TORTOISE-SHELL SPECTACLES.

From the Ms. Journal of a late Traveller.

season is not quite over, but is decaying. And as, though I may love the autumnal months' farewell, and perhaps longer, to ther. hrifts of all nations into the town; and, get him to his face. as all things are great or little by comparison, and showy & useless as Congresses are, they cannot be expected to recur every day. The hotel keepers measure full season by the " year of the Congress," and think that the world is depopulated since that prodigious period. But I must tell you an anecdote which heard of that time, at the coterie of a eader of fashion here, which was vouched for by a whole circle of the first au-

thority, if ribands and orders go for any

thing in this world. A Count Cesare Mortellari, who announced himself as one of the Sicilian Mortellarie, made his entre there a few years ago. He spoke of himself as makng a tour of Europe, en philosophe, and ho' evidently enfeebled in health, made imself acceptable by his skill in music, and general pliability of manners. Like every body here, he played at the public tables from time to time, but with a declared reluctance for the pursuit, which he said, disagreed as much with his haoits as his health. He seemed a good deal of the hypochondriac:-and among his more intimate circles, complained of the restless dissipations of continental ile, and the raptures of philosophy, retirement, and so forth. But example is contagious; and as the season advanced, even the shrinking Italian was forced into the crowd. He attended the Redoute and other public places, and insensibly moved in the round of Archdukes and Princesses; but, unlike the general tribe of watering place Counts, who are preeminent for whiskers, equipage, laced liveries, and boasting of their exploits in love and war, the Count's manners were remarkably simple; his equipage was plain; his one valet plain as his equip-

However, practice improves the dullest, and Fortune, frown as she will, canmore. Still the wonder was, how, with his want of all dexterity, and his purblind eyes, he could win at all. At length, one night, when the bank happened to be pesovereigns, and quite as much he avowstripped and the Count, with all his as-

the successive round of watering places, lost cabriolet.

suddenly appeared at Spa in person. -- | nifiers had read the cards for him.

oured a vast influx of idlers and spend- whether it would not be judicious to for-

ing terribly on their hands in the terribly dull city of Charlemange, the whole Dipmade a general movement to Spa.

After the first gaze at this display of imperial and kingly pomp, life returned to its ordinary channels again. A day or two was enough to settle the general opinion of the ladies, that Alexander was well looking for a Russ and Emperor, but had a little too much of the Sclavonian in his visage. That Constantine, notwithstanding his diamond epaulettes, was a regular Calmuc. That the King of Prussia, with his grim form and iron colored features, would have made a capital hussar in any day since Attilla. That the Emperor Francis, with his small fair face, seemed thoroughly hen pecked; and as to the rest, that the crowds of Attaches and Aides de camp were very convenient for waltzing with, and playing with at roulette while purses lasted. But the Redoute was in its glory. Its spacious halls never saw before so much 'of the grandeur of this world; and the card table was the centre of a circle of Majes-

The poor Count tottered through this perpetual glitter naturally more unnoage; his whiskers reduced to the peace ticed than ever. At length the Soveestablishment, and his tongue silent on reigns announced that they were about all adventures. With a pair of feeble to take their departure, and a grand ball eyes, which seemed to be but little aided was proposed to celebrate the last of their by a pair of tortoise-shell spectacles, he august presence. It was given. Spa had appeared more like a wandering son of never seen any thing half so embroidered spleen, or science, than a man of ton .- before. Rouge et noir was the imperial Yet he was a kind of star; his appear- game. The difficulty was, how to make ance and habits were a relief, after the way to its table, through circle on circle glare of the usual candidates for admira- of epaulettes and diadems. But though tion, and the quietude of his play, and the fainting Princesses and panting Arch simplicity with which he suffered himself dukes were unable to advance a step, by to be laughed at, and, occasionally, to be some unaccountable accident, Mortellari plundered by the fairest of the fair, were had wormed his way until he stood under considered the most naive things in the the very elbow of the Autocrat of all the

The bank on that night was worth throwing against indeed. It was turgid with not frown forever ! Count Cesare began gold. Every coin of Europe, from the duto win a little, and then began to win cat to the doubloon, was shining in heaps der, saw something glittering by the before the gaze. The play went on, as moonlight in the grass, and sprang forusual, with various chances. Nessselrode lost enough to wish that he had contented jectured that he had found the star of himself with stripping Poland. Lieven some Prince, or at least the broach or shrugged up his shoulders, as he looked at bracelet of some young belle, and were three mirecles of luck and deals broke it three miracles of luck, suddenly broke it, savings of his British embassy. Metternich covery. But the young German returnand and swept the board of its last coin, to staked a year's income of Johannisburg, and ed, in great disdain of what he had found, the infinite chagrin of a circle of petty saw its instant accession to the heap with which was simply a pair of tortoise shell a sigh, as if he had seen the loss of an spectacles. He was a good deal laughed ed, to his own wonder. The bank was Austrian province. In the meantime, the at; but, at length, some more sagacious tonishment, carried off to the amount of his feeble eyes close to the table, and play- digiously like the Count's spectacles."wits, go like our English judges, a circuit. chagrin burst from the whole circle. It firmed the idea. Spectacles had notori-They may not deal quite so much in law; spread through the building, and all was ously been on the nose of the Count hor, are, perhaps, quite so fond of exhi- wonder and confusion. Both were, if pos. Mortellarri, and the nose had as notori- fect, and did effect, a political object, yet biting their persons in its Courts; but sible, increased when on the circle's open-ously been seen without them, and on they fully equal them is indicated.—A Subscri-given by the Secretary. The purses we they fully equal them is indicated.—A Subscri-given by the Secretary. The purses we they fully equal them is indicated.—A Subscri-given by the Secretary. The purses we have a subscri-given by the Secretary. The purses we have a subscri-given by the Secretary. The purses we have a subscri-given by the Secretary. The purses we have a subscri-given by the Secretary. The purses we have a subscri-given by the Secretary. The purses we have a subscri-given by the Secretary. they fully equal them in inflicting pains ing, the Count's lost valet was seen ad- the very spot too where they were found. In hopes to be equally successful. Wheth- ber to one of the Eastern papers, a few understand, will be respectable, and the and penalties. The Count Mortellari was vancing with a huge chamois bag, into which Proof was no more necessary to those or they will find the people as ignorant and years ago, being sadly in arrears for the amusements conducted on the most just, and liberal principles.—Ibid. unseen at Spa for a while after his reliev- he scraped the whole contents of the table. rapid reasoners, and the young German gullible now as they were on that occasion, same, promised the Editor, that if his life and liberal principles. — Ibid.

Princes and Dutchesses do not lose used for a twelvemonth before was simitheir money even at German watering larly marked, and that every pack in places without wishing that they had possession of the bank had its figures. kept it in their purses, nor find them- Further still, it was shown by the bank, selves regularly beaten, without indulg- in its own defence, that the packs of the ing in suspicions of the skill which various hotels were figured, and finally could beat them. Rumors began to thick- that the system had extended to every en, that the Count was not altogether the hotel in the chief watering places. The child of nature he seemed, the rumor even little Count's luck was thus easily comblackening into belief, when the Count prehended. Wherever he went, his mag-This justified him at once. His look was course he plundered wherever he chose, more simple than ever. No scepticism though he cautiously reserved his grand in all directions. "Try these spectacould stand against the almost infantine achievements for something worth ahelplessness of his delicate and pale phy- chieving. But how was the extent of the siognomy, his eyes were even more pur- scheme to be explained? Two years beblind, if possible, than before. His dress fore, a card manufactory had been set * * * I have just left Spa. The too had undergone a change for the worse, up near Strasburg, remarkable for the though it had preserved its neatness .- beauty, still more for the cheapness of His valet was gone, and his little, yet its cards.' Amounting to little more than beauty of the forest, nothing is so far from remarkably pretty cabriolet was gone a- two-thirds of the usual price; they had captivating, to me at least, as the decay long with him. He came to the Redoute rapidly thrown the common cards out of of life in a watering place, I ordered my as usual, but seemed to have lost incli- the market, and been purchased by all britchska without loss of time, bade a six nation and the faculties for play toge- the hotel keepers and masters of gaming houses, without exception. The Count the morality and mortality of the gay Night after night he glanced at the ta- was one of the chief partners in this town of Spa, and set out for quiet Hano- bles, like one who had half forgotten cheap card company. The company was ver. It is curious enough, that the old what they were; and after lingering an formed expressly to give him and his absurdity of praising the past at the ex- hour or two round the rooms, sipping cof- associates the command of the card nense of the present is as frequent at Spa, fee, listening to the orchestra and laughed playing world, and their year's circuit where every season undoubtedly adds to at by every body, quietly retired to bed. had most handsomely repaid them the the shows and sportings of the last, as it Nothing could be clearer, than that the outlay of their capital. The watering was in the days of Homer, and among reports of his success during his absence places were fleeced in very exemplary the sunburnt rocks of the Mediterranean. had been mere fabrications. It was even style. Yet, as no one much regrets the However, something may be said for the so far evident that the Count was a ruined losses of those, who are all sharpers complaints. It is just two years since man, that it became a topic whether he alike, or ready to be so when they have instantly searched, and the Monsignor the Congress of Aix-la-Chapelle; this was worth laughing at any longer, and an opportunity, there was at least as much Mortellari brought to justice. But it Again, this Eutopian chimera of a specie laughing as lamentation among honest men in Germany. The young Aid-de-In the mean time Spa began to be fill- Camp got a step from the Emperor for ed. The celebrated Congress of Aix-la- his share in the affair, and Il Signor Ce-Chapelle was at hand, and the distance saro Mortellari, though if caught he would to Aix-la-Chapelle was too slight to leave have been sent to improve his morals by a doubt on the mind of the Hotel-keepers twenty years hard labour in the ditches of Spa that now was the time to make of Spandau Ehrenbreitstein, got credit their fortunes. The Congress met, the for his knowledge of the true use of spec-Sovereigns showed their faces, the Min- tacles; and may be, at this time, when geisters their portfolios, the Aides de camp | nius finds its level every where, is a memtheir feathers, the Attaches their ribbons | ber of the Chamber of Deputies, a Pacha and the grand business of their meeting of Turkey, or a rising character of that being thus accomplished, and time hang. land of every thing rising the Peninsula. The higher orders, of course, acquies-

ced in their ill luck, but there are hanglomacy, Sovereigns, and the Secretaries ers on in the vicinity of the Continental tables, who are not so easily satisfied with the caprices of fortune, and who have cut the throat of many a winner before he reached his escrutoire. A rush was made against the decrepid Count by those Chevaliers d'Industrie. But they gained little by their exploit. Mortellari was on his guard. He started up into sudden stature; and while with one hand he struck back his foremost assailant with through the crowd, with the other he drew a double-barrelled pistol from his pocket, which he presented to the gang. In the effort to strike the ruffian, however, the Count had dropped his spectaconcourse of the visitants, and the as- the country, and who are the alleged ausailants were, in consequence, prevented thors of all the troubles and misfortunes from following up their violence, and which now afflict the country. were given over to the police. The Count, with a bow of thanks, whipped we allude is calculated to excite the prehis little but remarkably active Norman judices and lead astray the judgments of

> The night was serene; and the freshness of the open air held some of the loungers talking of the event on the promenade, outside of the building. The vexation of the players, the ill-luck of the honest world in general, and the extraordinary good fortune of the extraordinary little Count, were topics that might have kept a less talking people long together. But a young German, an Aid-de-Camp of the Emperor Alexanward to seize the prize. The group con-

ing the bank of its opulence; and un- The bag was borne away, and deposited, pledging himself by Thor and Woden remains to be seen: if the "experiment" was spared to a certain day, he would, known till he was heard of sojourning at before two thousand pairs of eyes, in the that the secret of Mortellarri's luck was they are now about to try proves them to without fail, discharge his bill. The day in his spectacles, put them on and re- be so, the country will find there is a still passed and the bill was not paid. The and laughed at just as much as he had A more detailed investigation nat- turned laughingly into the rooms, to try lower depth of suffering than it now suffers. natural conclusion therefore was, that been at Spa, yet, when the laugh was at urally took place next day; which proved his last ducat. But he was too late; the Whether these will be borne with patience the man was dead-absolutely defunct. its height, by some unaccountable freak that, not merely every card which nad bank was bankrupt; play was over for and in silence, we will not undertake to Proceeding on this conclusion, the Editor. of fortune breaking every bank in suc-been used on the previous night was mar. the night; a few broken gamesters alone predict. ked, but that every card which had been remained, lingering over the scene of their ruin, and all the relics of the hour war against the merchants; let it rally the the attending circumstance of time and of bustle and brilliancy were some of the vile and worthless against them and other place. Pretty soon after this announcecards which had been played with scattered over the table and the floor. The democracy" whom they have humbugged Editor, -not with the pale ghastly coun-German took up one of them, and gazed by canting about gold and silver, while they tenance usually ascribed to apparitions on it with a look of surprise. He brought it nearer to the decaying light of the banks and the most enormous issues of pa- ther did it like other apparitions, wait chandelier. At length he called to some per; let the whole country, prostrated by to be first spoken to but broke silence of the bystanders, and asked whether "they could perceive any thing on the card which he held in his hand." " Nothing," was the answer, after turning it cles," said the Aid-de Camp. A single glance was enough-on the back of the card, among the profusion of flourishes common on continental packs, was a figure of 2! To the naked eye, nothing. -But to the glass every card had a peculiar figure. The secret was now out .-The spectacles were powerful magnifiers; the cards were marked, and the Count, by the help of his magnifiers, saw on the back what was on the front of every one of the pack. But "was it of this pack alone?" The eroupier was called. He produced another. It had its figures too: a dozen, all had their share.

> The room was by this time crowded, and the discovery produced violent excitement. Those who had lost, of course, expected that their losses should be repaid, and they were the clamorous majority, ten to one. The next proposal was, that the Count's lodgings should be naires," "mammoth merchant," is the police lieutenant was in his first sleep. The order was at last obtained. But it turned to his hotel that night. A bribe, within the district. But by daylight, it was found that a cabriolet, with a Norman pony, and two men wrapped in furs, had passed the barrier half an hour before twelve the night before. The chase was then hopeless. The Count was as impalpable as so much lighted gunpow-

GOVERNMENT AGAINST THE MERCHANTS

ration of WAR against the merchants of lifts himself up and makes himself rich. indications we have observed of late in that | whole stock in trade. The poor man tration to rally one class of the communi- as rich, the interest of the money exceptpassions of the human heart, and the bags of gold, and be the money king of The fracas had instantly brought out a the control of the bank and the wealth of Maine, and fashions it into the keel, -

The whole tenor of the article to which pony, and the cabriolet went off at full | those who have neither time nor opportunity to acquire a thorough knowledge of the causes of the pressure under which they are suffering, and who are ever ready to believe any charge made against those

who they think suffer less than themselves. The extraordinary spectacle is now presented in a country boasting of its virtue, intelligence, and freedom, of an Administration elected by the People, attempting to throw the responsibility of its own mad and ruinous measures upon that class which protested against them from the commencement, and foretold their disastrous result! It attempts to escape from the conflagration it has kindled by turning its fury up-

mere HUMBUG, which was designed to ef- perity fled. - New York Express.

estimable citizens; let it appeal to "the ment, the subject of it appeared to the were encouraging the establishment of but with a face as red as scarlet. Neitheir measures, be excited to commotion with-"What the devil, sir did you mean and civil war by their demoniacal machin- by publishing my death?" "Why, sir ations; and when all this is done, do they the same that I mean when I publish the expect, are they so fool-hardy and vain as death of any other person, viz: to let the to believe, they can escape the fury of the world know that you were dead." "Well storm they have raised?

rents from the guillotine to gratify the ma- you told me you would positively pay lignity of a Robespierre and his associates, your bill by such a day, if you lived till while they professed their ardent love for that time. The day is past, the bill is "the dear people." But did their crimes not paid, and you positively must be go unpunished? Did they escape the ven- dead-for I do not believe you would geance of Heaven? No: the same page forfeit your word-O no." I see you which records their enormities, also bears records of their awful, but merited, fate. say no more about it-here's the money. Let others learn wisdom from the past. Phil. Com. Herald.

country has been lifted up to the elevation died at the specified time, and that you it now has among the nations of the world, have merely come back to pay this bill. is also another object of the Globe's es- on account of your friendship for me." pecial attack. The men who " do businese on borrowed capital," it is not now said. ought to break-for this saying is a little too unpopular now-but " millionew term intended to signify a like idea. rency only where credit cannot exist-

has come out with a manifesto and decla- is the poor man's lever too, by which he horse mitout truble, I vill giv him mine the country. This is but one of the many Credit is the poor man's capital and his Py me. paper of the determination of the Adminis- thus, who has a character, can be made ty against another, and to enlist the worst ed, as the capitalist who may sit upon his a powerful blow, which sent him reeling strongest prejudices of the uninformed, the day. Credit is the republican and in the conflict which they are evidently dis- legalized agent of levelling the property posed to wage. "The natural hostility of of society. Credit gathers together the the poor against the rich, " said Mr. materials for the best structure which its circumference is twenty feet .- At Wright, in the Senate, "will always en- industry, enterprise, and skill may raise. able us to accomplish our purposes." A Credit is the fulcrum on which the poor half feet. And at twelve feet, it is nearly cles, and by the look which he gave his more demoniacal sentiment was never ut- man rears his structure up. Credit is prostrate adversary, and the alertness tered by a profligate demagogue; yet it the republican name for dollars & cents. with which he wound his way through became the cue of the party in 1813, and Credit is a new mechanical power which the multitude, it was evident that he had is again to be adopted, though not openly Great Britain devised in part, which the recovered his sight as quickly as his avowed, by the present Administration. United States was perfecting, but which strength and stature. His escape, it The war is to be waged against the mer- the rough fingers of rude experimenters low trunk and the tree came near being must be allowed, was the more easily chants, and the PEOPLE, "the dear Peo- have destroyed for the present. Credit effected, through the rashness of his as- ple!" as Robespierre or Couthon called is life, is food—ay, the very air in which by means of an engine. Since then it sailants, who had made their attempt al- them, are to be invoked to aid the Gov- a republic breathes. Credit it is which most at the threshold of the Redoute. ernment in putting down those who have takes the guarled oak from the State of Credit creates out of the materials of the wildest forest the majesty and magnificence of that proudest of man's achievement-the beautiful ship, Credit despatches it over the sea, and brings it home laden with the richest freight .-Credit takes the clay out of the earth. and forms and fashions it into the grandeur of architectural proportion. Credit it is that clears off the wilderness, where the savage hunted, and rears up there the village and the church to resound with the praises of the living God. Credit sends the locomotive hissing over the met, one of whom was exceedingly rich, railway track; and Credit it is which and the other in moderate circumstances. stems the Mississippi for hundreds and The latter began to congratulate the hundreds of miles. Credit unites the first on his great possessions, and on the Credit is, prosperity walks too. Credit, contrasting it with his own condition. in short, is liberty's great handmaid, and ["My friend," said the rich man, "let they are sisters in every free land. The me ask you one question. Would you freer the land, the greater the prosperi- be willing to take my property, and take hands, and forewarned them of the deso- ty, and the greater the credit too. Cre- the whole care of it for your board and lating effects which must inevitably follow dit sent the galleys of Venice all over the clothing?" "No! indeed." "Well, that their mad "experiment!" and, strange to Mediterranean sea; but when despotism is all I get." say, there are those who are ready to visit approached, credit fell, and scarcely a the sins of the incendiaries upon the very Venetian galley is upon the deep. Crepersons who endeavored to snatch the torch dit has carried the flag of old England ted to state that at a meeting which took from their hands, ere it had been applied! from the little island of its home over place in this Town, at the Mansion Ho-The Administration relies upon the ig- the four quarters of the globe, and do- tel, on the 16th inst. the Association for norance of those whose passions they would miciliated our language and laws in hun- the encouragement of blooded stocks was little Count staked down his ducats, bowed observer pronounced that they were 'pro- excite. It has once deceived them by the dreds of colonies from Hindostan to the organized by appointing Gen. Thomas hypocritical pretence of filling their purses Canadas. Credit was making the U. G. Polk President, Col. R. W. Long ed his card. The bank gave a scream. It Opinions were compared; the place, the with gold and silver; and though the Peo. nited States the commercial as well as Secretary, and Major Junius Sneed, On the continent those who live by their had won. An irrepressible exclamation of circumstance, the spectacles, all conrency which they were promised was a despotism touched it, and credit and pros- mined to put the track in good order,

in his next paper, placed the name of the Let the Administration prosecute the delinquent under his obituary head, with

but I'll be c-s-d if I am dead!" The best blood of France flowed in tor- Not dead! then it's your own fault, for have got round me, Mr. Editor - but And harkee, you wag, just contradict my death next week, will you?" "O certainly, sirjust to please you-though CREDIT, the mighty lever by which this upon my word I cant help thinking you

> The following queer and characteristic Advertisement, was taken from a Dutch Tavern, in Western Pennsylvania.

"DISH IS MINE ADVERTISHMENT: Vare as my vife Catherine Stoflefunger was now three in the morning, and the currency is but another term for hostil- has pen run a vay mit a fellow vat I has ity to credit, for specie can be the cur- hired to work mit me, ant has pait him too dollars a veek, pesites eating, ant was found, that the Count had not re- not in a new and free country, never- drinking, ant sleeping, ant poarting-and but in an old one, such as Turkey, Italy he has also strayed or stolen mit him mine and another hour of entreaties, obtained or Spain. Is it not a curiosity in this large fine gray horse, vat is a rone culler an order to have him arrested at the bar- enlightened age of the world, 1837, that mit white and black hares all over his rier or wherever he should be discovered the new and powerful agent of civiliza- potty unter his pelly, ant top his pack, tion, CREDIT, must in the United States ant upon bote sides, He has got a long of America be made the especial object het upon one end of his potty, mit a long of defence? If any thing was necessary tale de tother end of his potty, and ven to prove that our rulers were behind the he canters his legs goes too up ant too age in which they lived, and were fast down, easy ant shentle like a sheep-but relapsing into barbarism, we should want | yen vonce he scare he runs avay mit every no further proof than their hostility to potty in de world. Now my vife ant dish credit, and their specie currency hum- fellow hash pen run off togedder: Dish is tarefore to notefy de publick not to Credit is not only the mighty lever that pay any dets vat mine vife has pen conhas lifted our country up, and the new tracting -as I am turmed not to pay dem; The official organ of the Administration and powerful agent of civilization, but it but if de fellow vill pring pack mine vife mit a bill of sale of all his property

STOKEN STOFLEFUNGER.

Great buttonwood tree. - A tree has lately been cut down in South Reading, Mass. which is well deserving notice on account of its size.

The main body of the tree is 28 feet long: and of this length sixteen feet are hollow. At one foot from the butt end six and a half feet, it is sixteen and a fifteen feet it circumference. The hollow trunk now lies nearly horizontal, and a man nearly six feet in height may stand erect within it. Some mischievous has been cut down.

Preparations are making we understand, to furnish the President's House in a new and costly style of magnificencewhich will eclipse the former gorgeousness which was exhibited in some of the rooms of that mansion. This for a-plain. republican government, with a "Democratic" Administration, is excellent! Truly it is patent Democracy. We, heretical republicans, can only look on in wonder and amazement at the impudence of "our masters." .- Alex Gaz.

Rich Men's Wages .- Two neighbors ity, the county and town. Wherever happiness he must enjoy; and ended by

> Blooded Stocks, &c .- We are requesand prepare for having races at this place in the Fall, of which due notice will be