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corded was at the little town of Pal-

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morning of 16th. Some negroes were

under guard and chained, charged with

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the hands of the law which doubtless

would have meted out full justice to

them. A force of masked men,

about twenty in number, broke in upon

the guard, killed four of the negroes,

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a blot upon civilization."

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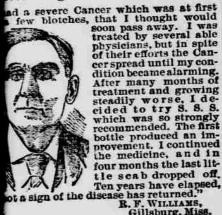
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THE ADVANTAGE OF DEBT.

If Not Too Large it is a Stimulus to Best Effort.

BY G GROSVENOR DAWE.

all is in the strength of all through It works up his moral muscle and to ing dissensions. The public burning lessness and indirectness of aim.-In of a church mortgage is therefore by all of us, placed under the forcingrom the cold weather this year than any other section of the South. This other hypocrite. Thus with no debt

at all laziness, criticisms, jealousies,

one of Jerry Simpson's reasons for not destring to give up his place as Congressman. He said that it is partly befrom the simple doctrines of a simple against the odds of bosterous nature good one; and partly because he likes teacher. I merely want you to look at without and indolent, ease loving nathe job, which is an easy one. Too many people let the promise or hope one body, many members. of office direct their enthusiasm in

political matters; and then when they fail to get what they had set their heart upon, they are not half such Oh, for a day when men will do this or that, when they will be this or that, It is to be teared that the United States will not win the "plaudits of the world" in the management of aftairs in the island of Cuba. The natives of the island are said to be starv-

You at the same time it must be conceded that a heavy debt contracted by a young man through heedless living, careless thinking, foolish efforts has a large element of discouragement in it and has driven many men to the reproach to the American people and camp of the tramp, where no debts are paid, no good done, and no service rendered to mankind-where, as with This does not seem to comport with the ravens, food and free air are al that are asked, here to-day, away tomorrow-heedless, careless, foolish, by the newspapers and politicians who were so anxious to wage war on princi-

self-gratifying as before. Freedom from debt and discouragement through debt remind one of the The Saturday Evening Post prints a conditions of life in the tropics and in handsome cut of Worth Bagley and the polar regions. The dweller in the hot, moist regions of the world worries little about food and even less about clothes. drops food into his open mouth, much When Bagley came up for graduation as Mistress Robin will be doing with at the end of the four-years' course the her fledglings in a few weeks. Condidoctors thought they discovered an ir- tions around him are too easy to regular movement of the heart, and re- bring him to the best that is possible commended that he be dropped. Bag- for a human being. His maw may inley took his case to Theodore Roosevelt, deed be distent with food, and his body Roosevelt, looking at him through man to pattern after. Less food found by lying on the back, and a great deal his glasses with a quick, critical glance, "You are Bagley, the football player, tend to make his feet move in march-

influences of darkness and cold in the blubber or, as an occasional treat, a moss." panied by hemorrhages, and was ab- no more to care for than mere exist

> It is the temperate zone of moderate responsibility that is best for a young man; where nature is neither too kind

DAY THOUGHTS nor too barsh, but decidedly fickle and bard to compass—where conditions are not all against not all for a young man, but where if he is for himself and for the highest, noblest, purest development of himself there is enough of reward to his efforts to encourage RECOLLECTIONS, REFLECTIONS.

Fellow debtors, let us make no mistake. We all work best under pressure. The constant bearing in upon a To Young Men-Debtors :- In the wholesome man of the knowledge that ase of churches it has been proyed a he must put up a good fight with the thousand times over that a church in conditions that confront him, make debt is a church alive. The burden him fight and make him win. The of all unites the purpose of all man of right intentions gets no harm if not the methods. The danger of by being cornered and hedged around the effort to lift the burden. The his moral muscle is going to come church under pressure is usually the some kind of victory, eyen if it be but one that has the least time for weaken- the victory over indifference and care-The New Berne Journal adverts to no means a promise of future prosper- glass of ease there is too apt, to develity. It may really bring on the great- op laziness. It is so easy to lie down er danger that comes when workers and do nothing-to idly watch the days lie down in their tracks and the eye go by that never return, to yield to has time to wander from the old pur- impulses that set us back in a moment pose and grow critical regarding this a thousand years behind the present one idler, that one gossip, and the ideas of what it really means to live -that we may and can and ought to welcome any condition, no matter heart-burnings, soul-wrongings, dam- how seemingly hard for the time being, that jolts us out of complacency Yet on the other hand there are ex- and outs us where we must either be ceptions; for in some cases the debt up and doing or supinely lie down like saddled on a church by ambitious offi- a worthless cur. The young man who ctals in a wild religious competition to complains at hardships of a moderate equal or surpass the edifice, or the character will have much more of it, organ, or the ritual of a neighboring if there is good material in him, bechurch, proves so discouraging that fore his whimpering ceases. The hamthe greater number of the members mering of ourselves, like the hammergive up in despair. Thus with too mg of brass, has a moulding purpose against removal, especially on the part heavy a debt-indifference, absence about it. The more we are hammered of the Populists of this State, reminds of principle, presence of sheriff, shame- the more shapely our characers become; for who are we to expect to go But one must not dwell too long through the world on the eider-down upon the modern complicated church of ease, when humanity--of whom (whichever word you choose to use) made its greatest gains by struggling

Who Said It?

Dean Swift is credited with "Bread

s the staff of lite."

himself again."

is his castle."

aniel Lee in 1602.

fool indeed."

coined by Cowper.

not one cent for tribute."

me little, love long."

eral Henry Lee.

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beauty is a joy forever."

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those who help themselves."

Southern that "Pity's akin to love."

We are indebted to Colley Cibber,

Edward Coke, the English jurist,

was of the opinion that "A man's house

"When Greek joins Greek, then is

"Variety's the spice of life," and

"Not much the worse for wear," were

sentiment, "Millions for defence, but

means," are from Matthew Prior.

not to Shakespeare, for "Richard is

ion found in Butler's "Hudibras."

al comments by the worldly. that has grown up, or away, or down each of us is merely an epitomethe church as a picture of yourself- ture within?

For a young man it is better to owe a thousand than to own it. A good, honest debt imparts a good, honest impulse; so that the desire for the gratification of the stomach at the expense of the back, or of both at the expense of your kindly creditor is subordinated to the one purpose of making full repayment and thus being able to hold the head up in free air again. Easy come and careless spend do not put the back-bone of good sense into a man, nor do they place him in sympathetic touch with the great struggling mass of burden bearers who constitute such a large proportion of the

Dame Nature, really unkind to him, well nourished, but he is no type of more effort would be good for him, and ing time with the real workers of the

Half Century Glance Backward.

In 1844, the professors in the Dane Law School were Justice Joseph Story and Simon Greenleaf, each of them, then or afterwards, the author of books well known to the profession. Judge Story was a most genial and agreeable person, partial to "the boys," as he the President, for he is at my house." called his students, and very entertaining in his lectures, which were often discursive and anecdotal. Full of learning and delightful reminiscences, he was fond of telling of the distinguished attorneys who had appeared before him on his New England circuit of his life and purpose of his adminisor in the Supreme Court at Washing- tration to pacificate the lately belligerton. His favorites were Daniel Webster and Jerry Mason, of Boston, and William Pinkney, of Baltimore. The celebrated sculptor and poet, William Rome in his studio, I told him that the first law book I ever bought was gret at ever having abandoned his early pursuit, adding that he had not, in the beginning of his career, purposed so to do. Having some taste for moded by filial affection, to put his father in marble. Orders, pleasant and profitable, began to come in upon him, and he had never been able to withdraw from his artistic engagements. With ome asperity, as it then seem d to me -possibly I misjudged him-he adyerted to the fact that he had not been States as in England, for most of his work had been done for the latter because he had been my old comman-

For several months Rutherford B Hayes and Anson Burlingame were my fellow-students and fellow-boarders. Sitting at the same table, we naturally contracted a warm 'friendship for one another, and with Hayes my intimacy continued until his death. In college, he was quiet, studious, capable, truth It was Keats who said, "A thing of ful, thoroughly conscientions, and these characteristics he retained through life. As representative in Congress, "Man proposes, but God disposes," general in the Union Army, Governor, President, trustee of the Peabody Edu-Franklin is authority for "God helps cation Fund, and president of the Slater Fund, he was prompt, diligent, faithful in the discharge of every duty, It was an observation of Thomas and, while not of extraordinary ability, he never fell below any requirement, "All cry and no wool" is 'an expressand met every responsibility with fidelity, integrity, purity and success.

Few presidential elections have excited as profound interest as that between Hayes and Tilden, in 1876. Both sections and parties were thoroughly aroused, and the metnods used to attain and secure a victory were such as could not find sanction in law the tug of war," was written by Nath- or ethics. The Republicans acted as if they were entitled by a kind of divine Edward Young tells us "Death loves | right to the control of the government, shining mark," and "A fool at 40 is and they looked upon the claims and efforts of the Democrats as an impertinent interference with their sole prerogative, and an attempted re-establishment of what had been forever over-Charles Pinckney gave the patriotic thrown by the war and by popular suffrage. The contest was so close, and irregularities and frauds were so flag-"Of the two eyils I have chosen the rant and contradictory, that the counless." and "The end must justify the To Milton we owe "The paradise of to prevent the inauguration of Tilden, if he should be counted in. "Return- on the part of those who gatherea fools," "A wilderness of sweets," and "Moping melancholy and moonstruck ing boards" and "visiting statesmen, around the fable. became and have remained terms of The poet Campbell found that "Com- repreach, because of "the ways dark ing events cast their shadows before," and " 'Tis distance lends enchantment brothers in a less public way: "Love

had enjoyed pleasant relations when we leaving to my judgment the route of

NO. 12 were fellow-members of Congress, in 1857-1860. He received me in the room of the Committee on Finance, of which he was chairman, and as I arose, after finishing the interview, he asked me if I had seen the President. To a negative response, he kindly said "You ought to go and see him, for he thinks well of you, and I have often heard him speak of you." I replied that I should be glad to see him and pay my respects, but I had no business with him, and he was so much engaged that an effort to see him would probably be fruttless. Sitting down, Mr. Sherman wrote on his card that I must be admitted, and, handing it to me, said: "This will enable you to see Going at once to the house, the cards were taken in, the President sending me word that he would gladly see me as soon as a delegation then with him retired. Cordially he greeted me, and soon affirmed as the predominant wish ent sections, remove all causes of bitterness, and unite in harmony as one travel. Knowing the great respect on people. In the free and frank conver- tertained for him at the South, and sation, he declared his willingness to most desirous that he should have W. Story, was his son. One day, in have a Southern man in his Cabinet, demonstration of the cordiality of that on the sole requirement that such an feeling, I selected Columbia, S. C., as one would give his administration a the first place in our journey. As was Story on "Contracts." This pleased fair and unprejudiced trial. He men- anticipated, the reception was most him, and he expressed some faint re- tioned as persons acceptable to him, on gratifying, the freedom of the city bethe condition mentioned, General Jo- ing formally presented, and officers and seph E. Johnston, Hancock, of Texas, private citizens vying with one another Key, of Tennessee (afterwards appoint- in their successful efforts to make him ed Postmaster-General), and myself, welcome. What was began in Carolielling, he had come to Rome, prompt- Thanking him for the highly appreci- na was continued with emphasis and ated honor, I gave reasons why I could without interruption in Georgia, Alanot accept, if the position were offered, bama, Louisiana, Mississippi, and and then, at his request, stated what I Tennessee, and his expressions of knew of the others. To repeat what passed between us would be censurable. although I remember distinctly the conversation. Of General Johnston I as much appreciated in the United spoke freely, saying only what I should der, and was my neighbor and cherish-

> more sincerely and unselfishly anxious to mitigate animosity and promote justice and fraternity. attend the Agricultural Fair in Richmond, and he was accompanied by

conundrum of what to do with an ex-To Dr. Johnson belongs "A good find a pacific adjustment or avoidance leagues. When Bishop Haywood, the prevention of illiteracy, he gave, by hater," and to MacIntosh, in 1701, the of the threatened collision. Finally, general agent of the John F. Slater phrase, often attributed to John Ran- after much pressure, the Congress, Fund, resigned, General Hayes re- which our Congress lacked the wisdom On the other hand the paralyzing dolph: "Wise and masterly inactivity." with the undisguised as ent of Tilden, quested me to meet him in Baltimore to adopt. . Thomas Tasser, a writer of the six- agreed on an Electoral Commission, for a private conference, as he perferpolar regions are just as dangerous. teenth century, said: "It's an ill wind whose composition (Republicans have red not to go to Washington, where Their effort is all negative—avoiding that turns no good," "Better late than ing a majority of one) assured in adhis visit might attract public attention death rather than grandly living, no never," "Look ere thou lesp," and "The vance a decision in layer of Hayes. and subject him to unjust suspicions. tending his funeral. For a part of the ambition save to have a big piece of stone that is rolling can never gather Partisans hostile to him denounced When the interview occurred, he exand epitheted him as "His Fraudulen- plained with frankness the whole situ- with ex-President Cleveland, always "First in war, first in peace and first cy," but no one ever became President ation, and begged me to become a the great world, no interest in its bur- in the hearts of his fellow citizens" (not with a clearer and better adjudicated trustee and the general manager of the the Chief Executives, and also to his dens, no appreciation of other condi- his countrymen) appeared in the reso- title. In a short time the excitement fund. After due consideration, the potions of life, no care to know more, lution presented to the house of repressible of Secretary fine care to know more, lution presented to the house of repressible of Secretary fine care to know more, lution presented to the house of repressible of Secretary fine care to know more, lution presented to the house of repressible of Secretary fine care to know more, lution presented to the house of repressible of Secretary fine care to know more, lution presented to the house of repressible of Secretary fine care to know more, lution presented to the house of repressible of Secretary fine care to know more, lution presented to the house of repressible of Secretary fine care to know more, lution presented to the house of repressible of Secretary fine care to know more, lution presented to the house of repressible of Secretary fine care to know more, lution presented to the house of repressible of Secretary fine care to know more, lution presented to the house of repressible of Secretary fine care to know more, lution presented to the house of repressible of the lution presented to the house of repressible of the lution presented to the house of repressible of the lution presented to the house of repressible of the lution presented to the l sentatives in December, 1799, by Genand the considerate rejoiced that a way necessarily became very intimate. His and the considerate rejoiced that a way necessarily became very intimate. His parsonal suggestions and frequent let. of escape had been found from the personal suggestions and frequent let-that sturdy old Roman, General Rush perils which were so near and menacing. ters were most helpful, and showed the of the Department of Agriculture. In On the day before the formal inaugu- deepest interest in carrying out the all my acquaintance with public men, ration (it is reported that Hayes took Slater benefaction and the most conthe oath of office privately in advance, scientious purpose to do what was wise in anticipation of a possible attempt at and just in "lifting up the lately Rutherford B. Hayes. revolution), I was passing through emancipated race." He consented to Washington and called at the Capitol make a tour of educational observation to see Senator Sherman, with whom I and inspection through the South,

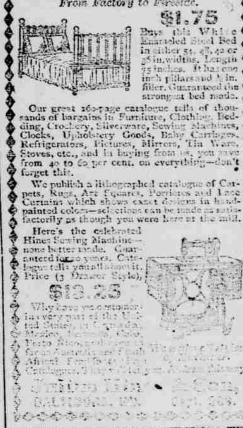
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pleasure at public and social kindnesses and his better acquaintance with Southern character and institutions were frequent and earnest. He never assumed anything because of having been President, was uniformly courteous and polite to all of both races, and shrank from giving trouble or making an exhibition of himself. In public ed friend. Under the circumstances, I addresses and private conversation, his yentured with candor to suggest that words and counsels were thoughtful, the appointment, or the tender of it, patriotic, optimistic and stimulating. would be misunderstood, as no one was As the Slater Fund was given for the more identified with the Confederacy, benefit exclusively of the negroes, he and his presence at the council board was most anxious to study the negro would inflame afresh unextinguished problem for himself, and eyes and cars sectional animosities and retard what were open to receive large and truthful he (the President) wished to accominformation. As we rodo in the suplish, by arraying against his adminisburbs of Orangeburg, S. C. where the tion the powerful hestility of such Reschool children, with batners and publican leaders as Conkling and flowers and songs, had given him an Chandler. The sentiments of the enthusiastic reception, he espied am President were so patriotic and liberal humble cabin in a field, and, on being that I was quite prepared for his bold told that a family of negroes dwelt in and man'y action afterwards, when he it, he asked if there would be any imrelieved South Carolina and Louisiana propriety in his entering the house. of the irritating presence of the Feder-Being assured to the contrary, he asked al troops. No public officer was ever me to go with him. A young woman with two children, one at the breast, arose and curtsied, although in alsolute ignerance of her distinguished In 1878, he accepted an invitation to visitor. Many practical and some searching questions were put, and I managed to say, in subdued voice, several members of his Cabinet and who the interrogator was. Respectful their wives and daughters. An ova- before, the woman then became obeistion was given him, and he made a ant, elated, jubilant, because of the most agreeable impression upon Vir- honor put upon her. A piece of ginians by his speeches, his cordial money being quietly slipped into her manner, and his patriotic utterances. hand as we retired, she said, with paide The President and Mrs. Hayes, Mr. and joy, that the child should receive and Mrs. Evarts, Mr. and Mrs. Sher- the name of the President. Firm in man, Mr. Thompson (Secretary of the his anti-slavery views and rejoteing in Navy, a native of Culpeper county), the emancipation of the race, and what General Devens (the Attorney-Gener- had been accomplished by the Union al), Senator Morgan (who was our army, Hayes was in no sense a fanatic, guest), Generals Wickham and Lee, and felt that partisanship and rectionand Mr. James Thomas breakfasted atism had been pushed to extremes. In with us and made a memorable occa- one of the numerous and unrestrained preparations were made to use the army sion by the mirth, the wit, the good conversations we had in traveling humor, and the evident enjoyableness through the South, he said that, in a conference of the Ohio representatives in Congress, he had resisted the sud-Hayes solved most beneficently the den and produgal bestowment of suffrage upon the negroes before they and mean" with which such officials President, by giving head and heart to were prepared for the high gilt, but were associated. The crisis developed philanthropy and the cause of educa- Stevens, Butler, Sumner, and others ambiguities and omissions in the Con- tion. As a member of the two-great had overridden all opposition to that Christopher Marlow gave forth the stitution and the laws. Capital, pro- educational trusts for the benefit of the measure. It ought to be recorded to invitation so often repeated by his verbially timed, became alarmed, and South, he was punctual in his attendmen largely interested in public securi- ance, wise in his counsels, and respect- the whole of the discussion in layor ties began to consult and combine to ed by and influential with his col- of national aid for the removal and

> When the ex-President died at his home in Fremont, Ohio, there was a melancholy pleasure in paying the towards those who were or had been gentleman, a sincerer patriot than

necessary and statesmanlike measure.

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