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A Few Words Well Meant.

As a matter of general interest we print this morning an interesting account of the so-called exodus from Louisiana to Kansas. On this question we have in previous issues expressed some views which we desire this morning to elaborate. THE SUN prefers to consider this subject in its practical and humanitarian phases rather than W. H. Vanderbilt caused to be paid to in the political. And this because the Southern whites are now the top rails on the fence and would show a magnanimous bearing toward their former slaves and the children of their former slaves; because the negro will be happier here where the negro will be negro and the notes, with accrued to the next census. The abridged edition now offered to the public embraces all the titles in the larger work, together with several additional titles now treated for the first time. The articles born and brought up, among those who, despite his hostile political attitude, cherish the better qualities of his race as exhibited all through the days of slavery and even in the throes of a bloody war, as a result of which he neel" had been borrowing large sums of would be emancipated; and because, figally, the negroes are our most efficient plantation hands and household servants, and he (the Commodore) would repay it, it is likely will long remain so, if they determined that he would not pay it, should not become discentented by reason of false fears as to their safety being excited and false hopes of fertunes to be made in strange lands being held out to them by fanatical philanthropists, designing agents of immigration companies or ing agents of immigration companies or schemes of treacherous demagogues who Greeley, I understand you have been of the colored people to the Northern States.

national harmony the Southern man yielded up cheerfully this property. It was more than giving up his chattels would have been. The negro slave was a person, and the light of God-the same beneficent Southerner no man better understands the truth of that oft-perverted expression "the brotherhood of man." In the past there were very many pious masters who made provision on their plantations for far more than the ordinary physical comfort of those under their charge. Able and single-hearted clergymen were frequently employed as chaplains to preach to the adults, to catechise the young, and to bury the dead. Sunday school instruction of some sort was not uncommon and the older household servants were called in to family worship. A pathethic picture of life in the South as it was, is presented in the March number of the South Atlantic. The pious master who had seen wild days in his youth; the all-too-imitative favorite body servant and overseer, who didn't "stop off" when his master did; the disby her lord in a Sunday spree; her reliance on "Old Marster;" "Old Marster's" Christhis obstreperous servant; the piety in him, the sentimental recollections of boyhood and the lovalty of maturer years, all covering him as with a flood; the switch thrown down with the pathethle exclamation, "I can't whip you, William;" the overseer, over come by his feelings, following the master and making a solemn league and covenant to stop off forever, while the birds sang, the stream bubbled by in the meadow and the golden sun glinted to its evening

Tell us, stranger, that this is remance! Well, no matter-for it is truth; we have seen some of these things, and fictitious names and places cover the facts of this broad, sympathetic, philanthropic life which is no more which we regret no longer, but which while it lasted bound white and black in bonds that all the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune," all the black arts of intermeddling demagogues and all the natural estrangements which time and circumstances may work can never wholly break or obliterate from the memory of the generation which realized these things. They have gone into our litera ture as correctors of hasty judgments and partisan misrepresentations.

Somuch sentimentally. But the question is also practical-very practical. The negro is our best farm hand, in het latitudes certainly. He is used to the exer-tion, and is acclimated. No wise Southern man, looking to the present and having any regard to the feelings of humanity generally cherished by our people, can coelly witness any exodus of considerable proportions from these States based as this present movement is on insufficient grounds. It is hardly expected of us that we should do more than state facts, leaving The Jackson Reporter says Mr. Samuel the matter after that in the hands of the B. Boon was knocked down by his horse colored people themselves. The Sun has and run ever by the wheels of the vehicle.

tried to give its colored readers information that would be of service to them. THE SUN is not opposed to their going away if they go American Cyclopædia thoroughly posted as to what they are doing. We tell such as go thus informed that the Southern whites among whom they have grown up wish them well. To those who resist all the blandishments of agents and the like, and conclude to remain at home among their true friends this paper would give the credit of having chosen the good part and shown a wisdom which may be made of great avail.

VANDERBILT AND GREELEY.

The Daughters of the Late Horace Greeley Get \$57,000 for Money Loaned by Their Father-An Anecdote Connected Therewith.

Some fifteen years ago Cornelius J. Vanderbilt was somewhat in disfavor with his father, Commodore Vanderbilt, on account of his reckless habits and extravagance. "Young Corneel" managed to ingratiate himself in the favor of the late Horace Greeley. The Commodore had cut down Cornelius's financial resources to a mere living allowance, and was inexorable as to all further appeals on the subject. In the course of the acquaintanceship and intimacy which resulted between Cornelius and Mr. Greeley the latter was induced to advance or lend considerable sums of money to the young man, but upon what representations, expectations or security is not now very generally known.

Since the close of the Vanderbilt will

trial, negotiation, have been completed by which these long overdue notes have at last been taken up and paid by Mr. William II. Vanderbilt in behalf of his brother and partly, no doubt, under a sense of equitable justice to the heirs of Mr. Greeley. The matter was finally closed at the Hoffman House, in a conference when Mr. Mrs. Ida Greeley Smith and Miss Gabri elle Greeley, Mr. Greeley's surviving daughters, the sum of \$28,500 each, being and useless to our patrons at the completion the principal of the notes, with accrued of the next census. debt, and its prompt and generous settle- have been carefully revised, and the informament reflects credit upon the executors. | tion they contain has been corrected down to and will no doubt prove acceptable to the

In connection with this debt a story is told that when the Commodore heard "Cormoney from Mr. Greeley, he became very angry, and assuming that Mr. Greeley had loaned the money mainly in the belief that | given, with great care and exactness. as a warning to others not to lend money to his wayward son. After thinking over it, he without cost to the subscriber. set off in high dudgeon to see Mr. Greeley,

uous way the Commodore said: "Mr. seek to break down Southern political pre- lending my son, "Corneel" money? ponderence by removing the greater part Mr. Greely, looking up quickly, and then almost instantly resuming his The tie between master and slave was rudely broken by the restoration of the Union. For the sake of peace and national harmony the Southern man yieldresponsible for it, and I shan't pay you a cent of it." Mr. Greeley ran his spectacles up on his brows, stopped writing for a moment, and, turning a full face on the Commodore, fairly yelled out, "You won't Being Who had given the owner a rational eh? Well, who in the devil asked you to soul and endowed him with power over the pay it? I didn't, did I?" Greeley dropped creatures—shined in his countenance and his glasses over his eyes and bent again to his work. The Commodore, nonplussed irradiated his pathway. Than the native and boiling over with fury, steamed out of the office, and it was a matter of rumor that the two men were never afterward on

as good terms as they had previously been. Digging Political Woodchucks.

Philadelphia Times. In 1876 Mr. Blaine believed the Presidency to be within his reach, and he was impatient to get it more securely in hand. He looked over the field and saw every available position not held by himself occupied by a competitor, and he decided that there must be a precipitate advance of the whole Republican line under his own lead, to unhorse some of his troublesome rivals. Looking over the political rubbish in the party property-room, he found nothing that wasn't utterly stripped of its tinsel but Jeff Davis, and he resolved to rattle the bones of the ex-Confederate chief before the country. He had permitted two or more amnesty bills to pass the House in previous sessions without excepting Davis; but there wasn't any tressed wife of the sable head-man, beaten meat in the Blaine larder sufficiently savory for the Cincinnati Convention and the Davis woodchuck had to be dug out. He found a ready helpmate in Representaian perplexity when he starts to chastise tive and now Senator Hill, of Georgia, and between them Blaine fired the Northern heart, rallied the stalwarts and-was beaten at Cincinnati. Blaine dug out the Davis woodchuck and Hayes quietly feasted on the dish without even thanks to Blaine.

General Garfield is ambitious to make the history of 1876 repeat itself in 1880. He was at the threshold of the Senate two years ago, but Hayes bade him tarry while Matthews was advanced. He is now in a minority in the House, and his once invincible Republican State trembles in the political balance. There is a Senator to elect and Garfield would be Senator, and like Blaine in 1876, he would make reasonably certain things more sure by a desperate shuffle and a new deal. He must lead the Stalwarts, make them take him for Governor, and once in the Gubernatorial chair, the way to the Senate would be open. He could find no handy woodchuck to dig out save one he had kindly helped into its hole himself, but necessity knows no law, and Garfield is sweating, fuming swearing over the woodchuck that he quietly holed himself in 1868 and 1872 and again in the last Congress. He now denounces as rebellious and revolutionary the very thing that he did himself in 1868 and 1872, and hopes to convulse Ohio on sectional issues until the Buckeyes will be willing to give him a Senatorial commission. He forgets that 1880 is a year hence; that the people are patriotic however fools and demagogues may prevail in Congress, and that when the country comes to dispense its honors for another Presidential term, statemanship will command a premium with the people of all sections. Garfield, like Blaine, will dig his own woodchuck out after much toil and vexation, and he will likely keep company with Blaine while some conservative and patriotic statesman enjoys the feast. They will have this consolation, however, that revolutionists are

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