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A VISION OF PORTIA'S PLACE.

"And to thy dwelling, Portia, ere The moon doth sink."-Merchant of Venice.

Softly and gently the moon goes dowr, Casting a warmer light, to tell Where, in her lonely wandering course, Her gentlest glances fell.

Behold how the light is diffusing its rays, On that noble old mansion alone; The fountains o'er seething, The air gently breathing Around its high turrets of stone.

Grown over with ivy and stately its walls, It hath stood there for many a year, While denser, more tangled, The ivy hath daugled From walls that it cherisheth dear:

How wildly the fountains leap up from their

Then pausing an instant in air, They send a cool vapor,

Wild grandeur abounding hath its full sway Within garden, tree, palace and light,

And e'en on the landing, Proud statues are standing

Of Venus, Diana and Night.

Come follow the way that leads down by You can tell by those violets there; brook.

Ah! see how they're bowing, As though they're endowing Your footsteps with lightless so rare.

Then round by the fountain, then down broad steps, Side by side, arm in arm, will we stray, Now hardly so daring, And then little caring, We joyously go on our way.

But just one last look at that castle so old, Then we turn-there is nothing but space, Ah! I was but dreaming, My brain is still teening With visions of Portia's Place.

Tweed."

CONFEDERATE X ROADS,

put in a resolooshen denounsin the profi-gacy uv the management uv matters in Noo York City, but makin it, minel yoo, ez the legitimate result of Radikal legislation four years ago. Draw up this resolooshen so ez to make it plain that it's me yoor drivin at, without exactly namin me." "Why, wat shel we-"

"Don't go on, my triend," sed Tweed smilin a smile wich for blandnis excelled the most delishus Joon morning, "its much better to hev the corrupshun denounst by us than by the enemy, partikelerly ez we know more definitely about it. And I would sejest that you hev a resolooshen, boldly challengin a comparison, between the Republican and Democratic administrations uv the State and city governments, and (and here he smiled with a blandnis wich wuz heavenly, ez he fingered a most gigantic diamond on the little finger uv his left hand and sipped a a glass uv champagne) any little thing wich yoo kin throw in ez to the necessity uv a return to the simplicity uv our Puritan fathers wood be well."

The chairman wuz too affected to say a word, but he made the necessary notes, and castin one look uv astonishment at the greatness up his cheef who sat there sminn blandily, retired from the presence.

But the great man's work was not yet done. He promptly telegrafit every promi-nent Democratic editor and politishn in the State to denounce him in the bitterest terms, and then tellin the convention who to nom-

inate and wat else to do, went home. There is a greatness and a graudeur in this man wich I can't sufficiently admire. Some men wood be so puffed up with the possession uv the twenty-five millions wich he haz made, iz to insist upon an indorsement by the party through wich he made it, but not so with Tweed. There ain't no vanity about him. So long ez he hez the control uv the party, he don't care a cent whether he is publicly recognized or not. Ez be remarkt to me, "Ef the way to my continuashen in power is in denunsiashen uv me, very good, denounce me. I kin stand it. I ain't. t e first man who, to get Mr. Nasby takes an interest in New York on, hez trampled over the dead body of his Politics-He Visits the New York own reputashen. I'd jest ez soon pull the Democratic Cenve ation and Expresses wires behind the curtain ez to manipulate His High Admiration for "Boss the puppets in front uv it. I ain t agoin to

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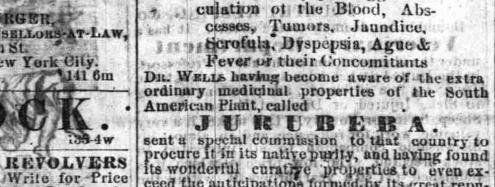
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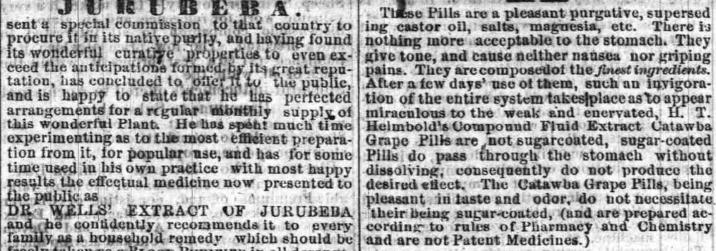
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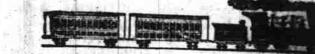
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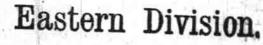
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seen much uv polities, but never in my Then I saw wat motive wuz actooatin the the Ninth Regimental Armory, at a salary nashen to bleed ? uv \$300 per mouth, Skool Inspector in the Sixth Ward, at a salary uv \$400 per month, shens with Tweed. and Thirty-Second Assistant Law Adviser. to the commission for condemning private property, for streets and sich, at a salary uv \$3,000 per year, besides wich he haz a tenth interest in the contract for keepin the glass in repair, uv the two back winders uv two Armories, out uv wich he made \$10,000 in the first six months. He wuz to hev hed the 719 11 contrack for the two front winders in addition, bat the raid the people made onto the Ring busted that. He hez, however, mvested largely in city lots, and wears kid gloves, and a diamond ez big ez a peach Dennis sed that ef the internal stone. Amerikens and German kin be beat down, and the control uv Noo-York left with the Irish, where it belongs, he will be tolerably well off in a year or two,

Dennis bein uv consequence in the party. wuz, uv course, in the private coursels uv the managers uv the State Conversion. He and Tweed, Sweeny, Connolley, Mayor Hall, Keyser, Garvin, and the entire convocashen wuz at Rochester, though nobody knowed it. They went in a speshul private car, and hed private rooms at the Osborne House, with a telegraph wire running di-rectly to the Hall in wich the Convension wuz held. It wuz the most impressive scene I ever witnesst; one wich these old eyes will never probably look onto again. Ther in an esy chair set one man directin cheer when Seymour's name wuz announst ligures. Apply to ez a delegate, and they cheered -he directed en to reject the Tammany delegashun from the city, and they wuz rejected-he directed em to do evrything that wuz done and they did it.

"My great sir," sed I, in astonishment at the power he wielded, " why don't yoo go, over to the Hall and direct the Convenshun?" " My gentle sir," retorted he, with a bland smile, cz he dictated a message directin uy

that hall."

heap.

October 14, 1871.) jest now, and I'm goin to releeve em-till I am in the sere and yaller leaf, and hey after the Presidenshl elecshun. Street Philadelphia, Fa.

life did I ever see a convension so beauti- Amerikin Napoleon, and I wuz agin lost in fully managed ez the late Democratic Con- wonder. Whoever the Democratic nominee venshun at Rochester, Noo York. I wuz is, he will simply be a shadder, uv wich there by speshel invatashen uv my old Tweed will be the substance. Tweed will friend, Dennis O'Shaughnessy, uv the 6th Ward, Noo-York, who, sense I left the Harp uv Erin 'Sloon, hez improved wonderfully in a wordly pint uv view He wuz then a Democratic President in 1873, with Tweed Chica a hod-carrier by protession and a repeater behind him ! Think uv Tweed makin colby practice. He attracted the attention uv lectors and assessors and postmasters, and Mr. Tweed by his zeal in votin and his, all uv em bein responsible solely to him ! biavery in knockin down opposishen voters, Et he hez made of humselt a Creesus, and and wuz uv course rewarded. He is now his friends likewise, out uv the revenues uv Assistant Inspector uv Musket Triggers uv one city, wat will be do when he hez the

I shel to-wunst cultivate pleasant rela-

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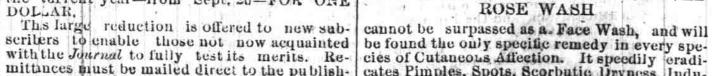
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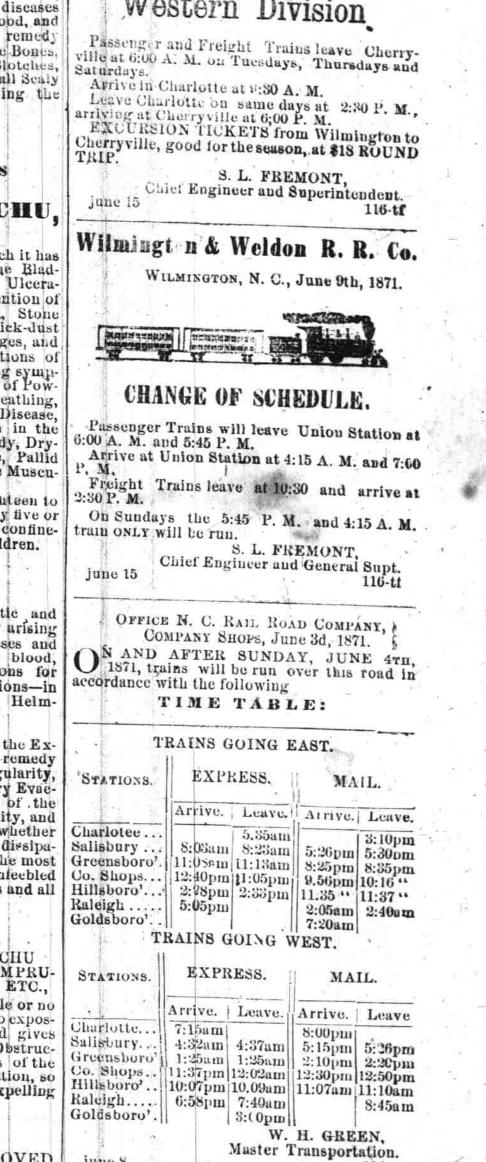
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