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There he sees—and tears fall o'er it-His worn cradle, and before it, Dearer far than any other, Comes his good and patient mother.

Like a morning bell's sweet chime. Heard beneath bright summer skies, Echoing on till even-time, Comes her soft-sung lullables.

Busy toils, and deep, perplexing Problems that his soul are vexing.

Float away on wings unseen; And there comes an hour of joy, When an angel face screne Soothes her weary, wandering boy.

Still live on her words of cheer,

THE MOTTO DUEL. (CONCLUDED.)

"Through a friend of mine in the War Department at Washington, and my own personal solicitations, I was appointed, was killed by a roving band of Indians duty. The third tier was an extensive one; it included the settlements from the Colo-

allow, as far as Columbus.

vessel, and in a short time after we were moving up the river. After a deposition of my luggage, I began to look about me for my fellow-passengers. There were about forty, all told, and a curious mixture they were; Mexican greasers, as they are called, half-breeds, and wild Texan border men, comprised the passenger-list, so near as I could see at a first glance. Some had women with them, others sat in groups telling stories of Texan life and bloodshed, while around each knot of men perfect rivers of tobacco-juice were running .-Apart from their fellow-passengers, sitting as if for seclusion's sake near the port wheel-house. I noticed a young couple, who were evidently of a different class from the rude people strolling over the ressel. The superiority of their dress and bearing attracted my attention, and I at once sought a seat in their vicinity, without any intention, however, of intruding myself upon them. As they sat talking with each other I had a fair chance to observe them closely. They were a beatliful pair. From their actions and their accent, I mentally decideded that they were reckon ye was playin' a losin' hand-ch ?' newly married, and Yankees, but wellbred. The lady was apparently about seventeen or eighteen years of age; and I

thought then, and have never changed my

the leveliest face I ever beheld. The words

Ned will be after ye,' "Upon my answering that I was fully capable of taking care of myself, he re- private dwelling, against orders. marked, with a sly kind of a smile, 'I "'No,' I replied. 'I never saw him be-

"'Well, ye did putty well for a greeny.' That's the story." "The negroes having removed the body, mind since, that she was the possessor of my interrogator left me,

"In the cabin, that evening, I met the

of, as she kept them flashing upon her fuse as to my interference in their behalf. companion, who, darker complexioned and Their names I found to be Mr. and Mrs.

"During the rest of the trip, both by river and overland, to Austin, I learned "Not wishing to be observed by the much of their history. They were origin-

ward to the spot where the young man and his paper. As we all sat making our sug- fully ornamented grounds, and to those property of their respective counties or the his wife were sitting. I followed. He gestions, a tall, ill-favored Texan entered who are in delicate health, or who enjoy said city, the amount of fees that the Constood for a moment bitterly cursing the the room. He appeared to be known to a an idle, listless life, sauntering round with stables of the several counties or the said players who had deceed him. Upon see- few present, so no questions were put to a hook and line, or loafing in the cool shade city are entitled to receive for executing ing the beautiful face of the girl-bride, he him. Taking a seat, he listened to the and discussing toothsome dinners at a criminal business; provided, that nothing walked over to where she sat, and before various mottoes suggested. Drawing by handsome price, it would doubtless be a contained in this section shall exempt any she was aware what his intentions were, lettery was finally agreed on, by the re- pleasant place to spend the hot months. | criminal from paying the cost of his arrest. his arm was around her waist. I involun- quest of Peck's uncle. The motto drawn The railroad winds down the westerm if he shall be of sufficient ability to do so. was ' HE JUST AND FEAR NOT .- George A. slope of the mountains along the valley of

attention he had attracted, he continued: a better one. Did you ever hear the old low ?"

the death of his brother; that I was the large yards, large gardens, large grasslots, taneously that the muscles remained unone who killed him.

seconds interfered, and the preparations restrained from coming to my help by the was given to the village authorities by the It took me till noon to summon up courage to do it. I shall never forget the scene

"For months the girl-bride-the girlwidow now-lay fluttering between life and death. I went off upon my commission, after seeking in vain for Burton, who never came near Austin after the duel .-Returning, after my labors were completed, to Austin, I found Mrs. Peck convalescent, but spiritless and melancholy. I undertook to see her safe back to Massachusetts, and did so. The change did her some good, but it was two years before she recovered her old looks.

"Burton, the murderer of Peck, I shot in the city of Mexico, when we took possession, as he was in the act of robbing a

man, " If I had a mince pie and should

CONSTABLE'S PEES. The several Constables in this State shall

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GAME.

No person shall trap, shoot, or in any "The Texan whom I had noticed enter- stream, and a fine view of mountain scenery manner, catch or kill any partridges be-

The country in Ohio is not very interest-ing till Aliance is passed. From this place this State any partridge, woodcock or

country as with us and the fields are inter-

LIGHTNING.-Sometimes lightning pro

The "country towns," containing from

FROM FATHER TO SON .- One day a

"Come in," said the old merchant,

"No," said the young man, "I don't

" Very well," said the young man, as he

"Held on," said the merchant, "you

"No, sir, I am superintendent of the

perhaps you might. Good day, sir."

come in and have a glass of wine.

"Have a cigar, then?"

"No, I never smoke."

said:

friend to me."

think I can."

don't drink."

"Nor smoke?"

Sunday Behool."

" No."

" No."

kind?"

drink.'

was frantic with rage and grief at the the railroads, the houses principally built tim in these circumstances is so rapid that shoot him if he did. Let them fight it indignity put upon him, which we tried to of wood and two stories. They are not so this in these circumstances is so rapid that shoot him if he did. Let them fight it indignity put upon him, which we tried to of wood and two stories. They are not so those who have witnessed it might have economical of space in the far reaching thought they suffered from some illusion. "Next day, a characteristic note from west as we of the east, and consequently Who would not think he was dreaming if reapers to all appearance continuing their Cleveland is one of the prettiest, if not repast; one still held his glass in his hand, disturb her peace of mind, all hoping that on a bluff or plain 90 feet above Lake Erie bread into his mouth, a third had his hand It has a population of about 9,000, which is suddenly while in these positions, when the "It was a rainy morning during the lat- rapidly increasing. The streets are wide thunder-bolt fell. Azriel had seized upon "lots" of trees, and small wooden cot-tages. The people in the west are afraid of open as in life; and had not the color of hurricanes or averse to climbing stairs .- the skin been so much changed the illu-The denizens of this rural town have evi- sion would have been complete. It has dently a penchant for fruit, and every yard been remarked also that the features of said enraged me so that I struck him. The and lot has its quota of cherry, pear, persons struck by lightning, instead of beand apple trees, grape vines, etc. The ing contracted, usually assume a calm, went forward again. The ground marked great business all through this region is happy expression; and the conclusion has manufactured in the summer season. The or pain into the presence of the Infinite land is level and one vast green sward, with | Being. It has even been assumed that patches of corn, wheat &c., merely enough | death by lightning is the prelude to glory to break the monotony of the deep green. | and happiness .- Appletons' Journal.

INVALID MARRIAGES .- The decision of the Court of Appeals of Maryland in the case young man entered a merchant's office, in of Denison versus Denison would seem Boston, and with a pale and careworn face, almost conclusively to settle the question of the validity of a marriage not contracted "Sir, I am in need of help. I have been according to the forms of some religious unable to meet certain payments, because denomination. The facts of the case, as certain parties have not done as they presented to the court, were-that Henry agreed by me, and would like to have C. Denison and Georgiana B. Denison, on \$1,000. I came to you because you were the 17th of January, 1863, agreed to be a friend to my father, and might be a and regard each other as husband and wife; that in pursuance of such agreement they cohabited and lived together as man and wife: that Georgiana was maintained and supported by Henry up to the time of his death as his wife; and that they both death as his wife; and that they both acknowledged, recognized, and acted towards each other in all things as husband and wife, and were known, treated and reported to be such among their friends and acquaintances. This is perhaps as strong a case as will likely to arise in the absence of the usual formula. The court ruled, in "Well," said the old gentleman, "I and wife, and were known, treated and would like to accommodate you, but I don't reported to be such among their friends and was about to leave the room, "I thought of the usual formula. The court ruled, in substance, that the common law gave no sanction to such marriages, and that it was not valid and binding, because it was not celebrated according to the usage of some celebrated according to the usage of some merce and shipbuilding. church; "that loose and irregular contracts, as a general thing, derive no sup-"Nor gamble, nor anything of that has given them no sanction."

thanks-I owe it to you for your father's a cold dinner on wash day without grumb- kind of a divorce, and leaves no necessity trust."

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The following is the full platform adopted by the Republican National Convention held at Philadelphia, June 5th and 6th,

appeals to its history, and announces its position upon the questions before the country:

First—During eleven years of supremacy

tion of men composed partly of those who have resisted every step of this beneficial

progress.
Second—Complete liberty and exact equality in the enjoyment of all civil, political and public rights should be established and effectually maintained throughout the Union by efficient and appropriate State and Federal legislation. Neither the law nor its administration should admit of any discrimination in respect of citizens by reason of race, creed, color or provious condition of servitude.

stream, and a fine view of mountain scenery may be enjoyed from the platform of the rear car all the way 'till the mountains are left behind, and the iron horse once more dashes over the plain in its course for Pittsburg.

The dry weather has extended west, and the grass and wheat look very short and unpromising, as far as I have traveled.—
The country in Ohio is not very interesting itil Aliance is passed. From this place are large and the stream of this State any partridge, woodcock or liberty.

No person shall trap, shoot, or in any manner in any manner, catch or kill any partridges between the fifst of young and the tenth of Junuary and the tenth of June, nor any pheasants between the first of February and the tenth of June, nor any pheasants between the first of February and the tenth of June, nor any pheasants between the first of February and the tenth of June, nor any pheasants between the first of February and the tenth of June, nor any pheasants between the first of February and the tenth of June, nor any pheasants between the first of February and the tenth of June, nor any pheasants between the first of February and the tenth of June, nor any pheasants between the first of February and the tenth of June, nor any pheasants between the first of February and the tenth of June, nor any pheasants between the first of February and the tenth of June, nor any pheasants between the first of February and the tenth of June, nor any pheasants between the first of February and the tenth of June, nor any pheasants between the first of February and the tenth of June, nor any propriate legislation, the enforcement of which can safely be trusted out according to their spirit by which can safely be trusted out according to their spirit by which can safely be trusted only to the party that secured those amendments.

No person keeping a tavern, restaurant should seek to maintain an honorable peace with all nations, protecting its citizens everywhere, and sympathizing with all people who strive for greater liberty.

Indian proverb, "Fast he runs, faster follow?"

"There was an insulting look in the man's eyes, and menace in his tone, which Peck noticed.

"What do you want here, sir? he said, addressing the intruder.

"A life for a life! My name is Ned Burton."

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Indian proverb, "Fast he runs, faster follow?"

Lake Erie is a splendid grazing and directions pleased. From this place to Lake Erie is a splendid grazing and we pleasant, between the times within which the subordinate positions of the Government are cousidered rewards for mere party zeal is fatally demoralizing, and we preceding section.

Any person violating either of the predictions shall pay a fine of five dollars, to be recovered before a justice of the please of the country where the offence was committed.

Seventh—The annual revenue, after pay-ing the current debt, should furnish a mod-erate balance for the reduction of the princinal, and the revenues, except so much as liquor, be raised by duties upon importa-tions, the duties of which should be so adjusted as to aid in securing remunerative wages to labor, and promote the industries, prosperity and growth of the whole coun-

of such discharge. Ninth-The doctrine of Great Britain Ninth—The doctrine of Great Britain and other European Powers concerning allegiance, "once a subject always a subject," having at last through the efforts of the Republican party been abandoned and the American idea of the individual's right to transfer allegiance having been accepted by European nations, it is the duty of our Government to guard with jealous care the right of adopted citizens against the assumption of unauthorized claims by their former Governments, and we urge continued mer Governments, and we urge continued c reful encouragement and protection of voluntary immigration. Tenth-The franking privilege ought to be

abolished and the way prepared for a speedy reduction of the rate of postage. Eleventh—Among the questions which press for attention is that which concerns

press for attention is that which concerns
the relation of capital and labor, and the
Republican party recognize the duty of so
shaping legislation as to secure protection
and the amplest field for capital, and for
labor, the creator of capital, the largest
opportunities and a just share of the mutual profits of these two great elements of
civilization. ivilization.
Twelth—We hold that Congress and the

President have only fulfilled an imperative duty in their measures for the suppression of violent and treasonable organizations in certain lately rebellious regions and for the protection of the ballot-box, and therefore they are entitle to the thanks of the nation.

Thirteenth—We denounce repudiation of the public debt in any form or disguise as a national crime. We witness with public the reduction of the public of the pu of the public debt in any form or disguise
as a national crime. We witness with
pride the reduction of the principal of the
debt and rates of interest on the balance,
and confidently expect our excellent national currency will be perfected by a speedy
resumption of specie payment.
Fourteenth—The Republican party is
mindful of its obligations to the loyal
request of America for their poble devotion

women of America for their noble devotion to the cause of freedom. Their admission to a wide field of usefulness is viewed with satisfaction, and the honest demand of any class of citizens for additional rights should

be treated with respectful consideration. Fifteenth-We heartly approve the action of Congress in extending amnesty to those lately in rebellion, and rejoice in the growth of peace and fraternal feeling throughout the land.

Sixteenth-The Republican party pro-

Seventeenth-It is the duty of the Gen-

Eighteenth—We believe that the modest patriotism, the earnest purpose, the sound judgment, the practical wisdom, the incorport from morals or religion, but are most generally founded in a wanton licentious cohabitation. Hence the laws of the State him to the hearts of the people, and with him at our head we stand to-day upon a

TAn old lady gave this as her idea of A music dealer has in his window a once, and asked me the same questions .- clothes, don't drink sperets, ken read the hast loved me and left me, for twenty-five

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Where the sleepy flies are humming, And the sunshine, going, coming, Flickers, with a radiance golden, Underneath the rafters olden.

AFTER FORTY YEARS OF ABSENCE.

Of the farm-house, quaint and brown, Where time's tell-tale mosses grow

On the steep roof sloping down,

Forth with thoughtful eye he gazes On the meadow starred with daisies; Sees the summer blue bend over

Sees the billowy sea of wheat,
With its waves of green and gold,
Surging on until they meet
The distant shores of the forest old.

All things glow with summer splendor; All his heart grows warm and tender; O'er the fields and through the wild wood

Here he roamed in happy childhood. Sad and sweet the memories throng, And their voiceless music seems
The echo of a far off song,
Once heard in gay and happy dreams.

As he turns his footsteps weary O'er the threshold, worn and dreary, No familiar faces meet him. No one comes with joy to greet him.

Slow he mounts the stairway steep, Walks along the echoing floor, And in meditation deep, Pauses at each chamber door.

Many a field of crimson clover:

From the ancient doorway low

Here the merry children came— Laughed and played the hours away; Sunshine flecks the floor the same; No glad players come to-day.

Then the thousand cares that weary, And the thousand heartaches dreary,

Forty years, in waving masses, O'or her grave have grown the grasses; Still all bright with glad predictions, Live her peaceful benedictions.

Her hymns of faith, her deeds of love; While life so full of beauty here, Goes on in endless years above. rom Posthumous Papers of John Ransom, Printer

THE COLONEL'S STORY. "Gentlemen, you all remember the excitement that prevailed in the South, subsequent to the annexation of Texas, in 1845. Well, in 1843, rumors reached our to be brought to bear upon the Texas independents, by which British and Spanish interference might take place in the internal arrangements of the country.

with two others, as commissioner to visit that country, and feel, as it might be said, the pulse of the people in regard to the question of annexation, which was being furiously agitated in the States. What is now the State of Texas was divided into three sections for our inspection. The northern tier was given to a Captain Ordway, a very fine officer, which department included the country from the Brazes to the Sabine rivers, and north-west, nearly as far as the Red River country. The second tier, and the easiest commission of the three, was the country contiguous to the Brazos. This department fell to the lot of a young civil engineer, named Parks, from Philadelphia, Pa., through the political influence of friends. He was a splendid specimen of manhood, full of bouyancy and hope, but unfortunately the poor fellow

rado River south to Matamoras, and northwest along the course of the Ilio Grande. To this division I was assigned, "Having met my fellow-commissioners which place we were to separate to our

"Eager to commence work at as early up the Colorado River and reach Aus- a shock that fears were entertained as to tin, from which place I would begin my her recovery; also that the young man was tour of observation. I therefore engaged passage on board a small flat-bottomed

"Next morning I stopped on board the

more sedate, was listening with a gratified George A Pock. smile to the prattle of a being he evidently loved.

stroll among the other passengers. I found recently married. Mr Peck had begun

were in proper condition in ease necessity called for their use. I then strolled to-ward the bride and her groom. They were watching the scenery which we passed on the river with interest, and did not notice me. Feeling uneasy, I sauntered back to the card-table, and just in time to observe a scene at that time new to me. The bully into others, who seemed to be afried of him, of cheating, with such obscene caths that I fairly turned away in disgust. He deather that the new and the more at his losses. Evidently in a state of mind capable of any mischief, he left the party and waked forms. tarily stepped forward, but before I reached him, the husband, whose attention had Peck.' been diverted by a scene on the river, dealt the ruffian such a blow as laid him ing the room was the first to hall the suc- may be enjoyed from the platform of the tween the fifteenth day of January and the brute pulled out a knife and sprung at the voice. young man, who appeared like a boy in comparison with his assailant. I saw that the young husband was unarmed, and that his life was in danger. There was no time to lose—the lady had fainted. I caught a better one. Did you ever hear the old forced its holder back; but being a powerful man. I did not hope to cope with him

in main strength. My interference maddened him. With an oath he attempted to free his arm. I told the assailed party to look after his lady-that I would attend to Government that strong influence was about the ruflian. A terrible struggle ensued between us. I felt that my life depended knife arm and thus controlled the weapon, although cut in several places, from rolling

over each other on the deck. The captain attempted to interfere. The rough characters who surrounded him threatened to out,' I could hear them saying; 'Bill Burton knows his business. It'll be all day with that lean cuss in a minit or two.' I was becoming weak; I therefore felt that something decisive must be done. Gaththe enraged flend a sudden throw, letting his arm, which I had held so persistently, go at the same moment. Quick as thought, I had out a pistol, and, as he sprang at me again, I sent a ball whizzing through his head. With an oath gurgling in his throat, "The philosophical indifference of his

companions astonished me. I fully expectdone fust-rate, stranger; jest as good as I ed. could ha' done myself,' remarked a big, burly fellow, who had been one of the 'But look out for his brother Ned, when in New Orleans, at which point we receiv- With this advice, he walked away with his in a sailing vessel for Galveston, from game of cards again, as if nothing unusual tion, I walked over to Burton and asked country. It is a characteristic Ohio town, victims had not time to take any expresed our final instructions, we took passage fellows; and they were soon deep in the had transpired. The captain, a rough but respective departments. After a stay of kind specimen of the river steamboat comthree days in the latter city, I parted com- mander, pointed to my clothing, which pany with my fellow-in-spectors and sailed was stained with blood, and cut in several for Matagorda, arriving there on the 13th places. Heeding little as to my appearday of August-this very day ave years ance, I looked around for the ones who had time. Your turn will come next.' been the involuntary actors in the bloody scene. The captain told me they were in a day as possible, I concluded to start his cabin; that the lady had received such

onlookers, and could only be induced to teamer, advertised to go up the river to follow his wife, who had been taken away Wharton, or, in case the water would by one of the female passengers when the fatal shot was fired. "A change of clothing and a little courtplaster soon put me in condition again. "Wo arrived at Wharton late in the afternoon, and found that the river would admit of a farther journey up the stream. Here the body of the desperado I had shot captain, with a statement of the manner in which he met his death. It was evidently that followed. a common occurrence. No attempts were made to interfere with my liberty. A man came with a mule team and two negroes, to take the body away. As the man looked at it, ne said, as if speaking to himself, Well, Bill Burton, I never thought you would be doubled up by such a thin fellah as that.' Then, turning to his negroes, continued: 'Tote this korps away! Come, be lively!' Looking at me a moment, asif calculating my prowess, he went on:-Stranger, how did ye do't? Bill was an ugly cuss to grapple. I reckon his brother

127" Now, my boy," said a committee of Edmund Burke on Marie Antoinette husband and his wife. She was looking give two-twelfths to Isaac, two-twelfths to revorted to my mind. It was cast in an pale, but otherwise well. As they saw me Harry, and two-twelfths to John, and wish. Your father let me have \$5,000 a great man:-"One who is keerful of his sentimental song, thus marked: "Thou oval form, and seemed to be framed in enter, they both arose and came forward to should take half the pie myself, what would ringlets of gold, as her hair played loosely meet me, and held out their hands. Intro- there be left? Speak up loud-loud, so He trusted me, and I will trust you. No Bible without spelling the words, and eat cents." That is certainly the cheapest around it, and over her neck and shoul- ductions followed, which led to a conversa- that the people can hear." "The plate!" ders. Her eyes I could not get a glimpse tion, in which the thanks of both were pro- shouted the boy.

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on Monday, 3d inst., I arrived at the Con- be entitled to demand and receive the foltinental in the midst of the tumult inci- lowing fees, to wit: happy pair, I moved away and began a ally from Medway, Mass., and were but dent to the assembling of the Convention. -which is inevitable in the extreme south- quite a successful career as a journalist in Quaker City Hotel were a human hive, rant, seventy-five cents; for serving sumwest—that a card-table had been impro- Boston, but, by the inducements of his every other man with a cigar in his mouth, vised, and that the single male passengers uncle, who resided in Austin, and owned so that the place was literally filled with cents; for serving summons for witness and vised, and that the single male passengers uncle, who resided in Austin, and owned were about to begin play. I knew that brandy would follow, and my thoughts after his marriage, to immigrate to that were of the young couple, should a brawl place, and start a newspaper to advocate of tobacco, I took a sleeping car at West o were of the young couple, should a brawl place, and start a newspaper to advocate of tobacco, I took a sleeping car at West cents; for levying fleri facias and return, twenty ensue, which is the usual ending to card annexation to the States. Boxed up and Philadelphia depot at 11.40 P. M., and had gaming among the rude border men of being conveyed as freight with us, was the the agenizing pleasure of being shaken over to the Jailor, seventy-five cents, and gaming among the rude border men of Texas. Caring very little for life, a dispute generally ends with a slash of the heath-ratile—and back they go to their cards as if nothing extraordinary had happened.

"Among those at cards I noticed one man who appeared to be a bully of the fire-eating order. His voice was the loudest, and his soaths most plentiful. He had produced a bottle of spirits when I approached the table, and, to use his own peculiar words, was preparing to 'take a peculiar words, was preparing to 'take a feeling conveyed as freight with us, was the mocessary material for a printing-office and joiled all night for two dollars. Day-light the next morning found us entering found us entering found us entering for a printing-office "Both Mr. Peck and his wife had been light the next morning found us entering found us entering for was a source of gratification to me. Alto-gather the mountains. This mountain country is romantic and all that, but rather a poor country to reside in permanently. Every-thing has a very economical look about it, was going on. Altoona was reached about who proved loyalty by obeying the laws and dealing justly with their neighbors.

"After we arrived in Austin, which was were taken in charge by their relative, whom I found to be an intelligent, well-educated, shrewd, money-making Yankee. He is now one of the Supreme Court plants of General control of the first morning found us entering found use of the mountains. This mountain country is summoning jury on inquest, each juror, fifteen cents; for levying attachments for s couple of slings out of the critter." I had Judges, and a great friend of General considerable importance. Here are located each garnishee, fifty cents; for killing dog,

couple of slings out of the critter." I had a great friend of General presentiment that there would be trouble with that man. So, leaving the spot, I went forward, and taking out my pistols.

I made an examination to be sure they were in proper condition in ease necessity ern censures of my division; and for two were in proper condition in easo necessity ern confines of my division; and for two ingly being a collection of small wooden first twenty-five dollars, and three per cent. called for their use. I then strolled to- months, nearly, I was out of the civilized kouses scattered over the sloping plain, as on the residue; but if the defendant shall

the Conemaugh river, a small mountain

on his back. Quickly recovering the son- cessful motto and its writer. 'Fine motto! rear car all the way 'till the mountains are first day of October, nor any woodcock ses the blow had stunned, the drunken Lucky Peck!' he remarked in a peculiar "Every one present turned to look at Pittsburg. the owner of the voice. Observing the

hold of the arm that held the knife, and Indian proverb, "Fast he runs, faster fol-

on my getting out a revolver. By this time the oaths and imprecations of the baffled drunkard had brought to the scene the captain of the steamer and the rest of the passengers. I still managed to hold his my poor friend Peck a heavy blow across not a feature of agriculture here. the face, and then spat upon him. For the moment all was in confusion, during which one thousand to four or five thousand in- duces complete and instantaneous paralysis. the assailant escaped from the room. Peck | habitants, are thickly scattered along all | The suppression of movement in the vic-

assunge, but with little success. "Next day, a characteristic note from the man Burton was handed to Peck, by a friend of the former's, inviting a challenge, which Peck instantly dispatched, without consulting his friends. When I learned of it, I tried to dissuade him from so foolish a step. I painted to him the worthless character of his assailant, but to no purpose. The blow he had received was rankling in his breast. His uncle and the friends he had made in Austin entracted him to from the man Burton was handed to Peck, by a friends. When I learned of it, I tried to dissuade him from whistle are seen and heard wherever a collection of houses are found. Home industry is what is building the country up.—

The people manufacture what they want and consume a large portion of what the friends he had made in Austin entracted him to forger his intentions. He is a character of the former's inviting a challenge, which was hearted far away,—

When some people passing by approached to see what had happened, they found the reapers to all appearance continuing their of service or the cause of service or the cause of the east, and consequently was an unfortunate creature, full of life and activity, petrified and motionless as a rock in less time than it required to witteness the phenomenon? Jerome Carden relates that eight reapers, who were cating their dinner under an oak-tree, were all struck by the same flash of lightning, the explosion of which was heard far away,—

When some people passing by approached to see what had happened, they found the reapers to all appearance continuing their of of such discharge. something decisive must be done. Gain- lengt, which I seek instantly dispatched, apparent, and the smoke stack and steam ness the phonomenon? Jerome Carden treated him to forego his intentions. He of transportation and the middle men. was deaf to their entreaties. His wife did not know of it, and no one felt inclined to | the prettiest city in the west. It is situated | another was in the act of putting a piece of

only one month after entering upon active ed to be the victim of their revenge. 'Ye he would come out of the struggle unharm- and commands a splendid view of the Lake. in the dish. Death had come upon them ter part of November, when the principals and remarkably clean, and many of them them with so much violence that he had card-players. Then speaking in a whisper: and seconds in the tragedy about to be laid with wood pavements. From Cleve- impressed upon the entire surface of their enacted met on a plateau near Austin .- | land to Ashtabula, a town of 8,000 inhabi- | bodies the mournful tint of his black wing. you get in the neighborhood of Austin.'- Peck had, by his challenge, given the tants, 40 miles distant on the Lake Shore One might have taken them for statues choice of weapons, and he had selected pis- road, is like the country from Aliance to sculptured out of black marble. The cattols. Before the combatants got into posi- to the former city, a beautiful pasture astrophe was so rapid that the faces of the him to apologize, as Peck was innocent of covering a large extent of territory, with sion of pain; life was suppressed so instan-

> " 'Yes, you killed him; but he, yonder, was the cause,' he remarked. 'One at a "The sneering way in which this was

off, and the weapons being examined, the daiying, and large quantities of cheese are been drawn that they enter without shock combatants took their positions. In those days, the signal in Texas was the firing of a pistol. Peck whispered to me, 'If I fall, break it gently to her. Good-bye.' A slight quiver ran over him-the only sign of weakness I had noticed. A shake of the hand-a report-another-and poor Peck fell dead. He was shot through the brain. Tears rose to my eyes when I looked at him. I then thought of his wife. How could I break the sad intelligence to her?

"And, gentleman, Mrs. Peck that was, s now Mrs. Davids. So go on with your paper, Ransom; and may your motto be ess fatal in its results than poor Peck's.

"Well." said the merchant, "you shall have it, and three times the amount if you trust."