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THE CONFEDERATE NOTE. BX PATHER RYAN.

Representing nothing on God's earth now, And naught in the waters below it;

As the pledge of a nation that passed away, Keep it dear friend and show it.

Of a storm crushed nation that fell. And too much of a stranger to borrow; We issued to-day "our promise to pay,"

Of liberty born of a patriot's dream -

To the tale this trifle will tell;

And hoped to redeem on the morrow. The days rolled on and weeks became years, But her coffers were empty still; If a dollar should drop in the till.

But the faith that was in us was strong indeed Though our poverty well we discerned; And this little check represents the pay That our suffering soldiers earned. They knew it had hardly a value in gold, Yet as gold our soldiers received it. It gazed in our eyes with a promise to pay, And every true soldier believed it.

Or of bills that were over due; We knew if it bought our bread to-day 'Twas all our poor country could do. Keep it, it tells our history over From the birth of the dream to the last; Modest, and born of the angel Hope-Like our hope of success-it passed.

THE KOH-I-NOOR DIAMUND

On the 3d day of June, in the year 1850, Lord Dalhousie, in the name of the now Chief Clerk of the House of Delegates. defunct East India Company, presented to Queen Victoria the famous Koh-i-noor Secretary of the Senate. diamond, thus securing to the British crown a jewel for the possession of which many an Eastern monarch would gladly have risked his life and kingdom.

Owing to the absence of any authentic information regarding the discovery and early history of this wonderful gem, an opportunity was afforded for speculation, which has been amply improved by the authors of Hindoo tradition. The more devout among these assert that it once adorned the person of their great god Krisna, where it might have remained to this day, but for the treachery of a slave, who stole away the treasure while his lord and master slept.

Another record states that it was dis-3200 B. C., and was worn by Carna Rajah, of Anga, who was slain in one of the battles of the "great war." The first authentic statement, however, occurs in the memoirs of the Sultan Baber, founder of the Mogul Empire, in which work the writer names this gem as among the treasure secured by Ala-ud-deen, at the conquest of Malwah, 1304 A. D. For over two hundred years it remained among the crown-jewels of the conqueror and his descendants, securely guarded in the royal treasure-house at Delhi, becoming, in the year 1526, the property of the Sultan Baber, who valued it at the price of a day's maintenance for the whole world, At this time its weight was seven hundred and ninety-three carats, or nearly six troy ounces. At a later day, when in the possession of the Emperor Aurungzebe, it was shown to Tavernier -- an enterprising French traveller and connoisseur, who made a tour through the East in search of rare and wonderful gems -though then the most prized of all the crown-jewels. it had been greatly reduced in weight and value by the lapidary Borgio, to whom had been committed the labor of recutting it, and who, though devoting three and one half years to the work assigned him, exercised so little judgment and skill in its execution, that when the stone left his hands it had been reduced to weight of one hundred and eighty-six carate, having a length of one and fiveeighths inch, and a thickness of fiveeighths of an inch. So enraged was RETRIBUTION .-- Two Germans fresh from Aurungzebe at the extravagance and tupidity of his lapidary, that he not only efused to compensate him for his labor, friend to Delmonico's where a dinner for but confiscated all his worldly possessions

Though so greatly reduced in size and value, the mysterious potency of it ever, and while walking down Broadway charms still remained, and the genius of found in the glittering bawble so able an ally, still recognized in its beauty an eleto shwear. Do Lord has punished dot than was the mythical apple of Eris.

> Sacredly guarded by the descendants of the great sultan, the Koh-i-noor remained the property of the Mogul emperors until the year 1739, when Nadir Shah, the conprolonged siege of that ill-fated city. It is narrated that, on entering the royal palace, Nadir Shah commanded the connucred ruler to appear before him, that the terms of the capitulation might be ratified. In obedience to this summons, the emperor presented himself in robes of stateis vanity getting the better of his prudence-with the glittering jewel in the mutual good faith, and, under its new name "Koh-i-noor," "Mound of Light," the long coveted diamond passed into the hands of the victorious Persian, its de-

dynasty.

of the Eastern rulers. fined, he left behind him, concealed in a jewel in his crown, and which the watchor dreading its power, suffered the royal plate, and always in a line parallel to one ling left but to grumble. prisoner to retain as a companion during of the crystalline planes. It is evident, But grumbling was of little use against went out and hanged himself. as to the length of time it remained conthe ceremonies attending its restoration; as well as skill. Should the portion re- by Mr. Wiley Griskett. from the breastplate of the reigning Shah

you value this gem?" asked the lord of against the oiled surface of the revolving his brains out. to trust with his successors so dangerous the Koh-i-noor that the Duke of Wel- him and Wiley Griskett. the heirs overcame their reverence, and against the "skaif." Thirty-seven days

country the coveted treasure. fifteen hundred of them to weigh a sin to a troy ounce. So light are they that a

gentle breath will scatter them. lumined.

posing surfaces, the particles of dust rehemisphere having its curved surface moved serving in turn to reduce the diamonds known as "Les Douze Maza- paid to Coster for his successful effort rins," so named from Cardinal Mazarin | might have been well carned, it is a queshimself, an expert in diamond-cutting, tion whether it was money well invested, and the reputed inventor of the method, since the Koh-i-noor, though a much though it is more probable that it was more brilliant and attractive jewel, has suggested to him by the works of certain | ceased to be an object of interest to the Indian lapidaries. The rose shape is still mineralogist or antiquarian; for in its present form-a brilliant weighing one hundred and six carats-there is no suggestion as to its natural shape, while all cut by them so minute that it would take | interest attached to it by association is now lost with the loss of its identity.

A Marriage of Inconvenience.

Wiley Griskett bore the title of "Rogues Attorney General" on the Blackhaw circuit. His clients were principally knaves and simpletons; the former he helped to tion of the table, having thirty-two facets | swindle, and the latter he swindled. To which class Zimri belonged we leave the

Mr. Bezel did a thriving business as the "table," and a similar though smaller | jeweler, till bad times came, and bills came in faster than he was able to pay. of a regularly cut brilliant are as follows: He hoped to pull through, if people would "From the table to the girdle one third, only wait a little; but bad times are precisely those when people won't wait.

> counsel. Instead of advising a frank disclosure those mysterics of a woman's will, which

assets?" he inquired. "Thirty thousand dollars," Mr. Bezel answered.

"And your debts amount to-"

"Twenty-five thousand." "Make your notes for forty thousand,"

"That's a good deal more than I owe,"

"I den't say you should make them to

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"To whom then?"

"Shamboy & Co." "But I don't know them."

"No more do I," returned Griskett, with a wink. Make out the notes, and then boy & Co., a highly respectable firm in a distant city"-here another wink-"I

tory and fate of which that of the Dour- number of ratchet-shaped notches. Be. tempter whispered; "and once on your swindled him and his creditors. Of ance Empire was so closely linked; nor fore beginning the work of cut-legs again, you will be able to pay all course the letter is not legal evidence, but

hold popular tradition had upon the minds glazier's diamond-n diamond the natural What a race there was among the law- and with dastard blows drove his wife angel of which is acute. The stone is yers the day Bezel's place was found closed into the street When Shah Zeman was released from then cemented upon the end of a metal and the proprietor missing. Writs came the prison in which he had long been con- rod, leaving exposed only that portion out as fast as busy pens could draft them; learned that his wife had fallen heir to which is to be removed; the rod is then but that of Shamloy & Co., thanks to fifty thousand dollars, all secured in her crevice between the stones of his cell, the firmly fixed in a hole in the beach, and their attorney's vigilance, was in the own right-for the rich relative had gem that had once been the brightest the edge of a steel chisel inserted in the sheriff's hands an hour before the rest. It heard of his late brutality in time so to groove, when a sharp, quick blow with a swept everything, of course, to the great alter her will as to guard the legacy ful jailer, either ignorant as to its worth, jeweller's hammer splits off the outer disgust of those to whom there was noth. against any claim of his - Wiley Griskett,

his lonely imprisonment. Little is known therefore, that to mark out this line of the notes for forty thousand dollars, bearcleavage upon the surface of a rough ing Zimri Bezel's undisputed signature, cealed after Shah Zeman's release, nor of stone, is a work calling for intelligence produced on behalf of Shamboy & Co.

but, when the English embassy were moved be of sufficient size, it may be cut Mr. Griskett pushed matters as rapidly granted an audience at the royal court, in | into smaller stores; but, if too thin or ir- as legal forms would permit. Bezel's Peshawar, the Koh-i-noor shone again regular for this, it is broken up and effects were sold for about the sum at ground in a steel morter to a fine dust, or which he had valued them. Griskett "bort," which becomes the cutting med- receipted for the amount in his clients' This unfortunate prince was in turn ium on the wheel. When the labor of re- names, and pocketed it with an inward forced, through the successful rebel- moving the rough, natural surface is com- chuckle while outwardly bemoaning the lion of his brother Mahmoud, to aban- pleted, the stone is again fastened to the large balance still left due to Messrs.

Runject the Lion, bearing with him, as embedding it in a ball of solder; the op- Bezel's suicide. Day after day he had The beaded waist cape is also much worn a companion and talisman, the Koh-i- posite end of the rod is then inserted into visited the postoffice of the country vilnoor. No sooner was its presence known, that one of the notches on the bracing lage in which he had taken refuge, to inhowever, than the city of refuge became column which will permit of the stone's quire for letters. None came -- none, at stores, and in all colors, but they will not a fortress, and the unwilling prisoner was being brought into contact with the least, from Wiley Griskett - and one day, be as popular after all as the white and compelled to surrender the jewel to his wheel at the desired angle. Motion is on receiving his usual answer, the poor gray lisle thread. false friend Runject. "At what price do now applied, and the diamond pressed dupe put a pistol to his head and blew Zimri Bezel's widow was an eccentric

been the property of him that hath con- the cement is softened, the stone removed, felt keenly her husband's flight and failquered his enemies." So impressed was and a new surface presented. So great ure, and would have felt them still more Runject with this answer, that he feared was the interest taken in the cutting of had she known what had passed between One morning she walked over to the

"Mr. Marfetch," '> egan the widow, "you the stone remained in the possession of of twelve hours each were required to hold, I believe, most of the claims against

The lawyer bowed stiffly. It was a gore subject. He had never quite gotten over When received by Queen Victoria, the tions a minute, the heat generated being being so far outgenerated by Wiley Gris-

"Can I trust you to keep a secret ?" the

"A curious question to ask a lawyer," controversy, in which ministers, scientists that certain portions of the diamond were replied Mr. Marfetch, "you may speak not so generally favored as those to be

> "Could you manage to get all the claims twenty-eight pounds, and a speed of three under your control?" asked the little

> > "There would be no difficulty in that,

so little prospect of any of them being cate, some of them bordering close upon "I propose to pay them!" said the widow, bristling up. "You see, I have

reason to know that I am down in a certain person's will for a good round sum When I come into it, I intend to pay my Though the eight thousand pounds poor husband's debts, and I propose to give my notes payable on demand -" "Which wouldn't be worth the paper

they were written on," the lawyer interrupted.

"Wby?"

"Void for want of consideration." The widow looked puzzled.

"But is there no way!" she asked. "Yes-bonds under seal; a seal, you see

imports consideration."

The explanation wasn't very enlightening to Mrs. Bezel, but she was glad to know there was a way; and, in a day or two, Mr. Marfetch held the widow's bonds for the whole of her deceased husband's debts, she exacting a promise of strict scoresy, lest her rich relative, if she pins." heard of the circumstance, might alter her

Now, of the proceeds of Zimri Bezel's property, pocketed by Wiley Griskett in the name of his fictitious clients, at least five thousand dollars, the surplus over just debts, of right belonged to the widow, who, if the truth ever came out, might call Mr. Griskett to account. It must have been to head off any such contingency, that the cuuning lawyer made an offer of marriage to Mrs. Bezel barely a year after her husband's death. What possessed her to accept him was one of

Tue bridal tour was over, and the honeymoon on the wane, when Mr. Marfetch called at Mr. Griekett's office one fair morning.

"May I speak to you in private?" asked utes.

With a curt nod Griskett led the way

to a private room.

Wiley Griskett turned pale as he trevel by rail.

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glanced over them. There was no disputing their validity, or that he was bound to pay them; for as the law then stood, a man marrying a woman became responsible for her debta.

"I'll never pay them!" he exclaimed. "Why not?"

"I insist that they are void. The fool - my wife, I mean -I am sure must have signed them without consideration."

"You forget the seal." Griskett ground his teeth.

"I have another argument to offer," Mr. Marfetch added. "The day before Bezel blew his brains out, he addressed me a if I made it public, you might be forced

When Mr. Martetch left, he had Wiley ter, mad with fury, hurried to his home,

But not many weeks after, when he taking pattern after his ancient prototype,

For the Ladies.

Satin in different shades is used in summer millinery.

Most of the new bonnets are close fitting, and in many the beaded cap worn, which is generally becoming.

New percales are coming in in confused designs, which makes them better for wear as they do not show soil easily. For visiting wraps, the French cape of

black cashmer, trimmed with beaded lace. with costumes. Long lace mitts are seen now in all the

For traveling suits, the grey de bedge is still used. This material can be mixed with cheap black silk, and made into an

elegant costume for the purpose of travel. Laminee grenadines, which are those with the metal threads running through them of gilt and silver, will be very popular at the senside. For evening they are

very showy. White goods with a soft finish and wrought in fanciful patterns, showing brocaded stripes and figures, will be much used for ladies' wrappers and children's dresses. These goods cost from 25 cents

upward. Deep round collars of linen and lace are very much worn, those of plain linen being more popular. Cuffs to match are worn on the outside of the dress, but are

worn on the inside. Gloves, which are of medium shade, self-stiched, and long to the wrist, are much more in favor than any other. The very delicate shades are really only for evening wear, and they are coming in very deliwhite.

And Old Puzzle Rewritten.

"If you please, sir, I'm a poor boy, but I'm awfully smart and I want to work." The storckeeper looked at his customer in astonishment. The boy was a little bit of a fellow, and his chin came just over the top of the counter.

"Well," said the storckeeper, "You seem to have a pretty good idea of your-

"Thats so," said the boy, "I lost my

last place 'cause I was smart." "All right, then, I'll show you where you make a great mistake when you say you're smart. Do you see that jug over there ?"

"No sir," said the boy, looking hard at a green box marked, "Six gross safety

" Not there; 'way back in the store." "Ob, yes," said the boy.

"Now that jug is full of vinegar; it holds eight quarts. I've an order for four quarts, but haven't any empty measure excepting one holding three and another holding five quarts. Now, if you're as smart as you say you are, perhaps you can measure the four quarts from the eight quarts by using the three and five t" "I can do it," said the boy, "just as

easy as fishing." " If you do, I'll give you two dollars a week and your clothes. No guessing. now, you must measure fexactly."

All right," said the boy, "have your tailor here in fifteeen minutes to measure me please."

The tailor might bave come leven earlier, as the boy had the four quarts of vinegar measured out in less than five min-

How did he do it?

"May I inquire your business?" he said _ " Econemy is the road to wealth."-"It is to demand payment of these But as it is 208,000 miles long, and up bonds of your wife," returned Marfetch. hil all the way, it doesn't hold out much encouragement to a man who isn't able to

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PUBLIC

AN ACT to authorize Hou. Edward Hammond, one of the Judges of the Show it to those who will lend an ear Circuit Court for Howard County, to sell or exchange a sufficient number of the duplicate copies of the Maryland Reports, belonging to the Circuit Court | Too poor to possess the precious ore, or Orphans' Court for Howard County, to complete the set of State Reports, belonging to the Circuit Court for the

county aforesaid. Whereas, The Circuit Court for How- | Coin was so scarce the treasury quaked, ard County has never been furnished with the reports of Harris and McHenry, and the seven volumes of Harris and John-

ston; therefore, Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Honorable Edward Hammond, one of the associate judges for the fifth judicial Circuit of Maryland, be, and he is hereby authorized to dispose of by sale or exchange a sufficient number of the Duplicate Reports of the decisions of the Court of Ap- But our boys thought little of price or pay, peals of Maryland, belonging to the Circuit and Orphaus' Courts of Howard County County, to make the set of Maryland Reports belonging to the said Cir-

Sec. 2. And be it Enacted, That this act shall take effect from the date of its

We hereby certify that the aforegoing is a correct copy of an act of Assembly passed January session, 1878.

Approved April 5th, 1878.

AUGUSTUS GASSAWAY, May 19-its.

MILTON Y. KIDD.

The First Locomotive. The first locomotive built in the Unied States was invented by the venerable Peter Cooper, of New York. His engine was built at the stage shops of Reeside, Stockton & Stokes, in Baltimre; the foreman, Richard Imlay, being the directing mechanic Mr. Reeside remembers the trial trip made by Mr. Cooper with his engine to the Relay House and back. The boiler was not much larger than that

of a modern kitchen range. It stood upright in the car, and the part above the furnace was filled with small vertical tubes. The cylinder was about three inches and a half in diameter, and the speed was gotten up by gearing. To create a sufficient draft to generate steam, a blowing apparatus was used. This was driven by a pulley passing over a drum, attached to one of the car wheels. Subsequently an open car was attached to more than a ton, and the directors and officers of the road were carried to Ellicott's Mills, Mr. Cooper acting as engineer and fireman. It is said that he made fifteen miles an hour. But the inventor was doomed to be greatly chagrined on this trip. Stockton & Stokes had two splendid gray horses hitched tandem to a car, waiting at the Relay House on one of the tracks for the return of Cooper's party from Ellicott's Mills. The race began, the start being even. The gray horses took the lead, and were soon nearly a quarter of a mile ahead; but by and by Mr. Cooper got steam up, and the iron horse began to gain, and with a wild hurrah Cooper's passengers as they swept by greeted those drawn by the gray team. Just then, the band which drove the blowing apparatus slipped off the drum, and although Mr. Cooper mangled his

now in the shops of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad at Mount Clare. Chicago, visited New York, and one, w acquainted with the city, invited h two and a bottle of wine were ordered. and even seriously considered the pro The place and fare were praised until the priety of taking his head also. bill of \$11 was presented. This they con-

hands in vainly trying to readjust it, the

steam went down, and Stockton's gray

horses beat Cooper's iron horse into the

city. The boiler of Cooper's engine is

the excited German commenced to swear Avarice and Envy, which had already at the supposed extortion. His friend then said: "Do not shwear, Yawcup. It is wicked | ment of discord more powerful for evil

sidered an extortion. They paid, how-

man Dalmonic." "How?"

"I have my pocket full mit sphoons."

AFTER FORTY YEARS .- Forty-two years ago a letter missed its destination and landed in the Dead-Letter Office. No call was made for it, and there it remained in ANNE ARUNDEL AND HOWARD the archives till the descendants of the writer, wishing to prove their right to his property, obtained from old journals the information that the deed had been mailed at such a time to such a person, but had never reached its destination. They then made application to the Department for the letter. The odds were so greatly against them that their surprise must have been boundless when the old yellow document was returned to them just as it had been mailed over forty

> -- A woman will face a frowning world to save the Government.

ing, after a prolonged and finally victori- The machine employed was similar to ous conquest, established a throne among | that now in general use. A circular disk | your creditors. his native mountains, concluded an alli- or "skaif," of steel, ten inches in diameance with the rightful heir, and, moreover, ter, is mounted on the centre of a horidemanded "the great diamond" as a seal | zontal shaft, which projects a few inches of its perpetuity. Thus figuring again, above the top of a wooden work-bench, as a forced piedge of fidelity, it remained the shaft receiving its motion from a true to the tradition that "he who would steam-engine, its speed being regulated run away. As attorney for Messis, Shampossess the Koh-i-noor must be invinci- by a carefully-adjusted brake. The surble." And, as though impressed with the face of the disk having been roughened truth of this tradition, and fearful for the by numerous indentations, or scratches, take out an attachment as against an fate of the empire he had founded, Ahmed is coated with a mixture of oil and dia. absconding debtor, cut ahead of every-Shab, before his death, enjoined upon his mond-dust, or "bort," Just without the body, gobble up the whole property, and sons to be vigilant in guarding the mys- edge of this disk stands a round column privately, remit you the proceeds, retainterious jewel, which he bequeathed to of hard wood, firmly fixed upon the ing, of course, a reasonable fee. them with his throne, and with the his bench, its surface being indented with a "It will give you breathing time," the letter exposing the trick by which you would the story of Shah Songah's life ting and polishing, a careful examination your honest debts." have been the wild romance that it was of the stone is made with a view to de. Many a man has been led to steal by to the difficult task of proving the existbut for the zeal with which he defended termine whether it will admit of being the same delusive hope of one day mak - ence of your worthy clients, Messrs. Shamthe legacy intrusted to him, for its pre- "split," in which case the labor of grind- ing restitution; but none the less was he boy & Co." sence seemed ever the signal for intrigue ing is greatly lessened. The portion to a thief; and none the less was Zimri and rebellion, while the devotion with be removed by splitting is marked off by Bezel a swindler in consenting to follow Griskett's check in his pocket. The latwhich it was guarded proved how firm a a deep scratch made with the point of a the advice of Wiley Griskett.

don his throne, and the royal exile end of the metal rod, either with cement, Shamboy & Co. sought the court and protection of or, as in the case of the Koh-1 noor, by Within a month came the news of Zimri the five rivers. "At the price of good disk, and held there either by hand or luck," was the reply; "since it hath ever weights until the first facet is cut, when little body, and honest to the core. She a legacy, and, therefore, bequeathed it to lington was selected to inaugurate it by great god Juggernaut; but the avarice of first passing with his hand the stone office of old lawyer Marfetch.

the Indian princes until the capture of complete the work, and this, with the my late husband." Lahore by the English secured for that aid of steam-power—the wheel revolving Koh-i-noor was of the form given it by so great as to have once set fire to the kett. the unfortunate Borgio, and, though of oil on its surface, and even melted the great size, possessed so little brilliancy solder in which the stone was embedded. Indy continued. that it was determined, after a prolonged As the work progressed it was discovered and connoisseurs, took part, to have the much harder than others, one face resist- without hesitation." stone recat. From the several shapes ing so stubbornly that, with a pressure of proposed, that of a brilliant was chosen. t having been determined by Vincenzio thousand revolutions per minute, six woman. Peruzzia, a Venetian, that by this method | hours of contact were required to reduce the most perfect refraction and reflection it. How patient and skilful must the I think," was the answer, "seeing there's of light were secured. The competing early lapidaries have been, whose only forms were the table and rose - the famous method was to cement two stones upon paid." Orloff, one hundred and ninety-four carate, and Grand Mogul, two hundred and eight carats, are of this latter pattern-a covered with triangular planes or facets. rest! Of this form, also, were the twelve crown given to many of the smaller stones, and so skilled have these workmen become that finished rose-diamonds have been gle carat, or over two hundred thousand

On the invention of the brilliant, this form replaced all others where the size and natural form of the stone favored its adoption. The brilliant is a modificaor faces, above the "girdle," which is the queror of India, secured the treasure after line of its greatest diameter, and twenty- reader to judge after hearing our story. four below, with a flat plane above called one below the "culet." The proportions and from the girdle to the culet twothirds of the total thickness; the diameter of the table four-ninths of that of the girde; the culet one-fifth of the table." front of his richly-embroidered turban. A diamond of this form when held before At the close of the interview, the wily a screen, with its face toward the light, of the debtor's circumstances, as an hon- none pretended to explain. Nadir made sure of his prize by forcing should cast a dark shadow except at the est lawyer would have done, Mr. Griskett an exchange of turbans, as a pledge of central point, which would be faintly il-

The lapidary chosen to superintend the recutting of the Koh-i-noor was M. Coster, of Amsterdam, then at the head of parture sealing the downfall of the Mogul one of the largest establishments in that city of diamond-cuttere, having in his ad cling to the man she loves through | On the death of Nadir Shah, the Koh- employ over five hundred workmen. Takthe most bitter adversity, but some crus- i-noor became-through treachery and re- ing with him three of his most skilful ty old bachelor says that she wouldn't bellion-the property of Ahmed Shab, his lapidaries, Coster crossed to London, royal treasury. This Afghan chief, hav- rect supervision of the state authorities. won't accept notes."

at an average of two thousand revolu-

separate rods, and, by rubbing them together by hand, to thus reduce the op-

In an evil hour he bethought himself of Wiley Griskett, and went to him for

get to work in his own peculiar way. "What's the value of your stock and

Bezel opened his eyes.

wear a hat three weeks behind the style former captain of horse, and lord of the where the work was begun under the di- he answered; "besides, the creditors producing the documents.