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RATHER STRANGER THAN MESMERISM.

respectable clergyman informs us, that being recently in the vicinity of Middletown, Monmouth country, in this State are more unhappy than myself. Thus 1 could see them butchering and torturing he embraced the opportunity to visit, in learn where true happiness is placed where the small remnant of my tribe who were company with two other clerical gentle- all our cares must end and how very little men, a young semale who is exciting at reason I have to repine or complain. the present time a great sensation in that region. She is, it would seem, another "Sherin von Prevost," concerning whom Koner a distinguished physician in Germany has written a book. The person alluded to is now 17 years old.

For four years past she has been affect ed with some mysterious nervous disor der, which has confined her to her bed for nearly that whole period. At first t assumed the form of St. Vitus Dance. which was followed some time afterward with a remarkable sensitiveness of the whole surface of the body, that made the slightest touch very painful until recently it has taken en its present marvelous character. -She eats on an average not more than half a cracker in twenty-four hours and her bowels operate only once in forty daysyet her face and entire body remain full and plump while the skin preserves the fairness and firshnes of health.

This may be considered as belonging to the preternatural and the physical: what follows has relation to the supernatural and

the spiritual. She falls into a sort of trance or catalepsy in which condition her soul passes into the other world. Heaven is opened to her as she is able to see and converse with its blessed inhabitants. They have she says constant intercourse with this world. Deceased persons become the guardian angels of those in whom they felt a special interest while living. She told one of the clergymen present at this interview who lived in that neighborhood and had lost a child a short while before that she saw the child's spirit looking over his shoulder while he was engaged in prayer October 16, 18,--, we arrived at Ottawa, at & certain time in his study.

intercourse with the unseen world are as old town and one of very little business. follows: Blood, without any wound, ap- Here we remained only to change horses, peered suddenly on the forehead, and and for a very scanty refreshment. At bed, and his brain was fevered, as he gazed tion-a singular and devoted attachment for each of the hands and feet; and subsequent- some three miles from this town we came ly on the posts and lintel of the door of to a Rock on the river's bank of about 250 main to this time. These things are by a very narrow path. It is generally slave to his ungovernable passion Re- she might provide for his safety. With vouched for by her mother who is a res called "Starved Rock," from the fact that solving to possess the object of his wild the characteristic quickness of her sex in

through great difficulties without repining | perished there, he replied: and met with much opposition in the dis- 'Alas! I am the only remnant of the once charge of his Episcopal function without powerful Illinois. Here upon this lonely even betraying the least impatience. An Rock I saw those brave warriors perish intimate friend of his who admired those one by one. As the forest leave fall before virtues which he thought it impossible to the rude autumn wind so fell our noble braves imitate one day asked the prelate if he before the wrath of an implacable enemy. could communicate the secret of his being | After the famine had destroyed the most always easy. "Yes replied the old man, I of our numbers, and finding longer resistcan teach you my secret and with great ance would be vain, I resolved to make facility it consists in nothing more than my escape if possible. After dark I tore up making a right use of my eyes.' His friend my blanket and making a rope I tied it to a urged him to explain himself. Most will. shrub and lowered myself to the water, uningly returned the bishop, in whatever state | perceived by my enemies. I discovered a lam I first of all look up to heaven, and canoe lying near me, and silently unfastenremember that my principal business here | ing it, I quietly floated down the river. As is to prepare for my journey there; I then I turned to take a last farewell of this unlook down upon the earth and cali to mind | happy place, I beheld, by a light that gleahow small a space I shall occupy in it | med from the Rock that the enemy had aswhen I come to be interred, I than look | cended it. Soon the wild, demoniac cry abroad upon the world and observe what of victory, mingled with the suffering cries multitudes there are who in all respects, of the victims rang through the air.

AN ANECDOTE. An able farmer about the time the temperance cause was beginning to exert a healthful influence in the country, said to his newly hired man, Jonathan, I did not mention to you when I hired you that I think of doing my work this year without rum. How much more must I give you to do without?"

"Oh," said Jonathan, "I don't care much about it; you may give me what you ", Hell," said the farmer, "I will give you a sheep in the fall, if you will do with-

"Agreed!" said Jonathan. The oldest son then said. "Father, wil you give me a sheep, if I. will do without

"Yes Marshall, you shall have a sheep if you will do without?

The youngest son, a stripling, then said 'Father will you give me a sheep, if I will do without toe?" "Yes, Chand'er, you shall have a sheep if

you do without rum" Presently Chandler speaks again: "Father

hadn't you better take a sheep too?" This was a poser. He hardly thought he could give it sup yet: but the appeal was from a source not to be disregar 'ed. The result was, the demon was henceforth banished from the premises to the great joy, and final happiness of all concerned.

> THE STARVED ROCK. or, the Last of the Illinois.

[From the Diary of a Travelier.]

on the Illinois river after something of a The preofs given that she actually had cold night's ride. This is a small, yet an

and others.—The gentleman referred to of the Red Men, the Illinois encamped on full well that his only chance would be says that she herself talks very rationally it, and were besieged by their hostile neigh to seize her in the absence of her father. and moreover very orthodoxly on religious bors, the Ottawas till they starved them and make a rapid flight. He laid his subjects and they came away favorably to death on the barren Rock. This place schemes immediately; to plan was to impressed so far as her sincority was con- is on the bank of the Illinos river, some 12 execute with Onejeda, as the eagle pounmiles from Peru. In the course of my inqui- ces upon his prey. With characteristic Permit me to suggest to our Legislature | ries respecting the history of this Rock / whather before they adjourn they ought gathered the following items as given subnot to revive the old statute against witch- stantially by the last remnant of the Illinois craft-for if the above is true; and all the as he returned to the hunting-grounds of the prairie. When Wild Phunder returned wonders of clairvoyance are obsolute veri- his early manhood to lay his weary and ties; then surely that sin is yet extant in laged limbs with the bones of his fathers. the world and deserves to be made penal. His silvered locks and wrinkled brow show-Newark Advertisor. | ed that death had been unconscious of his existence or he would long since have How to be always easy—or right use of claimed his right. When the old warrior the Eyes. An Italian Bishop struggled | was asked if he was one of the tribe that

unable to offer any resistance. Fearful of being discovered I plied my paddle and made my escape, and have since lived beyoud the Mississippi until I found death approaching when I resolved to return and lay myself with the rest of my tribe., The old warrior continued -- "If you would

know the cause of this unhappy quarrel listen and you shall bear. Our tribe the once powerful Illinois sent our young chief Onejeda, with a chosen band of warriors, to a great Council, held beyond the Mississippi for the purpose of perfecting a leaamics. But it failed of success and Onejeda started on his return. On his way he passed by the camp of the Ottawns, who were then upon a hunting excursion and had left their camp in the care of their squaws. They had selected one of the most beautiful sites upon Rock river. Upon one side extended the beautiful undulating prai rie, enamelled with flowers of the brightest hues; upon the other rolled the beautiful ! river, bearing on its tribute to the Father of Waters: and in the distance stretched a dark line forest, until it seemed to blend wa chief had a daughter, whose beauty was like sire. Often had the neighboring chief, tried to gain her hand but were as often repulsed by her ambitious father. As Onejeda rode along the brow of the bluff toward the camp he beheld the far-famed beauty, the lovely Tahmaroo, joyfully tripping along and merrily singing a wild native air, as she gathered the gay floweres, appearing pestable member of the Methodist Church, times of old, or times long passed one tribe admiration at all hazards, and knowing an emergency she immediately arranged

rashness, he seized the voning and simid Tahmaroo, and placing her hofere him upon his wild steed he fled like the wind acress and found his only daughter, the pride of his heart the gentle fawn he so dearly loved had been stolen and carried away by a hostile chief, like a tigress robbed of her whelps, he became francic with rage-his wrath knew no bounds. His clouded brow the piercing flashes of his dark and fiery eves, showed the wild & malignant passions that were harrowing up his soul as he breath. ed forth vengeauce torture and externination against the Ill nois. His stalwart warriers quailed, so dreadful were his curses. Me called his braves and followed immediately in pursuit; and like bloodhounds on the scent they came bounding over the prairie on our trail. We were encamped upon a height that overlooked Fox river, when wo were apprised by one of our runners of the bot pursuit of the Ottawas. We immediately commenced a rapid march down the river, in the hope of avoiding our enemies, and crossing the Mississippi; for their overpowering numbers rendered it impessible for us to resist them. But when we got one day's murch below the mouth of the Fox, we met a large force of the Pottawat. tamies, who were lengued with our enemics, and we were forced to make a rapid retreat. As we came up the valley we beheld the Ottawas stationed upon Buffalo Rock. Our only chance was to ford the Illinois and fly south; here again we found our retreat cut off; for the crafty chief had sent a part of his warriors across the Illinois, at the mouth of the Fox, who had marched down and were guarding that side of the river. Finding all retreat cut off, we resolved to gain one of the islands in the river. and fortify oursives in the best way we could. As we were descending the bluff we came in sight of this point. Its isolated position bold sides and towering height at once pointed it out as a safe and commodious retreat. Here we ascended; and so gue against the Ottawas and Pottawatt- | rejoiced were we at our escape that we feasted, danced sang in the most extravagant manner. But our fond hopes of safety were soon turned to despair. When we d beheld our watchful enemies march to the foot of the Rock deliberately encamp and prepare for a siege, the dreadful truth at once flashed upon our minds. The narrow pass from the Rock was guarded; all retreat was cut off; we were deprived of all means of procuring food and nothing but a lingering death now awaited us. Maddened by despair, Onejeda made a desperate sally, our noble warriors fought like panthers with the horizon. Wild Thunder the Otta- | they scatted death and destruction among the Ottawas; but when they were gaining as far-famed as the bravery of her war- some advantage, the detachment from the Pottawattamies came pouring down the bluff in such immense numbers, that Onejeda ordered his men to retire up the narrow defile of the Rock, himself coming last beating back the fierce assailants and safely covering their retreat. On the following morning when the gentle Tahmaroo beheld the bleeding wounds of Onejeda, his sad more like some favored beauty of the gods | and dejected countenance, as he sat alone, who had chosen the prairie for her paradise | brooding over his misfortunes, she began to than like the daughter of an Indian chief. betray emotions of sympathy; and when When he gazed upon her light and slender | she thought of his daring bravery, the form her long raven treeses, her dark roll- danger he had encountered, and his paining eye, and her graceful movement his soul ful sufferings, and felt the conviction that became fired with the wild excitement of all this was in consequence of his ardent love; his heart beat quick, his temples throb- love for her, she felt a new and strange emoin silent admiration on this forest beauty. Onejeda began to take ressession of her Bold daring and intrepid as he was his soul. She began to think of nothing but her bed chamber the marks of which re. feet high, and only accessible on one side, firmness deserted him, and he became a his wounds and his sufferings, and how

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