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Poetical.

OUR FLAG Hail to our flag, so gallant and true, For proudly she waves o'er city and plain, 'Tis the pride of our hearts, the Red White and Blue;

with a stain;

To stand by our Union; to stand by the Laws; When our homes are in ashes, and our right hands are red:

Then give us but justice, our honor to keep; Pure and unsullied while life remains, With no blood on our hearth-stone, no freemen to weep

Then aloft with our flag, 'mid the cannon's

loud roars

With our gallant young leader each State shall have right,

For in God and our Country still there is by the side of that dead face. might.

Choice Story.

THE CRAPE ON THE KNOCKER.

BY MRS. R. JACOBS.

startled glance of the passer by, as the her burning teaas; would have brought tain and impending evils. long crape swept gloomily against the back the love he had so long sent away People pause and vaguely conjecture closed door. A range of carriages stood from him, to witness this last parting, as they pass the old homestead of the St. outside the stone pavement in solemn ar- to daguerreotype the face whose smile Clairs. A great change has taken place; ray—a number worthy the demise of so was being parted from her forever. Sur- the handsome residence has been repair- lots of lady-birds, but one sighed most noted a personage as the wealthy Martin | rounded by that gaping crowd, she would | ed and modernized; a graceful wing rises | St. Clair. The gay world missed him. have defied them all, and lain down her in the rear, as though it had suddenly have it. What old English castle is He had been for some time past the axis life, for one hour of love to weep away sprung to life amid the brilliant blooms of fashionable life; the centre of that cir- that dead, still, pain. ele where polite society holds its sway, where diamonds and broadcloth polish deficiencies, and pedigree -- not of the intellectual order—serve as passport.— This notable turn-out of "carriage people" was, and still is in accordance with the times; no one for a moment admitting the preposterous idea that this equestrian show was not a deserving tribute child, a girl of twelve summers, arrived to the departure from this life of Mr. St. from school. The house was shut up,

Women, ill-dressed for so solemn an years afterward. occasion, now crowded through the open door, slowly traversed a spacious hall, and room of a fashionable hotel, at a frequent entered an elegantly furnished apartment | watering-place, was gathered an assemhung in snowy white. Then came the bly of people, young and old, among ordeal of silent, significant inquiry: al- whom was a lady attired in black. Sormost imperceptible nods were interchang- row, more effectively than time, had cast ed, while furtive glances of curiosity unmistakable shadows on her face. At

ticing who came in or went out. Glan- of a graceful girl, whose lovely face bore ces of curiosity and sympathy were alike so striking a resemblance that no one who lost upon her. She had no thought, no had ever seen him could doubt her relaeyes, for aught else save the dead face tionship to Mr St. Clair. As the dance before her, grandly handsome in its still, ended, the lady in black (Mrs. St. Clair) perfect rest. Gentle, now, to her eyes, made a slight gesture to Alice, who apthough her heart had long ceased to love proached her, leaning on the arm of her

member of society, had not been a good ant lips, and a rising blush, was her sihusband. On entering his home, he in- lent answer. Harry St. Clair-her partvaribly locked out the smile which lent ner-looked embarrassed, and said, hurhis face its peculiar out-door charm .- riedly, as the sound of a martial air was His house served as a repository of all suddenly heard:-"Come, Alice, I feel these ill-tempered reflections which inev- inspired; let us walk. I will return her itably follow lengthened periods of friv- safely in an hour, aunt-mother."

of the inebriate—a bar-room seldom wit- angrily, but sorrowfully, at these words. perienced wife, while neither one dream- up his and her candlestick to hie to the foibles with which society privileges a her cousin, her white arms lingered ca- dispersing the obstacles to their eventual castle, begged them in a soothing tone spect, which should always be kept in wish to be certain of what you get, never

geois, type or one inch and three quarters in long between them, first felt the ground which inspired Harry to join the promen- seldom entered it without a feeling of in- morning, as of clanking of chains. The and allowed to mature in the house.— about wife, you should marry one named a square. Fractions of a Square counted as give way, and the abyss growing wider aders—he had not a bit of the soldier in creasing pleasure. a square. The number of insertions must and deeper, as the time advanced. She him, he liked his comfort too well for Thus the nature which could not be to discover the perpetrator of the practiwill be charged for at the rate of fifty cents any moment, in the most startling mi- They read it in Harry's proud, happy proaching step of his wife and his hand- had been manifested by any of the If you wish to succeed in life as a pora square for the first insertion, and twenty- nuteness, give birth to an ideal of love- face, and in the unmistakable light of some face grows more softly fascinating tors to search out the truth. The earl garret. Here it will gradually assume ter, you should marry Caroline and treat rate of fifty cents per square. Proceedings could select from a brazer, articles suita to know this, and so, thinking their se- smile. No advertisement of any kind will be in- could disjoint a fowl. Indeed, his opin- Yet after the words were spoken and juicy. They is he who is always bound to Ad-a-line. her address were subjects to be weighed How was she to avert this evil? She had the blow which shattered her hopes serv- for a genuine ghost in low life, but this thus beyond the reach of loss or injury ere the title of the lady was pronounced long been aware that Harry's heart throb- ed as a medium to save her child, who one had to suit his doings to gristocratic by violent storms and high winds. knew: it is probable he never asked him- Her own life rose up in fearful distinct- Clair. the novelty of married life had ceased, Alice, as the wife of a St. Clair. How Though traitors have marked her folds and the people passed him in the street was she to tear aside the beautiful curtain much the same as any other married which veiled such utter darkness? To But sternly we swear by our country and man-he began to wear the yoke of ma- take advantage of her filial love, and trimony in the same manner that horses wring a promise from her lips, would be By our patriot sires whose spirits have do their halters: in a way that plainly to separate—not to save. To reason with by a fair damsel savors somewhat of the showed there was no getting out of it, her, would but place an impassable barpleasant or not pleasnt. So, in the course | rier to conviction; to defy angrily, might of time, he purchased a dwelling suita- add disobedience to sorrow. ble to his station, fernished it according- At day dawn she fell asleep, with large ly, put his wife into it, as he did his tears still resting on her cheeks. When ordinary attractions and genius to thus c hairs, and, taking great credit to him- she awoke, Alice was standing by her inveigle the old man and his £60,000 a self; turned his haddsome face into a sign-side. There was no vestige of the joy-year. Hear it is—read for yourselves. O'er our country in ruins, our children in post of magnanimity, and inspired the ous smile of the preceding night on her public with the idea that Mrs. St. Clair beautiful face. Mrs. St. Clair read the was a most fortunate woman. It was, look calmly but sadly lighting those once however, a fortunate woman. It was, smiling eyes, and burying her face, too better known for his friendship to the many long years—a fortune which full of pain for Alice's gaze, deep in the count, who was a celebrity of fashion,

greatest woe was, that she did not feel hard; but I can give him up." she would gladly have forgiven him then We will draw a curtain over this scene, by the aristocratic owner and his friends if she could; would have knelt by his this painful array of love against love; for the endless supply of grouse and game The shrouded knocker arrested the side and bathed his clasped hands with this terrible choosing between two cer-

> as she moved aside to let the pall-bear= the half-closed shutters. Handsome carers pass, that narrow inclosure seemed a riages drive up, and prancing steeds more fitting resting-place for her than proudly take their places, one after the talk to crack nuts over, and drink to his for him, so white and still was the look other, before the richly panelled door; health in good crusty old port. The that followed it.

The ensuing week, Alice, their only and no one heard of the St. Clairs for

Six years elapsed. In the drawing were bent in the face of Mrs. St. Clair. this moment anxiety marked its expres-She sat at the coffins side without no- sion, as her eyes followed the movements partner. She bent down to hear her Mr. St. Clair, though a gay, affable mother's low words; a smile on the pleas-

by his lips. What he recognized as the bed to the same impulses that had once still similes upon her, though fondly hours—the noise of clanking was heard becoming attributes of a wife no one made up the sum of Mr. St. Clair's life. wedded in heart, as in hand, to r-St. earl's door Without hesitation he was self that question. Enough, that after ness, while picturing the future fate of

And we'll conquer again as we conquered quenched the light from her eyes, and downy pillow, tenderly held out to her caused her to sit, now, cold and heartless one cold, quivering hand. Alice thought proud of concerning himself—was trapshe had strength then, but it was the ped in a sharp way, at one of these old-People stared at her, and whispered strength which, stronger than life, would fashioned castles in Lancashire, a place something about heartlessness and in- soon have wrapped around her the mangratitude. Others mistook the still, the of eternal rest. She bent her sweet sand years old—a dark, frowning mass stone look on her face for active grief, face close to the pillow, and said, in a of stone, which looks out with feudal and pitted her. But it was not so. Her tender but firm voice: "Mother, it is

which surround it. Daylight is fading, ble family ghost; indeed, to be without They screwed down the coffin lid, and lights, one after another, flash through

> We descend and enter with the crowd. Ah! too late the seremony is over the smiling, beautiful bride of the proud, haptive to prechasers. Of course nobody of order; the Malta and Cagliari line, of er. on "comparing notes," found that Harry St. Clair.

Mrs. St. Clair's face was pale. She was resigning her child to another, and more bitter than all to a St. Clair. But an expression of indomitable firmness misery of that smiling pair.

bode with Alice and her husband. People kept themselves in a pleasant state of especially the one I have alluded to above excitement at this unaccountable freak, but Mrs. St. Clair knew her business much better than the public did, and, in spite of all opposition, resigned her beautiful house to the married pair, and engaged board in quite an opposite direction of the city. Thus, through distance and the intentional scarcity of her visits, free from the accusation of motherly interference, she exerted a beneficial but

nessed his excesses; but the harmless Alice turned to go, but ere she joined ed her kind hands were daily employed bedroom, placed in distant parts of the gentleman, and which are disdainfully ressingly over the dark dress of Mrs. St. lasting happiness. Thus Harr's love of voice not to be frightened if they mind, viz: that most varieties are much marry a girl named Ann; for we have discarded from the usual category of er- Clair. "Aunt! mother!" she repeated, love of dress and show in women was hearp the ghost that night, for it was finer in flavor if picked from the tree and the authority of Lindley Murray and with a shudder of pain, as her eyes fol- gratified through the elegance and grace customary for it to pay a visit after it ripened in the house, than if allowed to others, that "an is an indefinite arti-Mrs. St. Clair was not a dressy, showy lowed their retreating figures. Harry of his own wife, silently stimulated and hae been talked of by the descendants of become fully matured on the tree. woman. If such had been the case, it St. Clair's manly figure rose in strong encouraged by Mrs. St. Clair. The the tival successoa to the lady with the There are a few exceptions to this rule, If you would like to have a wife who would have been better for her; but her contrast to the fairy lightness of Alice's wearying complains of home duties un- stab. The next morning there were but they are very few. And on the oth- is "one of a thousand," you should marnature true and pure as it was, could no form; the dark beauty of his face to the disciplined servants, etc, were effectually some rather long visages at the breakfast er hand, we know a great many varieties ry an Emily or an Emma, for any prinmore be changed into one of selfish van- fair transparency of hers, set off with a stilled by the same hand. And Harry table, and at last, upon comparing notes, which are only second or third rate when ter can tell you that "ems" are counted ity, than his could into stability and rich band of chesnut-brown hair and dark always meeting a smiling, affectionate it was discovered that there had been ripened on the tree, but possess the high- by thousands. goodness. She first saw the gulf form- eyes. It was not the 'martial air' companion at the threshold of his door, heard some peculiar noises, early in the est flavor, if gathered at the proper time If you wish to have a bustling. fly-

stood appalled but for a moment; then that; but having quickly perceived the boldly changed, by a timely and skilfr'l cal joke, but it was soon self-evident worm-eaten specimens, which fall soonest If you want to marry a Belle, it is not stand firmly through life by the side of ingenious mode of divulging the secret good cause as he would have been in a could not suspected of being guilty of a part from its branch, on gently raising altar. him her love had chosen. But Mr. St. of their engagement. He need not have bad one. After being once thoroughly midnight escapade. Clair was the last person in the world to made himself at all uneasy, however, for turned into the right matrimonial road, This lasted three nights—doors had knew what beauty meant. He could, at the room, were well aware of its purport. eye still lights with pleasure at the ap- been seen or heard when such resolution ly matured—and spread out on shelves Pegs were made for hanging. liness. He knew what dress meant: he Alice's beautiful eyes; but they were not beneath the influence of her beautiful laughed, for he had heard nothing, he its full color, and become deliciously melt- her very kindly, for as long as you con-

Miscellancous.

TRAPPING AN EARL.

The following co ious story of how romance, but it is nevertheless reported by the author to be a fact. Be that as it may, it is very evident the charming

"A certain friend of the well known Frenchman, Count D'Orsey-a sporting celebrity, but singularly enough he was than for anything he had reason to be which is overgrown with lichen a thougrander" upon the bleak moor around; a strange, wild place, yet most beloved of all descriptions which abound on the moors, and his old warrior nest is among the best visited in England. The earl in question was on a visit, and was a prize, there that is not haunted with a repectaone there would be a blot upon their escutcheon. The topic of the ghost was capital after-dinner-December-evenings though he stuck by her faithfully till his Mrs. St. Clair did not take up her a- death. The ladies of the society that evening were very impressionable, and as casting her eyes most particularly up on the £60,000-a-year nobleman.

They spoke in a hushed tone, and drew closer around the fire. There was no olty and dissipation. Not the dissipation. Not the dissipation. Not the dissipation. Not the dissipation. The host, as each took fall. Leon ardtown Beacon.

out of bed, bootjack in hand for a pistol,

claimed; but there was no result in this in the cellar, like apples. appeal to the unearthly visitant -perhaps ment, the moment after the doors were degress. all flung open and the lights of residents popped out and found the earl at the by any particular and newly discovered notorious than enviable. attractions in the night costume with the certain it is a proposel for her hand fol- one by way of illustration. lowed, and so did a wedding. And you Not long since he was invited to conmay say this is a very pretty romance; duct the services of a Union Church, lo- for your comp! ment to my old friend and and not a word true. There I dissent. cated in the Old Colony. The under- fellow-towns-man, Abraham Lincoln, and Curious as it is, it is a well known story standing was that he was to receive ten I do so the more cheerfully for the reason in London. The father of the earl was do"ars for his servicess. At the close that I cannot but regard all such honors a man great in literature, and I give the of the morning services, the Treasurer shown him as indirect compliments to

but this time there is no crape on the item of a family ghost ought to figure in to the London Observer, the Atlantic handed the reverend gentleman the usu-received your voluntary homage had I the advertisement of the sale of every Telegraph Cable is not the only deep sea al ten dollars, which he pocketed and not brought him out." ancient property, if it were not unprofes- telegraph communication which refuses then left town. A day or two aftersional, as it world else be a vast incen- to work. The Red Sea telegraph is out wards the brother aforesaid and Treasurbelieved in the ghost at this old castle, about 300 miles in length, has long been somebody was "ten dollars out." Ac- West is insisting upon entire, wicondiand it ruffled the owner's temper not a interupted. The line to Algiers has corpingly a note was despatched to the tional Abo' tion as the destiny to which little, and he brought forward all the been abandoned, the cable from Malta to honest parson, explaining matters, and the country will be conducted under facts that could be deduced in support; Corfa has also gone the way of its prede- requesting him to return one of the "saw Black Republican rule, the Spooner positive encounters with her ladyship cessors; that from Aden to Kurachee has horses" The only "return" they got branch of the amiable family in the East bleeding, and with a lamp in her hand— contributed nothing for some time past was a reply that he would sometime or is contending that from the outset, the calmed the agitated quiver of her lip; for the ghost was of a lady in white, who to the stock of weekly despatches. The other preach to them for nothing, than she had resolved upon her course, and had fallen by the hand of her jealous lord failure of all these is attributed to want which, nothing could be farther from his and was now either doing penance for of knoweledge of the qualities of the mat- thoughts, for he "knows a trick worth two In a pamphlet exposition of Lincoln's Her experience and wisdom was to be the sin, or taking revenge on the decen- erials employed, and the peculiar charac- of it." the unseen pilot of the barque in which dants of her husband by the next wife, ter of the electric fluid. There has been whom he married and did not stick, not only insufficient experience, but a great want of care in the manufacture of town Telegraph has been taking a tour submarine telegraphs, and a desire to through northern Pennsylvania, and in economize expenditure. Notwithstand- giving an account of his journey he from the States into the Territories, but ing these failt es, there are projects in says: Europe for laying down other deep sea Atlantic from Denmark to America.

LAND IN MARKET. - At the lowest calmusic that evening, as not one lady, per- culatton there are fifteen thousand acres haps, liked to go into the farther recess of St. Mary's land in market at this time. be the greatest apple season experienced unworthy of a moments consideration at of the room, in which was a skeleton over The "oldest inhabitant" has known noth- in twenty years. Many trees propped this time, if not at all times. If he is to the piano, of the armor of the old knight ing like it. Many citizens of means are by numerous poles, Cider-presses were -who might, with a little fancy, be sup- Southern States, and some are making hidden influence over the predilections of posed still grinning through the bars of arrangements to "pull up stakes" this jubilant at the prospect of full pens and tance to the nation at large, or any of its

KEEPING PEARS.

The pear is a peculiar fruit in one re-

men looked at each other and at the host, This proper season is easily known, first, Jenny; for every cotton factory knows

living in a different corridor of the cas- ing and luscious. Many sorts, which, ri- tinue to do that you will be good to Carwardrobe as easily as a skillful carver most impressive way of disclosing it. — face of Mrs. St. Clair. The firm resolve had a shot down the passage to warn tho er dry, when ripened in doors are most most incessant with r in the world ion of a woman rose and fell according Mrs. St. Clair heard Alice say she was is changed into a look of peace. Glan- how biterly he was made to repent his will also last for a considerably longer peto her dress, or the choice colors she dis engaged to Harry, her heart beat faster, cing back upon the drecry vista of her rashness! The next night, as the clock riod, if ripened in this way—maturing will be surpassed to love when your wife played in her attire. Her costume and and no sleep came to her eyes that night. own life, she smiles and thanks God that stuck two-which is two hours too late gradually as wanted for use—and being is a Dora.

Winter desert peers should be allowed to hang on the trees as long as possible, until the nights become frosty They late Know Nothing member of Conand, on opening the door suddenly, he should then be wrapped separately in padid see the spectre a woman in white, per, packed in kegs, barrels, or small of the Black Republican Congress, with a small taper, slowly descending his hoxes, and placed in a cool, dry room, made a speech here last Saturday evencorridor, and just about to turn into a- free from frost. Some varieties, as the ing. Its strange features were that Mr. D'Aremberg, will ripen finely with no H. said he was no party man now, that "I'll fire if you don't stop," he ex- other care than placing them in barrels he was like the sold er at the battle of

it glided a trifle quicker round the corner. sert pears should be brought into a warm did not "te Breckinridge. The earl was not to be done, and after apartment for a couple of weeks before it he sped—turned the corner, and came their usual season of maturity. They man but he thought he had very little up quickly with the ghost; but it vanish- shor'd be kept covered, to prevent shriv- chance for an election. ed into the room of the fair lady just al- elling. Many sorts that are compara- That he was opposed to fusion with luded to. As he was upon the point of tively tough, if ripened in a cold apart- Douglas and the double headed Democclutching at her costome, the light went ment, become very melting, buttery and raby, and if Bell made such a fusion he out and he was in darknessi but, as juicy, when allowed to mature in a room would not support him. though by some preconcerted arrange- kept at the temperature of sixty or eighty

A SLIPPERY PARSON. Rev. Dr. Spongem is a rare specimen door of the fair dame, who now appeared of humanity. As a preacher, he is very and in apparent consternation at the dis- effective, where people are not acquain- - A correspondent of the Rochester Unidiscovery and the publicity. The earl ted with his antecdents, but where he is on writes, that when Judge Douglas pashurried off as fast as possible to his own known, his reputation is not altogether sed through Clyde, he was called out by dormitory. The next morning he was unimpeachable. In fact, the large num- the Democracy, and made a few approabout to treat the matter as a capital joke ber of demands against him, held by nu- briate remarks. As he was retiring but there were no titterings—it was look- merous traders, which he evinces no dis- from the stand, the Black Republicans ed upon as no joke, as there was a little position to meet, and the great varity of on the outskirts of the crowd, in accorcharacter sacrificing on the case. Wheth- double and twisted yarns he is in the dance with a pravious arrangement, caler the earl thought the nitty fair deser- habit of telling, in order to dodge his re- led for three cheers for Lincoln, which ven her prize—or he had been smitten sponsibilities, give him a reputation more were accordingly given; on hearing which

clue to him as the author of certain let- not being present, a brother handed Mr. myself, as I am quite sure he would ne-S. his fee; in the afternoon the Treasurer | ver have been your candidate for the None of Them Working.—According was at church and he, as an duty bound, Presidency, or in any other position to

Apples. - The editor of the German-

"During the trip we saw on every side telegraph lines, including one across the the apple trees laden with fruit. There was not an orchard, however neglected but that contained more or less fruit .-People everwhere told us that this would self can have no interest, and which is being rejuvenated, and the farmer was tance to him, and of little or no imporbarrels, and plenty of "schnitz."

HINTS ON MARRIAGE. If you are a very precise man, and

and charged accordingly. A very liberal de- went unceasingly to work to repair the shadow on Mrs. St. Clair's face, he de- management was turned into the right change necessary that you should be a sexton, evil, to fill up the gap, that she might sired to plan with Alice a new and more course. Harry was as enthusiastic in a had that sin to answer for, and the ladies of color, and the readiness of the stalk to just because you have to ring her at the

If you marry one named Margaret, you The fruit should then be gathered—or may be sure that she will come to the appreciate true wifely devotion. He Mrs. St. Clair, and every one else in he travelled it bravely through life. His been opened, but nothing further had so much of the crop as appears sufficient- gallows, for all the world knows that

You may adore your wife, but you

Many men of high moral principles, and who would not gamble for the world, still have not refused to take a Bet.

The Hon. Henry W. Hoffman, gress, and at present Seargeant-at-arms New Orleans fighting on his own hook. But most kinds of the finer winter de- That he did not like Douglas and he

That Bell was a very good old gentle-

That Lincoln was an honest and safe man, and that no danger was to be apprehended from his election. - Cumber-

Judge Douglas immediately returned to In order to get money or goods into the stand, and, taking off his hat and lamp as she glided along the passage, or his hands he will resort to the meanset gracefully bowing to that part of the -if he was timid about he consequences and most contemptible stricks. We give crowd which the Rebublican shouts came

"Gentleman-I return to thank you

THE LOCAL RESULT OF BLACK REPUB-LICANISM. - Whitst Mr. Seward in the pretente of confinding the slavery issue to the Territories must be abandoned. doctrine that "this Union cannot endure half slave, half free," the Massachusetts logicians declare that the real question

"Not whether slaves shall be carried whether anywhere within the limits of the Union, one man shall be the property, shall be so held in one place rather than in another? in a State rather than be a slave at all, the locality in which