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#### Two Merchants.

When trade grew slack, and notes fell due, The merchant's face grew long and blue; His dreams were troubled through the night With sheriffs, bailiffs, all in sight. At last his wife unto him said-Rise up at once, get out of bed,

And get your paper, ink and pen, "And say these words unto all men :-

"My goods I wish to sell to you, " And to your wife and daughters, too;

" My prices they shall be so low, "That each shall buy before they go." He did as his good wife advised, And in the paper advertised; Crowds came and bought of all he had, His notes were paid, his dreams were glad, And he will tell you, to this day, How well did printer's ink repay. He told us, with a knowing wink, How he was saved with printer's ink

Another-in a place as tight-Contented was the press to slight; He did not let the people know, Of what he had or where to go. His drafts were due and were not paid; A levy on his goods was made ; The store was closed until the sale, And for some time he was in jail. A bankrupt now, without a cent, At leisure he can deep repent-That he was foolish and unwise, And did not freely advertise.

#### IN BUSINESS HOURS.

"It's a poor head that cannot bear glass of wine," said the young man.

"Few heads can bear it in business hours," was the reply. "So, take a friend's advice, Howard, and let the wine alone."

The last speaker was past the meridian of life. He had a care worn face, and deep, thoughtful eyes. If you studied his countenance when in repose, you read in many of its lines a record of disappointment and heartache. The other was a handsome young man, with clear, confident eyes, and a self poised air. You saw that he had faith in himself-was hopeful and strong, and meant to win in the race

"Why do you say in business hours, Mr. Clarkson?" inquired the young man, as he held the wine near his lips.

struck by his manner, and felt that he spoke from some painful experience. He stood irresolute for a moment and then set down the untasted glass of wine.

"Right, my young friend!" There was a tone of satisfaction in Mr. Clarkson's

"But," said Howard, as he moved back from a table covered with the daintiest refreshments and the choicest wines-a table surrounded by beauty and fashion -"I see many of our successful business men here, and they are taking wine freely. At a bridal reception no one can re-

"The occasion does not lessen the danger," Mr. Clarkson answered. "Some men who go from here this morning will ter. be poorer by nightfall than when they and fifty thousand dollars, divided into

"In the chances of trade and speculation loss and gain come to some men every as needed. As shown by full estimates day. It is the natural course of things,"

"But I mean poorer for the wine drank here," replied Mr. Clarkson, men in this room who have large business interests of their own and others to man age; interests that require the coolest judgement and the most careful thought. They will hurry away from here in a little while, and go back to their offices, their stores, and their counting rooms, to take up the work intermitted for a brief hour. Do you think they will be as clear headed as before? As well fitted to grapple with the issues that demand their taken be a help or a hindrance?

"I could tell you a story," Mr. Clarkson added, after a pause, "so full of lars, in order to make a cash payment on warning, that its lesson would hardly fail the land, and to get funds for beginning to impress you deeply. But this is neither the time nor the place.'

"Will you make the time and place?" asked Howard, whose interest and curiosity were both awakened.

"When and where?"

will be pleased to see you. I live at No. 403 — street.

"Thank you. I shall certainly call," The two men seperated, young Howard manifested any special concern for him. What had been said about the danger of more he pondered it the more its significance grew upon him. In the evening he judiciously. I could not take two thou called upon Mr. Clarkson as he had prom-

"Glad to see you, my young friend," was the kind greeting he received. "I had put down my name for a thousand knew your father years ago; and there shares of stock, at a par value of fifty are many things in my memory of him that I recall with pleasure. He was a pay assessments to the full amount! true man, Mr. Howard; and the world is telt the cold sweat on my forehead. better for his having lived in it. It was said to myself, 'What came over me? my thoughs of him that led me to speak must have lost my senses!' Then from your father through me,"

used wine. I have often seen him take a tion-startled and ashamed. pany. He set it before his guests, and partook of it on social occasions. At into an honorable contract, and could not my sister's wedding reception, which occurred during his life time, wine was to meet its requirements. Your father served as at the reception this morning."

your sister's wedding reception."

blunder was next to ruin. 'My father hurt by wine? It seems im- he had drawn a number of capitalists and possible. Are you very sure about this men of business into a mining enterprise, thing, Mr. Clarkson?"

"I cannot be mistaken. The records cess. of disaster are cut very deep.

"Will you tell me the whole story?" "It is still very fresh in my memory It seems an event of yesterday. I had an engagement to meet your father after the with a country surveyor, prospected for a mine. According to his representation, he had sixty thousand dollars locked up they had discovered one of the richest in certificates, that commanded no divideposits of ore in the whole Lake Superior region, and held the secret of its location, He had come east to organize a company, and had yet only talked to a few capitalists, who had arranged to meet him at one series of disappointments, from the time o'clock on the day I have referred to, in ground was broken until the work was order to get a full developement of his

"Neither your father nor I felt much interest in the matter. We had little for a dollar expended in procuring it. faith in mining speculations, having seen Our superintendent, whose calls for money more money lost in themathan gained, by were incessant, always wrote in the most a thousand per cent. But we had been glowing terms. Every indication was so strongly pressed to attend this meeting good. We were surely approaching one that we were constrained to be present. "From the wedding reception, flushed with wine-we had each taken three or four glasses, and our heads were not very strong-we went to this meeting to hear about the marvelously rich deposit of almost virgin copper discovered somewhere on the range of the great Minnesota conglomerate belt. Maps and plans were spread before us; specimens of copper ore exhibited; cost of land, and the particulars of working mines, and the money needed for developement, set forth in elo-

"I soon saw that your father, in whose face there was an unwonted glow, and in whose eyes shone an unusual brightness, was becoming much interested, was foremost in making inquiries and getting at against the company. So, all was gone. facts and figures. His ordinary coolness "Because success in business needs a and reserve were gone. He had permit- where our ways parted, he said, with After carefully observing the evolutions clear head; and no head is as clear after ted himself to come under the magnetism much bitterness: 'To think of me being a glass of wine is taken as it was before." of the plausible individual who wished to such a fool! I cannot account for it, Mr. Clarkson said this so gravely and draw us into his scheme of fortune mak- except on the grounds of temporary ining, and was completely carried away by sanity. In less than an hour after I put of tactics makes mere machines of them, his representations.

"I, too, saw golden visions, and when your father said, 'Gentlemen, I mean to committed the greatest blunder of my go into this thing,' I was the first to life; and nothing but a morbid sense of respond 'So do I.' Our example was in- mercantile honor kept me from repudiatfectious. We had the reputation of being prudent, far seeing men; and the fact that we saw money in an undeveloped these cruel losses and disappointments.' copper mine had a strong influence upon those present, none of whom had the remotest suspicion that our judgment was obscured and our vision distorted by wine.

"There were ten individuals present at that meeting. Under your father's lead and mine, the preliminary organization of a joint stock company was made, and committee appointed to procure a char-The capital was to be two hundred

five thousand shares at fifty dollars each; the money to be paid in by installments and the results accomplished in leading mines, not over fifty thousand dollars would have to be expended before paying "I see returns were obtained. The stock would then rise to par, commanding fifty dollars a share for ten paid in.

"Your father headed the subscription putting his name down for two thousand shares. His faith and example were potent with me, and I followed with a thousand more. In a few minutes the whole subscription was full; and we had a compact organization of ten men, two of whom, your father and I, held the conhighest ability? Will the wine they have shares being three fifths of the whole number. It was voted to pay in at once two dollars a share, or ten thousand dolimmediately the work of opening the mine. The charter would come and the company organization proceed in due

"I went away from that meeting feeling strangely. On going to my store, I re member sitting down at my desk, and "I shall be at home this evening, and resting my head between my hands, trying to think just where I stood and what I had been doing. I remember saving to myself, as the excitement under which had been laboring cooled down and my wondering why Mr. Clarkson should have brain got clearer, 'Have I been dreaming or acting the fool?' I was doing a moderately profitable business, that required confusing the mind by drink in business careful working. My capital while sufflhours lingered in his thoughts, and the cient to ensure success, was not large, and needed to be well cared for and handled sand dollars away from it without de ranging my calculations, and limiting, in some degree, my operations. And yet, dollars each, and might be called upon to

as I did to you this morning. I might flashed into my thought that the wine almost say that it was a voice of warning drank at your sister's reception had been the evil influence which led me astrav-"I cannot but feel a little surprised at the blinding power that obscured my this," Howard said frankly. "My father judgement. I was startled at the revela-

"But there was now no going back upon what I had done. I had entered without loss of business standing, refuse came to see me late in the afternoon to A shadow dropped over Mr. Clarkson's talk over the new mining enterprise. I face. After a little silence he replied, saw that his fine enthusiasm was gone; "I know all this. And your father never and did not fail to observe that in referused wine to excess-did not care much ling to the copper product his mind rested for it-was only in accord with a social more upon the work that had to be done custom. And yet temperate as he was than on the splendid results to be obtainyou are poorer to day by many thousands ed. He was not sure that the sanguine of dollars than you would have been if he individual who had led us into this

Clarkson!" the young man exclaimed, his calm, strong, practical mind was going having been convicted by court-martial cent. per annum, in gold. over the whole ground in sober earnest; of murdering the hostages, were shot at "It is true, my young friend," was and it was plain that the rosy hues which had so pleased our eyes a few hours becovery by the wine I daybreak on the plain of Satory. Eight had so pleased our eyes a few hours becovery by the wine I daybreak on the plain of Satory. Eight had so pleased our eyes a few hours being friend, where whist is recovery by the wine I daybreak on the plain of Satory. Eight had so pleased our eyes a few hours being friend, where whist is said to have originated with Atossa, the land to die. Tell daybreak on the plain of Satory. Eight hundred and eighty of their more fortunate till being friend, where whist is said to have originated with Atossa, the land to die. Tell daybreak on the plain of Satory. Eight hundred and eighty of their more fortunate till being friend, where who were deficient in personal attrations. The custom was applied to portion out those who were deficient in personal attrations. The custom was alone! all alone! (Signed) Charles have the hundred and eighty of their more fortunate till being friend, where whist is personal attrations. The custom was alone and it was plain that the rosy hues which had so pleased our eyes a few hours being friend, where whist is said to have originated with Atossa, the land the first of the bride on that occasion. It was in | "But he was not one to look back Caledonia.

business hours and robbed my mind of the after once putting his hands to any work. clear sight needed at a time when to He was sensitive and proud, and more willing to face an enemy and dare a loss, "I am more surprised than I can ex- than to acknowledge a mistake. Under press," was the young man's remark. the influence of his unwonted enthusiasm,

and he felt pledged to the work of its suc-

"At an early day our charter was at hand, when an election of officers was held, and your tather made president of the company. The care and work, the anxieties and disappointments he endured reception. The Lake Superior copper for the next year or two, in his efforts to mining tever was then at its height. Your manage the affairs of the company broke father was a cool, clear headed man, and his spirits and impaired his health. Money generally kept aloof from schemes of was poured into the mine like water into money making not connected with legiti- sand; assessment after assessment was mate trade. It so happened that one of made, until each shareholder had paid in your restless, over sanguine men, who are thirty dollars a share. It was impossible always on the look out for some scheme for me to take thirty thousand dollars by which money can be made more rapid- out of my business without destroying it; ly than in competitive mercantile or man- so I was forced to sell half my stock at ufacturing operations, had made a visit to loss of fifty cents on the dollar. I carried the Ontanagon region, and, in company the balance at a crippling cost. But your father paid at each assessment, until

> "I will not detail the experience we had in copper mining. It was a continued abandoned. Ore was found, but never in paying quantities. What was sent to market paid us about a mill a pound of the great lodes which other operators had struck in that region, and the moment we reached it, our stock would go up to. and far beyond par. But the lode was never found. At the end of a year and a

dends, and had ceased to be quoted at any

price in the stock market.

half the mine was abandoned. "I shall never forget the meeting of directors at which we voted to stop work. Your father, who presided at the meeting sat in the chair more like a statue than a iving man. At its close I walked away with him. He was not inclined to talk, saw that he was deeply mortified and evidently much troubled. He had put sixty thousand dollars into this bubble and it had burst. The land, for which we paid twenty thousand, would not sell for enough to meet the claims that still stood As we paused at the corner of the street ing the whole thing. If I had done so I

"I have long since divined the cause of both your folly and mine,' I replied. "'You have!' He spoke with a nervous throb in his voice. The color deepened in his face. He looked at me with something like startled suspicion in his

"" Wine is a mocker,' I said.

" Wine! What has wine to do with a copper stock company?' he asked. 'It had more to do with this one. imagine, than you may have suspected. "He looked at me steadily for a moment or two. I saw his countenance change. As his eyes fell slowly to the ground, a deep sigh parted his lips.

"Good morning! he said, an instant afterward and strode away. He had un-

"Trouble never comes alone. With sixty thousand dollars taken from your father's business, and nearly twenty thouand out of mine, we were both in peril. To reach port, we must have a smooth sea and favoring winds. But we had neither. There came a sudden panic in financial circles; banks reduced their lines of discounts; and rates of interest went up to ruinous figures. Trade sympathized and fell off. Weak houses began to totter and go down, and stronger ones to show signs of trouble. I struggled and sacrificed and held on with desperate energy; but

vainly. My boats went under. "I knew that your father was badl crippled; and when I thought of him, it was with a concern made acute by my own sense of danger. One day, in passing forth and stand for a moment, looking bewildered and agitated. I crossed over to him and said: 'Good morning, Mr. Howard. Nothing wrong, I hope. "'Ruin! That is all!' he answered

with forced calmness. "On, no! I returned. 'Not so bad as

"He drew his arm in mine, and we walked away. After a little while he spoke, his voice less steady than before. " 'Yes, my friend, ruin-and the cause you know too well. To save myself, I forced a sale of our property on Walnut street, and it has just been struck down at a little over half what I would have taken for it a month ago! And that means ruin! The sum to be received will not meet my wants, and I shall be forced to suspend after all, with assets and resources diminished by the amount lost in this disastrous sale!

" 'And all this,' I could not help saying, with bitter emphasis, 'comes as a result of a glass or two of wine taken in business "He caught my arm with a sudden

grip. There was a wild, desperate, half angry look in his face. It went off slowly and his fingers as slowly relaxed their at the top of his voice : hold upon my arm. "We parted without another word, and

the subject was never referred to again. Your father went through his painful ordeal and came out with a small remnant of in having got " blood for blood." He property, after paying his debts. I lost had just refused 50,000 piasters (\$4,250) everything, and have been a poor man ever since. He was moderately successful in new business enterprises. At his death he left an estate worth at least a hundred himself had offered a large sum, but thousand dollars less than it would have without success. been if he had not tasted wine in business hours."-T. S. Arthur.

The Austrians as Soldiers. Many of the exquisite forms given to On what rests the much boasted reputation of Austria as a military power, says Julius Henri Brown, in a letter, have never been able to discover. To be sure, she has always vapored grandiloquency, and pretended to beard the gods in King Cambyses's vein; but she has seldom been pitched in modern times against any thing like an equal force without being soundly beaten. Almost every nation in Europe has defeated her again and again; and yet she swaggers and prates of the haughty and mighty house of Hapsburg (it should now be called the house of Mishapsburg) as if victory had ever perched upon her banners. Whatever part of Austria I have visited, I found soldiers drilling, drilling, drilling, and undergoing all sorts of gymnastic and warlike evolution. They seem to spend their lives in that way; and I have no doubt that they make excellent troops theoretically, though I fail to perceive the benefit of so much discipline and manœuvring, if they must be routed every time they take the field. I am not a particular admirer of military prowess, nor am I a believer in military glory—the triumphs of peace to my mind are the greatest triumphs-but if I were an Austrian soldier I should like to win a victory once in a while for novelty's sake. With all my patience and indifference, I should grow weary of engaging in battles constantly resulting in a retrograde movement. The Austrians must by this time have grown accustomed to defeat; must naturally expect the order to charge to be followed by the order to retreat Why they are so unfortunate in war is by no means clear. They are brave, hardy, resolute; have all the physical and mental qualities that insure success. and yet they rarely achieve it. Such has been my curiosity on this subject that I have entered, with or without permission, every barrack and barrackyard in the vicinity of my wanderings to see in what the great defect consisted. and exercises, it has occurred to me that the soldiers are overdrilled-that excess instead of self-dependent, reasoning men of that accursed stock, I knew that I had capable of extricating themselves from an unforseen difficulty or unanticipated peril. In other words, if the Austrians were poorer soldiers, they would be betwould have saved myself and others from ter soldiers. They learn too much, and think too little; have unceasing drill of the body, and hardly any discipline of

## Execution of an Arab.

victory.

should some time be disappointed by a

A correspondent writing from Algiera gives this description of an execution.

ceived a valuable lesson during their

Prussia, and for their sake I hope they

have: for I am really anxious in the next

While waiting in the inner court and outside the door of the justice chamber, a tall, gaunt Arab was dragged in to receive final sentence from the Bey. Having been already condemned for murder, the dragoman of the Consul-General, who accompanied me, told me that, if not pardoned, the execution would take place immediately, and hastened me out of the palace to take up places in the open space in front. W had scarcely done so when the crowd issued forth from the gates, headed by Bady Schafhar, the hereditary executioner, in friendly conversation with those nearest him. This interesting old gentleman wore no disguise of any sort, a large auction house, I saw him step as his office is not held disgraceful here. Immediately after him came the condemned man, struggling in the hands of a few Arabs, while a handful of officials vainly strove to keep back the crowd. which we were standing, cleared a little ed off the victim's burban and clothes, tied his hands behind his back, and blindfolded him with a piece of rag. Bady Schafhar drew his old woodenraised his arm, and seemingly without any exertion, and with one stroke the head rolled clean from the body, and a fountain of boiling blood gushed forth. Death must have been instantaneous, for the body tumbled on the ground without a quiver. As the prisoner was dragged forth from the justice chamber, he was followed by an Arab crying out,

"Live the Bey! live the Bey!" On inquiry, I found he was the him go; and I was told that the Bey

scheme was the cool, reliable, balanced man we needed for the management of schamps, and Deniville, who failed to presentation at the proper offices upon were exposed to general view, and dishad not taken a few glasses of wine at scheme was the cool, reliable, balanced The three communists, Lolive, De- due November 1, 1872, will be paid on assembled in a public place, where they "You cannot mean what you say, Mr. our affairs in the mining region. His obtain a commutation of sentence, a rebate of interest at the rate of 6 per posed to the best bidders by the public such a place as this. May God have from him, and not noticing that the car-

China and Glass . brics.

those beautiful specimens of earthern ware which form the service of our breakfast and our dinner tables, are not capable of being executed in the lathe of the potter. The embossed ornaments on the edges of the plates, their polygonal shape, the gilded surface of many their parts, when made by pressing the formed, into a hard mould. The care and skill-bestowed on the preparation of the mould are amply repaid by the multitude it produces. In many of the only of the article is moulded-the upper surface of a plate, for example, whilst the upper side is figured by the lathe. few ornaments, are moulded, and the body of the work is turned. Another instance which may be cited in illustration of this peculiar kind of mechanical operation, is that of glass seals. As upon gems is one requiring considerable time and skill in order to insure a perfect result. The seals thus produced can therefore never become common. Imitation s however, are made, of various degrees of resemblance, and these have extensively taken the place of the genuine article. The color which is given to glass, is perhaps the most successful part of the imitation. A small cylindrical rod of colored glass is heated in the flame of a blow pipe, until the extremity becomes soft. The operator then pinches it skillfully between the ends of a pair of nippers, which are formed of brass, and on one side of which has been carved in relief the device intended for the ornamenting of the seal. When the requisite care has been taken to heat the glass in a proper manner, and when the mould has been well finished, the seals thus produced are not bad imitations, some of them being extremely beautiful in their appearance. They are produced in very large quantities and at a small

distant, that the courageous Austrians | the rocks and hills of a beautiful land tions. with his impudent announcements, he wheedles the tradesman into letting his country is now above 900,000 barrels in name be associated with this vilest of stock. On account of this immense surmanner; or to rig up a vehicle, contain- to keep the price of crude oil down to ing notices, to be driven about the what the producers regard as a ruinous streets, or has frames for your card in rate. It is expected by stopping pro divers public places; or, in short, wishes duction for thirty days the stock on hand to defraud, by some specious game, the will be reduced to four or five hundred the hill, is still known as the Teufelsadvertiser out of his hard earned money. thousand barrels, and some favor a sus-He has a thousand or more methods of pension of production for sixty days, perpetrating his frauds, from proposals to disfigure street lamps and board fences to painting your announcement on the front of the country pulpit. But the over 1,000 barrels per day on resuming, basis of all his propositions is arrant and the price of crude oil, it is calculacheating. Advertising is one of the ted, would go up to \$5 per barrel or most blessed boons vouchsafed to the commercial world; but the columns of a newspaper are the only medium through

LABLACHE'S THUNDER-STORM. - Apropos of Lablache, it was after dinner at Gore House that I witnessed his extraordinary representation of a thunder-storm simply by facial expression. The gloom that gradually overspread his countenance The party came up to the very spot on appeared to deepen into actual darkness, and the terrific frown indicated the angry ring about twelve feet in diameter, pull- louring of the tempest. The lightening commenced by winks of the eyes and twitchings of the muscles of the face. succeeded by rapid sidelong movements They then forced him on his knees, and to you the forked flashes that seemed to rend the sky, the notion of thunder being conveyed by the shaking of the handled scimiter; there was a pause head. By degrees the lightning became for a few seconds; then the executioner less vivid, the frown relaxed, the gloom malt salt daily. They make 1,750 barrels departed, and a broad smile illuminating his expensive face, assured you that the sun had broken through the clouds and the storm was over. He told me the idea witnessed a distant thunder-storm above the Arc de Triomphe- Recollections of MARRIAGE IN ASSYRIA. - Among the

Assyrians, all marriageable young girls were assembled in one place, and the public crier put them up to sell one after the other. The money which was rebrother of the murdered man triumphant ceived for those who were handsome, and consequently sold well, was bestowed as a wedding portion on those who were plain. When the most beautiful had from the friends of the prisoner, to let been disposed of, the more ordinary looking were offered for a certain sum, and allotted to those who were willing to take them. Hence, all the women were kindly provided with husbands. The Babylonians, like the Assyrians, The United States Treasury Departheld a kind of market of their daughters he had a wife and two children he connent gives notice that all interst coupons at certain times every year. They were cludes the letter as follows: It is so ment gives notice that all interst coupons at certain times every year. They were played by men, and cribbage by women. daughter of Belochus.

A Swindle Exposed.

A special telegram from New York contains the following, which may possi-

bly interest some of our readers: "Parties who have suffered by the frauds of Frederick H. Greer, who purports to publish a book entitled 'Universal Biography,' are prepared to prosecute him. It is reported that he has of the vases, would all be difficult and fled from the city. Greer was formerly costly of execution by the hand; but a telegraph operator in Cincinnati and they become easy and uniform in all other Western cities, and has been engaged in his biograph swindle above soft material out of which they are three years. Persons familiar with his transactions say of the 'Universal Biography' business, that there never was such a book; that Greer had a large number of specimen copies so bound works of the China manufactory one part that he can remove and insert leaves, with the aid of a sponge and a pot of mucilage, he writes a biography, has it set in type, and pastes it in the copies In some instances, the handle, or only a furnished to his subscribers. If John F. Smith orders his biography and fifteen copies of the book, he is set up and rate of 1,000 each day. pasted in that manner, occupying pages, say from 200 to 220. John Jones orders the same number of copies, and find his is well known, the process of engraving virtues recorded on pages 200 to 220, inclusive. It is further said that by the ingenious wording of the contract signed by each seeker after fame, he is bound to take and pay for an entire edition of five thousand. Greer's ledger is in the posession of Justice Hogan. All the find purchasers sufficient to exhaust half pages except two were sealed but he the apples at any price. ordered the seals to be broken, whereupon it appeared that a great many persons of more or less prominence were down for sums running from fifteen dollars to one thousand five hundred dollars. facturers, authors, army and naval offifessions, and will shortly be published, for their glory."

### The Oil Question.

The movement of the Associations of Oil Producers, says in Oil City dispatch, THE ADVERTISING SWINDLER. - The try for thirty days, is fast gaining 'swindling," has this to say concerning days, few, if any, wells in all the oil the advertising swindler: He coaxes region will be operation. There was "ad." by a hundred spurious dodges. Oil city, and a committee was appointed He is going to have a fabulous number to make an examination and report how of hotel registers manufactured, or a lot much of the total production can be the mind. They are said to have re- of directories made to be hung in rural stopped. Some of those most anxious post-offices and railway depots; or is in the matter pledged themselves at once, brief but humiliating contest with about to issue an advertising sheet for and shut down to remain shut if the "gratutions circulation," devoted to movement becomes general. Several the Lord knows what; or is a painter, hundred wells in several districts are European war, which now seems not far and being about to sally forth to bedaab already stopped under the above condi-

The total production of oil in this which would reduce it to 200,000. The productiveness of the wells would not be nearly double the present rates. The only reason why the suspension of prowhich the desired end of the advertiser duction will not certainly be general in a few days, is that a few producers may refuse to unite in the movement, and this will induce others to keep working, because they say they will not shut down for the benefit of the few, if any, who will continue.

AN IMMENSE BREWERY .- The largest brewery in the world is that of Barclay, Perkins, & Co., London. They use annually 18,000 bales of hops, that make man-far too charming to throw any over 1,000,000 barrels of ale. Their young girl in contact with. He is poor, place covers twelve acres in the heart of and in the army. I wish my daughter to of the mouth which wonderfully recalled | London, for which they recently refused | marry a man of equal fortune with herthe sum of \$20,000,000, or 1,750,000 per self, and one who is not a soldier." acre. Barclay, Perkins & Co., use 9,000 When the countess took her leave I pounds of hops and 12,500 bushels of of beer at a brewery. Their porter is stowed in 172 large tubs, each holding marrying him." "That is the way from 1,500 to 3,000 barrels. Talk about with the French," she answered; "they in company with Signor de Begnis, he big barrels! Why, they have seven casks, called the "seven sisters," which hold 3,600 barrels each. They are 50 feet high and 30 feet in diameter. Their draft horses are the marvel of all London. They have 162 of the splendid 19hand horses, worth \$700 apiece. They are so heavy as to wear out an inch thick and is exceedingly playful, so much so horseshoe once in two weeks.

THE MISSING MEN OF THE METIS. -A bottle was picked up near Wood's Hole, 30, in which the writer says he was a passenger on the steamer Metis wrecked on that morning, and that he was then on a raft alone. After stating that open window, where a carpenter was at crier. The money given for the par- mercy lon me. I am a native of New- penter had meanwhile shut the window, chase of the handsome ones was applied castle, Pa., ; am not afraid to die. Tell dashed it through a 40x60 French plate

It is now a penal offence to play cards even for amusement in a Georgia bar

Justice is prompt in Chicago, and the other day tried and convicted a man of murder in twenty minutes.

St. Joe county, Mich., saved its records from fire by letting them be hidden in the woods, and now offers \$3,500 to know the spot

A man who has a red headed sweet heart addressed her as "Sweet Auburn; loveliest of the fair." Sweet Auburn got mad about it.

A few bridal parties linger at Niagara and their billing and cooing, it is said by a bachelor who has just returned, can be heard above the roar of the falls.

A rumor is current in England, that the fifth and only unmarried daughter of Her Majesty, the Princess Beatrice, has been betrothed to the Marquis of

The cholera is raging to a frightful extent in Bokhara, according to a despatch from Teheran. The ill-fated inhabitants are said to be dying at the appalling

"What's to become of me if you die?" asked an affectionate wife of her receding husband. "I don't know," he snapped out querulously. "It would look better in you to be thinking about what's to become of me."

Thousands of bushels of apples will be left to rot on the ground in the orchards of western Massachusetts this autumn. In some towns farmers are offering cider at \$1.50 per barrel, and it is difficult to

A Robber Castle.--Aggstein, now a ruin, says Henri Brown, was once a robber castle, concerning which there are many terrible traditions. One of Over 200 pages of biographies average the lawless chiefs entirely outdid the eight names each. The names include nursery Blue-beard in cruelty. He was politicians, clergymen, officials, manu- in the habit of taking a new wife every month, and yet he never had but one at cers, editors, and men of nearly all pro- a time. He seems to have been so conscientiously opposed to polygamy that with the amounts which they have paid he always killed his last consort before securing a new one. He had the reputation of being extremely careless respecting the marital rights of others, frequently seizing and carrying off the spouses of even the most powerful barons, to shut down all pumping wells and stop who, as is related, so far from becoming the whole production of oil in the coun- incensed, sent him valuable presents as tokens of their friendship and gratitude. Chicago Times', in an elaborate article, ground, and it is likely that in a few Another of the outlaws hurled all his prisoners from the top of the rock into the abyss beneath, and is recorded to the unwary merchant into giving him his a meeting of the Oil City Association at have murdered in this manner more than a thousand unfortunates in a single year. This fellow, according to accounts, was a veritable monster. There was no species of iniquity or crime which he did not practice; and though every effort was made to take him, dead or alive, he invariably succeeded in escaping. He was supposed to have made a compact with his Satanic majesty, who, finally fearing he might be excelled by the bandit in wickedness, seized the scourdrel as he was trying to get away from some of his enemies by climbing over a advertising swindles. Or he is going to plus the producers are in the power of ridge of rock, and bore him down to ornament telegraph poles in the same the refiners and exporters, who are able the Pit, the earth opening and sulphurous flames shooting up, as is usual and proper under such circumstances. The ridge, which resembles a wall, and extends from the river to the summit of

mauer, or devil's wall.

GIRLS IN FRANCE. -An American lady friend of mind, says Olive Logan was to give a grand dinner on the occasion of her birthday. Some of her French acquaintances were invited. One afternoon when I was calling on my friend the name of a French countess was announced. After salutations, she said 'I came here to-day principally to ask you a question-is the young Baron de Luynes to be at your dinner ?" "Yes," answered the American lady. " Then, said the countess, " you must not feel hurt if I do not bring my daughter Victorine." "Why, Madame la Countess," said the American lady, Monsieur de Luynes is a charming young, man." "True, true !- A very charming young said to my friend, "do you not think she was looking rather too far ahead? There is a wide difference between meet ing a gentleman at a dinner party and never expose their children to the temptation of falling in love with a person whom they may not marry." THE RESULT OF FOOLING WITH A DOG.

-One of our up-town merchants owns a handsome bull dog which is a great pet among the employees of said merchant that he carries a stone in his mouth most of the time, waiting for some one to take it away from him and throw it, that he may enjoy a chase. Yesterday morning Mass., containing a letter dated August he appeared in the office with the inevitable stone firmly fixed between his teeth. His master being in a playful mood, seized the stone and threw it through an