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wouldn't do if it didn't freshen up the said Robinson, taking Williams' letter tainty, Curry, no less anxiously than purpose might put it in his power to Miscellanous Reading.

A CONVICT'S ROMANCE.

miller that nothing had transpired to Odd Way in Which a Life Prisoner Won His Freedom.

Vouched for by the late Henry Smith. who said he learned the fact through the consolatory fact, that the zealous being speaker of the assembly, there

is an interesting bit of history connected with the old statehouse at Albany, where it has stood for years, the finest example of pure Doric architectof the letter, which she had so adroitly ure in this country, on the easterly side Steuben streets, its walls and partitions all of solid stone, very much as

The best room in the house was alif its halls, rooms and stairs had been lotted to the prisoner; and the most carved out within a huge block of mar-

family, so far as it could be adminis-It was completed in 1842, costing the tered without inducing mistrust, was state about \$350,000. It is built entireemployed in supplying him with whatly of Sing Sing marble, quarried and who frequented the place, and the ever was needful to his condition. On cut within the prison walls.

the part of the commanding officer, the The old capitol being inadequate to usual precautions known to military accommodate the increasing husiness experience for the safe-keeping of a of the state, this additional building prisoner were adopted. The privates was planned and built and is still used reached him through this channel, and of the guard occupied the barn, whilst for the offices of the state comptroller. Macdonald and one or two subordinate the state engineer and surveyor and the officers took up their quarters in the state banking department.

dwelling house; sentinels were post-In a spirit of economy it was decided silent satisfaction at the moral or ed at the several avenues leading to o have as much as possible of the work done by the prisoners from the especial care of the prisoner, who unmaterial found within the prison walls der this supervision, was occasionally at Sing Sing, fairly good material, too allowed the range of the garden. The but not the best, as it is a soft marble usual forms of a camp police were obas evidenced by the wear which now served with scrupulous exactness; and shows so plainly in the steps and by the morning and the nightly drum, the the crumbling of some of the stones parade, the changing of sentries, the from exposure to the weather. All the ringing of ramrods in the empty barmaterial was cut to completion within rcls of the muskets, and the glitter of the walls of the prison under such weapons were strangely and curiously plans that when shipped to Albany associated with the rural and unwarhere would be no further work neces sary except practically to lay one stone upon another, and so on until the

uilding.

FREAKS OF RICH CRANKS.

system of marking the stones was necessary. The plans were carefully made and a system of marking elabor-Vienna there is living today

whole was assembled in the completed

To accomplish this detailed plan :

ately laid out by the architect in Count K-----, a wealthy nobleman of charge, who found in the prison at Polish origin, who occupies a sumptu-Sing Sing a life prisoner whose record ously furnished flat in the most fashshowed him to be an engineer of the ionable part of the city. When he highest ability and who seemed as com wants his servants he summons them petent as any man in the country to by bugle calls, much to the annov carry out the work to be done in the ance of his neighbors. His favorite prison, and naturally he was not unpastime is to hire an omnibus and villing to follow his chosen profession dressed like an ordinary driver, to in preference to doing the manual ladrive his cumbrous vehicle wherever bor of cutting or quarrying stone. So aristocratic equipages are thickest. following the spirit of economy refer-He spends a fortune every year on the red to above, the plans in detail and costliest of clothes, yet never wears the system of marking were turned any but the suits discarded by his over to him and the whole work at valet; appears in the ball room deckthat end given over to his full super-Intendence and absolute control

In due time the stones in their various shapes and sizes and in quantity or the whole

in Albany and the work of construc-

tion commenced in accordance with the

plans and system of marking original-

ly furnished. With the very first stone

there was trouble. It not only did not

fit the place, but none of the stones

marked to adjoin it fitted it. and, fur-

ther, it did not seem ever intended for

the place the number indicated. In-

vestigation brought out that the stones

were not of the sizes or shapes speci-

fied and shown on the plans, and, as to

the system of marking, it was quite

evident that the stones brought togeth-

HORSE SHOE Robinson. ROBINSON ount is settled."

A-Tale of the Revolutionary Struggle In Upper Carolina.

By JOHN P. KENNEDY.

CHAPTER XXIX. Williams Takes a Fancy to Forest Life -Horse Shoe and John Ramsay Continue Active In the Service of Butler -Mary Musgrove Becomes a Valuable Auxiliary.

rules of war, and insure him all the rights that belong to a mere prisoner taken in arms in a lawful quarrel. A spirited remonstrance was accordingly prepared to this effect. It detailed the circumstances of Butler's case, which

determined to venture back towards

be followed by an order that should

was accompanied with a copy of the Williams had commenced his retreat short distance off. "The villians! before the dawn, as much with a view proceedings of the court, and it conto accomplish a large portion of his cluded with a demand that such measdon't go at it like apprentices. journey before the heat of the day, as ures should be adopted by the head of to protect himself against the probable the army, as comported with the rights pursuit of the rallied forces of the en- of humanity and the laws of war: "a day, and that's a comfortable old sayemy. His destination was towards the course," the writer suggested, "that ing. mountains on the north-western fron- he did not hesitate to believe his lord-By degrees John Ramsay fell into tier. The overthrow of Gates had left ship would feel belonged both to the

aimed at the visitors.

come.

to visit a Whig."

a large force of Tory militia at the honor and duty of his station." This disposal of Cornwallis, who, it was paper was consigned to the care of an conjectured, would use them to break officer, who was directed to proceed up every remnant of opposition in this with it, under a flag of truce, to the region. It was therefore a matter of headquarters of the British commangreat importance to Williams, to con- der. duct his little force into some place of Soon after this, Robinson apprise

security against the attacks of the Williams that Ramsay and himself had royalists.

the Ennoree, to learn something of the Colonel Elijah Clarke had, ever since the fall of Charleston, been employed state of affairs in that quarter, and to in keeping together the few scattered apply themselves more immediately to Whig families in that part of Carolina the service of Butler. In aid of this lying contiguous to the Savannah, with design, the sergeant obtained a letter a view to an organized plan of resistfrom Williams, the purport of which ance against the British authorities; was to inform the commandant of any and he had so far accomplished his post of the loyalists whom it might purpose as to have procured some concern, that an application had been three of four hundred men, who had made on Butler's behalf to Cornwalagreed to hold themselves in readiness lis, and that the severest retaliation to strike a blow whenever the occawould be exercised upon the prisoners sion offered. These men were to be in Williams' custody, for any violence mustered at any moment by a preconthat might be offered the American officer. Putting this letter in his pocket, certed signal; and, in the meantime, they were instructed by confining our man of "mickle might," attended themselves to their dwellings, or pur- by his good and faithful ally John suing their ordinary occupations, to Ramsay, took his leave of "The Fair

keep as much as possible out of the Forest" towards noon of the fourth way of the dominant authorities. mill. Clarke resided in Georgia whence The second morning after their de-

comfort from you. But, thank God! he had fied as soon as the loyalist lead- parture, the two companions had she bears this blow better than reached the Ennoree, not far from the er, Brown, had taken possesion of Authought she could." gusta; and we have already seen that habitation of David Ramsay. It was Before this speech was uttered John a letter from Colonel Pinckney, at fair summer weather, and nature was had disappeared. Charleston, which Horse Shoe Robin- as gay as in that piping time before son had been intrusted to deliver, had the blast of war had blown across her upon you David?" inquired Horse Shoe. summoned Arthur Butler to this fron- fields. All things, in the course of "I suppose some of your prisoners," tier to sid in Clarke's enterprise. few days, seemed to have undergo replied Ramsay, "must have informed Washington county in Virginia, until sented no signs of strife; no bands of upon Andy and me for in the retreat the report that Butler had been brought the settlement of the southern line of armed men molested the highways. through my farm. They stayed only the state had left him in the district An occasional husbandman was seen long enough to ransack the house, and at present known as Sullivan county in at his plough; the deer sprang up from Tennessee, had been an efficient aux- the brushwood and fled into the forest, to steal whatever was worth taking; and then to set fire to the dwelling and illary in Clarke's scheme, and was now as if inviting again the pastime of all the outbuilding. Both Andy and ready to summon a respectable num- the chase; and even when the two solmyself, by good luck, perhaps, were ber of followers for the support of the diers encountered a chance wayfarer absent, or they would have made us war on the mountain border. He and upon the road, each party passed the prisoners; so they turned my wife and Clarke had accidentally arrived at day after the battle near Musgrove's children out of doors to shift for them-Williams' camp a day or two before other unquestioned-there was all the elves, and scampered off as fast a the attack upon Innis, with a view to seeming quiet of a pacified country. Williams was still at their heels. a consultation as to the general in- The truth was, the war had rolled All that was left for us was to crowd terests of the meditated campaign; and northwards-and all behind it had subin this cabin, where, considering all they had only tarried to take part in mitted since the disastrous fight at things, we are not so badly off. But the engagement from a natural con- Camden. The lusty and hot-brained things are taking an ill turn for the self." cern for the fate of their intended comportions of the population were away country, Horse Shoe. We are beaten rade Butler. Having no further mowith the army; and the non-combattive for remaining with Williams, they ants only, or those wearied with arms, on all sides. "Not so bad. David, as to be pas were both intent upon returning to were all that were to be seen in this righting yet," replied the sergeant. their respective duties, and according- region. "What have they done with Major Butly, during the retreat of the following Horse Shoe, after riding a long time in silence, as these images of tranler ?" day, they took their leave. "He was carried, as I learned, up to The yigilance with which these parquility occupied his thoughts, made a tisans were watched by their enemies. simple remark that spoke a volume of almost forbade the present hope of suctruth in a few homely words. party had taken him back to Muscessful, combination. From a con-"This is an onnatural sort of stillsciousness of the hazard of attempting ness John. Men may call this peace. prisoner in Allen's house. Christopher but I call it fear. If there is a poor to concentrate their forces at this juncwretch of a Whig in this district, it's Shaw was here two days since, and ture, they had determined still to purtold us that orders had come to occusue their separate scheme of annovas good as his life is worth to own py the miller's dwelling house for that ance, until a more favorable moment himsel". How far off mought we be from your father's?" purpose." for joint action should arise; and in the Horse Shoe had now entered the interval, to hide themselves as much as The young trooper heaved a deep cabin with David Ramsay and in the further side of the house, where I set sigh, "I knew you were thinking of my possible in the forest. It was consecourse of the hour that followed, durquently in the hope of preserving his poor father when you spoke your ing which the family had prepared reindependence at least, if not of aiding thoughts, Horse Shoe. This is a heavy freshment for the travelers, the ser-Clarke, that Williams now moved day for him. But he could bear it; geant had fully canvassed all the parwith so much despatch to the mounhe's a man who thinks little of hardticulars necessary to be known for his meant-" ships. There are the helpless women tains. future guidance. It was determined His course lay towards the head Galbraith Robinson." he continued, as that he and John should remain in Shoe" interrupted Mary, eagerly, "it waters of the Fair Forest river, in the he shook his head with an expression their present concealment until night. present region of Spartanburg. This of sorrow that almost broke into tears. and then endeavor to reach the mill that trick once before to show me how district was inhabited only by a few "Getting near home one thinks of them under cover of the darkness, and open hunters, and some scattered Indians of first. My good and kind mother-God ome means of communication with the an inoffensive character; it abounded knows how she would bear any heavy family of the miller. in game, and promised to afford an accident. I am always afraid to ask The rest of the day was spent easy subsistence to men whose habits questions in these times about the famanxious thought. The situation of the were simple, and who were accustomed ily, for fear of hearing something bad, adventurers was one of great persona to rely upon the chase for support. And there's little Mary Musgrove over peril, as they were now immediately The second day brought our hardy sol- at the mill-" within the circle of operations of the diers into the sojourn they sought. It "You have good reason to be proud enemy and likely to be observed and was a wilderness broken by mountains, of that girl, John Ramsay," interrupted challenged the first moment they venand intersected by streams of surpass- Robinson. "So speak out, man and tured upon the road. ing transparency; whilst its elevated none of your stammering. Hoot!-she The hour of dusk had scarcely ar told me she was your sweetheart! You position and southern latitude conferrived before they were again mounted red upon it a climate that was then as hay'n't half the tongue of that wench. on horseback. They proceeded cauwell as now, remarked for its delicious Why, sir, if I was a lovable man, haw, haw!-which I'm not-I'll be cursed if tiously upon the road that led through temperature in summer, and its exthe wood, until it intersected the highemption from the rigors of winter. wouldn't spark that little fusee my way, and, having attained this point. The spot at which Williams rested self." John Ramsay, who was well acquaintwas a sequestered valley deep hidden "This fence," said Ramsay, unheeding ed with every avenue through the in the original woods, and watered by the sergeant's banter. "belongs to our country, now led the way, by a private farm, and perhaps we had better let the Fair Forest, whose stream, so near and scarcely discernible path, into the its fountain, scarcely exceeded the didown the rails and approach the house across the field; if the Tories should adjacent forest, and thence, by a tedi- it is thought he will die." mensions of a little brook. Here he determined to form a camp to which be there we might find the road dan- ous and prolonged route, directed his ompanion to the banks of the Ennoin times of emergency he might safely gerous. This gives us a chance of re This course of travel took them retreat. With a view to render it treat." ee. immediately to the plain on which In-

wise

After passing a narrow dell and rising

to the crest of the opposite hill, they

obtained a position but a short distance

in the rear of the homestead. From

this point a melancholy prospect broke

had disappeared and in its place was a

late.

nis had been encamped-the late field

of battle. All here was still and deso-

the recent bivouac were yet visible,

but not even the farmhouse that had

constituted Innis' headquarters was re-

owl hooted from the neighboring trees.

The air still bore the scent of dead

bodies which had either been left ex-

posed, or so meagrely covered with

noisome exhalations.

earth as to taint the breeze with

"There is a great difference, John,

said Horse Shoe, who seldom let an

occasion to moralize after his own

fashion slip by, "there's a great differ-

nce between a hot field and a stale

The sheds and other vestiges of

the charge of them."

The bat whirred over the plain, and the privately, if I had heard anything of

Robinson."

plied the maiden. "But that may be be-

Though my father, who is a good judge

of such things, says he suffers tribula-

"Do they allow you to see him of-

"I have seen him only two or three

times since he came to the house,"

en?" inquired the sergeant.

they?" he exclaimed, as the tears rollsmell of dead men. And there's the from his pocket and putting it in Butler, remained stationary by the alleviate the sufferings of a soldier, ed down his cheeks. hogs, busy as so many sextons among Mary's hand. "It is a piece of writ- roadside, reading the distant signs of towards whose cause he felt a decided "Take heart, my brave boy!" said There's a reckoning to come for all hese villanies-and it will go hard is one man among them that I'll make Now, I want you to do something more. ger doubtful, he commanded his cavwith many a Tory yet before this ac- bold to say these swine hav'n't got the stomach to touch-that's Hugh Haber-"I will carry a hot hand into the shaw; he sleeps in the mud in yonder first house that covers a Tory head," fence corner."

"If you had done nothing else in the replied the young trooper, passionatefight, Horse Shoe, but cleave that felly, "this burning shall be paid with low's skull," said Ramsay, "the ride ten like it."

we took would have been well paid for "All in good time, John," said Robin--it was worth the trouble." son coolly. "As for the burning, it is "And the rapscallionly fellow to no great matter; a few good neighbors would soon set that to rights, by build-

a going to save him from the devil's ing your father a better house than the clutches, when I had a broadsword in one he has lost. Besides, congress will not forget a true friend when the war my hand, and his bald, greasy pate in of the major-which has no cause for put Butler under the protection of the s well fought out. But it does go reach. His brain had nothing in it against my grain, John Ramsay, to but deceit and lies, and all sorts of all this?"

cruel thoughts, enough to poison the see a parcel of cowardly runaways spitting their malice against women air when I let them out. I have made an observation John, all my life on has more chance of speaking to Major and children. The barn likewise, I se them foul-mouthed, swilling braggers Butler than I have." s gone." continued the sergeant, look-

ing towards another pile of the ruins -that when there's so much cunning and blood-thirstiness, there's no room when there's foul work to be done, they for a thimbleful of courage; their No heart's in their belly, which is as much natter-I have made one observation; as to signify that the man's a most the darkest hour is just before the beastly coward. But now, it is my opinion that we had best choose a spot seen talking with the prisoner. If they long upon the river here, and leave

our horses. I think we can manoeuvre better on foot; the miller's calmer temper, and now began to cast house is short of two miles, and we about as to the course fit to be pursued in their present emergency. About a mought be noticed if we were to go

quarter of a mile distant, two or three nearer on horseback." negro cabins were visible, and he could This proposal was adopted, and the two friends, when they had ridden a descry a few children near the doors. With an eager haste, therefore he and short distance below the battle ground halted in a thicket, where they fastened the sergeant shaped their course across rived within fifty paces of the neares

course of the stream for near half an don't forget yourself by overstaying hovel, the door was set ajar, and hour, they perceived, at a distance, a rifle, thrust through the aperture, was light glimmering through the window of Allen Musgrove's dwelling. This "Stand for your lives!" shouted the

induced a second pause in their march, vell known voice of David Ramsay. In the next instant the door was when Ramsay suggested the propriety thrown wide open, the weapon cast of his advancing alone to reconnoitre aside, and the father rushed forward the house, and attempting to gain some speech with the inmates. He accordas he exclaimed "Gracious God, my boy and Horse Shoe Robinson! Welingly left the sergeant to amuse himlads: a hundred times more self with his own thoughts.

welcome than when I had better shell Horse Shoe took his seat beneath ter to give you! But the good friends sycamore where he waited a long time of King George, you see, have been so in anxious expectation of the return of kind as to give me a call. It is easy his comrade. Growing uneasy, at last, to tell when they take it in their head at John's delay, he arose, and stole cautiously forward until he reached

"My mother!" exclaimed John Ram the mill, where he posted himself in a position from which he was able to see and hear what was going on at the "In and see her, boy-she wants

miller's house. The porch was occupled by three or four persons, whose conversation, as it came to the sergeant's ear, proved to be strangers to the family; and a ray of light from a "And how came this mishap to fall taper within, after a while, made this

more manifest, by revealing the scarlet uniform of the enemy. Horse Shoe vas thus confirmed in the truth of With this conviction he returned to the sycamore, where he again sat down to wait for the coming of his companion. It was after ten o'clock, and the sergeant was casting over in his thoughts the long absence of John, when his atention was aroused by the sound of ootsteps, and the next instant John Ramsay and Mary Musgrove stood be-

in the kindliest tones. Innis' Tories; you may hear them ing he can use whenever he is much the progress of the fight; but now, though unavowed attachment. This grunt over their suppers. Well, there pressed. It may save him from harm. when the disastrous issue was no lon-selection furnished evidence to the You must find a chance just to whisper alcade to move forward, and from that arouse the distrust of the British aumoment prosecuted his journey with thorities in the loyalty of any part of in his ear that Horse Shoe Robinson unabated speed until he arrived at his family-and to Butler, it inferred and John Ramsay are in the neighbor-

hood. Tell him, likewise, that Colonel Blackstock's. Butler was unceremoniously marched devotion of Mary Musgrove to his ser-Williams has sent a message to Lord to his former place of confinement in vice had as yet passed without notice: Cornwallis to lay his case before that the barn, where a rigorous guard was whilst to the maiden herself, it was officer, and to get some order for his set over his person. In the confusion proof that her agency in the delivery better treatment. That the doings of that rascally court-martial have been and insubordination that prevailed sent by the messenger, hoping that amongst the crowd, that, during the put within the reach of the officers of of Eagle street, between Pine and think," added Horse Shoe, "that I was Lord Cornwallis, if he is a brave and night was continually increasing in the court, had not even excited a sus-

a Christian man-as they say he is- the little hamlet, the common rites of picion against her. will stop this onmerciful persecution humanity towards the prisoner were forgotten, and he was left to pass the weary hours till morning, on a shock sedulous attention on the part of the ble. it under heaven. Will you rememb of hay, without food or other refresh-

ment than a simple draught of water. "I'll try, sir," responded Mary; "and From the unreserved murmurs of those besides I will tell it to my father, who uerulous upbraidings of the soldiery

against each other, Butler was enabled "Now," said Horse Shoe, "we will to glean the principal incidents of the here again tomorrow night, a little earday. The supposed death of Innis lier than this: you must meet us here And say to the major, if he has any what was scarcely a subject of less message for us, he may send it by you. personal interest to him, the certain But be cautious, Mary, how you are end of Hugh Habershaw. It was with

suspect you it will spoil all." octical justice-as it has been called the habitation, and a sergeant had the "Trust to me," said the girl; "I war--of the event, that he heard the comrant I have learned by this time how ades of the late self-conceited captain to behave myself amongst these reddescribe his death in terms of coarse and unpitying ribaldry-a retribution "There John." continued Horse Shoe. due to the memory of a cruel and

"I have said all I want to say, and as cowardly braggart. you. I have no doubt, have got a good When the morning was fully abroad, deal to tell the girl, it is but fair that the disarranged and broken remnants you should have your chance. So, do the field to this spot. When they ar- their horses, and proceeded towards the you walk back with her as far as the of the. Tory camp began gradually to mill on foot. After following the mill, and I'll wait here for you. But be reduced to a state of discipline.

your furlough. from the higher officer of the late camp "I must get home as fast as possible," said Mary; "they will be looking or from the nearest British posts. Videttes bore the tidings of the differen military operations from the neighbor "Away, John Ramsay-away," added nood of the enemy. The fragments o Horse Shoe: "and have your eyes about ompanies were marshalled into squads you man." and subdivisions; and, successively With this command John Ramsay

and the miller's daughter hastily withdrew, and were soon out of the se geant's hearing. After an interval, which doubtless

seemed short to the gallant dragoon, he eturned to his comrade, and the two set out rapidly in quest of their horses; was given to understand that this was and once more having got into their intrusted with his especial keeping. saddles, they retraced their steps at a It was composed of a few regular sol brisk speed to Ramsay's cabin. liers of the garrison of Ninety-Six

and a small number of the country mil-CHAPTER XXX. itia-making in all, about twenty men All distant and faint were the sounds

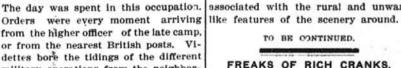
With the breezes they rise, with the breezes they fall Till the shout and the groan and the conflict's dread rattle, And the chase's wild clamor come load-

commanded by Lieutenant Macdonald of the regular army. Butler remained in his present stat

of seclusion four or five days, during ed from head to heel in virgin white, with the exception of a black shirt which he experienced much mitigation and tie, and when he dines-always of the rigors of his captivity. Macat one of the most expensive restau-

TO BE CONTINUED

Pastime of a Polish Count-Odd Grab of an English Gentleman.



one party' after another was seen to leave the hamlet, and take a direction of march that led towards the main British army, or to the garrisons of the ower districts Towards the close of the day one deachment only was left; and Butler

easy of access as a rendezvous, he "That's both scrupulous and caused landmarks to be made, by cut-John," replied the sergeant. "So down ting notches on the trees-or blazing with the panel; we will steal upon them, in the woodman's phrase-in the good folks, if they are at home, and several directions, leading towards the take them by surprise. But mind you, principal highways that penetrated the my lad, see that your pistols are primcountry. The retreat thus established ed; we mought onawares get into a is familiar to the history of the war, wasp's nest." The fence was lowered, and the under the name of the Fair Forest horsemen cautiously entered the field.

camp. These arrangements being completed in the course of the first day after his arrival, Williams now applied himself to the adoption of measures for the safety of Arthur Butler. Amongst the spoils that had fallen into his hands, upon their sight. The dwelling house after the victory over Innis, was the document containing the proceedings heap only of smouldering ashes. A The perusal of few of the upright frameposts, scorchof the courtmartial. this paper, together with the comments ed black, and a stone chimney with its

once worked forty-eight hours at judge is far more effective than a doz-en sentences from a political orator. stretch, thanks to cocalne. what's next door to it, a graveyardit either had been misrepresented, or, most probably, was entirely unknown. He did not doubt that an appeal to the tis mighty apt to turn a dragoon's tis here a and galloped up to the ruins, the maiden. This here dew falls tonight like frost, it either had been misrepresented, or, break at last upon my father's head," feelings of that officer, with a full dis- "the savages have done their worst. This here dew falls tonight like frost, the maiden. During the first moments of uncer- selection made of his house for this a difficult ascent." tions. closure of the facts, would instantly But my father and mother where are and chills me to the heart, which it "Then give him this, my good girl,"

side him. "What kept you till this time night?" was the sergeant's accost. "Softly man, I have news for you" replied Ramsay. "Here is Mary her-

"And so she is, indeed?" exclaimed rived at the main road that extended the sergeant, at the same time shaking between Innis' camp and Blackstock's. her hand, "this is my petticoat-sodger; how goes it with you, girl?"

"I have only a moment to spare," replied the maiden cheerfully, "and it is the greatest of good luck that I Butler was in a state of the most ex-Blackstock's the evening of the fight; thought of coming out; for John gave citing bewilderment as to the cause of and yesterday it was reported that a me a signal, which I was stupid enough

not to understand at first. But, after explanation was given to him by his grove's. I believe he is now kept close a while I thought it could be no one conductors; and although, from the but John Ramsay; and that, partly, befirst, he was aware that an extraorcause I expected he would be coming dinary emergency had arisen from into the neighborhood ever since I some assault upon Innis' position, no one dropped a word in his hearing to give him the slightest clue to the na-

against him were less wicked. And him preserved a morose and ill-natured first, above all other topics of consolato whistling an old-fashioned tune silence, and even manifested towards ion and comfort, was the conviction him a harsh and resentful demeanor that Mary was acquainted withthat a brave and efficient party of He heard the firing, but what troops walking away all the time in an oppofriends were in the field intent upon site direction-as if there was nothing were engaged, by whom led, or with his liberation. Still, his situation was one in which it required all his man-

doubts. He could only conjecture that was Maggie' Lauder. John practised this was a surprise accomplished by the Whigs, and that the assailants must have come in sufficient force to justify to find my way to him. Upon that, I made an excuse to leave the room, and the boldness of the enterprise. That slipped out through the garden-and Horse Shoe was connected with this then I followed the whistling, as folks irruption he felt fully assured, and "great events are on the gale," of which say they follow a jack-o'-lantern." from the circumstances he gathered the consolatory and cheerful prognostic of "And so, by a countermarch," conpervading interest they excite, without better issue out of his afflictions that. tinued the young dragoon, "we came being permitted to know their import; in his late condition seemed even reround the meadow and through the notely possible. This hope grew oods, here." over the purpose of his captivity, be-

"Now that you've got here at last," the tidings of the day to his ear. The aid Horse Shoe, "tell me the news." "Major Butler is in the house," said first few scattered shots that told of Mary and John, both speaking at once. the confusion in which the combat was "He was brought there yesterday from begun, were, after an interval, succeed-Blackstock's," continued the maiden. ed by regular volleys of musketry that Orders came from somebody that he indicated an orderly and marshalled was to be kept at our house, until they resistance. Platoon after platoon fired

try was receiving the attacks of cavthink of such matters, and has been faltered. Then the firing grew more charged from various quarters-but "There are more than twenty, with amidst these were heard no embodied lieutenant from Ninety-Six, who has volleys. It was the casual and nearly

> At this juncture there was a dark who now found himself growing more

low and muttered tone. "That helter-It was soon ascertained that Williams had abandoned the field that he had skelter shot grates cursedly on the ear. occupied by its original inhabitants, tion like a Christian. He asked me There's ill-luck in the sound of it." won, and had retreated beyond the Presently a few stragglers appeared at a turn of the road, some quarter of the post at Musgrove's mill afforded a mile in the direction of the battle, many advantages, in reference to the

pressing onwards in the utmost disorder hazard of molestation from such par-

way through the throng of foot-soling, an order was sent to Macdonald diers, seemingly regardless of life or to remove with his prisoner to the limb: the wounded with their wounds habitation of the miller, and there to unswered the maiden. "But the officer bleeding afresh, or hastily bandaged detain him until some final step should of the with such appliances as were at hand. be taken in his case.

s in weepniary consideration. ing scenes, such as 'La Dame aux er was conducted, after the interval which had aimed at the life of the the happy abode of the family of a sets the blood to running merrily to my carrying him his meals-though monstrances, and unheeded orders of After a woman succeeds in cap-Camellias,' have sometimes used this turing a husband she doesn't consider the officers, who were endeavoring to of the few days we have mentioned, through a man, and that's what I call I am obliged to pretend to know less prisoner. It occurred to him, therefore brave and worthy man. drug. "Cocaine pleasure. But when everything is about Major Butler than I do, for fear resume their commands. It was the to Allen Musgrove's. The old man rethe one object in life. causes wakefulness. Cornwallis, to whom he was persuaded, upon this. I feared their spite would festering like the inside of a hospital- they might be jealous of my talking to flight of men beset by a panic, and ceived his guest with that submission "My God! my thoughts were running A single sentence from a police

onald was a careful and co rants—he begins his meal with a cup soldier, and demeaned himself towards of black coffee, and working his way his prisoner with such kindness as the backward, winds up with the soup. nature of his trust allowed. He re-It is but a short time since there died at Como a rich old man who was noted for a very strange eccentricity. Although for years he had never been outside of his grounds, he would proudly inform his visitors that he had that very day walked to certain villages in the neighborhood. What he actually did was this. Whenever he made up his mind to visit a distant village or town he made an es-

wear.

mond eyes

timate of the distance and covered er by it had no relation whatever to it on foot on a carefully measured each other. walking track of his grounds. When The bewildered architect hardly he wished to call on his friends in the knew whether he was a candidate for district he would not only do it by the asylum or possibly for Sing Sing. proxy, but would conduct the con-However, a careful verification of his versation for hours by sending a serplans and his marking system proved vant to and fro with questions and their correctness, and the blame fell answers.

garnished

squarely upon the civil engineer, the A well known Italian count who life prisoner. He was questioned, taken died recently at an advanced age had severely to task and roundly berated for many years defied the weather by for his incompetence and threatened drinking a solution of camphor, which he considered an efficient sub- and abused. He met it all calmiy. "It stitute for clothes. Summer and win- looks to me like a mighty good joke on ter alike he would sleep without a you fellows. Anyway it is the best particle of covering and with the win- joke I have heard since I came to Sing Sing." dows of his room thrown wide open,

As to their continued and would walk for hours in his garsaid:

den on a bitterly cold day in the gar-"What can you do to a life prison ment most people devote to night

Not long ago, too, there lived near Finally, in answer to the abuse and slurs as to his capabilities as an en-Hasting: a gentleman whose eccentricgineer, he said he had changed the ities very naturally excited considerable attention. Punctually at the plans both in dimension and shape stroke of noon each day he would where they had diverged from purity appear in his front garden with a of style, and the system of marking gayly colored turban on his head, his he had changed altogether, but if they feet shod with richly embroidered could find some one who understood his system the building would go up service, can ill brook the tedious, dull and jewelled sandals and with a coolie cloth round his waist; and, quite in- complete and perfect, excelling the different to the amusement he was original plan. "But," he added, with a providing for a crowd of spectators, grin "you can probably get out new stone a good deal quicker than you would first pray aloud to the sun, "the father of light and good," and can work out my system.

Then the state officials said, "We then prostrate himself before a quaint will take you to Albany and force you miniature temple in which was ento put up the building." shrined a grotesque idol with dia-

He said, "No."

They pointed out the advantage of There is at Cape Breton a worthy life in Albany for a time in preference and much married gentleman who to Sing Sing.

has just taken his eighth wife to He said, "No."

They tried to bargain with him. He said, "Secure my pardon and I will stand by you until the building is omplete."

with They offered to have him pardoned after he had proved what he said by finishing the building.

He said, "No." ed spouses come around, the by no Then they said they would compemeans disconsolate husband, enterhim to do it anyway.

He said he could be compelled to work in prison, but not in Albany, and that even in prison they could compel him to do only manual labor unless he chose and that the price of his genius

in grasping the opportunity that had QUEER DRUGS AND THEIR USES.come his way was a full pardon. What else was there to do? He was pardoned and the old state-

ouse stands today in testimony of the fact that he kept his word and a glorious memory to an unknown genus.-New York Herald.

'There is a seaweed called 'bladderwrack.' They make of antifat, a marvelous antifat. to True wit is always incidental-and of this an By the usually accidental. #3" A quiet wedding is something foluse of this antifat I know a man who reduced his weight forty pounds lowed by a noisy serenade

three months. to Those who make a specialty of "There is the deadly fungus, the hunting trouble bag plenty of game. fly agaric, which unfortunately peosometimes eat in. mistake for ter Children who ask questions are ofmushrooms. They make a medicine ten just as ignorant as grown

fly agaric, a medicine called who can't answer them. which, injected A free thinker is one who is unable muscarine nitrate, under the skin causes a copious flow to dispose of his thought for a pecu-

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In the confusion that ensued upon the defeat of Innis, James Curry suc-

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ceeded in conducting Butler from the moved him into a comfortable apartfield. His orders were to retreat with ment in the dwelling house, and supthe prisoner to Blackstock's; and he plied him with the conveniences, his had accordingly set out with about a situation required; he even made him dozen troopers, by a private path that occasional visits, which were attended led towards a quarter secure from the with more than the mere observances molestation of the enemy, when the atof courtesy and respect, and expressed tack commenced. Butler was mounted

sympathy in his sufferings. behind one of the men, and in this un-These unexpected tones of comfort easy condition was borne along the cirfrom a quarter in which Butler had cuitous by-way that had been chosen hitherto heard nothing but fierce hawithout a moment's respite from the tred and harsh rebuke, fell gratefully severe motion of the horse, nearly at upon his car, and gave a brighter colhigh speed, until, having accomplished or to his hopes for the future. But he

three miles of the retreat, the party arcould not help observing, that no hint was dropped by Macdonald which might furnish him the slightest ground of Here Curry, conceiving himself to be surmise as to the vicissitudes that yet out of danger of pursuit, halted his awaited him. The reported fall of In-

men, with a purpose to remain until he nis seemed to afford a natural founcould learn something of the combat. dation for the belief, that the malice of his enemies might hereafter be less active-as he attributed much of the this sudden change in his affairs. No ersecution he had sufficient to the secret machinations of that individual. He no longer saw around his person those agents who first pursued him with such bitter hostility. He seemed

to have fallen into entirely new comheard of his being at his father's, afbinatio s, and had reason to augur ter the ensign was made a prisoner." from all he saw, that their purpose ture of the attack. The troopers about "I went," said John Ramsay, "to the

what chances of success were subjects of the most painfully interesting "And I knew the tune. Mr. Horse hood to suistain himself. A young soldier of an ardent temper, and zealusly bent upon active and perilous days of captivity, even in its mildest form: but 4f this thraldom befail in a period of universal agitation, when

brighter as the din of batile brought

had fixed upon what was to be done in succession-signifying, to the pracwith him. Colonel Innis was too ill to tised hearing of the soldier, that infan-

carried out of the neighborhood-and alry, and that as yet the first had not "How many men are there to guard slack, and random shots were disthe prisoner?" asked the sergeant.

over-powered resistance of flying men. "He seems to be heavy at heart," re-

and more into the shadow of a melancause he is away from his friends. looked at his comrades, and said, in a choly temper.

you, Mr. Robinson; and when I told him what folks said about your being with the people that beat Colonel In- urging their horses forward at the top nis, he smiled, and said if any man of their speed. These were followed could get him free, it was Horse Shoe by groups both of infantry and cavalry

> -those on horseback thrusting their ties of Whigs as might still be outly-

Your hot field makes a soldier, that has charge of him is not contrary afforded by Robinson, convinced him ample fireplace, were all that remained of the malignity of the persecution of what, but a few days before, was for there's a sort of a stir in it that or ill-natured, and makes no objection All hurried along amidst the oaths, re-In pursuance of this requisition, Butof tears. French actress

The venom of the rattlesnake has been known to cure locomotor ataxia and scarlet fever," said a chemist. Homeopathic physicians often prescribe know the curara, the deadly "You reach of immediate pursuit. And as poison that the South American Insmear on their arrow Well, curara is very helpful in hydrophobia.

means of communicating with the garrisons of the middle section of the province, and was more secure against the

ing but death in its most frightful his heart and home. And a gruesome home it must be to greet a home forms; and if to these are added, by coming wife, for seven of its rooms, far the bitterest of its qualities, the each painted in black and white anxieties, cares, and pains of a devoted. lighted lover, separated from the heart and liberally skulls and crossbones, are dedicated that loves him, we may well conjecture that the most gallant spirit may find to wives numbers one to seven. As the birthday of each of these departn it, even amidst occasional gleams of

the captive is only a witness to the

f moreover, as in the case of Butler.

an impenetirable vell of mystery hang

hind which the few short glimpses af-

forded him, open upon his view noth-

sunshine, that sinking of hope which he philosophic king of Israel has described as making "the heart sick"tains his friends at dinner in the room specially devoted to her memory and improves the occasion by telling an-ecdotes to illustrate her many virthat chafing of the soul that, like the encaged eagle, wearies and tears its

frown on the brow of Curry, as he

wing against the bars of its prison. tues.-Tit-Bits. Even so fared it with Arthur Butler,