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#### A Romance of the American Revolution

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swamp, and a route was chosen by

Humphries which enabled him to keep

away from all beaten roads; the nec-

essity still existing, while in the neigh-

It was not long before they began

masses, from which the trees them-

and then that glimpses could be ob-

A closer order of march was now

imposed upon the troop, as, carefully

leading the way, Humphries guided

curves of the creek, and the close

in single file. Only fairly in the

swamp. Humphries had a torch light-

were scarce distinguishable.

CHAPTER XXIV.

"The game is lost, and needless to Through such a waste, in such a

The course of Singleton lay for "The Oaks." He was about to pay a part- partisan required security from obsering visit, and to seek, if possible, to vation even in preference to any sucpersuade his uncle to set forth with cesses which so small a party might him for the Santee, with whatever obtain. force might have been procured by him from among his neighbors. This enter the swamp, and to meet with was, indeed, his only opportunity. He its obstructions. The twilight gradhad arrested one courier, it is true; ually ceased to glimmer, the trees but others must succeed in giving to crowded more closely on the path, and Cornwallis the important intelligence the shades stalking about them inceswhich, for the present, he had stayed, santly grew incorporated into huge The movement of Cornwallis towards Camden, in compliance with the nec- selves essity of the case, and Rawdon's solic- Then came the varieties of the swamp; would have the effect of the black and stagnant puddle, the up communication through- slimy ooze, the decayed and prostrate out the intervening country, and mak- tree, and the hanging vine swinging ing any effort to pass it dangerous to across the route. The night came the partisan. This was a consideration down shortly after they had penetratwhich he necessarily concluded must ed the morass, and, though a clear Walton's conduct; starlight evening, it was only now and the opportunity of passing at Nelson's, now filled with Marion's men, tained of the pale and melancholy was one not to be disregarded. His watchers suddenly peering down into hopes were, that his uncle would car- the openings of the trees overhead. ry with him a decent number of sturdy fellows into the camp of the continentals. Nor was this hope an unreasonable one. Colonel Walton, though them slow in taking up the cause of his along the banks of another. The earth had, at last, set heartily between the two parallel waters lay By his earnestness and in- tolerably high, and formed a defile, as since his determination had it were, through which they continued been made to resume his arms, he to move with no other obstructions strove to appease his conscience, and than such as were presented by the about to emerge from the swamp. The do away with any reproach that might occasional morasses formed in the have been due to his past forbearance. He had made some progress with his trees, that suffered them to move only recruits, and was night and day indefatigable. He rode through his neighborhood among all sorts of people, and ed and carried by a trooper in front played his game with skill and cool- with himself. This serving sufficient-

ness. He knew that Proctor watched ly to pick the path, though yielding no him, and he was circumspect accordingly. But, though cautious, he did not they were compelled simply to keep In the little interval which followed his resolve to come out, and the moment under our view, he had se cured some twenty pledges-pledges their oppression, borne down by though deceived by none of them. He and were impatient for re- was skilled in woodcraft, and knew dress. He was now, even while Singleton rode with his attendant towards ceive the reptile, by his various imitathe river, engaged in close council with tions. a little band at Johnson's house, on permitted himself no exercise of his Cane Acre, to whom he was success- powers in this respect; but watchful fully urging such considerations as in the highest degree, he gave his ordid not fail, in the end, to effect the ders briefly, in a low tone, and withobject he desired. Let us there leave out the employment of unnecessary him, for the present, and return to the words. camp at Flacon's Bridge.

With the close of day, Humphries made his preparations for moving to the Cypress in obedience to the command of Singleton. The horses were saddled quickly, the arms prepared, the surplus baggage put upon pack- it. horses, the prisoners were mounted, up in that quarter. The prisoners veillance of Davis, who brought up the rear of the troop.

The custody of Hastings placed the rivals in a novel sort of relationship to one another; and the sturdy Goose Creeker did not feel less of his bitterness of spirit because he was compellwith the feeling of jealousy which the presence of the sergeant necessarily He really loved the girl, provoked. consequence, entirely without qualification. He felt that he was getting angry, as, while arranging the prison ers, his eye continually fell upon Hastings. But he knew and respected the situation of the enemy too much to give utterance to his feelings at large; feelings which, at the same time, were sufficiently evident to the eye of the dragoon.

his danger, and apprehensive of puntone thus addressed him-

"Look ye, Sergeant Hastings, there's use for you to make sweet speeches You're in no fix to help yourself now: but I've got sich a grudge agin you, that must be satisfied, and I'll be on the lookout, though it's agin orders, to work a clear way for you out of this hobble, if so be you'll only promise tice-buttoned his jacket closely, and to give me satisfaction when I've done freed his feet from his stirrups as he so. Say the word now that you will proceeded. cross swords with me, if I help you to slightest precipitation or impatience. a clear track, and here's my hand up- In order to accustom his horse to the on it, that you shall have a fair fight relaxation of the bit, so that his move-

"Well-but, Davis, my friendout of your hide, or there's no snakes."

reply. Finding there was no escape, venge him for so many wrongs.

The prisoners were soon all mount- rel's sense of security. ed, Goggle along with them, and so

A moment after, the voice of Davis, fugitive sat chuckling at his success, apprised him of the proper time to the water of the creek as soon as possible, following its course towards the river for a brief space, then turning aside and shrouding himself, while still keeping his onward way, in a lose-set forest of small saplings.

utmost caution, as the objects of the laughed at all pursuit.

The sounds finally died away: and confusion lasted, now resumed his naturally underwent due increase and witted by the subtle enemy in so simple a manner. Humphries got back to through one little creek, and starlight was now around them, and

be the route of Singleton, and he nov beheld the opportunity of finding his reward with the British, and of gainassistance to those who came after, his American enemies. Toil and fatigue were at once forgotten, fear was discarded from his mind; and, now running, now walking, with an Indian

close, and follow the leader. The lieutenant kept unrelaxing watch during all this period, and the utmost order was observed during the proof stout, honest woodsmen-men who gress. His ear was keenly observant pertinacity of spirit, he took the dihad been chafed by the insolence of of every sound that reached his ears, rectest course leading to Dorchester. CHAPTER XXV.

At this time, however, he

At length the defile narrowed, the in luxuriant vegetation, and so dark was the place that the figure of each individual horse could only be made out by the rider immediately behind To the instinct and better vision of the animals themselves the moveand all appearance of a camp broken ment was in great part left; the troopwere placed under the immediate sur- care not to fall far behind the steed in he otherwise might have been, as he come with the disease, as it would advance. This being the case, and had been troubled with some doubts vas directed closely to watch and bring self at the mouth of the defile, having first led the way through which they were yet to pass. There, with uplifted ed to suppress its utterance. His old torch, he numbered one by one the love for Bella Humphries grew active steeds of all that came through and passed before him; and in this way with a precaution which he considered the most complete that could be adoptand his hate for the dragoon was, in ed, confidently thought that there could be no risk of losing any of his prisoners. And indeed, with the ordinary prisoner, the man only skilled to fight bulldog fashion, without inge- the suggestion of Proctor, who needed nuity, and solely relying upon his teeth, the precaution would have been

But Goggle was not of this description. He had the gift, along with Indian blood, of Indian subtlety. He had He, on the other hand, conscious of kept his course quietly and patiently with the rest, and there was no gloom, ishment corresponding to the out- no dulness, no flagging of spirits about rageous character of his last offence, him. All was coolness in his mood, strove to be very conciliatory, and ad- and he knew his ground. He had their horses in the brush, Singleton dressed some soothing and gracious heard the orders of Humphries, readspeech to his rival, as the latter ap- ily understood the route, and prepared proached him; but the other was not to avail himself of circumstances as to be soothed in this fashion. A glance they might occur in his favor. There of contempt, mingled with hate, was was a cry which the troops were heard the only response given to the obse- to utter successively, as they advanced quious remark of Hastings; and, in a through a certain point of the defile, few minutes after, when he could do the meaning of which he clearly enough so unobserved, Davis came back to understood. A ragged pine had thrust where his prisoner stood, and in a low an arm directly over the path, and so low as to endanger the head of a tall man moving along too erectly. The no love lost between us, and it's no cry of each rider, therefore, as he passed under it, was to his immediate

> follower-"Stoop low!-heads down!

Goggle heard this cry before he reached the obstruction. He coolly prepared himself for a little scout prac-He did this without the ment might not undergo any change at the trying moment, he gradually "No friend, if you please. I'm your yielded up the bridle, until the animal

deadly enemy, and if so be I can, as failed entirely to feel its restraints God shall help me, I'll cut your heart upon his mouth; then, dropping the reins altogether as he heard the cry of his predecessor to "stoop," instead of lips were pressed to her forehead; which he taught. I can never underdoing so, he threw his arms upwards, word," was the pertinacious and quick caught the overhanging branch firmly with both hands, and with the acthe sergeant readily enough closed tivity of an ape, lifted himself fairly unclouded ones in the chamber. On with the terms, and Davis then prom- out of the saddle, and for a moment ised to seek him out in the swamp, swung in air. The horse passed from conduct him to a clear ground, and under him, and with his old habit, make the terms of fight equal between followed the lead to which he had been them. This done, he turned away from accustomed. The succeeding steed apthe prisoner with something more of proached. Goggle gave the cry, in the light-heartedness than usual, as he most measured language and as he did anticipated the pleasure of that strife so he whirled himself over, out of the with his enemy which promised to re- trooper's way, upon the top of the branch, where he sat with all a souir-

Here he remained in quiet as the

would warn the lieutenant of his de-

Here he had scarcely entered when the alarm was given. The vigilant Humphries had discovered the absence or more in search, reached the ears of

flight. Davis and some of the troopers had dashed back when the alarm was given; but in the thick darkness which shrouded the region, there was no prospect of retaking the prisoner so long as he kept silent. This was camp late at night without farther incident, and without meeting with Sin gleton, as the latter had proposed They had taken different routes; and when the commander emerged from the bridge, only accompanied by his youthful protege. He reached the river just as the fugitive Goggle was stant thought within her mind. persons. He conjectured what would

"Her words are so much music, caught from heaven When clouds are parting, and the rosy

Come to her sway." The hour was late when the Half Breed reached the village. The sen tries were all set, and Proctor had retired for the night; but, aware of the value of his intelligence, the fugitive isfaction to find that he told it to a to arm a party, and heading it himself, san in the quiet dwelling to which Goggle had seen him pursuing his way. The British major was the more willamends for what might be construed his stimulus to present action, may also, not unjustly, be ascribed to the jealous instincts which coupled Robert Singleton with his fair cousin. We leave him, with a little troop of half a score, getting into saddle, and about to move in the direction of "The Oaks." Goggle remained behind, at not his assistance farther, and saw

that his fatigued condition craved for mmediate rest. his attendant. Having reached the neighborhood of "The Oaks," they took the back track leading to the river which carried them immediately into the rear of the dwelling house. There dismounting and carefully concealing placed his pistols in his belt, and leav ing the boy in charge of the animals, with instructions to watch closely

proceeded to the mansion

Proud of the trust, Lance Frampto promised his commander to watch well, and approve himself a worthy sentiwas once more treading the well it." known path covered with those grave guardians of a century, the spreading tration, sustained by pillows, and ple are compelled to run." scarcely able to turn upon him those lovely eyes, still bright, and brighten-

ing to the last, as if the reluctant soul of a name, is content with the bloodhad concentrated within all its heav- shed and the misery of mankind; and enward fires; and thence, though cling- I hold the doctrine hateful to one proing still to mortality, was already evolving some of that divine light may be upheld, this warfare in which which it was so soon to be mingled life is taken as a worthless thing, and with for ever

"my sister, my sweet sister!"—and his and, though he strove hard for the suppression, the tears gathered in his large sad eyes. Hers were the only one side sat Kate Walton, while his aunt moved around the couch of the too were in tears, and had evidently, before, this, been weeping. It was a ing and most impious intruder.

that glorious effulgence which is so the wrong done by one captain, all the peculiarly the attribute of the victim to captains conspire to do greater, wrongs; disposed as to ride between alternate troop proceeded. He knew the length the deadly form of disease under which and the blazing dwelling by midnight, the labored, yet the brightness of her the poor woman and her naked children

which Humphries enumerated the ness of theirs. It was a high and holy hunger; the gibbeted soldier on the oopers as they came forth from the brightness; a deep expression, full of nighest tree; the wanton murder of the venue; and as the rear of the party divine speech, and solemnizing even with Davis was at hand, he felt se- while it brightened with an aspect not upon the bayonet of the yelling soldiers cure that all would have passed him of the earth. The light might have some time before his empty saddle streamed from the altar, a halo from pairing one wrong, war does a thouheaven around the brow of its most favorite apostle.

as he passed under the tree where the affairs of life; yet she knew that death glory of brutality?" was busy at her heart. Whence was this strength of mind-this confidence The ground Is there, indeed, a moment before the hour of dissolution when the mortal the fugitive crossed the path, and took is vouchsafed communion, a close com munion and converse with its God. Are there glimpses of the future from draws his hope, his consolation? It is, it must be so. The dim confine, the heavy earth, cannot always be around us. The soul must sometimes employ the wings of a divine prescience, and shaking off human care with human feeling, forget for a while the many pains, along with the humble pleas ures, of humanity, and be only alive to the immortality of the future. The the fugitive; but he was safe, and dark mansions of the coming time, and the huge and high barriers which control it, must then be thrown aside; Goggle, who had lain quiet while the and faith and the pure spirit, in their white garments, already on, must be suffered to take a momentary survey of the world which is to be their own But the spirit had come back to earth, and now grew conscious of its

> claims. "Dear, dear Robert!" she replied, a she motioned to be free from those caresses which he bestowed upon her and which, though studiously light and spiritualizing so fast: "you are come, Robert, and with no ill news. You have no harshness on your brow, and

pressed carefully every allusion to his late adventures; spoke of indifferent things, and encouraged in her that idea of the national peace, which, from hope, had already grown into a con-

"Oh, would that I could only hear of it, Robert, ere I leave you! Could I know that you were safe, all safe, beroad as they passed. The unobstructed fore I die-you, dear aunt, and you, sister, my more than sister—and you, Robert, who have been to me father and brother, and all, so long; would I could know this, and I should die happy-even with joy! But death will have its sting, I feel, in this. I shall vation on an unimportant subject. She go to peace-I feel that: while all the strifes, and all the cares, the wounds, and the dangers, will be left for you! Her eyes now filled, as her earthly for the Santee.

prrows were renewed. Her brother trove to console her in the usual ommonplace. Alas! there is no language for such a time and occasion, but the common-place and fruitless, and silence then is the only fruitful I shall move direct in that quarter."

speech "Fear not for us. dear Emily; and let not our afflictions fill your mind. Be calm on that subject; you have panner. pains and sufferings enough of your own, my dear sister, to keep you from desiring any share in ours."

"I have no sufferings now, Robert I have long ceased to have sufferings did not scruple to disturb him. He of my own. Have I not long survived undergrowth thickened about the trees told his story at full, and had the sat- the hope of life? have I not long labored to sustain myself against the comwilling ear. Proctor at once proceeded ing and the fear of death? God be praised! for I think I have succeeded prepared to surprise the rebel parti- These were my afflictions once, and they are now over. Yet I have sorrows not my own, and they are, that must leave you to sorrows-griefs of er and his prisoner, alike, only taking ing to move in this business now, than an unnatural time, and horrors that seem, of nature. For war is her disheedful of his charge-while Davis whether the suspicious attitude of ease-her most pestilent disease. The Colonel Walton had not already called sharp sword, the torturing scourge, up the rear-Humphries stationed him- for his attention. He was glad of an the degrading rope, the pining and opportunity, therefore, of proving his the piercing famine-these are the horalacrity in the cause, and making rible accompaniments of war; and oh, brother, soldier as you are, when into previous neglect. Something of leave you to the dangers of these, carry with me all my human sorrows. may die, but my soul must bear along with it those thousand fears which belong to my sympathies with

"Ah, too considerate of us, so unworthy such consideration!" was the exclamation of Kate beside her. "Do not, dear Emily, oppress yourself by reflections such as these. You leave us to no difficulties; for though the ountry still be at war, yet our quarter Let us now return to Singleton and is free from its ravages; and though under hostile control, it is still quiet and not now a dangerous one. are all here at peace.'

"Why seek to deceive me, Kate, when but a glance at Robert tells a different story? Look at the sword by his side-the pistols in his belt, and say why they are there, if war be not around us-if there be no occasion for strife, and if he is not exposed to its dangers? You cannot persuade me out of my senses, though in this I am quite willing that you should. Would that it could be so? I would nel. In a few moments the partisan not believe these truths if I could help

"And you need not, Emily, my sister; or though there be war, and though l and moss-bearded oaks, and on his way may be engaged in it, yet the present to the presence of those well beloved prospect is, that it will soon be over, beyond all, and dearer to him than and as we all wish it-giving us peace the life-blood at his heart. Many min- and freedom alike, and securing honutes had not elapsed before he was at orable station for our country among the side of the frail and attenuated the nations of the earth. This last form of her, the sister and the play- thought, my Emily, ought to make you mate of his boyhood; feeble to pros- better satisfied with the risks our peo-

"It does not, brother. I have no that vain ambition, which for the sake fessing the Christian faith. How I man's blood shed like water, for any "Dear, dear Emily!" he exclaimed; pretense, and with any object, by a believer in the Saviour, and the creed

> stand. "You would not have us submit to wreng and injustice?" "No: but the means employed fo

resistance should be justly proportionnown, are too often sufficient not only ror, but to stimulate to undue vengeance, and to make resistance premature, and turn the desire of justice

shrieking babe, quieted in its screams -these are the modes by which, re sand greater. Oh, when, calling things

by their right names, shall we discover She spoke to him of the commonest that all the glory of the warrior is the The picture which the enthusiastic girl had given of the terrors of war,

> was too felicitously just, as it had occurred in Carolina, to be denied by her auditor; and as she had herseld made the right distinction between war as an absolute necessity, forced upon a people in their defence, and pursued only so far as adequately to obtain the mere object of justice, and war as a means of national or individual aggrandizement or fame, there was no legitimate answer to her exhortation. A momentary silence ensued, which was due to the exhaustion following her effort at speech. In a little while

"And how long, Robert, do you stay n our neighborhood?" "But a few days more, Emily; I lin-

ger now somewhat over my time; but

my objects are various and important "And where then do you go?" "Either to the Santee or the Peedee wherever there is a chance of finding Colonel Marion, to whose brigade I am

attached.' "And not so easy a matter," said Kate Walton, "if reports speak truly of your colonel. He is here, there, and everywhere, and they say cannot often be met with either by friend or foe, except when he himself pleases. What

"The Swamp Fox; and a good name for certainly he knows more of the navigation of the thick swamps of the Santee and Peedee, than ever seaman of the broad ocean. In a circuit of five miles he will misguide the whole force of Tarleton for as many days; then, while he looks for him in one quarter. Marion will be cutting up his ragers or the Tories in another. He fearless, too, as well as skilful, and more than a match, with an equal force, for any score of the captains

they can send against him." As the major spoke with that warm erally, an audible sigh from his sister recalled him to his consideration, and he turned to her with some obser did not seem to heed what he said but after a moment's pause, asked, rather abruptly, if he should not move first

"I think so," was the reply: "the prob ability is that I shall there find my orders, if indeed, I do not find my commanding officer. I wait but to fulfill some important duties here, when thaw they are dangerous." "And when, Robert, do you expect to return?" was the farther inquiry,

put with considerable earnestness of "In three or four weeks, Emily; not before, and probably not even then; for I may be ordered to join the continentals, on Gates's arrival, and shall

then have a more limited range and exercise than now." "That will be too late, too late! murmured the maiden with an ex-

pression of deep regret. "Too late for what, dear Emily? said the major, quickly, in reply; but when he met her glance, and saw the mournful utterance which it looked he needed no answer to this question. Never did eye more explicity speak than hers, and he turned his own away to conceal its tears.

"To late to see me die!" she murmured, as he bent his head downward concealing his face in the folds of her encircling arms. "Ah, Robert! I leave you, but not lonely I hope-not altogether alone." Her eye rested upon the face of Kate Walton, as she uttered this hope; and though her brother saw not the look, yet the cheeks of the conscious Kate, so silently yet expressively appealed to, were deeply rimsoned on the instant. She turned away from the couch and looked through the window opening upon the waters of the Ashley, which would at a little distance beyond them, stealing off, like a creation of the fancy, under the close glance of the observer. Her fingers played all the while with the branches of the oak that rose immediately beside the window.

Emily then intimated to her brothe her increasing debility, the necessity of her own repose and of his depart ure, with a calmness which was per fect, and painfully appalling to him in consequence.

"But come to me tomorrow, tomor row night, Robert; come early-I would speak with you: I have much to say to you, and I feel that I have but little time to say it in. Fail me not, unless there be hazard, and then heed not my desire. You must risk nothing. Robert; your life is more valuable to me, strange to say, as my own is leaving me. I know its value, as I am now about to be taught its loss. But go now-and remember, tomorrow,"

His grief and her farewell were alike coiceless. He pressed her cold cheek first seriously attacked by engineers; with his lips at parting; then, like and many and marvellous are the one who had left behind him all his schemes that have since been devised. consciousness, he descended with his In 1802 M. Mathieu, a great French beautiful cousin from that sad but sacred apartment, where life still lingered, neutralizing decay with its latent coaches could be driven from England freshness, but where immortality al- to France. The tunnel was to be ready seemed to have put on some hue of that eternal morning, whose bloom and whose freshness speak not only above the surface of the water. But for its lasting existence, but for its (To be Continued.)

AN UNPLEASANT CLIMATE.-Karachi, port in northern India, has a most cle and menace to navigation. unpleasant climate. The parched desert country behind Karachi has a ter- designed much later, a model of one Jocobabad, thirty miles of which was to be seen at the Paris away, often records 125 degrees F. The exhibition seventeen years ago. This one mail train a day carries a coffin bridge, which was to link Folkeston in the hot weather season "for the with Cape Gris-nez, was to be sup-1 \* ne aggression. But, alas for use of passengers," if need be, and ported by 120 piles, to weigh 1,000,000 sufferer, heedful of all her wants. They humanity! the glory and the glare of in one year long ago twenty-three tons, to cost over £34,000,000, and to mixed with the essence of old shoes," warfare, under false notions of re- European engine drivers died while working their trains. A long journey from the enormous cost of this strucscene for tears; in which smiles had to conceal the bloodshed and the hor- by train in the hot season is particu- ure, which doomed it to financial faillarly exhausting. Carriage windows ure, its piles, which would have in- This bitter crusade soon wore itself the right forefinger, and, having brokare kept shut to exclude the heat, and volved so much danger and difficulty sometimes not only does the woodwork to vessels passing up and down the herself, and though her eye had in it into a passion for revenge. Then, for get hot to the touch, but even the wa- channel, constituted and insuperable ter carried in the tanks on the roof objection to the bridge scheme. Another project doomed to failure can scarcely be endured with the hand.

## Miscellaneous Reading.

DEATH IN COLD STORAGE.

Chief Chemist of Agricultural Bureau Gives Interesting Facts. Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, chief of the chemistry bureau of the department of agriculture and government food expert, gave much interesting testinony concerning the deterioration of coodstuffs in cold storage before the house committee on agriculture, whose hearings on the agricultural appropriation bill have just been made pub-

Two cold storage warehouses are a Dr. Wiley's disposal in Washington and he gave the results he has attained by experiments with all sorts of foodstuffs

"Milk begins to deteriorate right way, and so does cream," said Dr. Wiley. "Eggs also begin to deteriorate immediately. Fruit is improved and sometimes continues to improve for three months. Meat improves up about seven or eight weeks. But after three months for meat you can see that it has reached the maximum and then it begins to go down. I do ot care how hard it is frozen." When asked for a further explana

zen in cold storage. Dr. Wiley said: "We find that meats do not taste as well, and they do not smell as well and every time the jury can pick that which has been kept over three Take our quail: We have mail a year old, and we have a fresh quail cooked at the same time. We cook them just alike and you can distinguished between them first by their looks an dthen by smell and taste Every time the jury can pick them

out blindfolded." ough believer in cold storage, and believes that most foods improve when properly kept for a short time, but he said that the object of his experiments is to tell the public, and particularly the cold storage people, how long they may safely keep articles of food in storage. He said that as yet he has been unable to determine whether drawn or undrawn poultry

kept the better. Dr. Wiley was asked many questions about oysters, and said that the oysters opened and shipped in buckets hould be prevented from entering interstate commerce, as they are dead. "An oyster is dead an hour before it is opened," said Dr. Wiley, "and is not good. It loses its flavor.'

In response to inquiries from Rep resentative Haskins as to the advis ability of freezing oysters to preserve them for shipment, Dr. Wiley said "Oh, they ought not to be frozen. That ruins them and as soon as they

be shipped alive and in the shell and said that the greatest outrage of the oyster trade is to soak oysters with fresh water and swell them up, making them look fat. Dr. Wiley said the oysters sent out in tin cans are all right, but in further denunciation of bulk oysters shipped in tubs and buckets, he said:

"They are either preserved with some precervative or are dangerously near the ptomaine line, one of the

Gelatin was denounced by Dr. Wiey, who said of it: "It is made out of hides, of the scrapings from bides. These hides go into the tanners vats and these hides that smell to heaven are treat-

ed and trimmed and these trimmings are used to make gelatine. The marine hospital service found tetanus germs in gelatine. Dr. Wiley said that the gelatine fac-

tories are the dirtiest in the world. In reply to a question from Representative Haughen, as to the uses of gelatine. Dr. Wiley said: "It is used for putting into ice cream

and candies and for making capsules that you put your medicine in."

### UNDER THE ENGLISH CHANNEL

Many Odd Plans That Have Been Pro posed-Scheme That Seems Feasible. Sixty years or so ago, when enthusiasm for an entente cordiale between England and France v.as about as great as it is today, Douglas Jerrold said: "Tut! The best thing I know between France and England is the seal!" And there are many who are still of the same opinion, says London Tit-Bits, and who regard the proposed channel tunnel, the fate of which parliament will soon determine, with disapproval and even with dismay.

But this project for linking England with France has always had its doughty champions, and among them Queen Victoria, who long years ago said to the Prince Consort: "You may tell the French engineer that if he can accomplish the tunnel I will bless him in my own name, as well as in the name of all the ladies of England." It is now more than a century since

the problem of bridging over or burrowing under the English channel was engineer, conceived a wonderful idea of a submarine road, through which lighted by oil lamps and to be ventilated by a series of shafts rising high the scheme was hopelessly impracticable; for, apart from the grave danger from one or more of these shafts being destroyed by the waves, a line of closely placed shafts drawn across the channel would prove a serious obsta-

Equally impossible were the bridges take ten years to construct. But apart

proposed to construct a tube railway those convicted of the crime of not finger, where it was extracted.-Chamthey set forth for the recesses of the tance the glimmering of the torch by glance was no rebuke to the tearful-

Dover and Gris-nez. The tube, which was to be thirteen feet in diameter and only four inches thick, was to be laid Queer Mistakes of Identity Among in ten foot lengths secured to the bottom by screw piles; and through this submerged tunnel the trains were to ambitious, but equally ineffective, was the plan of M. Castanier, a French engineer, who proposed to lay two paral-

Among many other visionary pr ects was one of a submerged bridge, on which a platform carrying a train was to run across the channel, and another for a submarine boat to run on rails on the sea bottom. Thirty-one years ago the present States he has come across another dou-

a station half way across on the Varne

bank.

with the formation of the "Society of the supreme court. Française du Tunnel Sous-marin," and nmenced on both sides of the chanwas suscessfully driven about a mile gown any time and practically tion of the deterioration of meat fro

> of Shakespeare's Cliff. Unfortunately the project excited feared invasion. A joint committee of though the distinguished senator from the houses of parliament was appointed Rhode Island plays the role of a retto consider the scheme, and when the icent general manoeuvring his forces prospect of success was assured the on the floor of the senate, while the work was stopped.

yond doubt. Beneath the channel, from standard uplifted ready for the fray, shore to shore, there extends a bed of regardless of the distribution of forces. gray chalk, consisting of chalk and If Mr. Foraker's well covered head clay, and quite impervious to water, were matched by the hirsute adornand through this bed, at a distance never less than 100 feet below the water, a perfectly safe and dry tunnel can by side they appear as brothers and be driven at an estimated cost of £4,- their similarity is frequently comment-000,000. The proposition before parliafeet apart, with a third for draining purposes. These tunnels would be lit tle more than twenty miles long; and when completed, as now seems proba ble, it will be possible to reach French soil from Dover within half an hour

### TO MAKE WAR MORE HORRIBLE.

Lots of Inventors at Work on Great and Grewsome Devices. This government expends a small of a possible military value. board of ordnance and fortification is in an attitude of attention with upsupposed to have the duty of encouraging inventors and assisting in the de-

velopment of their inventions. Last year only \$5,000 was expended by the board, which, with its accumunew on hand more than \$100,000. Comparatively few experiments are made number of suggestions are apparently their minds to. shelved without much more attention than polite acknowledgment of the au-

thors. Nearly all the devices submitted are intended to increase the terrors of war by adding to the efficacy of the means of fighting. Perhaps an exception should be made in favor of an ear protector, the invention of a New York man, adapted for use by those who

the coast fortifications. Ordinarily the blast of a big gun has an effect upon the drum of the ear; it is at best unpleasant, and somecelluloid bulb so pierced that it may terfering with the hearing, an advan- prototype of the typical Uncle Sam tage, of course, over the crude method without adding any stage paraphernaof stuffing the ears with cotton so that nothing can be heard and when orders can only be appreciated by pantomime Some of the other inventions which have been favorably received may be regarded as having a tendency to encourage peace since they would introfuce into warfare factors of devasta-

tion which would by their diabolical results promote international disarmasuccessful, would destroy whole ar- ularity and fame of Lincoln were far nies; the inflammable projectile captble of burning up a camp; the nitroglycerine missile; a scheme for pour ng burning sulphur into trenches and kindred methods of wholesale obiteration.

There is, too, the usual proportion of rmored cars, including the highly tween the two was remarked by people protected motor which shall penetrate in the galleries. enemy's lines and afford its steel shielded occupants a chance to pick the head of the great powder company, off the opposing marksmen and incidentally strew high explosives along a taken on many occasions for Admiral death dealing route. One of these hurtling cars makes the famed Juggernaut look like a nursery toy.

One of the conditions which seems to be fully met by incipient invention is the use of smoke for various purposes including that of a shield which will ing received by name the thanks of permit approach upon an enemy withut his discovery of the advance. The country does not lack yet, with for universal peace, the all the cry means of it war.

WHEN COFFEE WAS UNPOPULAR. 1652, and within the next ten years that the greater portion of an ordinary became the fashionable drink of Lon- sewing needle had broken in the first don. A few years later, however, in joint of her left thumb. The surgeon 1663, there was a great uprising could plainly feel the needle point, but against the "oriental beverage of after ineffectual attempts at the exhades." hand, the bitterest invectives coming mended that nothing further should from the pulpit. One leading minister be done lest the attempts to remove it characterized it as "the sirup of soot might result in greater injury to the and another declared that it was "a ever, the patient called upon him to inpoison which God had made black that form him that a day or two previousit might bear the devil's own color." out, and by the time of Charles II en the skin, she without difficulty excoffee houses were known in every tracted the portion of the lost needle village in the land

was that of two English engineers who century, heavy fines were imposed on right arm and down the latter to the

NO. 13. RESEMBLE EACH OTHER.

Public Men at Washington.

Striking facial resemblances of mer in public life and in official circles in be propelled by compressed air. More this city are frequently commented upon. There are three men widely known whose similarity of face and form is so striking, says the Washlel tubes on the sea, bed, connected at ington Star, that queer mistakes of intervals by transverse tubes, and with identity are experienced every now and dent to his distinguished secretary of the navy and attorney general, Mr. Moody, has always been the subject of remark and now and then of humorous mistakes. Now that Mr. Moody has been elevated or at least transferred o the supreme court of the United

channel tunnel scheme came into being ble in the person of James Maher, clerk When Mr. Justice Moody first met with the approval of both the English Mr. Maher it was as a member of the and French governments work was house of representatives, when the resemblance between the two was renel. In France a capital of £80,000 marked. Again when as attorney genwas subscribed. A vertical shaft was eral he had occasion to go to the court sunk near the village of Sangatte, room he occasionally saw his double, about half a dozen miles from Calais, and now as a justice on the bench he and the tunnel was commenced, which can look over the edge of his judical under the sea. On the English side a himself as others see him. Mr. Mabeginning was made with three separ- her's resemblance to the president is ate tunnels-one of half a mile from striking when in repose, but when he Abbot's Cliff, another from the Dover speaks or smiles he is obliged to acside of Shakespeare's Cliff and the knowledge that owing either to the third and longest a seven foot tunnel subduing atmosphere of the court or extending for 2,015 yards from a shaft to the lack of dental qualifications he 160 feet deep sunk near the west end cannot vie with the chief executive

at the other end of the avenue. The resemblance of Senators Aldalarm in the military authorities, who rich and Foraker is also striking, alsenator from Ohio acts the more strik-That the scheme is feasible is be- ing part of a dashing officer with ment of Mr. Aldrich the resemblance would be complete. But standing side

ed upon. Now and then Representative Adir B. Capron of Rhode Island wanders over to the senate end of the Capitol. him is startled at his striking resemblance to the late Senator Quay of and without any of the physical qualms Pennsylvania. He is more robust in which now afflict cross channel travel- appearance than was his prototype

from Pennsylvania and much younger. But the resemblance was always strik-Two senators stand as competitors in the degree of their resemblance to the pictures of a widely advertised doctor, the virtues of whose remedies sum each year for testing new devices are announced in the public prints in ection with a nicture of the doctor lifted hand admonishing the sick. These senators are Clay of Georgia and

enough alike to be brothers were it not for the fact that one is of the most lated allotments of previous years, has generous build, while the other is below the average height. Both wear their bair pompadour and both can says Harper's Weekly, and the vast defy the senate when they make up

Senator La Follette was recently passing through the Marble Room when a Philadelphian nudged a friend at his side and remarked:

"I wonder if Dr. - is here in the nterest of the pure food law." He had not before seen the Wiscon

sin senator.

Senator Carter of Montana and Representative Livingston are rivals in are on duty in the turrets of battle- the role of replicas of Uncle Sam. ships and those who are stationed at When Livingston went to Venezuela some years ago to observe conditions there he was warmly received by the people who knew the United States chiefly by having seen pictures of times it proves disastrous, as in the Uncle Sam. When they saw Livinginstances of men who have lost their ston they declared that he was Uncle hearing. The ear protector is a little Sam personified, and some of them believed him to be the owner of the be placed in the ear and protect it United States. Either Carter or Livfrom the noise and shock while not in- ingston could pass anywhere as the

The likeness between Senator Cullom and Speaker Cannon is also frequently remarked, and Mr. Cullom's resemblance to the venerated Lincoln has been commented upon ever since the two knew each other in the stirring days of the war. Lincoln and Cullom each had a warm place in his heart for the other, and Cullom was always a ment. Of this class must be considered strong supporter of the great emancithose bomb dropping devices which, if pator in the days when even the pop-

from being assured. Representative Lacey and the late Senator Alger were strikingly alike. Whenever Mr. Lacey visited the senate and sat on the divans at the rear of the chamber back of the desk of the Michigan senator the resemblance be-

Since Senator Du Pont of Delaware, took the oath of office he has been mis-Schley. Not long ago his right to the floor was questioned by some visitors, who declared that they knew no reason why Admiral Schley should be on the floor, and they finally accounted for his presence there because of his havcongress. Later they learned their mistake.

medical journals a surgeon recorded some years ago a strange instance of the wanderings of a needle in a lady. offee was introduced into England in The patient called upon him, stating It was satirized on every traction of the foreign body he recomjoint. About a year afterward, howly she had felt a pricking sensation of from the point of the finger. Thus the needle traveled from the left thumb To In England, in the eighteenth along the arm, across the chest to the bers Journal