SPEAK NO ILL

Ney speak no ill—a kindly word Can never leave usting behind; And, oh, to breathe each tale we've heard, Is far below a noble mind. Full oft a bitter seed is sown,

By directing thus the kinder plan; for if but little good is known, let us speak the best we can. Give mothe heart that fain would hide-Would fain another a faults eliace:

How can it pleasure human pride To prove humanity but base? No; let me reach a higher mood, A nobler estimate of man-He sarnest in the search for good, And speak of all the best we can.

Then speak no ill-but lenient be To others' failings as your own; If you're the first a fault to see, Be not the first to make it known, For life is but a passing day,

No lip can tell how brief its span; Then, oh, the little time we stay, Lot's speak of all the best we can.

Miscellaneous Reading

Tacidents After Lee's Surrender. Our correspondent in South Carolina, him on a tree, promising to take him this embassy. The only grace which hood, from Maryland, and elsewhere. The down if he would disclose where his valfrom the Union and Confederate armies, and "bummers" from Sherman's army, which suddenly appeared and as rapidly disappeared in the interior of South Carolins, directly after the surrender of Gen.

saw, she says, men gather and seize their arms from all directions at once. My husband. Mr. Gerhardt, seized a shot-gun, took what powder and ball remained in house, and in less than five minutes from the first alarm was out of sight. I ascination detained me there for a time. I saw one gentleman pass me, walking

suddenly become—how very ill he was. He remained at home. I saw another who lived about two miles distant, who might have been excused at that distance from hearing of the tumult. He came horses taken. The negroes, as a general thing, remained faithful to their owners, though offered liberty by these maraulong. All the soldiers had gone when along. All the soldiers had gone when he arrived in the village. He asked me in their own cabins, and restored them he arrived in the village. He asked me how long they had been gone. I told when the confusion was over.

One gentleman, residing in the neighborhood, had an elegant pair of carriagebowed and ran on.

changed. Some of our citizen-soldiers, in along the road wherever they went.

I think it was there that they rece

Been sent to them to say that there were three thousand United States troops approaching; that they were on their way to the town of Anderson, and would pass by peaceably if not molested. Our men towards Anderson and Pendleton.

I should have mentioned that They stated that a flag of truce had accepted these terms, but most of them

a hundred cavalry soldiers, under a person calling himself "General Brown." I have always doubted whether this person was to witness their entry. a General, or this raid in any way author-rized by the United States Government. that I derive this description. I think it young children. Shots had been fired at over hedge and ditch, in a style worthy then that a force of likely that this band was formed of some them that morning, and hers was the three thousand men was approaching, of of the disbanded soldiers from both ar next house. whom they formed the vanguard, and that | mies. any resistance to them would be avenged by the main body. This main body never appeared, but the terror of the report, in the then entirely disheartened state of the country, deterred almost every one from no further in my description than where the next house. This was hers, and her the dangers and difficulties of the country. The next house. They ordered her the dangers and difficulties of the country. They ordered her they are all the next house. They ordered her they are all the them. The warlike company of citizens, who had issued forth in the morning, remarching and counter-marching so as to keep themselves always between the inturned late that night worn out with vading force and the village.

Before arriving at Pendleton the maranders had visited several farms on the Greenville road. They appeared to know the whole country and the residents of every farm in the neighborhood. They had persons with them who pointed out where those lived who were rich, and who the residents of the protection of their where those lived who were rich, and who wives and families whenever hostile troops about a strength of the march of an army. Pauline's husband being a Mason, she had bound a scarlet ribbon in the upper window of her dwelling and retreated the little change of the had gold and silver and fine horses. These should enter a town on either border, and they seized whenever they were found.

son without the least notice. As they amity were kept alive, at least among the entered the public square they separated Masons of either army. Her little sons

to have their dinner.

in breaking open and despoiling the stores and houses around the square. They had found out a large quantity of old wine which had been stored there for safekeeping. They brought a quantity of this their brethren that priceless jewel, never the priceless jewel, never the priceless jewel in the priceles jewel in the priceles in the priceless jewel in the priceles in the priceless jewel in the priceless jew wine and abundance of provisions to their long forfeited by the Anglo-Saxon race? prisoners, and desired them to make These men were but maranders, and themselves comfortable to which course, they feared a gathering of the people. I believe, these required but little press- Again it was the case that her elder boy ance was even added that their wives and | za he ventured into the street, and presfamilies were in no danger, beyond that ently brought back intelligence that a of losing their silver, jewelry and horses. young man well known in that neighbor-This threatened loss seemed a very trivial hood, Frederick —, had been taken matter compared to the outrages which were said to have been committed in Columbia and other places taken by the

In the meantime, those of the troops who were not on guard scattered them would be burned. In this conjuncture kennel was situate about a hundred yards parties of five or six they entered every tive of the place, a regular Date of the place, a regular Dat seized every horse which was fine and valuable. Then they entered the houses, He represented the citizens of Pendlein which there often remained only the ton to be the most especially innocent women and children. Where they could lambs which the glorious restored Union get food, they were tolerable civil, but could show. Frederick — he especially when the people were poor, and really had nothing, they suspected them of denying it, and, in consequence, became but the passions of men were bitterly rude and violent.

In one case they had been assured that an old gentleman was in possession of a large amount of valuables. He had in reality sold and disposed of them, but they They were persuaded that Frederick refused to believe his assurance, and taking him to a neighboring wood, hung uables were. The unfortunate man, I am assured, really did not have them. They took him down three times in succession, when they saw that he could stand it no longer; but, disbelieving all his assur-ances, they hung him again, until, tired of torturing, they at length released him. When they entered houses, they rushed

DARK CORNER, SOUTH CAROLINA, July 10.—On the last day of April, 1865, being past after the surrender of Gen. Lee, the crizens of Pendleton and vicinity were startled by a report that a body of United States soldiers, said to be three thousand. States soldiers, said to be three thousand and seven drew off their wedding rings. in number, were approaching the village and even drew off their wedding rings. Sometimes they had an exact account of the number of watches owned in each for local defence. They immediately assombled: Many Confederate soldiers, but upon pain of hanging the owners. Those recently returned from the army joined who had parted with these articles and really did not have them were thus re-I.derive this account from a lady-friend duced to a sad state, but I have never who resided in Pendleton at that time. I heard that any lives were actually taken. One lady emptied out her bureau drawers upon the floor, disarranging everything about her house as they were accustomed to leave things, and then sat lamenting in the midst of the confusion. Several times during the day the maraustood trembling on the piazza, supposing ders entered ner uwening, supposing that I might never see him again. Some rything in this state they retreated, supposing her house already sacked. She posing her house already sacked. She lost nothing. Some ladies, better off in and down the street and complaining than their neighbors, employed them-cruelty, and that they thirsted for the blood of an innocent man. The soldiers fall. Should the gates be unclosed, his arms between you." days of their stay, and in entertaining listened with provisions and with their worst her not.

For three days the devastation and

I should have mentioned that before the gate, the brave old man had gained approaching near Pendleton the first the woods and was far out of sight. accompanied their movements, and re-mained posted on the Anderson road until time, they had sacked the town of Greenassured by scouts that they had really ville and carried off everything which gone on to that place.

The band who passed were only about place.

my friend Pauline was unfortunate enough to witness their entry.

They passed the dwelling of Mounted on Chinkling, with a French one lady not much over twenty-five years horn at his back, this fearless rider would

As I have already said it is from her

I scarcely supposed that these facts are

to secluded from all the turmoil and confusion attending the march of an army.

thus amid even the horrors of civil war They came upon the citizens of Ander- some of the remembrances of peace and into parties, and seized every man they saw about the town.

These they divested of their watches, gold buttons, and everything valuable about them; of all arms of course, and soldiers. As their line, all on horses, and leading many more, passed in front of her house, she heard one about them; of all arms of course, and soldier call out to another: "Hallo, Jim, they's a practive house," meaning one of the soldiers.

Many of the troop had been employed now its voice was to her that of an inva

I have understood that the assur- could not be restrained. From the piazvillage. Soon it was reported that if a shot was fired by the citizens the village selves over the surrounding country. In the citizens selected as spokesman a na-

But the passions of men were bitterly oused at that time. These men had been robbing the whole country, and on their tom, that in full cry, to use a sporting return shots had been repeatedly fired on them from behind hedges and trees. was concerned in the matter, and they sternly disregarded the representations of should not be hanged then and there, but of weeks; and they were entertained where his widowed mother and five young in the good old style of Virginia's ancient sisters resided, actually in sight. Gene- hospitality. ral Brown permitted him a final interview with them.

Still looking through the closed blinds, Pauline saw him pass to and from this sad interview. Two men rode in front of to hounds, nor with voice more cheerfully him, two behind and one on each side, all awakened in the woodland, than he who with loaded carbines, ready to shoot if an | was afterwards destined, by voice and exescape should be attempted.

It had been an unfavorable circumstance for him, when his friends were pleading his lamblike innocence, that his look was much more like that of the wolf.

dier-like and manly. Passing to the fare-well interview with the aged mother and was renewed by the arrival of a pack of the young sisters, his bearing was no less erect and manly than usual; his eye did not quail nor his cheek blanch.

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was renewed by the arrival of a pack of sight of her right eye. Her face is very much discolored. Her nose is terribly red."

Arrived at their dwelling, the soldiers surrounded the house and permitted him to enter. Two more brothers were there, resolute young men also. They proposed to exchange dress with him, and to favor his escape, or else to shoot the guard at one door, while he should mount his horse and dash off. But he considered himself pledged to return, and he declined both listened to her reproaches and answered

At length the interview terminatedthe next brother was permitted to retain a horse, and to accompany Frederick.

Pauline was afraid to open her window, or to remove the scarlet ribbon while these men remained. But alas, when they left that peaceful village they left worse ject of my next sketch will show, and yet of the last she felt no apprehension.

take prisoners and to cut off stragglers.

An old man of seventy headed one of

long the road wherever they went. several others, to betake himself entirely him such a perfect seat that a horse might I think it was there that they received to the woods. On one occasion he was news that the escort which Jefferson Da-vis had dismissed in Abbeville had col-lected, and were coming in pursuit of by leaping a ditch and high-barred fence, them. They therefore broke up their en-campment in great haste, and returned lowed him dared to attempt. Before his nearest pursuers could dismount and open

Warned by some of these occurrences, Gen. Brown mustered his men and rethey could discover of value from that sumed his march, giving notice that wher-place. They now returned to Pendleton, and houses in the neighborhood should be to accomplish in such a stiff country. of age, yet surrounded with four helpless | rush through a brake and tangled wood,

tween the villages, miles of woodland often intervene without a dwelling. The shots, I think, had been some miles dishusband was absent. They ordered her little children and herself out of doors, distended nostrils of Blueskin often would spectacles?" and men were detached to set the fire. show. He was always at the death. Mrs. — stood weeping amid her help-less babes. But her old nurse cast her-brush. The foxes hunted in America self before Gen. Brown, and passionately eighty-three years ago were gray foxes, entreated that the home and shelter of with one exception, this was a famous the little children might not be destroyed. black fox, which differing from his breth-

The country people now began to another sable character equally remarka-gather fast in General Brown's rear. The marauders dared no longer delay to plundisappeared from view, disbanding, I unconquerable fox. The chase ended, think, in the mountains of Tennessee and North Carolina.

brother, to the great delight of his family and friends.

VIOLET. famous black fox were all discussed, while Washington; never permitting even his

for the Kome Circle.

Washington a Sportsman,

Whose every battlefield is holy ground, Which breathes of nations saved, not worlds undone How sweetly on the ear such echoes sound !"

The time which Colonel Washington could spare from his building and agricultural improvements between the years 1759 and 1774, was devoted to the chase. He was neither—to use an Americanism "a gunner" nor a disciple of old Izaak Walton; but was a passionate lover of fox hunting, and which sport, being of a bold and animating character, suited well with the temperament of the "lusty prime" of his age, and accorded peculiarly with his fondness for equestrian exercises. His south of the family vault, in which, at present, rest his venerated remains.

The building was a rude structure, but afforded comfortable quarters for the hounds, with a large inclosure paled in having in the center a spring of running water. The pack was very numerous and select-the colonel visiting and inspecting his kennel morning and evening, after the same manner as he did his stables. It was his pride, and a proof of his skill in hunting, to have his pack so criti-cally drafted, both as to speed and botphrase, you might cover them with a sheet. During the hunting season Mount Vernon, to which he applied the punning motto-wir non semper floret-had many distinguished guests from the neighbor-

Washington, always splendidly mounted, took the field at dawn of day, with his huntsman, Will Lee, his friends and neighbors; and none rode more gallantly ample, to cheer his countrymen in their struggle for independence and enpire. Such was the establishment at Mount Vernon prior to the revolution. We now come to the events of late times. After His appearance was particularly sol- the peace of 1783, the hunting establish-

"Bred out of the Spartan kind, So flew'd so sanded; and their heads are hung With ears that sweep away the morning dew; Dewlapp'd like Thessalian bulls; Matched in mouth like bells."

Indeed, by their strength they were fitted, not only to pull down the stately stag, but, in fierce combat, to encounter the wolf or boar, or even to grapple with the lordly lion. These hounds, from their fate would be sealed, unless he could climb some friendly tree, or the voice of the the rescue. The habit was to hunt three times a week, weather permitting. Breakcandle light, the general always breaking bowl of milk, and ere the "early village than themselves behind them, as the sub- cock" had "done salutation to the morn" the whole cavalcade would have left the house, and the fox frequently be unken-About that time we heard shots not take up to make the boy returned with a pair still but the sense and perfection of the scatter over the country in small parties. The sense and perfection of the scatter over the country in small parties, and mules devoted to carrying his own plunder. These were led in the midst of the band, bearing sacks piled with silver the band, bearing sacks piled before sunrise. Those who have sunrise. Those seem Washington on horseback admit that he was the most accomplished of cavaliers, in the true sense and perfection of the character; he rode as he did everything, with ease, elegance and hops; "I don't know but I can manage it, all but the sidestens who have sunrise. Those seem Washington on horseback admit that he was the most accomplished of cavaliers, in the true sense a The first testing but that shots had been ex
The goal of our little band.

At length a boy came back to say that the United States soldiers had sent a flag of the United States soldiers, and that they are treating, but that shots had been ex
The goal of the devastation and plunder in the town of Anderson continued; then the band went on to the town of Hartwell, in Georgia, continuing the same scenes of spoliation and robbing are a good pace, and ridiculed the goal one of the soldiers having been several times at his house, he was recognized by them. After that he was hotly pursued and obliged, with some of the soldiers having been several times at his house, he was recognized by them. After that he was hotly pursued and obliged, with same scenes of spoliation and robbing are good pace, and ridiculed the goal one of its being even possible that he was recognized by them. After that he was hotly pursued and obliged, with same scenes of spoliation and robbing along the road wherever they went. as soon disencumber itself of the saddle as of such a rider. The general usually rode a horse called Blueskin, a dark irongray approaching to blue-hence his name a fine, but rather fiery animal, and of

great endurance in a long run.
Will, the huntsman, better known in revolutionary lore, as Billy, rode a horse sturdy, and of great bone and muscle. Will had but one order—he was to keep with the bounds-a somewhat difficult one roads cut through the woods in various In that part of the country, passing be- directions, by which aged and timid riders Partly moved by her entreaties, and partly by the helpless condition of the mother and children, he relented, allowed runs, Billy recommended that the black Mrs. — to return to her house, and reynard should be let alone, giving it as his opinion that he was very near akin to

This advice was adopted, and ever after der, but passing on by forced marches care was taken to avoid the haunt of the house, where, at the well-spread board, During their hasty retreat Frederick and with cheerful glass, the feats of the succeeded in making his escape, and day, the prowess of the gallant steeds returned, accompanied by his faithful and riders, and the "artful dodges" of the then secured them in the court house, around which they placed a guard. When the hour of 12 m. arrived, the guard called to the prisoners to know it they felt disprisoners returned their unanimous approval. Men of English descent appear to me to prefer, under all circumstances, to have their dinner.

Soldier call out to another: "Hallo, Jim, that's a pretty boy," meaning one of hers. They halted in the public square and striking up the old tune of "Yankee Doodle." How strange it seemed. All who heard it could well remember when their own heart beat responsive to that national sir. Pauline remembered the to have transmitted, replied that there was no necessity, as the party to whom it was to have their dinner.

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They halted in the public square and such to the great deally of his habits, would, after a few glasses of madeira, retire to his bed at 9 o'clock. In 1787, Gen. Washington, never permitting even his was a few that the volume for the great deally of his habits, or the great few glasses of madeira, retire to his bed at 9 o'clock. In 1787, Gen. Washington is deally of the great few glasses of madeira, retire to his bed at 9 o'clock. In 17

Tit for Tat.

"Was there ever such a jealous fellow, always contriving some new test to subject my affections to!" said Julia Harvey to her sister, Mrs. Fanny Markham, as she handed her a letter.

It was from Julia's lover, Captain Paul Wilcox, an officer in an infantry regiment, who wrote to receive him. He told her that she would find him much changed, for he had been wounded in the leg and lost his left arm; that he had telt it his duty to say that he should not hold her to her engagement, though he loved her as as devotedly as ever. Now it happened that Julia had a correspondent in the army, from whom she discovered that the Cap tain received no injuries, and that his story was concocted purely as an additional test of the devotedness of the fair one.

"We'll pay him off for his tricks, Julia." said Mrs. Markham. "Come, and I'll instruct you how to give him change in his

Shortly after the ladies had retired, Capt. Wilcox, pluming himself on his stratagem, was alone in the drawing-room. He buttoned his arm up in his coat, and the left sleeve hung empty, while he counterfeited a halting gait, and put a large piece of plaster on his left cheek to cover an imagiary sabre cut.

In a few minutes, Mrs. Markham ap peared.

"Returned at last!" cried she, warmly

shaking his hand. "My dear Paul!"

"There's not much left of me—little better than half," said the soldier. "I left my poor arm in the West Indies." "Poor, dear Paul," said the lady-"And

how is your leg?" "Very poorly. I am troubled with daily exfoliation of the bone."

"Poor Julia!" she sighed. "She will be much affected by the change in me, will she not?" asked the brave

"Oh, dear, no; I was thinking of the change in her."

"Change in her?"

"What! havent you heard?"
"Not a word." "Ah! I see-she was afraid to write to

you. She has lost all her beauty." "Yes-you know she never was vaccin-"Never vaccinated?"

"No-and she has had the small pox very badly. Poor Julia, She has lost the

"Yes. It dosen't matter so much about her eyes—she wears blue spectacles." "Blue spectacles and a red nose?" ex-

claimed the Captain. "But you don't mind that. Beauty is nothing," said Mrs. Markham, who was ravishingly beautiful herself. "You love Julia for her heart; you always told her so. And as you are so maimed and disfigproposals. One sister, in the bitterness of her heart, reproached the soldiers for cruelty, and that they thirsted for the might be passing their kennels after night.

"And red nose and blue spectacles!" "Hush! here comes Julia," said Mrs. huntsman or whipper-in came speedily to Markham. "Don't appear shocked. Julia, my dear, here's the Captain."

The door opened, and Julia entered. fast was served on these mornings by She had painted her face most artistically, a pair of blue spectacles concealed her fine, his fast with an Indian corn cake and a black eyes, but the marvelous feature of her face was her nose-it glowed with all the brilliancy of a carbuncle.

"Oh, dear Paul," said she; "poor, dear Paul how much you must have suffered."

"Not exactly," said the poor Captain.
"The tip of your nose is rather a warm color, to be sure."

"Oh, the doctor says it will settle into a

purple, by and by."
"Oh, he does, does he?" said the Captain, abstractedly. "Do you think I would look better

with with a purple nose?" asked Julia.
"Speak not of it," said the Captain. "But tell me, when you heard of my in-

juries, were you not inclined to relinquish my hand?"
"Not for a moment." "Then forgive my deception," said the Captain. "Here is my left arm as sound

called Chinkling, a surprising leaper, and Uaptain. "Here is my left arm as sound made very much like its rider, low but as ever. I have no wound upon my cheek; I can dance from dark till dawn." "How could you be so cruel!" said Ju-

lia. "It is my turn to ask whether you are willing to fulfill your engagement."
"With all my heart," said the Captain,
"I am grieved for the loss of your beauty, I confess; but your heart and mind are

dearer than your person." "Excuse me for a moment," said the lady; I must retire for a few minutes."

In an instant she returned, radiant in all the glory of her charms.
"Paul," she said, "how do you like me

"You are an angel," said the Captain, holding her in his arms. "How could you

"Not a word of that," said the beauty. "We have friends in camp who exposed

your jealous folly, and it was only 'tit for "I deserve it all," said the Captain, "and here I avow I am cured of jealousy for-

When they were married, which follow ed as a matter of course, they were prosubmitted to the matrimonial noose.

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