MISCELLANY.

You Did.

As children, when we need to play Upon the benech in muslin frocks, And formed a tangled disarray Of soaking shoes and tattered socks; When nurse was driven to complain, And kind mamma so gently chid, Begging you ne'er to err again, You sa'd you wouldn't-but you did.

When Beity, whom you worked so hard, And yet who loved you none the less, Was prayed, so urgently, to guard A secret from your governess; You recollect her puzzled look, Wishing to do as she was bid, And voice of badly feigned rebuke, Which yowed she wouldn't—but she did.

That garden party, far the best Of any I have e'r enjoyed; We sat iogeiber, while the rest (Rare chance)) were otherwise employed; Though your mamma had talked for hours, And ventured firmly to forbid A tete-a-tele among the flowers; You said you wouldn't-but you did.

The things that happened 'neath the shado Of clematis that clustered fair, The things we looked, and thought, and eaid, And hoped, are neither here nor there. I know not if the day was fine, Or 'neath the clouds the sun was hid; I know to one request of mine You said you wouldn't—and you did.

THE TWO KISSES.

I am an old man; so old am I that. looking back, life seems very long, and yet so short, that I do not know whether many things did not happen in a dream I am hale, and hearty, and merry, for the matter of that; and when I laugh, my laugh rings out clearly and loud, they say; so much so, that it makes the people around, especially my grand-children, and nephews and nieces, laugh too. And when I laugh the old times come back when others, who are silent now, laughed with me, and then I am suddenly still, and the laugh dies away; and when I think of it, its empty echoes fill my brain just as if it were sleep laughter in a dream.

When I stop laughing so suddenlyfor the merriment and enjoyment, and, for the matter of that, the grief and pain of old men, are short and sudden, like those of children-my grand-children, and nephows, and nieces have a great difficulty to stop, too; and they choke and nudge each other, and say: "That is a good story, uncle; almost as good as the story you told us yes-terday." Told yesterday! Let me see what it was I told yesterday. How long are it

Told yesterday! Let me see what it was I told yesterday. How long ago it seems! it must be longer ago than the time when I was only twenty years old, a stalwart, brave fellow, in yellow breeches, black leggings, a heavy, brass-bound, leather helmet; with a plume tipped with red, and a clanking sword, which I now could not lift with my two hands. I was a royal volunteer then.

Yes, people think me very merry. And s, thank heaven, I am; for I try to stand upright, four-square to the world, as a man should; but being an old merry and the source of the source o have blank places in my heart now where no love grows; barren spots in my memo-ry, and chilled and numbed parts in my feelings whereto I cannot look back, and whereon I dare not tread and touch, lest sudden pain should come back, like the

shooting of an old, old wound. Been in love? Yes, I should think I have; how else could I have grand-children, those people who laugh so hearty when I laugh, and make me tell how old I am a score of times, and say how well I am looking.

Been in love? I think I was talking of that, was I not? Yes, been in lovel her hand: "Alice, dear Alice, did you Well, we did love when I was a young mean that kiss?" fellow, and I recollect my Alice, and I recollect her as I loved her when she was answered. very young, and as I love her now. I think she could do anything but drink and smoke or tell an untruth, or do a wrong action. Her face was a sweet oval; her hair a very dark brown, nearly black; and her eyes were a deep blue, full of merriment at one moment-ay, at all moments, except when she heard a sad story or was touched with pain for any one else, and they grew deeper and deeper as they filled with tears. Not for

turies have been washing that chalk-bound coast, and at intervals there stand up pillars of chalk, with seas around them. The people call such a place "No Man's Land," and no man can own it, truly. Well, Job came to one of those within a few feet, say twelve, from the cliff, and turning to me, said, "Joe, Junior"—I think I see his bright face now—"I challenge you to jump on that 'No Man's Land,' I do. "Joe," said I, hurriedly, "don't be a fool! It maybe would give way at the turies have been washing that chalk

foel! It maybe would give way at the top, and if it did not, how could you jump back without a run? You'd be stuck on the top like a mad sentinel or a pillar saint. I'm not going to jump

"But I am," said he. And before I could stop him, if I need tried, he took

It was so sudden I could only stand aghast when I saw him there. He stood, indeed, for a moment, and then he took a back step, and would have jumped back, when I heard a runbling sound, and half the top of the "No Man's Land" part, and the chalk and earth, and Joe, too, fell down with a crash on

the rocky coast below. I ran round the little creek to the other side of a small bay, and throwing myself down on the turf, stretched my neck over, looked over and cried out: "Joe! Are you hurt, Joe?"

A faint voice came up, and I could see the poor fellow struggling under a huge piece of chalk, which seemed to hold him down in agony. He smiled in a ghastly way, and said: "Run, Joe, run!

the tide's coming in!" Well, I did ran, and we got ropes from the tents, and a few strong fellows held them as I swung over the cliff, just reaching poor Joe as the water was lap, lap, lapping up to his mouth, taking away his breath, and then running back, crawling over him, and leaving bubbles of salt foam, as if in sport. I got him out, but he could not stand. Some bones were broken, and he was badly bruised, so that I was forced to tie him to a rope, and they hauled him up, and we took him home.

Well, well, to make a long story short, poor Joe died, with my praise on his lips, and Alice bowed her head like a broken lily. It was a long time before she got over it, and summer had grown

prepared to resist the French; and I days wore on, we grew closer together, and some of my companions were en-camped in white tents on the coast of to have transferred her brother's love to

We had the mistletoe, too. At last, one madcap follow proposed that the ladies should kiss the gentlemen all round when and how they could; and Alice should play, too; and she, in a solemn,

bough, and kissed me on the lips. Aye, it's many years ago, but I feel it now

My heart beat so fast that I hardly John S. Preston, F. W. McMaster, John T. Sloan, Sr., B. W. Gibber, Sr., dared return it; but I put my arm around her and took her gently by the bay-win-dow of the old hall, saying as I pressed R. W. Gibbes,

Well, I need not tell you what she answered. 'Tis fifty years ago, fifty years ago! and I am surrounded by Alice's grand-children, and there is one, bittle thing with light and colden heir a little thing with light and golden hair that will deepen into brown, who plays around my knees and tells me her little stories, her sorrows and her joys; so quick, so harried in their coming and their going, that they are like my own, and as we talk, we grow quite friends and companions, as my Alice was to me.

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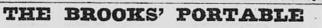
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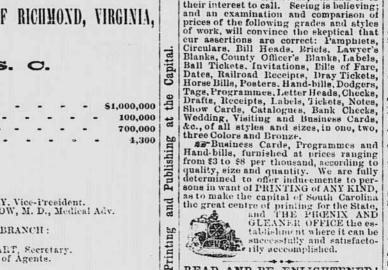
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deeper as they filled with tears. Not for herself. She never cried for herself that I know of, for she never had a day's illness. But she was terribly cut up when her brother died, and that you see was how I knew her. Her brother was my right-hand man in my company. Many's the time he stood shoulder to shoulder to me, good at drill, good at song—good at anything. He used to live near the coast; and, indeed, he join-ed us, and I was one of his tent-fellows. ed us, and I was one of his tent-fellows,

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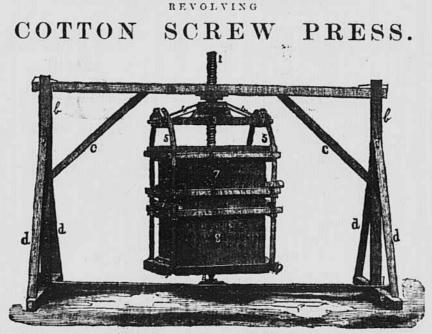
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So we are fast friends, little Alice and I; and to-night, on Christmas night, I noticed that she would not dance or play with the pink and shiny-faced little Well, he knew the people that I knew, and we were soon friends; and he took me home to show me Alice. He was always talking about her, and she about and when he was there, scarce a me, and talked softly in the fire-light, as look did she give me. Her brother—his name was Joe, and mine too—could do everything, and was the be-all and end-come back and new times, like the old; all of the world, I used to think; and so one day I tried to rnn with Joe, and Joe told her she should choose a sweetheart, beat me, and Alice laughed; and then I she got a little bit of mistletoe, and shot against Joe, and he beat me too, and she laughed the more; and I wrestled with him and threw him; she didn't laugh then, but ran to see whether he was hurt, and said it wasn't fair for Joe to tackle a big fellow like me, although he was nigh an inch taller. In short, I and said I was her sweetheart.

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