

Ah! vat a blessing cole vinter be, Ven he kill all ze moskeetare and flea; Zen till ze spring time varm vedder sall bring, Monsieur Moskeetare, no more you vill sing.

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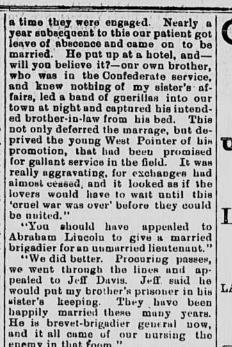
We were sitting in our room at the Glades Hotel, in Oakland, Maryland. one day with a charming lady who had dropped in on a visit. One of our windows looked into that of another windows looked into that of another room so placed by the position of the main building that half of its interior could be seen. We were looking up and admiring a little chubby, blue-eyed two-year-old, white as snow, who was pulling a bouquet to pieces and tossing out its fragments, or clapping her bands with delight as a train went

thundering by. "These rooms," said our visitor, " have some very tender associations

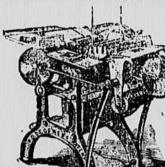
war the greater part of the hotel was seized by the Government as a hospital, and we were crowded into few rooms. My sister and I had this. In that room where that little beauty is wer two Union officers, one sick of was hard to tell whether they were slowly dying or slowly getting well. I never saw such ghostly skeletons to be alive. We were 'secesh,' and not mo-dest chent it either but still condest about it, either; but still our hearts ached for the poor young men, so ill, perhaps dying, far from friends and relatives."

"It bothers one to know how this should be a hospital," we said, "it is so far removed from active opera-

tions." "It was thought," she answered, "that the mountain air of the glades would be more favorable to recovery would be more favorable to recovery than elsewhere, so this was made a hospital. One day one of these officers dragged himself to the window and under the impulse of the movement my sister asked if we could do any-thing for them, and he answered, gasp-ing for breath, that a little chicken or form would say a their lives. Chickens soup would save their lives. Chickens were rare in those days—an army is hard on poultry. The men will work all hight, after marching through the day, to secure a few obickens; so that when the hospital nurse and physician had an unlimited supply of luxuries in the way of wincs, potted meats and canned vegetation, they were without anything fresh. We knew where a few chickens were hid in a cellar by a neighbor, and we coaxed one out of the owner, and after a deal of yean-tions trouble-for at event tions trouble-for at every turn we were met by a fixed bayonet and an insult-we got the soup ready, and as the guard in the hall would not permit the guard in the nall would bot permit us to approach our patients, my sister attempted to hand the bowl to the of-ficer in the window. Just as he was feebly reaching for it and she stretch-ing persolf half out to give it to him, a barsh, ugly voice below cried aloud, "Look out there—point" is he mend, a barsh, agiy voice below cried aloud, 'Look out there—poison!' She nearly dropped herself, sonp and all. Draw-ing back she besitated a second, and then she took the spoon and began eating the broth. 'Oh, botherl' oried the officer. 'Don't waste it that way; Leor STOCK of MUSICAL MERCHAN-their STOCK of MUSICAL MERCHAN-DISE, consisting of Pianos, Church and Parlor Organs. Melodeons, Violins, Gui-tars, Banjos, Flutes, Accordeone, Brass and Silver Band Instruments of all kinde. Also, Sheet Music and Instruction Books for every class of Musical Instruments on hand at all times. We are Sole Agents for the State of South Caroline of Estey & Co.'s COTTAGE ORGANS. Sheet Music sent by mail, post paid, on receipt of price: and all kinds of Musical Goods sent by Express, when ordered, to any part of the State, ranos and Organs for sale cheap, for each, Pianos, Organs and Melodeons Tunce and Repaired in a satisfactory moment; and will give special attention to Packing, Re-moving and Shipping Pianos for other par-ties to any point desired, at moderate Allorders promptly attended to and satisf I'm not afraid;' and she gave him the soup. It seemed to revive them, and they continued steadily to improve, as day after day we supplied them with chicken broth until the cellar was empty. During this time we stood at the window talking and we sang to them-sang 'My Maryland' and all the Southern songs we knew, until they were well enough to leave the hospital and return to duty. They both seemed sorry to go, and forced on as a quan-tity of hospital stores and some coffee, which last we needed sadly. Then one gave a ring and the other a brooch, as tokens of their kind feelings." tics to any point desired, at moderate prices. Allorderspromptly attended to and sat-isfaction guaranteed to those favoring us with their patronage. Send for our cata-logne of Sheet Musicand Musical Merchan-dise. Richardson street, a few doors bove PHERNIX office, Columbia. S. C. Nov 7 "And did they never return?" We asked. "One did not; for, poor fellow, he was killed in the very next battle in which he was engaged. His com-panion wrote us about it, and the writer insisted upon opening a corres-pondence with my sister; and soon his letters grew into love letters, and after



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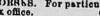
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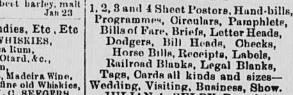


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