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From the N. O. Delta.

An Incident in Mississippi Jurisprudence THE IMPORTANCE OF HEARING THE ACCUSED BEFORE MAKING JUDGMENT VINAL.

The circumstances which I am about to relate occurred a few years ago, and are given to the press at the suggestion of a gentleman of New Orleans, whose friendthe same in casual conversation on the lake

I was attending the Circuit Court of the when, among other pleas for the State, there presided was a gentleman of large learning and extended legal experience, and he still pi. The accused was a native African, and was the property of a gentleman of the arson was laid in the destruction of a ginhouse of his master; the plea was not guilty, when a jury was empannelled and the while the defence was under the management of one of the most thoroughly read lawyers of our State, assisted by his son, a young lawyer then in the opening promise of a brilliant future.

The evidence on the part of the State disday before the fire, which occurred between but he no burnee de gin," &c. midnight and daylight, the defendant was The defendant continued after that manin an adjacent field, about a mile from the speak." gin; that he was then whipped, but not for the purpose of inducing confession, but as a that opportunity. After a pause he said to punishment for running away; that, and the prisoner, "Edinborough, you have shaken while on the way to the quarter, the degreatly my conviction of your guilt, and fendant involuntarily confessed that he burned the gin; that he set it on fire with trial, but from your answer at this bar to-day, a view of implicating a negro on the plan- I will change my ruling upon the motion; tation who had incurred his animosity.

The evidence for the State closed after introducing the negro to prove that the defendant did owe him a grudge for some pathies to meet and commune with the charcause not necessary here to be detailed. ity which dictated such high-toned clement The defence offered no evidence, and the cy on the part of Wiley P. Harris. 'Up-

ence to the facts and the law applicable to eminent for high legal attainments, presented a powerful series of arguments and hypotheses inconsistent with the conclusion

The law was given in charge by the was overruled.

The next day the prisoner and another, who was convicted of murder, were placed at the bar to receive the sentence of death, The Court, having regularly pronounced 10 oo judgment upon the murderer, then said to Edinborough:

"Ediaborough, stand up! You have 20 00 10 00 your own selection, and by them found 16 on guilty of the crime of arson. The punish- exception of the principal. ment for that crime is death. You have 12 or had able counsel who have conducted your cause with unmistakable skill and ability; no on but if you have anything to say why the 15 00 judgment of this court should not be pro-31 66 nounced, the law gives you liberty to speak 35 00 for yourself. What have you to say?"

to face the stand, and expressed his thanks 25 on to "Massa Wiley," for it appears he had often seen and heard of the Judge, and it was 41 (6) quite natural that he should so address him. small that the light and heat are reflected ao oo Said he: "Massa Wiley, Edinborough glad and radiated from all parts. Family com-40 00 he got a chance to speak for heself, case, fort cannot thrive in a hall or a field. I im-50 00 Massa Wiley, Edinborough no burnce de gin. Dat nigger tell you lie when he say Edinborough burnee de gin; he git he back dence. I doubt not, for the same reason, whipped. Edinborough! old nigger, he people living among mountains are more git drunk, overseer whip him, den Edinborough do bad ting, he run away. Berry Beeted, Secondly, we like small houses bad! but Edinborough no burnee de gin: because they look paid for and a small he see no gin dat day. Young massa and house paid for holds more happiness and overseer tell truf, dey did see me dat day, real friends than a large one unpaid. Anybut I hide in de swamp till night, and den go to the cotton house and git under de cotton to keep warm. Edinborough wanted horrors and disquietudes as that described to go back to be massa house, but he 'feared' by Hood. Thirdly, we like small houses -he stay in de cotton house. Bymeby, because they look sympathizing. They are aight come on, Edirborough see niggers go like people not overque. A big house is like a make acquaintance. A big house is like a parties to gin, and want to go dar, but he feared big man--unaccostable. Stately parties de overseer whip him. Negur pack cotton, and budly halls are like the titles D. D. negur load wagon, negur smoke pipe and LL D, etc.-imposing, distant, and inclihad lettle fire to warm be fingers when he ned to be repellent. In the fourth place, ship I highly value, and to whom I narrated seven stars yield over he head by seven stars right over he head he go to furnished; how tastefully surrounded and quarter. All dis time Edinborough lay in adorned by shrubbery and flowers, its obde cotton house, and presently when ebery servers are its admirers and friends. It State of Mississippi, held in and for the ting still, Edinborough look towards de gin does not fall under the 'evil eye,' and no and see big light. Light get bigger. Den man woo nas a som wome abode of his wife Elinborough say to heself, you go put fire and children—to be an object of envy. was a bill of indictment for arson against out -no den dey say Elinborough burnee Everybody can say, and is encouraged to Edinborough, a slave. The judge who de gin. So I stay in cotton house, and af. say, I can build ter while Edinborough hear oberseer and words are equivalent to a blessing. Fifthly, Mass Henry coming. Dey say "he here;" we like a small house, because it must allives to enjoy the rewards of a high professional repute at the capital city of Mississip- ton house, and dey find me in de cotton The diligent laborer can own, by patient house. Oberseer whip me for run away industry, such a house. The wide dat night. Den when we going to de quarcounty in which the bill was found. The ter, Edinborough tink with heself dat if he say "Edinborough burnee de gin," den de ing-places of nine-tenths of the race? Sixoberseer no whip-case den he had good thly, we like small houses, because in such excuse to Massa. So I say, "Edinborough most of us begin life. It is with small cause proceeded to trial. The prosecution burnee de gin," and dea dey bring me away the first care and joys of married life, are was conducted by the district attorney, and lock up in big house. But, Mass mostly associated. Wiley, Edinborough tell lie when he say small way? In the last place, we prefer Edinborough burnee de gin, case Edinbor. the small house, because it is not so far reough no burnee de gin. Dat gin ketch fire moved from our last narrow home. Only from dem negur's pipes, and dat leetle fire there; but from the large palace to the dey leave dare. But, Mass Wiley, Edingrave the change is too abrupt. I've grown borough old negur; let up die; no count, sober over these orders of architecture, and closed the following facts: That a few days But he no burnee de gin. Edinborough will stop. previous to the burning, the defendant had been on the Bayon Pierre long time; but run away upon insufficient cause; that the no count now for make cotton; let um die;

seen lurking in the vicinity of the gin; that her in his broken lingo for an hour and a his campaign in Italy, and it was of so sean ineffectual attempt was then made to half, and seemed particularly anxious to rions a nature, that the surgeons were in capture him; that the overseer and a por- convince the court of the truth of what he tion of the hands had been engaged at the said. He did not seem to hope for anything, gin till a late hour the night of the fire, and seemed perfectly unconcerned as to the packing cotton and loading wagons for event. His style was uncouth, his gesticutother was on his toe, and was received at Grand Golf; that when they left for the lation impassioned and wild, and his whole Ecmul. 'At the seige of Acre,' continued quarter they left everything, as they suppos- appearance forbidding. He took his seat ed, safe at the gin; that when the alarm without seeming conscious of the fact that was made, the force was carried to the gin, the numerous auditory had been interested, and an attempt made to subdue the flames, and that a great majority of them were conwhich proved abortive; that suspicion im- vinced, if not of his innocence, at least that mediately fell upon the defendant, from the there was reasonable doubt of his guilt. fact of his being a fugitive, and that he had The Court seemed much affected, and asked been seen in the vicinity the day previous; the District Attorney if he had any thing One has since lost a leg at Moseow, that, upon that supposition, a more vigorous to say in reply. The Attorney, with much search was instituted, and after a diligent suprise, said "no, that he deemed it unnenursuit of about an hour and a half the de- cessary, that it was, he supposed, mere for! fendant was discovered in a cotton house, mula to give the defendant, opportunity to

Then, said the Court, he has improved not for any thing laid in the motion for new will grant you a new trial."

The large crowd breathed, freer, and many a heart went forth in its kindliest sym. argument proceeded. The District Attor on a second trial the negro was acquitted, the last drop of blood gushing out of their natural products! Let married people take veins, they exclaimed 'Vive l' Empereur!'

lingered upon the masterly defence of King | and affirms that it is genuine. Charles before the High Commission; have of guilt !

Such is the narration as far as I can reactors in the scene are now living with the

A Member of the Mississippi Bar.

- 400 Comfort of a Small House.

We confess to being altogether of the extract from the Ohio Farmer:-

We confess to a liking for small houses The negro advanced a step or two, so as and small women. Touching the former, we will here gives seven good, and, as we think, sufficient reasons, for our preference. In the first place, they imply small, cozy rooms. Not cramed, but mensurable. So agine that the boy who did not feel sufficiently acquainted with his father to ask him for a new cap, lived in a palatial resisociable than those who live on plains,-Affection, like a smile, dies unless it is rething unpaid is uncomfortable. To an honest man debts are demons, and an indebted house a haunted house full of erceping like people not overdressed, more ready to ways remain the people's house. The in live in such a house; and what a rich, rational comfort it is to live in such accommodations as of necessity must be the dwell-Most of us begin in a

Bonaparte's Wound.

Napolen showed me the marks of two wounds-one a very deep cicatrice above to amoutate. He observed that when he was wounded it was always kept a secret in orhe, 'a shell thrown by Sidney Smith fell at my feet. Soldiers, who were close by seized, and closely embraced me, one in front and the other at one side, and made a rampart of their bodies for me, against the efect of the shell, which exploded and overwhelmed me with sand. the hole made by bursting; one of them was wounded. I made both officers .and commanded at Vincennes when I left Paris—when he was summoned by the Russians, he replied that as soon as they had sent him back the leg he had lost he would surrender the fortress.' 'Many times in my life,' continued he, 'have I been saved by soldiers and officers, throwing themselves before me when I was in the most imminent danger.

At Arcola, when I was advancing, Col. received the wound which was destined for of angels with women has been ferbidden diers as mine manifested for me. In all my misfortunes never has a single one of

I have read the philippies of Demosth- Romace in Real Life-The 'Dutch' Girl. Edward Everett on the Atlantic Cable. prairies, should go flashing along the slimy nes, the orations of Cicero, the efforts of The Washington (O.) "Register" has The following passage from the oration decks of old sunken galleons, which have

We have lately got in possession of some Charles before the High Commission; have been touched with the pathos of the "blind facts relative to thrilling incident, which been touched with the pathos of the "blind facts relative to thrilling incident, which at Albany, more than a year ago, is quite of men and women, whose hearts, once as personage in whom a certain foible, weakpreacher" in the British Spy; have felt all conclusively demonstrates that beauty and appropriate at the present time. In enof a boy's patriotism burn within me while worth unadorned, are far more valuable unretating the achievements of science, he and roared over them, centuries ago? Be- the "Character" is a fop, sometimes a dash-Court, and the jury rendered a verdict of reading after our own Henrys, Lees, Lown-than all the tinseled drapery of earth. Not said: guilty. A motion was made to set aside have alternately wept and shouted beneath these undulating farms that looks so pleasdoses, Clays, Websters and Calhouns, and over tea miles from Washington, on one of the verdict and grant a new trial, for a va-riety of causes, and, after a labor argument, but I must say that, under all the circum-June, is a pretty country residence, where a stances, this rude, unlettered thetoric and retired trader and his wife live, with their being. By the use of a few written or poems of Honer, those world renowned as well in the estimation of other people, as natural pathos of the African slave fascina- only son, in the enjoyment of wealth and ted me beyond description. What a tri- case. As we are not permitted to give the bute, too, to the humanity and charity of teal name of the parties we will call the Wiley P. Harris, who, under the magical gentleman Mr. Ladden. Among the helps' influence of the truth, took the responsibile in the house was a German girl who posity to answer the dictates of mercy in this sessed remarkble beauty. There was an tween them; this unseen, intangible, my- the golden legends—that sovereign wrath case, when the bare record was conclusive air of superiority in her manner and address; but the Landens were somewhat a proud people and always treated her, as

tant lauteur. some miles distant, but Frank being busy at something did not accompany them .way of thinking expressed in the following ed silently into the the sitting room. There sat Mary (as we will call her) with the guitar, which she played with a skill almost artistic. After executing a bhilliant piece,

the chasonetts of Beranger. The youth was entranced, and when she concluded, he could not forbear an exclamation of surprise and admiration. The out with his parents; she turned pale with lismay, tottered and fell fainting on the Frank ran to her aid, but was in a oudition not much more rational; he had ing hesitating kiss, that kiss was fatal .--Mary recovered from the swoon, but Frank aid not escape the effects of the dream, and buried in restless thought. He would have treated the girl with some attention, but not a word, not a look could be win from her; she pursued her occupation with her usual diligence, and acted as if no other means, Frank one day took advantage of the absence of his parents and candidity avowed his affections, making honorable and frank proposals.

won from her of the existence of some very tender sentiments in her own bosom; also her own narration of how she came with ralism and died poor and broken-hearted in New York. Mary went to Cincinnati and then came into the country to hire out.

When all had been explained, she insisted on the whole thing heing openly debe a party to no clandestine measures .--The disclosure was made; the parents became indignant, and Mary was sent away.

Months of despair ensued. Mary would onsent to no hidden correspondence .-Frank's health began to fail and the doctor to shake his head. The crisis was irresisble. Mary was sent for, Frank got well and they are now a happy pair, and Mary is the affectionate daughter-in-law of a coupen ever sent them. Truly lowness is young ambition's ladder.

Cotton.--In 1770, there were shipped to Liverpool three bales of cotton from New York; four bales from Virginia and Maryland, and three from North Carolina. In 1784, the year after the treaty which closed the Revolutionary war, and secured the reby Great Britain, a vessel that carried eight bales of cotton from the United States to Liverpool was seized in that port on the doubt whether it might not be necessary ground that so large a quantity of cotton in a single cargo could not be the produce of the United States—so humble were the beder not to discourage the soldier. The ginings of this now extended culture. The invention of the cotton-gin by Whitney, in 1793, by cleansing the cotton at a very cheap rate, most powerfully stimulated pro duction. Mr. Burn, in his valuable statistics of the cotton trade, said the cotton wool imported into England, 1781, only amounted 14,603 bales; in 1856, it had reached the enormous quantity of 1,860,000 bales. We sunk into an example of extended commerce, in some comparatively a short period without a parellel. In the same year, the consumption in France, in the North of Europe and in the United States amounted to 1,675,000 bales, making the total crop of the year

1855, 3.475,000 bales, The last word is the most dangerous of infernal machines. Husband and wife should no more strive to get it than they Meunon, my aid-de-camp, threw himself der to keep off them. Ladies who marry before me, covered me with his body, and for love should remember that the union me. He fell at my feet, and his blood since the flood. The wife is the sun of the pouted up in my face. He gave his life social system. Unless she attracts, there is to preserve mine. Never yet, I believe, has nothing to keep heavy bodies, like husbands, there been such a devotion shown by sol- from flying off into space. The wife who would properly discharge her duties must never have a soul 'above buttons.' Don't my soldiers, not even when expiring, been trust too much to good temper when you wanting to me-never has man been ser- get into an argument. Sugar is the subved more faithfully by his troops. With stance most universally diffused through all

the inauguration of the Dudley Observatory,

printed lines on paper, so like each other, that in language with which we are familiar sterious mental essence, compared with of Achilles, which which a perfume, a sound, a lunar rainbow been regularly indicted, tried by a jury of member; its truth is indubitable, as all the many folks often do hired girls, with diseye; by the gentle impulse, the soft vibra- scene to which the sad experience of three morbidly, in one direction, over-stimula-One pleasant day last summer, the lady tions, which the lips impart to the elastic thousand years could not add one image of ting a part, and leaving the rest feeble. and gentleman had gone to visit a friend air, it expresses itself to the ear. To give the spoken word duration, I translate it into at something did not accompany them.—
Soon after the carriage was gone, Frank heard the sound of music. Somewhat a vital emphasis, I translate it into vocal Priam, kissing the hand and bathing with woman, my annt located herself with finery, astonished, he stole into the house, and peeps speech. By one divine art, the dead letter, his tears the feet of the crues chiefrain, who and adorned her person with that excess of charged with a living meaning, sounds through echoing halls, and wins or storms three times round the man wans, and wants, and strength, and one was familiarly its way to sympathetic hearts; by another, every subsequent age of munkind has re- known as the Old Back, and the other as she glided into a sweet French air, and then the fleeting wavelets of the air are crystalized traced with delight—these all, like the cume the Queen of Sheba. Yet neither seemed with a rich voice, full of pathos, sung one of ed into a most marvelous permanence, and ningly imprisoned airs of a musical box, in the least conscious of the ridiculous figbecome imperishable gems of thought, whose breathe to us in one perennial strain of use they out in society, molecular no large of time can always at the molecular from within the covers of this small. "How do I look, Jose instre no lapse of time can obscure; while, wolume. By the simple agency of twenty, heard my and ask of her bushand. by the union of both, this incomprehensible four little marks, stamped on the written or . She was dressed for a ball, and they were girl turned hastity when she see the young being, the mind, gently woord from the the printed page, the immortal legend has waiting the arrival of a carriage. I was in man at the door, whom she thought was vestal chambers of our innost nature, comes thashed down to us through the vicissitudes the next room, and could both see and hear. forth like a bride adorned for her lordly of empires and crass-across the vast ex. My anni was dressed in a heavy, flounced spouse, the word; clad in the rich vesture of history—from region to region, from his had been made by a fashionable hair-dresof conversation, of argument, of cloquence, own rocky islet in the Egean to shores under ser, and admitly arranged so as to conceal omething of the family pride, and was of of poetry, of some to walk with him the known, undreamed of, by him-beneath sly, retiring disposition. Imagine the basy or the seeladed paths of life; to in. the overwhelming billows of three thousand ers waved and nodded above the abundant ushing, confused young man supporting the seconded paths of the; to me, she looked like a struct and delight the living generations; it now binds together, by the golden wires fright. I waited for my uncle's reply with with his arm the form of a lovely girl in struct and designt one away generations, it now binds together, by the goasen wires a fainting fit! Frank had never before felt othercal essences as they are, to outlive of intellect and taste, the mind of Europe some interest.

"Charming!" was Uncle's bland answer. whelmed and before sprinkling some dreps and to descend in cternal youth the unend. Incment, with the mind of every intervention of water on her face he took a hasty thrilling highways of the area. In gage of literary culture back to the crast ty, as you did thirty years are a long age of literary culture back to the crast ty, as you did thirty years are a long age of literary culture back to the crast ty as you did thirty years are a long age of literary culture back to the crast ty as you did thirty years are a long age of literary culture back to the crast ty as you did thirty years are a long age. ing highways of the ages.

> at a stand; he seemed to be walking in a the rapidity of thought, across the expanse shall we not, my friends, deem a portion of the best dressed man in society, at twentyof continents and beneath the depth of ocean our time and attention well bestowed upon five; and you are still the best dressed at the miracles of the word, written and spoken sixty-five." by the electric wire? That a message despatched from Boston at mid-day, will so the foundation of all our intellectual im- flattery is too strong a word; they were far out-travel the sun as to reach St Louis provement, of all our literature and science sincere, and simply uttered their mutual adshe had forgotten the guitar scene. Seeing an hour before she arrives at that meridian? It is much, and we contemplate with just amazement the wonderful apparatus, which, when laid down, as sooner or later it will nents, may, by possibility, send the beginning of such a sentence as I am now pronouncether had been driven from Austria for libes completed its utterance. But this amazing library. apparatus is but another form of language; it transmits intelligence only as it transmits the original Gibbon. The notes are obwords. It is like speech, like the pen, like seene; the text skeptical. Purge the book the press, another piece of machinery by of these two taints, and it is not only made clared to Mr. and Mrs. Landen; she would which language is conveyed from place to morally unobjectionable, but its historical place. The really wonderful thing is lan- value is improved. As Gibbon wrote it, it guage itself, by which thought is made sen-ted it, it is indispensable. sible and communicated from mind to mind, not only in the great living congregation of England. By all means avoid Hume, the civilized world for the time being, but His epicurean theology, it is true, appears through the vast general assembly of the in such minute particles to be capable of ages; by which we are able at this moment, not only to listen to all the great utterances or finds his whole system charged with the le who think her the greatest blessing heav- which express the thoughts and emotions virus. Hence it is that those who read of the present day throughout the world. Hume in early life with implicit confidence, but to soar with Milton to the green fields come away, without perhaps any faith in of Paradise, in the morning of creation; to the power and wisdom of God, but with descend with Dante to the depths of penal cause of the House of Stuarts. They have Demosthenes, and by the golden chain of but they sincerely regret that Charles I, was etomology, trace the affinity and descent of not permitted to be despotie. Hallam cognition of the American Independence nations back, through the labyrinth of the leaves no room, in the stately developpast, almost to the cradle of the race.

> America with Europe. I read upon it the be accepted with but slight qualifications following words: "A part of the submarine | There should be great caution, bowever, in electric telegraph cable, manufactured by Messrs. Glass & Co., of London, for the Atlantic Telegraph Company, to connect fore his notice without a most prejudiced St. John's, Newfoundland, with Valentia, scrutiny. In this way great injustice has Ireland, a distance of sixteen hundred and been done by him to Cranmer, to Penn, to forty nautical, or nineteen hundred statue Burnett. On the other hand, his views on miles." Does it seem all but incredible to civil polity are are eminently healthy and you that intelligence should travel for twothousand miles along those slender copper that what he says is acquired by the superwires, far down in the all but fathomless ficial or untrained reader with a facility Atlantic, never before penetrated by aught pertaining to humanity, save when some foundering vessel has plunged with her hapless company to the eternal silence and would struggle for the possession of a light-ed bomb-shell. Married people should all but a miracle of art, that the thoughts darkness of the abyss? Does it seem, I say, study each other's weak points, as skaters on living men-the thoughts that we think look after the weak parts of the ice, in or- up here on the earth's surface in the cheerful light of day-about the markets, the exchanges, and the seasons and the elections, and the treaties, and the wars, and all themselves with elemental sparks, and shoot with fiery speed in a moment, in the twinking of an eye, from hemisphere to bemisohere, far down among the uncouth mon- ant era in English history. sters that wallow in the nether seas, along the wreck-paved floor, through the cozy dungeons of the rayless deep—that the last and Methodism. These three books may Is it friendship to explain half one says that tassels will, in a few months, be coquetting stand-points, views of a most critical period ory and ideas; and what is that to the with the West wind on these boundless

Barke; with youthful enthusiasm I have cooked up the following bit of romance delivered by Mr. Everett, on the occasion of been totting for ages; that messages of deceives itself, even on to feeble old age. friendship and love, from warm living bo- Using the word conventionally, a "Charac-Such is language, the representative of thought. Dwell upon it, I pray you, a mo- telegraph-u I may so can be less that the for one thing, complete self-approval. ment longer; it is a great mystery of our in my hand contains the two immertal He imagines himself to be always standing that in language with which we are familiar pound forth in the delighted cars of heroic cannot compare end them as applied to what e-witness a Malay or a Japanese manuscript Greece, while the softest down of youth was the thinks beauty, style, accomplishment, or -there seems scarce any difference be upon the check of its young nationality -- perfection.

"---shall larn unquenchably.
Until the eternal doom shall be --tenderness and sorrow; the threats of Jupiter of Olympus was ablaze with his femilies panse of enlightened and benighted periods silk, peach blossom in color. Her coiffure ing age of literary culture back to the era- ty, as you did thirty years ago. Age deals lie of infant Greece. And while at our Linelly with you. And how do you think Does it seem much that the skill of men places of education, we diligently investigate. I will do? has in these latter days contrived the means; the wonderful properties of matter developkiss; study amusement, everything was of communicating intelligence almost with ed in the phenomena of the physical world, -the phenomena of language which lie at | And so they flattered each other; no,

between man and man.

A Course of Reading.

What is a suitable course of family lie- imity. We have not space to describe the girls perhaps be, so as to connect the three conti- erary study is a point as to which those ing charge of families, are often in need of not bad-natured, Aunt Easterly, as she sat information. It may not be out of place ready for the ball, under the approving eyes ing around the terraqueous globe and return for us, therefore, to suggest a few works of my nucle, and the image is a perfect picacquirements in such a situation. Her fat it to the lips of the speaker, before he has which ought to be found in a judicious ture in my memory now.

> HISTORY. Milman's Gibbon. By all means avoid

Milman's Constitutional History of but slight harm; his epicurean polities so woe; to listen to the thunders of Tully and learned nothing about God being Supreme; steers clear of this fault. His error is that ment of his second causes, for the introduc I hold in my hand a portion of the identition of a special Providence. This, howtical electrical cable, given me by my friend, ever, is rather an error of omission than of Mr. Penbody, which is now [April 22, 1858,] expression.

Macaulan's History of England. In progress of manufacture, to connect all matters of Church policy Macaulay may receiving his portraits of religious men. The case is rare in which he permits a man of positively religious character to pass bejust. He possesses, besides this, the advantage of a style so brilliant and so attractive, which almost entirely destroys the difficulty of perusal by which history is ordinarily reached.

Guizot and Carlyle's Lives of Cromwell. Miss Aiken's Memoirs of Charles I. Mr. Fox's Memoirs of James II.

Sir James Mackintosh on the Revolu-These may be taken as substitutes for Hume, so far as concerns his later periods. Lord Mahon's History of England This work, which begins with the Hanover the fond nothings of daily life, should clothe family, is also free from the objections Half a word conveys one's meaning. They which exclude Hume, and has positive have memory of the same events, and have claims of its own from the perspicuousness and soundness which it unfolds an import-

Southey's Life of Wesley. Watson's intelligence of the crops, whose dancing be taken together as giving, from three

Character and Caricature.

hold another phenomenon of a surety not ing belle, sometimes a pedant, and someless surprising—an intellectual electric times a despiser of common social usage, telegraph—if I may so call it—not less The "Character" is, in most cases, remarkastrains, which one of the imperial minds of he does in his own regard. You cannot our race, not far from thirty continies ago, reach him by sarcasm or ridicule, for he

> Of course year Character always presents a caticature by overdoing. The vitality that should flow to all parts of his mental and maral system, giving to the whole being a well balanced life, flows unduly, or

My uncle and Aunt Easterly, were both to the awestruck gods, while every peak characters. Their feeble was a love of personal adornment. As a young man, my had dragged the torn body of his noble on ornament which is always in bad taste. As three times round the High walls; the weary | they advance in years, the foible of each

"How do I look, Joseph?" I once over-

every sign of grey hairs. Marabouts feath-

"You are perfect," said my aunt. "Perfeet as you always were. They called you

-- in a word, of all rational communication miration.

I repressed my desire to laugh out aloud only by a strong effort, and escaped as quickly as possible from my close prox-

It was twenty-five years ago, when I looked to their long homes, and left behind them not many good deeds, for they were rather selfish in their vanity and love of personal speak still of the "Old Buck," and the "Queen of Sheba" with a smile. Only yesterday I

lewed by the remark: "They were Characters." "Or Caricatures?" was smilingly queried. "Both," said the first speaker. And be

heard an allusion to them, which was fol-

was about right. CHINESE SUGAR CANE.-The Salisbury Watehman, speaking of the importance of cultivating the sugar cane, and of the apparent neglect of many on the subject, says : Amongst those whose experiments with the cane, last year, were satisfactory, we have heard of only one, Mr. Robert Ramsey, of Irdell, who is cultivating the plant this season, with the expectation of making it profitable. It will be remembered that we published the result of his last year's experiment, to wit: 200 gallons of excellent syrup from less than one acre of land. Mr R. old enough of his crop to pay for a large east iron cane crusher, and all the expenses incident to the introduction of this new branch of business on his farm, and still had left more than enough to supply his family, white and black the year round. His first trial of the cane, therefore, was entirely successful, and was so, doubtless, because took the necessary pains to insure it. His syrup was equal to the best New Orleans or sugar house molasses, and from a recent trial of it, we find that age has improved its quality. This fact may be of interest to ose who have had reason to complain of theirs becoming sour. Mr. R. has had cause to make no such complaint-quite the contrary. He believes that if time would produce any change, it would convert it into sugar, of which his hogshead affords daily proof, in the abundance of crystals which are obtained at every drawing. He has pitched a crop of cane, this year, which he thinks will yield from 2,500 to 3,000 gallons. With so striking an example before the

public, we cannot but hope that this plans will yet become a favorite with the people of North Carolina, and that the day is not distant when she will, at the least, put a stop to the importation of foreign syrups and molasses, by producing enough for our own supply.

OLD AND YOUNG FRIENDS-Old friends are the great blessings of one's latter years. the same mode of thinking. . . . I have young relations that may grow upon me, for my nature is affectionate; but canthey grow old friends? My age forbide Is it friendship to explain half one says ! young but old stories !- Horace Walpole.