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Of copying his graces; But all his smiles will find eclipse If native wines but touch his lips. With cigarettes and cloying sweets

The Don comes, lean and sallow; The Bear from out his fogs and sleets Brings fur and hemp and tallow. Columbia bints, "Alaska's ice With Cuba's heat were balanced nice."

The purblind German, bearded grim, Lave down his learned treasures, And stares when Madam welcomes him With some of her professors. And well he may, for some of them Steer very wild at Learning's helm.

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ROMANCE OF HISTORY.

King Charles X. of Sweden - A Crowned Donkey-Horrible Fate of a Swedish Wit -A Woman's Plot to Punish the King-

Its Entire Sucress. "Will your Majesty grant me one favor?" asked an elegantly dressed gentleman of King Charles the Tenth, of Sweden, at the latter's palace in Stockholm, on the morning of the 14th of March,

"A favor, Gilderstreene! Certainly!" replied the young King. "What is it?" "It is very little to your Majesty, and yet to him whom it concerns a great deal. In a word, I want you to pardon

Sixterblatt." "Sixterblatt!" cried the King. "The blasphemous rascal, who is to be execu-Luther was an ignorant zealot."

ted to-morrow, for saying that Martin "What if he did? He is a friend of "Gilderstreene," said the King, "you

have saved my life, and I would gladly do almost anything for you. But do not ask me to stay the hand of the executioner. The Swedish people are in a bad way. The throne is assailed by unknown pamphleteers. Religion is villified everywhere. Thank God we have caught that foul-mouthed Sixterblatt, and his fate shall be a warning to all other evil disposed persons."

Young Gilderstreene could not repress an exclamation of contempt as the King said this.

"So your Majesty refuses to pardon Sixterblatt?" he asked, haughtily, as he rose from his chair.

"Not only do I refuse to pardon him, but I order you to be present at his execution, which shall be accelerated, and take place at two o'clock this afternoon!" Gilderstreene was about to say something very unpleasant to his Majesty, but an officer entered the room, and the

King said to him: "Stadler, go to the criminal prison, and tell the Warden there that Sixterblatt must be executed at two o'clock this afternoon!"

The officer looked somewhat surprised upon receiving this strange errand; but he bowed, and departed to perform the mission with which the King had intrusted him.

A few minutes later he told the Warden of the criminal prison that the King wanted Sixterblatt to be executed at two o'clock that afternoon, and that his Majesty would be present himself.

"This is terrible," said the Warden, "we expected all along that Sixterblatt would be pardoned." "The King says he must die."

"Very well. I will break the news to

the poor fellow."

"Sixterblatt had at one time been the wit of Stockholm.

An unusually handsome man, he had had many love affairs with some of the they were suddenly seized by two masked foremost ladies of the Swedish capital. men, who hustled them into a dark room, But, having refused to do homage to the daughter of Bishop Sgarrenaer, of Stock- A few minutes afterward the room was holm, he had been arrested for the dimly lighted. Then a few men entered. the sale was a sks he had made about martin Luther, who at that time was considered the patron saint of Sweden.

At first, after his arrest, Sixterblatt had made light of his fate; but when the King had declard that the offense was an exceedingly grave one, and when the Judges of the Criminal Court dered him to be subjected to the torture of the thumb-screws, he became on the block. The man in crimson alarmed; and when he was informed that | velvet raised his sword. Then the light he should die for his crime, his despair | was extinguished.

knew no boands. streene, and he was generally believed | King. to be the King's favorite.

Under ordinary circumstances, Gilderstreene could have obtained almost any favor from his Sovereign. But Charles the Tenth had become apprehensive that seditious subjects might dethrone him. and imbued with the stupid notions of the period, he thought that any one who attacked the Lutheran Church was also a moral enemy to the Crown.

So Sixterblatt, despite Gilderstreene's sercession, was ordered to suffer death. ever." few minutes before two o'clock in the afternoon of the day in question, the King, accompanied by Gilderstreene and two assistants, arrived at the criminal prison.

The Warden received him. Lave served you faithfully --- "

"What are you driving at?" asked the King, with a scowl.

"Pardon the unfortunate Sixterblett!" exclaimed the dignitary, terventie. "Do your duty. Is the headsman present?

"He is, your Majesty," "Call him. I want to speak to him." The headsman arrived. He was a tall repulsive looking man. "Master Swensen," said the King,

"are you ready for your job?" "Aye, aye, King," said the headsman, in a tone of familiarity, which no one

but he was permitted to assume. "Have you seen the culprit?" asked the King.

fate harder." "So he does not want to die?"

But this Sixterblatt is the worst frightened man I ever laid my hands on." "Did he say anything about me?"

prevents me from telling you what he did say."

"Ha! he then abused me?" cried the King.

"Indeed, he did!"

"Make him suffer for it, Master Swensen," said the King.

Half an hour later, the unfortunate Sixterblatt was brought in. Upon beholding the King he fell upon his knees and implored his Majesty's mercy. The the best section of the State as regards King shook his head and said:

altar perish! Master Swensen, do your

Gilderstreene averted his face. Sixterblatt, whose hands were tied, was placed in an arm chair, to which his legs were fastened. Then the Warden of the prison uttered a orief prayer, the King saying, "Amen!" with the utmost unction. The scene which now ensued was horrible beyond description.

The executioner bared the culprit's neck and then cut his throat with a small knife from ear to ear.

Then he violently jerked back the head of the victim, who expired in a violent shudder

Charles the Tenth then took Gilderstreene's arm and went with him to the royal park, where they drank a bottle of

turning to the palace, while Gilderstreene went to see a French modiste, to whom he related what had occurred. "But this is horrible!" exclaimed the ivacious Parisienne. "I did not know

that King Charles the Tenth was so

"He is more of a fool than anything else," replied Gilderstreene. "I wish now I had not saved his worthless life. O, for a chance to punish him for what he has done to-day."

The modiste from Paris was as clever and shrewd as she was pretty.

Putting her soft arms round the young swedish courtier, she said to him: "Ronald, I know a way to punish the

"Do you, indeed? let us hear your

"They say he is superstitious-" "Very. I never saw a more supersti-

"Very well. You told me once he iked to go out late at night. Can you bring him to this house at the very hour

of midnight?" "I can. But what will happen?" She kissed her lover, and whispered

in his car. "You shall have revenge, darling.

Leave everything to me." Gilderstreene passed the evening with

"Your Majesty does not perhaps know the prettiest woman in Stockholm?" "And who is she, Gilderstreene?"

"A most bewitching French woman. She calls herself Adeline Narbonne. A prettier brunette cannot be found." "By St. Gustavus!" cried the King gationalist.

"let us visit her!" The two men went out. When they entered the house of Mile. Narbonne. where they were placed upon two chairs. One of them looked very much like King Charles the Tenth. He was heavily ironed. Then a block was brought in, and a tall man, dressed in crimson

his right hand, stepped in. "Die, tyrant!" he cried. The chained man who bore the strong

velvet, and carrying a flashing sword in

resemblance to the King, put his head

But in the darkness a supplicating He had but one friend, young Gilder- voice resounded. It was that of the

"St. Gustavus!" he cried. "Save me!

A few days afterward the King, who had never left his bed after leaving the house of the French woman, was found

In his clenched hand was found a paper containing the following words: "The warning came in time. Life was long a burden to me. The throne and the altar are in greater danger than

"CAROLUS REX." What spectacle can be more melancholly than that of a narrow-minded, superstitious, and cruel ruler, who died from terror in consequence of a dismal farce arranged by a sharp French woman? Gilderstreene eventually mar-"Your Majesty," said that official, "I | ried Mile. Narbonne, and was at one time Swedish Embassador at Ratisbon.

The Land of Flowers.

Flerid is not the paradire that it has been repre to be. Invelicant o "He must die!" said the King, coldly. go there for the health, report that the dense fogs that exist much of the time are extremely disagreeable, making the "atmosphere so damp as to render clothing unwestable in the morning until it has been dried by the fire." but when they do come they are worse than any we ever have at the North. The most of Northern invalids stop at Jacksonville; and "the land of flowers" that they had read about looms up a desert of sand-at least in the streets of and adjoining that town. A great many "I have; I never saw a man take his Northerners visit Florida every winter as explorers of the promised land, but very few purchase and remain there. "I never yet saw a person that did. There is no society there outside the villages, and the lands have to be cultivated without much manure, as cattle are never stabled, and what little they "Your Majesty, he did; but respect produce is scattered over the untenced pastures. But very little grass can be made to grow there, and the consequence is the little butter made is very poor. The growing of oranges is the principal occupation of agricultural Northerners, and that business is not always a success, as after the trees have been cultivated for years at great expense, a "norther" is liable to come and kill them all. The western counties of Florida, health, beauty of scenery, richness of "Let the enemies of the throne and soil, etc., unfortunately has too much "ebony" for the good of the white people, and where pig-raising and poultry-breeding are a very uncertain business, the negroes having heard that "to the victor (stealer) belong the spoils." The Northern people are mostly settling in the eastern counties along the St. John's river, where alligators bask in the sun upon its banks by the hundred. The thermometer last December stood at Jacksonville as low as 28, 32, and 34 degrees, but usually it stands at noon in the winter season at 65 to 80 degrees in the shade. Within twenty years it has fallen as low as 25 degrees, when orange trees were generally killed. If it were not for these cold "northers" that sweep down with icy coldness on some occasions, the growing of oranges would be a very profitable business for Northern Thereupon they parted, the King re- men to follow .- N. Y. Graphic.

His Own Doctor.

A man of high intelligence, well educated and of vigorous understanding in most things, was nevertheless given to the practice of self-tormenting in regard to the state of his health. He was fairly robust, ate and drank well, slept easily, walked with remarkable energy, was capable of service and long-sustained mental labor and of much physical exertion. Unluckily for himself, he beran to study domestic medicine, and straight way a too active imagination led him to simulate in his own case the symptoms of almost every disease he had happened to read of. He was apoplectic, paralytic, rheumatic; he had heart disease, his lungs were affected, his liver was congested; gout threatened him; his vision became enfeebled; obscure sensations alarmed him as to the state of his brain; fevers of one kind or other were perpetually hatching in his system. The man's life became a burden and misery to him: he half-killed himself with terror, and nearly succeeded in getting poisoned by a succession of varied and opposing

At last he was cured. Reading the symptoms of a condition from which it is physiologically impossible that men should recover, he found to his horror Charles the Tenth. The King, as usual, that each particular symptom was disdrank a great deal of wine. Shortly tinctly marked in his own case. He after 11 o'clock, the young courtier said went over the ground again and again; each renewed examination only served to bring out the symptoms with more alarming distinctness. Then the affair became too ludicrous; a hearty fit of laughter dissipated not only that particular ailment, but all the rest, and the sufferer was cured .- English Congre

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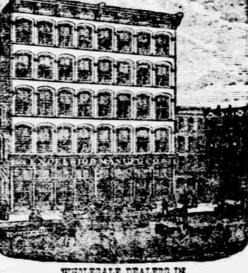
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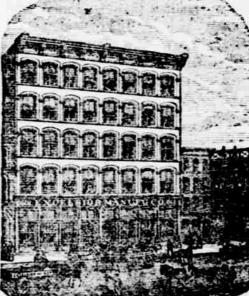
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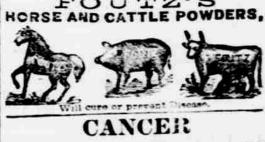


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