

HAT afternoon M. Sanvallier received from his younger son, lieutenant in garrison at Versailles, the following letter:

"My Dear Father: I am threatened with a frightful disaster which affects you as well

as me. I write to you because I can never-must never-see you again. I am unworthy of you. Led away by a friend. I speculated at the bourse and have become involved in yesterday's downfall, in that unexpected collapse where so many fortunes have been wrecked. I dare not tell you how much Thave lost-it must be however, for the honor of the Sanvalliers is involved. Alas! it means very nearly your complete ruin. I owe 463,000 francs! Ah! curse me! I am a wretch! But I did not suspect that such a thing could happen. After having tried in vain to avoid this disaster I returned to my room, wild, my brain on fire, determined to end my life. But I learned that they are recruiting volunteer officers for Tonkin, and I asked to be sent ere. Out there, at least, my death will be useful; it will have nothing about it to make you blush and it will, perhaps, inspire you with a little compassion for that guilty but unhappy and despairing son, who suffers keenly from the wrong which he has done you, and who bids you good-by forever! "CAMILLE SANVALLIER."

M. Sanvallier, a widower of several years' standing, one of the most esteemed foundry owners of Paris, was judge of the Tribunal of Commerce and officer of the Legion of Honor.

He had two sons, Camille, the lieutenant, and Auguste, a painter of some originality, married to a charming woman and father of a little 6-year-old

He had kept them away from all commercial enterprise, fearing their inexperience and dreading for them the universal cruel risk of business. He also exacted that after his death the business of the foundry should be liquidated and not sold, in order that it should not pass into other hands, and thus be sure of preserving forever intact the name of the Sanvalliers. And now, in spite of all these precautions, a misfortune greater than any which he could have foreseen had fallen upon

The sum must be paid the next day; he must procure it at any price. It was hard! The foundryman's fortune was composed of material and merchandise; would such a forced realization yield the necessary amount? He did not know yet.

And then, afterwards, with the debt once paid, could he fulfill his contracts? By that time it would be failure-the failure of Sanvallier!



ATTACKED THE ENEMY.

Fail! He, the officer of the Legion of Honor, judge of the Tribunal of Commerce! Never! He would sooner kill

And all night long the poor man searched, calculated, and contrived combinations; in the morning he started out with anguish in his heart.

He appealed to associates, comrades. Camille's debt was paid. Their honor was saved, but M. Sanvallier's fortune had vanished. However, thanks to certain arrangements, he was allowed to continue in the proprietorship of the foundry.

Then he said to himself that he would work yet, in spite of his sixty years, that he would work without rest, with the anxious desperation of those commencing life, who are tormented with the care of the morrow. He reduced his expenses, gave up his apartments to live with his son, sold his horses and carriages, sent away his servants, diminished his personal

A dread haunted the old man, troubling his sleep and arresting his thoughts in the midst of his occupations; he feared to hear some day that Camille had speculated once more; that he was again in debt.

He forbade all mention of him in his presence. He was henceforth the wicked son, he of whom all are ashamed, the remembrance of whom, heavy as remerse, saddens the paternal home and makes the meals silent.

Down at Grenelle the foundry was seized with a fury of work, with an enormous productiveness.

Its furnaces blazed in the shadow of the sheds like piercing eyes; its powerful biast shook the surrounding ground; the melted metal, smoking and red, ran like its life-blood in the cru-

Auguste took the place of designer and his wife that of cashier at the foundry. And each went to his or her work, accepting their several tasks without a frown.

At that time the campaign of Tonkin

was at its height. The French soldiers fought desperately against a slippery enemy, always springing up afresh, in an unknown country, harassed with difficulties without number.

The slightest success excited the patriotism of the populace.

One morning Auguste entered his father's private office, looking very pale, and handed him a paper.

The latter read from the Latest the following dispatch from the intrenched camp at Dong Song:

"Capt. Sanvallier attacked the enemy all day against large forces, and took successfully four redoubts. At last his soldiers gave way, crushed by the superior numbers of the foe. Although grievously wounded, he insisted upon being carried by two men to rally his company and led them to the assault. Capt. Sanvallier's conduct was admirable, and his condition is now desperate. I have placed the cross on his breast. This brilliant exploit will permit me to enter Lang Song to-morrow. Twenty-seven killed, forty-three wounded.

"GEN. BRIERE DE L'ISLE." A strange emotion in which anguish mingled with joy caused M. Sanvallier's heart to beat rapidly. For a moment he remained silent. Then, his gaze a little unsteady, his eyes wide open with sad astonishment, he asked his son in a slow voice: "Do you believe that it is he? He would then

pe captain." Two hours later a letter from the minister of war informed the family of the event, and the next day all the papers were talking of Capt. Sanvallier, recalling the fact that he was the son of the honorable foundry owner of

Now the foundryman could not go out without seeing Camille on every side! in the kiosks of the boulevard, at the corners of the streets; Camille looked at him as he passed, followed him with his eyes as if he was living and only left him to meet again further on.

But, alas! the dispatches which he received daily from Tonkin left but little hope.

Would the son of whom to-day he was so proud ever return?

One morning, three months afterwards, M. Sanvallier was working in his office when the door softly opened half way, and the curly little head of

Andree appeared. And suddenly she entered, holding by the hand Capt. Sanvallier, then cried in her sly little way: grandfather, here he is." Auguste and his wife entered the office in their turn.

M. Sanvallier, who had not been prepared for the arrival of his son, rose quickly, then stood motionless, choked by his emotion.

He saw Camille with the scar on his forehead, the cross on his breast. Timid and embarrassed as a guilty child, Camille hung his head; he saw his father changed, grown old on his

Then very humbly, a little bent, ready to get down on his knees, he came forward with slow steps to his father's feet, but at that moment M. Sanvallier, with an abrupt start, seized him round the neck, crying in a voice suddenly broken by tears. "No, Camille! In my arms! In my arms, my child!" And father and son held each other close, their shoulders shaking with sobs, while Auguste and his wife wept beside them .- London Sun.

UNDER WATER FOR 18 HOURS. have them discussed in its columns. ornamental purposes is extremely an-An Italian Inventor Has a Submarine

Adventure. An Italian inventor, named Corzetto, says La France Militaire, has constructed an apparatus which he calls a "methydric sphere," and by means of which he professes to be able to descend to any depth in the sea. In his experiment at Spezzia he stored some two thousand cubic feet of compressed air in his apparatus, which he entered with two friends and which was then lowered to a depth of some thirty feet. As after the expiration of nine hours the "sphere" had not yet been seen to reascend to the surface, a message was sent to the admiral in command of the naval department, who at once sent a diver to the spot. The "sphere" was found still resting on the sea bottom, but the diver heard nothing in answer to his knocks. Some barges having been brought to the spot by a tug, the "sphere" was hauled up with ropes, and as soon as it emerged its door was opened, and the inventor appeared with a livid face and half asphyxiated. His two companions were unconscious, but were quickly resuscitated. They had remained eighteen hours under water. The inventor explains that so far all his experiments were successful, but on this occasion when he intended to return to the surface the air pressure at his command proved insufficient to expel the water ballast, of about two tons weight, which had so far kept his appliance submerged, and hence they had to remain where they were until rescued. At any rate, three persons were enabled to remain under water for eighteen hours, and this experiment may not be without significance as regards the much discussed problem of submarine navigation.

Healthful Schoolrooms.

An ideal, but, we are assured, quite necessary state of cleanliness for healthful school rooms requires that the floors shall be dampened and swept every day, with all the windows open, the dusting to be done the next morning with a damp cloth. In addition to this cleaning, Dr. Adams, who is the president of the Orange County Medical societies, believes that at least every other day the floors should be thoroughly scrubbed with soap and water. The various women's clubs throughout the country whose members are interested in the work of the public schools will do well to find out how near the school rooms where their children spend the greater part of their house. waking hours approach this state.-New York Post.

In his annual report to the legislative Assembly, Mr. Alexander Bruce, chief inspector of stock for the department of agriculture, New South Wales, does not view very encouragingly the establishment of a trade in live stock between Australia and Great Britain. He says in effect: "The trade, which at this morning with great vigor, fought | first bid fair to assume some importance, has turned out a failure, principally from the following causes: (1) The cattle after the first few shipments were ordinary bush cattle, not broken to be tied up and unaccustomed to cultivated food; (2) through effect of the drouth, very few prime cattle were to be had, and instead of prime well-bred young cattle, a great deal of comparatively old, large boned, second rate cattle were shipped; (3) instead of being well rested, watered and fed, after long journeys by rail, they were put on board in a starved and fevered state direct from the trucks; (4) in loading them the cattle were in many cases very roughly handled, and there is no doubt numbers of them seriously injured themselves before they were tied up in their places; (5) the space given them was in a good many cases insufficient for the proper accommodation, care and cleanliness of the stock; but (6) the principal reason for want of success and discouragement as regards the trade in the future is the low price which the beef and mutton of cattle and sheep slaughtered at the port of debarkation (which it must now all be) in England brings. The very best American is now sold at from 4d to 5d per pound, and this has arisen from enormous increase in the importation of stock, principally cattle from the United States, Canada, and the Argentina, but mainly from the Argentina. The greater portion of the defects noticed could no doubt be remedied, but if a very considerable rise in the price of this class of beef and mutton does not take place in England, there is little or no prospect of Australia with the long voyage, comparatively high freight, and heavy expenses for forage and insurance, ever being able to compete with Canada or the Argentine, or even the United States."

Some Inquiries on Sorghum.

The Department of Agriculture has sent out blanks for answers as to the sorghum crop. It is hoped that every reader of the Farmers' Review that receives one will not fail to fill it out. The questions are as follows:

1. What experience have you had with sorghum as a forage crop?

2. What methods of seeding, cultivation and harvesting have you followed, and with what results? How do you store and how feed

4. To what kind of stock have you fed it, with what results?

5. How does it compare with corn as to yield, cost of production, feeding. value and effect on the land? 6. Have you ever noticed any bad ef-

fects to stock from feeding on the second growth? 7. What has been your experience in feeding the seed?

8. What varieties do you consider the best for forage and the best adapted for your region?

The questions are of interest and the Farmers' Review would like to Let us hear from our readers that have | cient. A manuscript in the Harleian been raising the above-mentioned crop.

Latent Fertility. In the older districts and states of our country the question is, "How shall we restore the fertility of our !ands?' The question here should be, how shall we prevent the further depletion of ours? for it is much easier to prevent depletion than to restore fertility when lost. Luckily for us, nature is very cautious and conservative in her gifts to her children. If one generation were permitted to use up all the plant-food their inclination might lead them to do, and thus exhaust the soil entirely, it would rob the next generation and become a bar to human existence. But nature has so arranged as to give us timely warning of decreasing fertility, and long before we arrive at total soil exhaustion we reach the point of unprofitable cultivation, and when we have cropped our lands till their fertility has been reduced to a minimum. Dame Nature has cautiously kept back in the great storehouse of the soil plant-food for generations to come. It is this resource, thus kept back inert and unavailable at present, that is the saving clause in the construction of our

Move the Butter.—Because money is easier is no reason why holders of cold storage butter and eggs should leave their goods in storage any additional length of time. These goods should be moved and moved about as rapidly as possible. Even good times in this country will not increase consumption sufficiently to take care of the surplus butter. It must be exported, and exports from our seaboard were not satisfactory so far as butter is concerned last week. More must move out.-Ex

Let the nests be in a dark place. The hens like it better and are less liable to acquire the habit of egg eating.

The only way for the farmer to resist the trusts and combines is to unite on some plan of action.

The poultry business is not being over-done. It is not easy to get an over-supply of fresh eggs.

The ramily of the farmer should be well supplied with all kinds of fruit. Lay plans for a good kitchen garden

Stop up the cracks in the poultry

Attend the dairy conventions.

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Col. T. W. Higginson in his reminis-cences in the January Atlantic speaks-of an interesting coincidence. It was often his habit to read far into the night; and sitting up until four one morning, he left his book mark at an unfinished page, having to return the book to the college library. A year later he happened to take the book from the library again, chanced to get up at four o'clock to read, and began where he left off. Afterward looking in his diary he found that he had skipped a precise year between the two days and continued reading the same passage.

New Line to Washington. The popular Monon Route has established a new Sleeping Carline to Washington, D. C., via Cincinnati and Parkersburg, by the C. H. & D., B. & O. S. W. and B. & O. Railways. The sleeper is ready for occupancy in Dearborn station any time after 9 p. m., and leaves at 2:45 a. m. daily, arriving at Washington at 6:47 the following morning. This schedule will be in effect on January 24 and thereafter. As the sleeper goes through without change, and the hours of leaving and arriving are most convenient, this will prove altogether the most comfortable, as well as the most picturesque route to the national capital. City ticket office, 232 Clark street. Depot, Dearborn Station.

The Climate of Thibet.

Anthropologically considered what an enormous strain there must be on the man, as an animal, when exposed to the wild changes of temperature which he experiences in twenty-four hours when living on the isgh Thibetan ranges. There is not a night in the year that water does not freeze, while at mid-day the heat is often 120 degrees.

The Most Unique Calendar of the Season Has just been issued by the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Ry. Copy can be secured by sending six cents in stamps to cover postage, to A. J. Smith, G. P. A., Cleveland.

She Was a Hygienist.

The robber knight pleaded. "May I not hope," he asked, "to exact a tribute from those sweet lips?" His fair captive shivered. "If you can find it in your heart to take advantage of my helplessness-" In her voice was the dull, leaden ring of despair. "To force attentions upon me that are so very unsanitary." From all of which it became at once apparent that the lady had followed the scientific discussions of the day.

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Egg-Shells.

The employment of egg-shells for collection represents a number of egg shells ornamented in the most elegant and costly manner. Miniatures were often painted upon egg-shells with extreme care, and shells thus curiously decorated became valuable and highly-esteemed presents. In Venice young noblemen frequently lavished large sums of money upon portraits painted within egg shells intended as presents.

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A new monument to Garibaldi, and perhaps the finest in Italy, is to be erected in Rome next September. It is to stand on the Janiculan hill, opposite the dome of St. Peter's. It is said that there is not a town in Italy, or even a populous village, that does not contain statues of Victor Emanuel and Garibaldi. The great monument to Victor Emanuel now in course of erection on the Capitol hill will have cost \$5,000,000 when completed.

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