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A Heroine's Stratagem.

camped in the country of an enemy, the | the light shown full upon it. dettes, reconnoiterring and foraging par- itated tone. ties are more or less abroad in every direction-to say nothing of a prowling set | Nancy," returned her sister, with comof thieves and marauders, who follow an pressed lips and unquailing eye, as she army as woolves do a hunter, or jackalls placed a chair in the doorway, between the lion, to pounce upon whatever they the larger and smaller buildings for her can with impunity.

During the war for Independance, al- don't hardly expect I shall live through most a hundred years ago, these villain. it whether our plan succeeds or not," she ous marauders became very troublesome added solemnly; "so just kiss me goodin some sections of the country, and the bye. Nancy." unprotected citizens, between the lines of The sisters now embraced, Mrs. Parthe two armies, often suffered terribly in ker giving way to tears and sobs, but life and property. In many cases the Miss Price remaining firm and outwardhead of the family being away with the ly composed. army, the only inmates of the dwelling "There, Nancy," pursued the maiden were one or more women, with perhaps, sister, as if she were giving directions a few children, too young to afford their about some of the ordinary affairs of mother any assistance in the event of an life ; "we're as ready now as we can be,

attack; and such defenceless places the I s'pose-so just run and shove back the cowardly marauders delighted to assail. bolts of the room door. but don't make plunder, and burn, in the dead of night, any noise about it, and then hurry into not unfrequently murdering in cold blood the bedroom to your children, and pray the entire household, or adding such foul for all of us. If heaven is pleased to deeds to their list of crimes as we care smile upon our hopes, you and they will not to relate. most likely be saved, and my poor life

In a rather lonely part of the country ain't much matter, one way or t'other." a few miles northward from Philadel- "Oh, Sally !" sobbed Mrs. Parker, phia, at the time the British took posses- "how can I see you give yourself away sion of the city, there stood a solitary to die for me and my children ?" dwelling, occupied by a Mrs. Parker, a "Oh, that's nothing, Nancy. I've got maiden sister, older than herself, and to die sometime, and I don't care much two children of tender years, the hus- about living, except for you and the litband and father being in the army under the dears; and you can often kiss 'em Gen. Washington.

A small farm, owned by her husband liam that should have been mine, he's was all Mrs. Parker had to depend on in heaven, you know-and maybe when for a living; and this during his absence I die I shall meet him again. But come ! was carried on by herself and sister, there's no more time to talk-for alreaboth working in the fields at ploughing, dy the scoundrels are trying to break planting, and hoeing, and only getting a down the door." man's help for a few days in haying.

This was literally true. The party Neither Mrs. Parker, nor her sister, outside, becoming madly impatient at Miss Price, were at all delicate in person the delay of those inside to throw open or strength, but on the contrary, quite the door to them, where now in the act strong and robust, and their out-door la- of batteriug it down, and loudly cursing

building into it and another that led to The boundary is too changeable. More the party outside. Miss P. then took the ought to be left to the imagination and BAILY, KAY & WOOD. loaded rifle from the hooks on which it less to be condemned by good taste. But rested, and, having reprimed it from a if mothers and full-grown daughters horn, hastened to set the candle on the insist on being the victims of fashion,

Whenever an invading army is en-mped in the country of an enemy, the the light above for the powder, so that children ought to be exempt from its insane and cruel requirements. What inhabitants for miles around are never "Oh. my poor children ! God help has fashion to do with children, or they secure in either property or life. Vi- us " said Mrs. Parker, in a low and ag. with fashion?- Philadelphia Ledger.

> "It will all depend on one single shot, Dry Goods. The total value of the goods usually classed under this heading arriving at this port in 1867 was only eighty six million dollars, against one hundred and gun to rest on while she sighted it. ,"I twenty-six million for the year 1866. To raise the value of these amounts to greenback currency, it is necessary to add 82 per cent.-50 per cent. for duties and 35

> > be added 15 more for freight, insurance and other charges ; making the currency cost of the goods just double what it

appears to be. While the total landed at the port during the year was only eightymillion, the total thrown upon the market was \$91,242,975, showing a decrease of the stock previously left in bond of five million dollars.

There are no changes in the prices of leading articles since our last quotations. worth noting. Unbleached cottons of the better styles are firmly held, the supply not being excessive and the prospects of a rise in the price of the raw material leading to the conviction that an advance in fabrics will take place on the opening of the spring business. Bleached goods

are in full supply, and prices do not show any tendency upward. Prints are a shade firmer in price, but the sales for the week have been very small. Muslin de laines are in moderate demand, but for me, and tell 'em about aunty. Wil-

the transactions are on a limited scale. In Italians there is a slight improvement from the clothing manufacturers. Woolens of all descriptions are less active.

The trade in foreign dry goods is not in a very satisfactory condition. There is very little doing; the steamers bring but few invoices, and our large importers prudently hesitate to send our large orders until the prospects of 1868 take a





bors, of course, increased their mascu- and swearing at the occupants of the lineness in some degree. Nor were they dwelling. Mrs. Parker hastened to unas timid as the greater portion of their do the bolts of the wing door, which, for sex-but when they found the enemy some reason, the assailants had not touchnear them, and heard of the depreda- ed ; and when she got back to her sister, its early stage may be recognized by tions and barbarities of here and there the latter was kneeling before the chair any person of ordinary capacity by two a roving band of villains, they clenched in the door way, her rifle rested and poin- marked symptoms: the sensation of a bone their hands, set their teeth hard, and ting at the keg.

said it was well the scoundrels did not _...Go, Nancy-go, and heaven bless ing swallowing difficult and painful, and a have two such persons as themselves to you !" "And you, Sally !" sobbed the other.

deal with. It might natuaally be asked what two women-ay, or for that matter, two men either-could do to protect themselves against a party of ten or children were still sleeping, undisturbed do so, give a piece of gum camphor of the twenty armed desperadoes; but, as we by the noise and unconscious of the dan- size of a marrow fat pea, and let it be could answer the question to-day by telling what they did do under just such cir-

cumstances, we will proceed to state the out Miss Price, in a loud tone; "what gone. In an hour or so give another; and facts that we wish to make known.

As one means of protection, and also to destroy any game, troublesome or oth- of the robbers. erwise, that might chance in their way, a loaded rifle was always kept in the the door ?" house ; and this weapon both of the sisters had learned to handle with nearly In order, too, that there might never be will you ?" any lack of ammunition. Parker, before enlisting for the war, had purchased a keg of powder in the city, and stored it in the cellar, in a little cell prepared en men came crowding into the room. expressly for it, where it was kept perfectly dry, and with little or no danger to the inmates.

Now, one dark night, at a late hour, the sisters were arroused from sleep by whole charge directly into the keg of a tapid succession of thundering knocks powder, which instantly exploded with a upon one of the outer doors of their dwelling, and they also heard several gruff voices rapping out the most blas- building, killing ten of the midnight phemous oaths and demanding instant admittance.

"Sally," said Mrs. Parker, starting five that now remained alive, two were to try their hands on us.

springing out of bed and hurrying on of the disaster. some of her clothes ; "and do you know what we always said we'd do in case they did come."

the other, in a tone of considerable dis- darkness and confusion by her groans, may and alarm, as she hastened to follow the example of her sister. "Oh, my poor dear children ! if we should fail what will become of them ?"

"Die, I s'pose, as we will," replied their maiden aunt. "But it won't do to or sixty people were gathered at the fool away time in talking-we've got to farm, besides a small body of American act, and that, too, before the scoundrels troopers; all of whom assisted in collecget in. I'll go and speak 'em fair, and ting and burying the dead villains, and keep 'em from breaking in, if I can. clearing away the rubbish, and putting whilst you run and get the powder."

"Shall we need a light?" asked Mrs. Parker.

not want any to get the powder with. be- not fire the powder by a train, instead

more definite shape than they wear at present .- N. Y. Independent, 9th. An exchange says that diptheria in

or hard substance in the throat, render-

a marked feature is unpleasant smell of breath, the result of its putrefactive as she again kissed her and hurried a- tendency. On the appearance of these

way to the room in which her innocent symptoms, if the patient is old enough to

at the end of a third, a fourth will not

"Well, can't you wait for me to open be used two or three times more, at a

"Not unless you're quicker about it!" hours. If the child is young, powder the "Well I can't get that door open; but camphor, which can be easily done by as much skill as the owner himself. t'other one is all right; come in that way adding a drop or two of spirits of alchol

The pounding ceased, and a moment dered loaf sugar, or butter, powdered after a voice exclaimed: "Ah, here we rock candy, and blow it through a quill are !" and as the door swung back a doz. or tube into its throat, depressing the tongue with a haft of a spoon .- New York Examiner.

The foremost had just barely got a glimpse of our heroine sighting her rifle and was in the act of springing aside to escape being shot, when she fired the

tremendous report, tearing the wing to Drs. pieces, considerably shattering the main marauders-blowing heads, legs, arms and bodies in every direction. Of the

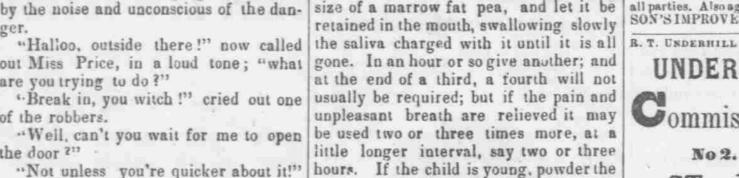
up in bed, "its them cut throats come wounded, and all so terribly frightened as to think nothing of so much impor-"Just so, Nancy" replied Mrs. Price, tance as a hurried flight from the siene

are you trying to do ?"

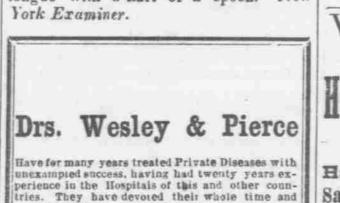
The noble minded heroine herself was blown back across the kitchen, but fortunately was not killed, though seriously "It's awful though, aint it ?" returned rinjured. Her sister found her in the and cared for her so tenderly afterwards sweeps to an untimely grave thousands of young

that she finally recovered. The explosion was heard for miles around; and the next day the news spread so rapidly, that before night at least fifty the house into as comfortable a shape as possible for the sisters who had resolved

to remain where they were. "Yes, but I'll attend to that; you'll On being questioned as to why she did



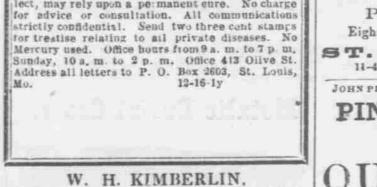
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cause it ain't ourselves we want to blow of shooting into it, Miss Price replied, up."

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and stoor-room. "Who's there, and what do you want?" matters of hygiene. He spoke most plainscreamed Miss Price, as soon as she ly to mother who send their children to BOOTS & SHOES reached the kitchen, while her sister hur- the grave by exposing arms and legs, ried down the cellar stairs to get the while other parts of the body are warmly powder.

"Open the door, you angel, and we'll child-murder, and then wonder how God tell you," was answered from the outside, could be so unkind as to take away their accompanied with a laugh, that was nei- darling. They not only murder their ther merry nor musical. children, but in his opinion commit sui-

"Well, you ought to tell me who you cide themselves by exposing their own are and what you want before we let you necks to the cold air. It was a puzzle in; 'cause we're only two lone women, which he could not understand, that wothat don't like to let everybody in this man should cut off the top of their dress-time of night," rejoined Miss Price, as es, and appear with bare bocoms in she busied herself in lighting a candle. refined society, while that part of the

"Oh, we're real gentlemen, we are- dress which should protect the heart and just the kind to suit two such ladies as lungs, and other vital organs, is trailing you," said the same voice. "Come, be in the mud.

quick now, will you-'cause were getting Not to speak of health at the present tired of waiting, and some of us might moment. we would remark that the take a notion to stave the door in, d'ye exhibition of a semi nude bust seldom see ?" approaches to the classical standard of

By this time Mrs. Parker had reap. harmonious proportions of parts and fullpeared with the keg of powder in her ness of outline, and is rarely suggestive arms, and, lighted and directed by her of beauty and loveliness. The inquisitive eister, whose sharp features expressed a observer feels himself quite at a loss to desperate determination, she hastened to know the precise line of division between place it in the store-room about half way the part which fashion claims for exposure

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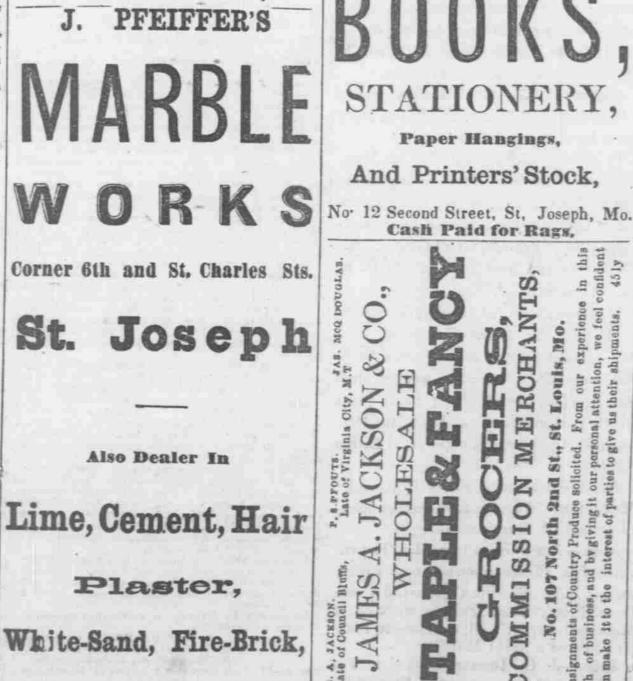
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