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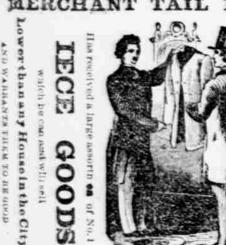
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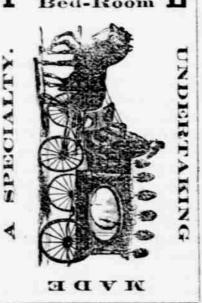
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Who said he had the news: And would the plowman sell the same To a dealer in glass shoes? And he offered John a pretty price For the shoe that he had found; But John replied it was much too nice To go for a hundred pound; Then the merchant offered a hundred mo But the plowman still said "Nay. The man who buys my shoe," he swore, "Will dearly have to pay. There's not a prettier shoe on earth, To cover a lady's toes : And thus I happen to know its worth Far better than you suppose. The shoe is one of wondrous price, (That nobody can deny.) and yet, perchance there's some device May serve the shoe to buy.

If you are able to show me now, When I am plowing my field,

That every furrow behind my plow A shining ducat may yield-Why then, to you the shoe I ll give, Else I will keep it myself-For an ornament as long as I live, To grace my mantel shelt!" And so It was the fairy bought. ('Twas in a merchant's guise!) His own glass shoe and quick as thought, Away to his home he hies. And off went John, with much delight, As fast as he could go, By trial to prove, that very night, If the charm would work or no. And he found the fairy's word was true As he prontised in the trade: For a shining ducat came to view In every furrow he made! And again, next morning, off he went-Nor searce to eat could stop,-To gather his golden crop.

To plow again, -he was so intent And so he plowed, and plowed, and prowe And scarce for slumber ceased: No wonder John was growing proud, As fast his wealth increased And still he plowed by day and night, When none were looking on, Till be seemed, indeed a sorry knight He grew so lean and wan! And still when none his work might view, He plowed by night and day. And still the more his riches grew, The more he pined away Until, at last, his work was stopt Down in the furrow, alas! he dropt, As dead as dead could be! MORAL.

Though good is gold, to have and hold, My story makes it clear, Who sells himself for sordid pelf, Has bought it much too dear! -John G. Saze, in N. Y. Ledger.

DONA MARIA.

BY LISLE SINGLETON. at Council Bluffs, and recommenced of the magnificent dark eyes. friends from whom we had long been breast.

the men were taking their wives with | what am I?"

husband was in California, had join- her first; she is my true wife." at her feet relating many anecdotes pated.

roasted before the fire, and delicate mountain's side.

graceful, mounted on a magnificent trouble."

Do not be afraid. We are friends.) the blazing pine logs. It was a wo- Edinburg. ■ Don Juan Lopez, accompanied by his ognized Dona Maria. joined us in our meal, at our request, And she looks as pretty as one of Magazine for February. and though he spoke but little Eng. them stone images you see at Frisco.' lish, his intelligence and vivacity ad- For Dona Maria was standing quided much to our pleasure that even- etly, her hands classed, and her graceing. He seemed particularly struck ful head bowed on her breast. by the beauty of Mrs. Delafield and "She do look like them stone fig-

latield. He said, "Has the Senora by in his admiration of the graceful chance relatives in California?" no other," answered the lady smil- been upon these mountings, man and "El Senor Delaffeld to me is cunedo; purty. But, I say-Heiloa, there,

year. I not home then." "Oh! that cannot be my husband," one of the horses, sprung upon its said the lady laughing. "And so, back, and was now on the edge of the my little Ada, we may find some far- dark, rushing stream in the canon, off cousins, for Delafield is not a com- vainly striving to force his horse to mon name. Senor, I hope that I enter the madly-rushing water. Dona having a very correct watch, said to a speaking of the Gauls, says: "Our shall become acquainted with Dona Maria ran to the edge of the precipice friend with whom he was riding a shortness of stature, in comparison tive, since she has the same name." support. The light from their camp- pulling out his watch, "If the sun generally a subject of much contempt saying that "figures won't lie."

The next morning Don Juan ac- recognized him. companied us several miles on our Back!" she shouted, waving her A CHOP for breakfast-hash.

way, and then took leave of us with disengaged hand. "Back! Don Euall the graceful urbanity of a Castil- gene for your life!"

his letters Eugene was in the habit of darkness.

and Eugene is so fastidious about phan, as the body of him who had so

self to look our best." lor, a short time after, I thought I lovely valley of Santa Clara. had never seen a more brilliantly "Let us be to each other as sisters, rich hue of the damask rose.

to the room indicated. that you are glad to see us.'

ed with emotion, and great, flashing daughter of the house of Lopez. black eyes fixed in wonder upon "Take them," she said, "I shall them.

her away. Or she may be insane; wearing his mother's diamonds." for-but send her away; her presence life is spent in deeds of charity and

Many, many weeks had passed send her away; my heart aches to see the dark-hoired children, with their since we bade good-bye to our friends her." And tears dimmed the lustre large, black, Spanish eyes, that now our tedious overland journey to Cali- "The way of the transgressor is fornia. We had crossed the rich prai- hard;" and so Eugene must have Capitvity and Death of Mary Queen

tion, a lady-Mrs. Delafield-whose | "Yes, Louise is my wife. I married line it.

ously through the canons, bearing on Then, when all is ready for consum-

mos amigos." (Good evening friends. poncho, and stood in the full light of gay the penalty of her treachery at

stately figure, the supper he was cook-"My husband is there. I know of ing for us before the fire. "Now, I've boy, for nigh upon thirty years, and I That cannot be the one," he said: never seen afore this a sight half so what you call brother-in-law. He boss! What air ye doin'; you'll be marry my sister, Dona Maria Lopez. drowned, sure. Thar ain't a boss in He marry her, now is, almost four all Californy can ford that slough." Delafield had hastily unpicketed

"Mi gractas, Senora, you are very fire shone full upon the face and fig. isn't over that hill in a minute and a to the men of Gaul." Tacitus also ure of Delaffeld, and she must have half, he will be too late."

Her tones were so clear that we On our arrival at Sacramento, Mrs. could hear them above the roaring of cisco. I accompanied her, partly be- other figure was seen scrambling cause I had business in that city, down the almost precipitous side of partly because I wished to see my the canon, and in a few moments, From the town just at nightfall, as home friend Eugene once more, and partly Don Juan Lopez stood on the other because I was unwilling that one in side of the stream, his rifle aimed at should perform the journey with no his sister. He fired, but without efcompanion but her little child. We feet, and the next moment the strugwent to the American Exchange, gling horse stumbled and fell headthen the best hotel in San Francisco, long into the stream, and, with its and the house where we knew from rider, was whirled rapidly into the

taking rooms during his frequent vis- These mountain streams subside alits to that city. Perhaps he was there most as rapidly as they rise, and in a few days we were able to return to "Do not inquire," said Mrs. Dela- San Francisco, bearing with us the field, "until I change my dress and mangled body of Delafield. Dona that of Ada. I want to surprise him, Maria stood beside the widow and ordress, I want my little one and my- cruelly wronged her was consigned to its final resting place, and then took When she rejoined me in the par- them with her to her home in the

beautiful woman. Her very agita- she said, "and let me share with you tion seemed to lend a new charm to the care of the little one. My little Size of the Human Race in Remote her beauty, for her blue eyes sperkled I nez died I can now say, God be with a new light, and her cheek, thankful that he has taken them to which had been pale before, wore the himself. But let me be a second moth-

er to your little Ada." The clerk said that Mr. Delafield Delafield died poor. Self-indulgent was in; that he had just gone to his and luxurious in his habits, he had room; and scarcely waiting for the spent, long before his death, the large bell-boy to precede her, she hurried amount of money that he brought with him to California. But Dona "Oh! my husband," she exclaim- Maria was a Spanish heiress, and the ed, "I have come to you, and have large income received from her vast brought our child-our little Ada, estate had enabled him to continue whom you have never seen." Then the indolent and expensive life to seeing the strange look in his eye, which he had been accustomed. Mrs. the hesitation in his manner: "But Delafield and her child were never you are glad to see us, Eugene? Say permitted to feel the loss of fortune, and when, in a few years, the beauti-Before he could answer, a lady, tall, ful widow became once more a wife. stately, and elegantly attired-advan- her generous rival placed in her jewel ced from the inner room, and stood casket all the rich gems that had dewith heaving breast, cheeks crimson- scended as an heirloom to the only

said, with a slight foreign accent. glad to see you wear them. Juan, too. Eugene, my husband, please send would like to see his beautiful wife self-denial. Each year on the anni-That cannot be. Eugene Delafield is is wreathed with the fairest flowers; my husband and the father of my for the woman whom he so falsely child. Eugene, dearest, who is this deceived looks upon his memory in poor lady, and what does she mean death as being exclusive her own. And the little Ada, whose blue eyes "Pobrita! Yes, she wanders in her and golden curls are so like her mind; but send her away, please father's, is dearer to her by far than cluster about the old homestead.

ries, teeming with buffaloes, and we found it, as he stood confronted by encamped for the night by the clear these two beautiful women, both of For nineteen years Mary Stuart rewaters of Lake Tahoe, thankful that whom we had wronged. For a mo- mains a prisoner under guard, wear-God had brought us safe so far on our ment he hesitated; then, advancing ing away the weary hours with "neeway, and looking forward with hope toward his wife, he passed his arm die-work, with dogs, with turtle-to the termination of our toils and around her and drew the beautiful doves, and Barbary fowls." She dangers—a pleasant reunion with head till her face was hidden on his cools her feverish impatience to the separated-and a happy and prosper- "Maria!" he said confusedly, "I after the hounds. The confinement ous abode in the far-famed land of have wronged you deeply, irremed- is not severe, but the torture is insupgold. There was still danger from tably. This lady is my wife. I marthe Indians, who had been hanging ried her before coming to California." portable, for the hope of deliverance is never quenched. Elizabeth never on our track for several days; so a Dona Maria stood as if transfixed. announces a definite purpose concernwatch was set, the cattle picketed in At last she said, slowly and painfully: ing her royal prisoner, probably nevclose proximity to the camp fire, and "That lady is your wife; who, then, er has one. For nineteen years both our fire-arms carefully examined and am I? You swore at God's altar and captive and captor are made miseraplaced where they could be seized at in presence of the holy Father, to be ble by plots and counterplots; and once, should an alarm be given. The my true and faithful husband. Can a whether Mary in prison or Mary at train was a large one, and several or man have two wives? Who and large is the more dangerous to the se-Eugene, bowed down with shame question so hard to decide that Eliza-Taking advantage of this protect and humiliation, could only answer: beth never fairly attempts to determ-

At length a plot is uncovered more ed us in St. Louis, with her little girl | And Dona Maria swept quietly and | deadly than any that has preceded. about five years old. Active and en- gracefully from the room. Like one Half a score of assassins band themergetic in time of need; quiet, reso- walking in a dream, she passed selves together to attempt Elizabeth's lute, and possessing a moral power through the long passage, down the life, and to put Catholic Mary on the that controlled the other women in broad stairs, and out to the darkness vacant throne. The blessing of the time of danger, we found her pres- of the unlighted street, anywhere, pope is pronounced upon the enterence a help rather than a hindrance she cared not whither, so that she left prise. The Catholic powers of Euon our route. She was now seated him behind her. And this was the rope stand ready to welcome its conby the camp fire, the little golden- meeting with her husband that summation. Mary gives it her corhaired Ada by her side, while I lay Louise Delafield had so fondly antici- dial approbation. "The hour of deliverance," she writes exultingly, "is of her husband, who had been my After repeated inquiries, we were at at hand." But plots breed counterchum at college. She had left St. last on the track of Dona Maria, for plots. In all the diplomatic service Louis unexpectedly, and had no op- Mrs. Delafield could not rest while of Europe there is no so ingenuous portunity to apprise him of her in she thought her innocent rival was spy as Walsingham, Elizabeth's tended coming; and she talked of the wandering alone and unprotected in Prime Minister. Every letter of Majoy he would feel when he saw her this wild and dangerous country. The ry's is opened and copied by his and the little daughter that had been rains had swelled the mountain agents before sent to its destination. born during the absence of her fath- streams, and the waters rushed furi- The conspiracy is allowed to ripen.

Francois, the cook, was preparing their way up-torn trees and other mation, the leaders are arrested, the supper, and the savory odor of broil- debris which they had encountered plot is brought to the light of day. ed antelope steaks, mountain quail in their tumuituous path down the Mary, with all her faults, never knew fear ; no craven heart was hers. trout, fresh caught from the clear, We were encamped for the night on The more dangerous was she because cold waters of the lake, fried in their the high ground at one side of the so brave. She battles for her life with ackets of Indian meal, mingled with loveliest valley in the Coast Range, a heroism well worthy a nobler a nahe delicious fragrance of the coffee called by the Californians by the incu- ture-battles to the last, though there in a way that was quite appetizing to phonious name of 'Shirt Tail Canon.' be no hope. She receives the senus weary and hungry travelers. Some We arrived there late at night, and at tence of death with the calmness of king of France, who reigned about had been milked, and we were pre-paring for the evening's meal, when an alarm was given by the more described by the an alarm was given by the more described by the contrage, not of despair. With our true contrage, not of despair. With our true contrage, not of despair, with our true contrage, not of despair. With our true contrage, not of despair, with our true contrage, not of despair. With our true contrage, not of despair. With our true contrage, not of despair, with our true contrage, not of despair. With our true contrage, not of despair true contrage, cows that were driving with the train once lighted our camp fire and made true courage, not of despair. With an alarm was given by the guard. opposite side of the canon; but they infatuated love of Bothwell swerved Each man sprang at once to arms, had arrived earlier, and now seemed her from it for a few short weeksand everything was disposed in the to be slumbering around the fire, with she clings to his to her crucifix till in his borne and to be opened, wherebest possible manner to protect the women and children, as well as the cattle upon which our comfort and with his elbow resting on his knees and everything was disposed in the to be slumbering around the fire, with she clings to his to her crucilly till in his bones and bow were found rotten, but his armor sound, though covered with his elbow resting on his knees friends. "Weep not," she says; 'I manding to be second off, and rotten to be slumbering around the fire, with she clings to his to her crucilly till in his bones and bow were found rotten, but his armor sound, though covered with rust, which the king, commending to be second off, and rotten to be supported as a saint would be Catharine de' safety so much depended. A company of horsemen, ten or fifteen in number, were approaching our camp, and Missouri Ren. "See his long."

"See his long."

"Weep not," she says; "I have promised for you." Her very last are a psalm from her prayer-book so fit for him, as thereby it appeared to find the catharine de last are a psalm from her prayer-book so fit for him, as thereby it appeared to find the catharine de last are a psalm from her prayer-book so fit for him, as thereby it appeared to find the catharine de last are a psalm from her prayer-book so fit for him, as thereby it appeared to find the catharine de last are a psalm from her prayer-book so fit for him, as thereby it appeared to find the catharine de last are a psalm from her prayer-book so fit for him, as thereby it appeared to find the catharine de last are a psalm from her prayer-book so fit for him, as thereby it appeared to find the catharine de last are a psalm from her prayer-book so fit for him, as thereby it appeared to find the catharine de last are a psalm from her prayer-book so fit for him, as thereby it appeared to find the catharine de last are a psalm from her prayer-book so fit for him, as thereby it appeared to find the catharine de last are a psalm from her prayer-book so fit for him, as thereby it appeared to find the catharine de last are a psalm from her prayer-book so fit for him, as thereby it appeared to find the catharine de last are a psalm from her prayer-book so fit for him, as thereby it appeared to find the catharine de last are a psalm from her prayer-book so fit for him, as thereby it appeared to find the catharine de last are a psalm from her prayer-book so fit for him, as thereby it appeared to find the catharine de last are a psalm from her prayer-book so fit for him and the catharine de last are a psalm from her prayer-book so fit for him and the catharine de last are a psalm from her prayer-book so fit for him and the catharine de last are a psalm from her prayer-book so fit for him and the catharine de last are number, were approaching our camp. said Missouri Ben. "See his long, | -"In thee, O Lord, have I but my At the distance of a few rods they black hair. Now, stranger, thar's no trust." And then she lays her head halted, and the leader alone road forward. He was a Mexican, tall and derned red skins is goin' to give us ward. He was a Mexican, tall and derned red skins is goin' to give us she laid it upon her pillow. No have similar evidence in relation to n her counsels to the young girl who halted, and the leader alone road for- use talking, but that 'ar party of upon the block as peacefully as ever in bigness and stature of body, tho' she might better manage them, was Delafield turned wearily in the di- in the full bloom of ripened woman-"Buenos tardes, amigos raios," he rection indicated; just then, the sup- hood-forty-five, no more-Mary Stusaid. "No tenga ustedes miedo. So- posed Indian arose, threw off the art pays on the scaffold at Fotherin-

Some of our party understood Span- man; and Delafield grasped my arm The spirit of the stern old Puritans ish, and we soon learned that he was till the pressure was painful. He rec- is satisfied, and the prophecy of the Good Book receives a new and gregherders; that he owned a large rancho in the vicinity, and that he was rid- Ben. "Ef that 'ar Injun ain't a wo- blood, by man shall his blood be ing in search of some lost cattle. He man after all. Who'd a thought it? shed."-Lyman Abbott, in Harper's

"I came for the saw, sir," "What saucer?" Why, the saw, sir, that you borrowed." "I borrowed no saucer." her blue-eyed, golden-baired Ada De- gers, sure," continued Ben, forgetting sir," "I never saw you saucer," "But you did, there's the saw now, sir." you say so?"

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> they were walking. Through a dark, lonely thicket their winding and talking-Paddy turned round and ax'd her the

uncivil, I'll not go alone through the thicket wid For Paddy, avick, you're as wild as the div-

You'll be kissing and squazing me, that's what you'll do!' But the pig," replied Pat, "that I've lugged If loose back to town like the divil he'd gers, or only about five feet ten.

Och, Paddy," said she, as the glanced up demurel "Sure couldn't ye's put the pig under the

THE GIANTS OF ANTIQUES. Ages.

In examining the claims of the giants of antiquity we must take into consideration the fact that it was the custom of all ancient nations to magnify the stature of their kings and strength and in size was the ambition of every warrior. Even the great Alexander was not free from this vanilem.

"What means this intrusion?" she wife, and I shall be with a slight foreign accent glad to see you wear them. Juan, too.

"Take them," she said, "I shall be meet need them more. You are now failing. Admitting that a people like the Rephaim existed existed in Pales- that she might return to her first love; have her cared for—tenderly cared Dona Maria never married, but her stretch of a poetic imagination to herself to the English government, "Your husband!" and Mrs. Dela- versary of Delafield's death, masses with their conquerors than are the pay in universal neglect and confield started back, with pale cheeks are said for the repose of his soul and Patagonians beside other more civiland quivering lips. "Your husband! the monument that covers his grave ized races of to-day, yet seemed more V., was Mary's father, of whom we over the average height.

> giant of the Philistines was only a litlast by a mad gallop in fair weather bedstead. It is not necessary to dis-It is curious to observe that according and virtuous of monarchs. to Dr. Smith, the words in Deuteron- By her father Mary was a Stuart; eurity of Protestant England is a "sarcophagus of black basalt," but probability of our supposition.

> fourteen feet in length, and Hollinshe had a very small foot, entirely out ing Camerarius, says: "Francis I. one hundred years since, being desirland, nephew to Charlemange, caus- lineage. Her education was even less that Rouland exceeded him but little ately debauched her own sons that "grizzled, wrinkled old woman," but have similar evidence in the conqueror, and in her counsels to the joint grizzled, wrinkled old woman," but the body of William the conqueror, was her most dreaded and hated rivals. which was reported to have been dug Probably the last school where one up, four hundred years after burial, would choose to send a susceptible and found it to be eight feet in length; maiden to learn lessons of purity lish took Cannes, in 1562, some soldable about the bones.

> Were it possible to get at the truth there is little doubt but that half of an would choose would be these Jesconcerning the giants of antiquity, them could be shown to be pure doza, for example—who did not hesiremainder could be reduced in size very materially. Pliny's assertion falsehood, murder; and whose teachthat mankind is gradually degenera- ings, before they were counteracted "Sure you did, sir, borrow a saw, ting is wholly gratuitous, and has no by the protests of such believers as foundation in fact. Indeed, a vast Pascal, and such heretics as Luther, deal of proof can be adduced tending brought forth their fruit in the assas-O, you want the saw Why didn't to show that the men of to-day are sination of William of Orange and of equal, and probably superior in stat- Coligni, and in the wholesale massaure to the ancients. The Greeks and A judge, of Milesian extraction. Romans were undoubtedly of small ere of St. Bartholomew. And it was charged a jury as follows: "Gentle-stature. The helitests and sword-hilts the Cardinal of Lorraine, who were man of the jury, you must find that that have come down to us from the the tardinal of Lorraine, who were the defend at is guilty beyond a reheroic ages could not be used by the Lymen Abbott, in Harper'i Magazine asonable doubt. A reasonable doubt majority of soldiers of the present is such a doubt as will convince a European nations. Ancient rings, for February. reasonable man that the defendant is also, are generally too small for modern fingers.

But the classic writers give testimo-A sporting gentleman, who boasts of ny enough on this point. Caesar, mania. We call it stealing, then. bo says that he has seen Britons at eight pounds of shot in its erep.

Rome who were a half foot taller than proof that the men of these nations. were any larger in ancient times than graves and barrows tell a different And she on her head bore a big iron pot. story. The remains are usually under the average height of men of the present day. It is the same of the whom I was so much interested the man who had so cruelly deceived Biddy sat down the pot, stopped her laugh- Athenaus, a man of four cubits, or Egyptian mummies. According to six feet in height, was considered of

"gigantic size" in Egypt. Apollodorus, the grammarian of 'Och," sald she, "I'm afraid ye'll be acting Athens, gives the height of the "gigantic Hercules" as four cubits; and Phya, the woman who was selected to personate Minerva, at Athens, in the time of Pisistratus, on account of her great height, which was considered wonderful, did not exceed in stature four cubits less by three fin-

Numerous other examples might be given, but the facts cited are sufficient to prove that mankind at the present day, if no greater, is certainly no less in height, and in size than in the days of old; and that fully as many justances of abnormal stature have occurred in comparatively modern times as when "there were glants in the earth."-Appleton's Journal.

Lineage and Education of Mary Queen

of Scotts. French Mary we have called herheroes. To be consider d a giant in Scotch in birth. French she was in for French she really was, though heart and sympathy, and by hermother's blood, and, with all her disguises, never disguised that from herty, for we are told that in one of his self or others. If she were, indeed a Asian expeditions he caused to be saintly queen, she did not come of a made and left behind him a suit of family which was prolific in saints. armor of huge proportions, in order to Her paternal grandmother was that induce a belief among the people he English Margaret whose unwomanly had conquered that he was of great lust was not even hid beneath a wostature. Homer exaggerated the size manly reserve—"an ignorant, deceitand strength of all the heroes of the ful, low-minded, odious woman;" Trojan war, and leads us to infer that drying her widow's tears in three the whole race of man, even in his months to marry the handsome Earl day, had degenerated. We may sus- of Angus; divorcing from him after pect that even the Jewish writers two years to marry her paramour, tine, of greater stature than the He- as treacherous to her nation as to her brews, it would require but a little husbands; selling information and paint them as giants. They may and for poor wages too; and at the have been no larger in comparison last paying the penalty all traitors. immense to the children of Israel, can say nothing worse than that he who were more probably under than was a genuine Stuart, and nothing better than that perhaps the best of Again, there is no absolute certain- them. Vigorous in execution, but ty that the Biblical text, as we have vacillating in purpose; brave, but it, is as it was originally written. Our both false and fickle; condescending authorized version makes Goliath, to the people, yet as one who has confor instance, six cubits and a span in tempt for them; of good understandheight; but the Vatician copy of the ing, but of degenerate morals; re-Septuagint (Codex Vaticanus), as old belling against the control of the as any in existence, (unless the Sina-Scottish nobility, only to resign himiticus exceeds it,) reads "four cubits self into the bands of the Roman and a span," agreeing in this with Catholic churchmen-he died at the Josephus. To which account are we last broken-hearted, because on the to adhere? If to the latter, then the eve of battle deserted by his rebellious

tle over six and a half feet in stature. Mary Queen of Scotts, his only leinstead of nine and a hulf. The sa- gitimate child, inherited from him ure of King Og, but only that of his of the sacredness of the marriage tie. pute the thirteen and a half feet of contemporaneous history that this the giant couch, but we are half in- man, who maintained a Scotch harclined to suspect that Og was afflicted em with four noble wives, and left with an ambition similar to that of half a dozen illegitimate children of Alexander, and used a bedstead not rank, besides no man knows how in proportion to his actual size, but in many unknown bastards, should beproportion to his fancied importance. written down as the most exemplary

omy translated "bedstead of iron" are on her mother's side she belonged to also susceptible of the rendering, the Lorraines of France-a family as unscrupulous as it was daring. It this does not militate against the was her uncle, the chivalrous Duke of Guise, who, coming one day upon a Comparatively modern writers are congregation of Protestants, met for not free from like exaggerations in re- worship, and opened fire upon them, gard to the stature of noted men. when the poor, unarmed martyrs William of Malmesbury makes the broke through the roof, ordered his tomb of Walwin, nephew of King soldiers to bring them down with Arthur and one of his famous knights, their shot, "as one brings down pighead, quoting Sylvester Giraldus, ly enjoying the exciting sport. It eons," his lady looking on and hugesays that the body of King Arthur, was her other uncle, the Cardinal of found in Glastonbury in 1159, was Lorraine, whom Pius V. nicknamed two feet higher than any man who the "Ultramontane Pope." and who came to see it. As Camden who signalized his devotion to the Church gives an account of the discovery, by holding at one time no less than fails to note this peculiarity of the fourteen sees, bishoprics, and abbeys, corpse, the story is probably without and managing with great economy to foundation. In like manner, Charle- live very comfortably on the paitry magne and his palladius have been income of 300,000 francs which they represented as of great stature. Egin- annually brought him. "He is not hard says that the great emperor was much beloved," says a cotemporary; 'seven of his own feet" in height; "he is far from truthful, naturally defrom which we must infer either that ceitful and covetous, but full of religion." The sister of these Lorraines. of proportion to his size, or that he Mary of Guise, the mother of Mary was a very tall man. The old writers Queen of Scotts, has been scarcely would have us believe too that Rou- less bitterly condemned and no less land, the hero of Roneesvalles, was highly eulogized than her daughter. also of gigantic stature and strength. On the whole, there is perhaps no bet-Happily we have some direct evidence on this point. Hakewill, quot- that of Robertson: "Mary of Guise spirit which distinguished her fami-

This was the "martyred queen's" for Stowe says that, when the Eng- would be the court of France in the sixteenth century. And it was in the ier broke into the monument in search | court of France Mary spent the most of booty, and found nothing remark- susceptible years of her life-from six to nineteen. Certainly the last custos dlans of the conscience which a modmyths, and that nine-tenths of the tate to defend by their casuistry, and under color of religion, fraud, forgery,

> Zeb Crummet wonders why poor people are not afflicted with klepto-

A Pennsylvania editor excuses big Maria. I shall regard her as a rela- and bent over, clinging to a tree for long way across country to a meeting, with the great size of their bodies, is lack of a knowledge of figures, by

> describes the Germans as of robust An ingenuous farmer brought a form and of great stature, and Stra- turkey to the Boston market with