For once I saw her unaware Upon a fellow's lap: He claiming kisses ripe and rare— I did not like the chap.

My bliss had some alloy.

She had some faults (so have we all)-But one I hope to throttie; She had, alas, what I may call A weakness for the bottle.

One morn I caught her ere was made Her toilet, and beneath An old straw hat her laugh betrayed My darling had no teeth.

Unconscious of my presence she

With artful antics rare Tossed off the hat, and—Gracious me! Her head was minus hair.

But love is founded on a rock. And mighty in its might: For I could learn without a shock She could not read nor write.

She could not dance or sing a tone, And scarcely could converse; But what cared I, she was my own,

For better or for wors And yet I loved her and confessed

Devotion, and, it may be, You'd do the same if you possessed Another such a baby.

-H. C. Dodge, in Detroit Free Press.

THE MAN WITH A BLACK BEARD. WE were all assembled in the little school-room, girls on one side, boys on the other, and Miss Linda in the middle, beside a mahogany desk, piled with spelling-books, and graced by a much, indeed." polished ruler, which never, within the purpose than to rule copies with, for habit of calling her Miss Linda was one?" proof of this; any other teacher would have been addressed by her surname, I answered. "I never saw her cry." but we never even thought of ours as Miss Harrington. To this day I cannot to and fro, and I heard him mutter: guess her age; she was certainly it impossible to say how young she past to grieve the happy present." der ones she was quite a woman; but tionery was forgotten. In a few moin any mood she was as beautiful as ments he turned toward me. perfect features, ivory skin, a wealth "Good-by, little one!" he said. "Run in her merry mood this morning, and you would never do that, I know." there were dimples in her rosy cheeks, and those black eyes out-rivaled the fully away; and as the weeks passed brightest diamonds that ever glistened by, and I saw no more of the gentle-

stupid scholar of the school (there is most forgot that such a being existed. always a stupid scholar in the school, And still "our minister" visited the and he is inevitably a boy.) was stum- school, and looked at the teacher, and bling through his spelling-lessons, and still the gossiping tongues of the village falling flat over the insurmountable foretold that Miss Linda would be the word "physician." He had spelt it minister's lady yet. "fizzishion," "fusition," and was at One day-a bright, cool autumn aftpresent mute with despair, and, ob- ernoon, it was-Miss Linda and I were state of violent agitation.

"Oh, the man, the man!" sobbed of my senses."

frighten you, my dear?" He came close behind me and said. Never, never!" answered the child; "and he put his hands to his forehead, by the river. Oh! I'm so frightened, so frightened, Miss Linda, you can't

"It was only some poor crazy man, my dear," said Miss Linda. "You are I heard his voice, husky, it was, and safe now, at all events: wipe away your | tremulous. tears, and tell me all about it."

"I was coming along the green lane toward school, Miss Linda, hurrying You do wrong to doubt me. My existvery fast for fear I would be late, when ence is worthless without your affec-I met our new minister, who stopped tion. Do not deny me all hope; let me and shook hands with me, and asked think, at least, that in time my deep how you were; and said he would look love may win your own; that, when in at the school and hear us sing this you see how constant and devoted my afternoon; and while I was answering heart is to you, you will think well of him this tall man with the black beard | me for that constancy at least. Many passed us twice, and then stopped be- a better and greater may woo you. side the water. And when the minister turned away he looked after him, and I could see great tears in her eyes as then walked very quickly toward school, she answered him. and then back again, and then clasped his hands and said 'Never, never, wyn. I do think well of you. As a never," out loud, and frightened me so sister I may even say that I love you; that I cried, and ran here as fast as I but other love than that of a sister

the smaller children as a ghost story he to whom I was betrothed sleeps bewould have done; and Miss Linda, after neath the waves, or is a wanderer upon looking around at these frightened faces, laughed merrily, and, expressing he is lost to me forever; but a woman her decided conviction that the gentleman with the black beard had escaped from the lunatic asylum, called the school to order, and proceeded in the feelings, and I am glad it cannot." usual routine of duties, as though nothing particular had occurred.

Early in the afternoon "our minister" did call. He had a habit of visiting the from which she had arisen; the tears school, and it appeared to me that the were trickling down her checks, and teacher was much more interesting than her bosom rose and fell convulsively. her scholars. At all events, it was cer- Over her dress, over the floor, fell a tain that he looked at her much oftener than he did at us, and was very particular about shaking hands when he took and while I watched it the tall man spectacle for the fiendish malignity of Theebaw. One of his elder brothers and while I watched it the tall man could be done to him and was flowed. his leave. He was a young and very with the black beard stood on the handsome man, and rumor said that he threshold - stood there, with both was exceedingly in love with our Miss arms stretched toward her, until she Linda. He lingered in the little school- turned, and, looking on him, cried, house a long while on that bright sum- "William! oh, my William!" and fell mer afternoon; but he went at last, and upon his bosom. mer afternoon; but he went at last, and then the children were dismissed, and the little building closed for the night.

At first I had imagined that the black-bearded gentleman was about to the little building closed for the night.

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She greeted Miss Linda with a smile,

small talk and news forthwith. said. "They ought to, for you've been return to you soon, happy and prospertalked about enough. There was a ous, but, baffled and disappointed. I battered over the head, and the children stranger here—a foreign-looking man could not bear to bring my poverty were swung against the palace walls. with a long black beard; and he asked and grief for you to share, and I batme about the place and the people in it, and appeared to be much interested hearted, until I began to doubt all truth Theebaw's plan-one not unusual in about the school, and asked the name and goodness, and believed that no Burmah-was not successful, for the of the teacher and what sort of a per- woman could welcome back a toil-worn, reason that at least three of his blood son she was. I told him as near as I beggared man, as she would one who could; and, says I, I shouldn't wonder was glad and prosperous. if she left off being schoolmistress and I saw her arm steal about his neck, went to live at the parsonage before and her lips touch his cheek, and he long, for our minister is paying very particular attention to her, says I, and "Better days dawned upon me, and I

gentleman have thought?"

THE RED CLOUD CHIEF. Linds, who kissed me with a very, very as I thought him, to this door; I heard grave face. "Who could that man the words he spoke, and I also heard with the black beard be?" I thought, your answer. I learned, my angel, that as I tripped along. "Why did he you had forgiven me, that you were frighten Lilly, and why did he ask still true to the wanderer whose only questions about our school and Miss merit was that he loved you fondly, and Linda?" The old fairy tales I had no words can tell you the eestacy of that conned upon winter evenings arose be- moment, the balm that knowledge fore my mind, and I thought of the poured upon my wounded heart. Will ogres and giants, who all had black you be my wife still, Linda? Will you beards and a propensity to devour little share the little that I have of wealth. girls and carry young ladies away by and let me have a right to the great their long tresses. "What hair Miss treasure of your woman's heart?" Linda had for that purpose! How a giant would rejoice in those great lower still, and her white arms twined golden waves!" I thought; and just themselves tenderly about the bronzed then, raising my eyes, they encountered, neck of the man with the black beard. to my horror, they very person of whom I had been dreaming—the tall man with ed the marriage of Miss Linda Harring.

the long black beard, himself. I utter- ton and Mr. William Brace, and our ed a scream of terror, and the tall man school was without a mistress. - N. Y. put his hand on my shoulder. "Don't be frightened, little one," he said. "I'm very fond of little girls." "Does he mean he likes to eat them?" I thought; and I looked up into his face, expecting to meet a sardonic ogre grin, but instead I encountered such a sweet smile that I gained

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Start Right and Stick.

stick to it, their success may be insured

ing, and stability of purpose and effort,

farming, for it is even more disastrous

depending on one crop. The farmer

who "rotates" from sheep to cows, and

from cows to grain, and from grain to

fruit, with every fluctuation of the mar-

Every farm is better adapted to some

cold water and pasturage specially

orchards will prove disappointing.

the faculty of having his land, his seed,

his fertilizers, his times and seasons,

just right to coax fields of waving grain

from the soil. Another will have a

mium at the County Fair. Still anoth-

er will plant and prune and shape an

orchard of half-a-thousand apple trees

smooth, symmetrical, yielding just such

apples, in just such quantities, as he

planned when he bought the trees from

the nursery. The point is, that every

man, in farming as in other occupa-

tions, should ascertain what his com-

bined inward forces and outward cir-

cumstances will enable him to do best,

and do that. As a rule, diversified

farming is the best, except in localities

ike the dairy regions of New York or

A snug little orchard; fields of grain,

most comfortable after all. For spe-

Theebaw, the Inhuman King.

ministers who had advanced him by

upon foreigners as the dirt beneath his

feet, and as utterly unworthy to crawl

between heaven and earth, was taunted

and driven to madness before receiving

escaped, and one of them will probably

succeed him. The area of Burmah (a

country in the southeast of Asia, be-

tween India and China, and south of Thibet) is 192,000 square miles, and its

An affecting scene took place in a

Cincinnati station-house the other

night. A tramp who had been received

for shelter was recognized by his

brother, a prosperous merchant, who had not seen or heard of him for many

years. The officers had taken precau-

various supports. - Golden Rule.

the natural grain-fields of the West.

so that they shall all stand uniform

that he can't "raise"-a mortgage.

confidence in a moment, and stood quietly beside him. "Sit down here," said the stranger, "I want to talk to you. Look, here is something nice," and he drew a handful of confectionery from his pocket. "Eat it while I talk to von."

I held my little pinafore to receive the gift and sat down, and the man with the black beard sat down beside

"How old are you?" he said. "Just six years," I answered. "And where do you go to schoot?"

he askęd. "On the hill, at Miss Linda's," I answered.

"Have you a nice teacher? Do you love her?" inquired the stranger. "Very much," I answered; "very And, to my great amazement, the

memory of the oldest scholar, had gentleman with the dark beard covered been used for any more unpleasant his face with his hands and ejaculated: "God bless her! who could help it. Miss Linda's sway was a gentle one. Do you think she is happy?" he went as any one who looked at her fair face on. "Does she smile and laugh, or might well have imagined. Even our does she ever feel sad?-tell me, little

"I think Miss Linda is very happy, The tall gentleman arose and paced "Happy! Is she happy? My selfishyoung, but her features had a lovely ness shall never break in upon her peculiarity of their own, which made quiet: I will never arouse the sleeping was. In her mirthful moments she The heart under my little pinafore looked like a merry child, in her sad- beat wildly with alarm, and my confec-

olden hair and great, long-fringed | home, now, and never tell your teacher black eyes could make her. She was that I have been talking about her; and amid the tresses of a princess. The man with the black beard, I soon al-

livious to the promptings of a sym- alone in the school-house. I was pracpathizing little girl behind the teach- tising the scales on a piano in the ioner er's chair, was preparing to cover his room-for it was the day on which I eyes with his coat sleeve and bemoan always took my music-lesson—and Miss himself, when the whole school was Linda was writing at her desk in the startled by the sudden flinging open of outer room. There was no sound save the door, and the entrance of little the monotonous "One, two, three," Lilly Darwin, the smallest of the small which I uttered, until a quick step fell children under Miss Linda's care, in a upon the grass without, and, raising my eyes. I saw the young minister pass the window and enter the school-room. Lilly. "The great tall man with the He had scarcely done so, when another black beard! He's frightened me out shadow fell upon my music-book, and I saw the tall gentleman with a black "What man, Lilly?" said Miss Lin- beard glide after him and stand moda, compassionately. "How did he tionless in the shadow of the schoolhouse porch. I played on still, but very softly, and my eyes were turned toward the other room. The young minister and Miss Linda stood in the and then went away out of sight down | center of the apartment, and he was speaking passionately, but softly. Then he strove to clasp her hand in his, but she drew it away and stood further

"Linda, dear Linda!" he said. "von can never tell how much I love you. Linda, but none can love more truly.

"Do not misunderstand me, Mr. Al-Linda Harrington can never give to This horrible narration affected all living man. I-I have loved once, and of whom thirty-seven wives and fiftythe face of the earth. Living or dead, gives her love but once, and mine is his still, Mr. Alwyn. Leave me, I beseech you! Time can never change my

> He took her hand and pressed it to his lips, and in another moment he was gone. Miss Linda sunk upon the seat their respective pairs of ankles, and

this

and began to empty her budget of dreamed you could still love me, I have The massacre was carried on in mall talk and news forthwith.

"Did your ears burn to-day?" she loved you every moment since we this leisurely fashion until Theebaw parted. When I left you I hoped to and the executioners wearied of the

I shouldn't wonder if she liked him, too. She's good enough for a minister's lady, anyhow, says I."

"Oh, Mrs. Jones! how could you say such things to a stranger, or to any that you were betrethed to and its population is 3,500,000. The revenue of the King is £800,000, with perquisites enough to make out the even million."—Chicago Inter-Ocean. such things to a stranger, or to any that you were betrothed to another, and one?" exclaimed Miss Linda, looking though it almost broke my heart, I really distressed. "What must the vowed that if this were true I would not mar your new-found happiness by "Oh! you know I must talk when I bringing back the memory of the past. once get started," said Mrs. Jones, and I don't suppose he thought any-should have known that Will Brace

HOME, PARM AND GARDEN.

STIMULANT FOR THE HAIR.-Take of spirits of hartshorn two ounces, lard il, twelve ounces; shake well together and take care that it is kept tightly bottled. TO EXTERMINATE CATERPILLARS --

It is said that caterpillars can be driven from apple trees by plugging sulphur in the body. The sulphur taints the sap and makes the leaves distasteful. COLD CREAM. - Take of oil of almonds two ounces, spermaceti half an She did not speak, but her head sunk ounce, white wax one dram. Melt together and while cooling add two ounces of rose-water, stirring it until

TEA ROLLS. - One pint of milk, scald and cool; the white of one egg, one tablespoonful butter, two tablespoonfuls of sugar, one yeast cake. Make stiff enough to mold; let it rise over night, then cut in rounds and fold over; butter the edges and let it rise again

A GREAT many men throughout the before baking. country are "going back to farming" this year, and an unusual number of RAW BEEF TFA. - Take one ounce of beef; shred with a knife until the red young men are looking out for a start pulp is removed from the fibers and in the same business. The reports that they remain a white, stringy mass by come from the West, of a revival of the themselves; add two tablespoonfuls of old-time inpouring of new settlers, and cold water, and let it soak for fifteen the accounts of the taking up of old minutes. Give it cold, or, if not liked farms in New England, are among the best signs of the times. If the new thus, very slightly warmed.

farmers will only start right, and then A SUBSTITUTE FOR BEE-BREAD. - Rve meal is believed by many bee-keepers in advance. Want of foresight in choosto be the very best substitute for beebread, when the latter is not in full supply. The meal should be put in shalare at the bottom of half the failures in low boxes or troughs near the apiary. for a farmer to make sudden and radi- A few pieces of empty comb put on the meal would soon attract the attention cal changes in his business plans than of the bees to it. This food causes the meg-graters, button-hooks, candleto "put all his eggs in one basket," by bees to send out larger and earlier swarms than those not similarly treated. How to Cook a Tough Fowl. - The

best way to cook a tough fowl is to fill kets, is pretty sure to get in one crop the wash-boiler one-thard full of boiling water. Invert a pan in this, rest the turkey on the pan so that it does not touch the water, steam until tender and look at every man with an eye to buy industries than to others. If the land is low and springy and cold, foot rot or then roast. It should be covered tight or to sell. I got off the Elevated Road other diseases will take the profits off while steaming. This neither lo-es juice nor flavor, while it hastens roastof sheep. If there is not plenty of pure ing wonderfully. Chickens may be man from Pennsylvania, who counts his adapted to cows in its chemical characsteamed in a bread steamer. It is a teristics, and that does not shrivel up good plan to wash old fowls in soda- fine a suit of clothes as money can buy, water before cooking.

by the end of July, dairying will not prosper. If the grain-producing ele-YEAST .-- To a handful of dry hops ments in the soil are exhausted, or inadd boiling water enough to make a sect enemies or climatic influences instrong tea; let it cool; then strain; add terfere, grain crops will fail. If fruit to this tea as much flour as will form a trees must stand "with their feet in stiff dough; set in a warm place to rise water," owing to a lack of drainage, for about two hours. This yeast will be too bitter to be used, so take two-thirds | coat, which is a bargain at four dol-Then again, men are as different as of it and to it add flour as before; let it | lars!" their farms. Some have just the knack rise, and your yeast is ready for breadto bring together a dairy of cows, nearmaking. To keep your yeast always on ly every one of which shall be a "good hand and ready, keep back a smail por- fect him a bit, for as I came up he gave ninety Times; one hundred and strty News, milker." and by gentle, clean, provid- tion of the yeast at breadmaking time, me dead away on a pair of checked and one hundred and thirty Presses. ent management secure large returns mix with a little flour and warm water pants at "only two dollars," and long for the best of products. Another has

and set aside until needed next day. To CLEAN BRASS.—If the brass is very much tarnished, use a little oxalic acid solution. If spots are imbedded, rub them out with a little powdered flock of sheep, every one of which looks as though bred to enter for the prepumice-stone. Then wash with water and dry. Mix rotten-stone with sweet oil to a paste, and rub it over the whole surface of the brass with a cork until it assumes a greenish-black color. Then wipe off completely with an old cloth Next rub over with lampblack until thoroughly polished, using a soft, smooth cork. This gives an excellent result, and repays all the extra trouble that it causes.

CURE FOR FISTULA .- Put one pint of fish-oil in a bottle; then add one ounce of sulphuric acid. Shake well and see if this will make the bottle moderately warm. If not, add one-half ounce more pre-eminently adapted to one branch, of the acid. When the bottle cools add one ounce spirits of turpentine. In twenty-four hours it is ready for use. Grease the affected part twice a day for a few days. Then drop off and grease grass, corn and root crops; a manage-able drove of cows or sheep; a pair of choice breeding mares; pen of good hogs; a yard of poultry; some extra crops to experiment on—this old-fash. once a day for two weeks. Then every third day until you include a month from the beginning. Be sure and not quit too soon.

ioned method is about the safest and CREAM TAPIOCA PUDDING.-Soak cialties require special knowledge and one teacupful of tapioca in one pint of new milk over night. In the morning special conditions of success. They are boil one pint of milk and turn it over like a one-legged milking stool-can't stand alone; while varied farming has the tapioca. Stir in a large spoonful of melted butter, a pinch of salt, two large spoonfuls of white sugar, the grated peel of a lemon, and four eggs beaten very lightly, after saving out the whites of two eggs. Stir all together. Bake in a pudding dish half an hour. Beat KING THEEBAW, of Burmah, who is reported to have caused 700 men, womup the whites of the eggs, lay them en and children to be buried alive as a sacrifice for his restoration to health, is over the top of the pudding, scatter but twenty years old. Selected over sugar over it, and brown for a few moments in the oven. his elder brothers to rule, he paid the

WASH FOR HORSES' FEET .- A wash imprisoning them. Instead of these or brine of salt and lime is good to wash horses' feet that are driven on paveadvisers of his father, he surrounded himself with men, or boys of his own ment or hard ground when the hoof is age and tastes, and the palace became the scene of orgies conducted absoluteof founder. Salt will extract moisture ly without restraint. An article lately from the atmosphere, which keeps the published regarding him says: "Anothfeet moist Salt operates nearly like er of Theebaw's acts, immediately after melted grease upon the foot, and renhis accession, was to secure himself ders the hoof tough and pliable. Like against palace plots by the simple proc-ess of killing all his relatives. A better -a chunk of wood saturated with salt or brine, it is tough, yet moist. Wash the idea of what this means can be gained legs above the hoof, hold up the foot by considering that the gay old monarch and pour into the bottom, and it will had fifty-three wives and 110 children, soak in and keep the feet in good condition and prevent the hoof from cracknine children survived him. It is impossible to say how many of these

Does Farming Pay?

brothers, sisters and stepmothers-so to speak-were killed, but eighty is a THAT is a question that occasionally fair compromise estimate. It must not stares us in the face in the best agribe imagined that they were disposed of cultural journals, not as emanating with any sentimental tenderness. At from the editors, but from some doubt first the victims were led from their ing ones who obtain access to their colcells in twos and threes to shekho to umns. "Does farming pay?" Why, indeed, if farming does not pay, what does? What will? Agriculture lies at the King; then their heads were tied to blows with a heavy club on the backs of the base of all National prosperity, and their necks ended their misery. But this soon proved too mild a when it does not flourish, or is without vitality, or will not bring more than it spectacle for the fiendish malignity costs, there can be no wealth, power or growth. It therefore does pay, and must pay. could be done to him, and was flogged to death. Another, who had looked

Perhaps there are individual farmers who carry on their business in a slovenly. slip-shod way that returns no profits and causes the pursuit to appear like the road to ruin. Farming is like every other profession-it must be conducted only secures a deficient crop—and a crop or no crop—will fail in the occupation, and discover eventually that his manner of farming does not pay. But the farmer who is industrious, systematic and thorough—who loves his calling—who takes advantage of all his

all my bills in this 'ere left boot 'fore I got off the cars." — M. Quad, in Detroit

Free Press.

Hew the Feeler Was Feeled.

ONE party on the West Hill did not

A PATRICE. opportunities, will find that farming realizes profits in numerous ways. There are solid returns to place on the credit side of his ledger—a surplus to go to his account in the bank, or to be oaned out on interest to his neighbors. or, what is better, to be expended in necessary or wise improvements. These answer the question at the head of this article, and solve all that there is problematical in the matter.

meet after struggling along in the vain effort to cause his methods to pay? He can give up his farm and hire himself out as a laborer, or he may hie to the town and set up a grocery, only if farming did not pay I can hardly see who would have the means to buy groceries. But if farming did not pay when fol-lowed by such a person, it is doubtful whether any other business would.

The farmer should work with his own hands, and every one around him should cheerfully follow his example. If he is raising a family of boys, he grows rich as their number and muscular power increase. Even girls are not to be considered as burdens. There is much thing about it. He started pretty soon after that, and I thought he was going to visit the school, for he went straight toward it."

The remembrance of the man who had frightened little Lilly rushed across my mind, and I turned my steps homeward, after bidding good-bye to Miss

Melt among living men, although he would have prayed for your happiness to visit the school, for he went straight toward it."

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The officers had taken precaution not to tell the tramp who was waition not to tell the tramp who was waiting to see him, but when their eyes met they threw themselves into each other's arms.

The main point to be kept in view at all times by the head of the family is to be sure that his income exceeds his income exceeds his income exceeds his out-to do what is right, but he can do what is right, but he can do what is wrong by just letting himself alone, and I turned my steps homeward, after bidding good-bye to Miss

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The "Cheap Johns" of New York.

Ir does a poor man a deas of good to tramp up and down the Bowery and Chatham street and see what splendid bargains are offered under the shadow of those gilt balls. Hanging in a con-spicuous place in a well-filled window you will discover a diamond pin with a center stone as big as a filbert, and on the card is written: "A little off-color only \$35." "Gracious! but how it makes a man's bair climb up to read the figures, and to think of bursting in on an evening party with that pin throwing out ten thousand scintillations a minute! "Off-color" is pretty good. but "all glass" would be more appropriate. The next window will reveal success. this solid seven-pearl ring only eight dollars!" A young man with that ring on his finger would "mash" a country town in just fifteen minutes, and fifteen minutes after that he might discover that the seven pearls were worth a cent apiece and the ring only well washed. Many of the regular jewelers are also up to tricks. "Can't be told from real

many a "diamond" ring. "SECOND-HAND MEN." One of the sights of Chatham s'reet are the dealers in second-hand clothing and furniture, and there is one place in particular where almost every article one can think of or ask for will be promptly handed out. On the same counter were swords, pistols, sickles, coffee-mills, jack-knives, lamps, nutmolds, grind-stones, egg-beaters, ridingwhips, dog-chains, horse-collars, hymnbooks, lamp-wicks, paper collars, knitting-needles, fire-fenders, and fifty other

diamonds-only three dollars," is the

legend borne by hundreds of cards on

which are displayed sets of ear-drops,

and "Worn by a lord at Saratoga for a

different articles. The second hand ciothiers let no chance pass to drive a bargain. They one day at Chatham Square and walked down the street just behind a gentledollars by the million. He had on as and his general bearing was that of a perfect gentleman. Yet, as he passed one of these clothing stores, the man at the door pointed to an old dress coat garden and orchard. which had been patched and dyed, and boldly remarked: "I want to call your attention to this

The millionaire halted and gave the

The second-hand furniture dealers Johnny was rather pugnacious by tempera-have even more cheek. They let no ment, but seemed deeply impressed by the one pass. A man with a satchel in each hand, just ready to start for his home a thousand miles away, is earnestly invited to "step in and examine this among the children. On the afternoon after parlor suite, at only forty dollars." I the christening Johanny was quite angered by parlor suite, at only forty dollars." was tackled in this way so often that I finally went in one day to see what the lowered, and with a serious voice and a look furniture really was, and what further

the dealer would say.

"Most people would take this for new furniture," he confidentially whispered, as he pointed to a sofa and six chairs upholstered in green and saciv faded and worn, "but I won't try to deceive a man like you. To tell the truth they were sent down here from a Fifth avenue parlor to be sold on the quiet. Sad case, that. Husband died suddenly- property, all incumbered— state \$20 per day at home. Samples worth \$5 widow left without means -obliged to \$5 to \$20 free Address Since & Ca. Portland to sell off her furniture, and so forth." "Is that so?"

"'Pon my sacred honor. How much do you suppose I gave her for this GUNS first Western dun Works Munbargh, Pa suite?" "Seven dollars."

The look he gave me I shall ever remember, but he swallowed the lump in his throat and continued:

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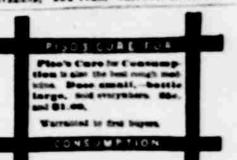
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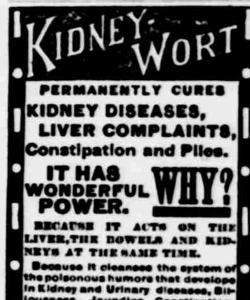
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