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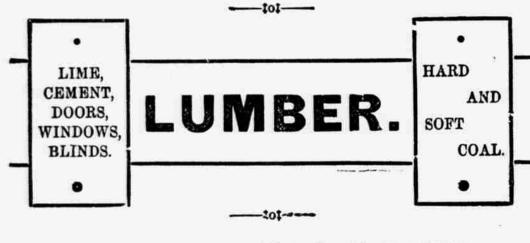
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wish that friends were always true, And motives always pure; I wish the good were not so few, I wish the bad were fewer. I wish that parsons ne'er forgot To heed their pious teachings; I wish that practicing was not So different from teaching. —Inter Ocean.

### AN OLD STAGER.

Forty years ago, before the Pena- Travelers' Rest by hard riding until sylvania railroad crooked and sidled, two o'clock in the afternoon, and wormed and climbed its way among you'll want your break ast pretty bad. the Alleghanies a famous stage route I reckon, by that time. Besides, I swept over hill and dale from Harris- thought you were in a hurry to get to burg to Chambersburg, and thence up Ohio." and down, up and down, over the six ... I am in a hurry." replied Mr. great parallel ridges to ... the wilds of Martin. ... Send along the sheriff as the Ohio,'

As Mr. Martin, after his supper, reaches the spot I fear the robbers came out into the open air. he saw will be miles away." that old Eate was harnessed by the side of the team, and that a boy whose them a chance to clear out, if you name he had learned was Joe Hartley, fall in with any of the gentlemen," had curied himself up on the trunks muttered the driver, as he strapped a which were strapped to the back of blanket upon old Kate and assisted the stage. Mr. Martin trudged be- Mr. Martin to mount. side him, for he had taken a strange liking to the boy. Moreover, he preferred to walk much of the way. The trip had been very tedious to him; he ford, you know), but they will stay was impatient to reach home, and had your stomach till you get to the lutle taste for the beauties of the tavern. If you should find my trunk, scenery about him. There had been please have it sent to Mrs. Robert frightful gorges and beautiful cas- Stockstill, New Carlisle, Clark county, cades, rare Alpine flowers, glorious Ohio." The last part of the direction wide stretching views from lofty summits, misty sunrises and flaming sun- Mr. Martin was urging old Kate down sets; but none of these things allev- the ridge. iated the tedium of the way for John Martin, and much of the way he had as he rode on, but for some time he walked far in advance of the horses, saw nothing to excite his suspicions. ATTORNEY -- AT -- LAW, as though striving to inspirit them with his example. . "I have a daughter 'way out in he noticed that some ferns and wild Ohio, just about your age, I should flowers were torn up from the cliff be-

guess," he said to Joe. "Are you the side the road. He dismounted and landlord's son?"

naven't got any relations except old of a struggle; some one had been Kate. Father died when I was a little dragged away who had clung franticfellow, and mother last winter; so ally to the very weeds. There we Kate and I hired out to the stage com- indistinct footprints, too, but the pany. You see, father used to be a ground was hard and dry and these that ever was and she loves me better to the tavern for help. Old Kate than anything in the whole world, unless it is apples."

and Mr. Martin noticed that the road had assumed a wilder character.

Joe, . but two or three times lately her bridle vigorously, but all to no the stage has been robbed; some one purpose. Old Kate had spied somehas cut the straps and lifted off the thing beside the road which pleased trunks from behind, so I am going to her, and her sensitive nose went botsit back here and watch."

Mr. Martin with an amused smile. " could holler," replied Joe, conhim down a precipice, or strangled him to prevent his being a witness against them.' replied Mr. Martin. indignantly. . . live me old Kate, and I will ride back and examine the way carefully. If I do not discover him, I can at least return the horse, and give the alarm at the tavern."

"Better give it at the next one," grumbled the driver. . We can send a sheriff back from Connellsville tomorrow. You can't reach the

soon as you please, but before he

"Reckon you'll wish you had given

... Here, sir. take my lunch basket." proffered the bride; . the cymbals are pretty hard (they were fried in Hartwas added at the top of her voice, for

rants, and negotiable papers discounted. He looked keenly from side to side He had passed over nearly two-thirds of the way down the mountain when

examined the ground carefully. It "Oh, no." replied the boy; "I seemed to him that here were signs

seemed as anxious as himself to get over the ground, for she was headed The sun had sunk behind the ridge, | for home. Suddenly she exhibited a perverse desire to stray up a narrow path which led into the woods and around

"I generally ride on top." explained a spur in the hill. Mr. Martin jerked anizing among the . yside shrubbery, "What good could you do?" asked as though there were no more import-

ant matters on hand.



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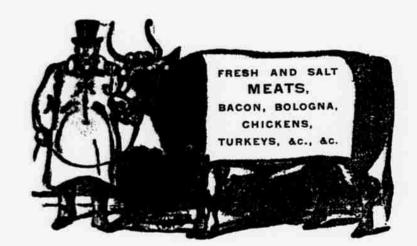
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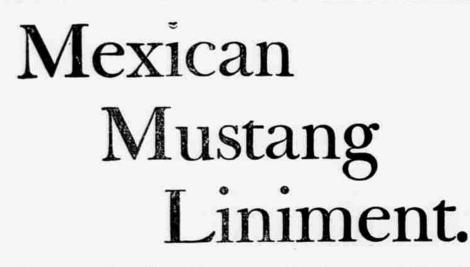
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fidently. "And anyway I ain't afraid. There was a text that mother taught me: 'And who is he that will harm is good?' "

night for my daughter Patty would be greatly disappointed if I should not bring back a tortoise-shell comb which I bought for her in Philadelphia. She is hardly old enough to wear it, but it was what she wished me to bring. She wanted some peacock feathers, too, but those I could not find."

"I wish I had known it before," said Joe; "there's a couple of peacocks at the tavern. I could have sent her some feathers just as well as not." Mr. Martin stepped ahead with Joe, the door. He beat vigorously upon it and patted Kate while the boy gave her part of an apple. She seemed to him an intelligent horse, and there was a

white star on her forehead between I think you will find the key under her gentle eyes. He was beginning to the door step." tire of his rough walk; so bidding Joe good night he climbed into the stage. The passengers' heads were wagging had gone away with the more valua-sleepily; they lunged heavily against ble part of their booty. They had one another as the stage lurched from | tied the boy to the stove in the center

side to side, or jolted over the "hum- of the room. mocks." He could hear Joe whistling cheerily without, and he did not in it and roast me if I tried to get imagine that he would fail asleep for away.' a long time. Nevertheless it was not long before he fell into a confused starve to death here. I suppose?" dream. It seemed to him that he was rolling down a long precipice; whack, now released, had his arms around old whack! he bounded against the rocks, Kate. "I knew Kate would come, and yet it aid not hurt him very severely. Joe was standing far up on be so kind." the mountain-side, stretching out his hands to him, and calling in a faraway, stifled voice: "Mis-ter Mar-He woke suddenly, to find him- had bid her do it, but I am glad you tin!" self within the stage, but the cry came. We will go right back to the Uhildren Cry tor Pitcner's Castoria. sounded very real and seemed still to be ringing in his ears. He thrust his head out into the darkness and listened, but there was no sound other than the tread of the horses and the grind of the wheels. He called "Joe," but there was no response. Possibly the boy had fallen asleep, and it would be unkind to waken him. He dozed off again and when he finally awoke he placed the bundle in front of Joe;

it was daybreak, and they had reached the summit of Laurel Ridge. The driver stopped to rest his horses, and Mr. Martin alighted to speak to Joe. To his astonishment there was no Joe there. His cry of alarm brought the driver to his side. The straps had been cut as before, and two or three other children feasted her with ladyboxes belonging to persons in the West had been removed. Only one of a veterinary surgeon might be retrunk, the property of the little bride. quired before morning.

was missing. She wept bitterly when told that it was gone. "All my wedding presents" she never looked at the reflection of her

cried: there was a quilted silk petti- pretty face beneath them without coat, too, and our wedding certificate. thinking of plucky Joe. After old three silver spoons and a pair of brass candlesticks. O, dear! O, dear." "It can't be helped, ma'am." said the driver. . They got even a better Ohio. He settled in a small but haul last time. How in this world am I promising town called Cleveland, and to send the mare back without the boy? if this were a love story instead of a

Suddenly she gave a determined puli to the slack rein and her teeth closed on something which lay in the center of the path. Mr. Martin you if ye are followers of that which sprang to the ground and relentlessly opened her unwilling mouth. The "You are a plucky little chap. I object was one of the gay-cheeked hope the robbers will not come to-lady-apples which Joe had stowed

cabin.

the door."

dinner.

answer from within:

must have dropped them at the point Real Estate, Loans & Insurance. where the path diverged from the road on purpose to attract old Kate's attention. He followed the path 20 Office in Phillips-Meeker building. around the cliff into a lonely gorge,

"Oh no, sir!" cried the boy, who,

"She could have kicked it in, if I

feathers for your little girl.'

J. S. MCBRAYER, at the head of which he saw a small Mover and Drayman. It did not occur to him that, if the robbers were within, their rifles could command the road, but he did not McCOOK, NEBRASKA. draw rein for this until he reached

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tavern, and I can get those peacock

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n among them

petticoat (the silver spoons were gone) who was mounted upon old Kate, and, walking briskly by his side, they reached the tavern just in time for That afternoon there was a regular levee at the stable. Old Fate received her friends, and Joe and the

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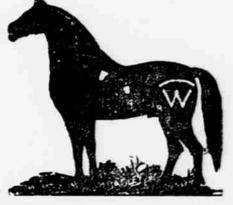
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