

W. D. Howells said the other day in the course of an interview that when the great American novel came to be written at least a portion of it would have to be enacted on Wall street, New York, that being a typical phase of peculiar American life.

It is announced by the controlled of the currency that the Philadelphia Record will be sold for the benefit of the creditors of the late Mr. Singerly. As it is quoted at from \$2,500,000 to \$4,000,000, it looks like a pretty good asset.

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It is not what we say, but what Hood's Sarsaparilla does, that tells the story. Thousands of people give the proof by telling of remarkable cures by Hood's Sarsaparilla of Scrofula, Salt Rheum, Dyspepsia, Catarrh, Rheumatism, and all other Hood diseases and debility.

Hood's Sarsaparilla
Never Disappoints

An impure thought in the heart locks its door to God.

A New Star.
Big resourceful Texas is famed for its great undertakings. The newest and brightest star which has shot athwart its horizon is the wonderful town of La Porte, located on Galveston Bay midway between Houston and Galveston in the Galveston County. A large portion of black, brains and capital is here found at work building up a great deepwater port city. Extensive public work is under way including wharfs, docks and water front shipping facilities. The U. S. Government is soon to deepen the channel, thus enabling the largest ocean vessels to receive and discharge cargoes at La Porte.

Use Magnetic Starch—it has no equal.

Sympathy and sincerity gives the same to every heart.

Half a Bottle Cured Me

About thirty years ago I bought a bottle of Ayer's Hair Vigor to stop my hair from falling out. Once-half a bottle cured me. A few days ago my hair began to fall out again. I went to the medicine shelf and found the old bottle of Hair Vigor just as good as when I bought it.—J. C. Baxter, Bradwood, Ill., Sept. 27, 1899.

Keeps Thirty Years

Ayer's Hair Vigor is certainly the most economical preparation of its kind on the market. A little of it goes a long way. And then, what you don't need now you can use some other time just as well.

It doesn't take much of it to stop falling of the hair, restore color to gray hair, cure dandruff, and keep the hair soft and glossy. There's a great deal of good and an immense amount of satisfaction in every bottle of it.

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Write the Doctor

If you do not obtain all the benefits you desire from the use of the Vigor, write the Doctor about it. Address: Dr. J. C. Ayer, Lowell, Mass.

The "emancipation from Rome" movement spreads space and gathers power in eastern Europe, assuming proportions which make it an object of serious concern at the various. It has extended to 323 localities in Upper and Lower Austria, Bohemia, Styria, Moravia, Corinthia and Salzburg. Its numbers numbered by thousands and so far the church has found no means of checking it, and its symptoms are those of a new reformation.

The cotton crop is estimated by the statistician of the bureau of statistics to be an unfavorable one.

Important Inventions.

Patents have been allowed upon applications prepared and submitted by us for the following objects as follows:

C. W. Cross, of Grinnell, for an auxiliary air heater adapted to be connected with a stove in such a manner that it will receive and direct the products of combustion and aid in warming and circulating air in a room, as required to maintain a uniform temperature; also a device for holding its top when it is disengaged.

Two true lovers need never part—Do you remember, heart of my heart?

Heart of my heart, when the moon was high.

Showed the way we must travel by;

Duty spoke cold and stern in our ears,

And we were all the toll we paid.

Two true loves never part—

Do you remember, heart of my heart?

Heart of my heart, when the sun was down,

We sat at peace, with our day's work done,

In the cool of the evening we took back

On the winding pathway, the moon's young track,

And the morn's green pleasure, where roses twine,

Heart of my heart—with your hand in mine.

Heart of my heart, when the night is here,

Love will sing songs of life in our ear;

We'll sleep awhile, then dash the daintiest grass,

Till we put on the glory and rise and pass,

To see where eternal splendors shine,

Heart of my heart—with your hand in mine.

E. Nesbit, in the Argosy.

The Old Slave of Gen. Shelly.

Gen. "Joe" Shelly's old body servant, Uncle Billy Hunter, in spite of his 72 years, is still sturdy and vigorous. He remembers the war times remarkably well, and likes nothing better than to talk of the many fights and incidents in the life of his "old master," the famous confederate general, whose body rests in Forest Hill cemetery. With the exception of Shelly's expedition into Mexico—one of the most dramatic events in our history—and the thirty years after the war, when the general lost sight of him entirely, Uncle Billy was with him from the time he was 12 years old. Billy is at his best when he gets started on Gen. Shelly during the war. "Dere never was a man like Gen. Shelly, sah," said Billy the other day to a reporter from the Kansas City Star. "His sojers jes thought the world of him. 'Twant never 'Go fight,' but 'Come on, boys,' an' he was always in front, a leadin' 'em on. Manly! the time I've brought up a big fresh hoss for him when his feet was sore, and carried coffee an' a bite o' somethin' to eat to him on the field. Wasn't there one else could cook for the general? 'cept ole Billy. 'Come here, you black nigger, an' get me something to eat!' he used to yell, an' you bet I did right smart. He would curse me awful, but, Lor', that wasn't nothing. When he didn't know there was trouble on. All through the war I tended him, and when he was shot in the wrist at Cape Girardeau I nursed him. Lots o' men went hungry in them days, but I generally could pick up something for the general. Had to be mighty careful 'bout it, for he didn't allow no stealin'. Yes, sah, I was captured once. Lemme see, that was at Lone Jack. Gen. Shelly sent me to Col. Jordan's camp 'bout a mile away, and the feds scooped me and took me into the village, but in an hour and a half the James brothers came chargin' through and drove the feds off. They pulled me out from between two feather beds, where I was keeping away from the bullets, and took me back to Shelly. When he saw me he looked mad clean through. 'Where have you been, you black nigger?' says he, 'go get me some breakfast darn smart.' When Gen. Shelly started for Mexico with his 1,000 picked men he was to me, 'Billy, you take Miss Betty—that's my missus—and the children back home, and you're a free man.' So I left him at Galveston and carried them 'cross the Gulf of Mexico to New Orleans, and from there to Lexington safe and sound. After that I drifted off on my own hook, workin' as porter in hotels an' tendin' bar, and I never heard of the general for mor'n thirty years. One day while I was working for Jim Baldwin in Chicago I heard that my ole master was United States marshal in Kansas City, and I let him know where I was. He sent for me to come back, but I guess I didn't start quick enough to suit him, for on Sunday when I was readin' the papers in the barroom in walks a man and says: 'I'm Deputy Marshal Potts of Kansas City, an' I'm looking for William Hunter.' 'I'm the man, sah,' says I. 'What you done, Billy?' said Baldwin. 'I'll stand by you.' Gen. Shelly told me to bring you back with me,' Potts said. 'He said 'that darned nigger worked for me for more than thirty years, an' he's going to take it easy now. You bring him back, and I'll give him all the land he wants.' I'd go through fire and water for the ole massa,' says I, and back I starts. The missus gave me two horses, and I stayed with 'em till the general died. I don't lose the best friend I had then. An' now I'm living with Joe Shelly, Jr., sah, and tend his children just as I did him when he was a little fellow. But every Decoration day I goes over to my ole massa's grave and put flowers on it in memory of the finest man that ever lived, sah—Gen. Joe Shelly."

A Boston Man Pleased.

In conversation with some friends, a prominent Boston man told of his suffering from rheumatism and nervousness, and one of his friends gave him some advice, which will be mentioned later, and which has proven to be of incalculable value.

To successfully act on this advice, it was necessary to make a trip of over 2,000 miles, but he undertook it, and now, thanks to his friend for the advice, he is satisfied after making a long trip, there residing within a few hundred miles and similarly affected can certainly afford to try it, or rather can't afford to neglect to try it.

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