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Stoves, &c.

[From the Avon Morning Express.]

A GREAT STOVE!

Two Barrels of Flour Baked in 12 Hours WITH 43 POUNDS OF COAL.

YESTERDAY, WANDS & KINCAID, formerly of Green and Beaver streets, baked on TWO BARRELS of Wand's Julian Mills Flour, IN TWELVE HOURS, with Forty-Three Pounds of Coal, in one of

STEWART'S COOKING STOVES.

The fire was made at 8 o'clock in the morning, and was not replaced during the day, and when we were in the store last evening the fire was clear enough to bake for three or four hours. Such a stove as this is really

A GREAT "INSTITUTION."

and we do no block work in some of the baker's ovens in our city. The stove in question is the stove of the city. In a week or ten days there is to be another baking, EXPRESSLY FOR THE LADIES of which due notice will be given.

THE STEWART STOVES FOR SALE BY JOHN INGERSOLL & CO., No. 5 Superior St.

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W. L. MARVIN, NO. 97 PUBLIC SQUARE, (South side) has just received from the manufactory one of the largest and best assortments of ENAMELED GRATES, Ever brought to this market. He always keeps on hand the best, newest and most approved styles of COOKING and other kinds of STOVES Manufactured Expressly for this Market, and Warranted to give perfect satisfaction.

He also is constantly supplied with an assortment of Wooden Ware and House Furnishing Articles, and has on hand and manufactures a large stock of Tin, Copper and Sheet Iron Ware, all of which MUST AND WILL BE SOLD, at wholesale or retail, for cash

At Prices to Suit the Times!

All kinds of JOBBING, ROOFING, EAVE TROUGHING, &c., &c., done in the best workmanlike manner, and on SHORT NOTICE.

☞ The good for the public is in the chewing of the string, so please call before purchasing elsewhere at the old and well known stand of

P. S.—Buck's Patent Hotel Cook Stove, two sizes, $50 to $75 each.

W. L. MARVIN. m29-3&w1y 5 No. 97 South side Public Square.

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I MANUFACTURE AND KEEP constantly on hand a complete assortment of Copper, Lead and Iron Bathing Tubs, Marble, Plain and Fancy Colored Wash Bowls, Water Closets, common Lift & Force Pumps of the best description. Also, L. Worcester & Co. Patent Italian Stone Filters, and all other articles in this line of business.

Having had over twenty years experience in this branch of mechanism, and most of the last four years engaged in the principal houses in this town, I feel confident of giving satisfaction to those who may favor me with their patronage.

Hydrants, Tubs, Closets and Boilers fitted up in the strongest and most approved style.

Orders to the city and country promptly attended to.—Jobbing executed with neatness and dispatch. ... 194

Cleveland Plumbing Works.

ATWATER BLOCK, FOOT OF SUPERIOR STREET

J. B. Barnes & Co., PROPRIETORS.

THE ATTENTION OF THOSE intending to use the new edition the Water Works

is called to the great facilities of the above establishment for doing every description of PLUMBING WORKS, including the fitting up of BATHING ROOMS, Hot Water Fixtures and Fountains, The proprietors keep constantly on hand every description of the Best Finished Plumbing Materials, or doing the most perfect work, comprising their choice selection of Fountains, of different sizes and patterns; BATHING TUB, of Wood, lined Tinned Copper and Zinc, Lead and Galvanized Pipes, the best and latest improved WATER CLOSET FIXTURES, Hydrants, Porous Glass Filters, Brass and Plated Cocks; Including the Patent Self Closing Cocks recently introduced and highly recommended for non-drinkers get out of order. STEAM HEATING APPARATUS For heating Dwellings, Hotels, Stores, &c., of the latest improved kind, put up and warranted to give satisfaction. A large and efficient force of experienced workmen kept constantly on hand, expressly to attend to repairing and repairing. Particular attention is invited to their facilities for fitting up HOTELS, DWELLINGS, SHOPS, SALOONS, BATHING SALOONS, &c., in a perfect manner, and on the most scientific plan. m29

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H. KONIGSLOW, Manufacturer of all kinds of SMALL MACHINERY, LATHES, MODELS, Rolling Mills for Jewelers and Dentists SEAL AND OTHER PRESSES &c. TURNING AND VINISHING GENERALLY, 54 Superior street, American Buildings, Cleveland, O. Opposite the Weddell House. aug28 172

Hats, Caps & Furs.

Hats--Hats--Hats, AT No. 19 Superior Street.

WE ARE IN RECEIPT OF THE FALL STYLES of Gents' Silk and Cassimere Hats. AND SOFT HATS, Embracing all the Late Styles of Kossuth, Hungarian, and Musard HATS, Of all Colors. Call and examine for yourselves, at DOCKSTADER'S. sep11 1m 209

BOYS' and CHILDREN'S HATS.—A very fine assortment of NEW STYLES, for FALL WEAR, received this day, by L. BENEDICT & SON, 75 Superior Street. sep2

NEW FALL AND WINTER GOODS! AT WHOLESALE.

FULLER & CO., No 25 Water Street,

OFFER to their customers, and other DEALERS, a large and well assorted stock of HATS, CAPS, FURS, AND MILLINERY GOODS. Our Goods having been manufactured for us, before the late advance in stock, we are enabled to offer inducements to be found elsewhere. Cash and short-time buyers are respectfully invited to examine our stock. FULLER & CO., 25 WATER-ST. sep27 d&w 2m 202

BUCKSKIN GOODS.

A LARGE CONSIGNMENT from Johnstown, of McKown's Celebrated Manufacture, just received, and are offered for sale cheap. FULLER & CO., 25 Water Street. sep27 d&w 2m 202

FALL FASHIONS SILK AND CASSIMERE HATS, Received at B. BUTTS', sep24 25 Superior street.

E. STAIR & CO. Have Received the FALL FASHIONS FOR GENTLEMEN'S SILK HATS.

☞ We particularly call the attention of Young Gentlemen to our YOUNG MEN'S STYLE, Which is a most beautiful and becoming Hat. sep23 E. STAIR & CO., 15 Superior Street.

TRUNKS! TRUNKS!! JUST RECEIVED, Direct from Manufactories, an invoice of Ladies' and Gents' Travelling Trunks, Leather Bags, and Pelisses. B. BUTTS & CO., sep23 No. 25 Superior st.

MUSARD HAT—Just received and quite new in style, at B. BUTTS', sep23 No. 25 Superior street.

BENGAL HATS.—Drab Plaid Hats—for Spring and Summer—at B. BUTTS', sep23 No. 25 Superior street.

SUMMER CASIMERE HATS. L. BENEDICT & SONS Are selling a beautiful PEARL CASIMERE HAT, For Summer wear. They also have a full Assortment of Fashionable Black Cassimere and Silk Hats, at 75 SUPERIOR STREET.

CHILDRENS' FANCY SUMMER HATS—In great variety, just opened at L. BENEDICT & SONS, 75 Superior st.

YOUNG MEN'S STYLE OF SILK HATS—Just received. The prettiest style ever offered for young men. AT BENTON'S, Under Johnson House, 79 Superior St. sep6

1858. Spring Style of Hats OPENED SATURDAY, MARCH 6th, BY L. Benedict & Sons, 75 SUPERIOR ST. m8

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1858. I. C. PENDLETON & CO., DEALERS IN LEHIGH, LACKAWANA, Briar Hill, Chippewa, Tallmadge and New Castle COAL. Office No. 5 Ontario Exchange, Yard foot Superior Street. sep18

NEWBERRY LUMP COAL.—This superior article of BITUMINOUS COAL, which is particularly adapted to domestic purposes, is for sale by the undersigned Agents for the Company. Orders for city or foreign trade will be executed with dispatch, and delivered at any part of the city of a quality which will not fail to please, if left at either of our offices, or at the store of Gaylord & Hammond, No. 9 Superior-st. SEWELL & WHEELER. sep17 No. 81 River street and C. & P. Coal Pier.

COAL—COAL. NOW IS THE TIME TO GET IN your Winter supply. We are daily receiving a splendid article for Stoves and Grates, which we sell at $7.50 per ton. Parties wishing to purchase will do well to give us a call. All orders through the Post Office promptly attended to. Offices and Yards on C. & P. R. R. Pier and at C. & P. R. R. Machine Shop, Lake street. JOHN HAYS & CO. sep16

Millinery,

Millinery Goods!

WHOLESALE OR RETAIL.—We are now in receipt of FALL MILLINERY GOODS, and Milliners will find it greatly to their advantage to examine our stock of French Flowers, American Flowers, Plain and Fancy Ribbons, Velvet Ribbons, Jonet Binds, Pattern Hats, Fancy Bonnets, Bonnet Ruches, Cap Ruches, Pinnacle Laces, Reeds—Wires, And all the material pertaining to the Millinery Trade.—We have a large stock of choice Goods, and will sell them VERY CHEAP. MORGAN & BOOT. sep13

MILLINERY GOODS, AT WHOLESALE.

A FULL ASSORTMENT OF NEW AND BEAUTIFUL FALL STYLES, JUST OPENED; To which we call the attention of the Trade. FULLER & CO. au 27 d&w2m 202

BONNETS.—A LARGE STOCK AT greatly reduced prices. MORGAN & BOOT. jy21

BONNETS—At half price the whole stock. W. WARREN. jy16

MILLINERY GOODS.—MORGAN & BOOT are daily receiving from Manufacturers and Auctions a large assortment of Millinery Goods, and are now opening 100 Cases Bonnets, all varieties; 800 Cartons French and American Flowers, 500 Boxes Ruches; And all the Minutiae of Ladies Head-gear, which will be sold Wholesale or Retail, at as low a price, as any house in the city. CITY MILLS STORE. 201

TO THE LADIES.—We have just received a large and choice lot of new Ribbons, Flowers, Feathers, and some choice and new materials for Winter Bonnets, all of which have been bought very close and will be sold at 20 PER CENT LESS THAN FORMER PRICE. Call early and make a selection while the assortment is complete. AT SHAW & Co.'s, 125 Superior st. d6c6

ANOTHER INVOICE OF REAL SHAKER BONNETS. A large stock of Rosin Crash, bought cheap. Ritched and Brown Shaker Towels. Barnsley Linens, Pillow Cottons and Sheetings. Damask Table Diaper and Cloths, Doilies, Napkins, Damask Bordered Towels and Towelling. TAYLOR, GRISWOLD & CO. sep30

CITY & NEWS ITEMS

WEDNESDAY MORNING, SEPT. 15, 1858

PLAIN AND ORNAMENTAL PRINTING.

☞ Plain and Ornamental Printing of every description done at the Printing Establishment of the Leader Office, on the latest improved and most rapid steam presses, in the best style, on short notice, and at reasonable rates. Particular attention paid to blank work. Every description of Binding done, especially Blank Books, Ledgers, Journals, Sales Books, Receiving Books, &c., &c.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—On Monday, a little son of Mr. Kitcart, who is a drayman in the employ of Messrs. Mix & Morris, was run over by a dray which was being driven by his brother.—In consequence of the injuries received, he died in a short time. His father lives on Superior Avenue, and the accident occurred on Muirson street.

SANDUSKY DAILY.—Hawks & Bros. are in daily receipt of the Sandusky Register, which, being on the ground of the State Fair, will of course contain more extended accounts of that than foreign papers can do.

Their counter is also covered as of old with all the periodicals of the Land. Frank Leslie's Illustrated for Sept. 18th is received, and is an uncommonly fine number.

The Waverly Magazine for Sept. 25th is also upon the table.

POLICE COURT.—John Johnson for being intoxicated was fined the usual amount of $3 and costs, although he stoutly protested that he was not drunk, having only drank two glasses of liquor that day, and he considers himself good for five or six at any time.

The cases of Jim Green, Richard Van Tassel, John Putnam, A. P. McLaughlin, Jerry Connelly, Hutchinson Butterfield and Herman Vedder for assault on the Dayton firemen, were continued until Thursday (to-morrow.)

Several other cases continued.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.—On Monday evening a woman named Sarah McCann was arrested and taken to the watch house in a state of intoxication. About eleven o'clock the jail-keeper was called by some of the prisoners, into the cells, as this woman was hanging herself. Mr. Jordan went immediately to the cell in which the woman was confined and found her hanging from the bedstead by her skirt, of which she had made a cord, and to all appearance dead. A physician was sent for, and continued efforts were made to restore her to life, which for a long while were unavailing, but at length she was brought to consciousness, and yesterday was able to walk about. We saw her yesterday but she had not the slightest knowledge of what had passed—or of how she came into the station house.

☞ We know an editor who had a quantity of ass's brains scooped out of his cranium, and a fresh infusion of common-sense put in place thereof, all by spirits of some kind, we don't exactly know what. Fact. Queer folks. Queer doings about them times.—*Plain Dealer.*

It can't be the senior of the *P. D.* that the *pro tem.* editor alludes to; it would be an impossibility to get common sense into his cranium—it must be the local of that polite sheet who underwent the operation.

ANOTHER RICHMOND IN THE FIELD.—Our old friend Dr. B. W. Richmond, of Ashtabula, is out as an independent candidate for Congress in Giddings' place. No man could fill that Giddings vacuum better. The Dr. is a full team, a five-horse Pennsylvania team, with a big dog under the wagon. Go in Dr.—send us some Public Documents, sometimes written "Pup Dogs" for short.—*Plain Dealer.*

It seems from the above that our Ex-Post Master editor is addressed as "Pup Dog" by his masters in Washington.

RELIGIOUS BOOK SOCIETY.—An Adjourned Meeting of the Clergymen and others, interested in establishing in this city a Depository for Religious Books and Tracts, was held on Monday, the 13th inst., at the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association. The Rev. Mr. Newton of Norwalk, was called to the Chair, and Dr. P. A. Gordon appointed Secretary. Joseph Perkins, Esq., the Chairman of the Committee appointed for that purpose, reported a Constitution, which after mature deliberation was unanimously adopted. Organizing "The Evangelical Book and Tract Society of the Western Reserve," having for its object to establish and maintain in this city a Depository for Evangelical Books and Tracts, for sale and for gratuitous distribution; thus placing within the reach of all Evangelical Religious Societies, of whatever denomination, in this part of the State, a fund of religious reading, which can now be obtained only by great delay and trouble from a distance; and paving the way for an extended system of tract distribution over the destitute fields contiguous to our own homes and firesides.

The following officers were chosen to serve until the Annual Election, which will be held in this city in the month of May, 1859.

JOSEPH PERKINS, Esq., *President.*
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J. B. MERRIAM, *Treasurer.*
Directors.—T. P. Handy, C. W. Palmer, W. T. Smith, H. B. Tuttle, John Carlisle, P. A. GORDON, *Sec'y pro tem.*

ATTEMPTED KIDNAPPING.—On Sunday last the Oberlin people were thrown into no little excitement by the rumor that an attempt was being made to carry a colored man into slavery. Our informant says that the Southerners, with a U. S. Marshal made their appearance there, took the man and carried him as far as Wellington, by which time the people had collected so as to prevent any further progress of the kidnapping party. By means of the *arguments* brought to bear upon the alleged owners, they were induced to give up the man, who was soon on his way to Canada.

A correspondent of the *Herald* furnished the following:—

Two strangers had been staying in Oberlin some weeks, and their constant communication with Deputy U. S. Marshal made the Oberlinites suspicious. A farmer, said to be in the plot, residing some distance from Oberlin, hired a colored boy to work for him. Whilst the negro was on his way to the farm, he was arrested by Deputy Marshal Low, of Columbus—known as one of the Green Co. squad of manhunters—who, in company with two Southerners, bore the boy off to Wellington. Immediately on word being conveyed to Oberlin a strong party set out in pursuit, and on coming found the Wellington House blocked up and surrounded by a crowd, headed by a constable with a writ against the Marshal's party for kidnapping. The crowd rapidly increased, the house was entered and filled with men bent on the rescue of the negro. Ultimately the Southerners consented to let the boy go on condition they were not injured by the crowd. The promise was given and the boy soon speeding on his way to Canada.

MORNING LEADER.

From Chamber's Journal

THE PATH THROUGH THE CORN.

Wave and bright in the summer air—
Like a quiet sea who at the wind blows fair,
And its sweetest breath has scarcely curled
The green highway to an unknown world—
Soft whispers creeping from shore to shore,
Like a band of dead—yet living more,
Who feels forlorn,
Wandering thus on the path through the corn?

A short space since, and the dead leaves lay
Cumbering under the hedgerow gray;
Not hum of insect, nor voice of bird
Over the desolate field was ever heard
Only at eve the pale moon shone
Blushed rose red in the ruddy sun glow
Till one bleak morn,
Shot up into life the young green corn.

Small and feeble, slender and pale,
It bent its head to the winter gale,
Heard round the wren's soft note of cheer,
Scarcely be "cring spring was near;
Saw exultant bud and sweet champions blow,
And dances in mirth the varnished snow,
Where it was born,
On either side of the path through the corn.

The corn—the corn—the beautiful corn,
Rising wonderful, morn by morn,
First, scarce as hid from fairy's wand,
Then, as a mesh of a child's wee hand,
Then growing, growing—full green and strong,
With the voice of the harvest in its song,
While to fleet scorn
The lark strains the murmuring corn.

O strange, sweet path, formed day by day
How, then, and when, I know—I cannot say,
No more than of life's strange paths we know
Whither they lead to, or why we go,
Or whether our eyes shall ever see
The wheat in the ear, or the fruit on the tree.
Yet—who is forlorn?
Heaven, that watered the furrows, will ripen the corn.

[From Emery's Journal of Agriculture.]

DON'T GET DISCOURAGED.

BY MRS. F. D. GAGE.

"Oh, George, don't get discouraged," said sweet Carrie Linton, as she stood by her husband's side, one bright moonlight summer evening. "I know the season has been hard, and we have had trial upon trial; but we have had many blessings, too."

"I should like to know what you call blessings," said the moody husband, his head upon his hand, and his chair tilted back against the log cabin.

"Here we have been toiling and moiling for the last year and a half, on this bleak, miserable prairie, not a hill in sight, and the winds sweeping us ten months in the year, like tornadoes. Last year I must have the ague, so that I could not tend my crops, and this year the spring frost must kill all my corn, and then the drouth spoiled all my wheat."

"Oh, well, George, these things may never happen again."

"I know, that's the way you always reason. So you said last year, that luck would change, and kept saying, 'Don't get discouraged.' If it hadn't been for you, I'd have quit last fall, and gone back to old Oneida."

"And what would you have done there, George?"

"Done a darned sight better than I'll ever do here, in this heathen country!" was the pettish and almost profane reply of the young farmer who had sought a home for himself and his wife on the prairies of Illinois, in the year 18—.

Carrie was hurt. A tear sprang to her eye and a quicker throb to her heart; but she knew his mood might be changed, and she knew too, that were she to speak one despoiding word, he would give up utterly, and insist upon returning again to the haunts of his childhood, where his situation would only be that of a common laborer. So she checked the rising emotion, and again answered with a tone of cheerful encouragement and mild reproof—

"Oh, don't speak so, George. I know we have not been very successful, but then we are settling in a new country, and beginning a new life. We must struggle on and not give up.—After a few years, our locust trees will break the wind, and the loss of one planting of corn or wheat, I hope will not prostrate us as it does now."

"But how can I ever to get where I can help myself? Corn spoiled, wheat blighted, and the cow lost in the prairies; the wolves have killed my sheep, and now my best cow must die.—You may talk of blessings, but I don't, and I'm determined to sell out to the first white man that will take it, and then quit the country."

"Is not this a blessing?" she asked, laying a crowing baby boy, the very image of his father, into his arms.

The father smiled faintly; his heart was really sad. The hardships, trials, and deprivations of a new country were more than he could bear; but with his faint smile came a low acknowledgment—

"Yes, Carrie, Dick is a blessing."

"And is not Carrie a blessing?" she added, as she left the warm kiss of affection upon his brow.

"Aye, and Carrie is a blessing," was his response in a lightened tone.

"And is not good health a blessing?"

"Yes, I suppose so," said he, almost laughing.

"And is not this soft, cool air, this mellow moonlight, and the star-spangled heavens, a blessing?"

"Of course."

"See our beautiful garden; how softly it sleeps in the moonlight. Did you not tell me to-day, that you never saw such beets and cabbage, such onions and squashes? and shall we not have potatoes for ourselves and our neighbors, if we should only be so blessed as to have any?"

"Why, Carrie," said he, taking the soft hand in his, that was putting back the hair, soothingly from his forehead, "one would think we had had nothing but blessings, to hear you tell the story."

"And I am not done yet; I think I have a blessed little home here in this clean, sweet, pleasant cabin, and the blessedest good, kind husband in this pleasant world, if he would not get the blues, and threaten to leave this beautiful land and go back to New York every time the wind blows the wrong way. Aye, George, 'Don't get discouraged;' all will yet go well, and we shall bless the day that we stuck our stakes on the prairie."

"Well, I suppose I shall have to stay, whether it is best or not, you are so determined to be blessed by everything; but women folks don't have to suffer as men do."

Carrie smiled to herself, as she took her babe again upon her breast, and remembered the hours of toil and trial through which she had passed, of the nights of wearisome watching and care, of the days of ceaseless exertions, often when scarcely able to bear the fatigue. But she did not feel to murmur. There was to her a joy in duty, in being true and earnest, in working out one's destiny, that made all the hours and days worth living for, though there were here and there, as she looked over the past, dark shadows flitting to and fro like the cloud shades over the billowy prairie, while the sun guilded all the rest with brightness.

Long and earnestly they sat and chatted at their neighbors door, and her gentle words and kind encouragement lifted up his heart, and he rose on the morrow and went forth to his work with a renewed resolution to struggle and to conquer.

Let us skip over a score of years. Do you see that fine flourishing village, with a railroad track coursing through its very centre? Do you see those fine brick schoolhouses with their belfries and clear sounding bells, calling together the hundreds of children, to teach them of the mysteries of science, and put into their hands that weapon of defence and power for the future—a good common school education? Do you see yon imposing building in the distance, with its massive walls and towering roof? That is a college. Mark those church spires, that point heavenward; listen to the hum of machinery, the mill and the factory, the bustle of trade.—Have you taken it all in?

Now look again. See you that matronly woman, upon whose brow forty summers have scarcely left a foot print? The glossy hair shows no mingling of silver; the rose has not faded from her cheek, though its budding brightness has expanded into full bloom, and the red at the heart was not quite so deep; the voice is still soft, and the laugh silvery and cheerful.

"Don't get discouraged, George; all will yet come out right."

"I have not heard anything else but 'Don't get discouraged, George,' these twenty years, Carrie; I am tired of it. Just think what a fix I am in now, after all my struggling."

"It is very unpleasant, to be sure; but don't you remember how often, when we lived in the cabin here, on this very spot on the lone prairie, you used to feel so, and threaten to leave and go back to the old haunts! What if the company should fail shall we be bankrupt? Shall we complain, if out of our abundance, in such a time of trial as this, we lose with others?"

"Yes, but," said George, the influential proprietor of the town, the judge of the county, the owner and indweller of that beautiful mansion, who held in possession half the surrounding landscape, the rich rail road man, and bank director stopped short, as if he did not know what to say next.

"But what, George?" asked his pleasant wife, laying her hand again upon his brow

"I don't want you to say, 'Don't get discouraged.'"

"Then don't give me occasion, my dear. I pledge you I will not. But really I don't see why you should so much dislike the phrase, for out of it has grown much of the success of your life."

"And that is the very reason, Carrie. Man, when he gets the blues, don't love to be reminded of his own weakness. But really, Carrie, I will own up. That hopeful heart of yours has kept me up through a thousand misfortunes, when I have sunk down in despair, and let the waves roll over me. I felt this morning about as gloomy as I did when we traveled here on the prairie with one yoke of oxen, a cow, and household stuff in a cart, and ten dollars in a purse, and looked over the lonely landscape.

"Do you remember how hard I begged your consent to turn round and plod back? how I even accused you of unwifely disobedience, and of setting up your will, when you declared you would rather make a bed of prairie grass, or sleep in the old cart, than to turn about so faint hearted!"

"Yes, I remember it all."

"And how I sat down, and growled in despair, when the old ox died?"

"Yes."

"And, when the lightning burned the haystack!"

"Yes."

"And,"—and he looked up with a laugh of half shame—"when they located the railroad through my farm!"

"Oh, George, George! one would suppose you'd never have the blues again; for with all these accidents, and they have been many, which were grievous at the time, and hard to be borne, we have had so much of good luck and prosperity, that when I look back over the past, the misfortunes are so covered up with blessings, that I see only brightness and beauty over all the way. So, 'Don't get discouraged, George.'" And she stooped again, and left her kiss upon his brow as of old.

And though he had lost his thousands, tho' his heart was sore over the treachery of trusted friends, though his plans of future speculation had to be abandoned, though his bank had suspended, and his railroad operations a dead loss—his heart rose from its despondency, and seating himself by his pleasant, vine-covered window, in his old arm chair, with wife by his side, he bade Carrie, the second, open the piano, and play an accompaniment, while he sang the following:

"Where the black lettered list to the Gods was presented,
A suitor whose fate for each mortal imbeads;
At the long strong of life, a kind angel relented,
And cast in three blessings, wife, children, and friends.

"In vain early Pluto declared he was cheated,
The justice divine could not compare his ends;
The scheme of man's fall, he nominate of was defeated,
And earth become heaven, with wife, children, and friends.

"The stock of our bliss, when on strangers land vested,
The fund discovered, oft in bankruptcy ends;
But the treasure we hide that never can be arrested,
When drawn on the firm of wife, children, and friends."

The storm cloud had passed over, and the earnest, energetic man, full of power and force, gathered up his strength and went forth to his business, and righted up in a few days what he had, in his moments of despondency, set down as an utterly bankrupt concern.

There is many a man who sinks down in helpless despondency, for the want of a pleasant word and cheering look; many a one, in time of powerful pressure and misfortune, by cold words of reproach and murmuring, has been driven from the paths of duty and honesty, to crime, insanity, and even suicide; many a one, too, by recklessness and wild speculation, by spurning all counsel and help from her, who is compelled to be a sufferer in all his mistakes, has worn out a cheerful and faithful heart, and brought upon himself the torture of a waiting and cruel spirit, that goaded him through all his future years—a spirit that might, had it been allowed to sympathize and cheer, had staid and strengthened his steps through all the changing vicissitudes of life, and gone down with him, in trusting faith and love, to the end of earth's pilgrimage, blessing and being blessed.

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