

Incident of Revolutionary History.
The following interesting narrative is given by Miss Lynch in connection with the presentation of a petition for relief to the House of Representatives. The petitioner was named William H. Wigg.

In 1790, when South Carolina was almost overrun by the British and Tories, and the safety of Charleston was seriously menaced, Gov. Rutledge, who exercised as Commander-in-Chief dictatorial power, issued a proclamation calling on her citizens to rally to the defense of their metropolis. At this invocation thousands of the sons rushed to the rescue. But, after a gallant resistance, want and starvation compelled a capitulation. Among the prisoners, who at various times during the struggle had served with gallantry and distinction in the cause of his country, both in South Carolina and the siege of Savannah in Georgia.

The prisoners were placed on their parole, and under the article of capitulation, whilst they obtained from any infraction of its terms, their property was to be exempt from injury or confiscation. About this time the celebrated execution of Major Andre took place, and under the stern and inflexible sense of justice of Washington.

As soon as the execution of Andre took place, Lord Rawdon determined to execute the strict order of his rank which the British made prisoner. Under the capitulation of Charleston, the gallant and unfortunate Hayne was a prisoner, and was the selected victim of retaliation. He was the son of the Hayne who, as the champion of the South in his memorable contest with Mr. Webster, acquired a renown little inferior to that of his great antagonist.

It seems, when brought out for execution, Major Wigg, the grandfather of the petitioner, stood at the foot of the gallows, and indicated a grief he could not conceal, and an indignation he could not suppress. Poor Hayne met his fate with the heroism which marked the conduct of Andre. Major Wigg attended to receive his remains. Hayne and himself, bosom friends, had married sisters. Hayne's execution created a great sensation, not only in South Carolina, but throughout the continent—a young and beautiful widow in despair, a large circle of bereaved friends, and the glorious promise of one of the finest men South Carolina ever produced, snuffed in the bud.

An Interesting Story, Well Told.
CHAT WITH THE CONDUCTOR.—It's not often a man loses anything by kindness. I know a little matter of that sort saved my life, and perhaps the lives of many others at the same time.

How was that? asked we of our friend Rawlings, the model conductor. "Why, we had an Irishman on this road washing a tunnel. It was warm weather, so he used to go into the tunnel to keep cool. I rather think he used to take a little liquor with him, and he was one of those fellows who get into the tunnel one day to listen for the cars. He fell asleep, and very imprudently got his head cut off by the express train. Well, there was the last of that Irishman. There was the devil's own row in his shanty when we took the poor fellow up, and we got away as soon as we decently could, for you know its not agreeable to be surrounded with a distracted family when you're neither a doctor nor a nurse nor a preacher. Somehow I was always sorry when I passed that place; of course I felt as if—not exactly the same thing—but just as 'bad might happen to me some day, and then there'd be another row in a family. I told my wife about it, and she sent the family some little things. The widow of the dead Irishman was a Catholic, and, as I was then on a very fast train, I would sometimes take up the old woman on Sunday and carry her to church at Martinsburg. I somehow thought it was a satisfaction to her to go to church, for she had but little chance in the world, and I expected they had so much stored against me in the other 'that woman' mount to anything there 'That was during the summer. One night the next winter it was very cold, and the mountains were covered with snow; we were running to make time, when, on turning a curve, the engineer saw a waving light on the track, and we soon heard some one ahead shouting. I was then out on the platform. The engineer stopped and stopped the engine, and we got out and went ahead in the dark to see what was the matter. There it was. A large land-slide had fallen across the track, near the slony of that old Irishman. She had built up a large fire and watched for the train, for the curves were so sharp that we might have been upon the slide before we could see it. So, when we run up, there was the old lady, with her calico cap, swinging the chunk of fire like a revolving light-house, and there were the little Irish carrying brush like so many little beavers. She had watched all that night in the cold. But for her, in another minute we should have run into a pile of dirt and stone as big as Barren's Hotel. I should have had a 'pit ticket,' certain, for I was on the platform. What would have become of the passengers and train, you can guess as well as I can."

We expressed a hope that the old widow had been properly rewarded. "The passengers made up about eighty dollars; the company afterwards gave her a shanty next free; the brakemen and engineers bought her a cow, and she made out very well. But when I handed the money to her that night, she said: 'Gudemen and ladies, I'm thankful, and give me never know the want of what ye give me. But what I did was mostly on account of him, there. He was kind and thoughtful to the poor and the afflicted, and I'd watched till I froze here out of harness should have come to him, if I could, as he helped it.'"

"Don't you think, it made me choke right up." "Passen jare for the Re-la-y." "Don't forget your umbrella, sir; there might be an explosion, and you'd want to keep off the cinders." "Let me pass your hand-box, miss. Take care of your little boy madam, no insurance on him. All right, go ahead!"

Household Economy.
An experienced housekeeper, who has had much occasion in former years to refer to L. M. Child's "Frugal Housewife," as the best work extant on household economy, among a number of failures in the rules there given, has practically tested utility of the following, which have been found valuable.

Farmers' Department.
From the Ohio Cultivator.
THE CROPS OUT WEST.
Having just made a tour through Illinois, and parts of Iowa and Missouri, I will say a few words about the crops. The wheat harvest has commenced in the eastern and southern parts of Illinois, and Iowa, and is completed in Missouri, and the universal testimony seems to be that the crop is of fair average character both as to yield and quality. The amount of wheat grown in these States is not as great as I had expected to see, and is quite small, compared with the most parts of Ohio. In Northern Illinois, and in the river counties of Iowa, I find that wheat is not regarded as a very reliable or profitable crop—hence most of the tilled land is devoted to corn, oats, rye and potatoes. Much of the land is too sandy and porous for wheat.

Corn every where promises fair, though some fields, especially moist ground, are quite backward. The great (prairie) corn of Illinois, through which I have just traversed, promises a full yield of this great staple. There is also some old corn still on hand here that I expected to find.

Oats are a more important crop here than in Ohio, and although the straw is not large, the heads are of full size and will no doubt yield a full crop.

Rye and barley also are fair crops, and Potatoes look very promising—late rains having improved their looks wonderfully.

Crops in Southwestern Ohio.
Our who's harvest is now over, and many very heavy have been disappointed. Some found their wheat crop to be much better than they expected, but many found it to be much worse. Hundreds—yes, thousands of acres of the border counties, was destroyed by fly, and rust. This was the case particularly in this and the counties east of this. Yet in some particular neighborhoods wheat was good—very good. On that part of the Little Miami which runs through a part of Highland, Clinton, Clermont and Hamilton counties, the wheat crop was at least a good average. Taking Hamilton, Clermont, Brown, Adams, Highland, and Clinton counties together, the wheat, oats, and grass crop will fall well below an average. Of corn we cannot yet speak with confidence, but the prospect is rather unfavorable. It has suffered very much from drought, especially in the Ohio and Miami bottoms. The rains a few days ago revived it very much, but it is again suffering much in some places.

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