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Respectfully, &c.,
GEORGE C. ROUND.

A LUCKY MISTAKE.

Among the storage passengers who drifted over to New York from Havre, a little while ago, was a young French girl named Louise Dumont. Her destination was Newark, Delaware, where she had a distant female relative living in indigent circumstances, and, as she believed, the only surviving kin she had in the world.

By some mistake, owing to her inability to understand the English language, she took a train on the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad, and got off at Newark, New Jersey. When she was informed of her error, she bought a ticket to return again to New York on the next train, but on account of a very remarkable occurrence she was induced to change her mind.

As the girl sat in the depot, despondent in spirit, alone in a strange land, and almost penniless, visions of her home in "La Belle France" crossed her mind. She thought of her mother who had recently died, of her only brother who fell with his father as they fought side by side at the terrible battle of Saarbruck, and as she mused upon her past joys and present loneliness, she unconsciously toyed with a large gold locket that was suspended by a strong silver chain from her neck, while tears trickled down her cheeks. She was a brunette of the loveliest type, and her jet black, wavy hair was arranged with such exquisite taste that it made the broad, high forehead, expressive brown eyes, and graceful, full throat appear to the best advantage.

While Louise was abstractedly playing with her locket, there came into the depot a tall and handsome gentleman about sixty years of age. He had something of a military bearing and his countenance indicated intelligence and refinement. The girl's appearance immediately attracted his attention, and as he, too, was waiting for the train, he occupied the time in watching her. He was naturally lewd and fro in the ladies' room, he came near to where the girl was sitting just as she opened the locket and revealed a well known face, that was the exact counterpart of a picture that he had at home in his library. It represented the Empress Josephine the deceased wife of Napoleon Bonaparte. The gentleman, who immediately asked the girl, in good French, where she obtained the picture. She replied, with much simplicity:

"My mother gave it to me."

Requesting the favor of examining the locket, he took it in hand, and, with the greatest astonishment, read the following inscription:

"Josephine, to Hortense De Mirafel, 1812."

"My mother was a Mirafel," said he, scanning the beautiful French girl's features closely, "and," he added, as a light seemed to flash in upon his confused ideas, "she was a sister to Hortense De Mirafel, who, for some act of faithfulness to the unhappy Josephine, received this locket and portrait as a reward. My good girl, who are you, anyhow?"

The child then related her story—how her father and brother had been killed in battle, and that her mother had recently died; that she had committed her to the care of the only relative that she believed to be living, at Newark, Delaware.

The gentleman, then being satisfied that the girl was his own niece, disclosed his own name, Victor Provost. He had escaped from prison when a young man, having been incarcerated by the Bourbons about the time of the sojourn of Louis Napoleon in America.

He fled to this country and settled at Wilkesbarre, Pa., where he now lives in affluence, being interested in the coal and iron trade in that locality. It is hardly necessary to state that the niece needed but little persuasion to accompany her uncle home. The romance of her story is increased by the fact that Mr. Provost has a son, who is a very promising young man, and that he immediately became fascinated with his newly-found cousin. The old gentleman is in ecstasy at the turn things have taken, and has resolved that his son shall marry the girl on New Year's Day. Of course young Provost has accepted this proposition with much joy, and orders for a magnificent bridal trossseau are now being filled by various parties in New York, for the fortunate girl who, but a little more than a week ago, was penniless storage passenger in an emigrant ship.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

GARBER'S GENERAL

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ASSIGNEE'S SALE

As assignee of John W. Harwell, bankrupt, I will sell at public auction on MARCH 6, 1874, as 2 p. m., on his premises, his HOUSE in Highland, opposite the brick Church, in Petersburgh.

TERMS—Cash.

JOSEPH JORGENSEN, Assignee.

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The case of the Commonwealth vs. William J. Anable was postponed until next Thursday week.

Commonwealth vs. John H. Davis, indicted for felonious assault upon one Clarence Smith, tried and convicted and sentenced to one year in the penitentiary.

Commonwealth vs. William H. Chambers, for adultery, pleaded guilty and fined by jury \$20.

Commonwealth vs. George B. Bull, indicted for felonious assault upon one Albert Davis, was tried and sent to jail five hours and fined one cent.

The cases of the Commonwealth vs. James F. Ferreter and Walter F. Adams, indicted for felonies, were set for to-morrow.

The grand jury will meet again on Thursday next, when the Coleman case will be sifted.

MARINE RAILWAY.—This is a new enterprise with our city. We don't believe such an institution as a marine railway has been in existence in Richmond since the war, and then only on a small scale. We are pleased to chronicle such evidences of pluck and go-aheadiveness on the part of our citizens. Mr. Charles J. Fox is the owner of this enterprise, and is meeting with deserved success. Yesterday, the large dredging machine "Greenback" was hauled up for repairs on his marine railway at Rocketts.

POLICE COURT.—The following cases were disposed of in this court to-day:

Lewis Turner, stealing, jailed fifteen days.

Henry Henderson, continued until Thursday.

John B. Hagan, drunkenness, jailed five days.

David H. Lewis and Toney Morgan, unlawful assault, fined \$1 each.

Joseph Winston and Benton Rodgers, unlawful assault, fined \$2 each.

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