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alike made me look forward to the pros- | closed." pect of your succession with pleasure, Here the old man stopped for a mose existing under the formal and repulsive | rey.

life would not hold out until the ob- by the earnest and half-choked voice by his apostate son—as if he had no- tern counties, on a bluff that overlooked mounted by the drooping folds of his which he had already acquired. A young

half open door for a moment, and then, "That consciousness on your part, ded up his breath, that for some mo. reverting to the pale features of the my son," resumed the dying, "awakens ments, the young heir remained still ing voice so affectingly assumed by all ments; but the long trial I have given for an expected response: but it came

other moment, and a young man-his Surprise and astonishment contended closed the door upon the dead father depravity. The object of my father "Never," was the emphatic answer sion of the sick apartment, which stern punishment equal to his deserts; and ent. reveller: the hasty, almost boisterous to and so let it remain for ever. With sat in a lower apartment of his resi- forgotten. step with which he had ascended the energy and full determination, he in- dence, while his attendants were busied stairs was instantly, even consciously, wardly resolved, indeed, to abandon a in rendering the offices to the deceased.

Even his very air seemed to loose the still strengthened with the firmness of of future amendment, when the door thy men. The heir had taken posses found himself listening with complacwildness which excitement and disor. a settled purpose, "I will from this day suddenly opened and a young man sion of his estate. George De Veze ency to the glowing pictures of one d red dress had imparted to it; and after reform. If I have hurt your best feel. dressed in the extreme fashion of the had mourned in decency for his father, who only drew them to destroy him. he softly and with downcast eyes ap- lags while living, I will not disgrace time, entered the apartment. A laced and the world had rumoured that, like His companion marked well the effect proached the bed where his suffering your memory when dead, by a continu- hat, borne under his left arm, displayed Henry the Fifth, he had forsaken his of his words, and continued: "There parent lay—his expressive features in. ance in conduct so abandoned. O that to advantage an elaborately curled and former practices and companions, and. can be destiny, my dear George, more that iz all reason kan du for us hu-

tion naturally affectionate—he locked "Had you, my child." resumed the broidered dress was arranged with the means, had resolved to become a better edged by the best and the greatest in he reached the bedside of his father, nevertheless been the premature result by the hand:

parchments and scaled writings upon the wide domains—then, and then only, to reform, by the unfeeling levity he heir of the day were far too important of his time could not but produce an the bed; but his features betrayed no will the unusual condition with which had witnessed, he retired to spend the sentiment incompatible with the deep my painful impression as regards your remainder of the day, and to fortify his effort towards their attainment. when your talents and your disposition you are to keep eternally and sacredly

Here the venerable man, overcome his profligate son would throughout lowed to spend the days of his mourn- Both were admiring the superb apby his feelings, sank back upon the life, direct his conduct by the resoluting in solitude and silence. Visits of pearance which the imposing castle pillow, and remained silent for a mo- tion of that moment, and ever after condolence from many, and of congra- before them gave to the view. Based ment; during which, his son, as if con- live so as to justify the hopes and tulation from more, were to be received; upon a high and abrupt eminence in an unembarrassed heir in the arts of proscious of the justice of his reflections disappoint the fears of a dying father. and though George De Veze celebrated their immediate front, stood the noble fusion would reduce his abundant means continued only to sob with increasing However, though in pleased approval his father's obsequies with far more of fabric, in full relief against the glories to penury, and leave him no better than be bitterness. When the invalid had re- he put his hand upon the head of the real grief than is generally found amid of the setting sun, while a patch of covered sufficient strength, he again kneeling and contrite youth, the old similar pompous ceremonials, yet the water half filled the valley, glowing would have shocked the nicer morality of and now fast sinking man did not continual repetition of such visits, with with gold and purple, caught the full a later period were customary, even with "My perfect conviction of the hope- speak again: perhaps he could not. In the habit of finding himself master of beauty of its massive shadow, and mir. the sober and respectable, could not fail in A lamp dimly burning upon one of lessness of your conduct has caused me the long effort which he had made, he a splendid residence and almost unlim- rored the whole edifice in its breezeless ways by which one disposed to squander those curiously carve loak tables so com- to make over to you my hereditary cas- had evidently collected and exhausted ited wealth, gradually wore off the first surface. A conspicuous feature in seasons of continual dissipation had already mon in the times of our ancestors, dis- tle and estate, with one reservation, to she last energies of sinking nature; and severity of his grief, and with it the that first object of a landscape which crippled the great resources of the wealthplayed, as the words were spoken an the observance of which I will bind now that the great object of his heart. rigid sincerity of his penitence. Claude Lorraine would have loved to lest young man of the day, and De Veze intense anxiety in the countenance of an aged man, evidently "sick unto can give."

In a great more and the observance of which he had be
the observance of which he had bethe castle, which, proudly towering unencumbered resources to support the

ject of his wish had been attained .- of his son, "Dearest father!" said he, thing further for which to live, and as the wide Atlantic, stood the lofty family ensign, seemed an object to monarch had ascended the throne of Eng-The nurse, to whom the enquiry was directed, who stood leaning against the directed, who stood leaning against the directed of his fathers. Its directed to his hands scarce yet removed from the directed to his hands and hands and hands a scarce yet removed from the directed to his hands and hands a scarce yet removed from the directed hands and hands a scarce yet removed from the directed hands and hands a scarce yet removed from the directed hands and hands a scarce yet removed from the dir post of the antique bed, holding back with her hand its thickly figured arras how atrocious, how unpardonable, have with her hand its thickly figured arras how atrocious, how unpardonable, have back gently and expired.

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In an quite undeserving of his hands searce yet removed from the turrets, that had of which it had blessed, he fell looked a demesne and grounds of wide silence, heightened as it was by busy of De Veze's habits to distinguish himself, which he was eager to embrace. By the So softly had the good old man yiel- extent and unrivalled beauty; and as rumour and exaggerating conjecture. which he was eager to embrace. By the invalid, answered, in that low nesitat- hope which soothes me in my last mo. in the attitude of the penitent, waiting the fields and woods and lawns stretch- none could gaze upon its noble and er circle of pleasures were opened to the most all attendants towards the dying you will not allow me to swerve from not; and the awful stillness of the to him unimpaired from so long a line strongest anxiety to know what could sition of which he soon proved himself to as if afraid to dissipate the slightest my resolution. I leave you all the apartment, broken by his own sob-like of ancestors, he could not help honourhope that could be formed at such a property of which I am possessed, with breathings, arresting his attention, he ling the care and anxiety which his the disclosure of which would cause the means of the growing profligate, however, time-"I don't hear him yet, but he'll this single reservation-that, so long as raised his eyes-and they rested upon venerated father had taken to preserve forfeiture of the lordly domains around. be here this moment; he can't be far you, yourself, remain master of the dead! He was deeply shocked.— it, and he vowed more ardently than Such were the feelings that actuated both for its precarious chances of better estate and Castle of Bullafrin, where your The lamp, now flickering in its socket, ever to adhere to his resolution of never Richter, and most probably its owner fortune, and for the excitement, without "I hope not." said the ancestors have resided in honor for six diffused a fitful light throughout the again indulging in a course of profliga- as they stood gazing upon the tower, which he could not live At first he was patient, closing his eves in the very centuries, so long you will allow the small apartment; and there, with its rays cy which might possibly endanger its The feelings of the former were inpatient, closing his eyes in the very centuries, so tong you and the test no habit grows like intensity of his feelings—"My George chamber beneath the tower, in the test now dim now unnaturally bright, play- possession. He went down to view tensely excited—"George," said he, that of gambling, and it soon became the ing upon the repulsive features of re the apartment which had been left to after a pause in which the eyes of both The young man started with invol- cent death, lay for ever still, the ven- him under such a singular restriction. had been directed to the same object; the state to which the friend to whose "No no, sir, indeed not," answered untary suprise. The testator, without erable man, whose heart had been too At the end of a low and heavy arched "there must be an astounding sum the nurse in an earnest tone, and again manifesting any emotion, continued : surely broken by him who now sur- way, he stood before the door, secured buried in that chamber by your ec turning anxiously to the door. "I am | "If-as I am without hope-the vived to gaze upon the ruin he had with triple locks and bars, which clo- centric father; his expenses were trift- of his victim, and the magnanimity with sure be will be here - Stay," -and feelings of the present time may streng- wrought. The first impulse of a dis. sed out the cread secret which his dy- ing, and the ready cash he has left is which he sacrificed enormous sums and a she listened a moment longer -"There then your heart to a life of virtuous position far from naturally profligate, ing father had so strangely yet so aw- not by any means so much as might credit unimpaired. How terrible is the he comes-I hear his step below." As and manly resolve, then, as at present, was to fling himself upon the bed, be- fully surrendered to his discretion, and have been expected from a man of his she spoke the distant sound of a foot- that chamber is to remain during your side the corpse of his parent and ben- which, in his then feelings, he could wealth; besides, what became of that can bury reason, and conscience, and fear sten could indeed be distinguished. It life consigned to obscurity and neglect, efactor, and give way, without restaint, not help wishing might never be divul- immense fortune which was left him in the dreadful desire of more, more, more, became more distinct; and an evident Sufficient for yourself and for me, that to the bitterness of the grief which op- ged. "Yes," said he with solemnity, in India many years ago. I would George De Veze soon found himself in-Without mistake, one of the best Dailies satisfaction in the certainty of accomplished hope, lightened up the stiffen event, you will never seek to unveil a him; and there-such is sympathy of the door, 'remain forever shut upon from your enjoyment by that singular feverish anxiety for includence in their ing features of the aged man: his eyes secret intended only for the last and ever felt for such emotion-the good the dark knowledge, the attainment of and institute of endeavoring to exwere closed, but his lips moved in the most abandoned state of depravity to woman left him, with touching consids which is to be horribly inseparable now, I would say such a provision tricate himself by the strenuous exertions "A capital little Daily, and one of our cry utterance of a grateful devetion. An which human nature could arrive." eration for his sorrow; and she softly from the last and the basest state of would be better broken than kept."

"A sparking little Twinkler, worthy of face flushed from the midnight revel, with contrition in the repenting son, as and the mourning son, as and the mourning son, as and the mourning son, with feelings was wise; but what he has stored for which the young man returned. His self with the deadly hope of a sudden dis-If commendation. Its lightning flashes of and his whole appearance highly indi. he heard the simple, but singular, con- considerably changed towards the youth me in that forbidden chamber shall mind was yet too full of the recent enthraiment by deeper indulgence in the cating the excitement of intemperance dition annexed to such a munificent since as a hardened and almost heart--rushed hurriedly into the room - bequest. Self-abased, and deeply af- less youth, he had entered the apart- strongly closed, shall remain inviola- tious querist changed his course, and There is something in the silence-in feeted, he had thought to cut from him ment, reluctantly obeying the earnest ble as his own tomb." Full of this re-Unifies in the State, and a worthy recipient the gloom-in the unworldlike seelus two thirds of his estate had not been a and oft-repeated summons of his pars solution, and chastened by unavoidable "At all events, my dear fellow, there and callous must be the heart of which there was deep sincerity in his heart The next morning, his eyes still immediate orders to have the doorway self and your income here in obscurity. when he solemuly and earnestly assured swollen with copious weeping, and his built up with the strongest masonry. Come with me to the city; your apnize the feelings. Thus immediate was his dying parent that his first act would countenance bearing strong trac sof his that the apartment might remain for pearance there will be hailed with joy, the change in the deportment of the be to build up the door he had alluded penitence and sorrow, George De Veze ever concea.cd, and after his death be and with your advantages you may be-

powdered peruke, while his richly em- with better opportunities and better glorious than to find yourself acknowl-

from his absorbing pleasures. When pected in the course of nature, has had time to say a word, had seized him avenues of oak, made it seem like the which every votary of pleasure must illuminated palace of a fairy king-and circle or be dim. What say you, my and took the claiming hand which was of the profligacy which I could not "Ha-my dear George! How d'ye music echoed from its walls, and the dear fellow-all this is in your power: in silence extended to him, and saw, by stem. However, could I be but certain do, my fine fellow, I wish you joy from song and the dance lent wings of pleacome with me to the city and fulfil your the faint light of the solitary lamp so strongly contrasting with the glare and brilliance he had left, the damp dew should die happy in having witnessed lidence, and fifty thousand in the funds proud was the lady, who attracted the mish. All, all, were haps late.

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It wish you joy from the bottom of my heart—seven thousand and a year unencumbered—a town responsible from good. Young De Veze proud was the lady, who attracted the mished from good. Young De Veze brilliance he had left, the damp dew of approaching death gathering upon those features which in the unwarped impulse of his better nature, he had loved—the last remnant of hardened teching at once gave way, and was completely overcome by the sight into tears. herit this estate with your father's bless- the fusty old aunts and uncles, but it seemly congratulations on the morning naturally vicious would have started The old man was evidently gratified by ing; and long and happy may your is too good a joke for Phil Richter. of his father's death were so offensive at the idea of again plunging into the dogs a good th ng, but I kould never the exhibition of a tenderness he had enjoyment of it be. But if, on the scarce expected. "George," said he, contrary,"—and here his features reshake of the hand." So saying he Yet so it was. That heartless rake had been recalled, and a return to in a voice tremlous between pain and desire. "I knew you would not disappoint the last wish of your father." dulity,—"if you should disappoint my line a woodcock dow in a thickly setwas one of the most eminent leaders of the city ton. One of those common the could reply to his disgusting volubility, the city ton. One of those common the characters in European fashionable favorite gaiety, without breaking his cock within 230 miles ov me; but The young man as if awakened fully present hopes—if, coutrary to my exs the first pluck from the full feathered life, who, without rank and destitute proposed amendment, was too dazzling there iz plenty ov folks who kan, which though too late, to the value of a par- pectations, you will descerate the wish- heir, hurried him out of the room -- of fortune, often mysteriously contrive, a temptation for a character whose good shows how little I know about it. cut's love he had lost, answered only by more convulsive sobbing es of your parent in the grave—if you by more convulsive sobbing by more convulsive sobbing by means unknown to the world at resolves were not the effect of conviction, but of feeling; besides he had so "I feel I shall not be long with you," continue in them until your profligacy less; and in the unhealed soreness of ance, and by a specious plausibility to long been in the habit of looking to he continued, "and what little I have has ruined yourself, dishonored me, his sorrow and his contrition, there render themselves arbiters of taste, and the prospect of his inheritance as a got to say, I must say quick." As he and disgraced your ancestors-if, lost was an openness of depravity in the make even their vices glitter to the means of new and unattainable pleasspoke, he motioned the attendant out to every sense of virtue and of shame, conduct of one who had been till now public. Regulsed in the first sinceri- ures, that even had his virtue been of you go on till you have dissipated, by his most intimate associate that struck ty of his former companion's sorrow a sterner cast, it would have endured When they were alone, he desired his son to hand him some papers from did inheritance that I leave you,—then Forcibly disengaging himself from his acity not to comport his future determined the first could have been sacrificed to it. the drawer of a neighboring secretary. when you have squandered all, when grasp, he rebaked him in a manner meanour to a state of feeling which he With such feelings and such a state of The father watched him narrowly, as you are completely destitute, and have that abashed the licentious fop; and dare not ridicule, and his designs upon mind, the conversation and company the young man laid a large bundle of consigned away that ancient eastle and still further confirmed in his intention the facile disposition of the wealthiest of the most veteran and designing rake

of Richter, young George De Veze emotion of the time. The invalid as conduct has induced me to clog your he took the documents in his hand, inheritance, become operative. When, However afflicted he was in truth, the reckoned without his host; the pacing, with folded arms, along the made an effort to raise himself in the therefore—and not before—you shall heir of so large a fortune could not be easy and generous disposition of George, walk where they had been standing bed, and, with his voice strengthened shall have squandered away the estate left long to sorrow in retirement. The for ever leading astray a mind natur. In his conversation with his dying To do this has required considerable to the utmost of his power for the oc- on which your ancestors have lived for death of his father occurred at his ally noble and inclined to virtue, the father, he had not been insincere; but casion, addressed his weeping son - so many centuries, and you shall have town residence in Dublin, which, in force of long continued dissipation and there was a kindling flash in his eye. "George," said he, "here are the title- been reduced, byyour misconduct, to ho the beginning of the last century, was of uneradicated habits, alike disposed a and high excitement on his cheek, with deeds of a noble property, which you peless and absolute beggary-THEN, and one of the gayest cities of Europe. - young man easy of temptation, and a wreath of triumph on his lip, which Our friends will fully deeds of a noble property, which you peless and absolute beggary—Thes, and will inherit, unimpaired, from a long will inherit, unimpaired, from a long line of ancestors. There was a time ber I have mentioned; which otherwise little inferior at all times, and under desires, to listen to the insidious counstant tors. some viceroys even superior in brillian- sel of advisers such as Richter, ever on watered by his repentant tears. cy to that of St. James, then scarce the look-out for similar objects as their

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you will adhere to these conditions."

of refined or profligate pleasure that sometime diffuse the beauty of a brightgave way to every variety and luxurious to go when he died. "If I can't get
was not to be found within its limits, er climate through the most but ins vehicle, and the most bigh-bred racers of along any better than now," said he, The North Carolina Business Di- if not less time, it will pass from your and the manner of that young man, as While ever remarkable for the social vigorating atmosphere of Ireland, had the turn. In every refinement of an ex. "I shan't go nowhere."

Here the old man was interrupted he heard that vow of reform breathed come the master. In one of the wes- over the rest of the building, and sur character which was his ambition, and the young lord of that feudal heritage was, however the spell which fixed were speedily raised, and, transplanted to stood on one of its towers, and beheld upon it the eager eye of curiosity, and the gay court of London, a new and a highing into distance, which had come down time-worn outline without feeling the grasp of him who so shortly

reflections, he turned away, and gave is reason why you should waste your-

Fair fell the light of a hundred lamps The wily speaker had well calculatthe features, inflamed with prolonged results of the state of the stat witnessed had given to his feelings, ers of many a varied hue, dresses was organized in the heart of De Veze "Father," said he, in a voice which and had completely given way to the stiff and cumbersome, but decking fair and he, who would have started in horwhile it faltered with deep distress was deepest regret, mingled with projects and happy dames and galiant and cour-

of fashion and fashionables.

inclination answered or overcome, how very

soon the passions and the disposition be-

more like a penitent, coming to receive evidently much suffering invalid "you nicest taste, and the sword, then uni. In old castile was alive with the land as the paragon of taste, and a deserved and promised blessing, than would not have broken your father's versally worn, rested in an affected visiters. Its narrow windows poured the mirror of accomplishments; to be a rake, scarce conceding to the solemn heart-you would have been spared manner upon his left arm: he advan- forth a stream of brilliance on "the looked up to; to be envied by your and off repeated message of the dying the paid of witnessing a deathbed which ced rapidly towards the weeping, sors dusky air," which, to anxious visiters superiors in rank; to find yourself the the few moments reluctantly snatched however soon it might have been ex. row stricken youth, and before he continually pressing through its dark idol of the fair, and the orb round

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longed to bring him, and that insidious designer soon found his profit in the facility course which had brought them on.

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goods than the keeper ov other folkes'

come with ease the undisputed leader Everybody ought tew be obliged tew rite hiz own epitaff, and then, if he filed the bill while living, hiz tombstun adorsed with it after he was dead. I never knew a very hausum woman ngaged in the "woman's rites" biziniss; they kan play the kards they al-

True happiness seems tew consist in being filled with wants and pashions, and keeping the wants and pashions on a milk diet. Instinct tells the animals how tew supply their wants, and

When day breaks the assets are al After awl the philosophy I kan kram

up, I sumtimes git disgusted with life, It seems to be but an uncertain vicktory over base pashions that even a mule don't hav. Men are perfecktly delited in being

not with the fraud but the loss ov It is a kurious fact that with a world full ov pleasure, our principle

cheated, and then they are disgusted-

I have always konsidered abstract

ing a woodcock dow in a thickly setbut I am opposed tu enny man, even

life, stumbled ontu an old wun. I should be ashamed ov miself to say a harsh word against the noble animal

-the hoss; but I haven't been able tew see that it is best tew let the breed ov mankind run out jist for the sake ov gettin a hoss that kan trot in 2-16. I hav noticed that those persons who

hav the keenest sease ov misery, hav also the brightest visions of joy; but there iz sum folks whom even molasses kandy won't make happy, nor even muskecters worry: I don't think there iz enny more excuse for keepin a Shanbigh roester

than there iz in keepin a hoss that you've got tew buck up to a second story window tew put the crooper ou. It iz astonishin how very small they ware their pantilunes in Broadway; but I notice the pantilunes are plenty

The last lingering objection of virtuous | big eauff for the legs. When I see an old mizer in the

A priest asked a tipsy fellow leaning against the fence, where he expected