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## CASTING THE FIRST STONE.

The Master wrote upon the ground:  
The mocking rattle closed around  
Across the Temple's golden wall  
The dancing shafts of sunshine fell;  
The gentle morning summer breeze  
Blow softly in the olive trees.  
The morning air hangs fresh and cool  
Above the Temple's gilded pool;  
And out beyond the gatehouse  
Where banks of valley lilies bloom  
Where cedar shadows rest the deep,  
The shepherd calls and his sheep sleep.  
The woman stood within the place,  
And veiled her frightened, sinful face.  
She heard the loud accusing tones,  
She saw the hard avenging stones,  
She knew that soon her broken form  
Would sink beneath the cruel storm.  
Amid those savage cries she heard  
Not one pleading, piteous word.  
Her fate was sealed—a damnable death  
Would draw away her final breath;  
Her bones would bleach upon the heap  
Down in Gethsemane's grave deep.  
The Master rose from off the ground;  
He saw the rabble close around.  
He, in the Heavenly Father's name,  
Had carved the stone—he named their names;  
Woke the sleepers—raised the dead,  
The thirty filled with holy dread,  
Shilled the temple—checked the food—  
Had heard them cry out for His blood,  
As when the ravine, with wild  
Finds of the traveler's track!  
Who had not seen, and he who had  
Across the Jewish nation's goal!  
The woman knelt within the place,  
And bowed her softened, sinful face.  
The night was dark—the stars had set,  
The moon was full—the night was wet,  
The first cold radiance of the sun  
Lay pure on Gethsemane's lawn.  
The cripple lifted his weary limb  
Below Bethesda's babbling brim;  
The Levite hid the altar fire;  
The temple harper strung his wire;  
The cedar grove, of olden years,  
Across the Jewish nation's doors!  
The Master looked the crowd had gone  
Lone Herod's dew before the dawn,  
A sickly spirit wailing away  
Far from the scene of day—  
Each one had vanished from his place,  
Nor showed his vile avenging face.  
"I judge thee not!" this is the door,  
Go enter in and sin no more!  
Who hinder cometh, let him bring,  
Shall lead the Purifying Spring!  
In murmurings clear forever,  
I am the Light—why dost thou fear?  
—Tom Gregory.  
SACRAMENTO, June, 1884.

## "BESSIE."

I'd often heard that Limerick town  
Was famous for its pretty women,  
So Owen Lloyd and I went down,  
To see the beauties of the town.  
We sought "Bessie" in two second classes,  
And met the subject of my essay.  
And met the subject of my essay.  
Next day I saw her once again,  
Her eyes were bright, her cheeks were rose,  
Her hair was perfection, then  
Her nose I never saw so nice,  
Her smile was sweet, her curling hair  
Was neither red nor black, but just  
Not dark and not exactly fair,  
I felt convinced she was "Bessie."  
For church I found her starting, though  
I never knew that angels were there,  
They go to make poor sinners go,  
In hopes the latter will repent there,  
Her hat was brown, her under net  
She looked well dressed, but not too dressy,  
And as I walked on, I saw her  
I could have sworn her name was "Bessie."  
Next day I said her name I'd guess,  
I guessed some seventy or eighty,  
From Bessie, Betty, Betsy, Kate,  
To Kathleen, Kitty, Katy, Katie,  
Teressa, Alice, Rose, Elaine,  
Gladys, Maria, Jennie, Jessie,  
Faustina, Pandora, Mary-Jane—  
Although I never saw her name was "Bessie."  
My list I grant, was rather long,  
She smiled, and said, "I'm right," "we're  
hungry."  
But then she told me I was wrong,  
Because her name was "Mary Lizzie."  
But still I shall maintain till death,  
In my heart and in my pen,  
What's Lizzie but Elizabeth,  
And what's Elizabeth but "Bessie"!  
If some young gallant could command  
Good looks and money at his pleasure,  
A pretty house with pretty land,  
To match a pretty girl like you,  
(It's very well to talk like this  
When there are things which few possess),  
I'd give you all I own, and more,  
Another name to follow "Bessie."  
—Tinsley's Magazine.

## OUR LETTER FROM BROADBIRM.

Gotham's latest hobby—The Magnetic Girl—  
—Gas to be manufactured from Garbage—  
—Epidemic of Elopements in Brooklyn—  
—Rescue in Limbo—Ely's Political Outlook—End of Another Arctic Expedition.  
New York, July 19, 1884.  
Errors Chagrined:  
I have told you often that New York must have a hobby. It makes very little difference who it is, or what it is, if it only answers for the time. It may be Patti, Nelson, Campanini or Gerster, Montague, Rigold, Irving, Miss Terry or Mrs. Langtry—New York must have something on which to create a sensation. It may be Barmen's Junbo or the sacred White Khephren, an English Lord or the King of the Cannibal Islands—a hobby we must have. Just now it is a Georgia Cracker, Miss Lulu Hunt, young, not ill looking, exceedingly healthy, highly magnetic, and using the Queen's English after a fashion more astonishing than euphonious to ears polite. But whether her Lindley Murray is O. K. or not, is a matter of no consequence. She is now the great attraction at the most fashionable theatre in the city, and walls that have echoed with the dulcet tones of the Jersey Lily, and the boards that have been trodden by the handsome and tony Lester Wallace, are now given over to a wandering stranger who knocks umbrellas into smithereens with the touch of her thumbs; snaps a hickory walking stick as if it was a parlor match; sails into prize fighters and athletes as if they were mannikins or dolls stuffed with sawdust, and does all sorts of extraordinary things which one would scarcely expect in a young girl of eighteen.  
Miss Lulu Hunt is our present hobby. If you meet a friend on the street and remark, "It's a very fine day," he will answer, "Yes, very fine—have you seen the Magnetic Girl?" You question a broker about the market in oil; he will answer, "Bound to go up—by the way, have you been to Wallace's?" Ask a lady friend her opinion of Beecher's last sermon. She will answer, "Splendid; have you seen Miss Hunt?" She starts in well financially. She has taken more money in New York in a week than she ever saw in Georgia in the eighteen years of her life.  
Musele is now in the ascendant. I did think that his reign was over when the great singer Sullivan knocked himself out with a bottle of whiskey, but the extraordinary feats of this Georgia girl have created almost as much of a sensation as Sullivan himself, and the only reason that she does not draw as much money as Sullivan is, that she has not been advertised to kill any one. If Miss Lulu will only advertise to break a Duke's neck with a billiard cue, or transfix one of her audience on an umbrella, I will guarantee her enough money to buy a cotton plantation in Georgia, where she can amuse herself by doubling up her neighbors for the rest of her days. Still, three or four hundred dollars a night is not bad for an ignorant country girl these hard times.  
We also have another sensation—one which demonstrates the power of modern science. An alchemist has discovered how to utilize the garbage of this great city, and from wretched refuse that it annually costs us a quarter of a million dollars to destroy he proposes to make illuminating gas which will cost about a dollar a thousand feet. We shall make light of our garbage for the future. According to this benefactor of the human race every poor family throws away enough material in twenty-four hours to light a house for a week.  
Our sister city, Brooklyn, has broken out with a new plague. This time it is elopement. She had alarming symptoms before, but now it has become an epidemic. Four husbands mourn their absent spouses, the complaint in every instance being, "Gone off with a handsome man." If they were American we would think nothing of it, but I grieve to say that the largest matrimonial defalcation has been among our foreign population. German, Swedish, Italian and Finnish. One unfortunate case was a little Dana, who stood about four feet in her stockings, whose stately partner towered above him one foot and four inches. The wife was exceedingly good looking; the husband, in addition to his four feet of humanity, could not be called handsome; and while a man four feet high might be considered for a poor girl quite a good catch in Denmark, in the United States he soon began to find that it did not amount to much when compared with other men. Mrs. Jensen being young and pretty soon found admirers, and after hanging on the fence for some time started off for parts unknown, leaving four feet of disconsolate humanity behind her. The next case was quite similar, with the exception that the lady depleted her husband's bank account to the extent of \$500. She cabaged all the tables and chairs in her husband's absence—her harony even extending to a pair of boots, his Sunday hat, his Sunday suit, two pet canary birds and a cat. The lonely husband says that he will not run after her, but he wishes that fellow would bring back his clothes and boots.  
I see that Emil Grog has got into trouble, and I sincerely hope they may be able to keep him in jail to the day of his death. This is the miserable case as a witness against Mrs. Christy and broke the poor creature's heart. He testified on the trial that he stopped at a hotel with her, and it was the opinion of many of those who watched the case that the vagabond ought to have been kicked out of the witness box. I have no word to say about the morality of the case, but I have my own opinion of the wretch who, after leading a woman astray as he professed to have done, could then step into the witness box and betray her. Even if the facts were as he stated, he should have suffered crucifixion before appearing on the stand against her. If convicted of her grave offence, he should have died rather than have been the instrument of her conviction. They may be greater crimes in the calendar, but there is not one milder or more contemptible than that of which this miserable hound has been guilty. He defrauded a weak widow who was looking for a husband out of \$10,000, as she alleges, under promise of marriage, and when he got the widow's cash he refused to fulfill the contract. I have no sympathy for an old fool who at sixty years of age can be caught by a matrimonial advertisement. It would be a very foolish thing for a girl of fourteen, but for a frowsy old widow of sixty, she deserves to be ducked in a horse pond. The whole affair was most ridiculously absurd from first to last. The fellow who inserted the advertisement demanded a photograph, and the old lady sent him one taken thirty-two years before. The picture made his heart thump like a steam engine. He asked to see the original, who came to New York to exhibit, and the sight of his newly found love nearly threw him into galling consumption. However, he got \$10,000 of the widow's money, and now he has him in Ludlow Street jail, and I hope she may keep him there till she gets her cash back.  
It requires no ghost to come from the grave to assure us of a lively campaign. Since the Democratic nominations have been completed the city seems to be alive with Cleveland Legions and Plumed Knights. I think you will see some startling regalia before the election is over. At the rooms of the Republican National Committee they have a Plumed Knight in uniform, and if this style of uniform should be adopted by the campaign clubs the exhibition would be a most imposing spectacle. The Republicans have fairly opened the campaign, and the Democrats are preparing to give Cleveland a rouser.  
This week will mark the closing chapter of the last Arctic sacrifice. It seems only a short time since we turned out to bid Greely a God-speed as he sailed away to the frozen north in search of those who were lost. Then came long months of the keenest agony, when we began to realize that those who went forth as saviours had themselves perished amid the icebergs and the snow. The nation's heart was stirred to its innermost depths, and a relief party was sent out to look for the lost ones. The rescuing party lost their ships and came near perishing themselves. As it was, one brave sailor drifted out to sea and was never heard of again. In a few days we shall welcome the survivors of the Greely party, and a long mourning procession, with solemn music and muffled drums and flags draped in mourning, will be our tribute of respect to the men who perished. And there let it end. No more martyrs, no more tales of heroic suffering, no more widows and orphans of Arctic explorers to sadden our hearts with their cries and tears. As far as the United States is concerned let this be the closing chapter.  
The weather is remarkably cool for July, so that it has almost ruined the hotels by the seaside.  
Yours truly,  
BROADBIRM.

## OUR NEW ORLEANS LETTER.

The Financial Situation Unchanged—First Installation of the Government's Expenses Loan Collected—Executive Head—The Margaret States in Flight—Death of Geo. Briton and Paul Morphy—The Democratic Ticket and Platform.  
New Orleans, July 11, 1884.  
EDITOR CHIEF:  
There has been no change in the financial situation. Retrenchment is the order of the day. Banks are steady, and vigilant against overdrafts. Merchants decline to advertise because times are dull, having little faith in the use of printer's ink as an inspiration for better times. They go inside their doors, and when customers do not come beyond their heads. A few advertise their business boldly, keep up a cheerful countenance, tell their friends the worst is past, and all will come out right, and they get along fairly well. It is probably true, however, that at no period since the yellow fever season of 1878 has poverty been felt so keenly among all classes in New Orleans as at the present time.  
The required bond was signed by leading citizens and President Ed. Richardson of the World's Exposition has drawn one-third of the government loan. From now greater activity will be shown in erection of buildings and the preparation of the grounds. The Council is considering schemes for better railroad facilities for freight and passengers to and from the Park.  
About two weeks ago the frequent rains exasperated gardeners and pedestrians. The gardener visited his truck patch in the morning and found that in the preceding night grasses and weeds had intruded themselves into clean beds to the height of several inches, and it was a question for time to decide whether the fares or the good seed should occupy the place. The pedestrian went to his labor in the morning and at night stood under a shed to view the great lakes made by a shower of a few moments' duration. The great work, in addition to these rains and the general invasion by mosquitoes, the head has put us in misery almost without cessation day and night. For three nights people rolled and tossed, sweated and groaned, suffering from the heat; the evening breeze had forsaken them, night shivers were deep, the mosquito was particularly loud in his song, and Mr. Thomas Cat joined loudly in the general wail.  
Not as a jest but seriously the Cremation Society has caused the deaths to publish extracts from Italian papers to convince the suffering people of the extended popularity of cremation, as by all odds the nicest way of disposing of their remains.  
Only three deaths from heat were reported in a day. The death list at the Board of Health shows a marked increase, especially among young children, which no doubt follows from excessive heat and the various complaints which it aggravates.  
The Margaret group was received and put in position at the neat triangle arranged for it by women of New Orleans for the first of her sex to receive a like honor in America. Gov. Nicholls' oration was brief, but admirable for its good taste. A large number witnessed the ceremony of unveiling, and the weather was all that could be desired.  
The death of George Briton, the scenic artist of our Mardi Gras processions, was an event of note. He died in his studio, a devoted lover of his profession. Paul Morphy, the great chess player, died suddenly in the bath tub on the 19th inst. His celebrity was world wide many years ago, but later unusual health, the result of prodigious mental exertion, led to the abandonment of the game. Daily he walked the streets twirling a cane, dressed neatly, talking to himself, attracting attention of the passers-by as one of unsound mind. This evening his remains will be followed to the grave by warm friends who have deeply sympathized with him in his misfortune.  
The bulletin boards at the time of the Republican convention brought out eager crowds of people to see every ballot and to-day the results of the Democratic convention are alike posted for their accommodation, and there was not half the number out. The second ballot and Cleveland's nomination were received with mixed sentiments. The nomination of a local man of the burrah stripe, over well known and tried leaders, opposed as it was by a very considerable element of the Democratic party, does not bring a sure expectation of victory. It is felt that John Kelly and Ben Butler are potent factors in this campaign; their opposition may lead to direful results. And the platform—what a platform!—it is a conglomerate screed, made up in thirty-six hours by an evenly divided committee, and it is a juggle of words to be elained in support of either side as they choose to interpret it. More anon,  
GENERAL OBSERVER.

## OUR GENERAL NEWS SUMMARY.

**DOMESTIC.**  
A Troy barometer has fallen hair to a German barometer and fortune.  
Forty thousand school teachers recently held a convention at Madison, Wis.  
Lotta has become the owner of the Park Theatre, Boston, on which she holds a mortgage.  
The survivors of the Greely party are to be brought to Portland, Me., until prepared to stand the change of climate.  
Marriage licenses cost twelve cents in New Jersey, and are given free of charge in Pennsylvania and New York.  
Mrs. Caroline E. Browne, the mother of the celebrated humorist, Artemus Ward, died at Waterford, Me., July 21.  
The owner of a lot of New York tenement-houses has hired a professional rat-catcher at a salary of \$700 a year.  
Gen. Grant is still lame and was unable to attend the National Encampment of the Grand Army at Minneapolis this week.  
The Pequot Indians near Stonington, Conn., have appealed to the State authorities to protect their grave yards from relic hunters.  
Wells Walla, M. T., has an ordinance prohibiting any boy or girl under fourteen years of age from being alone after dark, or using tobacco.  
Over 4000 children enjoyed a fortnight in the country last year, while upward of 37,000 spent a day at Coney Island, from the 7th to the 14th of June.  
At least \$100,000 more is needed to finish the Bartholdi pedestal. A New York school girl who contributed, suggested that every child attending the public schools throughout the country be asked to contribute one cent.  
**FOREIGN.**  
Ninety per cent of the cholera victims are women.  
The Bartholdi statue will be shipped to New York late in July.  
Prince Kraptokine's family are allowed the freedom of his prison.  
Strategic points in Annam and Tonquin will be effected if necessary.  
Parisian women wear kid Jerseys and seventy-three-button gloves.  
The interior of the royal armor at Madrid was destroyed by fire July 10.  
Half the town of Pisagua, including the business portion, has been burned.  
The Emperor of China has ordered the destruction of \$4,000,000 worth of opium.  
England recognizes the Suez Canal rights of the Porte throughout Egypt, including Soudan.  
A tablet to Victor Emmanuel is to take the place of the proposed monument in the Pantheon.  
The Earl of Wilton has had his tongue cut out to eradicate a cancer which threatened his life.  
Bamberg, Germany, has a law against the public disturbance of piano playing at unbusiness hours.  
Charles Reide's will forbade any sale of his effects by auction, considering it "brutal and heartless."  
Spain and Italy join in advising the Sultan of Morocco to refuse to sign the treaty prepared by France.  
The Pope has given 20,000 francs, and President Grevy 10,000 francs for the relief of the cholera sufferers.  
There is a tree at Hildesheim, Hanover, planted by Charlemagne, which is over one thousand years old.  
The entire company of 200 Turks in the Egyptian army at Assouah who were ordered to Assouah have deserted.  
The citizens of Dongola have telegraphed the Khedive to send troops to their assistance, offering to pay expenses.  
Twenty mass-meetings were held in one day at London denouncing the action of the Lords regarding the franchise bill.  
The shoemakers at Berlin have celebrated the 600th anniversary of their guild, the procession including more than 4000 persons.  
An English railway company have issued tickets with places for the owner's photograph on the back to stop the practice of looting.  
The Chinese Government of Keshgar has ordered Russian residents to vacate certain stations, and forbidden the Chinese to trade with them.  
The Pope has ordered members of the priesthood in all cholera-infected districts to remain at their posts, and has placed a fund to be used in urgent cases of disease.  
The King of Cambodia has sent to the Buddhist Pail College, Ceylon, a brush made of his Majesty's own hair, to be used for sweeping the room in which the image of Buddha is kept.  
Gen. Chalmers, who was originally elected to Congress on the Mississippi plan, but who was counted out last year on the Louisiana plan, has been accorded his seat in the national House of Representatives.  
The minority report of the Elections Committee, which declared the General ineligible because he occupied the position of Assistant United States District Attorney at the time of his election to Congress, was voted down by a large majority.

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