JAMES A. CARFIELD.

The Noble History of a Noble Man, and His Advance to the First Place Among His Countrymen.

SKETCH OF PRESIDENT GARFIELD'S LIFE.

The race of Garfield traces its ancestry back to that Massachusetts Puritan stock from which sprang so many of our greatest heroes and statesmen. The long roll of the family contains the names of men who perpetuated the stern virtues of their fathers, and, through changes and migrations, transmitted them unweakened to their later representatives. Abram Garfield, the father of the President, died when his son, born November 19, 1831, was but eighteen morths old. The widow, with four helpless children dependent upon cepted any assistance which might be construed as a charity. Following took upon herself their future. How faithfully and grandly she fulfilled her chiefest konor.

The young James commenced his school life at the age of three years, thus evincing a precocity and a taste for study which was a presage of future greatness. For the next twelve years his life was that combination of study, reading and manual labor which, in our earlier history, was so frequently the discipline which a poor but intelligent and ambitious boy was obliged to pacs to a career of honor and renown. Yet with all his studious habits he was a vigorous, independent youth; and his playmates soon learned that interference and injustice * ere things he would not brook. He was simply a boy; healthy in body, mind and morals.

When sixteen years old he went to Cleveland, bent on shipping as a hand before the mast. He boarded a vessel, found some drunken sailors, and a captain who looked a drunken beast; was shocked, and turned away and walked important subjects, and his opinions off-partly disillusionized, not wholly, He happened to meet a cousin whom he knew merely by sight and who was running a canal-boat. The cousin asked him if he did not want to drive horses for him. The offer was accepted, for it flashed on young Garfield quickly that he could make the canal work a primary school, the lake the academy, and | the chairman of the Committee on Milthe ocean the college. So began his | itary Affairs. In the Forty-first he was canal-boat experience, which has been sufficiently and in some cases extravagantly exploited it comes along naturally, without accident or any merely wild notion of adventure, and James went through it rough and tumble like the brave and lusty youth he was, for three months, when he got paid \$10 a v uth and board.

It was ended by an attack of fever, During his convalescence she persuaded him to effort of another kind. An education fitting him for a teacher would open before him a prospect of equal independence and greater possibilities than the forest or the canal. With \$17 to meet expenses, young Garfield and his two cousins entered the academy at Chester. This marks the real beginning of his busy honorable and useful life. Here he met a young girl, Lucretia Randolph, who in after years became his wife. Here he caught a glimpse of of the life which might open before an educated man, and here were awakened those aspirations which only strengthened with increasing years.

At the end of a year he undertook his first experience in teaching. Insubordination among his unruly backwoods pupils served merely to display more plainly his manly courage and his iron thority a second time, and while yet a boy took his first lesson in the responsibilities of ruling. Attracted by the simple earnestness of a preacher of the "Disciples," he was naturally drawn to their faith and the institution which they had founded at Hiram. Here he did his tremendous work of preparation for college. He began at Hiram in the fall of 1851, with but twenty-four weeks of Latin and twelve weeks of Greek. He taught for two winters in the district school. After the first term he taught from three to six, and later the whole six classes, so that he could only study nights and mornings.

In June, 1854—less than three years after he went to Hiram—he not only had fitted himself to enter college, but had completed two years of the college course, so as to be admitted in the junice class in Williams, in full and good standing. He entered college in June, 1854, with about \$350 which he had saved in addition to paying his academic expenses. At Williams his life was a continuation of his earlier experiences. His predilection for study and reading was streng, uned, his honesty and man-liness gained 'tor marriends, and, in 1856, he gradu ted with high honors. possessing at the same time the admir-

lege.

Teaching and "preaching" for the Disciples he soon look an uncompromising stand on the great questions then the balconies, were crowds of people beginning to stir the nation; and, in struggling for place or foothold. 1856, the people of Summit and Port-

dier's commission. He served at Piketon, Shiloh, and Corinth, was a member of the Fitz John Porter courtmartial, and was made chief of staff to General Rosecrans. Although prejudiced against Garfield, he soon came to ad-

mire him, and they were fast friends. It was to Garfield's foresight and advice that he afterwards owed many of was Garfield's last military service of he was sent to Washington as a bearer fate. her, neither yielded to dispair nor ac- of dispatches. He there learned of his promotion to a major-generalship of volunteers "for gallant and meritorious her magnificent gospel of self-help, she service at the battle of Chicamauga.' December 5, 1863, he resigned his commission to accept the election to Contrust is witnessed by the touching and gress from the Ashtabula district of tender reverence shown by the son Ohio, believing that he could be of whom the nation exalted to its place of greater service in the Congressional halls than on the battlefield. Garfield was nominated without his knowledge or permission, and when he accepted it he did so with the belief that the war would continue but a few months. He was elected by a large majority. He however continued his military service until the day Congress met. He has often expressed regret that he did not

> Among men of an earlier age and who are still active in public life he modestly began in Congress the course of study and experience which was ultimately to enable him to eclipse them all. His extraordinary versatility, activity and industry are displayed through the whole of his long period of service in Congress. Even for a single session. the catalogue of his speeches and remarks is more voluminous than the catalogue of a voluminous volume. With each succeeding year he studied more grew of greater weight in the opinions of both constituents and colleagues.

fight the war to the end.

Scarcely any subject which it befits the statesman to investigate did he neglect; and upon whatever he brought to bear his trained and powerful intellect. he shed a purer and clearer light. In the Fortieth Congress Gen. Garfield was given the chairmanship of banking and currency, which he liked much better because it was in the line of his financial studies. His next promotion was to the Chairmanship of the Appropriations Committee, which he held until the Democrats came into power in the House in 1875.

During the troubled times following toral commission, and by his impartial course there and elsewhere, contributed a language, a confession. largely to the peaceful solution of the difficulty. Civil service reform has always commanded his sympathy, and his well-known utterances upon this subject endeared him to the masses who desire an honest and efficient public service. As a lawyer, his career, though brief, was brilliant; the Milligan case alone being sufficient to ensure him an enviable notoriety.

Of all the subjects which he touched but to adorn, to at which lay nearest his heart was the cause of education. A true and noble American, he realized that upon that are built the foundations of our state; and it was ever first in his actions as in his thoughts. If he consided it too much in the light of a universal panacea, it was a generous and pardonable error. In all the world the strugwill. No one cared to dispute his au. gling, aspiring, ignorant youth had no more sympathetic, helpful friend than President Garfield. In 1877, Garfield succeeded Blaine as leader of the House; and for two years, showed himself the coolest and ablest tactician in either

> He knew how to be a party man without degenerating into a partisan. In disputable as this. In a village some 1879, he was elected to the United States | miles from ours, an outbreak of typhus Senate to succeed Mr. Thurman; but be- fever, a few years ago, was at last fore the arrival of the date for taking his seat, had been nominated and elected President. No one who remembers the supreme confidence reposed in his leadership in Congress, and the storm of applause which spontaneously sway- ample. "Why," said he, I've just had ed the Chicago convention whenever he a letter from my sister in Liverpool, and addressed it, could doubt that he was she says they've had the 'titus fever' the great popular hero, dear to the very down there," and, he added triumphheart of the people. He was nominated antly, "now I know they've had naun at Chicago, it is true, nominally as a compromise candidate; but no one of s rtin." If anybody would wish to try word "wife," and unfortunately ex all the list could have awakened among the masses the enthusiastic affections

which rallied around his name.
As General Garfield passed through the east door at the time of his inauguration, he looked upon the most extraordinary scene that ever met the eyes of a President. In front was a solid mass of people, principally men, cove ing all the space between the Capitol ation and confidence of President Hop-ing through the mass of people in black steps and the grand stairways. Standkins and the entire faculty. He return- was a long line of bright uniforms, and ed to Hiram as professor of Latin and fringing the edges were picturesque Greek, and in 1858, was married to pupings of colors in plurues and flags. Miss Randolph, to whom he had been Branching out on the circles groadways engaged since his entrance into col- of Capitol Hill, like the lin s of a waiting army, were masses of troops. On the terraces and roofs to the right and left of the Capitol, in the windows and

But this pageantry did not obscure

missioned Lieutenant Colonel of the his greatness. As he glanced at this Forty-second Ohio Volunteers. He de- little noble woman, in tears from the ented the Rebel forces at Paintville and depth of her maternal pride, his eve Prestonburg, and drove them from Ken- wandered from the giddy throng and tucky, receiving for the service a Briga- focused on the dear old fare and his mind lapsed from the business in hand to the scenes of lowlier days. No soon er had the oath of office been administered than the stalwart son turned and kissed his mother and his wife, whom

he worshiped with a tender devotion. His has been a noble, self-sustained, strangely consistent career. He has been held up as as the type of the selfhis successes. The battle of Chicamauga made American nobleman. That he should have passed through the privamoment. He wrote every order that tions, sacrifices and strong endeavors of day but one—that one was the fatal fifty years, realized every hope of pro-order to Gen. Wood, which displacing phetic affection, endeared himself to his brigade, enabled Hood to break every patriot, and reached the summit through and turn the Union flank. of glory only to find awaiting him there After a week or two of further service the assassin's bullet, is the very irony of

The Art of Beauty.

opincott's Magazine. Ugliness, once considered a fate which finding the whole world ready to pay tribute, she loses in a degree her originality. She is so lavishly endowed by Nature that she does not require to search curiously for styles which shall enhance the sheen of her hair, the glory of her eyes, the pearl and rose of her complexion, or the perfect lines of her form. With an ugly woman, on the contrary, it is "nothing venture, nothing have." She is comparatively safe in pushing to extremes her craving for admiration. By sheer audacity of inspiration she creates the piquant, the irregular; she makes mere beauty seem tame. Probably few ladies endowed with plumpness went to see M'lle Bernhardt last winter without at least a passing feeling of regret that their rounded persons made it impossible to imitate some of the subtle effects which make that actress one of the most elegant women of our time. For instance, her flowing white dressing-gown in the last act of "Camille" was a poem of a dress, but a fully-developed arm would have spoiled the sleeves, which, being spirals of lace, were enough of themselves to make the curves, and needed little or nothing save a skeleton beneath. Our pleasure in such marvels of dress since no sculptor would wish to model a fleshless figure, however gracefully disproportionately long limbs may assume drapery. But we are taken capthe election of 1876, Garfield was the tive by our passion for purely resthetic through which he was safely carried by leader of the moderate element of the impressions. Dress has become an art the skillful and tender care of his mother. Republican party. He sat on the elec- in itself, and the woman who wears it

> From the Wilmington (Del.) Republican: Mr. J. M. Scott, corner Third and Madison streets, had a remarkably fine horse cured of the scratches by St. Jacobs Oil.

Village Humor.

Among the humors of our village involving calculation, is one touching the five lime-trees in our church-yard, which are planted at slight irregular intervals. I have been told that a quaint old man, whom I knew well, standing with other loungers near the inn at the corner of the church-yard, one day started the questions, which two of the five trees were planted farthest apart from one another? After much discussion and mental calculation of distance, resulting in various opinions, he gave his judgment in favor of the two end ones, a conclusion which summarily but satisfactorily disposed of all the guesses, more or less accurate, which had been pairs of trees in the row. Our logic, however, is by no means always so indisputable as this. In a village some miles from ours, an outbreak of typhus fever, a few years ago, was at last charged upon a milk-seller whose well was discovered to be very foul, and was discovered to be very foul, and was discovered to be very foul, and was been deadly also de speedily closed. The good man indigwell, and his defense was to his mind o do wi' my well down there, that's t e power of pure reason, let him unertake to prove to this good Sussex man the fallacy of his defense.

An Indianapolis exchange mentions t at St. Jacobs Oil cured Mr. J. H. Mattern, a letter-carrier of that city, of a levere sprain, contracted in the war. Detroit (Mich.) Western Home Journal.

Concord School of Philosophy, after lecture by Professor H.: Young lady: "My dear Professor, I want to thank plain that I could understand every word. Professor: "I am truly glad you did understand it. I have studied the subject some thirteen years, and am not clear that I understand it yet myself."

A young housekeeper wants to know how to tell the age of a spring chicken. Strike the bird with a sledge hammer. If the hammer rebounds with sufficient age counties chose him as their State the retrospective vision of him who had force to knock your brains out the mator. After eminent services to his gone steadily from the tow-path to the chicken is one year old. This is a more State, he followed his principles to the Presidency. He never forgot the old reliable way than to count the wrinkles meld; and in August, 1861, was commother who had laid the foundation of on the fowl's teeth. A BEAR STORY.

An Incident of Life on the Yellowstone, It is a wild and solitary place to spend

the winter, which Marshall and his wife

with a young lady companion did for

connection he told me a bear story. He said that after visitors ceased coming to the park last fall, he went to Virginia City for his winter supplies, leaving his wife, children and the young lady in charge of the place. Near the house. in the rear, was situated a dug-out or root-house, where he stored his potatoes, etc., to keep them from freezing, and to ventila e which he used a joint of stovepipe. One morning during his absence, his wife looked out of the window and saw a bear pulling down the pipe and trying to get into the roothouse, in which they had also stored wells Health Renewer, greates remedy on earth for impotence, learness, actual debility, &c. 41 st druggists. Mitchell Rarriets & Crain. Des Moines were at their wits' end as to what course to pursue. They at first threw tin cans from the windows and manthe gods themselves were powerless to aged to disturb bruin for a few moments, avert, has become of late years a cir- but he soon returned, as he had already cumstance of no particular account, sniffed the good things of that ground since it is largely under the control of cellar, and he did not propose to be become more effective than beauty its- being brave enough to be left alone, did mending." elf. Fashions were formerly created not intend to have all of her provisions for pretty women but now seem to be taken before her eyes, and proposed to in the interests of the plain. A beauti. load the rifle, if her companion would ful woman is of course a princess in fire at the bear, which being complied her own right; she is worshiped and ac- with, a good charge was soon placed in cordingly restricted; possessing all, and the gun, which was laid across the window sill and discharged at his bearship; but the aim not being accurate, did not strike him in a vital part, although his actions showedthat he was hit. He retired to the hillside, sat down upon his haunches, took a view of the situation. and then disappeared in the bushes. where he remained. The women were not satisfied and they went after that bear-a very imprudent thing, to say the least; but nevertheless, they went, for (as they expressed it) they were afraid he might come back again in the night, and as they were satisfied he was wounded, they wanted to fir ish him. Loading the rifle again they went cautiously up the hillside until they discovered the bear standing in a clearing, when the women prepared for action by laying the gun across a log and taking deliberate aim, hitting the animal behind the fore-shoulder, when he came rolling down the hill. The women did not stop to see whether the bear was rolling or running—they imagined the latter-and both ran for dear life, dropping the gun as they went for the house, which they reached before casting a glance in the rear. When safe in the house they took a view of the situation. and could see bruin doubled up and is, of course, a preservation of taste, giving his last kick. He finally became quiet and they ventured out and got possession of their gun, which was FOR loaded, and a third charge put into the bear to make sure he was not playing possum. When Marshall came house he weighed the bear, and found he brought down the beam to 350 pounds. He tells the story of the brave women with a great deal of pride, and the young woman who did the shooting has become quite a heroine.

The Beginning of the End.

The beginning of disease is a slight debility or disorder of some of the vital organs, the stomach, the liver or the bowels usually. There are dyspeptic symptoms, the liver is trouble-some, the skin grows tawney and unhealthy looking, there are pains in the right side or through une right shoulder blade. The climax is often an utter prostration of the physical energies, perhaps a fatal issue. But if the difficulty is met in time with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which is always effective as a remedy, should be resorted to at an early stage, there will be no reason to apprehend those injurious subsequent effects upon the system often entailed by entirely cured diseases. Far better is it also, to employ this safe all agent in fever and ague, and other potent drugs, which, even when they do prove effectual for a time, ruin the stomach and impair the general health.

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"Where has the summer gone?" sighed Flora, combing her bangs on you for your lecture; you made it all so Charlie's ear locks. And Charles, looking dreamily out over the stubbled hay fields, said wistfully, "I reckon it's gone to grass." Thus one by one the onions fade; swig by swig the jug runs dry; year by year, in changing grade, bran new children wink and cry. Please sing without lining.

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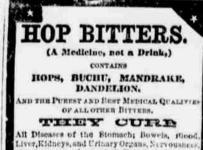


A TOUGH HORSE STORY.

The Cincinnati Enquirer lately published the following horse story, which we give just as it appeared: "A curious instance of sagacity in the horse occurred recently in the stables of Mr. A. Toughman, situated on North Elm street. Mr. T. has for a long time been in the habit of using Sr. JACOBS OIL, the Great German Remedy, in his ex-tensive stables. Among Mr. T.'s many horses is a great, powerful Canadian draught horse. This animal in course of time got so that that he knew the Sr. Jacobs Oil. bothle very well; so well, in fact, that one day recently on Mr. T.'s return from business, upon entering the stables he caught him licking the sore shoulder of a beast which stood beside him; the animal, giving a wise



arvey to his licking work, turned his head and caught up with his teeth from the box used as its receptable a bottle of St. Jacons He threw the bottle on the floor with violence enough to break it, and then deliberately licked up the Sr. Jacons Oil and applied it to the cut. Readers, we have seen the laws of association belied by beings with less sense than Toughman's horse. The word has passed among us, and when we see a man who won't try the Oil, we say, 'He is worse than Toughman's horse.'" To many this may appear as a very "tough" story; and were there not proofs innumerable of the efficacy of the Great German Remedy they would be justified in so designating it. The testimony, however, is plentiful and pointed, and is from people hose long experience in matters taining to horseflesh entitles their opinions to profound consideration and respect.



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