For the Argua.

Verses Written for an undedicated Album etyled "The Messenger Bird." and ac-ompanied by a col-ned skelch of tiny flowers.

DEAR F: With wings unruffled, unspotted, To me has thy messenger come, Be it, with message unblotted, As safe when its errands are done. Pure as its own stainless pinions

words that to thee it will bear. Never may folly's opinions Obtrude upon [ear e'er] so fair. Be ev'ry thought a kind token

(A gem from the casket of truth),
Of ties not soon to be broken,
An off'ring from frends of thy youth. These graceful flow'rets I send thee. All natives of Oregon's clime.

May wisdom ever attend thee,
Thy heart for her truths be a shrine.

By the side of a cool flowing stream, An elderly gentleman sat, On the top of his head was his wig, On the top of his wig was his hat.

The wind it blew high and blew strong As this elderly gentleman sat, So it took from his head in a trice And blew in the river his hat. New rage took command of his breast.

As this elderly gentleman sat, For he dropt in the river his w g In attempting to get out his I His breast it grew black with despair, d full in his eye madness sat, So he threw in the river his cane To swim with his wig and his hat.

Coel reflection at length came across, As this elderly gentemm sat, So he thought he would follow the stream, And pick up his wig, caue, and hat. His head being larger than common, O er-balanced the rest of h s fat,

So in plumped this son of a woman, To sw m with his w g. cane, and hat. For the Argua.

A Defeated Candidate.

I spent two of the hottest summe months in the highlands-almost the highest lands-of New York. From some points I could overlook several counties at once. Rome, Syracuse, and Utica were in sight below me, and around them stretched the alternating fields of grain and timber. Ike a checker-board. Just to the north, and almost beneath my fect, was Oneida Lake, surrounded with villages and dotted with sails-sometimes glorious in the sun, sometimes covered with a storm.

Peterboro, a little village of three or

for handred inhabitants—celebrated only

as the residence of Gerrit Smith, lute Abolition candidate for the Presidency-was the center of my rambles. A large district of country about it was bought of the scended to the son. About the center of the rillage stands the family mansion, a large yellow frame house. Perhaps six acres of ground around it are enclosed by an iron railing as a garden. These grounds are more pleasant than any others that I have seen near them. I never failed, on visiting Peterboro, to refresh myself among their flowers and trees and summer-houses. And what this estate it to its neighbors, Mr. Smith is to his. In personal presence be is king of all the men that I ever saw; and yet, after a strict analysis, it is not easy to say why. His body is large, but not very tall, and the head rests upon the shoulders apparently without the intervention of any neck. Long hair, slightly tinged with grey, falls down, just touching the shoulders. A very long, heavy beard, a little lighter than the hair originally, and a little whiter now, floats upon his breast, The forehead is full, especially over the brows, but grows singularly narrow at the top, leaving a line of prominence in the middle. His magnificent eyes stand out from the cheeks, glowing with a fire, but rather waning light. One does not feel the full force of his presence till in conversation. The heavy, but kindly encouraging tones, the hearty shake of his hand, give one a feeling of ease, but not of familiarity. His voice and gesture are full of persuasive magnetism; one feels ready to do anything, and there is no need of a

command. Mr. Smith's character corresponds well with one's first impressions of him. His generosity and large-heartedness are not measured by his income; they have reached and reduced the principle. But there must be a radical defect more dangerous than ercessive generosity to produce a life of such little public benefit flowing from a lifetime of public work. His influence over others has not only been unhappy, but its results have been bitter to himself; and he now stands on the cold side of life a discouraged and disappointed man .-This defect of character was from the first a want of firmuess, an eccentricity of conviction. Since early manhood he has passed through nearly every phase of political opinion, from the extreme indiffereace of a wealthy slaveholder, to the extremest Abelitionism. Religiously, in early life, a Presbyterian, he has passed sucessively through the phases of Sabbataianism, baptism with the face to the water, no churchism, and violent opposition to all orthodoxy. In his advocacy of all Ellsworth, hese strange and common things, he has Greer, uttered many fine sentences, but there is a Ross,

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are not to be moved in this way.

In the afternoon a free discussion is held entrance into Moscow, by all who choose to take part, on any tonic that may casually arise. Of course, such freedom of speech cannot fail to call out the smallest and most riotous spirits of the neighborhood. I attended one of these meetings, which, I understood, was rather a favorable specimen of them. Rev. Mr. C., brother of a noted New York antislavery divine now in Europe, delivered a plea for the church anti-slavery society. I think if the doctors should dissect him, they would not find any back-bone; at least his plea was remarkable for its concession to the anti-church sentiment of the place. At its conclusion, a resolution of co-operation with the society was presented, and Bro. P., ringleader of the church, responded, violently abusing Caristianity for not having long ago abolished slavery. The first reasonable step toward abolition was abolition of the churches. Now there was present a man familiarly known as Old H-, who, having once been a of whom are slaveholders, and the dispro-Wesleyan, but losing the pearl of his pro portion is increasing every day. The fession, still retained the shell, and maintained it against all comers. He had formerly attended all the Sunday discussions, less than ten years. Even now, if all her every ten years. making it a point to controvert everything slaves could be sent to Huyti or Guinea that was said in dispuragement of the and the State thus made free, her land churches, and as the largest freedom was allowed to all, he could not be silenced, till Mr. Smith offered him fifty cents a Sunday long before her fire-enters get her to think to keep still in meeting. Whether it was of going out of the Union .- St. L. Dem. that the fifty cents had not been forthcoming on this particular Sunday or not, I do Patterson, of Baltimore, the lady connected not know, but no scouer had Bro. P. done, with the Bounparte family by marriage,part of the State, and enough of the es- He was followed by squibs of abuse from had a go

> Such a succession of novelties as have been brought thus before the people of floating church-goers, and too often churchnew things, even the most vulgar. The effect has been particularly bad on the young; though since Mr. Smith's insanity the folly of a crazy man preaching the Religion of Reason has opened the eyes of is that he will administer the government many, and his once unbounded control of honestly, and therefore insure the continued them seems to be lost. His benevolence strength of the Republican party." There

> religion seems only to increase with years, was perceptible that the people don't know After his nomination for the Presidency, whether there is danger in the element or he published a politice-religious sermon of not. such a crazy character that Goodell, candidate for the Vice Presidency on the Abolit on ticket, openly opposed him.

HAMILTON, N. Y., Nov. 5, 1860. F. J.

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want of tangibility, of firmness, in his rea- ONE OF NAPOLEON'S SOLDIERS -In the soning, which corresponds well with this town of Ludlow (Mass.) there is living a an appeal to these intuitions. And now, edly wounded. He fought at Austerlitz, citizen to the Presidency, according to the New York paper; an old man, he is just learning that men Eylau, Marengo and Borodino. He was laws, is a sufficient reason for an attempt present as a cavalry soldier at the terrible to dissolve the Union, For several years he has owned a house crossing of the bridge of Lodi—was woundin which he and his friends meet on the ed in the engagement, and three of his

> RIATA MADE OF WOMEN'S HAIR.—The crais, every four years, because they are Stockton Republican learns that Mr. Con-refused control of it. riata was one of the most beautiful specimens he ever beheld, even while the scene of the cold-blooded slaughter rose to his view as he looked upon this trophy of the savages and their Mormon allies, worse than savages.

Missount .- As the Tribune properly says, we beg leave to assure the Express that Missouri is not going out of the Union at all; she is staying, and will stay, She has over 150,000 voters, not one-tenth slaveholders can go, if they please, but the State and masses do not think of it. Her ' interest" will make her a Free State, in would sell for millions more than land and slaves together are worth to day. Her white freemen will comprehend these truths

A good anredote is told of Mrs. table by a young English nobleman who are of the puppy in hi all parts of the house, amid which Mr. Smith sat unmoved, and the scene was continued for about an hour and a half.

Americans, I believe." "Very well"— "A monstrously vulgar people, aren't they?" "Yes; but what could you expect when you consider that they are descended Peterboro could not fail to attract the from the English? Had their progenitors, now, been Italians or Spaniards, we might members. They have created a taste for look for some good breeding among them." The nobleman did not venture to address Mrs. Patterson again that evening.

The New Orleans Delta thinks " the great danger in Mr. Lincoln's election has called around him a class of low, vi- may be danger in an honest administration cious families, who are a curse to the place. of the government. It has been so long Mr. Smith's fanatical opposition to all since honesty in the General Government

> DAGUERREOTYPE B. LIGHTNING .- On the 16th of August last a flash of lightning struck a wind mill at Lappion, in France, in which there was a female, who was killed by the electric fluid, and ou whose hody there was left a picture of a neighbor ing tree, with all its branches and leaves complete. This singular tattooing by the the place.

> The new Lindell Hotel, at St. Washington street is 212 feet, and its depth is 227 feet. It will easily accommodate 1200 guests, and the bearders can take a walk of a mile and a half, before breakfast, by going through the several halls, no one of them twice.

The Rev. Dr. Lyman Beecher, who cast his first vote for Washington, was 211 vote for Lincoln. As the venerable man, 199 with flowing and silvery locks, entered the room, the crowd parted right and left and quantities of water. rions electoral candi. silently made way for him.

Garibuldi had all the police agents of the King of Naples sent to the island of Tremiti. He could not set them at liber-3 ty, nor did they even wish to be set at suppressed all the convents of the Jenits, and confiscated their property to the use of the State.

211 So it is said, though the fact is too start- who commanded the British troops at sent to Boston, and thence to Syria, in aid 210 ling for belief.

[From the Baltimere Patriot, Oct. 27th.] The fast approaching consummation (the infirmity of character. His logic is always soldier of Napoleon, past eighty years of suggestive, but never demonstrative—it age, named Geo. Hynes. He entered the solder deals in statistics and forts. Given he was a supersisting to the solder of the control of seldem deals in statistics and facts. Gifted French army in 1795, then not quite fifteen, agree, is desirable. It will finally solve with deep love to all men, and deep pity, and continued a soldier till near the close the question, and forever, we hope, set it at will not be displeased with the following not hate, for wrong, his eloquence is simply of the Russian campaign. He was repeat. rest, whether the lawful election of any sketches by a Springfield correspondent of a

Subbath. Originally a pastor was embrothers slain. He attended Napoleon in to the minority's partisan dictation, renounce to the minority and th pleyed, but as Mr. Smith stepped further his expedition to Egypt, and with painful their allegiance, refuse to permit, within into infidelity the Sabbath exercises took interest recalls' the siege of Acre-the their borders, the execution of the United a more disorderly and irregular aspect forced murch across the burning sands of States laws, and rise in rebellion, which ed, and commanding an outlook upon the the pastor was dismissed, and Unitarians, Universalists, Spiritualists, Free Lovers, Abolitionists, or, when they could not be that ever harassed their flank and rear.—

the pastor was dismissed, and Unitarians, the desert—the thirst and hunger experience and hung

We of course have no fear in regard to having seen a Texian purchase a riata one safety and continuance of the Union, would hundred feet in length, from an Indian, for result from the election of Mr. Breckinridge; which he paid \$20. The hair of which it and the renewal and aggravation of the was made was shorn from the head of the Slavery agitation, by the attempt to "pro-Meadows. This gentleman states that the and we rather incline to the further opinion, that a Union which could withstand that cay under the election of Ma. Lincoln.

> FACTS AND FIGURES .- In an article upon the census, the New Orleans Picarune are startling:

> "Taking the estimated increase of slaves south will be enlarged, but the rate of increase will still be found to be very decided-

political power, therefore, in the popular flog refractory witnesses, or impress upon Independence Square, Philadelphia, in the South, will be nearly as 63 to 37.

With this increase in the same ratio, the 1900. 11.800.000: 1910. 15,000,000. and having nearly quadrupled itself in fifty rather not have been that counsel. years, and in the lifetime of those who are Legends of his prowess, in the days now born, it may reach to 50,000,000."

A GREAT BATTLE .- At length we have details of the bloody battle of Volturno, courage and during he was indebted for where the wonderful Garibaldi secured a his accession to leadership during the early victory along his whole line. After a des- Indian troubles on the frontier. His perate fight of eight hours, the Liberator, capacity as a leader was often tried during leading his forces with revolver in hand, those short campaigns in the wilderness, completely routed his greatly superior and was never found wanting. If he carries Neapolitan assailants, and pursued them to the Executive chair the pluck and daring close under the walls of Capua. The loss which enabled hin to hold his own against of the Royalists is estimated at 3,000 killed the rampant flatboat men, with whom and wounded, and 5,000 prisoners. A from time to time, even the most peaceful brigade of Germans was cut off from the of the craft would now and then come in main body of the Neapolitan army and collision; if he takes thither the adroit driven to the mountains. The Royalists finesse and executive decision which enaattempted their rescue, but were repulsed. bled him to evade an ambush of Indians in The King of Naples and his brothers were the Black Hawk war, and to beat the dusky present at the battle.

gentleman writes from Clinton, Douglas make just such a President as the present county, to his brother in Eric county, Ohio, crisis demands. that the drying up of the bed of a creek | The future lady of the White House is, discovered a valuable coal bank on his perforce, a personage to whom just now lightning was seen and attested by medical hundred pearls, and had clams enough on will adorn and grace even the exalted posiexaminers and the municipal authorities of the bank for three hundred more! They av. tion to which she bids fair to succeed, none Louis, will cost over \$600,000. It is the giving out rainbow hues, others of a brown- side of forty, with a face upon which dignilargest hotel in the world. The front on ish color. Two sent to a Sandusky jeweler ty and sweetness are blended, and an air of

are pronounced genuine and valuable. Rev. Howard Malcom, D. D., late taken by his son on Tuesday to the polls are two and a half feet in diameter, and

nearly two per cent. Virginia and North Carolina are the healthiest of the States,

The Counters of St. Germans, wife

DELIGHTFUL PLACE.—Of thirty-six graves of the Earl of St. Germans, attached to have gathered together large quantities of at Virginia City, thirty-five are occupied the suite of the Prince of Wales, is a lothing, old and new, and dry goods, to be by hodies of persons killed by violence.— grand-daughter of the Marquis Cornwallis

Pen Pertratts of Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Though descriptions of Mr. Lincoln's feat

The visitor is ushered into a moderately wide hall, either side of which doors lead books, and upon the opposite side is the drawing room, simply yet elegantly furnish-Abolitionists, or, when they could not be that ever harassed their flank and rear.— had, Mr. Smith himself, filled the pulpit. He was with the French army upon its chould continue only as a piece of election- well-to-do, comfortable citizen of the West.

Lincoln himself has been so often describ- prise. ed, so often crayoned, painted, pencilsketched and photographed, that his per nelly, who has just arrived from Fort it. We choose to believe that the greatest sonnel ought, by this time, to be tolerably Smith, Arkansas, via Salt Lake, reports possible danger which could arise, to the familiar to that many-headed monster, the general public. One cannot lay his hand upon his bosom and say that Old Abe is a handsome man; but there be those, and tect" it in the Territories now free. But judicious observers, too, who would hesi- another. women who were slain at the ever-to-be- we happen to believe, also, that even that tate before pronouncing him ugly. His remembered massacre of the Mountain misfortune would not dissolve the Union; face is quick and mobile in expression, his eyes, dark and lustrous, set deeply in his assault upon the spirit and intention of head, like Weister's, speak before his lips those who founded it, will not wither or de- are opened. His cheek bones are high and fortitude. prominent: the lower portion of his face thin and drawn into bard wrinkles. The deep lines around his mouth are probably makes the following estimate. The figures as good a certificate as one would desire of that strennous toil through which he has it is rather a triumphal procession! Not made his way up to fame. His great into calculation, the numerical power in the stature-six feet and three inches-gives him an aspect of lankness and thinness life was a series of successes. In evwhich does grave injustice to his really ly with the North. The whites in both stalwart, commanding proportions. He has a general reputation, wherever he is sections increase at the average rate of has a general reputation, wherever he is about thirty-seven and a half per cent. in known, of being as "tough as whip cord." the art of keeping it, but not one in a hun-The representative population will be West were, in the early days, partly mus 29,099,570, of which the non-slaveholding cular. It not unfrequently occurred, that States will have 18,326,744 and the slave the presiding Judge found it necessary to States 10.759,826. The proportions of dismiss the Court for a time, in order to brauch of Congress, between the North and boisterous counselers the fact, that if respect | honor of the signers of the Declaration of number within the United States in 1870 tumble fight was not to be disputed. It is that their general design "embraces a

> when he adorned the pursuits of flatboat companions. Probably to his physical warriors at their own system of fighting, COAL AND PEARLS IN KANSAS .- A whenever they revealed themselves, he will

farm, and that his family had gathered four the liveliest interest attaches. That she erage over a pearl to eight clams; most of who have had the fortune to see her can them are small, some very brilliant, some doubt. She is yet upon the alvantageous cultivation and refinement to which frequent familiarity with the courtly drawing rooms of London, or the aristocratic saloous of President of the University of Lewisburgh, Pa., and formerly a missionary in Burmah, Paris, would hardly lend an added grace. in a recent communication, states that the She is admirably calculated to preside over Burmese Retrotrician wells are about two our republican court. If one were permitand a half miles from Irrawady, and about ted so far to describe her personal appearthree bundred miles from its mouth. They name as to meet half way the respectful in Brooklyn, that he might cast his last three hundred feet deep, and have been curiosity which is generally felt upon the worked for ages without failing in any subject, the description would be, that she respect. Each well yelds about four hun- is slightly above the medium stature, with dred pounds of oil per day, besides large brown eyes, clearly cut features, delicate, the oil, as received in the buckets, is ninety mobile, expressive; rather distinguished in appearance than beautiful, conveying to the mind generally an impression of selfpiled from the last census, show that the pessession, stateliness and elegance. I dispeople of the United States are the heat- trust my own opinion on subjects of the thiest on the globe. The deaths are 320,- kind, but I concur in the belief prevalent liberty, for the people would at once tear 000 per year, or one and a half per cent. of hereabouts, that she will make as admirathem in pieces. By a special decree he the population. In England the ratio is ble a leader of the stately dames and lovely demoiselles of the national capital as the and have 638 inhabitants over 100 years, most fustidious social martinet could desire.

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## He Dies Poor.

'It was a sad funeral to me,' said the speaker, ' the saddest I have attended for nany years.

'That of Edmundson?'

Yes.

' How did he die?' 'Poor-poor as poverty; his life was every disadvantage. Fortune mocked blin all the while with gilded promises that were destined never to know fulfillment." 'Yet, he was patient and enduring,' re-

marked one of the company. 'Patient as a Christian; enduring as a martyr,' was the answer. 'Poor man!— He was worthy of a better fate. He ought to have succeeded, for he deserved success.

'Did he not succeed?' questioned the one who had spoken of his perseverance and endurance. "No, sir; he died poor, as I have just said. Nothing that he put his hands to ever succeeded. A strange fatality seemed to attend every enter-

I was with him in his last moments. said another, 'and thought he died rich.'
'No, he has left nothing behind,' we replied. 'The heirs will have no concern as to the administration of the estate."

'He left a good name,' said one, 'and that is something. ' And a legacy of noble deeds that were

done in the name of humanty,' remarked 'Lessons of patience in suffering, of

hope in adversity, of heavenly confidence when no sunbeams fell upon his bewildering path,' was the testimony of another. And high trust, manly courage, heroic

'Then he died rich,' was the emphatic declaration; 'richer than the millionaire who went to his long home the same day a miserable pauper in all but gold.' 'A sad funeral,' did you say? No, my frien d. the burial of a human clod, but the ceremonial attendant of the translation of at angel. Did not succeed! Why, his whole ery coull'et he came off victor, and now the victor's crown is on his brow. Any grasping, soulless, selfish man, with a share of The qualifications for legal eminence at the dred can bravely conquer in the battle of life as Edmundson has conquered, and step forth from the ranks of men, a Christian hero.

The trustees of the monument is was not due to the judicial acum n of the Independence, report that they have not Court, at least its ability in a rough and yet decided upon any particular plan, but Indian owners by the father of Mr. Smith, before any settlements were made in this part of the State, and enough of the estions; In 1880, 7,000,000; 1890, 9,100,000; ing the opposing counsel, but had he ever sides to be united by an entablature, on which will be graven the Declaration of Independence, the whole to be surmount ed by a tower or shaft of thirteen sides; each side containing a niche, or space for navigation, are yet current among his early the insertion of panels or tablets of murble or other stone from the several States."

> The Bulletin's New York corres pondent says a meeting of those favorable to the construction of a Pacific Railroad was called at the Coener Institute, for 15th of Nov. The movement originated in New England and is backed by many Boston capitalists.

> A Text .- " My breethring," said an old Hardshell preacher, 'I'm gwine to preach you a plain sarment, that even wimmer kin understand. You will find my tex be the five varse of the two-eyed chapter o the one-eyed John." It was some time before it was perceived that he means John I., chapter ii

HEELS AND HEADS .- If a girl thinks more of her heels than of her head depend muon it she will never amount to much -Brains which settle in the shoes never get much above them. This will apply as well to the masculine as the feminine gender.

The bridal veil originated in the custem of performing the nuptial ceremony under a square piece of cloth, held over the bridegreem and bride, to conceal the blushes of the latter. At the marriage of a widow, it was dispensed with.

An old doctor said that people who were prompt in their payments always recovered in their sickness, as they were good customers, and physicans could not afford to lose them.

Charles Reade is writing a new comance, to appear in the Atlantic Month y. It is said Mr. Reade is one of the most pains-taking authors alive, and that he often rewrites his best pages twenty times over.

It is extraordinary how many de fects we can discern in a friend after quareling with him. The same remark appli to a woman after she has rejected us.

It is said that the Prince of Wales and his pocket picked twice while in New York; a fact that will favorably impress him with the freedom of our institution

Sheridan benutifully said: " Wom govern us, let as render them perfect; the more they are enlightened, so much the

It is said that a watch-dog is not large in the morning as at night, because he is let out at night and taken in in the

Mr. Putnam, the publisher, has sold eight hundred thousand volumes of Irving's works.

Friends and photographs never flatter.