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A Heart-Hending History. In Manchester a maiden dwelt, Her name was Phoebe Brown : Her checks were red, her hair was black, And she was considered by good judges, to be by all odds the best-looking girl in

Her age was nearly seventeen : Her eyes were sparkling bright : A very lovely girl was she— And for about a year and a half there had

been a young man paying attention to her by the name of Reuben Wright.

Now Reuben was a nice young man As any in the town : And Phoebe loved him very dear, But on account of his being obliged to work for a living, he never could make him-self agreeable to old Mr. and Mrs. Brown.

Her parents were resolved Another she should wed— A rich old miser in the place ; And old Brown frequently declared that rather than have his daughter marry Reuhen Wright, he'd sooner knock him on the head.

But Phoebe's heart was brave and strong; She feared no parent's frowns; And as for Reuben Wright so bold, I've heard him say more than fifty times, that (with the exception of Phoebe) he didn't care a ---- for the whole race of Browns.

So Pheebe Brown and Reuben Wright

So Pheece Brown and Reuben wright Determined they would marry: Three weeks ago last Tuesday night They started for old Parson Webster's deter-mined to be united in the holy bands of matrimony, though it was tremendous dark, and rained like old Harry.

But Captain Brown was wide awake; He loaded up his gun, And then pursued the loving pair; He overtook 'em when they got about half-way to the Parson's and then Reuben and Pheebe started off on a run.

Old Brown then took a deadly aim Toward young Reuben's head ; But oh! it was a bleeding shame, He made a mistake and shot his only daugh-ter, and had the unspeakable anguish of seeing her drop right down stone dead.

Then anguish filled young Reuben's heart, And vengeance crazed his brain; He drew an awful jacknife out, And plunged it into old Brown about fifty or sixty times, so that it was very doubtful about his ever coming to again.

The briny drops from Reuben's eyes In terrents poured down : He yielded up the ghost and died : And in this melancholy and heart-rending manner terminates the history of Reuben and Pheebe and likewise old Captain Bowrn

The Path through the Corn. Wavy and bright in the summer air-Like a quite sea when the wind blows fair, And its roughest breath has scarcely curled The green highway to an unknown world-Soft whispers passing from shore to shore, Like a heart content-yet desiring more ; Who feels forlorn

lering thus on the nath through the A short space since and the dead leaves lay, Corrupting under the hedge row gray ; Nor hum of insect nor voice of bird Only at even the pallid snow Blushed rose red in the red sun's glow ; Till one blessed morn, Shot up into life the young green corn.

ly arise, suppose that a better quality of stone had not been found, and the stone which was under contract must necessarily be used in the erection of the Peultentiary, would not then the contract have been valid, and those sub-contractors have got their pay ?[4] The debt then would cer-tainly have been a just one, for the stone under contract was the best known of when Shartle for Jacobs & Co. could not have

the contract was made, and was pronounced to be suitable by one of the then acting commissioners, who had encouraged these men to proceed with their work. Now sir, as I go in for governments as well as individuals paying their just debts, whether con-tracted by themselves or by proxy, I voted for the appropriation, and if the commis-sioners acted too hastily and without discre-

sioners acted too hastily and without discre-tion, the government should hold them res-ponsible ; and if the legislature appointed commissioners who were incapable for trans-acting the business entrusted to them, then the blame should rest upon the legislature, and the Government should not allow their agents to act in a faithless and irresponsi-ble manner, but should hold them accounta-ble for all their sate [5]. onsible manner." It acted in the best of ble for all their acts.[5] The idea of their being sub-contractors does not lessen the igation of the government to fill her plighted faith, even when made by her agents ; unless we allow governments to

wink and connive at a system of fraud being carried on by her agents, she should see that those who complete her contracts as made by her agents are paid, and them only. I did not stop to enquire whether Roberts & Shartle were democrats or rethe committee to so decide ; that they were publicans, believing that men should receive their just dues let them be of what politics they may; and further, I understand that Judge Williams believed that there were some show of equity in their claim, though not strictly in law ;[6] so likewise the committee on claims in the House decided.[7]

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settled with them as they did. Roberts & erts & Shartle bill ; his name does not ap. vexed Captain relieved him of the paper, and Shartle contracted with Jacobs & Co., and pear." Mr. Craner was prevented from be. It was read. The session ended-Mr. Odenstone found, that quarried by Roberts & against it, sick as he was."]

Mr. H. W. Corbett, in a letter in

MARCH 14, 1859. ED. STATESNAN :- Permit me to offer a few remarks on the subject of popular sov-ereignty in the Territories. This grand and bold doctrine, promulgated a few years hitterly and bold method of the subject of popular sov-ereignty in the Territories. This grand the paltry sum of sixty dollars. Barter telling him that I user we pointed in supposing him to be a of honor, or that it all could be the paltry sum of sixty dollars. sponsible manner." It acted in the best of ago by Douglas and others, was bitterly faith with Jacobs & Co., with whom it confaith with Jacobs & Co., with whom it contracted; it never engaged to do anything for Roberts & Shartle.
6. As we before said, a member whose vote is wanted, can "understand" anything which is thought to be necessary to get a claim through, particularly if it is lobbied as industriously as this one was.
7. The chairman of the committee on claims informs us that he did not understand the committee to so decide that they were that they were the committee to so decide that the committee to so decide that they were the committee to so decide that they were that the committee to so decide

An old office holder in the State of Ohio, place on the 4th inst. The examination of of the opinion the claim was not a good one. But, he says a portion of the committee thereful the state of Onio, But, he says a portion of the committee thereful the state of Onio, But, he says a portion of the committee thereful the state of Onio, base and once a thought the claim had some equity, and the following was embodied in the report as a following was embodied in the report as a concession, "and, although your committee that my feet are firmly fixed on the doctrine dress from J. G. Wilson, Esq., Salem, for concession, "and, although your committee are of the opinion that the said Roberts & Shartle have no legal claim, they will not mittee on claims in the House decided.[1] While I am upon this subject, permit me to say that I think that while you condemn this act of the legislature, you in connection speak of the draining of the treasury, which before the adjournment of the legislature the equity, but simply a waiving of an opin-the equity, but simply a waiving of an opin-the equity, but simply a waiving of equity. He did

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"looked up" when I came into his presence in the hall. I began to anticipate his deli-Shartle for Jacobs & Co. could not have been used—that it was unfit for use. Mr. Fitch says he "did not consider it of as good quality as the specimen furnished the

Respectfully, JAMES ELKINS.

Lebanon, Linn county, O. T,-ss Personally came before me, a justice of the peace in said county, James Elkins, who solemnly swears, in presence of Almighty God, that the foregoing statement is true. HARVEY SMITH,

Justice of the Peace.

ED. STATESMAN-The closing exercises of ED. STATESMAN—The closing exercises of the first term of Jefferson Institute took place on the 4th inst. The examination of the pupils in the variant for a grant deal of liquor; she was crazy a few days be-fore she died, and said she was going to kill me with an axe; she one time got a knife and tried to stab me with it ; just before she died she said she was very cold ; she asked me to take hold of her hands and help her to the fire, so that she might warm herself ; her eyes looked wild and strange ;

I tried to help her to the fire, but she died; my mother sold all her clothes before she died for rum; she took everything off from her; I pledged a skirt for her for six cents at a junk shop; they told me I might have it again for seven cents; she took off her clothes, one by one, and sold them till all were gone, so that she had nothing on her when she died; she sold her chemise to a

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A Sab Story .- A few days since the re- A genins out West is dividing the honors mains of a woman were found in a filthy of a grateful country with Cyrus W. Field to them alone had a right to look for pay. But, our information, derived from both the Superintendent and keeper of the Peni-tentiary is, that if there had been no other

"On the thirty-first, the sun rose in the brought out on the coroner's inquest showed that she was a victim of intoxicating liquors east, and went on the even tenor of its way. good quality as the specimen farnished the commissioners." Then, clearly, Roberts & Shartle had neither a *legal* or an *equilable* claim against the Territory, and their bill should have been entitled a *donation bill.*5. There was no proof that the "government agent"—that is the *board* of commissioners." The states on the aublet of the subject of popular sovernights in the Territories. This grant of the subject of popular sovernights in the Territories. This grant is the *board* of commissioners." The set is the *board* of commissioners." The *board* of commissioners." The set is the *board* of commissioners." The set is the *board* of the set is the *board* of commissioners." The set is the *board* of commissioners." The set is the *board* of the set is the *board* of the set is the *board* of the set and died of delirium tremens. The woman was the widow of the late Colonel Thomas The hinges were not completed until 2 P. M. Precisely at three o'clock, we commenced liquor, until she actually sold the last arti-cle of dress she had for a drink of brandy. through from post to post with remarkable distinctness. With brow bared and locks cle of dress she had for a drink of brandy. What can be more affecting than the story flowing, we swung through back and for-ward, thus proving to those who have be-lieved not the reality of the event, and its of her little son before the coroner :-"Thomas Hughes, sworn-I am eight years old; the deceased was my mother; she has been ill for five or six weeks, and complained of pains in her head and limbs ; against hogs, and a great evangelizer of those who go through. It hangs on "its easy simplicity," and has already elicited the most vociferous approbation. While the Atlantic Cable binds continents together, sometimes we had nothing to eat for two or three days; I was one time three days without anything to eat, except a small piece of crust; Mr. H. B. Tebbetts, my uncle, who lives in Broadway, used to assist our gate binds the fence in one unbroken

string, fraternizing the two in one. At the first swing of the gate, we forwarded a mes-sage to President Bechanan: "THE OAKS, Aug. S1. "Dear Buchanan :- We've got a gate .--It is National in arrangement. It knows no South, no North, no East, no West, but swings all round. Fetch over the children and have a swing."

MISTAKES OF PRINTERS .- Some people are continually wondering at the "carelessness" of editors in allowing so many errors and

jects more striking and magnificent. We are animated by the moving pictures of en-joyment and industry that are passing before an error. Each page remained two weeks us; we are excited by short-lived success, or depressed and rendered miserable by some issued, several errors were discovered, one short-lived disappointment. But our ener- of which was in the first line of the first gy and dependence are both in vain. The page. stream bears us on, and our joys and griefs When such was the case in a city long are left behind us; we may be shipwrecked celebrated in Great Britain for publishi but we cannot anchor; our voyage may be hastened, but we cannot be delayed; wheth-er rough or smooth, the river hastens to-wards its home; the roaring of the waves is beneath our keel, and the land lessens compensation will hardly afford one "expe-from our eyes, the floods are lifting up rienced proof-reader," let alone six. The around us, and we take our last leave of wonted accuracy of our papers is really asearth and its inhabitants, and of our fature tonishing .- Printer's News Letter. voyage there is no witness but the infinite

Small and feeble, slender and pale, It bent its head to the winter's gale, Hoent its head to the winter's gale, Harkened the wren's soft note of cheer, Searcely believing spring was near: Baw chestnuts put out, and champions blow, And daisies mimic the vanished snow, Where it was born, On either side of the path through the corn.

The com-the corn-the beautiful corn, Rising wonderful, morn by morn, First, scarce as high as a fairy's wand, Then, just in reach of a child's wee hand, Then growing, growing green and strong, With the voice of the harvest in its song, While in fond scorn The lark outcarols the murmuring corn.

Oh, strange, sweet path, formed day by day, How, when and wherefore, tongue cannot say, No more than life's strange paths we know, Whither they lead us or why we go, Weiner they lead us of why we go, Or whether our eyes shall ever see The whet in the ear or the fruit on the tree, Yet—who is forlorn ? Heaven, that watered the furrows with the ripe

The Roberts & Shartle Claim. SANTIAN CITY, O. T. Feb. 26th, 1859. thousand dollars for services, &c., perform-ed by them as sub contractors in furnishing stone for the Penitentiary. In this you had an undoubted right to scrutinize any acts of that body and where they are wrong to expose them. But so far as my acts in rela-tion thereto they were done is the best of with ; from all that I was able to learn, those men had been badly dealt with ; matters of facts were proven by affidavits and otherwise, that although these men were ab-contractors, yet they would not underfrom the commissioners themselves.[1] One whom I understand, went with said Robert & Shartle to the quarry and exam-commended said Roberts & Shartle to go cation to the Territory, was an after utility, while Mr. Fitch says Robert & Shar- assist me in my duties, in starting the jour- Nebraska,..... on and make the necessary preparations,[2] and when they asked him whether they abould understand that they would be en-cited During the gal or equitable remedy should understand that they would be en-couraged to get all the stone needed in the failed. During the pendency of the relief could not have been used, even if the Terri-failed. During the pendency of the relief could not have been used, even if the Terri-inr each day, from mine, which will make Penitentiary from said quarry, they were bill, Mr. Sloan, the Superintendent of the tory had contracted for it. If Mr. Crooks our wages equal." I told Mr. Odeneal that Rhode Island,..... told to do so; they then upon the faith shey had in said commissioner, (and not in the first contractors, viz: Jacobs & Co.,)[3] went on with their work, and after expend the first contractors, viz: Jacobs & Co., [3] went on with their work, and after expending between three and four thousand dollars, mostly in preparation, they were ordered to resist by the commissioners, who over-step-ped the first contractors as though they un-derstrod themselres to be under obligation to the said Roberts & Shartle, as the com-missioners had found a better quality of teams, so much superior that one of the commissioners, Mr. J. S. Dickinson's, let it beunderstood, was procured by the claimants, and by them placed before the legislature. The other commissioners, Mr. J. S. Dickinson, testi-fied that it would be to the interest of the above and throw them away rather than use them, since a better article had been found; and further stated, that he viewed the claim of Roberts & Shartle to be a just one. Nr. Fitch, and corroboratory statement of

bill making appropriation for paying the thenticated. It is the duty of the Secreta- Indeed, Congress offered each voter of us a constitutional convention, than the one for ry to prepare the laws for publication, and donation land claim here, if we would so emtthe relief of Roberts & Shartle, with the understanding that I had received of their the relief of Roberts & Shartle, with the understanding that I had received of their case, while it was generally understood by duties for which he receives his salary. Unthe people that Congress would pay the der the law of the last Assembly he is re- could, and freely would extend this subject expenses of the convention and that the lieved of this duty.

Territory would not have it to pay, &c. J. T. CROOKS.

9. We think we had a legal and equitable claim against the Territory, and that content. 1. We heard of no evidence that the com- we received nothing to which we were not missioners gave any such assurance, though a justly entitled. Mr. Crooks doubtless thinks man whose vote is wanted can hear nearly the same of his own claim. But, having paid anything thought necessary to further the us, to whom the Territory alone was responpayment of a claim when one is before a sible, we should not regard the Territory legislature. The acts of the board were bound to pay any others, who might afterrequired to be recorded, and their record wards say that they had performed the is the best evidence of any agreement on work for us as sub-contractors, and had not their part that Roberts & Shartle should been paid. We should expect the Territobe paid anything. If Roberts & Shartle ry to refer them to the party who employed had then expected to look to anybody but them. That is such a case as we understand

the men they contracted with-Jacobs & Roberts & Shartle's to have been. We clerk, in the House for that session) to give Co .- they would have been certain to have bold that Mr. Crooks was entitled to the me as the assistant clerk, any remuneration SANTIAN CITY, O. T. Feb. 26th, 1859. EDITOR STATESMAN.—DEAR SIR:—I learn through the Statesman, that you have ob-jections to the action of the legislature in granting to Messrs. Roberts & Shartle two thousand dollars for services, &c., perform. Co.—they would have been certain to have had a written contract with that "anybody." The board did not give Roberts & Shartle thousand dollars for services, &c., perform. Co.—they would have been certain to have had a written contract with that "anybody." The board did not give Roberts & Shartle tory as bound to pay any person who might 2. And, what does that amount to ? The allege that he had boarded Mr. C., while Odencal,) I make the following statement of California,..... board consisted of three, and one commis- attending upon the sittings of the conven- facts, to-wit:-That session I was elected North Carolina,..... sioner had no power to bind the Territory, even if an assurance had been given in form. tion, or sold him garments which were worn at that time, and for which he had not been to be the House of Representatives, at Convallis. The Hon. Delazon Smith was 3. Then Roberts & Shartle made a con- paid. We hold it would be the duty of the elected speaker and took his seat. Mr. Flordia,.....

comployment, involved them in a debt of ly as the Superintendent averred that the to have stayed action upon it until both members, it is said, wrote very business like over three thousand dollars; yet being hon- other commissioners would contradict the sides could have been heard.

Pursuant to a call of the central commit tee of Tillamook county, the citizens assem-bled at the school house, on Hoquarten prairie, on the 19th of February, 1859, for can, because you emigrated to Oregon ? I the purpose of selecting a delegate to represent this county in the convention to meet to greater length, but I will forbear. It is

the country, in print, -- "that he ever agreed (when taking his seat at the desk, as chief

at Salem, on the 20th April, 1859. in the hands of able statesman and I rest On motion, E. Thomas was called to the chair and W. E. B. Levy appointed secreta-DAVID NEWSOM.

LEBANON, LINN Co., O. T., ? ry, after which the meeting proceeded to the March 4th, 1859. lection of a delegate.

DEAR SIR:-I am asked to notice a com-On motion, II. P. Casey was unanimous munication from Albany, relative to the ly elected to represent this county in the clerkship in which Mr. Odeneal of Corval- convention, and invested with the authority is and myself acted in the House of Repre- to appoint a proxy, should be not be able to sentatives in the winter of 1856. I don't meet the aforesaid convention. now that I should have given the facts in

and the eternal. know that I should have given the facts in the case, in the form of a statement, had not Mr. Odeneal written his article in the Crisis utterly denying what has recently gone to

On motion, the meeting adjourned sine die, E. THOMAS, Chairman. W. E. B. LEVY, Sec'y.

MASONRY IN THE UNITED STATES .- The folwing statistics are derived from the latest inforthe King stood, I was of his religiou ; made mation contained in the proceedings of the va-rious Masonic Grand Lodges of the United my son wear a cassock, and thought to

4.174 clerk, pro tem., in the temporary organiza-District of Columbia..... *3,100 3. Then Roberts & Shartle made a con-tract with Jacobs & Co., by which they were to look to the latter firm alone for compensation, and at the same time had not "faith" enough in them to proceed with the 3,526 2,594 1,178 "faith" enough in them to proceed with the contract. We don't believe anything of the derstand it, it was not as equitable a case as the above would have been. For it is presumed that the work performed for our-nof contracts. We have no doubt but that presumed that the work performed for our-Roberts & Shartle expected to get their self, or the accommodations and goods fur-the completent, not having had any experience in such duties. He said to me; "Mr. El-kins, I want to make a proposition—that in a previous session. 0,978 3,979 3,291 *3,800 1,626 *5,000 7,310 805 4,903 *100 4,731 16 174 215

bia kiver, some six mites, and making every necessary arrangement for completing their part of the contract, all in good faith, being as I understood, poor young men, depend-ing upon their labor for their support. This act of the commissioners threw them out of

over three thousand dollars; yet being bon-est and reliable men, they set to work at other employment to obtain means to pay of their indebtedness, still relying upon the bonesty of the government to make them whole. Now the question would necessari-

THROWING STONES AT THE DEVIL .- The WILL OF AN EASL OF PENDROSE. — Im-primis: For my soul, I confess I have heard very much of souls, but what they are, or whom they are, or what they are for. or whom they are, or what they are for, hard at work with a crow-bar striving to God knows I know not. They tell now of God knows I know not. They tell now of another world, where I never was, nor do I know one foot of the way thither. While the King stood I was of his reliation and the store was fairly exhausted by the vain struggles he had made, and he at lest exclaimed in a passion: "The devil take it!

make him a bishop ; then came the Scots and made him a Presbyterian ; and, since Cromwell entered, I have been an Independ-Cromwell entered, I have been an Independ-ent. These, I believe, are the Kingdom's free use of the name of the evil one, and cer-5,100 three estates ; and if any of these can have tainly not wish to throw such a big stone a soul, I may claim one ; therefore, if my at him as that.

The Irishman was quiet in a minute, and striking his crow-bar into the ground, and him who gave it to me. Item .- I give my leaning leisurely on it, he turned up his face at once to the Doctor and the sunlight, while over it roughly played those indescribable forerunners of genuine Irish wit, he replied: "Och, then, and it is yourself that's it on the poor. Item.-To Tom May I give five shillings. I intended him more ; but ading a fault wid me for sayin' that same, when it's yees and the likes of yees that's paid by the year for abusin' the ould gintle-man all the time!"

Item .- I give Lieutenant General Cromwell The old pastor turned away to smile and one word of mine, because hitherto he enjoy the retort!

of one of our State colleges had a barrel of ale deposited in his room-contrary, of course, to the rule and usage. He received who said : "Sir, I am informed that you make ?" "Why, the fact is, sir, that my physician advises me to try a little each day room." Indeed ; and have so derived any benefit from the use of it ?" "Ah, yes, sir; when the barrel was first taken to my room, to bed early. 9th. Stop grumbling. 10th. Talk less of your own peculiar gifts and virtues, and more of those of your two days since, I could scarcely lift it ; special reprimand.

Ber For more than two years, Cornelius then, since a better article had been found ; and farther stated, that he viewed the claim of Roberts & Shartle to be a just one. These sub-contractors had thea been at n free texpense in laying a track for convey-ing the stone from the quarry to the Colum-bia River, some six miles, and making every ing the stone from the quarry to the Colum-bia texpense in laying a track for convey-ing the stone from the quarry to the Colum-bia stone from the quarry to the Colum-bia store; "he was trying to arrest my ing the stone from the contract, all in good faith, being of the romple's tracement, all in good faith, being of the romple's tracement, all in good faith, being ONE OF THE SUPERSCRIPTIONS.—A letter pass-ed through the post office at Rock Island recent. ly with the following exeruciating superscription; "Ye Democratic P. M.'s don't let me delay, But send me along with speed on my way; To Lizzie S. Ellis I'm sent, that's true, In Miami county in the village of Peru. In the State of Indiana, just as true as you are where whisky's legal tender, and the women hos the corn." That fellow certainly deserves a medal of some ind. We suggest a *leather* one.

never kept his own. Item .- I give up the How IT STRENGTHENED HIM .- A student ing, and begin to do something outside of a summons to appear before the President, have a barrel of ale in your room." 4th. Mind your own business, and with sir." "Well, what explanation can you 5th. Stop grumbling, 6th. Live within your means. Sell your horse. Give away or kill your dog. 7th. Stop grumbling 7th. Stop grumbling

2,204 30,000 RULES FOR THE HARD TIMES .- 1st. Stop grumbling. 10,912 2d. Get up two hours earlier in the morn-11,428 1,048 7,750 6,45I your regular profession. 3d. Stop grumbling. all your might. Let other people alone. 4,614

ghost.

horse. Give away or kill your dog. 7th. Stop grumbling. 8th. Smoke your cigars through an air-tight stove. Eat with moderation and go to bed early.

riends and neighbors. 11th. Stop grumbling. 12th. Do all you can to make others happy. Be cheerful, Bead your neck and

executors do find I have a soul, I give it to

deer to the Earl of Salisbury, who I know

will preserve them, because he denied the

King a buck out of his own parks. Item .-

I give nothing to Lord Say ; which legacy

whoever has seen his "History of the Par-

liament" thicks five shillings too much.

176 I give him because I know he will bestow

times, I'd not care half a penny about this In Miami county in the village of Peru. In the State of Indiana, just as true as you, are

