The easy chair, all patched with care,
Is placed by the old hearth-stone;
With witching grace, in the old fireplace,
The evergreens are strewn.
And pictures hang on the white ned wall,
And the old clock ticks in the cottage hall.

More levely still, on the window sill, The dew-eyed flowers rest,
While midst the leaves on the moss-green caves
The martin builds her nest,
And sil day long the summer breeze
Is whispering love to the bended trees,

Over the door, all covered o'er
With a sack of dark green baize,
Lies a musket, whose worth is told
In the events of other days;
And the powder-flash, and the hunter's horn,
Have hung beside it for many a morn,

For years have fled, with noiseless tread, Like fairy dreams away, And left in their flight, all shern of its might, A father—old and gray! And the soft wind plays with his snow white hair, And the old man sleeps in an easy chair.

Inside the door, on the sanded floor,
Light, airy footsteps gilde,
And a maiden fair, with flaren hair,
Kneels by the old man's side—
An old oak wrecked by the angry storm,
While the vey clings to its trembling form.

-Rural New Yorker.

### A HERO WOMAN.

In a thick wood not more than half a mile from the Schuylkill, there stood in the time of the Bevolution a quain old fabric, built of mingled logs and stone, and inclosed by a palisade wall. It had been erected in the early days of William Penn-perhaps some years before the great apostle of peace first trod | trial. our shores—as a block-house first inended for defense against the Indians.

chimneys, its massive square windows, its varied front of logs and stone, its encircling wall, through which admittance was gained by a large and stoutly built gate; it stood in the midst of the wood, with age-worn trees encircling its veteran outlines on every side.

From its eastern windows you might obtain a glimpse of the Schuylkill, while a large casement in the southern front commanded a view of the winding road as it sunk out of view, under the shade of those thickly clustered boughs, ino a deep hollow, not more than a hundred vards from the mansion. Here from the southern casement, on

one of those balmy days which look in upon the dreary autumn, toward the close of November, a farmer's daughter was gazing with dilated eyes and halfclasped hands.

Well might she gaze earnestly to the the slightest sound! Her brothers were away in the army of Washington, and her father a grim old veteran—he stood six feet and three inches in his stockings-who had manifested his hate for the red coat invaders in many a the stairs. Yes, they have broken the desperate contest, had that morning left hall door to fragments, are in possession her alone in this small chamber, in of the old block-house, they are rushing her alone in this small chamber, in charge of some ammunition intended for a band of brave farmers about to join their eyes! Had the old man a thouthe host of freedom.

Even as she stood there gazing out of the south window, a faint glimpse of sunlight from the faded leaves above, clustering brown hair, not ten paces

the hurried tread of armed men echoing room. from the south.

There was something very beautiful that picture. The form of the young girl framed by the square massive window, the contrast between the rough timbers that inclosed her, and that rounded face, the lips parting, the hazel eye dilating, and the cheeks warming with hope and fear; there was something very beautiful in that picture-a young girl leaning from the window, of an old mansion, with her brown hair waving in glossy masses around her

Suddenly the shouts to the south grew nearer, and then emerging from the deep hollow, there came an old man running at full speed, yet every few minutes turning to fire his rifle, which he loaded as he ran.

He was pursued by a party of ten British soldiers who came rushing on, their bayonets fixed, as if to strike their victim ere he advanced ten steps nearer the house.

On and on the old man came, while his daughter, quivering with suspense, hung leaning from the window, he reached the large block-house—look! He is surrounded, their muskets are leveled at his head, he is down at their feet grappling for life.

he said, with a smile, turning to his child. "Now, Bess, my girl, when I fire this rifle you hand me another, and so on until the whole eight shots are fired! That will keep them on the other-side of the wall for a few minutes truthfulness:

are thrust above the wall at once—
hark!—one—two—three! The old veteran has fired three shots, three dying,
groveling in the yard, beneath the
shadow of the wall.

"Onick P. "Quick, Bess, the rifles!"

designed the present constitution of the world."

And the brave girl passed the rifles to her father's grasp; there are four more shots, and three soldiers fall back like weights of lead upon the ground, and a single red coat is seen slowly mounting to the top of the wall, his eyes fixed upon the hall door, which he will force ere a moment is gone.

Now the last ball is fired, the old man

stands there in that second story winanother loaded rifle. At this moment the wounded and dyof some twenty refugees, who clad in

leaping from the summit of the wall.

"Quick, Bess, my rifle!"
And look there—even while the vetthe brave girl-for slender in form and

dead and dving comrades.

But, now look! A smoke rises, the fire blazes up around the wall; they have fired the gate. A moment and the bolt and lock will be burned from the socket-the passage will be free. Now is the fiery moment of the old man's

While the brave daughter loads he out of use, and, except rarely, out of continues to fire with that deadly aim, sight, like the "old oaken bucket," its And now it stood with its numerous | but now-oh, horror-he falls, he falls | history is a matter of sufficient interest with a musket ball driven into his breast. The daughter's outstretched arms received the father, as with blood spouting from the wound, he toppled spouting from the wound from the window.

Oh, it is a sad and terrible picture. The old man writhing there and the ington on one side, and thirteen links oaken floor, the young daughter bending on the other. The French revolution over him, the light from the window soon created a rage for French ideas in streaming over her face, over her father's gray hairs, while the ancient furniture of the small chamber affords a dim

back-ground to the scene.

Now, hark! The sound of axes at the hall door; shouts! hurrahs! curses! "We have the old rebel at last!" The old man raises his head at that

for a rifle, and then falls back again, his the staid, classic 'dame, with filler eyes glaring, as the fierce pain of that around her hair came into fashion wound quivers through his heart. Now, watch the movements of the south and listen with painful intensity to daughter. Silently she loads a rifle, silently she rests it against the head of time, that powder keg, and then placing her finger on the trigger, stands over her father's form, while the shouts of the enraged soldiers came thundering down

sand lives they would not be worth a farthing's purchase now. Still that girl, grown suddenly white as the kerchief round her neck, stands pouring over her mild face, shaded by there trembling from head to foot, the rifle in her hand, its dark tube laid

oward the chamber with murder in

rible to those men in the words of that in their stead. young girl, who stands there with the rifle laid against the powder keg.

They stand as if spell-bound, on the threshold of that chamber.

At last one bolder than the rest, bravo, whose face is half inclosed in a

Look! As those trembling accents

tt least, and then we will have to trust ao God for the rest!"

Look down there and see a hand stealing over the wall. The old man leveled his piece—that British trooper falls back with a crushed hand upon his comrades heads.

No longer quivering with suspense, but suddenly growing firm, the young the least of localing of the wall. The old man leveled is more merry and more sad; it is fuller of joys; it lies under more burdens, but is supported by all the strengths of love and charity, and those burdens are delightful.

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No longer quivering with suspense, but suddenly growing firm, the young girl passes a loaded rifle to the veteran's grasp, and silently awaits the result.

For a moment all is silent below; the British braves are somewhat loth to try that wall when a stout old "rebel," rifle in hand, is looking from yonder window. There is a psuse—low, deep murmurs—they are holding a council.

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She handed it to her father, and then loaded another and another! Was not or printing, and is made according that a heautiful sight? A fair, young to the following recipe: Graphite, girl grasping powder and ball, with ramrod rising and fallen in her slender other resinous gum, 12 grains; sulphate of other resinous gum, 12 grains; sulphate Now look down to the wall again.

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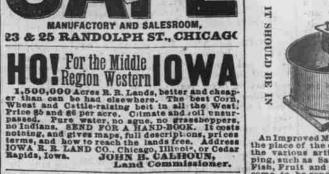
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