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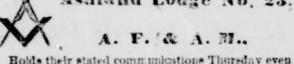
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The Stranded Bugle.

BY L. E. MOSHER. One eve, I musing, paced the sands That sk rt a shore where sets the sun. Where every ripple of the sea Is warm as bisses, love to love:

I listened to the droning waves-The lace-like waves which fiet and lave The tinted shells upon the beach. Among the jetsem washed ashore, I found, deep in a set-weed bed.

A bugle, with the rime of years

Carroled, tarnished, long since dumb,

I paused, and wondering whence it came, Stooped down and took it from the sand. Lorg, long before, I, young, had stood Where armies gathered and advinced, Where sabres clarked and trumpets blared,

And I had been a bugler then. I dipped the mouth-piece in the sea-I dipped the bell into the sea-I washed its battered beazen throat, Then weld to lip, and flung a blast Out on the pulsing starila ir.

The long-bushed bugle woke and rang A him id c deace 'long the shore, In ripples back upon the waves-Which recked its ecooes back and forth From c iff to cliff -against the crags-Far up the heights, around and 'round

As though it pealed, "I m found, I'm found!" I blew again, a softer note, Though full, which ring along the lind-Rang full, and clear, and sweet and far, I thought (but could it swell so high!) I heard it ec .o 'gunst a star, Then drop into the plicid sea,

A s rain of perfect melody. I hear that last note ringing yet, Like cry of lost one far away, Adrift and drifting past recall: I forcy it may be a soul Perhaps the soul of melody !

So let it drift, and sink, and swell With every motion of the deep! The bugl- hangs against my wall, A blist upon it to the sea, To keep the lost one company.

SAUC SAGE IN SAN FRANCISCO.

A LINK FROM HIS STORY. long while to get some of the Califor nia editors to print some of my troubles town. Nobody seemed to notice me me what I'd have. I told him I'd have and bardships from my journal, where- riding in the fine carriage. Guess they supper of course, that's what I come in I complain most bitterly at the wav were all strangers in town and there for. He asked me what I'd have for some folks have treated me. But they were so many other strange things to supper. I told him to bring on any all say they do their own writing, and look at they didn't happen to notice me. thing he had cooked. He then showed that it is good enough for me-I'd orto be in better luck. One of those brazen- did-right into the biggest house you plate and told me to pick out whatever faced ink slingers told me that my very ever seed. It had a hole right in the I wanted. I looked over it, and of all name proved that I had dog in me. middle of it as big as the court house the truck you ever seed cooked for one Before I begin writing out of my jour. Square. This house was higher'n a supper, it was on that. There was six nal. I want to explain my name. It is tree, and had great wide side walks kinds of soup, and if one of them wasn't Saucelo Sage, but everybody calls me made out of marble grave stones with- called ox-tail soup I'm a liar, and Saue Sage for short. The boys at out any letter'n on them. There were another calf's head soup. I picked school back in old Shelby county com labout a thousand windows in it and menced it. I undertook to lick some each had just one pane of glass as big some ham and eggs; a plate of oyster of 'em several times, but so nethin' al- as a meetin' house door. Well, as I soup and a glass of wine with some big To give Entire S tisfaction. Prices to suit | ways happened so I'd git the worst of it. | said before, he drove right in among | name to it. I thought I might as well When I come out to Oregon, you know forty or fifty other fine carriages. The have the worth of my money. The I lived on Big Butta. Old Squire driver jumped down and opened the waiter told me I'd have to take a bottle Hayden, or Judge Duncan, I forgit which, begin to call me Sursage, and from that every other hoodlem in the

country took it up. Now Mr. Elitor, the following extract from my journal is writ for your THE UNDERSIGNED WISHES TO RE. paper as a solemn duty I owe to my mind his triends, and the traveling pub- fellow "greenies," to warn them of the stumps in their trail, if they should

ever travel. You see before I came here, I'd been making shingles over on Big Butte for

up honorably and left on the next enough to go in and inquire which one stage for Frisco. It cost me a heap of was the clerk. I found him behind the money before I got here. They sell counter with a plug hat and broadwhiskey tarnal high on the road.

as I writ it up every day. November 20th-Got to Frisco at turned a desk around with a great big last and such another yelling I never! book on it, and told me to write my A whole row of fellows that looked per- name, but I unthoughtedly left the sonified importance itself, stood there e t-o off of the Sane, and I expect that bleating like a drove of old ewes, turn- everybody in town will be calling me ed out without their lambs. Some hollered "hacksir;" some, "buss-er," "Buldwinsir," "Bushouser," "watch opened a door into a little closet and yer houser." One fellow had the im- told me to follow him in. As soon as pudence to come right up to me and I went in, the floor of the closet begin asked me to "have a busser." I sareas- to go up, and kept going up till we got tically informed him that I had one; to the sixth story. He then got out and at the same time parting my handsome I followed him a quarter of a mile mustash and opening my mouth right around between long rows of doors, at him. The feller looked shamed and At last he opened a door and told me left me. Another feller asked me very | that I could have that room. It was politely if I'd have a carriage. He ex- marked No. 978. He told me not to plained to me that it was valgar to go blow out the gas, and started to leave, to a hotel without a carriage. As I want- but I called him back and asked him ed to show the people of this town that | when supper would be ready. He said I had money, I told him I'd take it. It I could get what ever I wanted to eat, was a terribly fine one and shined al! any time at the restaurant. He started over like a breast pie, and had crooked to leave again, but I told him to hold glass all round it. He opened a little on, that there were several things I door on the side and I got in. It had green silk cushions to sit on, filled with something mighty soft. There could get out of here, and next I wantmust have been something going on ed to know where that restaurant place from the number of people who had was. "Come with me," said he, "and I come to town. And such a crowd of will show you all about it." He went wagons and carts and carriages, and back to that thing we came up in, and lots of street cars with beds on them as it let us down the same way. He then big as smoke houses. And oh, what a took me to a big door made of glass, noise! Steam whistles like Dave that hal "Palace Hotel Restaurant' in

body going like mad. A feller with a hundred men eating with their hats on.

carriage door, and, said he:

"Two dollars, sir." "For what?" said I.

"For carriage," said he. "I don't want to buy," said I. "It's for your passage," said be.

"I wont pay any such price," said I. "I'll keep your baggage," said he. "My what?" said I.

"Your carpet sack," said he. er shirt in it-a bottle of whiskey that stood behind a counter told me I the Lebauon Livery stable) went deepmarket affords, in a style second to no other several years, and had amassed four. I paid a dollar and six bits for, and I'd had a bits for bits for, and I'd had a bits for bits fo hundred and ninety-seven dollars and taken only a few drinks out'n it-two was stopping in that house. fifty cents. I had got kinder tired of decks of nearly new cards, "star backs" hard work, and concluded to go to and lots of other ictas too numerous to specilating. After looking at the lay mention. I paid him the two dollars. of the land on Butte Creek, I found but if I'd knowd where to find the he. there was no encouragement for capi- town marshal, I'd have found out first Linkville, Lake County, Oregon tal, so I concluded to try Jacksonville. whether there was a law agin robbin' Well I havn't got time or space now to in this country. I then got out and The subscriber is again in charge tell you what a dogoned set of moun- took my carpet sack in my hand and tain pirates are specilatin' around that begin to hunt the landlord. I asked Lake country, and is determined rattling burg. Why sir, if a feller gits a boy with an armful of old papers, and a little tight, they will tar his hand who wanted to sell me one for five cents, and tickle his nose-then fix a wax if he knowd where the landlord was. match in a cork and stick in his nose He said he was in the kitchen holding and holler fire! It is perfectly nat- the baby while his wife washed the ural for a feller to be scored with dishes, and that he would be out pretty things in this shape, and then go to soon. I set down on a grave stone fighting fire to once. Two to one door step and waited about half an when he does get it off, his nose will hour, and begin to git a little out of be knocked plum out of joint and his patience. I askel a man how long it eyes full of tar. They hide cards in would be before the landlord would their hats and up their cost sleeves, come out. He said he didn't know, and half of them are guilty of turning | that he had gone to New York; that if jack from the bottom. When I'd been I had any business with him I'd better it," said he. there a week, I counted my money, and | go to the clerk. I asked him where Eleven miles from Linkville, on the road to found that I was out sixty-nine dollars | the clerk was. He said he was in his and three bits. At the same time I office, and pointed to a door. I went Attention paid to the wants of guests | was owin' two and a half at the New to that door and knocked several times, The subscriber also keeps a Good Stable | State and a dollar and a quarter at .but no one told me to come in, although I could see through the big glass in Finding such poor encouragement the door, and there wuz a hundred men for capital there, I squared everything in there. I finally mustered courage

cloth coat on. I asked him if there Now come extracts from my journal, was any chance to git to stay all night with him. He said he guessed so. He

He then told me to go with him. He wanted to find out.

First, I wanted to find out how I Lian's, only lots londer. Bells ringing gold letters, on it. I went in and and men and boys yelling, and every- would you believe it? there were two gray coat on came along and stopped Nearly all of them had plug hats, at the driver, and made him wait till he that. Nearly every feller had a table led a whole gang of women across the to himself. A feller come up to me street. He kept driving and driving, and showed me a table to set at and and I began to get a little scared, fearing dusted off the chair, and then he Mr. Epiron:-I have been trying a he was going to steal me. You see I'd went off. I sat there waiting, told him to drive to the best tavera in | and by and by he came back and asked At last we drove-that is the driver me the bill of fare that laid by my of wine as he had none open. "Bring it on," said I. He soon came along with as much grub as he could carry and piled it upon my table. Tuen he opened the wine, real Champaigns, and then stood by and watched me devour the grab. I couldn't eat the half of it, out I pretty much got away with the wine. Waen I got done, he handed me his card and I put it in my vest pocket He had me there, for it had my oth- and started to go out. A fellow who

"It makes no difference, you must pay your bill," said he.

How much is it?' said I. "Havn't you got your ticket?" said I thought of the card the waiter

gave me, and pulled it out and showed "Seven dollars and a half for sup per," said he.

"Seven dollars and a half for supper?" said I. "For what you ordered," said he. "I wont pay it," said I. "If you dont pay for it right away, I

will send for a police-man," said he Now you see I've heard a good deal about police-men, and am mighty fraid of them. So I concluded I'd better pay it, and not make a fuss, but leave that tavern. When I paid him, I give him such a streastic look that he turned pale under my keen eye.

I then went for the clerk, and give him a blowing up, and then asked for mv carpet sack.

"For your room," said he.

"There are two dollars and a half on "For what?" said I.

"Yes, but I didn't use it," said I. half and git out of this robbers roost. Lodge Deputy. Would write more.

I then started to hunt another board- but must away to another lake land. ing house. SAUCETO SAGE. (To be continued.)

Dardanelles Items.

MARCH, 12, 1878.

ED. TIDINGS:-Another case of matrimony occurred in Sam,s Valley this week. Mr. Cox and Miss Cooey were

the principal actors. Through this section, the roads have been extremely bad, but of late they have improved greatly.

A thin coat of snow covered the ground last Thursday morning but disappeared in a few hours.

Miss Mattie Westlake of this place

will assume the position of teacher of the Woodville school on next Monday, the 18th. The late pleasant weather has placed the soil again in a tillable condition. Farmers are still at work, making good use of their present opportunity; our

granger friends are in good spirits, they

say there is more than the usual amount of grain being put in this season, and as failures are unknown in Oregon they expect in the coming harvest to rejoice with their sister State (Cal) A violent wind-storm visited Gaul's Creek the other day, unroofing the house of Mr. Shoemaker, while the family were at dinner, moving large timbers which took several men to re-

place. A little girl received a slight

wound on the head from some particle

of the falling roof, but otherwise no serious damage was done. Some of the boys after visiting a country store, last Saturday evening. were belated on their return home and made a temporary camp by the wayside; after building a fire, one of the company a tall "complected youth,"full of oratory &c., selected a pine tree for an audience and effased thusly: "Thou venerable mouarch of the forest, age is all that honors you. You have stood here from the year one, to the year eighteen hundred and seventy-eight. without doing any good for your country. The axman has tested your qualities, branded you as a nuisance, bid you farewell and left in disgust." By the way, the speaker was one who stood in front the stronghold of Capt. Jack and rendered important services at the memorable battle of the 17th, and since that he revives his patriotism occasionaly when the case requires it.

J. Q. L.

LETTER FROM CHIEF DUNBAR.

SWEET HOME, Ogn., Mar. 7, 1878. EDITOR TIDINGS:-You may sit in your comfortable sanctum and, through the columns of your sprightly paper. sing of your high-ways, by-ways and dry-ways of Southern Oregon, but permit "yours truly" to sing tofthe tune of "Sowing Wild Oats" (Dunbar's Kiamath Agency song, you remember,) of the only way from Lebanon to this place; 18 miles by mud, 18 miles by water (in the road)-18 miles through the awfulest rain, on vesterday-18 miles on horseback; 18 miles all alone! O, that is the song for me; but yet as the "equinoxial" rains pattered on my roof and trickled down my devoted back, and my clamsy horse, (hired from foot squirted big slathers of mud into my mouth, icto my ears, into my eyes and on to my rain-drenched cheeks, I quit singing, but didn't say anything; (I didn't either) -not one word, but just pushed on my way, wondering if it ever would quit raining in this country.

When I wrote you last, the clouds had lifted, and drifted away to some other clime; the sun was shining; the mosquito was on the wing and we were ready to exclaim that spring, life giving spring, flowery-perfumed spring was with us once again; but alas for human hopes, for mortal expectation! The clouds came back again, bearing with them the "equinoxial" rains of March (A. D. 1878). The sun has gone from our gaze; the white-winged mosquito has "flewed" to his den, and, in patience, awaits the coming of a brighter day next summer, when he can present his bill with more force; and the prospect now is that the drouth

won't strike us this week anyway. I lectured here on the evening of the 6th inst., and again to-day, and organ-"It makes on difference, you engaged | ized a lodge of I. O G. T., with a good list of members, with Alonzo Ames for I told him I'd give him two and a W. C. T., and Hoo. J. C. Sumner,

Yours Truly,

W. R. DUNBAR.