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TWIXT THE LEAF AND THE LACE.

When the leaf of the mulberry is spun into thread, Then the spinner is shrouled and the weaver is And that shroud is unwound by the firgers of girls, And the films of pale gold clasp the spool as it

As it ripens and rounds, Like some exquisite fruit In the tropical bounds, In air sweet as a lu'e, Till the shrond and the tomb, Dyel in rainbow and bl om, Glisten forth from the loom Into ga ments of pride, In o robes for a bride, Into lace woven air That an angel might wear. Ah! marve'ous space 'Twist the leaf and the lace, From the mulberry worm To the magical grace Of the fab ic and form Oh, imperial state, Splendid empire in leaf, That grows grand on the way To the sky and the day, Like the coralline reef

To be royally great. Dead gold is barbaric, but its threads can be wover Into harmonies fine, like the tones of Beethoven, Can be raveled and wrought Into love-knots of faith For the daughters of Ruth-Into garments of thought, Into pinions one truth-And be turned from the wraith Of a misty ideal That may vanish in night.

To things royal and re.l That shall live out the light. [B. F. Taylor in "Between the gates." QUIET INFLUENCE.

The blessing of her quiet life Fell on us like the dew, And good thoughts where her footsteps Like fairy blossoms grew.

Sweet promptings unto kindest deeds Were in her very look; We read her face as one who reads

A true and holy look. And half we deemed she needed not The changing of her sphere.

Tolgive to heaven a shining one

Who walked an angel here.

Scraps of Southern Oregon His-

Indian Hostilities in the Early Part of STORY OF THE MASSACRE AT THE MOUTH

were in camp, passing the time as best It was the 20th of February, and a good face on the suspicious circum-

at the door, began as follows: Indians and their movements in his de- chose to do so. told the Indians all that Wright himself intended to do. Thus the Indians kept a strict watch over him, while he Holds their stated communications Thursday even knew nothing whatever of the real do-

Wright returned to Rogue river about the 18th of the month, and went on with his plans for surrounding, with Indians, and bringing them all down proposed mevement, while he as cand idly told Wright a fictitious story of the good intentions of the Indians. phases of American and Indian life. This Indian lived mostly with Wright, but spent a portion of his time with the Indians. Having a wife belonging to the Tootootney tribe, which lived at the mouth of the river and within a mile of Wright's house and office, he could thus be at both places daily, and in undisturbed intercourse with both parties. He was a smoothed-tongued and smiling Indian, to all appearances an innocent and kind individual, but really deep, crafty and dangerous. He

chief and guide when the proper time for an outbreak should occur. There were but two or three white ball was to be given. At dusk all the families at or near the mouth of the people of the neighborhood who wished river, while there were many miners to attend the dance were gathered at living in rude cabins from the mouth this house. Agent Ben Wright and a eighteen removed with his father's faming the proceeds exclusively, as far as

Still, Agent Ben Wright supposed children should not suffer,

narrative was broken off at the point miners had confidence in him, and if must have had some misgivings. He can firm in his own, but according to tum in "services" at exorbitant rates,

they could, and that on a certain even- Wright was anxiously looking for a stances of the few days past. ing Con Hillman had promised to tell company of volunteers from Crescent |. Eight o'clock had struck, and the them about the massacre at the mouth City with the aid of which he expected merry dancers were whirling to the of Rogue river, if they would come to accomplish his long meditated coup music of a quick waitz-One-twonext morning to the tent of the Lient. d' etat. The Indians, too, were looking three!-'Did you hear that?' Colonel. The narrative continues as for them and knew for what purpose they were coming; but they had deter-As the news of the massacre at the mined on a counter coup de main. The mouth of Rogue river was meagre, the 22nd would soon be on hand, and the gathering of a large crowd at the Lient, settlers and miners were busy in pre-Col.'s tent to hear a more particularized paring for a grand dance in honor of account by Con Hillman, was the result | the day. Enos knew that was the time, of that gentleman's promise to relate, if ever, to strike the blow. Auxiously as far as he was able, a detailed ac. he watched the trail along the beach dance again. Strike up there, fiddler, tubes, the one acting at the stern and wherever I have been lately I have count of that fiendish tragedy. Pres- leading from Crescent City to the give us"a lively waltz.' ently Hillman emerged from the tent, month of the river. He knew that if At dusk all the houses on the beach ordinary progress of the boat those in churches, I fancied that farewell meetand seating himself on a pile of wood the expected company should arrive and along the river are closed. Here before the 22nd he would be compelled and there streaks fof light shine out retrograde, the after tubes are closed sonville and St. Augustine, in the "I met Agent Wright in Crescent City about the first of February, 1856, and had a long confidential conversation and ha tion with him in relation to Indian af- parts, as both the whites and his Indian Wright is sitting at his desk writing to barrels filled with water is provided in their perspiring and agonized hearers

Meets at the Hall of Helman & Fountain every Friday evening at 8 o'clock P. M. Brothers and partment. But it has proven to be the slowly along. Both whites and Indibilant. Wright was anxious, but had he known the true situation he would mood, and more watchful. He did not dream that his cherished plans were known to the Indians. He did not know that he was totally in the dark regarding the true intentions of his the aid of volunteers and regulars, the savage wards. He had been on this coast since 1848, and had lived to the mouth of the river and keeping amongst, and warred with nearly all them prisoners there until the close of the tribes of note from the Dalles of the war. Wright's confidents kept the Columbia, in Oregon, to Shasta Indians well posted in regard to the City, in California, and had always been successful. But he had a more crafty and deep opponent in the despised Enos than he had yet met in all Another of Wright's confidents was a his warpaths, a chieftain equaling him Canadian Indian called Enos, who in resources and excelling him in duspoke good English and knew all the plicity. While his knowledge of the whites and their manner of fighting was equal to Wright's, his intimate knowledge of his Indian allies and their in-

tentions was superior. The 22d dawned, but still the volunteers had not arrived. Preparations went on for the ball in the evening, and the Indians were also preparing their programme. Evening came, but no company of volunteers. The Indians were around as usual, doing errands for anyone who asked; but it was noticed that they seemed to be immensely pleased about something. To inquiries | v3no7t 'Indians in the immediate neighbor- was, 'Wake icta, cultus nica he-he.'

hood and was looked to by them as a Three miles above the mouth of the river is a large open flat. On this flat was a large log house, in which the beach, both above and below the caring to join in the festivity. Among mouth. The Indians would lie around these were Mr. Geisel and his family, these cabins in the daytime, doing little composed of his wife, a daughter thirjobs for the miners, and in some cases, teen years of age and an infant daughwhile the few families employed them had been drawn to the mines at the in cutting wood and other light work, mouth of the river by the alluring rethe whites. Their wits were quickened arrival opened a restaurant. To Mrs. soon perceptible in the actions of the the whites, to which they replied that quite saucy, and Enos himself, all could beat all the squaws in the village.

would turn he had a remedy to apply. | lar favor told Mrs. Geisel that the In-He questioned his confidant as to the dians intended to begin a massacre of where the Southern Oregon Volunteers be was satisfied, they were satisfied too. kept back his fears, however, and put all others their right of private opinion. will be very liable to make the discov-

'Who can be shooting at this time of night down at the mouth of the river?' The waltz suddenly ends. All rush to the doors to listen.

'Was that a voice calling?' 'No. It's only your imagination.' 'Come, everybody, let's begin the

fairs, and the most feasible and speedy followers would kill him wherever way of bringing the difficulty to a close. He had assured the Indians the detailed at length his views of the that success was certain under his lead-He detailed at length his views of the that success was certain under his lead- bed at one side of the office. Mrs. Gei- and the machine can be easily transsituation and gave his method of keep- ership, and if he failed to lead them to sel sits alone with her children in their formed into a fire-engine by the addi-Ashland Lodge No. 189, I. O. G. T. ing, as he thought, a close watch of the victory they might kill him if they large front room. The clock has just tion of a suitable supply of hose. struck seven, and Mrs. Geisel looks to- Moreover, it can be readily used to

sisters in good standing are cordially invited to atold story-he placed too much trust in a slowly along. Both whites and Indiold story-he placed too much trust in a slowly along. Both whites and Indiold story-he placed too much trust in a slowly along. Both whites and Indiold story-he placed too much trust in a slowly along. Both whites and Indiold story-he placed too much trust in a slowly along. Both whites and Inditend. The Temple meets every first and third Wednesday in each month.

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Mr. J. S. Eubanks, Sr., W. C. T.,

Mr. J. S. Eubanks, Sr., W boxes out of reach of the surf. The of the water are fixed in a direction unless yo' come-ah! to de Lord now step is heard again, but no one opens parallel to the keel, and, when at |-ah! Now is de day-ah! Now is de have been in a far more discouraged the door. Going to the door, she opens work, in no way interfere with the acit and is confronted by the Indian who tion of the rudder, simply moving the holy tribune arose a chorus of "Oh. had warned her only a few hours before. The situation flashed upon her great mass of the surrounding sea. mind at once, and she made haste to The invention is said to be that of an close the door, accomplishing it just as a chorus of hideous yells burst upon her ears. She seized her infant daugh of this boat, if it answers expectations, ter in her arms, and calling to Mary to is for river work, and, after the trials follow, fled into the kitchen, intending at Marseilles, it will be again essayed and sermon were finished, but, as is to go from thence to the brush behind the house. As she opened the outside door of the kitchen, she saw her busband running toward her, botly pursued by Rogue river by H. G. Shook and Dave Indians. He rushed up to the door and fell headlong to the ground at her side, saying, 'I'm killed.' Before she Little Butte, and observing a place could move she was surrounded by savages, forced into the house and there tied, she and her daughter Mary, to the logs of the wall. The Indians then left

> the murder and pillage. TO BE CONTINUED.

them there, and went out to keep up

The King of Siam has a body guard of female warriors. It is composed of there by whites or Indians to hide a 400 girls, chosen from among the murder will probably never be ascerstrongest and most handsome of all the ladies in the land. At the age of 13 they enter the service, and remain in it the reserve. Their weapon is the lance, surprise as well as admiration.

Hon. John M. McCall.

[From the Sentinel.] Was born in Washington county, Since the United States supreme Pennsylvania, in 1825, and raised to court has decided that a state which the noble pursuit of agriculture. John has received a grant of the swamp received a common school education in lands within its limits can dispose of his native State, and at the age of said landsonly for the purpose of applyily to Iowa to assist in clearing up a necessary, to reclamation of the lands, home in that territory. Remaining in it will probably be found that the Iowa until 1850 Mr. McCall started swamp land legislation of our state across the plains, reaching Yreka early stands on very insecure foundation. in 1851, where he mined with good Such part of the proceeds as has been Jackson and Jackass creeks, where he money has been squandered through spent the memorable winter of '52 and various methods of partisan jobbery.

jobs for the miners, and in some cases, teen years of age and an infant daugher success. Coming to Rogue river valepaid in has not been applied to the even working for wages in the mines; ter. Mr. Geisel was a German who ley in 1852 Mr. McCall took claims on purpose of reclaiming the lands. The paying them in old clothes and food. ports of their great richness. Soon aft sisting a good part of the time on authorizes the payments that have been The Indians were vigilant and had an er coming to the mines he sent to San venison alone. Tired of mining, John made to individuals under color of eye to all that was said and done by Francisco for his family, and on their commenced farming on Wagner creek, services performed in selection of the by the reports that they received by Geisel the Indians were a novelty, and, creek, then a rich mining stream, and "attorneys' fees" were unauthorized. runners from up the river. The In- being of a brave temperament, she was there laid a good financial foundation. The act distinctly declares that the dians in Rogue River valley, and, in not frightened at their paint and scant In 1859 Mr. McCall purchased an in- grant by the general government to the deed, all the then hostile tribes, were clothing, but employed them around which were established and doing a lusending messages to those on the coast, the house in the capacity of cutters of crative business. In December, 1861, claim the swamp and overflowed lands urging them to begin hostilities, to aid wood and carriers of water. She was McCall was mustered in as 2d Lieut., therein," and on express condition that in clearing the country of the hated prompt pay in the line of cold meat 1st Oregon Cavalry, and assigned to "the proceeds of said lands, whether white man. But the coast Indians and bread, so they became her friends Co. D., afterwards being promoted to from sale or by direct appropriation in were shy of their inland neighbors. (for the time). Whenever any news were shy of their inland neighbors. (for the time). Whenever any news of Co. A. of the same regiment, and far as necessary, to the purpose of They had learned in times past their of the war would reach her from the mustered out in 1866. Captain Mc- reclaiming said lands by means of these treacherous character, and were back upper country she would question the Call rendered good service in the vari- levees and drains aforesaid. ward in entering into league with Indians regarding their feelings toward them for any purpose. Enos, who had the whites. They, of course, protested in Porne Piror valler and at the whites. They, of course, protested scouting all over the Snake river coun- Iowa, has decided that this act must be lived in Rogne River valley and at their great love and admirtion for the try, penetrating as far as Lewiston, construed strictly, and that any dis-Yreka, bent his energies toward forming a coalition between the coast and ing a coalition between the coast and them if they would kill her and her and her appropriately the settlers and miners. She often asked and participated in many of the hotly position of the lands or the proceeds them if they would kill her and her appropriately the settlers and miners. She often asked and participated in many of the hotly position of the lands or the proceeds them if they would kill her and her appropriately the settlers and miners. She often asked and participated in many of the hotly position of the lands or the proceeds the pr lant officer Stephen Watson was killed. set up in business under the Grover Indians around the mouth of the river. they would not, but would take her to At one time he was Quartermaster at administration, may begin shortly to They became bolder, in some instances cook for them, for she was a fine cook, Fort Klamath, and it may be remarked obtain a glimpse of the actual situaplacidity and affability, soon changed They assured her again and again that McCall was married in 1868 to Teresa, the larger part, amounting to \$25.217in a great measure, his demeanor; once they would not go on the war path, and eldest daughter of Hon. Lindsay Ap 62, had been paid out, of which Barker

calm and smiling, he now became nervifthey should she need not fear, for plegate, with whom he lived happily got \$5,640 for "sevices," and Brooks, one and sour.

they were all agreed that she and her until her death which occurred in 1874. Gaston and Secretary Chadwick him-In 1876 Mr. McCall was elected on the self got large sums, aggregating several that he knew the secret thoughts of the

On the eve of the 22d an Indian to the Legislative Assembly from Jackson Now as these funds were not employed Indians, that whichever way they whom the Geisels had shown particu- county, and was noted for his liberal in the manner and for the purpose reviews and valuable business habits. quired by the act under which the In the same year he was married to lands were granted, there can scarcely perceptible change in the Indians, and the whites that night, and that she and able consort. Mr. McCall is now en the lands by the state will be proa. rs. M. E Brown, his present estim- be a doubt that the disposition made of their answer was, 'They are afraid the Indians up the river will come down and kill us. We like you and the other thinking the Indian only intended to Ashland "Tidings." It is sufficient to the grant under which alone the white men, but are afraid Old Limpy frighten her. Mr. Geisel told Agent and John will come and burn our houses and take away our women and bosh, that if anything of the kind were credited with an unusual amount of some money by these transactions children as they used to do." Such intended he, Wright, would have good common sense and business judg- which it can never recover. But indi-Our readers will remember that this of Course, but even Wright. The Our readers will remember that this of words and course, but even Wright would have ment, and his influence has done much which it can be to recover. But ment, and his influence has done much widness judg which it can be to recover. But ment, and his influence has done much widness who took advantage of the opportunity to file on large tracts and politics he is a quiet liberal Republication of the prosperity of his town. In portunity to file on large tracts and politics he is a quiet liberal Republication of the prosperity of his town. In portunity to file on large tracts and politics he is a quiet liberal Republication of the prosperity of his town.

A New Kind of Steamer.

[Chicago Times.] Trials are about to be made at Marseilles, France, of a vessel on an entirely new principle, propelled without either screws or paddle-wheels. The craft is of the dimensions and form of an ordinary tug boat, and is worked by means of a steam-pump of 16 horse power, with a horizontal tubular boiler. That pump is of enormous power, and abled craft. The pipes for the ejection American engineer, and the steamer is reported to have already made ten Sunday evening last. It continued knots an hour. The peculiar utility about an hour later than is customary.

Hendree. It appears that those per sons were hunting stock on a point about three miles above the mouth of where the loose rocks had been disturbed at some time, they made an examination and found the skeleton of a human being that had evidently been hidden for many years. Lying on the breast-bone was a smooth river boulder that must have been carried a considerable distance as there are no washed boulders in the immediate vicinity. It is possible that this is a relic of Indian deviltry, but whether it was placed

The sharpest satire on our present civilization is the fact that the rigid The Swamp Lands.

[From the Oregonian.]

which he continued notil 1856, when lands. In like manner payments of he started as a merchant at Galice large sums out of the proceeds as

fight on Crooked river where the gal our swamp land grabbers, who were that his accounts were perfectly sat- tion. The investigating committee ery in good time that they are owners of no land. It would be good sport enough to see these swamp land engi-

Southern Colored Ministers.

neers hoist with their own petard.

Edward King writes from Florida to

The colored ministers of the Southern States form an interesting type of character. In Jacksonville there is a draws in considerable quantities of preacher who has been in the legislawater, which by the force with which ture since reconstruction came in, and it is expelled against the sea at the who is quite eloquent when the spirit stern sends the vessel forward. The moves him. The Methodist brethren ship is furnished with two pairs of are moved every three years, and as the other at the bow. During the heard unusual shouting in the negro front are closed by stop cocks, but if ings must be in progress. This I disoccasion arises for making the steamer covered to be the case, both at Jackthe pulpit. "Now. breddring, now sisters, I'm gwine to leave ye!" was the beginning on one occasion. "Remem ber dat I can't toil with ye no longerah! 'Member dat every word dat I hab say to your listenen' ears dese long three years'll come up befo' ye at de vessel on its course by the resistance yes!" "Dat's it!" "Amen. Lord!" the water ejected meets with from the mingled with the hysterical weeping

In a little church at St. Agustine one of these farewell meetings was held on and shortly before the close a wild scene occurred. The services of prayer often the case in colored churches, some inspired member started a hymn, and then the current of melody was let loose. Song after song came so rapidly to be drifted hither and you on the wave of a rude mystical force. One thin and quavering voice would sing a line or two, and then a bundred would take up the burden or chorus. The company separated a little before 11 o'clock, after singing, over and over a hundred times, a hymn, of which these

were the concluding words: Now I'm a soldier. Now I'm His soldier, An' I'm gwine to join dem ar-mies. Hallelojah!

Hal-le-lu-jah! The crescendo movement on the last hallelujah was as imposing and triumphant as anything that I have ever heard. The negroes, without knowing it, were rendering the simple hymn had obtained a partial control of the as to their gleeful mood, the answer until they are 25, when they pass into performance of duty excites general fined singers would have found it exwith an artistic effect which more receedingly difficult to equal.