My love should true and steadfast stand. The noon sun shone with fervid heat Upon the land, upon the sen: And you were by my side, my sweet, But seemed not quite the same to be, For you had changed—and it is meet To own a change had come to me.

The sun sinks in a sen of gold Across the prairie reaching wide: The tale of change I would withhold, But cannot from you, sweet, my bride; You're dearer now a thousand fold To me than in the morning tide.

-Join P. Slolander in Times-Democrat.

#### THE MOOR'S CAVE.

Fronting the bathing establishment of

This castle, in the palmy days of the rescene of creat and memorable exploits, as rauch on the part of those who defended it as on the part of those who valiantly planted upon its turr-tw the standard of the cross,

Of its walls a few fragments alone remain. The stones which had once shaped the watch tower have fallen into the moat, one heaped on the other, forming, as it were a complete ford.

In the court of arms grow briars and matted vines; on all sides naught can be seen but broken arches, grim and moldering stone benches; here a sheet of wall, between the erevices of which the ivy struggles in its growth; there a dilipidated tower standing as if by miracle, and further on pillars of cement, still encircled by the iron hoops which once upheld the drawbridge.

During my stay at the baths much exercise my physical improvement. Impelled by this motive, or perhaps by one of curiosity, I often followed the rugged path which led to the ruins of the Arabian fortress, and there spent hours carefully examining the soil, in hour hopes of finding some old armor, sounding the walls to ascertain whether they were hollow, or to discover the hiding place of some forgotten treasure; searching in every corner with the anticipation of seeing the entrance of some of those famous subterranean dangeons which, as tradition has it, are to be found in Moorish eastles.

My diligent perquisitions were fruitless. At last, one evening, feeling disheartened at not discovering something curious or new on the rocky heights upon which rests the castle, I forsook my plans and limited my walk to The banks of the river which flows near by, Following the drift of the river, I saw a gap in the rock, half hidden by a luxuriant growth of briars. It was not without some emotion that I parted the tangled shrubbery that covered the opening of what seemed to me a cave dug by the hand of nature, and which I later found to be a subterranean vault cul through the rock,

4 dared not penetrate into its depth, which was lost to sight in shadowy darkness. It suited me to observe the peculiarities of the dome and of its arches, which rose seemingly as a gigantic stairway, stretching toward the castle, in among the ruins of which I remembered having encountered a blind postern. Without a doubt I had at last found one of those secret paths which are by no means uncommon in the military constructions of that day, and which must have | Christian chief and his lady love, wishing to served either as an exit or as a means to fa- slake in their blood their thirst for extercilitate the carrying of water from the river | mination. ewloch flows near by.

An order to verify my suppositions I left the vault, and addressing a workman who was busy trimming one of the vines growing on the roadside, I approached him under the plea of asking a light for my eigarette.

At first we spoke of indifferent subjectsof the medicinal properties of the waters, of the past harvest and of the one to come. of the women of Navarre, of wine culture in that province, etc., and, in short, discussed all the topics which occurred to the good man, including the cave, the object of my

When at last the conversation fell upon this point I asked if any one had ever descended into the cave.

"Penetrate into the Moor's cave!" exclaimed he, terrified at my question. "Who would dare venture within it? Do you not soul every night?"

"A soul!" said I, smiling. "Whose soul!" "The soul of the daughter of a Moorish chief, who even to this day wanders about in the still hours of night, robed in white, generally going in the direction of the river to fill a jur with water."

good man I came to the knowledge that concerning the Arabian castle and the cave communicating with it there was a history, and as I am partial to traditions, especially when coming from the lips of the natives, I Degged that he relate the story of the Moor's cave, which he did in words very similar to those which I will use in telling it to my

When the castle, of which now only remains a mass of shapeless rains, was yet held by the Moorish kings, and its towers, which overhung the valley made fertile by the waters of the Alhama, there occurred in the vicinity of the city of Fitero a bloody battle, in which fell wounded and prisoner of the Abrabs a famous Christian cavaller, equally as worthy of renown for his piety as for his military valor. He was led to the fortress laden with chains, and remained for several days in a dungeon, struggling between life and death, when miraculously as it were, his kindred redeemed him by force of gold. The captive returned to als hearth; returned to press in tender embrace those who had given him life. His comrades in arms and his soldiers were hearthy rejoiced at seeing him, taking his return as an omen that the hour for new combats had come. But the soul of the knight was filled with profound melancholy, and neither the affection nor the kindly efforts of his friends had power to dispel the strange sadness which had taken possession of him. It happened that during his captivity be chanced to see the daughter of the Moorish chief, the fame of whose extraordinary beauty had reached him long ere his eyes had fallen upon her. When they had met, and he found her superior to his expectations, he could not resist the seduction of her charms, and fell madly in love with

her, whom he knew could never be his. For months and months the knight pondered over schemes most daring and wild. At times he imagined means by which to break the barriers which separated them; at others he strove as earnestly to forget her; now he decided in favor of one plan, and then for another entirely different, until one soldiers, he sent for his warriors, and with the greatest secreey made all the meceury preparations for an anexpected attack upon The fortress where was kept his becauteous

some, the object of his mane have. From the initial of the expedition all tisdieved the only motive which impried the

knight was a yearning to revenge himself of all that the Arabs had made him suifer dur-

ing his captivity. The real cause of the enterprise, however, did not once occur to any. Who, indeed, would have thought that an expedition in while the many valiant Christians perished was to help toward the gratification of an unworthy passion.

The knight became intoxicated with the love which he had excited in the breast of the beautiful Moor, and neither lent an ear to the connsels of his friends, nor heeded the murmurs and complaints of his disheartened solliers. In vain did they plead with their commander to leave the walls, as it was probable the Arabs would attack them with great force as soon as they recovered from their panie. Indeed, it happened just as they had predicted. The Moorish chief gathered men from all the adjoining towns,

One morning the sentinel who was on duty up in the watch tower harried down to warn the lovers that throughout the mountains, as Fitero, on a peaked rock, upon which flow far as the eye could reach, beyond the rocks, the waters of the Allama, the traveler can a cloud of warriors were fast approaching still find the forsaken ruins of an Arabian the fortress, and well might it be supposed that Moordom in a body was about to fall upon the castle. The daughter of the chief on hearing this turned as pale as death. The conquest, was famous as having been the knight in a loud voice called for his arms, and all was astir in the camp. The soldiers rushed out in a turnult from their quarters, the chiefs gave their orders, the portcullises were lowered, the drawbridge raised and the towers were crowded with archers.

A few hours later the assault began; the eastle with justice might well be called impregnable. Only by storm could the Christinus make themselves masters of it, only by storm could it be taken from them. Its de fenders resisted from one to ten assaults. The Moors then changed their tactics, surrounded the fort, and resolved to force the besieved to surrender by famine.

Famine evectually made horrible ravages among the Christians, still they yielded not, and those who had most bitterly reproved the conduct of their leader, knowing that his life and honor were at stake, swore to perish was recommended me as being conducive to in his defense. The Moors impatient for success, resolved upon a midnight attack, which proved to be a furious one. The resistance was desperate, the shock terrible.

During the fray, the Moorish chief, with oft open by an ax stroke, fell into the meat below from the tower heights which he had scaled. At the same time the knight, who had just encountered him in a hand to hand fight, fell mortally wounded.

The Christians wavered and retreated. As quick as thought the Moorish girl rushed to her lover who lay dying on the ground, and bending over him, seized him in her arms. Impelled by a supernatural force which came to her with despair and the realization of danger, she dragged him to the court. There she pressed upon a hidden spring, and through the opening which was thus discl sed in the rock she soon disappeared within, carrying with her her precious charge and proceeded in her descent until she reached the bottom of the cave.

When the knight returned to his senses he cast about him a look full of bewildered surprise, and cried, "I am thirsty! I am burn-Dying!" and then fell into that delirium which is so often the precursor of From his parched lips, through death. which wheezed his scanty breathing, only came these words: "I am thirsty! Water! water! water!"

The girl knew that her subterranean retreat had an exit leading to the valley, through which flows the river. This valley and its vicinity were closely guarded by the Arabs, who, after having taken possession of the fortress, were on the alert for the

However, the beautiful Moor hesitated not a moment. Taking the beliet of the dying man, she glided like a shadow through the thick shrubbery which covered the mouth of the cave and noiselessly stole down to the river bank. Already had she taken the water; already was she hastening back to the side of her lover, when there resounded a whistle, and a cry of anguish was heard. The Moorish warriors who were on guard around the fortress had dispatched their arrows in the direction where the foliage seemed to The beautiful, brave girl, wounded unto death, dragged herself to the mouth of the cave; then soon joined her lord.

He, on seeing her thus bathed in her own blood, recovered consciousness, and in that short moment recognized the hideousness of the sin he was so cruelly expiating. Raising his eyes to heaven, he took the water which know that from this cavern there comes a his beloved handed him, and without carrying it to his lips asked of her: "Wouldst thou be a Christian? Dost thou wish to be of my faith, and if I be saved, be saved with me?" The Moorish girl, who had fallen to the ground fainting through loss of blood, made a slightly acquiescent motion with her shapely head, upon which the knight poured Through the information given by this the regenerating waters of baptism, at the same time invoking the name of the All-

powerful. On the following day the very soldiers who had struck the fatal blow saw traces of blood from the river bank to the cave wherein they found the bodies of the Christian chief and the Moorish girl; and she it is who still comes in the dead of night to wander in loneliness about the old fortress of Fitero. - Translated from the Spanish of Gustav Becquer for The New Orleans Picayune by Corinne

Getting Rid of Superfluous Flesh.

Castellanos.

One of the handsomest men in town, a prominent officer of the Louisville and Nashville railroad, told me this morning of a remedy for reducing flesh, which, he says, is really wonderful. It is the same that Bismarck, the German chancellor, has subjected himself to, and from which his avoirdupois was decreased some sixty pounds. The first thing one must do upon arising in the morning, my friend says, is to drink a gobletful of cool, not cold, water. In a quarter of an hour repeat it, and just before breakfast drink the third glass. When you first try this you will feel like a whole watermelon has been disposed of, but after a morning or two this "swelled" feeling will have disappeared. Continue this water course for several weeks, and your surplus of desh will be gone, and the fear of bursting vest buttons over. I am sure it is a great remedy, and recommend it to my friends who are afflicted with obesity. The effect that this stomach bath has had on my informant is surprising. He is twenty pounds lighter than two months ngo,-Louisville Post.

Country Girls in the City.

Three country girls found out the other day that there are other differences between New York and the country than appear on the surface. They were on the Bowery behaving precisely as they do in the main street of their native village, laughing, heaving a aly glauce on this side and that, and generday, assembling his brothers in arms and ally letting loose the exuberance of rather giddy, but innocent girlish spirits. The upshot of it all was that they were followed by a crowd of men. They fled into a candy store and the men blocked the door and formed a wall against the windows. The girls were in full bloom, the line being drawn extheroughly frightened, and did not stir from the store till they had tired the crowd out.-New York But.

Saved by a Brave Engineer.

As Frank Repp, the engineer of the Perkiomen mail train which reaches Allentown early in the morning, looked out of his cab window on his morning trip June 2 he saw a beautiful young woman approaching on the track. He whistled an alarm, and she stepped lightly and gayly off the track his train was traveling to the other track.

But it was evident to the engineer that the noise of his train had drowned the roar of another train approaching from behind her in the opposite direction, and that she was unaware of her peril. He noted the several puffs of white smoke that swiftly arose from the locomotive bearing down upon her, but she evidently heard not the whistle's frequent warning of danger. Repp saw her death was certain unless he could in some way attract her attention to her peril. He waved his hand to her warningly, but she evidently misunderstood its meaning, for she slackened her pace, looking at him more earnestly.

He immediately reversed the lever and DEETH'S PILLS: turned on the steam brakes with a suddenness that alarmed the passengers. He sprang to the side door of the cab, and before his locomotive had come to a standstill he leaped to the opposite track just as his engine got abreast of the young woman and the other locomotive had almost reached her.

With herculean strength and lightning swiftness he caught her up bodily and leaped with her beyond the tracks just as the other engine swept by. Then he sank to the ground, overcome by the effort and the narrowness of their escape. The passengers were loud in their praises of his heroic conduct, and the young woman was almost prostrated with shock, while overcome with gratitude at the noble conduct of her preserver.-Cor. Philadelphia Inquirer.

The Twenty-four Hour Time System.

The twenty-four hour system is likely to come before many years. According to the inquiries of a committee of the American Society of Civil Engineers, it appears that no less than 384 officers, presidents, superintendents, engineers, etc., representing fully 135,000 miles of railroad, expressed themselves in favor of the change. The report says that in all between 500 and 600 prominent men in every section of the country have answered the committee's questions on the subject, and of these only an ex-tremely small percentage have opposed the change. During 1889, 237 replies were received, of which 220 were favorable and 17 unfavorable. As to the time of making the change, 27 of the 220 persons who gave a favorable answer named 1892, while 68 choose 1891, and 91 favored 1890. There were 30 who gave no time, and the report suggests that these would go with the majority and make a heavy preponderance of opinion in favor of a time not later than 1891.-New York Telegram.

A Mean Woman.

One of the most contemptible persons in New York is the woman who is seen daily in Madison or Union square park, and who evades the law which forbids dogs being permitted to run at large. She ties her dog to a rope long enough to do duty as a clothes line for a good sized and forming a conclusion. In either family wash. When the policeman is at the other end of the park she "pays out" rope until the dog can reach the flower beds, where he enjoys himself to his heart's content in scratching at the roots | Seattle, Wash. of the flowers planted at the expense of the taxpayers for the delectation of visitors to the squares. When she sees the policeman coming toward her, this most æsthetic woman hauls in slack till the cur is pulled on the walk. I am certain that even Zury, the meanest man in Spring county, would be envious of the device is a fraud. superfine meanness of this well dressed and evidently well fed New York woman. -Epoch.

Parliament Houses Crumbling.

The British parliament houses are crumbling to pieces so fast that there is constant danger of some portion of the buildings toppling down on the members. Parts of the front of St. Stephen's have had to be entirely refaced because of the wearing away of the soft stone. Only a week or two ago a heavy piece of a stone heraldic animal suddenly fell close to the entrance to Westminster hall in Old Palace yard-a means of entrance to the house which is largely favored. But a few days before a portion of the ornamental stonework fell close to the members' entrance itself, and another heavy piece fell on the pavement of New Palace yard not a month ago.-Chicago Tribune.

Caught Up by the Locomotive Pilot. Judge Sterling Watts, one of the most prominent citizens of Tazewell county, Va., had a most miraculous escape from a terrible death a few days ago. He was riding a very wild young horse near the depot when the train came in sight. This so frightened the horse that he became frantic and jumped before the advancing engine, and was caught up on the pilot and carried some seventy-five yards before the engine could be stopped. Judge Watts was unhurt, but the two hind legs of the horse were broken and he had to be shot.—Richmond Dispatch.

Professor Henry Drummond has gone on a voyage to Australia, and will devote the time he is absent to preparing a work dealing with Christianity in the light of evolution. It will be a sort of sequel to his "Natural Law in the Spiritual World," and will be published in the autumn.

A Bostonian just returned from London says that he was attracted by a large crowd one day, and on investigation found that the people were waiting to see the man expected to enter a railway carriage marked, "Reserved for President Ames of America."

J. Leverett Story, of Essex, has a Baldwin apple tree which presents a curious freak of nature. One-half of the tree is actly through the center of the tree, and the other half showing not a blossom.

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