INTRODUCTION.

My name is Dawin-Gorald Travis. setting styled in the bests of sixty. Sickered to the slope and filtre behind. open for though I have last saille over . As I looked a great required sected sie steric more than the lay mond can their was and daughters to friends some months ago that I would do the, but entil now I could not bind industry. mixed to my desk; I have had too And still as I looked and thought of his dergymenget hand-ome wives, yet happen in this strange region. fined and delicate Frenchwoman in the special have entered it. places. Perhaps, they add, with a Senore I was well into the village

hands and miners. I would have pre- to be directed to my ladgings. ferred to perform my duties under a I had some ten and then I prepared to clear sky, rather than under a canopy go to dinner at the house of Mr. Eur. Frank at the planes, I could not but and the tassel hangs down upon his hope of a cure in a certain pleasant vii- him concerning the cursey, and had her own thought. This expression I with his, but, like all other national dark afternoon of February 1 alighted should find Timperley Hall. at the hearest station on a branch rull. "Oh," said she, looking at me with ing room when the door bell sounded a very few people wear it except oldto Timperley—when I was answered "He's at th' other end o' th' village on eager expectancy. For a moment she juggage I went out into the dark and Muster Steenheurt's." the drazie to walk to Timperley.

I tramped for half a mile or so along and withcrew. a well paved rind, and then (according I was amused; and when a minute a narrow lane between a hedge and a of the stairs. wooden febre. I trudged some distance through deep mud, now stumbling upon ing" through deep min, now similaring open ing lumps on the firm edge of the cartway. I positively laughed to myself. My had come to smoke a pine. He enreturn to the road. My eyes were now periev Hall and farther under his arm. used to the dark, and I perceived a foot path across the field inclining looked the valley from the side oppoback toward the road. I struck into lite to that from which I had first this, thinking it would save me some viewed it. Soon I was in its drawing distance, But I soon found to my soom, slinking hands with Mr. (or wexation that "the shortest way arcoss Herri Emmanuel Steinhardt; for I saw is the lungest way round." vered over the sodden grass, and some-breed, and I heard, when he had spoken times somthing else besides grass, and a few words, that he must have spent presently began to seent somewhat of all his youth and part of his manhood the pleasant odors of rusticity, and my in the Fatherland: he spoke perfect animité rose a decree de two munching their food. By-and-by I baid head, when I was introduced to 1857. During the years 1858-1862 the road, came upon some houses of the woman (her speech betrayed her), with about 550; in 1898 about 650. tion (at one of which I knocked and than he; then to Miss Louise Lacroix, apply for a disorde, the number of deinquired my wav), and soon, stumbling of whom I will only say at present that mands for divorce increased 25 per cent and splushing through exasperating she looked refined and foreign—a rare in four years, and in belginm about 20 mod and cinders, came out upon the exotic in this region of surprises; and, per cent in four years. edge of the valley in which Timperle, instly, to "my son, Frank," a young

to the various groups of buildings be- aid he might look in after dinner and neath me. On my right was a many smoke a pipe"-and I wondered who pond, on the banks of which there ing in Timperley, when the young lady grew, pensive and forlorn, a few scrubby edged her chair a little nearer to me, On my left an aggregation of and said, with the sweetest of smiles long low buildings with glass roofs, and the most musical of tones: that looked with their shining backs like monstrous, crouching dragons of antediluvian days. Fasther up the valley was another group of buildingwrapped in a cloud of steam. Immedistely before me was a ruined mill. unroofed and gaunt, with its bell tower and its tall, cold chimney outlined against the sky; behind it was another group of irregular buildings. A dozen Paris before." tall chimneys poured their smoke into the sulphurous air, which was pervaded by a certain glow-insufficient to disipute the darkness, but enough to make the stream which wound down the val-

Now and again formace mouths opened and giowed with a ferocious glare. Res. Genic Cowin, B. A. " I am while wend tongoes of land finne

transferring for the present at least I me. I resulted the Prophet's descripam still in orders. Now that I expect that in the this Testament of the Valley Then after a panel. "You came by that a letter resette or pompon slik or black words which propagate anicolar sampled to strange golds, and street conseive I set myself to write out the through the free to Molich." This, strange narrative of event and expert- strely, was one of the Topliets of modence which in the Propience of God, ern days, in which the sons and daughhave worked such a change in my con- ters of England are made to pass diction. I promised nived and my through the fires of the Moloch of Wenith and the Baal of all-devouting

much other companion, desulting, per- this the bell tower of the roined mill be greater yet." haps, but agreeable, in short, like the before me fell with a lood clang and man in the parable, I have married a there upone into the air to mingle wife. Yet that is the very reason why with the other sounds and neighing of "That is mine." he answered. "It may friends in how have pestered me, screaming of pigs and neighing of "That is mine." he answered. "It may friends in how a sounding mill: wife. Yet that is the very reason why with the other sounds the frantic rollis. to remind me that, though it is prover, he surprised at anything that might it is quite out of the common for so or- passed, however, hourselfly down the years. dinary locking a priest as mixelf to slope by a rough path, and found the win a lady so beautiful and distroad into the valley and the village. I to its work of gilling " He looked at tinguished as (they are pleased to say) heard voices and saw a dim crowd of my wife is, and, further, that though people about the ruined mill, but the I saidit has been whispered fine looking more stream, black and evil-smelling, was ical totors have had the undacity to use perween me and it, and I had perforce nice to ladies of very high rank indeed, to let my curiosity wait. I continued their aspirations have usually been my way into the village, which, I overwhelmed with contumely; and, found, by behind the many-storeyed iastly, they are consumed with wonder mill toward the mouth of the valley and that I should have lighted upon a fer close to the high road by which I wiids of Lancashire of all conceivable wen int myself in by the back door. touch of sarcasm which I can com- passed at arrangement of low buildings first been disposed to do because of his placently endure. I was the only creat- with blank walls to the road, from kindly feeling, though it were only for ure like a pention an she had ever seen, which came no sound of life or work, But my st ry is all too terrible and not, instead, the vilest and strangest serious to be introduced with persings -mells that ever offended the sense, struck with the altered manners of the and from the midst of which rose a towering chimney that smoked con-About two years are I accepted a cur- sumedly. These, I guessed, were part acy in the village of Timperiey, within of the chemical works of which I had a few miles of a large Lancashire town: heard. I found the rectory at the If I had had much choice I would not other end of the village. I did not go have chosen a cure of souls among mil. —the rector was in bed ill—but asked

woods, rather than in a forest of tall and lords of the Tophet into which I chimneys and black heads of coal pits, had entered. He was rector's church But since I was disappointed in my warden, and I had corresponded with perley in Lancashire. So when one ago. I asked my landlady where I

way, and asked a fellow passenger, who a comical eye of respect, "you'll be go-looked like a native, and who was hurry- ing to Muster Steenheart's" (so she ing away, whether he could direct me pronounced the magnate's name). Miss Lacrox's face flash up into one of with a curt "Noa." I was not discon- Shale Brow "she called it "Brow"). certed. I received a somewhat unin "stop a bit mon." She went to the telligible direction from a station part door of the room, and called, "Dick, ter, and leaving orders concerning by had, you main tak the parson up to to me, she said, "'fle'll tak the, mon,"

on, I thought) I turned down or two later she called from the bottom

"Art ready, parson? Th' lad's wait- with a laugh—"my brother."

and now plunging into holes, when the amusement increased when I saw my lane seemed to lose itself in a field. I guide, a young Hercules in clogs, who hesitated a little and then resolved to might easily have "taken" me to Tim-

Timperley Hall I discovered over-I perse- at once that he was of pure Teutonic man of one or two-and-twenty, I stood and gazed around me. Suci looked in every way and spoke like an a speciacie I had never seen before. I Englishman. These introductions over, listened to and felt the feverish rush of | we sat down to wait for the announcethe life of Lancashire industry. The ment of dinner. There was very little birr and bezz of thousands of spindles, said: they seemed constrained, and I the swift click and thud of shuttle and was, perhaps, shy. No one seemed to loom, and the regular sob and respira- think of trying to set me at my case. tion of mighty engines mingled with Mr. Steinhardt sat watching the clock. the rush of water and the plaintive and at intervals throwing questions panting of some machine as of an en- over his shoulder to his wife. (One slaved geni of the Arabian Nights. I question I noted was, "Is Jim coming could not at first apportion the sound- at all?" -to which she answered, "Jim storied mill, whose bright windows Jim was. I was wishing I had not acwere reflected in the glassy surface of a cepted this invitation for my first even-

"You come from the south-from

London; yes?" Her accent was that most delightful of all foreign accents—the accent of an -ducated Frenchwoman. I answered that I had come from London, though I was not native there.

"I, also," said she, "come from the ding and other products. south; from London last, but from

Here was common ground for pleasfriends at once.

While we were talking I happened to giance across in Mr. Steinhardt's di-'ey gleam like a black gigantic snake. rection: he was looking straight at me line."

The row and angelly rung the bell. Presently we went in to dinner. I of course sat bext to him on has right, and noticed with some corickity, as he carved, that his hands seemed snowed in very fine leadingcollisied gillities: a second look assured me that they were merely stained. Elis son's hands were similar, but of a deeper line. For the first time it occurred to me that my bost was the lord of the Chemical Dye Works.

They were your works, I support M. Steinhardt," I swid, "that I passed after entering the village?"

and had to spenk to him, or he silent. Without a beel and curling up over the road then

So I related how I had lost mesion of fermions energy my first view front. The sleeves of white cotton are of the valley gave me.

with a smile, looking at me as if he circlet embroidered with gold thread itsed the phrase, and thought the bet- or braid, the girdle is of leather, and ter of me for having untered it. "It is sometimes a sort of shawl that is quite a great place for industry, and it will bulky, A Greek gentleman in full dress

large mill was unused and falling in

once one of the floors fell through, killing many people, and twice it was burned, all in 10 years—yes, all in 10

"And today it seems to have added "You have not heard, perhaps, "What"

I related what I had seen and heard. Have you heard of this?" he asked. glancing from one to another,

No: Note of them had heard. "I must see to it." he said, and stirred as if he would set out at once; but he added, "after dipose,"

And after dinner he set out; and I thought better of him than I had at

In the drawing room, however, I was family in the temporary absence of its and kind-even metherly: Frank threw from in a handy sort of way. The delighted me with his skill on the sheathed dugger or a pouch over the conversing with her and now observing ally protrude. The Greek still wears roof. The hallway is of oak, with a Co., Columbus, Ohio. her when, for instance, she sat near the red Phrygian cap upon his head, large stone frieze, and from it one enremark that a look of sadness over shoulder in an artistic pose. spread her sweet face-of sadness, and as of anxiously waiting for something picturesque looking object in Europe: parlor, finished in light woods and or some one—whenever she was left to There is no costume that will compare | decorated and finished in delicate colwas able to account for satisfactorily peculiarities, it is gradually becoming moved into the house he added much

loud peal, and at on-e I saw that subdued expression of patient waiting on housed at the door with her pule face gone paler, and listened with quick ear, this she heard the voice of the visitor. when her eager hope collapsed and sank Then turning int deeper sudness than beings, it them for household servants. was a rich, cheery voice I heard come from the hall.

> Is th' new parson come?" of some one. "That's Jim," said Mrs. Steinhardt

This, then, was the gentleman who tered-a tall, stout, ruddy Englishman. gone somewhat grey. He at once took possession of the room and of the persons in it. His bright and ample presence extinguished the gaudy, gorgeous furniture, and his voice, instinct with humor and un-sell-cons ionsness, filled the void which usually reigned in that

(To be continued)

Divorce was established in Germany I passed English, but with an indescribable, in 1875. From 1881 to 1885 the yeara low black wooden building, and tell-tale accent. I had just time to by number of divorces was about 8,000, guessed it was a cow house; I heard notice his burly figure, his somewhat while of late years it exceeds 10,000 the animals pulling at their chains and rounded shoulders, and his massive In England divorce was established in found myself again on a tolerably good was wife, a tall, nandsome, Lancashire annual number was about 200; in 1894 In suburban semil-detached villa descrip grey hair, evidently a good deal older Austria, where only non-Catholics can

Hard on the Cook

her in a voice of thunder: "Pray have the comrades of his boyhood. the goodness to taste that dish and tell. The story of that last battle, which

A Big Hog.

Right in Their Line.

tions in the public library."

"Why?" "Because a frieze is right in their the war was certainly over.

THE PICTURESOUE GREEK.

Native Costume Suggestive of a Highland Chief or a Ballet Dancer. William E. Curtiss, the American

correspondent who is traveling in Eurone, writes from Athena.

At every rallway station were growds of people, many of them in the pleturesone native costume, which is a cross between that of a ballet dameer and a Highland chieftain. The kilts are white cotton, accordion plained and worn over white woolen tights, with black garrers below the knee. The shoe or I was alone on my side of the table, slipper is shaped like a Turkish calque, "Yes," said be, rather abruptly, the like an old-fashioned skate, having cotton upon the tip of it. The incket is beautifully embraidered, for the house puss and how I had been struck (I did not dress in gold, for the street costume in This, say, "disagreeably") with the impres- braid, and is sheeteless and open in full and flowing, and the front of the "Fericious energy," " he repeated. shirt is plaited. The collar is a stiff or a servent is complete livery will I asked him how it happened that a wear a pistol and two or three daggers



Mrs. Steinhardt was gossipy stuck in between his beit and his shirt off his awkwardness and abyness, and peasant wears a leathern belt, with a piano; while Mademoiselle Lacroix was pit of his stomach from which the very bright and winsome. Yet, now handles of a knife and a revolver usu- of white Indiana stone, with red tile turn," address The Peruna Medicine

A "well-groomed Greek" is the most obsolete. You see it in the country towns of the interior, but in the cities fushioned gentlemen and the servant class. The aristocracy dress their servants in that way, making it a sort of livery, and that practice. I am told, has made it unnontilar among the mechanics and the working classes generally, because they fear people will mistake

LAST SHOT OF THE CIVIL WAR. Capt. S. H. Barton, a Texan, Claims He Fired It.

"I alone, sire, am the rear guard of the grand army!" exclaimed Marshal Nov

as he fired the last shot at the Cossacks on the Isino, in the re-Russia.

shot of the last battle, and it was cer- balcony for musicians and an immense tainly the last shot of the long war. space for dancing. The man who describes this event and who claims he is entitled to the disfinction contained in being its central

figure is S. H. Barton, of Del Rio, in L. I. says that he has discovered a western Texas, where he owns a fine means of using the waste coal ash cinranch. He was a captain in the Confederate army, and he was held in high less material of great commercial Lord John Townsend, a British gonr- esteem by his superiors and dearly value. The use which Mr. Averili has met of 50 years ago, would often call to loved by the brave Texans, whose danthe footman in the middle of dinner: gers and privations he shared on the Tell the cook to come to me this murch and in the trenches where balls moment," which occasioned tather an fell like hall. Promotion sought him the test double hydraulic cement. Mr. awkward pause. Then, on the entrance many times after the smoke of battle. Averill has had tests made under the of the poor cook with very red face from had cleared from a red field and sol- supervision of the department of buildthe combined effects of the kitchen fire diers were talking of his dauntless ings in Manhattan, which show that and mental confusion, he would address courage, but he preferred to serve with

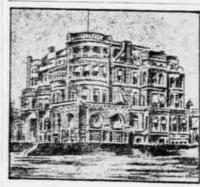
me if you do not agree with me that it was fought on the 13th of May. 1805. after the war was ended and peace declared, has excaped the attention that it merits, for it was an affair of no lit-Down in Viadosta, Ga., recently, a tie importance. Gen. Egbert Brown. hog was killed, whose gross weight was who recently died at West Plains. Mo., 260 pounds; his net weight was 955. was in command of the Federal troops Each nam weighed 102 pounds. This in southern Texas, and he was doubtfat monster produced 501 pounds of less well informed concerning the lard, or nearly a tierce and a half- termination of hostilities. Gen. J. E. enough to last a small family about Slaughter, who commanded the Confour years. Besides the lard, there fedaret troops encamped at Brazos was nearly a wagonicad of sausage from Santiago, had heard rumors of the sur this one pig, to say nothing about dish- render of the armles commanded by pans full of hogshead cheese, liver pud- Lee, Johnson and other generals, but he had received no official notice of these facts from the War Department. Gen. Brown, under a flag of truce, in-"Those cold Boston girls maturally formed the Confederates of the state ant reminiscence, and we became enjoy the Abbey 'Holy Grail' decora- of affairs about Washington and Richmond, at the same time inviting them to come in and lay down their arms, as

Gen. Slaughter refused to act in an affair of such importance until he was better informed. Thereupon Col. Barret, at the head of a considerable force, was dispatched to break up the rebel camp. A bot buttle ensued, and curiously enough, most of the lighting was done on the old field of Palo Alta. where Gen Taylor achieved a victory over the Mexicans pearly twenty years before. The French soldiers encamped on the southern shore of the Rio Grande were in symmathy with the southerners. and they kept Gen. Slaughter and Col. Rip Ford posted as to the movements of the Federal troops. Several spirited encounters occurred and the loss sustained by some of the negro regiments must have been severe. While the battle ruged the Confederares were frequently informed by some bold cavalrymen in blue that the war was over. One during fellow shouted: "Lee surrendered a month ago. The war is ended. Why don't you go home?"

When the engagement was bottest Gen. Shaughter received dispatches and the French sent him a bundle of news-pupers. Fully satisfied that the cause ter written from Washington, D.C. for which they were fighting was for says: ever lost, he ordered the firing to cease. At that particular moment neither side to you for the benefit derived from on could have claimed any advantage over the other, but both armies began to reare from the field at the same time. As Capt. S. H. Barton, in command of the an excellent catarrh remedy," reat guard, was slowly riding away a respectfully. Dan. A. Grosvenor, stray ball struck a young man by his side and he fell from his saddle. That exposition, Philadelphia, Pa., write. was certainly the last man killed in the "I was completely run down from over long war. Capt. Barton was unable to work and the responsibility naturals recall his name. "I thought that was connected with the exploitation of hard luck," says the old soldier. "The great international exposition. Mr young man had served four years and never got a scratch. The last bullet that came our way killed him. Prompted more by a spite at fate than bitterness toward the enemy. I turned in my saddle and fired toward a dark blue line which I have was out of range. That was certainly the last shot of the the spring. Something to brace the great war."

MINISTER WU LIVES IN STATE. Chinese Legation One of the Finest in Washington.

One of the handsomest of the foreign legations in Washington is the Chinese, located at Q and 18th streets. The house has long been considered one of the show places of Washington and its fine location and heautiful architseture make it most imposing. It is ters the large reception room known as the onyx room, which is distinctly oriental in character. Farther on is the When the Chinese minister of his own furniture and ornaments. brought from China, to the various



THE CHINESE DESCRIPTION

banks of the Ber. apartments. He converted the oriental room into a veritable Chinese aparttrent of Napoleon ment, and in this room the minister from his disas and Mrs. Wu teceive their guests, trous campaign in where ten is invariably served. One of the most prominent features of this When a line of Toom is the "kang" or seat of honor, Confederate car. a large and magnificently carved piece alry was slowly of teak wood furniture resembling retiring from the somewhat a large settee, with a black field on the plains about table or truy across the center. of Brazos Santi- The custom is to give the guest of ago in Texas, honor one of the seats on the divanilke where the blue and gray had met in chair while the minister takes the othdeadly encounter for the last time, a er, and tes is served on the little tray. soldier turned in his saddle, and after | One of the handsomest rooms in the repeating the words of the great French | building is the immense ballroom, and marshal, he threw his gun to his should is considered the finest in Washington. der and fired. It proved to be the last it is finished in carved stone, with a of myself at the age of 29.—Tid-Bit

New Use for Cinders. George F. Averill, living at Arverne. ders that will make the hitherto usefound for these coal ashes is in a new kind of fire-proof mortar, 90 per cent of which is made up of cont ashes and the insulating properties of a block constructed according to Mr. Averill's specifications are very great.

A Question of Climate. An old colored preacher was telling

his congregation that after death they would probably go to the moon. After meeting one of the best informed of the brethren said to him: "Br'er Jinkins, don't you know dat de

moon is col' ez lee, en aln't got no fire "tall in it?" "Br'er Thomas," replied the parson. "ef hit's fire you a-wantin', des keep on

in de way you gwine en you can't miss it."-Atlanta Constitution. New Word for Ind an. Prof. W. J. Mcties of the bureau of ethnology has coined the term Amerind to designate the American Indian, and

it has been officially adopted by the Pive Presidents of the United States have been of Scotch-Irish descent.

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Kept a Record.

Mrs. Styles-John, do you keep at account of the money you spend for ishly?

Mr. Styles-Yes, dear; I've got all your millinery bills in my safe;.

From George IV. to Edward VII.

Should the Baroness Burdett-Couts live to witness the coronation of Elward VII next June, it will be the third event of the kind she will have attended. At the age of 16 she say George IV crowned, and she also # tended the coronation of Queen Vie toria.

Danger of Resentment.

hero, sadly. Well, answered the business mat, 'I suppose a republic has a great del of human nature about it. Nobely likes to be dunned, and some people are liable to make the mistake of our tinually reminding a republic of in debts.

Pro-Boer Paper in Paris. A new pro-Boer paper called Paris Pretoria has made its appearance is Paris. It contains communication sympathizing with the Boers from 1 large nubmer of senators and deputies

It Was of Him

Dibbs (facetiously)-This is a pictor of my wife's first hubsand. What 1 Dobbs-Great snakes! brainless looking idiot! But I didn't know your wife was married before the met von.

What Became of Him.

"What became of your brother Bill, who never could learn history at school. ar always insisted that Benedict At nold discovered America?" inquired the Former Resident. "Who? Bill?" responded the fer-

son Addressed. "Oh, he don't list here any more. He made a millist dollars out of a historical novel that hao Adam for its here and Joan of Att for the heroine."-Baltimore Aust

A Different Matter.

"Let me see," said the clerk, filling out a marriage license. "This is the fourth, isn't it?"
"No," said the husband-to-be, indig

nantly, "it's only my second."

