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### Why He Changed His Mind and Saved Two Lives.

A Baltimore correspondent of the New York Sun tells the following little story of the war :-

While the two armies under Gen. Grant and Gen. Lee were comforting each other below Petersburg, President Jefferson Davis became so exhausted by overwork that he de-termined to rest for a few days. His steward was a worthy German named Eggling, who before the war con-ducted a flourishing nursery business near Richmond. The President no-tified Eggling of his purpose to take a rest, and directed that all visitors RHEUMATISM. be excluded until further orders. Mr. Eggling and his assistants carried out their instructions, and Mr. Davis serenely enjoyed his rest. One night at about 10 o'clock there

vas a strong pull at the front door bell. Mr. Eggling answered the call, and on opening the door found stand-ing outside a venerable gentleman who gave his name and said he wished to see the President on business of great importance. Mr. Eggling informed him that the Presiden had retired, and could not possibly be seen until next morning. "But, my dear sir," said the caller, who gave his name as Mr. A., "it

will be too late then. I wish to try to save the lives of two German deserters from the other side who are condemned to be shot at sunrise as spies.'

# The mention of the nativity of the loomed men touched a sympathetic cord in Mr. Eggling's heart, and he invited Mr. A. to a seat in the hall. After hearing the main particulars Purely Vegetable Compound, that of the arrest and sentence of the acts directly upon the Diver; curing the many diseases incident to that im-portant organ, and preventing the nu-

asleep. The gas was burning dimly. Mr. Davis happened to be awake, and asked his chamberlain what he wanted. "Mr. President," said Eggling, "I have been in your service a long time,

and have never, as you know, solic-ited any special favor from you." Mr. Davis admitted that. "I have one to ask now," resumed Eggling, "and I hope you will not refuse it." He then requested that

Mr. A., who was waiting in the hall down-stairs, be allowed to come up to the chamber to see him on urgent business, involving the lives of two innocent soldiers.

The President consented, and in a short time Mr. A., accompanied by Eggling, presented himself before the President, who remained in bed. After a short preliminary conversation, Mr. A. made known the object of his visit, which was to secure a reprieve for the two men until the charge against them could be further inves-

### Mr. Hauck's Discovery.

George Hauck, the brewer "On-the-Hill," spent a week last summer at a hotel in Hunter, Green Co., rus-

ticating and "drinking in the sweet beauties of nature." One day, on his way to the hotel after a long ramble through brush and briar, he stopped at a neat-looking farm-house for the purpose of getting a fresh glass of milk. The kitchen door stood wide open. Mr. Hauck, after knocking, walked in. He saw no sign of life except a baby in a cradle, which was being rocked to and fro by some unseen power. A closer examination revealed the fact that a stout cord was fastened to one of the rockers and run through a hole in one side of the room. Mr. Hauck resolved to follow up the cord and see what the other end of it was fastened to. The search led him to a small barn connected with the

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