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THE LITERARY RIVALS.

A Series-Comic Scene Between Victor Hugo and the Two Dumas.

It is perhaps only natural that Mr. A. F. Davidson, the latest biographer of Victor Hugo, annoyed by the extravagant eulogies of the poet that his predecessors had written, should lay a good deal of stress on the great French man's faults and failings. Of these the chief was undoubtedly vanity. Victor Hugo was inordinately vain—vain at one moment with a superb assurance that almost dignified vanity itself, at another with an unseemly jealousy at once petty and absurd.

Some years ago in a review of the work of the two Dumas, father and son, an anecdote was related that well illustrates this trait. Both of the Dumas, Victor Hugo and several others were chatting together when a foreign gentleman was presented, who made an excellent impression on every one until the moment of his departure. As he bowed in taking leave he addressed himself to the most celebrated members of the group and assured them of his pride and satisfaction in having met "the greatest poet, the greatest romancer and the greatest dramatist of France."

"A little unthinking of our friend to address his parting compliment entirely to me, was it not?" remarked Victor Hugo complacently.

The others looked at each other, and he caught the look.

"The dramatist—that was you, then, you think, Dumas?" he inquired of Dumas the younger in an ominous voice. Then a thought even more appalling occurred to him, and without waiting for a reply he turned to Dumas the elder.

"The romancer, monsieur—the romancer! Do I understand you to suppose that by 'the greatest romancer' it was you who was designated? Reply, monsieur!" he demanded. His brow was thunderous, and the company held their breath, but the elder Dumas, who never found himself at a loss, answered with an easy laugh:

"But certainly it was I, and the dramatist was my son. How should it be otherwise? You did not invite the gentleman to dine, and I did. You are not a cook—a good cook, a veritable prince among cooking amateurs—and I am! His compliments, such as they are, are for us, his prospective hosts. But they are only payment in advance for the salad marseillaise of peppers stuffed with minced crab meat which I have promised to prepare for him and which I invite you to share with me."

The group and my king, straightened a tolerantly contemptuous shoulder.

"No! I have had enough of the society of this gentleman who speaks from the stomach, not the head," he stated grandly. "You may appreciate it, Dumas, but I do not. It is true—I am not a cook."

A Cheap Marine Telescope.

Make an oblong narrow box out of four pieces of quarter inch board about two feet long by sixteen inches wide, and fit a piece of clear, clean glass across one end, held in place by brass headed nails driven into the wood and overlapping the glass. Fill all the cracks with sealing wax to keep out the light. Then plunge the glass end two or three inches into the water and look through the open end. This simple marine telescope is made on the principle of the more elaborate glasses through which to look at the famous gardens under the sea near the Catalina islands—Christian Herald.

Soaking Salt-Fish.

There is a wrong as well as a right way to freshen salt mackerel and other salt fish. Those who are familiar with the old-fashioned process know that salt falls to the bottom. Now, if you place your mackerel with the skin side down in the pan the salt falls to the skin and remains there. If placed with the flesh side down the salt falls to the bottom of the pan, and the mackerel is freshened by the soaking in water, as it should be.

The Scholar.

Dr. Evans, a witty member of the parliament at Melbourne, was an old man, and the other members jokingly spoke of him as belonging to the era of Queen Anne. Once while making a speech he referred to Queen Anne and was greeted with cries of "Did you know her?" "What was she like?" "Yes, sir," returned the doctor. "I did know her. The scholar is contemporary with all time."

Going to an Expert.

When the butcher answered the telephone the shrill voice of a little girl greeted him: "Hello! Is this Mr. Wilson?" "Yes, Bessie," he answered kindly. "What can I do for you?" "Oh, Mr. Wilson, please tell me where grandpa's liver is! The folks are out and I've got to put a hot blanket on it, and I don't know where it is."—Ladies' Home Journal.

Putting It Up to Him.

"Patience is a virtue," said the man, philosophically. "True," replied his wife, who thought he ought to be earning more money. "And I'll provide the patience for this family if you'll only provide the bustle."—Detroit Free Press.

Borrowing Trouble.

"Ever since his wife has brought suit for divorce he has looked terribly worried." "He oughtn't to worry; she'll probably get it."—Boston Post.

A judicious silence is always better than truth spoken without charity.—De Sales.

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THE EMPEROR'S STAR.

It Simply Had to Be Put on the Cross on the Church Spire.

Emperor William is the busiest man in Germany. He revises or approves all decisions in public matters, supervises all art and architecture and lectures everybody. In illustration of the deference paid to his wishes in even the smallest details, they tell in Berlin, writes Mr. Samuel G. Blythe in Everybody's Magazine, the story of the star above the cross on the spire of the Emperor William Memorial church.

Of course the kaiser insisted on revising the plans of the church. The architect brought the plans to him, and the kaiser scratched out what he did not like and made such additions as he fancied before he gave them the imperial O. K. The church was built. There was to be a big gilt cross on the spire, and it appeared in its proper place. But, much to the general astonishment, when the cross was put up a large, many-pointed star was raised above it on a heavy rod. The Berliners could not understand the star. They inquired. The architect said the kaiser had added the star to the plans.

The plans were examined. Then it was found that in revising them the kaiser had let fall a drop of ink from his pen, which hit the paper just above the cross. The architect studied a long time over this blot of ink. There could be no appeal, no inquiries. He finally decided that the blot of ink signified a star above the cross, and he put the star there, asking it to correspond as nearly as possible with the outline of the blot. The star is still there.

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MONMOUTH COLUMN.

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cert band went to Independence last Thursday evening on the 7:20 train and practiced with the band at that place. They walked home.

Many automobiles and motorcycles have been seen in the neighborhood during the past week.

At the beginning of the second semester at the Normal school here, thirteen new students were enrolled which makes a total enrollment of 189.

Elmer Bursell, an employee on the Oregon normal school dormitory force fell 50 feet from the roof of the new building at 10 o'clock Sunday morning and received severe internal injuries. Dr. J. R. Mathis was summoned and examined Bursell, but found no bones broken. The injured man was taken to the residence of the doctor, and is under the care of doctors Mathis and Fowler.

Much plowing has been done in the country surrounding Monmouth by the farmers and fruit growers and weather indications seem favorable for an early planting season.

The residence of H. S. Portwood has been re-shingled and general improvements made.

M. Haynes of Wisconsin, has been the guest of J. M. Stone recently. It had been for five years since the two met consequently the meeting was a joyful one.

The new city well of the city water system is now well advanced by Sloper Brothers of Independence, who took the contract some time ago. Work was stopped for a time last week to bail out the large amount of accumulated water, and over 500 gallons were taken out in about one hour. The blast in the well a short time ago proved unsuccessful, and the second attempt will be made by W. R. Graham and J. W. White, who will explode another charge of dynamite soon.

Mrs. S. S. S. Van Buren, St. Kingston, N. Y. (full name furnished on application) had such decided benefit from using Foley's Honey and Tar Compound that she shares good fortune with others. She writes: "Foley's Honey and Tar Compound brought my voice back to me during a severe case of bronchitis. Oh how many people I have recommended it to." Sold by Williams Drug Co.

A SHETLAND PONY FREE

Every school boy and girl in the state will be delighted to know that they are going to have an opportunity again this year to win a Shetland pony at the State Fair. The Portland Union Stock Yards Company are giving the pony and it will be a nice one. Nothing in all the prize list at the State Fair last year attracted anything like the attention that the Shetland ponies did.

This pony will be given to the boy or girl who makes the best exhibit of live stock at the State Fair next fall. That exhibit must consist of at least one trio or pen of chickens or ducks, two pigs and a sheep. The boys and girls who compete for the pony will have an opportunity to

compete for several other valuable prizes also. In the poultry contest there will be good prizes for winning trio of each breed; J. M. Garrison offers \$5.00 cash to the boy or girl making the largest and best exhibit of poultry: The State Poultry Association gives a fine cup for the best pen of birds (one male and four females); "Poultry Life" also gives a fine cup for which they can compete; Hauser Bros. give an air gun to the child raising the most A shetland pony free

poultry by June 1st; and the Northwest Poultry Journal gives a year's subscription to every prize winner in the poultry department; the boy who fits and shows the best sheep will get a good cash prize and the one who does the best in the pig feeding contest, feeding and exhibiting two pigs and furnishing an account of same, showing cost, profit, etc., will receive a liberal prize which we will tell you all about in another story, and in the prize list which will soon be published. The total

value of prizes offered the children at the state fair this year will be over \$3000.

Now boys and girls don't you think it will pay you to try to win this pony and some other prizes (above mentioned, all of which you can compete for while trying for the pony. Get busy with your chickens, pigs, lambs and gardens.

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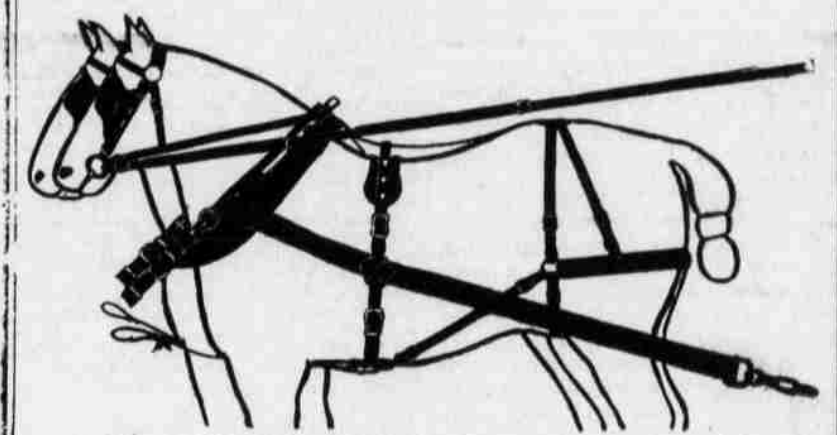
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