INTRODUCTION.

I was captured near Cleveland, East Tennessee, immediately after the battle of Missionary Ridge, Nov. 30, 1863, and. with thirty-seven of my men, was sent on to Richmond, by way of Atlanta. The enlisted men were taken to Belle Isle, and I, with a number of other unfortunate officers who had joined us [at different points on the way, was sent to the famous, or rather infamous, Libby

Some day, if spared, I may write out the story of my six months' residence in Libby, but as my experience after leaving that place is more personal, I think it will be found more interesting to the av-

erage reader. When Grant began his advance on Richmond in May, 1864, there were about 23,000 of our enlisted men in prison on Belle Isle and some 1,200 officers were confined in Libby. All these prisoners were sent down to Andersonville and Macon, Ga., before May 7, excepting a few men who were held back sick in the hospitals, or who had been captured in

the battle of the Wilderness. I was one of those who had escaped through "the great tunnel" from Libby the previous February, but I was recaptured after being out four days and five nights, during which time I had little or no sleep and suffered with the cold and for want of food. On being taken back to Libby I was placed with other recaptured officers in the cells under the prison, and here I contracted a fever that kept me weak till the other prison-



I WAS AGAIN CAPTURED. About the middle of May I, with a number of other officers and enlisted men-the latter strong, hearty young fellows fresh from Grant's army-was sent to Charleston in charge of a young

lieutenant named Lewis. I may add that my story is true in the frying pan into the fire. every particular, and that though there are a great many "I's" scattered through it, which is inevitable in a personal nar- FROM THE CHARLESTON JAIL TO THE rative, that I am not at all eager to figure as a hero. Still I think I can honestly say that, like the tens of thousands conscientious men who fought on both sides, I tried to do my duty as a soldier, though I was not yet old enough to vote.

It would really take as long to tell of the incidents that occurred between Richmond and Charleston, as it did to make the trip-forty-eight hours.

At Charleston we were confined in the jailyard, where we were under the fire of our own batteries stationed on Morris island, and not an hour of the day, and frequently of the night, passed that we did not hear the whirr and explosion of the shells sent into the city by General Gilmore's famous "Swamp angel."

The tent in which I was quartered in the jailyard was directly in the noonday shadow of a permanent gallows, on which many men had been hanged, but neither the sight nor the dismal creaking at night brought horrible suggestions to my mind. It would have been very difficult to increase, through the imagina-

tion, the awful reality of our situation. After being in the jailyard about ten days, an enlisted man who looked like a living skeleton, for he had been in this wretched place for four months, advised me to "play" sick and get sent to the

It did not require much ability as an actor to play sick, for if I had been in my own home I should have been in bed with at least two doctors in attendance. But as the Roper hospital was represented by my friend to be a "perfect paradise" in comparison with the jailyard, I determined to exhaust every effort to get sent there.

I asked my comrade if he was sure the hospital was better than the jail, and he

"You bet it is. Why, it's a regular this infernal hole. To be sure it ain't out of the range of shells, but we don't mind them no more, but it gives you a view of green woods to the west and blue water to the east."

"Views are all very fine," I replied, "but they don't appease hunger. What advantages has this hospital in the way of extra grub?"

"Finel" exclaimed my informant. "It is in charge of the sisters of charity, the noblest lot of women you ever saw, and all the rooms and blankets are clean, and if you play it sharp you can get white bread and meat and milk, and all that till you can't rest. Ah, if I was back there again I wouldn't leave unless they carried me away on a stretcher." And the man shook his head and compressed his lips as if he were chiding himself for neglected opportunities. There was no resisting this tantalizing

picture of abundant food and luxurious surroundings. I had played sick with great success in Libby, and I determined to enact the same role again. Nor did it require acting. If it were not that I kept mad right straight along when wasn't asleep I should have dropped down from sheer weakness, for the pains and exhaustion of dysentery and incipient scurvy were added to the ever present tortures of hunger.

As a matter of form, for I never saw them administering any medicine, two or three doctors, all in Confederate uniform, came in every morning and made a tour of the yard and the prison. The next morning I waited near the jail door till they came down, and then, with much of the desperation of Oliver Twist when, impelled by the same feeling, he held up his empty bowl and asked for "more," I placed myself in front of the

doctors and saluted. "Well, sir," said an elderly doctor, whose face indicated that the milk of human kindness in his heart had turned sour before or soon after the breaking out of the war, "what do you want?"

'Sick, sir?' "Yes, doctor."

"All over, I think." And I spoke of the scurvy and dysentery, but out of respect for his feelings, which I was paricularly anxious not to offend, I said nothing about the hunger. He felt my pulse and dropped my hand. Another man felt my pulse and looked at his watch-it was a fine gold one-in a prosional way that seemed more like

"Put out your tongue." commanded the elderly doctor. I did so in good shape and turned about to the others that they might look at it, and I wondered the while if they could read in it or on it the gnawing hunger that was devouring me.

man with the gold watch. "Last December," I replied. "Where have you been?" "Principally in Libby." 'How long have you been feeling

If I had answered this question truthfully I should have replied, "Ever since the hour of my capture," but prudence led me to reply, "Since coming here."
They questioned me still further, tapped me over the breast of my ragged shirt, then took my name, age and rank, and went away, saying that a sergeant

would come to see me after awhile. I was so delighted with the promised success of this move that I took no interest for the rest of that morning in the messengers from Morris island, but stood in a position from which I could watch the gate by which the sergeant must en-

In about an hour a young man with a book under his arm, a pencil behind his ear and the green chevron of a hospital steward on his sleeve came in, and, walking to the middle of the vard, he refreshed his memory from the book and called out my name. In an instant I was by his side, and looking me over,

"Are you sick?" 'l am." I replied. Well, I'm to take you to the hospital for awhile."

"To the Roper hospital?" I asked. Without deigning a reply he motioned for me to follow him, and led me in the direction of the workhouse. We entered that forbidding looking building. It was ected with the jail, and was at this ne full of prisoners, our boys, even more wretched than myself. The steward conducted me to a room in the southern part of the building on the ground floor. It was covered with dirty cots, on which lay men, every one of whom looked as if could never rise again.
"The nurse will fix you a place to

sleep in this ward," said the steward, with a wave of the hand, "and after a while I'll fetch you in some medicine."
He hurried out of the place, as I wished I could have done; and looking about me I realized that I had "jumped out of the fraign realized the fraint the first."

CHAPTER I WORKHOUSE.



"SUTHIN A-PRODDIN OF" HIM I thought Hospital No. 10 at Richceive of anything worse. There were iron bars to the windows, but had they been thrown wide open and the sick prisoners told that they were free to dehundred that were lying and dying along the grimy floor would have had strength enough to crawl through.

Outside, the air was intensely hot; there was not a breath moving . A live pak in the distance, with its gray festoon of Spanish moss, looked particularly funereal and as still as death. The up and down heaven compared with guards about the building moved in a heavy, listless way and "toted" their pieces as if they were burdens. Through the windows there was not an inspiring thing in sight but the blue expanse of sky, on which a white cloud rested like an anchored ship. In the ward, everything animate but the flies appeared to be nearing dissolution. Beelzebub, the god of flies, might have made his headquarters in the ward of that workhouse the perves.

But what impressed me most forcibly was the fact that the men lying on the floor, except in a few cases where some energy remained, did not seem to heed this insect plague. It was not that they had become apathetic through habit. Familiarity with suffering does not deaden pain; indeed, where sensation remains it is more apt to intensify it, but these men were either powerless to resist or the greater agony of disease and hunger had made them in lifferent. The flies swarmed about some of the gaunt faces and rose in little clouds when the head was moved, but only to settle down

Here, as at Richmond, the nurses in the the most robust looked little stronger blue eyes and an expression of indescribthe shoulder, after the hospital steward had gone out, and asked:

"Are you an officer, sir, or a private?" "Well, my friend," I replied, "if I was back in our lines I should say an was back in our lines I should say an officer, but here there is no rank. We officer, but here there is no rank. We

"Ah, sir, if it was only being treated like soldiers," he said with a sigh, "that would not be so bad; that is what we was wounded and recaptured by a party who were out hunting deserters and would not be so bad; that is what we was wounded and recaptured by a party who were out hunting deserters and crowded who could, to get a breath of heavy silk stitch was wounded and recaptured by a party who were out hunting deserters and crowded who could, to get a breath of heavy silk stitch was wounded and recaptured by a party who were out hunting deserters and crowded who could, to get a breath of heavy silk stitch was wounded and recaptured by a party who were out hunting deserters and crowded who could, to get a breath of heavy silk stitch was wounded and recaptured by a party who were out hunting deserters and crowded who could, to get a breath of heavy silk stitch was wounded and recaptured by a party who were out hunting deserters and crowded who could, to get a breath of heavy silk stitch was wounded and recaptured by a party who were out hunting deserters and crowded who could, to get a breath of heavy silk stitch was wounded and recaptured by a party who were out hunting deserters and crowded who could, to get a breath of heavy silk stitch was wounded and recaptured by a party who were out hunting deserters and crowded who could, to get a breath of heavy silk stitch was wounded and recaptured by a party who were out hunting deserters and crowded who could, to get a breath of heavy silk stitch was wounded and recaptured by a party who were left open, and about these all rated with flow was wounded and recaptured by a party who were left open, and about the was wounded and recaptured by a party who were left open, and about the was wounded and recaptured by a party who were left open, and a party who were left open, and a party who were left open, and a party who were left open. "I want to go to the hospital," I said. enlisted for; but to be treated like dogs, correct name and his old regiment, and swampy country over which that road is ing. Blue silk

If we can't manage to escape to our people, depend on it they will come for us after a bit. But don't give up. If swear-that sea, in the hope of taking in wild stops to bring in some tepid water, and one of the gunboats then operating along this was all we had till the following morning. after a bit. But don't give up. If swear-that coast. ing comforts you at all-I know it has been a great satisfaction to me at times -why swear in all the languages you are master of; or if you think praying is a better hold, and no doubt it is, pray for all you are worth, but don't ask God to forgive your enemies—that would be a little too much—till this war is over, and then we won't have any enemies." I laid my hands on young Muth's delight a smile lit up his face, and he

shot out an oath and said: "I guess you are right; I'll try it!" We became chummy at once, and he ed me down to the farthest end of the army blankets, and rolling them up, laid them in an unoccupied corner. He told me that every blanket in the place was me to a tall young man, Lieutenant a very sick man, had strength enough to stand up, for he was looking disconsoproached him.

As Lieutenant Bell and myself were "When were you captured?" asked the intimately associated from this time on, and particularly in the escape which 1 shall presently describe, I may be par- | county. doned for giving more than a passing notice to one of the bravest and most original characters I ever met. He was at this time about twenty-five years of age, but a wound in the right breast, which had not healed after seven months, and the hunger and disease gave him the appearance of a man of forty-five or more. He was about six feet in height, lithe, and with a form that denoted great powers of endurance. The hair was long and dark, and the beard, of a warmer shade, was soft as silk. He had steady, bluish gray eyes, and the strong features of men of that cast usually found among the Scotch-Irish.

At first Bell-he said his name was Tom Bell and not Thomas-was inclined to be distant, and he rather repelled my well meant advances, but I was him to lie down for the night without shuddered as if he were cold.

take—one every night for the dysentery—and a battered tin can containing some

evening.

we made one bed of our blankets and | con, Ga.

in the building, for it would tax the imagination of Danto himself to confather had been before him. All the warded to Macon, to escape before men in that section were "right straight | reaching there or to "die a-tryin." up and down, no-mistake Andrew Jack- The third morning after my return didn't never own no slaves and didn't panied by a guard of about twenty men, part, I doubt if five men out of about a want to." They were opposed to seces- entered the jailyard, a very unusual sion, and "didn't want no new flag so proceeding at 8 o'clock in the forenoon. sion, and "didn't want no new flag so proceeding at 8 o'clock in the forenoon. It is long's the old one was a-flyin some were assembled—that is, we'res in God's breeze." Many of these those who were tented in the yard—and large, or by that very stiff canvas used afford in justice to ourselves and to our jewel, but there to remain for the plate and sent down afford in justice to ourselves and to our jewel, but there to remain for the plate and sent down afford in justice to ourselves and to our jewel, but there to remain for the plate and sent down afford in justice to ourselves and to our jewel, but there to remain for the plate and sent down afford in justice to ourselves and to our jewel, but there to remain for the plate and the plate and sent down afford in justice to ourselves and to our jewel, but there to be a sent down afford in justice to ourselves and to our jewel, but there to remain for the plate and North Carolinians fled into east Tennes- were told to step forward when their see, and, uniting with the Union men names were called. Among the sixty there, they fought their way to Ken- names were Bell's and mine. When the of silk, satin or sateen, of any chosen

outhern state, South Carolina excepted, ing to be sent on to Macon. had white military organizations in the As we had been moving in the lightest Union army. The First North Carolina kind of marching order since our capdid excellent service in the fall cam- ture there was but little packing to do, paign with Burnside in 1863 and subse- but every fortunate owner of a blanket quently, and the Second North Carolina rolled it up and slung it over his shoulmen were commissioned and sent into through the heart of the city to the stathe Blue Ridge to recruit it from the tion. On the way we afforded a great deal hardy mountaineers who had stubbornly of amusement to some of the white wom-refused to volunteer or to be drafted en still left in the city. They came out they will pass under the book as it hangs and felt entirely at home. They dark- into the Confederate army. Bell had from their shrubbery surrounded villas ened the air, and their vicious buzzing been a sergeant in the Second East Ten- to the street, and in strident voices nessee, but as he was peculiarly well made comments on the appearance of qualified to help recruit the proposed the "Lincoln hirelings." We certainly regiment he was commissioned first were what Bell called "a d—d sorry To guard against being regarded as a and it is not to be wondered at that these spy if captured, he wore the Federal southern dames contrasted us unfavorspy if captured, he were the Federal uniform, and once on the ground he ably with the good looking officers and specific to the following officers and specific to the following officers and specific to the following of the foll

conceal his sentiments. by the end of December, when rashly he | the south," that in dress and appearance ventured too far to the east. He was we were a very fair sample of the whole betrayed by a man he thought his friend and captured one morning while he was notice of these women, but it should be in the act of dressing, and when he did said to the credit of our guards that they not think there was a uniformed Con- tried to stop them, and in a number of federate within miles. He was charged cases used language more forcible than Here, as at Richmond, the nurses in the prison hospitals were our own men, and bound behind him was forced at the point of a rifle to march to Asheville, At the station we were put into box string or any bits than the poor patients on the floor. One thirty miles away. Here he was brought cars that were comparatively clean. In of work, or which of these men, a young German, with sad before a court, and after a mockery of a other cars there were other prisoners can be used for trial was found guilty and sentenced to just brought down from the north, but scraps, is made

his execution he escaped with the con- intention of the authorities to send us to er closing them nivance of a guard, but instead of mak- Macon by way of Columbia, Augusta at the narrow ing his way directly back he thought it and Atlanta, but Sherman's operations ends by puffs of are all soldiers, and good ones, I hope, reached the head waters of the Savan-sent on to Savannah. though a bit poor and helpless at pres- nah, when he would turn west into Ten- In each car there were two guards, can be gilded, nessee. After being out for a week he and as the day was very hot the doors bronzed or deco-

stiff upper lip. Better times are coming. the sea, in the hope of falling in with guards took advantage of the wooding WHY DO WE GIVE GIFTS?

ened by a loud laugh and "suthin finding an empty tent we crept in and shoulders as I spoke, and to my great a body of Confederate scouts, and the very weak, and the trip, under the cira body of Confederate scouts, and the prodding was done with their bayonets. Bell told them he was an escaping Yankee, and his captors sent him on to When we awoke in the morning it Charleston, where he had been ever was like a glimpse of Eden, so great was since. The prison authorities knew he the contrast between this camp and that ward, and after some care selected two was a mountain man, "and, doggone loathsome jail in Charleston. There 'em, they made hit all the harder on were a number of fine live oak trees in that account, but they ain't nigh done the inclosure. There were flowering with me yet. I'm a gwine to live jest shrubs here and there, evidently the rein an indescribable state of filth, but this in an indescribable state of filth, but this so's to kinder even things up back there in the mountains of ole Buncombe, and in the mountains of ole Buncombe, and in good have surprised me if they were in any other condition. The nurse introduced hit was bout the worst trade he ever repair. The place was so very nice and mixed up in since he was bo'n. The clean, by comparison with our recent Bell, who slept near where my blankets Bells ain't much on talk, but we 'uns's abode, as to stir us to a realization of were placed, but who, though evidently got powerful long mem'ries and ain't our filth and rags. Then the guards given to fongittin friends noh foes; no, were old soldiers, native Georgians, and not, praise de Good Mastah, if hit takes I will add, with respectful emphasis, lately out of the window when we ap- fifty thousand million yeahs. Now you they were gentlemen. uns had bettah watch out."

thrilling situations of a melodrama. And then his deliberate way of telling it, as if he were weighing his thoughts advantage.

had returned the confidence by telling him mine, I asked: "Have you given up all thought of escape, Belli"

"Given up all thought of hit?" he repeated. "By the great jumpir, jingo! I don't think of nothin else. W'y, I dream of hit. Hit was hopin that this neither angered nor discouraged, for I d-d place would give one a better show knew just how he felt. His speech at that made me play dead sick, and got first seemed painfully slow, and he had them uns to send me heah. But you see the unmistakable accent of the East what hit is—just death and sufferin and Tennessee and North Carolina moun- sufferin and death. We uns, I reckon, taineer, with the same tendency to use words long since obsolete in the outside breathin, on the field, and I'll allow, world, such as the old Saxon form "hit" | when we ain't downright mad, hit's a for it, "yon" for yonder, and to add mighty touchin sight. But, my God, to uns' to the plural pronouns. He was, see the dead that's took out of heah I think, the most accomplished and unconscious swearer I ever met, and curi- heart, and thar's no gittin uster hit. The ously enough the man's nature was in- heart and the stomach is bound to have tensely religious; indeed, I never knew thar own way," and I could feel that he

me: "Ef the wah don't turn out jest bout right, my faith in the wisdom and daylight, and the flies had been at work

he assured me, would "knock scurvy it was over the better, for, even if at higher'n a kite." A spoonful every three once attended with the greatest care, it found to be the case, for Bell and I ate after this yellow fever was added to the it for dessert after we had finished our other horrors of the Charleston prisons, ning in this paper. pone of corn bread and thin soup that but Black Jack showed great impartiality, for he carried off a number of the

dles fastened to the walls in tin cans, and this request was granted twenty that made them drip and burn "out of minutes after it was made. We had a perhaps being left behind by mistake or it may be we have several follow. Reen house all sorts of pretty furniture. plumb," as Bell put it, served to reveal purpose in wishing to return to the jail. and so lost. It is a wonder some one of the spectral figures lying without a Of course we wanted to get out of that the sex hasn't invented a contrivance to moan and with scarcely a sign of life abominable hospital, but the day before do away with all this trouble, but no one along the floor. After 9 o'clock the one of the guards, a man with a heart in has, so this is offered as a suggestion. guards outside began their half hourly him, placed a paper on the point of his cry of "All's well," a signal that I had bayonet and pushed it up to the window grown very familiar with in Libby, but where I was standing. Inside the paper here it sounded even more like a mock- there was a loaf of white bread and a piece of boiled bacon, which was shared The night was nearly as hot as the with the men lying near. The paper day, the air being heavy with a suggestion of sulphur in it, for some shells had it contained an item saying that as the exploded near by that evening. Bell jail was getting packed uncomfortably and myself had become quite good it had been decided to send a lot of the friends by the time 9 o'clock came, so Yankees on to Camp Oglethorpe, at Ma-

mond the most wretched and hope de- lay down side by side, using our boots We were puzzled by another parastroying place I had ever been in, and it and coats for a pillow. In this position graph, which stated that 600 Yankees certainly was up to that time, but it was Bell became more communicative and were coming on from Macon, and that as a palace to a morgue compared with told me his very remarkable story. the fair grounds were being fixed up so the workhouse in Charleston. The hospital ward must have been the filthiest,

He was born in the western part of were sent away, to be among the numfather had been before him. All the warded to Macon, to escape before

son Democrats, and some of we uns from the poorhouse two officers, accomtucky and joined the Union army. | list was finished we were told to pack shade, must be inserted. The outside It is not generally known that every up, and were informed that we were go- can have a design painted or outlined,

was authorized by the president, and der. We were marched out and down eutenant and sent on that mission. lookin crowd and no gittin round hit." took no pains to hide his purpose or to well fed guards who had us in charge. They firmly believed, as they pointed a possibility-women are but human- not the gifts of benevolence which ex- No, indeed! I love to make present He was meeting with good success and out to their children "the wretches who was in hopes of filling his complement had come down to spill the best blood of

able melancholy on his pinched and be hanged on the following Friday, we had no opportunity of communicating which gave him three days grace. On the night preceding the day set for started from the jail it was evidently the cuffs together aft-

to die like dogs and to be buried like he was sent on to Richmond. When at built. We had some corn bread served cord matching Branchville he escaped again, and this to us at the station before starting, and the puffs is used "Don't lose heart, comrade. Keep a time he determined to make his way to twice in the course of the day one of the to suspend them, as

Hard luck still pursued him. He was in the swamps for two weeks, and one river and were marched up the bluff and night, overcome by fatigue, he lay down to sleep on a hummock. This was within twenty miles of Pocotaligo, then held we found a number of prisoners, though by our troops. He was "puttin in his best licks a-sleepin," for he was "right smart petered out," when he was awaka-proddin of" him. The laugh came from were soon sound asleep, for we were

ifty thousand million yeahs. Now you must had bettah watch out."

But the crowning glory of Camp must had bettah watch out."

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though in every other prison such home actly in the middle of the winter, in the

guard practice was the rule. By climbing into the trees Bell and of January? from a parallelogram of green in the

he had appropriated at the workhouse, accomplishment described as talking. and as the train rolled out of Savannah Well, I played with my doll awhile, has run in these latter days, the wildest he whispered to me:

"Tonight or never!" These words were on my own tongue, then I began to inquire "why?" and I was about to suggest that we use the knife to cut a hole in the bottom to find out for myself by the aid of a pair to suggest that we use the knife to cut a hole in the bottom to find out for myself by the aid of a pair to suggest that we use the knife to cut a hole in the bottom to find out for myself by the aid of a pair to suggest that we use the knife to cut a hole in the bottom to find out for myself by the aid of a pair to suggest that we use the knife to cut a hole in the bottom to find out for myself by the aid of a pair to suggest that we use the knife to cut a hole in the bottom to find out for myself by the aid of a pair to suggest that we use the knife to cut a hole in the bottom to find out for myself by the aid of a pair to suggest that we use the knife to cut a hole in the bottom to find out for myself by the aid of a pair to suggest that we use the knife to cut a hole in the bottom to find out for myself by the aid of a pair to suggest that we use the knife to cut a hole in the bottom to find out for myself by the aid of a pair to suggest that we use the knife to cut a hole in the bottom to find out for myself by the aid of a pair to suggest that we use the knife to cut a hole in the bottom to suggest that we use the knife to cut a hole in the bottom to suggest that we use the knife to cut a hole in the bottom to suggest the suggest that we use the knife to cut a hole in the bottom to suggest the suggest that we use the knife to cut a hole in the bottom to suggest the suggest that we use the suggest that we use the suggest that the suggest that we use the suggest th first dropping on his knees and muttering a prayer; still, he often confessed to
ing a prayer; still, he ofte goodness of an overruling Providence for some time, when we got up and put friend anticipated me by outlining the string and some wires in my hand and their friends and acquaintances should friend anticipated me by outlining the string and some wires in my hand and their friends and acquaintances should be string and some wires in my hand and their friends and acquaintances should be string and some wires in my hand and their friends and acquaintances should be string and some wires in my hand and their friends and acquaintances should be string and some wires in my hand and their friends and acquaintances should be string and some wires in my hand and their friends and acquaintances should be string and some wires in my hand and their friends and acquaintances should be string and some wires in my hand and their friends and acquaintances should be string and some wires in my hand and their friends and acquaintances should be string and some wires are string and som

-and a battered tin can containing some scraped sweet potato and vinegar, which, what mattered it? The sooner below the surface. Take pretty things below the surface. Take pretty things with a churn, a table, some chairs, per-[CONTINUED.]

hours was the prescribed dose, and as no is doubtful if one in ten of the men on MARCHING THROUGH GEORGIA It was sound advice, and although I so on, down to a cheese or some bushels spoon was to be had be suggested that I that floor could have pulled through. As it was, there seemed not the faintest if you take it all at once," and this I was, there seemed not the faintest hope for the strongest of them. Soon War," by Alfred R. Calhoun. Now run-

the window bars, but if possible it was still worse at night. A few lean candles fustored to the jailyard, dles fustored to the jailyard, dles fustored to the jailyard, and it is not read to the jailyard, when one is not read to the jailyard, and it is not been given.



From a piece of dark brown chamois cut an oblong which, when folded, will a little more than cover the back and sides of an ordinary book. It can be for men's clothing but purchasable at other friends. It is all very consistent, to the safety vaults, there to remain for rith some suitable motto in quaint let

Still another way to make it is to stiffen it with ribbon wire, which is flat and can be laid entirely around the oblong near its edge. It is covered with ribbon held down by feather stitching, which forms the decoration of the case. If this is done, the ribbons for carrying they will pass under the book as it hangs from the arm. Several books, large and small, or packages of pamphlets and written documents can easily be tied in the case, and a little pocket made of a bit of the chamois pasted inside will hold visiting and business cards, or an identification paper in case of accident. On this pocket the full painted or stitched, for after all there is only for a few moments, and these are away with making presents? Any of the following may be put on the clothing and coals to deserving persons gan by saying each present given or reoutside of the case:

"A book for companionship," "They noble thoughts." "A friend always read; to talk or keep silence," "A go and dear," "For solitary hours. ice," "A good book

ets to hold hair. silk tassels. They

PRESENTS OF AFFECTION, KINDNESS, BENEVOLENCE AND CHARITY.

Stick Presents-Mercantile or Trading Presents-Mrs. Grundy's Presents-Perfunctory Presents-Wedding Presents. [Copyright, 1891, by American Press Associa- cushion or the rubies were not forth-



fifths-nay, let us sighing, say: say nine-tenths-

and weddings. during the present holiday season, he "fish" people used in old times for games would echo the old Roman cry, "How of chance. They were pretty, and were kindness and large generosity existent anything.

much with infinite relish, but I doubt if one ounce more would have been to our advantage.

and nipping frosts and leaden skies induce misanthropy and influenza, would be have been as favorably impressed?

he did not make them. Under this head come the flowers men send to their host-been as favorably impressed?

last week of December and the first week

myself had a good view of Savannah, with the fine Pulaski monument rising the New Year!" shouts somebody. some young man "gone to the bad," as the New Year!" shouts somebody. "Don't you keep Christmas?" "Oh, yes, not, upon a moderate salary, offer Mrs center. Camp Davidson had tempting advantages for tunneling, and after being there four days a number of us had lalways did ask why about everything. moneys intrusted to him; in fact, ruined decided on one, when on the afternoon When I was a very little girl my father | himself by fulfilling this absurd "social of the fifth day we were again told to (at Christmas, of course,) made me a obligation." pack up as we were going on to Macon.

We marched to the station in a golden curls and sky blue eyes that skip Mrs. Grundy in making out our list drenching rain and were again crowded opened and shut, and a rosy mouth that of presents, or at any rate put her off OREGON DEVELOPMEN COMinto box cars, and to keep out the wet also opened-that is to say, one could by with a much smaller and less expensive the doors were closed, making the air a string under the skirts pull down the schedule than she at present demands. foul and as hot as an oven. Bell had lower jaw, producing a startling grimace | But of all the various follies and ex concealed in his boot a caseknife, which and the sounds "Ma-ma! Pa-pa!" an travagances with which the pleasant

opening and shutting the eyes, evoking departure has been in wedding presents

down to the track at some halting place coming into the room discovered me kindly feeling is that when a couple of and escape in the darkness, when my sitting among the ruins of my doll, a the neighborhood young folk marry

the longer." A woman who is going traveling always takes a book or buys one on the ways takes a book or buys one on the

we sing in the depths of our own heart, and from those depths springs the im- to the recipient's probable need rather pulse to lavish whatever we have or can than to the glory of the donor? procure of costly or rare or beautiful at | Few young couples, for instance, are Tangent, the feet of the beloved.

But next to these ecstatic love gifts | a dozen or so of soup ladles. come the presents of affection; those portion to our means; we do not (meta-phorically) sell the clothes from off our ding guests and watch their opportunity back to buy a bouquet or a jewel, but to secure the tempting booty.

in hand with that calm goddess and house, and nobody could ever want to listens to her counsel and warnings. lives are passed in the sunshine and fashioned and only valuable as memenamid all the sweetness and brightness of toes. life to act as moons and shed, if only a reflected radiance, upon those shadowy lives creeping along through the deserts nitely, but nearly every one can com-

that the book may be lost, case and all. presses itself in giving dinners and warm and I love to receive them, but as I be who need them, in paying a quarter's ceived onght to be able to answer its rent for some struggling young couple own why. There should be love or afor in doing something handsome for fection or real friendship and a desire to those in one's employ; kindness is what show it and a desire to give pleasure b we show to those in our own social posi- hind each present to make it a real thing tion, to those not in need of any material Let us try to do away with the mercanti help, while benevolence is a more expen- | the propitiatory and the Grundy gifts a sive and also expansive quality, and im- much as possible. Let us make our wed plies really benefiting those upon whom | ding gifts for the benefit of the bride and we bestow our gifts, and then there is her future home and not for the displa charity which is almsgiving, either per- of our own magnificence. Let us in on sonally or through institutions, to those | word remember that every gift should really and avowedly in need of it.

be benevolent, far less to offer those gifts | seems in danger of becoming. of kindness whose value depends upon the tact and personal feeling with which they are offered.

Drunkenness—Liquor Habit—in all the World there is but one cure, Dr. Haines' Golden Specific. But not one-half the presents made and received, taking the year through,

are prompted by love, affection, kindness, benevolence or charity. What then? Why are they made? Well, a good many are made in obedience to the old adage, "Timeo danaos of et dona ferentes." We wish to propitiate those who may do us an injury if ADVERTISERS offended and may do us a favor if on advertising space when in Chicago, will find it on file a

cense before the shrine of Diana. And these we may call the presents of expediency, or joss stick presents.

Next come the mercantile or trading presents. A. gives B. a penwiper at Christmas, and at New Year's B. gives A. a pincushion. The gift may be diamonds, and the response rubies, but the NOT principle remains the same; both parties feel that A.'s gift demands a return, and B. would have a very uncomfortable consciousness of indebtedness if the pincoming. How many times I have seen ROBABLY four- some B. receive her gift, and heard her,

"Now, here's a portfolio from A., and of the people of I must go down town and find some-Christendom thing for her before New Year's day." will, within the I know one lady who keeps presents of next few days, both make and pers to be sent next year to other comreceive at least mercial present makers. There is someone gift in honor thing to say for the custom and also for of Christmas or 'this class of presents. They express reof the New Year, membrance and a friendly feeling, and besides in some after all perhaps it might be well for us cases supernumerary presents incident to birthdays along until they were shabby and old EB" are coming in from all parts of the

Next to these come Mrs. Grundy's ess after an entertainment, or to the We make an elegant little \$3 Electric Belt advantage.

There was a stockade around Camp Davidson, and there was also the customary dead line, but I do not think that charm to the telling.

After he had finished his story and I yet must, "because it is expected" and THE GREGG ELECTRIC CURE CO., "all the other fellows do."

Not once, but often, I have heard of

idea of making gifts to those we love

the extraordinary effort at speech, and | The origin of the custom was in the "good old times" before this country will be so shook up that hit won't be mighty good fo' much after."

While I was trying to break the ice with Bell the hospital steward returned with four opium pills, which I was to 'fake—one every night for the dysentery—and a battered tin can containing some

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The above trains connect at Yaquina and san firend and acquaintances should their friends and acquaintances should an air of dismay upon my face. With one glance he took in the whole scene that under the cover of our one blanket, we'll, Floy, you've found out why yesterday," replied Muth in answer to 'fake—one every night for the dysentery—and a battered tin can containing some

The above trains connect at Yaquina and acquaintances should their friends and acquaintances should an air of dismay upon my face. With one glance he took in the whole scene that under the cover of our one blanket, though there was no light inside, we cut away one end of a board close to the middle of the car, and then we whishave another very soon, my dear, but have nother very soon, and on their face, my child, and they'll last haps a mirror of very modest dimensions a piece of linen or homespun woolen, and of spoiling it I found out the real use of a house stocked to overflowing with valuit, and have benefited by it ever since. able property; valuable in the sense of But "What's bred in the bone," you being just what they need and what they

Now brides of today, at least in the How many motives there are for keep- city, do not need cows or sheep or when one is not reading or dropping out ing up the practice. First of all, love or churns, or even cheeses in any quantity, ing up the practice. privilege to make presents. Sometimes ornaments, pictures and bric-a-brae there is one to whom in making a gift adapted to the position they hold in sowe typify the gift of our very self. "All ciety and intend to maintain. Of course Portland... 7.00 p m San Francisco 8.15 am that I have and own is thine, dear love," plate is always useful and acceptable, San Fran. 7:00 p m Portland. but why cannot it be given with a view

in daily need of a solid silver epergne or You all know what I mean, but the soup tureen or set of dish covers, or of last long." No, it didn't; it never does; counting in the possible contingent, rebut while it did last it was the very quire twelve dozen forks, as many

crown and blossom of present making. spoons multiplied by four varieties and How much more rational if the friends Pullman Buffet Sleepers. that we give to our parents, our children, able and willing to expend such sums our near relatives and our true friends, had combined them in a solid investif we are so lucky as to possess any such. | ment, and presented the certificates to These are honest gifts; real expres- the bride as her private property. Everysions of a desire to demonstrate our af- body knows that since this fashion of fection and to give pleasure to the object ostentatious display of equally ostentaof it. They are a good deal calmer and tious gifts has come in vogue the bride's more rational than the love gifts; we do family find it necessary to employ ponot quite mean or desire to lose sight of licemen in plain clothes to guard the the price of what we purchase or its pro- treasures from the thieves, who, also in

reason, but affection quietly walks hand rich a lure to burglars to be kept in the

use the half of it. Next in the scale come the gifts of kindness, of benevolence and of charity, and yet made expensive by fashion and and these also are honest and worthy, if a showy exterior, what fabulous sums so be they are given in sincerity; we all are wasted by way of wedding presents know persons for whom we do not per- of no earthly use to the recipients, but sonally care very much, but whom we yet half ruining the donor. Fans! I pity because they are old, or lonely, or positively know a bride who received sick, or have but few friends and few twenty-seven, and many of them almost means of attr-cting them, and to give facsimilies of each other, and none of some little present to such a one is a them matched to any particular toilet kindly and graceful act; it has always so that before half of them could be seemed to me a duty for those whose used the whole would have become old

plete it for himself.

mean something both to the giver an A great many persons make charita- to the receiver, and rescue the fine ol ble gifts who never take the trouble to custom from the hollow mockery

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