THE CHANNEL ISLANDS.

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further and fare worse" than to take one's garrison. September holiday not very far from home. Coming upon Alderney from the Bay of scenery, sport, balmy airs, and southern of verdant slopes undulating gently in their flora, it is not necessary to rush to the descent to the sea, crowned by a church in Highlands in the wake of guns and dogs, to red granite with a square massive Northe Hebrides, Norway, or the Mediterranean; man tower. A road leads to it, which it is useless to undergo the hardships of long in fact, a well-paved road, passing betravel, the extortions of hotel keepers, the tween substantial, neat, fresh little houses fatigues and boredom of a protracted voy- with tiled roofs, forming a city, divided age. Nothing more is required of the into agricultural, commercial, and bourgeois traveller than to get on board a comfortable quarters. Dissenting chapels of every deboat at Southampton or Weymouth and nomination abound. Catholics are in the minsteam over leisurely in the night to the Channel Islands. He will be well repaid for his trouble.

It is supposed that Jersey, the queen of the group, was part of the French mainland till it was violently separated from it by the geographical convulsion of 709, which DUG A CHANNEL BETWEEN THEM

of nearly eighteen miles. For many centuries the little archipelago was viewed with suspicion by both continents as a cutthroat resort for pirates, robbers, and thieves. Now it is as familiar to the loungthe tombstones in the nave and in the tiny rocks. cemetery record many deaths by shipwrecks its dead. Apoc., ch. xx., v. 23."

not be the old and mysterious Thanet, but able by their aqueline noses, their it is assuredly the Aurica of the ancients. It consists of an elevated table land five miles broad and a mile long; it carries a lighthouse eighty feet high, and yet

THE VIOLENCE OF THE WAVES,

propelled by contrary currents, is such that around "The Manor," and justly famed over the lantern. There, in 1744, the Eng- vation and fertility. The meadows are in- put his arm around her and said gently: returning from Gibraltar with eleven hun- of apples and pears, the waters from the dred men on board. The dangerous ap- springs are carefully collected in cool resering in the foam, and the bottom of the sea flow into a small stream at the foot of the is covered with the hulks of huge founder- | slopes and turn the wheel of a solitary mill ed vessels. The mail boats and other ship- on the very brink of the bay. From the ping give it a wide berth. Only twice a week | high table land a long line of the French a small steamer leaving St. Pierre or coast is plainly visible; the broad plateau Guernsey brings letters and visitors to is bare of houses and trees, although in as Alderney; during the winter all communica- high a state of cultivation as the valleys. tion has been stopped for as long as a Cattle are penned in the field, sheep graze month at a time. It is, nevertheless, at liberty on the short grass of the surroundbeautiful, fertile, picturesque, and histori- ing downs, and wander over the wild cally interesting in no ordinary degree. The | heather made bright with wild flowers and Norman archipelago into a place of exile. and plaintive notes of innumerable sea birds Queen Elizabeth more especially found the break on the silent air, and bending over old Aurigny a convenient spot for the the steep cliffs they can be seen circling exercise of her feminine and political en- over the reefs. These unchecked marauders mities. Raleigh was sent in disgrace to flock to Alderney from all the adjacent Jersey, and before ordering the execution headlands. They congregate and build of her volatile favorite, Essex, she made their nests in the caves and eyries where him a gift of Alderney, where an old farm formerly the smugglers sought shelter, hide house and a modern fort still bare his name. | their contraband cargo, and not unfrequent-After various changes and vicissitudes, the ly buried the corpses of their victims fallen island became for over a hundred years the in some bloody affray. property of a native family—the Le Mesuriers-who, in consideration of a modest tithe of thirteen shillings per annum, payable to SAVED A LIFE, BUT LOST HIS OWN the British Crown, remained in peaceful possession of all the feudal rights enjoyed by the other islands. In 1825 Wellington, who could not master a vague fear and distrust of France, even after the battle of Abraham C. Hartley lost his life the oth-Waterloo, urged upon Parliament the ad- er day at his farm near Joliet while saving visability of converting Alderney into a the life of another. A well was being sunk strong fortified post, making it a constant on his place, and, coming to a bed of rock threat to Cherbourg and a paralyzing post at the depth of twenty-five feet, Charles of observation. The Government responded Kaehlert of this city, who was doing the chased all the seigniorial rights of the Le well to break the rock. A few moments Mesuriers, and proceeded at once to lay the after the discharge Kaehlert descended the plans of an almost

IMPREGNABLE LINE OF FORTICATIONS. Stone was there in abundance. Irish navvies were shipped over in squadrons, barracks and bastions, battlements and glacis rose as if by magic, but the difficulty of making a harbor appeared insurmountable. The Bay of St. Anne, selected for that purpose, was deficient neither in breadth nor depth; but to convert it into the safe and menacing port desired necessitated the erection of a powerful breakwater to protect it against the force of the currents invading it from all quarters. During forty years the English engineers fought their battle against the opposing seas. Their plan was to build a jetty, which was to rival the jetty of Cherbourg. They spent three millions of money, but the waves obstinately destroyed the labor of At last one day the work was completed; it stood 2,600 feet long, 45 feet, broad, its bulwarks rose to a height of 40 feet; and then the sea gathered up all its strength and calling to its aid the allied forces of a storm and the equinoctial tides, dashed itself upon the breakwater, opened a breach of 200 yards, and poured triumphantly upon the other side. England recognized the futility of further efforts, and "I remembered; I remembered to burn my accepting her defeat, retired from the con- bushel." A doer of the word cannot test, leaving behind a line of forts, 250 cannon, and a garrison of 500 men. The population of Alderney is well guarded, but an Anglo-Norman Gibraltar will never exist.

The vital blow struck to the prosperity of the island was, however, the cessation of contraband trade between France and England, which died a natural death after the ratification of the free-trade treaties, and had been for many years the richest source of revenue to the inhabitants. Alderney, being nearer the French coast, was

STRONGHOLD OF SMUGGLERS. They had their "caches," their stores, their taverns, their secret rallying places, and soap, blieve it was sugar she tole me ter scattered in the recesses of the rocky git and apparently inhospitable shore lay. a Grocer—"Vell, vy didn't you say dot pe squadron of fleet sailing vessels laden with fore you spoke? Aind't it? are picated to take County to their one

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tobacco, spirits, and goods that had never paid duty. Now the old gruff traders in their dangerous and illicit commerce are compelled to buy their tobacco at the authorized Governmental Bureau de Tabac, but London, Sept. 27.—To use a popular but | the native population has dwindled rapidly comprehensive expression, "one might go from 4,000 to 1,500 souls, not including the

For the enjoyment of wild, picturesque St. Anne the island appears as a succession ority. Alderney is at once highly religious and very democratic. Toward the north of St. Anne, at the entrance of

A DEEP WOODED GORGE. surrounded by apple orchards and smiling gardens, lies "The Manor," the old feudal abode of the Le Mesuriers, now the residence of the military commander of the island. The building dates from the seventeenth century, is entirely of granite, and has an imposing presence, with its 'tall stacks of chimneys, its broad windows, and grim gray walls of extraordinary thickness. er in Piccadilly as to the boulevardier, and But the special charm of the spot lies in the the pretty villas around St. Helier have be- enormous height and spreading foliage of come almost as fashionable as those of the red beeches and green oaks stretching Trouville and Decanville, Folkestone or their massive shadows over the old plea-Brighton. Guernsey remains hallowed by surance enclosed in iron railings and gates the all-pervading memory of Victor Hugo with lance-head spikes. Beyond is a court, and will ever te impregnated, as it were, as silent and mysterious as the cloisters of with the atmosphere of his genius and his a monastery. Not only giant forest trees, ovah." exile. Sark or Serk, as it was originally call- but fig, orange, and lemon trees, geraniums, ed, the smallest of the Pleiad, was some oleanders, and fuchsias flourish in the open years ago put up for sale by public roup. It air; they bloom and prosper in the mild still looms as an advance bastion, frowning | climate of those shores, bathed twice a day gloomily on any possible invader of the by the tepid current of the Gulf Stream, procherished inviolability of the Channel Is- tected in their tender and verdant loveliness lands. It contains one solitary church; by the rugged barriers of their frowning

The natives of the Channel Islands under or drowning. As you enter, on a black stand the English language and speak it marble headstone you read that " Pierre L. | with more or less fluency, but although vir-Telley, Esquire, Lord of Serk, was drowned tually annexed to Great Britain after the at the Point of Ney in a tempest on the 1st | Norman conquest, the English element is of March, 1837, at the age of 40. His body far from dominant, never exceeding an avewas not found, but "The sea will give up rage of 20 per cent. At Sark it is null, at Alderney it is at its highest, owing to the Alderney or Aurigny, as it is always called former influx of masons, stone cutters, and in French, is the third island in size, and other artisans employed on the fortificathe least frequented by the tourist. It may tions; their descendants are still recogniz-

PALE AND EMACIATED FEATURES. and dark eyes, while the men of Norman race have clear, warm complexions, fair

hair, and blue eyes. The best lands of Alderney are situated they are often known to rise and dash right | throughout the archipelago for their cultilish man-of-war Victory, commanded by tensely green, the crops surprisingly abund Admiral Baker, was lost with all hands ant, the fruit trees bend under the weight proaches are ever strewn with debris float- voirs in the shadiest nooks, whence they British monarchs were prone to turn the the golden drops of the gorse. The sharp

A Man Dies in the Well from Which he had Rescued a Comrade.

to this suggestion of the Iron Duke , pur- digging, fired a blast of dynamite in the well and called out that he could hear water bubbling, but almost immediately he began groaning and calling for help. Mr. Hartley at once lowered himself, and found Kaehlertinsensible. Hartley tied a rope around the man's body, and he was drawn to the surface by some of the neighbors present, The rope was then lowered to Hartley, but when called he made no reply. No one dared venture into the well, but after considerable labor a noose at the end of the rope was secured around his body, and he was drawn to the surface dead. Kaehlert revived, and will live.

The Practical Hearer.

A poor woman in the country went to hear a sermon, wherein, among other evil practices, the use of dishonest weights and measures was exposed. With this discourse she was much affected. The next day, when the minister, according to his custom, went among his hearers, he called upon the woman, and took occasion to ask her what she remembered of his sermon. The poor woman complained much of her bad memory, and said she had forgotten almost all that | he delivered. "But one thing," said she, forgetful hearer.

A Peremptory Order.

"Lafayette! Hist yerself in dat garding. and finish waterin' dem punkin pie plants I sot out yisterday, 'fore dat big rain comes up and you'll hab ter quit and come in de house! You hear me, you trifling nigger!"

Soap or Sugar, One of the Two. Customer-" Say! Mister! gimme five cents worth er brown soap. North want Very Careful During the Change.

"It's cold this morning, Mrs. O'Raherty." "It is, indade. Cowld's no name tor it an I've jist been to the shtore to get some warmin' fluid. The doctor says we can't be too careful av our healths this changeable weather. We must be continually wardin off disase that crapes loike a sarpent into the system.

"Yes, it's best to be careful during the

"On' Saturday mornin' I would 'ave froze to dith if I didn't happen to have some bitters in the house. Faith an' I was compelled to kape the bottle on a chair be me bedsoide for me an' me owld mon; but he slept so sound that I did hate to wake him up, an' I took it all mesilf. We have to be very careful durin' the change from warrum to

Wanted Stationery.

Queer Party-"Got any barometer ?" Salesman-" No! this is a book-store. Don't keep 'em."

"Excuse me ! but I notice in the weather reports that they are sometimes stationery.'

What Made Him Needy.

Mr. Pawnbroker-"So you pet your

money on dot Thistle, eh ?" Dudey-" Ah-yaash, unfortunately." "I t'ot so. Mein sthore ish full altogether out mit tings pawned by dose-vot you call-Anclo-Maniacs vot pet on dot Thistle. You will haf to take a toller on dis or go to anudder sthore."

"Dooced hard, old fellah, but hand it

A Mean Trick

Friend-"Well, Eliza, how do you like our husband?"

Eliza—"He is a villain."

"All men are: but what has he done?" "You know he was a widower. Well, I've found out that all his love letters to me were copied verbatim from the ones he wrote to his first wife when they were courting." "Well, I wouldn't mind it. He never will send you any more."

A Dead Sure Thing.

Employer-"See here, Dennis, it was only last week that you got off to attend vour cousin's funeral-I-Dennis (interrupting-"Faix, so I did sur, but the old fule come to loife agin. Lit me off this onct, and I'll bury him dead or aloive."

He Showed Tact After All.

A grown-up man, a man of mature years, would not have done it. He would have

"Dear, I don't like your painting and powdering. It doesn't make you look nice." And she would have told him that she thought it did, and if he didn't like it he could go and get another girl, or something like that. At the best she wouldn't have taken any notice of the remonstrance. But he was a young man, and that was not his way. He was going to take her to the theatre, and, knowing her peculiarity, he put a powder puff and a box of rouge in his pocket. When she came down stairs he saw she was decorated as usual. He im mediately pulled out his rouge and powder

and painted himself up. "What are you doing?"

"Only making myself handsome."

"I will not go out with you like that." "Why not?"

"It would mortify me to death." "Well, I'll make a bargain. If you will

wash off yours, I will wash off mine." "We don't go out then."

"All right." "But she thought better of it and she accepted his bargain. She was very pretty

She Did Not Commit Herself.

She said not much beside the sea; At set of sun she sat with me. I held her hand so fond and free,

Thrilled at its touch; Softly I spoke, and tenderly, She said not much.

We saw the billows come and flee; Oh, tremulous heart and throbbing sea. How near alike they seemed to me! Upon the sands I bent my knee, "Oh, wilt thou not my true wife be?" She said "Not much."

Why Increase the List-

"Tompkinson," said a somewhat rapid traveling man to a friend, whose tastes and habits were much like his own, "I'm very much worried."

"I wouldn't cultivate it, my dear fellow.

But what's the trouble?" "Debts. I'm overwhelmed with them. I can't turn a corner without running into a creditor. There's the hatter, and the tailor, and the gent's furnisher, and the florist, and the livery man-in fact I see but one way, out of the difficulty." "What is that?

"I've a good notion to commit suicide." "And add the undertaker to the list: My dear fellow, at least be reasonable."

They Told Each Other All. "Why, Mame, is it really you?" "Yes, indeed, Sadie; when did you get

"Only yesterday, and-"

"Where were you?" "Oh, every place-Newport, Bar Harbor, Long Branch, and—but where were you?"

"Oh, we went to-"

"Did you have a good time ?" "Perfectly lovely! Did-"

"Oh, perfectly lovely! I declare, Mame,

"So did I, and-"

"I had the best-" "So did I, and oh, Mame-"

"Do tell me all about it, for I_" "I will, some time. I just had a perfectly splendid time every minute, and-" "So did I. But isn't it lovely to be at

home again ?" " Perfectly lovely."

"I think so, too. I've had a lovely season of it, but then-" "So have I, but as you say-"

"There's no place like home, after all." No, indeed. Do come soon and tell me all about your season, and I ..." "I will, for I have the loveliest_" "So have I-perfectly splendid!"

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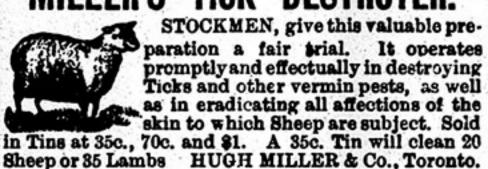
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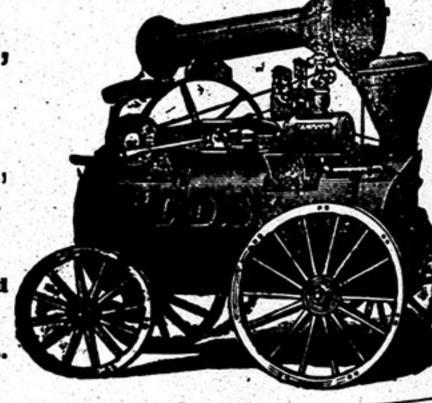
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not completed; then they can

neglected opportunities. Our first field of labor is with portals of home; there we are first stars for our crown, and queen could bedeck her crown or more costly jewels than the cornestly endeavors to do her fireside with her little ones She can mould their characters does the clay. It has no choice sively takes the shape the mou So it is with the young mind. ings the mother instills into minds are rightly planted, the stray far from the narrow painfluence will follow them all walks of life, and the seed sow in childhood will spring up a fruit. It is the little things after in our children; the sma the way for larger ones. T has been taught to obey fathe from love and reverence, w through life obey the laws of Our young people should be their success in life depends they make of their time and t

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pick, suspended by a ribbon f of the stage, with the class for yourself," in flowers above humble implement, and perh etic mind there was more tru in the motto: but the youth for his guiding star through his efforts crowned with succe been many a young life wrec some one to dig for them. along the ocean of life is str such wrecks. If they had to face life's battle as their f fore them, it would have are hood within them and the have been the better for the in it. As it is, their only ai to be to spend that which ot ed by hard digging. If they they must be thoroughly and true to their principles, ney and fame for themselves mount round after round of der. All the treasures of the ed there for the use and enj yet not one gem has been b without digging. It took l the part of all our great n reached the goal to which Let us then fight life's battle do everything our hand fin nestly and honorably, and n sit quietly and wait for de If adversity overtakes the and then, it will only mak

more worthy and our sons r The Helping H

It is said freckles can be washing the skin in water solved a small quantity of To clean willow furnit water. Apply to with a well, and dry thoroughly. To remove grease from the spot some oil of tartar wood which has been left

till it turns into a fluid;

wash the place with lukev then with cold water, as disappear. Turkey salad, made wit

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