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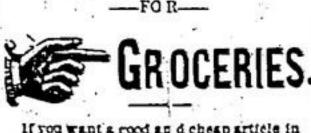
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All the world over, I wonder, to lands that I use bare trod, Are the people eternally secki Westward scross the the enow, they all stand gazing, as ever, and what do

Here, in this mystical India, the deitles hover of a gathering storm; a the air men hear their voice rocks are soon, we all say, "Whence is the message, and wi may the wonders mean?

As they bow to a mystic symbol, or the figures dent kinge; Of those who are heary

For the Docting drives us together, like door Above is the sky, and around us Pushed by a Power we see not, and struck

And the form and the nod of t in the twilight dim; And we look to the sunlight falling after on mountain crest. Is there never a path runs upward to a refuge the

For ever the shot strikes surely, and ever the was Of the praying multitude rises, whose snawer is duly but my epsulets to live by, I shall return to . "They really were a nice pair. The little

who died in fame : They are gods, these kings of the foretime, they Ever I watch and worship ; they at with a may

And the myrusd idols around me, and the legion What have they wrong from the silence ! Hath Of the secret. Whence and Whither! Alse! for gode ere dams.

How the gods are giad and anger, and a Delty once

They have fathomed the depths we float on, sured the unknown main -Sadly they turn from the venture, and my the is life, then, a dream and deluzion, and where

Is the world soon like shadows on Shall it pass, as a camp that is stru is gathered and gone . From the stade that were imp-lit at eve, morning are level and lone?

s there nought in the heaven share, whence the and the lavin are haried. People may become good But the wind that is swept around us by The wind that shall scatter my sahe voices of women who weep.

ellence and sleep With the dirge, and the sounds of ismenting, and of Copy Slips for practicing, a beautiful Orns mental Sheet, and a handson is case to con. THE SEALED LETTER.

Yet in this uninteresting country, when I think."
was on horseback and alone, I met with an "If I were to tell you why I left the sea sedventure which I have never since torgot-ten. It was as long ago as the year 1815, think now."

When the scarcely unexpected return of the "Well, why don't you try ! At all events ! great emperor from Elba had led to a planti it might warm us up, and make me forget spoke in a low voice to him, in his ear, while young and old, pretty and ugly. Yes, yes; ful exodus of those who had attached them. the rain that gets in at the naps of my neck her thick locks of yellow hair fell over his many ladies of our highest aristocracy have selves to the fortunes of King Louis XVIII., and runs down to the heels of my boots." more especially those who, like myself, had been in attendance upon the person of the pleased as a child to tell his story, and king. My horse had east a shoe, and I had forthwith prepared himself for it. He reseased is a child to tell himself for it. He resea thus fallen a little in the rear of my bom- adjusted his shake, covered with oilskin, on rades, whose white closks and crimson unt- his head, and gave a hitch forward with one forms were easily discernible through the of his shoulders, which could have satisfied blinding rain and horizon in front; whilst even the rawest recruit that he belonged to behind me the lancers of Bonaparte, with the infantry; that veritable shrug that the their tricoloured pennons, hovered in the foot soldier gives his knapsack to shift the their tricoloured pennons, hovered in the foot soldier gives his knapsack to saint the rear, following up step by step, with the load and lighten the weight, and which evident intention of seeing us over the frontier. I was but little more than a lad, but I had a tolerable horse under me, and a plentiful supply of money in my pocket; and alter the ribs to his mule by way of encourage—
ful supply of money in my pocket; and alter the ribs to his mule by way of encourage—
though the rain came down without cessing, ment, and began.

The field: Like most subordinate function—
he lowered his eyes, and a blush came over size in Prussia he was a non-commissioned officer in the army, and received his face.

""I don't know what you have done to be transported in this fashion." I replied, for faithful and gallant service. He is marthough the rain came down without cessing, ment, and began.

Though the rain came down without cessing, ment, and began. and I was wet through and covered with mud, I kept up my spirits by singing one of the popular songs of the day, whilst I watched the rain trickling ever my new gold troubling you with details you won't care for all, so long as you are bommitted to my he had passed an uneasy night before the epaulets. At last my horse began to droop for, let me say that I ran away to see when his head, and, like him, my spirits sobered. I was a lad, and was found stowed away in down, and I began for the first time to sak the forecastle of an Indianman when she had own, and I began for the first time to sak the forecastle of an Indianman when she had else; for, under orders, I'd twist your neck smeering face he "thanked God for making lost sight of land. The captain was bettermy self where I was going. I had not the lost sight of land. The captain was better as I would a brace of pigeons; but, once I his business so easy to him!"

faintest notion, but I did not trouble myself natured than some would have been in his front, and in following my comrades I was sea he turned me into a cabin-boy; and, for but doing my duty—a more than sufficient my part, so anxious was I to prove that his reason to my not very troublesome con-kindness was not misplaced, I worked away science. Insensibly, however, I began analys- so hard that at the end of fifteen years I is E have recently published a new edition best manufacturers in the country, and science. Insensibly, however, I began analys- so hard that at the end of fifteen years I will guarantee satisfaction to purchasors ing this curious feeling of abnegation of telf, found myself in command of a merchant of Dr. Oulverwell's Celebrated Terms very reasonable. Orders left at his the bottom of all sense of duty, brig of some five hundred tons burthen. which is at the bottom of all sense of duty, brig of some five hundred tons burthen. Young ; we are happy because we love each master : "Just let s-score for another start more especially as it might affect a soldier, When the Revolution broke out, the Royal R. CRAINE. and I speculated freely upon the disagrees- Marine, (which mind you, was as good a ser- happen to my poor Laura.' ble positions I might find myself placed in vice as a man need wish for) found itself de- happen to my poor Laura.' when duty and obedience pointed in one prived of the greater portion of its officers, direction, and one's own feelings in the and the authorities were glad enough to put The pouring rain, the dismal country, the had sufficient experience as seamen, but captain, don't you think so, my darling ! I

endless road, were not nacely to give the most had also snown an aptitude for nighting in cheerful tone to my cogitations, and I was brushes with pirates, and such like irregular but too glad of the break afforded by the warfare. However, whatever my merits sudden appearance of a black object brawwere, one fine morning I found myself in tell the truth I felt as if the tears were command of the corvette Hard, of twenty-ling along the yellow road at the distance of some of the corvette Hard, of twenty-ling along the yellow road at the distance of some point of the corvette Hard, of twenty-ling along the yellow road at the distance of some point of the corvette Hard, of twenty-ling like a mile and a half, and which six guns and three hundred and fifty men, something like a mile and a half, and which six guns and three hundred and fifty men, something like a mile and a half, and which six guns and three hundred and fifty men, seem. sisted of a small covered cart diswill by some leave bening for want or room. On the 28th said and depressed than the horse I was riding. The poor animal seemed as pleased was directed not to break until I had reach.

On the 28th has been scolded.

On the 28th has been scolded.

I has been scolded.

On the 28th has been scolded.

On the 30,000f.; the Emperor of Germany, 41,000f.; the little clock, let us talk about some little clock, let us tal

at the prospect of companionship as I was, ed certain degrees of latitude and longitude, and willingly responding to my efforts to which would bring me somewhere near the make him mend his pace. I was soon enabled line. It was a remarkable letter in manyto see that I was fast approaching a small ways, for it was of extreme length, and was spring cart, over which a black tarpaulin was so carefully sealed and gummed together stretched by means of three ribs of wood, re- that I found it impossible to glean the smallsembling a sort of gradle on wheels, whilst est notion of its contents, which I am not the tired mule who dragged it wearily along sahamed to say I was most surious to bewas guided by a man holding the reins in come possessed of. From the first I conceived more like the stains of blood. his hands as he trudged stoutly by its side. Is dread of this mysterious-looking document, I had plenty of time to make my observa- and after much consideration I determined tions as I ranged up alongside of my future to place it inside the glass of a little useless self, Laura. It looks like an invitation to a companion, who was a tall, athletic man clock, which was fixed over my bed, until wedding. Come along and go to bed. Why of some fifty years of age, with thick white | the time arrived when I was authorised to moustaches, and the slight stoop in the secertain its contents. The rest of the furshoulders which is the unmistakeable sign of niture of my cabin was as nest and approthe old infantry officer who has long carried priate as you could find in any man-of-war; pipe, but I could not take my eyes off the the knapeack. He were the uniform and for instance, my bed at night was shut up great seal, which seemed to have the same epaulets of a major, under a small blue and into a sofa in the daytime, where I smoked rather threadbare cloak, and he had the my pipe; the floor was waxed and scrubbed is said to possess. At last I tore myself weather-beaten look on his face which is so until it shone like a looking-glass, and when sway from it, and went up on deck to finish common among men who have seen a good all was in order it was as pretty a room as my pipe. All was going well here, for the deal of rough service in the field. As I sp- you would wish to see. What pleasant days Marat had a favourable wind, and was doing proached him he gave me a quick glance we spent there, and what an agreeable irom under his shaggy eyebrows, and slowly toyage it was, until—but I must not anticility seen in the tropics. The morn was just drawing a leaded musket from the little pate.

cart, he cocked it, whilst placing himself on the other side of the mule, which was thus happened to be engaged in putting my letter unconsciously transformed into a rampart. inside the glass of the clock when a knock Seeing the white cockade, I contented my- came at the cabin door, and my prisoner self with drawing saide my clock so as to entered, bringing with him a pretty young show my uniform, and he at once replaced girl, about seventeen years of age, whom he the musket in the cart, saving, with a backward gesture of his thumb : "Ah I that makes all the difference. took you for one of those fellows who are too white for a man; he war a man, however, We pray to the trees for shelter, and press our lip to following us behind there. Would you like and one who behaved like one of the heroes

ly; "for it's more than ten hours since any- round he drew his wife's arm within his prisoners, and wishing to make sure of the thing but rain water has passed my lips." | own, and there they were, looking as fresh demon are caught He had a very prettily engraved cocos-nut and happy as two turtle-dover, and made me through the skylight. The young wife had with a silver top slung round his neck, and quite happy to see them.

producing this with evident pride he handed "'So there you are, my children, said I it to me filled with some thin, sour white | and come to give a visit to your captain. wine, but which tasted to me like nectar to It's very kind of you, and although I have the gods. I handed it back to him, and be- some distance to carry you away, so much fore readjusting it he took a mouthful of its the better, for it will give us the time to get still wet with tears, and when she had

tier. When that's done, as I have nothing think you can help me ! my regiment. It's my duty."

self than to me, and set his mule again in the other as I saked for them; she laughing motion, whilst I rode slowly along by his merrily, called out, 'to the right,' er, Chiefs who were siein on the warfield, and women side for more than a quarter of an hour the left, captain, as the rolling of the ship late, I'm sure." was I of putting an end to our newly formed | making fun of me. the sequeintanceship by what might prove to be "'You naughty child, I'll tell your hus- did not reply, she turned her pretty little an indiscretion with a man who was evident- band to scold you, if you don't mind, and head over the edge of the hammock, and nity of getting rid of the rain which had and it was no wonder we soon became great tated for a moment, and then said with an

to your feet," said he. "Bah! you must learn to think nothing Shall I list to the words of the English, whe come "If you mean to be a soldier, especially in | ing came amiss to them, and they were al- and I hope we may never get there," of that," he rejoined, in his gruff voice. such stirring times as we are likely to live in ways merry and pleased with everything there I'

"I am sure I don't know," I answered. "It's a woman !" "Ah !" said I, with a sort of grunt, not venturing on any other mgn of astonishment, and following him at a foot's pace. "That poor old whothbarrow there did'nt cost me much, nor the mule either. Nevertheless it's all I've got to make the march on, although the road drags out like a linen-

draper's messure." I at once offered him the loan of my horse and as he saw I had no intention of sneering an at himself or his conveyance he seemed on a sudden at his ease, and coming alongside my stirrup he gave me a hearty smack on the

"Well, you are a good fellow, although you have the crimson breeches on. The recollection of the dislike with which our four favoured regiments of the bodypreferred to the old soldiers. "However," added he, "I won't accept

your good-natured offer, for the very suffi-

about Vearning to ride." I could see he was eyeing me closely for the next few minutes, and apparently ex-The great road from Paris to Belgium is pecting me to say something, but as he found both long and dull, stretching away mile I was still silent he went on:

"So you're not curious! I thought I should have astonished you."

trees or hedges, and nearly perfectly fist.

"I'm not so easily astonished as you

"I was born at Brest, and, to avoid men like me in command, who had not only

ndless road, were not likely to give the most had also shown as aptitude for fighting in am sure you would have said as much yourwas evidently under the control of some having just received orders to get ready for "Come, come, said I, the future will A currous calculation has been made by human being or other, who would at least Cayenne, whither I was to take a reinforceput an end to my dreary tete-a-tete. I refreed ment for the garrison, and a political prison- set this all right. If the tobacco is my horse to examine the object more er, whom the frigate Decade, which had soon made out that it con- failed a week before, had been obliged to the lady I will go away." carefully, and soon made out drawn by some leave behind for want of room. On the 28th on fire and wet with tears, like a child that Ozar has 125,000f. per day; the Sultan,

"We started with a fair wind, and held by the band. He was not much more than nineteen himself, and a good-looking lad, except that he was a little too pale and said I, approaching him eager- | you will see before I've done. As I turned

acquainted. Forgive me, madame, for not finished she made a sign of the cross with a "To the king's health ! He gave me a having my cost on, but I was engaged in smile, as if she were going to paradise. step in the Legion of Honour, and it is but nailing this clock up securely, so that I Without adving a word, her husband kissed

husband took the hammer and his little wife He said this more as if speaking to him- the nails, and they passed me the one and her, for after lying still for a few minutes without hazarding any remark, so fearful made the clock lurch about; in fact she was |

ly somewhat peculiar. As he stopped again then she threw her arms round his neck and to rest his tired mule, I took the opporta- kissed him ; for they were like two children, and not daring to speak to him. He herisosked down into my long horseman's boots. friends together. We were pretty lucky in evident effort : 'My dear Laura, the nearer "Your boots seem to stick pretty tight our passage, for the weather seemed made we approach our destination, the more approach for us, and I made my two little prehensive I feel. I don't know why, but "It's a long time since I've had them off," friends come and dine daily with me. When and wink at each other, and when I laughed voyage. at them they would join in with me. Noth-Then turning half round, he added, that was done for them. Although my together, my darling, I notice that when-It has nought but the wide-world story how the earth "What do you suppose I've got in the cart orders were to be kind and attentive to ever you say your prayers, you always cry. the ordinary ship's rations, and they had you are thinking about, and I fear that you their hammocks like the rest of the crew. regret having come with me was like you, my friend, and I didn't came and sat down by me; the young man anything when I am with you to help you wrote at my table (that is to say, my bed), and helped me to work out the longitude

and soon got to do it as well as I could, and then we talked about anything that turned up until the watch was called. ""Do you know, said I one day, 'we make up quite a family party. I don't want to cross-question you about your affairs, but probably you have not too much money beguard had been always regarded by the line tween you, and you will find it hard work to flashed across my mind, and I believe I dig and delve among those prisoners at recently started in Berlin by the Prossian blushed at the way in which we had been Cayenne. It's a horrible country out there, railway king, Dr. Strousberg, is published your good-natured offer, for the very sufficient reason that I don't know how to ride."
on board this old craft and I'll establish mywith his visitor about the decapitation of
self out there with you, if you wish I should the would-be regionde—Krauts' first perforcompelled to ride inspection, and do so. I have not a single relation at home, mance as a headsman a knock was heard at then we hire any old hack. As for me, I hold. I can help you to a score of things, entered the room with the request that the

when the time comes that I must lose the tone, was heard to say aloud : "Tell her ed, as if they scarcely believed what I said; Interrogated upon his return by his visitor and then the little woman fell back on her with respect to the mission of the man-serunfailing resource—she ran, crying and vant, he replied with a smile : "Oh, it was blushing, to her husband, and threw her only a request from one of my 'sympathisarms round his neck. He put his arm round ere, such as reach me several times a weck. her waist, and I saw tears too in his eyes: You may often see the handsomest equipages he held out his hand to me, and I noticed in Berlin standing at the corner of Mulack. that he was more pale than usual. She Strasse. They bring me lady visitors, shoulder, and he answered her in the same called upon me and insisted upon seeing my

"So this doesn't suit you! said I at stance-a blood-stained pocket handker-"But but, captain, you are too good, breakfast table, or one of my gloves." stammered her husband. I hardly know Krants himself is a fine young fellow. what to say to you for your goodness, but - | decorated with the Iron Cross for valour in how can you live with prisoners t' and then | the field: Like most subordinate function-

seem as if you had anything very diagrace- With a touch of quaint piety he introduced ful on your conscience, and I am prefty sure this lad to his visitor's notice as "his succes-I have done worse things than you. Once sor, please God !" and observed that though throw off the cost with the epsulets on it, muck on that score, for my squadron was in position, and instead of pitching me into the and I care neither for the admiral nor for any one else under the sun. " It is because I think it might be dan-

> that I hentate. We laugh because we are other; but I have very dismal half hours and we'll come under the wire neck and when I think of the future, and what may wife to his breast, and murmured-"'I ought to have said as much to the

"When she said this I felt a cold shudder pass over me, and my hair seemed almost to stand on end.

"'Good heavens, said I, 'and I bad al-most forgotten it! If we had got beyond the first degree of north latitude, I should have nothing to do but to jump overboard."

"I seized hold of the ship's log, and when I saw that we had, at least a week before us, I was in some degree comforted, but I still felt an undefined fear in my heart.

" There is no joking with the Directory on the score of obedience, I half muttered to myself. 'However, I'm all right so far, but the time has slipped away so quickly that I had nearly forgotten all about it." "Well, sir, there we stood, all three of as, looking up at the letter as if we expected it to speak to us. What struck me the most was that the sun, which was now shining through the cabin window, lighted up the glass of the clock, and made the great red

seal in the centre look like the features of a face in the middle of a fire. "One might almost say that its eyes were coming out of its head, I said to amuse

"'Oh,' replied the young wife, 'it looks "Bah, bah I' said her husband, taking her by the arm; 'you are frightening yourshould you bother yourself about the letter?' "They left the cabin and went up on deck, whilst I remained and smoked my

power of fascination over me that a serpent rising above the horizon, and the calm white sea seemed to cut her in half, looking like I sheet of snow covered with dismonds. stood looking at the scene in silence, and the officers and sailors of the watch were gazing over the bulwarks at the shadow of the corvette in the water. I like silence, order, and discipline, and I had forbidden all noise and fires aboard after nine o'clock. Suddenly I saw a little red line just under my feet, and I was just about to utter an of ancient days, when the occasion arose, as light came from the cabin of my rooms light came from the cabin of my young fact I stooped down so that I could look undressed and was on her knees, saying her prayers by the light of a little lamp, whilst her husband was scated on a portmanteau, with his head between his hands, watching her. Her eyes, turned towards heaven, were right that I should attend him to the fron- might get rid of this hateful letter. Do you her, and taking her up in his arms, lifted her into her hammock as if she had been a child. It was a very hot night, and the gentle motion of the ship seemed to soothe ""My dear, said she, more than half

to saleep, 'arn't you alcopy t It's getting very "He remained in the same position with his head between his hands, and, finding he our frugal dinner was over they would nod life would prove to be the first part of this

"I feel exactly the same, said she; "'And yet,' he added, clenching his fists them, I was specially told to keep them on That worries me terribly, for I know whom

"I regret ! said she, in a distressed bother people with questions about what did to have followed you! I, who am your wife, name or their affairs to me, who was only and who know my daty although I am but the captain of the ship that took them over seventeen! Why, my mother and my sisters to the other tide of the world? At the end all said it was my duty to go with you to of a month I had begun to look upon them | Cayenne. I wonder how you can think such as children; whenever I called them they a thing for a moment! How can you regret

while I live and die with you if you die !'

Monsieur De Berlin. Ladies of Rank Besieging the Prussian

In the Kleine Journal, a daily newspaper but for a seasoned old fellow like me, who an interview recently granted to the writer has been dried up by the sun, I can live by Krants, the state executioner, who bethere like a lord. Now if you have any sort | headed Hoedel last summer. While "Monfor nothing, and I have a snug little strong- with him for a moment in the passage. box on board that I've come by honestly Krants went out with the lackey, and after enough, and which I shall leave to you a brief interchange of sentences in an under-Excellency the Lady Countess that I am "They looked at each other quite astound- very sorry; but I cannot, dare not, do it !"

first stanza of the opening hymn, and came gerous for you, captain, to be friends of ours to a dead halt. Then the suspense was broken by the apologetic voice f the choirneck." The hymn went on.

A COLT is usually badly beaten before he As he said this he pressed his young is well broken. With an egg it is different. It has to be broken before it is beaten.

THE Pope is in most things excessively. economical, but his charities act as a con-

set this all right. If the tobacco is disagree- a Continental statistician as to the amount drawn by various sovereigns from the civil "She looked up at me with her face all list. According to this it appears that the