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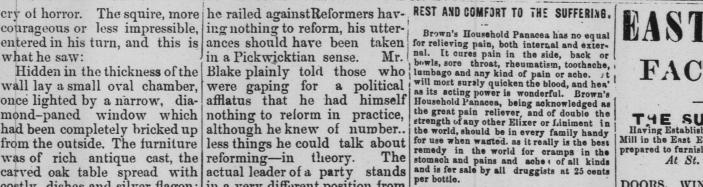
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legend of a death bed confession But as propounded by Mr Hare, mance :

The owner of a country man- made by the hereditary owner however much it may bewilder sion here, a jovial old country of the place, in the days of James the unsophisticated elector, the Nettings & Twine, gentleman, with a large family, I. In vengeance for his wife's riddle is there before him. Mr began to find his house some- infidelity he had decoyed her Blake, however, has never stated what too small for the require. and her paramour into the fatal the enigma; but contented him- to fill orders promptly at lowest prices. ments of the countless guests chamber, where he built them self with uttering oracular with whom he delighted to fill it. He sent for an eminent archi-tect, and consulted him as to the ty, he had previously spread the it is the sent for an eminent archi-tect, and consulted him as to the it is the sent for an eminent archi-tect is the tect, and consulted min as to the possibility of adding a room or two without injury to the ap-pearance of the building. The architect went to work at once, inspected the house within and without mede sundry measures that here to the building aroom or inspected the house within and inspected the house within and without, made sundry measure. that lonely chamber witnessed Zollverein or Imperial Federaments, and returned to his host before the end calle none but tion? Are we to have a Senate, Law and Collection Office with the complacent air of a man God can tell; but the distorted or do without one? In the aphe, with a smile, "to have come died. THING TO REFORM. that while you are talking of adding new rooms to your house [Mail.] you have a room in it at this moment which you have never When Mr. Blake made his

who has found out something attitudes of the two victims suf-worth knowing. ADAMS & LAWLOR, "I'm fortunate enough," said ful agomes they must have what approximate direction? Is what approximate direction? Is Mr Blake really the leader, or is solicitors in Bankruptcy, Conjust in time to save you from a very useless labor. Do you know THING TO REFORM "shall prepare himself to the "battle?" used yet?" "What on earth do celebrated Aurora speech he you mean?" asked the bewild- was openly at war with his Incurable Lung Disease or Consumption. HOTEL you mean?" asked the bewild-ered squire. "I mean," answer-ed the professional, with quite scientific superiority, "that the measurements I have just been taking leave several square yards of the house's area unac-counted for; in other words, mere is somewhere within its walls a secret chamber of which you know nothing." The squire laughed the idea to scorn, but you know nothing." The squire laughed the idea to scorn, but his wife, captivated by the ro-mantic suggestion of a possible "Bluebeard's chamber" in her own house, at once ranged her.. self on the side of the architect, and insisted that the mysterious room should be searched for and found. "If it exists." put in her husband. "It not only exists," retorted the architect, somewhat nettled by the implied doubt of his judgment, "but I am positive that I can point out the very spot where it is to be found. Pick a hole in the wall that closes the where it is to be found. Pick a hole in the wall that closes the east end of the great corridor on the third floor, and if you do not find the secret chamber lying behind it. I will gladly pay all the expenses of the search." The proprietor, beginning to feel in-terested, in fite of himself, at once agreed to the proposal, and the workmen were promptly called in. A few sturdy blows sufficed to bring down the wall already crumbling. Behind it to the ergeat exultation of the sufficed to bring down the war here. already crumbling. Behind it to the great exultation of the architect and the amazement of the still incredulous squire, ap-peared a moldering oaken door, high the still drame energy and the gloomily moody and the still moder of the drame energy and the still moder of the transfer of the transfe peared a moldering oaken door, which was speedily driven in, revealing a dark recess, from which exhaled a strange, sick-ening odor. The architect, tak-ing a lighted candle from one of the bystanders—for by this time the whole household had assem-bled to watch the progress of the excavation—squeezed him-self through the aparture but instantly sprang back with a



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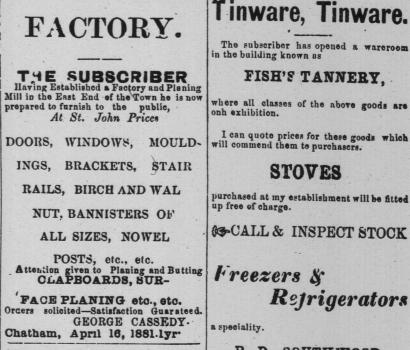
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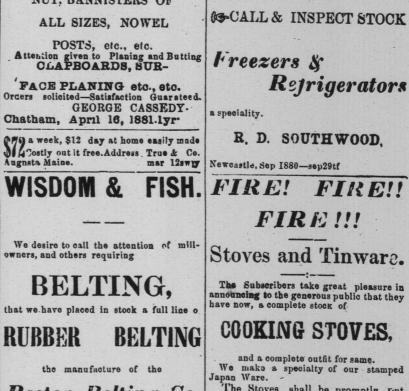


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