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How They Criticised.

heard a talking,
And very slyly tiptosing, I hid behind a tree;

And I feared if I were noticed it would break

easily repair.

There were pig. and towl, and donkey, and colts so tall and lanky,

And a goose of vast importance that was sitting in the chair:

they all had met together to discuss their hults, and whether There was any one among them they could

Rose a dack, and said, "You waldle, my

"And apropos of that, dears," squealed a pig,

"you're much too lat, dears, And your greediness in eating is ness in eating is a fact well steod."

Said a colt, so cross and grumpy, "Your

knees are big and lumpy."

' Quack, quack!" pronounced the chairman;

'' your voices are too rough." Cried a turkey, "Gobble, gobble! ere you get

Remember, self-importance in itself is fault

Then rose a lamb so fleecy. "I'm sure 'tis

pondered the dream-lesson as I sat there the grass, Confessing it is daring to assail with blam

The haults that, I am fearing, would be quick-

If we only took a peep into a moral looking.

- Clara L. Burnham, in Youth's Companion.

Grandmother Gresham's Will.

If I said that Grandmamma Gresham was a vain old woman, I suppose it would not be very reverential. But stil', she certainly did take an immense interest in her personal appearanceand that with some reason. A tall and hour in the day, and any one who had the broke out laughthe temerity to break the rule and enter
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I was a great shock or making a cheek more blooming with her little hare's foot—a curious weird face reflected on her from that glass meanwhile before which she so con-stantly practiced these rites, a handsome face when all the work was done. It was not easy for us in the flush and glory of our youth, to realize that she could not bear to acknowledge even to herself the departure of her own, and was but keeping up the sad fiction as she might. There was a full-length portrait in its old frame in the great dark hall, the likeness of a graceful, stately girl in her peach-blossom silk, and hood and scarf of black-lace, with the great loose ringlets of shadow over her round shoulder, and blowing back from her dazzling brow, with the glow eves and in the joyous smile. Someas she passed, and rested upon her cane. brightened all the gloomy place; and we none of us ever dreamed that she was thinking what a travesty and caricature of it she was now, with he patches and powders and paints, and in the velvets and India cashmeres that every night when she took them off were laid away, lest she might not rise

Amelia Gresham. But none of us had any of Grandmamma Gresham's beauty. The fact was, she was not our grandmother. We were the descendants of her first husband by his previous marriage, and she had married twice since, and if life were ong enough, might have had as many nusbends as Gudrun the Beautiful, for all we knew. She had married our grandfather when she was very young, and on his early death had married soon none knew whither, he having left them each only a souvenir and a recommendation to the young stepmother, to whom in his infatuation and passion he had bequeathed everything eise. She had siled on in her career of sunshine and shadow, losing her busbands and chileren, but, with her handsome bank ac- many-gabled, century-old house, set in now have a protector-

em again, in the big chest, for

count, never knowing trouble that gardens, with a patch of blue lake just might have touched her more nearly; below it, and the slope of a green hill and now, in her old age, she had been just behind it—a hill on whose summit

treated us with a gracious hauteur.

"Manners like ice cream," Annie used to say: "such cold sweetness." But although so distantly kind to us, all her love was for Amelia Gresham, her last husband's daughter, a pretty minx, who, in return, cared nothing at all for her, and would not live with her in the dingy rat-trap, as she called the dear old mansion house, but made her bome with relatives in a gay city, where with relatives in a gay city, where with relatives in a gay city, where the face, and at another she would be deathly white; that at last when I saw only returned for a fresh outfit of the battle of New Orleans, since time began for those days.

It was not a great while after the night when Amelia came back with the rose in her hair, that I began to notice a strange trouble in our sweet Anne's face. Her gray eyes would dilate and grow fixed in reverie, and at one time dingy rat-trap, as she called the dear old mansion house, but made her bome with relatives in a gay city, where grandmamma punctually paid her board, and only returned for a fresh outfit of the favors and fineries with which like what it meant. I might have

if one reflected on it, the property having originally been our grandfather's, had begun to think that, after all, giving originally been our grandfather's, had begun to think that, after all, giving originally been own now, and she had a right to do as she chose with her own. Moreover, I can't say, after all we had herd about her, but that we sail we had herd about her, but that we were a little pleased to see that she had. a heart, and could really love somebody.

He humbly said, "to core the faults of others as our own.

If we our evils seeking"—— But, braying, quacking, squeaking,

His enery friends quick fled away, and left the lamb alone.

But, braying, were preparing ourselves to make our own-way in life; for we each had some little aptitude, I with music, and Georgie with painting, and Anne—well, Anne wife. And I was so glad and so proud, and so sorry, too, for and so surprised and so sorry, too, for any search was to be married.

her what we might for the remembrance of us at last. We never intruded on her careful about laughing on account of her

the room with her fingers at her ears, time. when Anne, whose position as the mar-

t's like a story!"

for I sat on a low seat near her; "she's only jesting.

And grandmamma looked in the fire said nothing. then, without making any reply, but took my hand between her own; she showed her age in her hands, and always wore fine-meshed mitts to hide their requested Dr. Dinsmore shriveled backs, just as she bound her gave everything to her. throat up high with lace. But Amelia

"Oh, yes!" she cried. "Honeying round her with your pussying ways! Let me tell you she likes honesty. And you won't get a dollar of Mrs. Gresham's

ney, for all-" whoever gets it, anyway, we shall not torget that it was our grandfather's Georgie and methink she could not be money, not theirs.'

"That is so," said Grandmamma

Anne that night, "that anybody should was selling his soul's birthright for a have our own grandfather's house but ourselves." But she checked herself as liked to balk and baffle him.

Whene er you try to walk about. I say it for your good."

I knew what it meant. I might have grandmamma loaded her.

I knew what it meant. I might have might have had powder enough in his grandmamma loaded her.

It was understood, long before we understand the angry expostulation of lifetime—" But she stopped, for Dr. came to the house to live, that grand-Grandmamma Gresham with Amelia Dinsmore was speaking, and I never mamma had made her will and given all she had to Amelia Gresham, and we curred to me that any one could be so and looked in his honest eyes. hever thought of making any effort to have that disposition of things altered; how to sympathize with Anne better for although it seemed a great outrage, if one reflected on it, the property have der with her, and to let her alone; for I had been willing to play so infamous a part—" All at one the room and to let her alone; for I had been to think that a few all size in the second of the said, "on your choice of a husband who has been willing to play so infamous a part—" All at one the room and the said of the said, "on your choice of a husband who has been willing to play so infamous a part—" All at one the room was illustrated.

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Gresham to him one day, "that such a heart, and could really love somebody.

I rodded very sadly, and woke up, oh, so to Francis Evans at some time or other:

And so surprised and so sorry, too, for Anne, that I had to go to some one, and that was her aptitude apparently.

But while we were in her house we determined to do our whole duty to grandmamma, forgetting the years of neglect and oblivion, and returning to in the solemn hours when she sat before teeth. "Well, my dear," said she, "you

some shockingly rude speech on one of these occasions, and started to run from staid longer at the mansion house every

It was when Amelia was away on on ried one-or at least, you know, we felt of her short stays that grandmamma commanding figure and portly presence, her black eyes glittering in her pale face with nearly the glow of their youth, rest of us, laid lier hand timidly upon ting-room with them nearly all day; but the mansion-house, with all it conand not a silver thread yet pointing any contrast with the blackness of her hair per: "It isn't possible you are so cruel say anything about it to Amelia when there was something startling about her as if she were the apparition of a dead youth. She was never visible till a late hour in the day, and any one who had the temerity to break the rule and enter that possible you are so cruent say any thing about it to Amelia when the say any t

it was to see Amelia quickly and quietly Grandmamma was looking at Amelia. go to grandmamma's drawers and take I saw a tear suddenly start in her hard, out the jewels and laces there, carry glittering eye.

"Ah, don't mind her," I whispered, down to dinner that night with the diamonds in her ears. We were not quite stealing my hand over and taking hers, monds in her ears. We were not quite them away to her own room, and com prepared for her taking the head of the table; but she did, and of course Anne

On the day after the funeral, having assembled us all in grandmamma's sit-ting-room, she produced the will, and requested Dr. Dinsmore to read it. It

"I am very sure there is a later will than that, miss," said Rose, firmly. meant nothing, and burst out in one of Amelia dismissed her on the spot, as her rages, which grandmamma, for all Rose might have known she would; but her majesty, had rembled under before; Rose repeated firmly what she said, and ecause it is always the one that loves then Mr. Dinsmore calmly told Amelia that is at a disadvantage; the other is that she could not afford to let such a statement pass as that. But of course we could not have overhauled Amelia's trunks if we had wanted to do so, that is, without more publicity and dal than we cared to have, although, to tell the truth, on a hint from Rose, we "Let me tell you!" blazed out our had already privately looked in every gentle Anne at that, "that we don't nook and corner that we could comwant a dollar of Mrs. Gresham's money. mand, and had taken down and opened We are making ourselves ready to earn every book in the library, but to no purour own. And we think more of many pose. There had been something in other things than we do of money. And Grandmamma Gresham's manner to-

meaning to leave her altogether unbe-friended; the more, too, because she Gresham, as if the thought had never seemed to feel bitter and ashamed conoccurred to her before. But she rose cerning Amelia's conduct. I will conslowly, and grasped her cane, and went fess that I was more malicious than away to her own rooms, and we did not see her for three days, Rose waiting on that Francis Evans was only thinking her till she was ready to reappear again.
"Isn't it too bad, Francis," asked it was Anne for whom he cared, and he

Amelia came back with a rese in her hair, and even frowned down Georgie's innocent remark about its being such a dear old place.

**Medito balk and balle him.*

"A family physician;" said Amelia, with a great dignity that did not become her sort of nose, "is allowed some license, but perhaps so much will not And that it was; an elm-shaded, be taken again when it is known that I

"A protector!" said Georgie, with-

out thinking.
"Yes," she answered. "And I will

foundation. The great gun on the hill-side had burst, and at the same moment ernment. The strictest inspection as to side had burst, and at the same moment Grandmamma Gresham's swinging glass in which her own grandmother had larger than a pin-head being anficient dressed to be married, as she so many to condemn a sheet, and the employes times had told us, answered to the fear-ful-vibration, rent in cracks, like the watched. Armed guards patrol the rays of a great sun, from side to side and premises and grounds day and night, of three children. "Mostly one kind." from top to bottom, in countless splinters, and the shivered, shattered bits tumbled out upon the floor, and with them a large folded sheet of paper.

"'Out flew the web and floated wide; The mirror cracked from side to side; "The curse is come upon me," cried The Lady of Shalott,"

I exclaimed, in a sort of hysterical ex-

between the black-board and glass, you see. I knew it, for I witnessed it, though she bound me to silence." And his wife, Benedict Arnold, General Lee

tained, and with everything else, be- til recently, when Mr. Fox was placed arrested. He was a detective in the longed to Anne and Georgie.
"Under the circumstances, sir," said

Dr. Dinsmore, as he folded the paper main any longer under the roof you have

chest and the trunks, by Anne's direction, and send them after Mrs. Evans, who had walked off with the two dia-

A Cat Story.

The New York News got the following from a small boy: The cat which we had afore we got Mose was yeller, and didn't have no ears, and not eny tail, too, cos they were cut off to make it go way from where it lived, for it was so ugly, so it cum to our house. One day my mother she sed wudent my she cude git a nicer lukin one. So my father he put it in a bag, and a brick in the bag too, and threw it in the pond and went to his office, my father did. But the cat busied the bag string, and wen my father cum home it was lying under the sofa, but come out to look at

A Mere Trifle of Gold.

The Silver World, published in Denver, Col., says: A cubic inch of gold is worth \$210; cubic foot, \$362,880; a cubic yard, \$9,797,762. This is valuing it at \$18.69 an ounce. At the commencement of the Christian era there was then in the world \$427,000,000 in gold. This had diminished to \$57,000,000 at the time America was discovered. Then it began to increase. Now the amount of gold in use is estimated at \$6,000,000,000. Yet, all this, wielded into one mass, would be contained in a cube of twenty-

floating lock system proposed by Cap-tain Eads is the best plan for getting ships across the Isthmus of Darien.

General Beauregard thinks that the

The popular prejudice against proprietary remedies has long since been conquered by the marvelous success of such a remedy, as Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. Used everywhere by everybody. Price 25 cents.

TIMELY TOPICS.

In some colleges a course of "hazing" forced by public opinion to take into his house the children of her first husband, of July, and on every twenty second left orphans and nearly penniless. She of February, and on every anniversary treated us with a gracious hauteur. Of the battle of New Orleans, since

> cereals produced in the United States. The comparison is made between the crops of 1870 and 1878. The bushels of corn produced were 1,094,255,000 in 1870, and 1,388,218,750 in 1878. The bushels of wheat were 235,884,700 in 1870, and 420,112,406 in 1878. The bushels of oats were 247,277,400 in 1870, and 413,578,560 in 1878. The bushels of potatoes were 114,775,000 in 1870, and

At the paper mills of Crane Brothers, Coltsville, Mass., large quantities of quality is observed, a spot or speck no ment. - Waterloo Observer. and no approach to them is permitted.

Twenty-four women were sent from the treasury department as counters and examiners, and each are able to count

Buffalo Bills' be t. It's full of mur-30,000 sheets daily. These precautions ders and pictures about murders. are necessary to prevent duplication of "And how do you feel after reading are necessary to prevent duplication of sheets for dishonest purposes.

in the solemn hours when she sat before her glass if we could avoid it, except once, that I remember; we always spoke kindly of Amelia Gresham, and treated her like a princess on her rare and brief visits.

The only time that we varied our manners toward Amelia was when she once that I remember; we always spoke kindly of Amelia Gresham, and treated her like a princess on her rare and brief visits.

Amelia seemed to find it a great deal madam's last will," she said, "It is madam's last will, while the suit was built for Robert Morris, the financier of the revolution, during the early years of that war. While it was his property it will have a microstic point in the company for \$5,000 and it is directly to though more than 100 years old, is in excellent clumsy, heavy sleigh, and although clumsy, heavy sleigh, and al W. L. Fox, a wealthy oil producer she gave the paper to Dr. Dinsmore.

It was very brief. But when it was read, it was found that out of the greatly diminished estate Ameiis had an annumistration overtook the financier; and be gained by a lawsuit. The wooer instruction of the greatly diminished estate Ameiis had an annumistration overtook the financier; and be gained by a lawsuit. The wooer instruction of the greatly diminished estate Ameiis had an annumistration overtook the financier; and be gained by a lawsuit. The wooer instruction of the greatly diminished estate Ameiis had an annumistration overtook the financier; and be gained by a lawsuit. The wooer instruction of the greatly of the gained by a lawsuit. essession of it and its history.

> General Daniel Ruggles, of Virginia, at the request of the senate committee on agriculture, appeared before them in explode them either by time fuses or by magneto-electricity, through light metal wires connecting the balloon with the of many years of study and investiga-tion of this subject, claims that the different mists passing over arid regions, or localities suffering from unusual drought, may readily be consolidated into rainfalls by concussions and vibrations thus artificially produced.

The Legend of the Winter Palace. Referring to the attempt made upon the life of the Russian Emperor by

blowing up the Winter Palace at St Petersburg, a New York paper says: This is the second time that the fan palace has been the scene of a projected murder, in singular confirmation of the gloomy legend which clings to it. nelia's b, that a long wile, and bime by my father sed scansgli, to ose, we Thisn' is a site uglier than the other!"

Alter the tast Count Kleinmichel, then the space—a rather low, Greek forehead control of sain and the space—a rather low, Greek forehead control of sain hair. If the glossy corone could be improved by waves or bangs. After the destruction of the building by fire in 1839, Count Kleinmichel, then prime minister, sought to gratify the space—a rather low, Greek forehead of the laborers were killed or crippled during its progress, while many more were permanently injured by the stifling fumes of the fresh paint. It is said that Clad in rich, ruby satin and silk co the mother of one of the victims imprecated a solemn curse upon the palace, saying that "as the Romanoffs had made it fatal to their people, so their people should make it fatal to them." as costly and showy as any worn by the state of th This malediction, whether authentic or not, has, indeed, been amply fuifilled. The illomened building witnessed the disgrace and expulsion of Kleinmichel himself only a few years later. It saw Nicholas die of a broken heart (by his own hand, as some say), in one of the small rooms of the wing facing the Neva. It was the scene of an attempted assassination of the czar in 1870, and it has now witnessed another and a dead-

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Coffee palaces are in favor as a sub

The man who sells oil-wells is in the ole-sale business.—Salem Sunbca Wyoming has another petrified man. It is not necessary to say that he is stone

The labor of a yoke of oxen is the re-

sult of neats foot toil .- Marathon Inc A wise man never puts the hot end

of a cigar in his mouth more than one Huckensack Republican. A Leadville woman who attempted

to drive a pet cat from under a bed with a broom had her face frightfully scratched and one eye put out by the en raged animal.

"We stand at life's west windows," and think of the days that are gone; "while the grocer's boy licks the molasses, and a pair of goats butt on the lawn. New York News.

The North Georgia Citizen says that 124,226,650 in 1878. The tons of hay were 'lath is on the rise.' On the rise, is 24,525,000 in 1870, and 37,608,296 in 1878. it? Well, it's either on the rise or fall most of the time. The only pecularity is the rapidity of its movements. Th precision with which it rises and falls is marvelous. Ask the small boy i his experience doesen't verify this state-

"What do you read?" said Mr. James boy-fiend, Jesse Pomeroy. convicted among other atrocities, of the murder it?" "Oh. I feel as if I wanted to go and do the same!

John Nevins was a fireman on the company's employ.

The White House and Mrs. Hayes.

It is an historic fact that the White is covered with carpeting so thick that the tramp of a regiment would be noisele as phantom wings. Ebony furnitur with the richest satin upholstering; can delabra that reach from floor to mante holding waxen candles all ready to light pictures on the walls, huge baskets of flowers, with decorated pots of greener scattered everywhere. In a row, lik schoolgirls in a class, stood the wive and daughters of the cabinet officials with Mrs. President Hayes at the head That it was strictly "official" wa proved by the order observed in their positions. Just as the departments ar ranked the women stood. State, there Mrs. Hayes may safely be called

"handsome woman," and there will be none found brave enough to dispute the palm. A brunette of the purest type with large, brilliant eyes that conve but the dark, rich brunette complexion forbids this modern fashion, and Mrs Hayes is an artist in one or more ways celebrated beauties who flourished the cabinet during the Grant reign Mrs. Hayes has invented a way to shake hands which ought to be known to th official world, as it saves this useful member from crushing annihilation will permit you to go; one vigoro squeeze and the torment is over. this is done on the same principle of John Parke, a Vermont man, has collision at sea. It is the vessel that twenty-one children. Though not rich in lands, he has many ltttle Parkes.