

wondrous beauty should be done away with, but isn't it much pleasanter to think of its being done away with in all the freshness of its beauty, so that the memory of it shall always be a thing of beauty and a joy forever, than to let it drop into ruin and decay, when an effort would be required to recall its former pristine loveliness.

J. L. F.

A QUICK RECOVERY.

The doctor of an hospital ship complained to a visitor of a lazy colored man whom he could do nothing with. "We don't like to throw the rascal out, but it is easily seen he is only shamming. He finds, no doubt, his present quarters too pleasant—no work, and plenty to eat. I wish I could get clear of the fellow without a disturbance."

"Well, doctor," said the visitor, after a little reflection, "lend me a few yards of string, and that nigger will be miles away before night."

"You don't mean to strangle him, I hope?"

"Oh, no," replied the visitor; "I promise to do no injury to him."

He got the twine, and putting on a melancholy air he went to the darkie's berth.

"Very bad!" he said.

"Yes, massa," replied Sambo; "dreadful sick."

The visitor made no further remark, but placed one end of the twine at his head, and drew it slowly—very slowly—until it reached his toes. Then he measured him across his chest. The fellow looked the picture of astonishment and terror, and gasped:

"What dis for?"

The visitor never answered him, but was walking away, when Sambo sat bolt upright and called after him, imploring an explanation. The visitor pretended to relent, and whispered:

"My poor fellow, the doctor knows you are not going to recover; and it is only an expense keeping you here without any chance of doing you good. I have been taking your measure"—here he lowered his voice still more—"for a coffin. We'll bury you with honors to-morrow; it's the custom here in a case like yours. 'Tis better for all hands, you know."

No one knew how or when that nigger got clear of the hospital ship, but there was no trace of him in the morning.

INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

BUSINESS RUSHING.—Messrs. Rhodes, Curry & Co. have a contract from the Commercial Cable Co. for the erection of a large building at Halifax. Eleven new I. C. R. box cars built by this firm were forwarded to Moncton last week.

LIME STONE IN COLCHESTER.—The average output of limestone from the Lennox lime quarry at Graham's siding on the I. C. R. has been 120 carloads of 13 tons each per month. This is sent to the Acadia iron mines. A force of about 18 men has been employed. At present the quarry is closed for a few weeks.

THE FAMOUS EDDY COMPANY.—THE CRITIC's thanks are due the E. B. Eddy Co., of Hull, Canada, for copy of book of illustrations of Canada's capital city. This collection of illustrations is beautifully gotten up, and contains views of Chaudiere and Rideau falls, of several of the magnificent public buildings, educational institutions and private residences of Ottawa, of the Dominion Experimental farm, several glimpses of charming scenery, and last, but not least, views of various portions of the Eddy Company's works. This enterprising firm of manufacturers deserve great credit for the progressive spirit displayed in their efforts to keep up with the times, and have met with gratifying success. As previously noted in THE CRITIC, the E. B. Eddy Co. made a magnificent display among Canada's exhibits at the World's Fair. The indurated fibre ware was of special interest, including a wide line of pails, washtubs, keelors, pans, basins, barrel covers, etc., of which the Eddy Company are the sole manufacturers in Canada. These goods are practically indestructible, lasting six times longer than ordinary woodenware; are light in weight, and are easily kept sweet and clean. It is no wonder they are in great demand in homes, on farms and in factories. The exhibit of their goods also included all kinds of woodenware, zinc washboards, steel wire-banded pails and tubs, and similar goods. The use of pulp in so many practical directions has opened up a most important commercial line, and the enterprise and capabilities of the Eddy Company are further shown in the invention and manufacture of special machinery for the purpose. The Eddy matches have become famous, as has also the paper of all grades supplied by this company. Their mills, warehouses and factories occupy several hundred acres, including a trio of great paper mills, match factories, one fibre and two pulp mills, washboard, pail, tub and box factories, warehouses, offices, etc.

Mr. N. N. Bently has sold his saw mill and timber lands at Five Islands to the Shulee Lumber Co.

ON A LARGE SCALE.—The large pulp mill which is being erected at New Germany, Lunenburg Co., will be lighted throughout by electricity and equipped with the latest and best machinery; costing, when completed, about \$20,000.

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