

AND OLD MAIDS SOLILOQUY.

BY LIBBIE JONES. I'm feeling rather blue to-night, My lamp goes out a feeble light; My heart is weary and my eyes are dim, And I dream of "Auld Lang Syne" And all the past—'I'm thirty-nine, An old maid—nothing more.

THE NORTH CAROLINA OUTLAW.—How HENRY BERRY LOWRY AMUSES HIMSELF.—The Wilmington Star learns from one who has lately been visiting different portions of Robeson county that Henry Berry Lowry has recently been playing some practical jokes upon the soldiers and militia who are in the field against him and his gang. It is said that the United States troops have their camp near what is known as Pleasant Prospect Church, and that about a mile from there resides an old woman who sells "tangle-leg" whiskey who has been receiving frequent visits from the "boys in blue." Report has it that on Wednesday last six of the soldiers were proceeding to execute one of the "strategic movements" alluded to, walking leisurely along the path, without arms, when a man suddenly sprang from the bushes, armed to the teeth, and confronted them, startling them with the information that he was the redoubtable Henry Berry Lowry. He told them that they were fools if they came to Robeson County with the expectation of killing or capturing him, for it would never be done. He had lately received a message from the Lord that he had twelve years yet to live, and further informed the astonished "men of Mars" that he had singled out some of their comrades upon whom he intended to wreak his vengeance. Being unarmed, the soldiers seized the first opportunity to make a backward movement in the direction of their camp, willing to forego the luxury of indulging in their favorite beverage rather than provoke the wrath of the living outlaw.

Each year seems shorter than the last, Each day and night flies swiftly past— The same thing o'er and o'er; Not as the time goes racing by, The thought comes o'er me, What, an old maid—nothing more.

Writing for Newspapers.—Some people estimate the ability of a newspaper and the talent of its editor by the quantity of original matter which it contains. The Literary "Journal" pathfully says: "It is comparatively an easy task for a frothy writer to pour out daily columns of words—words upon any and all subjects. His ideas may flow in 'one weak, washy, everlasting food,' and his command of language may enable him to string them together like bunches of onions, and yet his paper may be a meager and poor concern. Indeed, the mere writing part of editing a paper is but a small portion of the work. The care, the time employed in selecting is far more important, and the tact of a good editor is better shown by his selections than anything else; and that we all know is half the battle. But as we have said an editor ought to be estimated and his labors understood and appreciated by the general course of his paper—its tone—its temper—its uniform, consistent course—its aims—its manliness—its propriety. To preserve these as they should be preserved is enough to occupy fully the time and attention of any man. If to this be added the general supervision of the newspaper establishment, which most editors have to encounter, the wonder is how they find time to write at all.

Conversations about Health. BY A DOCTOR. Much valuable information on all practical subjects is obtained by "gleaning" in other words, by picking up and collating the thousands of useful scraps of conversation and observation. I propose to give the readers of Home and Health one of these useful scraps. A few days ago I was walking along one of the crowded streets of New York City in company with Mr. S. W. Davis, now and for several years past an employe in the bindery of the Methodist Book Concern in that city, formerly a well known book merchant in Cincinnati. It was at an early morning hour, but not too early for the opening of the liquor stores which were everywhere in view. Presently a well dressed man of over fifty reeled by us in a state of thorough intoxication. "That man has had his drinks very

early," I said. "Truly," said Mr. Davis, "and I have also had mine." "Sure!" "For more than half a century I have taken a drink the first thing every morning to steady my nerves." Not believing that he was a drinker of intoxicating liquors, I asked, "Do you mean that you drink tea the first thing every morning?" "I mean," he responded, "that I drink the first thing after rising each morning a full pint of pure water." "Mr. Davis, allow me to inquire your age?" "I am a little over seventy-eight." "Indeed! You do not look to be over fifty-five! Tell me something of the modes of life by which you have retained such apparent youthful manhood in your advanced age?" "The story is soon told. I have studied nature, and have practiced some of the useful lessons which she has taught me."

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thousand dollars for every sitting of three or four hours. The Washington Patriot says that the existing and proposed debt and expenditures created under the late corporation and the present Territorial Government will reach fourteen millions dollars, equal to one-fourth of the whole property of the District upon the assessment of last year. The reckless manner in which this Legislature has squandered the money of the citizens will be fully appreciated when it is considered that, while the Territory comprises only the small city of Georgetown and the much smaller city of Georgetown, with a little thinly settled ground near by, the public debt has been in three months of Territorial rule increased over ten millions of dollars. It is perhaps unnecessary to say that the leading officials of the new Territory are unanimous in the belief that Gen. Grant will and should receive the Republican nomination for the Presidency in 1872.—N. Y. Sun.

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