BY J. K. HOLMES.

Why don't you take the paper, Brown? I'm sure it is a shame That we can't get the news from town, Before its old and tame ;

There's Deacon Jones across the way, Who gets one every week. Aud he can beat you, they all say, When called upon to speak.

The reason, sir, is plain you know, For when he reads it through, His words like milk and honey flow, And all he tells is new ; So he is taken by the hand,

For what he can impart, While old and young around him stand, And say the Deacon's smart. Oh, is it not a shame, I say,

To hug your purse so tight, When a mere bit of yellow clay, Would set the matter right ? What good is gold, now can you tell, To any of our kind. Unless it keeps the body well,

And benefits the mind ? Why don't you take the paper Brown ! I'm sure it is a shame That we can't get the news from town,

Now let us quit this simple way, And take a worthy start, And ere a year our friends will say, The Browns are getting smart.

Before its old and tame;

Paradise.

AN ORIENTAL PARADISE. A Persian's heaven is easily made, Tis but black eyes and lemonade. Boston Transcript

A CELESTIAL PARADISE. A Chinese heaven of course would be, A heap of fat and a cup of tea. Lynn News.

AN ENGLISH PARADISE. An Englishman's heaven would be in chief. A rosy cheek and a roast of beef.

A YANKEE PARADISE. A Yankee heaven is a different life-A soft pine board and a sharp jack-knife. Sunday News.

A YANKEE PARADISE. A Yankee heaven we are told, Is a pumpkin pie and a bag of gold. Wisconsin Standard.

A BEVERLY PARADISE. A paradise in Beverly means, A junk of pork and a pot of beans. Warsaw Courier.

A TAUNTON PARADISE. Tha Taunton boys think heaven's begun, As soon as herring and alewives run. Camoa Chief.

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A PRINTER DEVIL'S PARADISE. Our Devil says his paradise, Is circuses and chicken pies. Lancaster Ledger.

## Wit and Bumur.

PUNCH says he once saw a father known ... boy down, and he thought it the most striking picture of son down he ever be-

A drunken fellow recovering from a dangerous illness was asked whether he had not been afraid or meeting his God.
"No," said he, "I was only afraid of tother

An old sailor at the theatre, said he supposed that dancing girls were their dresses half mast as a mark of respect to depar-

Lord Cadsby, over the enterance to a beautiful grotto, had caused this inscription —"let nothing enter here but what is good."
Dr. Raenel, the master of the temple who was walking over the ground, with much point asked, "Then where does your lord-

An editor says ladies wear corsets from a feeling of instinct, having a natural love for being squeezed.

If a spoonful of yeast will raise fifty cents worth of flour, how much will it take to raise funds enough to buy a barrel !

" A sigh will oft from memory apri-as the toper said to his empty gin but

Communications.

FOR THE LEDGER. LEAFLETS OF MEMORY.

> NO. 1-BY LURA LERNE. CONTINUED.

" Dissimulation I practice but seldom ; it was sincerity, Nannie, if he had refused me I verily believe a spirit of rebellion would have possessed me, and I doubt if I'd be present when roll was called." "I'd marshall a sufficient force, go in quest

of bring you and have you cashiered as a deserter. " Out upon you, Nannie, I will imagine some petty Lieutenant or captain is address-

"You made no objections to my assum ing the word furlough-besides, you are such an admirer of the military, that I tho't the style would please you."

" Right, Nannie, right, I am in truth an ardent admirer of gilt buttons, eppauletts, plumes and war steeds; ah ! if-"

"If you were a soldier, Janez, you would seek reputation at the cancon's mouth,' you would be a chivalrous son of Carolina." "Assuredly I would, but you did not an-

ticipate me; I was going to add, I would have liked to have lived in the days of chivalry."

"Doubtless you would, Janez, but had that been the case, you would not have been a daughter of South Carolina."

"I do not demur in the least," exclaimed Janez, her'eyes kindling with patriotic emotion, " for beyond the shadow of a doubt, Carolina is the most gallant and chivalrous State in the Union."

"I will not say aught against her patriotism," replied Nannie, proudly, " since I too claim to be a daughter of her honored soil. you would kindle with indignation were I to say one word derogatory of her fame, be but patient, Janez, you will hear your favorite theme discussed to-morrow. Why really I have heard you harp upon the merits of your State until it is hacknied, nay even trite."

" Never! never! " cried Junez warmly; and, at this critical juncture, when tis thought she will secede from the Union ! retract what you have said, or I will doubt-"

" Enough, enough, I capitulate uncouditionally, come let us retreat to quarters and await the coming of to-morrow."

"Yes, to-morrow, that detestable to-morrow, a thing always expected but never comes."

The College by this time was descried the girls had wended their ways to various boarding houses. We will accompany Nannie and her fair companion, whom we find sented up stairs in the extreme end of a long piazza. They seemed to be expecting the presence of another, nor had they long to wait. Presently a light step bounded from a long passage; the form was one in which were blended grace and dignity. The contour of her face was exquisitely beautiful, her countenance was illumined by smiles which chased around ruby lips, and upon the whole, hers was a face and mein, and upon intimate acquaintance, a disposition which could not fail to please both youth and age. She came forth exclaiming—" Girls, I have heard the joyful news that the handsome Col. II. will be in company to-morrow, I will play truant without permission, as I wish to hear from the sighing pines of my own native home. And Janez, your worthy and inestimable friend, Gen. - is here also, tomorrow will be an oasis in the desert, will it not ?"

will, Lizzie, tis those alone can feel the joyful emotion, when meeting a familiar face, during an absence from our family circle "

"I must have your sympathies, girls," ex-claimed Nannie, her blue eyes glistening with a tear,-" there will not be any present of the strangers that will say aught of my home-

I will not think cheerfulness is contagious if you do not look brighter, you do not require compassion, your home does not number so many leagues, and tis not long since you enjoyed the society of your friends," remarked Lizzie, with little show of pity, "dry your crystal shrines, and listen to your friend Janez, ask Professor J- to excuse you from Algebra in the afternoon, as two of your friends wish you particularly to join them at that time."

"Try at least I will," said she, her face resuming its light, but saddening in a moment again, " Professor J is so harsh and so tyranical, and dietational, that I approach him with a feeling of awe; however, shall summon courage to ask him, either to refuse or grant my request. I must now leave you and sook the silent companionship of books, as recitations must be prepared .-Janez, come, let us repair to our room, you look so pleasing that I fancy you have seen a certain dark-eyed Hafed again, that called not long since"

" Fie ! fie on you Liz, how cruel in you to accuse me, when you know all school girls should be 'fancy free.'"

"Ah! yes, Janez, I am aware they should be so, but that's not vindicating them from doubt of their being so."

"You are not altogether in 'Maiden's medtations,' Mr. E- passed by this morning, Lizzie, he looked very wistful at the parlor door, I thought once he would have reached forth his hand and give a pull, but another thought seemed to tell him to forbear. Tis most shocking for you, a school girl to have overs, whoever heard of the like, cease your silly railery or I will let the Col. in the se-

" Twas an idle jest, our hearts are free as the mountain air we inhale; but with Janez, those glances from Hafed I fear have done

"You are not so penetrative as you imag ne, I am bored with your nonsense, I will leave you to commune with your terrestrial upirit, E, whilst I stroll in the garden, and have an 'hour of holy musing.' She left the room, while Lizzie cried after her-

ah ! yes to muse-"it was lost on the breeze. When they met again the subject was no more recurred to, each waiting the dawn of the morrow, when their anticipations would be met, surpassed or disappointed.

CHAPTER II.

For fear of being considered too prolix we will not enter the parlor when their friends called ; suffice it to say, that many a day subsequent, their faces wore smiles that might have won an echo from despair. If Nannie was weary of hearing the merits of her state expiated on, she certainly was of hearing that of her officers.

The three were somewhat impatient and solicitous to see his Excellency and remaining officers. Nan had obtained a short respite from study-they had concocted a plan of espoinage, during the hours the banque would be served by their good host, and all seemed determined to hear the various toasts. They secreted themselves in a room adjoining the spaicous dining hall, a suitable retreat to drink in sweet melody of music, ombined with eloquence that was sweeter tar than that which proceeded from the instruments in the passage.

The hour finally arrived when the sense of seeing and hearing would be exercised. The guests were ushered in and seated at the sumptuous fare, when quizzing was com-

menced by Lizzie getting a glimpse of his excellency, and exclaiming: "all nature night stand up and cry, this is a man." "Yes, methinks," replied Janez, " if I were entering the portals of Heaven, that voice

would lure me back to earth again." " Nonsense, nonsense, girls, who ever neard such extravagance; curb your enthusiastic spirits,."

Music drowned all further colloquy for the moment, and each were feasting their eves on what it would not be difficult to conjecture. After a while-a long, long while, the time approached, when the ears would be regaled with that vocal music which Janez contended with Nannie, that surpassed all jens, pipes or stringed instruments that had been made from the time of

(Concluded next week.)

## Agricultural.

Garden Manure applied in Fall and Winter.

Frequent complaints are made by those who are limited in their gardening operations, that whatever manures they do apply to the gardens, burn up their crops when the heat cf summer comes on. We have felt this inconvenience too, and in ooking around to find a remedy, have ome to the conclusion that whenever a garden requires active stimulating manures, they should be applied in the fall or winter, and in this way rank stable manures may be applied, and spaded or plowed under immediately. It will have become by spring the proper food for plants, and as all manures leeched upwards, the surface soil will be in a fine condition for the growth of vegetables; if the manure s applied at planting time, especially the crude manures generally applied here, just as vegetables are most required, they spring should be well retted, or of a cooling nature. There are many families that annually waste a barrel or two of leeched ashes, when had it been appled to the garden patch, they would have had "early Yorks" as well as their neighbors.

The soap suds from the wash is a man are that may be applied with safety and with profit in the spring, and yet how few ever use them except to enrich the earth around their kitchens, and make oathsome mud holes, when flowers, luscious fruits and mammoth vegetables, night have been made by them. We do not yet properly appreciate the importance of a garden. The bearing it has upon the happiness and health of a family is plainly perceptible whenever we find a well conducted garden; how highly important, then, we should understand the proper food of plants. He would certainly be a mad physician who would give his fevered patients stimulants to raise the fever higher and higher, until vitality was conumed. Our garden soil can scarcely be too rich, but it must be richness retentive of moisture, and not as would be the case if stable manure was applied in the spring, be a richness which burned every thing in contact with it. Ho, then for your wagons and wheelbarrows; load them up, and cover your gardens quickly; plow them up, turn the manure under, and when the early seed time comes you need

not fear but a harvest will follow. Brown Spruce Beer .- Pour eight galons of water into a barrel, and then eight gallons more boiling hot: add twelve pounds of Molasses, and half a pound of ssence of spruce; and when nearly cool, put in half a pint of good ale yeast. This must be well stirred and well mixed, and eave the bung out two or three days; after which the liquor may be immediately bottled, well corked and tied, and packed in sawdust or sand, when it will be ripe and fit to drink in a fortnight.

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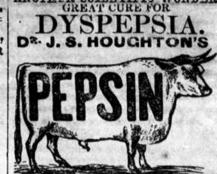
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