

POETRY.

[From Richard's Weekly Gazette.] TO J*****.

'Tis out of fashion, now, I'm told, to marry without plunder, And folks that haven't got the dimes, their loves are rent asunder;

HOME—A SONNET.

Forgetfulness—and can it steal, Insensibly, its gliding way Upon my soul! The love I feel For home-scenes, where I loved to stray,

MISCELLANEOUS.

HOW TO OBTAIN SUBSCRIBERS.

A CANVASSING SKETCH. In the year '36, we published a semi-weekly literary journal in the city of Detroit, and at the commencement of our career 'out there' we employed a local travelling agent—one John D—, a fellow of infinite tact in his business, and ordinarily one of the merriest, happiest, best natured bipeds we ever yet met with.

John was a large, powerful man, standing six feet three in his socks—and he feared nothing, in the performance of his duty; at times when a resort to the 'tricks of his trade' was necessary, he was ever 'at home,' and his mimicry, smiling countenance, and capital address, always made him scores of friends, almost at first sight.

'You call that a paper?' exclaimed a rough, big-fisted fellow, derisively, one morning in a coffee house where John was canvassing.

'Well, I do,' said John, quietly. 'O, hit out!' responded the bully. 'And you must subscribe, too—come!' 'Not's you knows on,' continued the other, sneeringly. 'It's a humbug!' 'What's a humbug?' 'That paper o' yours.'

'Come, now, my fine fellow, that won't do,' added our agent, not a little piqued. He always stood straight up for the paper. 'That kind o' talk ain't just the thing, my friend,' continued John, for there were several persons present.

'I say it's a hum,' persisted the fellow, 'an' you're another.' As the stranger got off this last remark he approached the canvasser instantly, and offered some unmistakable demonstrations of a belligerent character.

John measured his customer a moment as he advanced, and drawing back, he very coolly knocked the insolent fellow down. Then grasping the rowdy by the throat— 'Is my paper humbug?' asked John. 'Yes—cuss your picture!' 'It is, eh?' continued the agent, bringing the fellow a rap on the side of the scoundrel, which astonished him immensely. 'It is—is it?' and again he cuff'd him vigorously—and then again and again, until the bully began to believe he had commenced operations upon the wrong individual.

'Is my paper a hum?' 'N—n—no!' shrieked the fellow at last. 'What kind of a paper is it?' 'I dun' no—'

'Yes you do,' said John, raising his huge mawler over the other's head, in a threatening attitude, and grinning a ghastly smile—'yes you do.'

'Wal, le' me up,' said the victim. 'I'll let you up, when you answer me.' 'I tell you! dun' no.'

'I say you do,' responded John, and again he raised that fearful fist, and showed his glistening teeth.

'Y—ye—yes!' shouted the sufferer. 'What kind of a paper is it, then. Tell me, or I'll smash every bone in your ugly skin.'

'It's a—' 'It's a—'

'Queik!

'It's a goo—good—fuss rate one.— Now, le' me up!' 'Not till you subscribe, old fellow.' 'I won't!'

'You won't?' exclaimed John, looking daggers at the prostrate hero, while he grated his teeth like a mad catamount—and thrashed him violently upon the floor once more.

'I will!' 'For a year?' asked the agent. 'No.'

'What then?' 'Six—six months.' 'That'll be two dollars,' said John; 'fork over the tin, there's no trust in this trade.'

'Let me up, I say.' 'Not 'till you have paid your subscription.'

'Wal, git off 'er me!' 'There,' said John—who was naturally very accommodating—and at the same moment he turned so that his 'subscriber' could get his hand into his pocket. The latter actually drew forth his purse, counted out two dollars in silver, and the agent released him!

John took his address, wrote a receipt, and then invited his new made friend to take a drink. The other, nothing loth, joined him at once, for fear of giving further offence.

Then, getting up his specimen papers and other fixins, our canvasser turned towards his new subscriber, and with a bland smile of good nature, remarked— 'I think you'll like my paper, friend.'

'Yes—yes,' responded the other. 'It's a capital paper.'

'Yes,' said the subscriber. 'And you'll recommend it to your friends!'

'Yes,' added the victim. 'It's a good paper.'

'Yes—'

'I may say, a very good paper.'

'Yes—'

'Good day, sir.'

'Yes,' continued the patron abstractedly, as the canvasser departed; 'but if you ain't one o' the agents we read about, then I hain't no judge o' beeswax!' and rubbing the side of his crown—which had been but slightly damaged, as it happened, in the melee—he disappeared, resolved never again to interfere with the 'power o' the press.'—Spirit of the Times.

LUSUS NATURÆ.—We have to record a lusus nature of which in modern times the Sicilian twins, Ritta and Christian, and the Siamese brothers, were the most memorable instances.

At Eerneghem, a village three leagues from the town of Bruges, formerly near the central point between Bruges, Thourout and Ostend, were born, on the 28th ult., two children of the female sex compactly united to each other. The two bodies join at the sides, the ligature beginning a little below the right breast of one and the left breast of the other, and continuing as far as the navel; so that the children do not look each other in the face, but are turned one towards the other in an oblique position. Their heads, arms, thighs and legs are perfectly free, and they have the perfect use of all limbs; and their position is such as to permit their mother to nurse both at the same time without difficulty.

The curate of the parish baptized them the day of their birth in the names of Marie and Sophie. The parents are poor servants, working and residing on a small farm held by an old bachelor. The husband's name is Tange; his wife, aged about thirty-eight years, has four children.—Brussels Herald.

SINGULAR AFFAIR.—A few weeks since a father and son, living in Ross county, by the name of Christy, both of whom were addicted to intemperance, quarrelled, and the son beat the father. The father then ordered the son to leave the premises, threatening, if he returned, to kill him. The son did return, and the father, true to his word for once, shot him dead in his tracks.

The citizens being afraid to arrest him after the commission of the horrid deed, he left, and went into Clinton county, where he ran at large for two or three weeks, until his daughter, who had witnessed the tragedy, learning his whereabouts followed him into Clinton, went before a magistrate, made oath to the facts, and had her father arrested. At last accounts, he was lying in the Clinton jail, awaiting the arrival of the sheriff from Ross. This case is certainly without a parallel—a father beaten by his son, a son shot by his father, and the father arrested upon the affidavit of his daughter.—Columbus (O.) Statesman.

JAW IN FRANCE.—Mr. Kendall, of the Picayune describes the proceedings of the French courts of justice as laughable, if not ludicrous. He says that the French understand but little of the trial by jury, and there is an utter want of that dignity which obtains in all such courts in England and America.

The prisoners, to use his own expression, jaw the judges, and the witnesses take part in the arguments, and for a space he found it difficult to ascertain who were the accused and who were the accusers.

A SHORT SIGHTED STAR GAZER.—On the day of an eclipse, when the inhabitants of Paris were without doors, provided with telescopes and pieces of smoked glass, an Englishman was seen driving furiously in a fiacre along one of the principal streets.

'Where does my lord wish to go?' said the driver.

'To see the eclipse!' exclaimed the Englishman, thrusting his head out of the coach window; 'only drive up as near as possible, for I am short sighted.'

CENSUS OF CHARLESTON.—We are indebted to C. W. Simons, Esq., census taker for St. Phillip's and St. Michael's, for a statement of the white population in these Parishes. It is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Location, Population. In the city, 13,958. In the neck, 4,866. Total, 18,824.

By the census taken under the direction of our municipal authorities a few months since, the white population of the city was 14,187; making a difference of 229, which can be readily accounted for by the number of absentees usual at this season of the year.—Mercury.

CUCUMBERS.—When a cucumber is taken from the vine, let it be cut off with a knife, leaving about an eighth of an inch of the cucumber remaining to the stem upon which it grew, then slit the stem with a knife from its end to the vine, leaving a particle of the cucumber to each division, and as many slits or divisions as are made in it, there will be new cucumbers, as large and as fine as those that grow in the natural way.—Agriculturist.

Strange as the above may seem, a person assures us he has repeatedly succeeded in the experiment; but the second growth will not be as fair or as large as the first.—New Haven Register.

CAUTION.—Never enter a sick room in a state of perspiration, as the moment you become cool your pores absorb. Do not approach contagious diseases with an empty stomach, nor sit between the sick and the fire, because the heat attracts the thin vapor.

A Startling Resurrection.—The N. Y. Mirror relates the following instance of a woman prematurely hurried to the grave some time since under the impression that she had died of cholera, and rescued by her husband. Who can tell how many have thus been buried alive and left to die without a discovery of the revolting fact?

A poor man, residing in the upper part of the city, left home at the usual hour some days since, to perform his daily labor; and on returning in the afternoon, found that his wife had been seized with cholera during the forenoon and conveyed to the hospital in 13th street. He immediately went there, and as he entered the place, six coffins were carried out to be conveyed to Potter's Field. The poor fellow proceeded to the room and enquired for his wife, when he was informed that she was dead, and that one of the coffins he had passed contained her body, but which of them they could not tell, as no marks are placed upon them to distinguish one from the other. The man, in an agony of grief, started in pursuit of the conveyance, and accompanied it to Potter's Field, when he picked so hard so be permitted to look once more upon the face of his wife that permission was given, and the coffins were opened. When the body of the woman was exposed, he seized it frantically in his arms and embraced it fondly to his bosom. For a moment he fancied he felt the beating of her heart, and seizing her wrist, he exclaimed, "My God, she lives!" At that moment the woman opened her eyes and recognized her husband; she was conveyed home, and is now quite recovered. If this be true—and our informant affirms that it is—what a frightful reflection it conjures up, that perhaps others, bearing only the semblance of death, have been prematurely hurried to the grave.

[We see it stated in one of our exchange papers, that the physician of the hospital where the above thrilling occurrence is said to have taken place, positively contradicts it. If untrue, the publication of the statement is almost inexcusable.]—Char. Courier.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA. PICKENS DISTRICT. In Equity.

Jane Barton & P. Alexander, Adm'x. & Admr. vs. John Ladd and Wiley Reaves and Heirs at Law of B. Barton, dec'd.

Bill for Relief. It appearing to my satisfaction that Benj. F. Barton and Jobb Lewis and Wife, Phalby, Defendants to this Bill of Complaint, reside from and without the limits of this State.

On motion of Whitner & Harrison, Comp. Sol's., It is ordered, that they do plead, answer or demur to the allegations in said Bill, within three months from the date hereof, or their consent to the same will be taken pro confesso.

MILES M. NORTON, C. E. P. D. Com's Office, Pickens C. H., S. C. June 9th, 1849.

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THOS. McLELLIN. June 30, 1849.

For Sale. A pair of FRENCH BURR MILL-STONES, measuring 3 feet 10 inches ches in diameter and 11 inches in depth. The above may be seen at the Grist-mill on the Estate of the late Col. John E. Colhoun. June 30, 1849.

ESTRAY. John Lukeroy, two miles East of Cherry's Bridge, toils before me a Bay Mare, 16 or 17 hands high, and supposed to be 19 or 20 years old, dim star in forehead, no brands perceivable, collar marked, right eye out. Appraised at fifteen dollars. J. B. E. CARADINE, M. P. D. Pickens Dist., July 6th, 1849.

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HEAD QUARTERS, 1st DIVISION, S. C. M. EDGEFIELD C. H., April 30, '49. CAPT. W. B. IOCR, having been appointed and commissioned Aid-de-Camp to Maj. Gen. Bonham, with the rank of Major, will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

By order of Maj. Gen. BONHAM, W. S. GRISHAM, Aid-de-Camp. June 9 4-3w.

SOUTH CAROLINA. PICKENS DISTRICT.

Hannah Clayton, Applicant. vs. Charles Allen and Wife, Sarah A. Allen, James Young and Wife, Mary Elizabeth Young, John Thos. Clayton, Robert C. Clayton, Stephen G. Clayton, Margaret Clayton, Jesse M. Clayton, Defendants.

For the sale of the Real Estate of John Clayton, deceased, not disposed of by Will. And it appearing that John Thomas Clayton resides without the limits of this State: it is therefore ordered, that he do appear within three months from the date hereof, or his consent to said sale will be taken as confessed.

W. D. STEELE, O. P. D. Ordinary's Office, June 1st, 1849. 3-m3

SOUTH CAROLINA. IN THE COMMON PLEAS PICKENS DISTRICT.

Henry Whitmire, Dec. in Attachment vs. E. M. Keith, Piff's Att'y. John Bishop. The Plaintiff having this day filed his declaration in my office, and the defendant having neither wife nor attorney known to be in this State, on motion; It is ordered, that the defendant do appear, and plead or demur to the said declaration, within a year and a day from this date, or Judgment will be entered by default.

W. L. KEITH, C. C. P. Clerk's Office, May 10, 1849.

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