

When Mother Fell Asleep.

Above the quiet of the West
The sun sets dimly, song,
And backward to the mountain crest
The golden pathways swing.
We saw the light of many lands
Of clouded and valley sweet,
And all the west was bright with gold,
Whose morn fell asleep.

Though many years have passed away,
We still remember her,
The tiny smile that beamed on all,
Mother fallen sleep.

We gathered closely round her bed,
And watched her silent face,
Glow bright with fervent fervor glow,
And full of angel grace.
And through the open western door
We saw the sunbeam creep,
And gradually faded in her bowed brow,
When mother fallen sleep.

FUNNYGRAPHS.

The lieabilities of some men are wonderful.

How to keep above board—Stay away from boarding houses.

A woman's modesty is like her color—extremely becoming if not put on.

Somebody says the prettier the foot and ankle, the easier it gets up stairs.

The man who carries out his moral resolutions sometimes forgets to bring them back.

The difference between a cook and her lover is—one cooks the meat and the other meets the cook.

The sentimental method of asking a person to take a drink is in the formula, "Suppose we had a toast?"

A lady who coiled her hair up to look like an ottoman on the top of her head, said it was for her hat to sit on.

A jealous Saratoga woman recently prevented her husband's attendance at a ball by carrying away every article of clothing he owned and hiding them in a barn three miles away.

The Jacksonville Journal states that a blooming, blushing school girl called at that office the other day and inquired for "papers for a week back." The idea suggested was that she wanted them for a panier.

At the fire on Sunday morning, a Danbury man, in the excitement of the hour, shouted "Iona" instead of "fire," and his wife wants to know where he was the night before.

Conversation between inquiring stranger and steamboat pilot: "That is Black Mountain?" "Yes sir, highest mountain about lake George." "Any story or legend connected with that mountain?" "Lots of 'em. Two never went up that mountain once and never come back again?" "Indeed! What became of them?" "Went down the other side."

"I don't mean to reflect on you," said a coarse woman to a man whom he had insulted. "No," was the reply, "you're not polished enough to reflect upon me."

Why does the "girl of the period" make the best house keeper? Because she makes so much bustle about a little waist.

An Iowa woman has considerable faith in life insurance. By its agency she has realized \$60,000 off two husbands, and not very good husbands either.

A spirited young man says when he feels out of sorts, which he does about seven times a day, he takes whiskey to set him right, on which account he calls it "righting fluid."

At a public gathering in Lawrenceville, one of the gentlemen present was called upon for a speech, and this is how he responded: "Gentlemen and women, I ain't no speaker; mor'n twenty year back I came here a poor idiot boy, and now what are I?"

An Irish coroner, when asked how he accounted for an extraordinary mortality in Limerick, replied truly: "There are people dying this year who never died before."

A banker has invented a new kind of yeast that makes his bread so light that a pound loaf weighs only twelve ounces.

A young gentleman recently created quite a sensation while reading to a circle of young ladies a poetic effusion. "To a beautiful Belle," by pronouncing the last word in two syllables.

Detroit boy stod an umbrella, with a cord tied to it, in a public doorway. Elephants thought that the umbrella was theirs, and carried it with them the length of the string. They then suddenly dropped it and went off without once looking back or stopping to pick it up.

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An important change in the weddinsg apparel of the King of Dahomey is reported. Seated on his throne, he received a scientific communication from his bodyguards describing his blue, gold, and green robes which had been carefully packed from the medicine boxes brought by Europeans into his dominions. In such a picturesque garb the African prince must have equalled even the glittering costumes of the shah.

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Newborn Headache—Bathes the spine every night with vinegar and cayenne, having some person rub it briskly with the hand; also bathes the back of the neck, behind the ears, and the temples with the same during the attack, and take a few swallows of it once in five or ten minutes. Hot pillows around the head are beneficial. Perfect rest must be had.

Mr. Bowt has presented the Monroe Emperor with a potato which is shaped like a man, having a head, body and legs, and all in very good proportion with the exception that the body is a little too large of the head.

Honor and shame and from no conditions rise,

Farm and Household.

Keeping Sweet Potatoes.

EDITOR SOUTHERN CULTIVATOR—Having seen various methods for keeping Sweet Potatoes, I give mine, which is not original—but having tried it, know it to be safe.

Dig your potatoes after the first white frost, as you dig, throw in heaps and cover with vines to keep the sun from them; put them away in the evening, dry and cool, the same day they are dug. If put in hills, cover with not less than 10 or 12 inches dirt; leave no air hole, as potatoes will not undergo a sweat if kept cool. Whether put in a hill or in a cellar, the air should be kept from them. I have kept them soundly both ways—the cellar preferred. Now for the philosophy of this method. Potatoes, if left in the ground will not rot, if out of the way of freezes. In the ground they are kept cool, so in the hill or cellar, they must be kept cool—not subject to the variations of the temperature of the weather.

EX-PLANTER.

Prattville, S. C.

Nut Grass Exterminated by Salt.

EDITOR SOUTHERN CULTIVATOR—On page 336 of your October number, J. H. F. inquires if salt or lime will destroy nut grass. I have tried it and state if salt be applied in sufficient quantity, it will effectually destroy it. I had a patch of nut grass and, as an experiment, emptied about a half bushel of salt on a spot of it, spreading the salt to a thickness of about one inch, covering thereby about one yard square of the surface where the grass was thick and luxuriant. Then with a grubbing hoe had the plot thoroughly dug, incorporating the salt with the soil. Soon afterwards a heavy rain dissolved the salt diffusing it in the soil. This was about the 1st of April. I mention the season, because I think the time when the application is to be made may have some influence. The grass was killed.

The nuts absorbed the salt, and were completely pickled by it, salty to the taste, and their germinating powers entirely destroyed. It is now October, and from that time to this, not a sprig of nut grass has shown itself on this plot, although one or two healthy bunches of crab grass flourished upon it.

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