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#### Poetry.

Written for the Banner. To Annie.

Mild is the setting sun's attemper'd ray. Enfeebled when he sinks in western skies. Streaking the clouds with beauty's varied

Calmy bright, and closing gandy day; Sweet is the fragrant breath of jocund May,

· As led by spring, she glads our eager eyes, So long enured to winter's cruelities, And forced to pine beneath his rugged

Yet not the setting sun's attemper'd beam, Nor breath so fragrant, of all jocund May,

\* As thou, so sweetly fair, so softly gay. Dear maid, sole object of my love supreme. My heart to thee shall constant ho nage

> [SELECTED.] Where is thy Home?

"Where is thy home ? Tasked a child In life's bright morning gay; On vonder mountain's brow, "she said

And laughing turned away I asked a sailor: he replied The freedom of a sation is the Thic restless waves for me.

I asked an orphan, and he said, "Alas! Linve no home

My friends and parents all are dead, No place I call my own." Lasked an aged white haired man,

And what was his reply? Upwards he pointed, s. mled, and said, " My home is in the sky

" My heart is there, and all I love Have left me long ago, To dwell with Christ, their Saviour there 7 Soon shall I follow too."

Where is thy home dear reader? say !! lost in low or here? All things on earth must fade away, Must quietly disappear ! ?

Then fix thy heart on things above Thou art a stranger here; And let thy only object he-To find a mansion there.

#### Adventure With Buffalo. BY A FRONTIER TRAPPER.

I was travelling with Bent's train from Independence to Santa Fe. One evening after the wagons had corrall ed, and my animal had got some rest and a bite of corn, I leaped into the saddle, and set out to see if I could find some thing fresh for my own supper. It was a rolling prairle, and the camp was soon hidden from my sight—as it lay in a hollow between two swells. Trusting to the sky for my direction, therefore, I continued on.—After riding about a mile I should think, I came upon buffalo signs. It was not the first time for me, and I or to fire from where I stoks; that saw at a glance that the sign was fresh. question, however, was settled by the There were several wallows; and I buffalo. The tree and the horse were could tell by the tracks in the dust to one side of the direction to which ere had been nothing but bulls in at quarter. A cow track would have that quarter, Arcow track would have present and better; but after all, phased me better; but a longue for a longue for a

chance is better than sa t bacon; so I tollowed the trail in hopes of getting one. Shortly after, I came to a place where the ground was ploughed up, as if a drove of hogs had been rooting

it. Here there had been a terrible fight among the bulls -- it was the rutting season, when such conflicts occurr. This augured well. Perhaps there are cows in the neighborhood. reasoned I, as I gave the spur to the horse, and followed the trail with

more spirit.

I had ridden full-five miles from the camp, when my attention was attract ed by an odd noise ahead of me.-There was a ridge in front that pre vented me from seeing what produced the noise; but I knew what it was—it was the bellowing of a huffalo bull .-At intervals there were quick shocks as of two hard substances coming in violent contact with each other. I nounted the ridge with caution, and ooked over its crest. There was a valley beyond; a cloud of dust was rising out of its bottom, and in the midst of this I could distinguish two huge forms-dark and hirsate. I saw at once that they were a pair of buffa lo bulls engaged in a fierce fight .-They were alone; there were no . thers in sight, either in the valley or on the prairie. I did not halt longer than to see

that the cap was on my rifle, and to

cock the piece. Occupied as the ani mal were, I did not imagine they would heed me; or, if they should attempt flight, I knew I could easily overtake one or the other; so, without further hesitation or precaution, I rode towards them. Contrary to my expectacion, they both winded me, and started off. The wind was blowing freshly towards them, and the sun had thrown my shadow be ween them. so as to draw their attention. They did not run, however, as if badly scared; on the contrary, they went on apparently indignant at being disturb ed in their light; and ever now and then buth came round with short turnings, snorted, and struck the prairie with their hoofs in a violent and angry manner. Once or twice, I fronts land herco glaring eye halls, gaves them a wild and maticious seem ing, which was heightened by their beilowing, aid, the threattened attitudes in which they continually placed themselves.

Feeling guite safe in my saddle,

galloped upto the nearest, and sent negobullet in his rib. It did the work. He ell to his knees rose again—spead out his legs, as if to preyent, a second fall—rocked from side to shie Too Par cradle - again came to his knees; and after remaining in this position f r some minutes, will the blood running from his nostfils. roled quietly over on his shoulder and lay dead.

I had watched these mangeuvres with interest, and permitted the second bull to make his escape; a side glance had shown .. e the latter disappearing over the crest of the swell. id not care to follow him, as my horse was somewhat jaded, and I knew it would cost me a sharp gallop to come up with him again; so thought no more of him at that time, but alighted and prepared to deal with the one already slain. There stood a solitary tree near the spot-it was a stunted e.m. There were others upon the prairie, but they were distant this one was not twenty yards from the carcase. I led my horse up to it, and taking the trail rope from the horn of the saddle made one end fast to the bit ring and the other to the tree. I then went back, downing and prepared to ent the buffalo.

I had hardly whetred my blade when a noise from behind exceed, me

to leap to an apright attitude, and look rounded the first glance I comprehended all. A huge dark o ject was passing the crest of the ridge, and rushing down the hill toward the spot where I stood. It was the buffalo bull, the same that had just left me. The sight at first thought rather pleased me than otherwise. Although I did not

his course, and ran full tilt upon the horse. The latter shot out instantly to the full length of the trail rope-a heavy "pluck" sounded in my ears, and the next instant I saw my horse part from the tree, and scour off over he prairie. I had knotted th negligently upon the bit ring, and the enot had come undone.

I was chagrined, but not alarmed is yet. My horse would no doubt otlow back his own trail, and at the worst I should only have to walk to he camp. I should have the satisfac tion of punishing the bullalo for the trick he had served me; and with this design, I turned towards him, I saw that he had not followed the horse, but was again heading himself in my direction. Now, for the first time, it occurred to me that I was in some thing of a scrape. The bull was coming furiously on. Should my shot olss, or even should it only wound him, how was I to escape? I knew that he could overtake me in three minutes; I knew that well.

I had not much time for reflection -not a moment-in fact the infuriated animal was within ten paces of me; I rai ed my rifle, aimed at his foreshoulder, and fired. I saw that I had hit him, but, to my dismay, he neither fell nor stumbled, but continned to charge forward more furiously than ever. To re load was impossible. My pistols had gone off with my horse and holsters. Even to reach the tree was imp ssible; the bull was between it and me. Right in the opposite direction was the only thing that held out any prospect of five minutes' safety. It irned and ran. I can run as fast as most men-and upon that ecasion I did my best. It would have put Gildersleeve into a white sweat to have distanced me-b at I had not been two minutes at it when I felt conscious that the buffalo gained upon me, and was almost treading upon my

heels. I knew it only by my ears — I was now safe if day at not spare time to look hack, danger, but how we have moment an object appeared I knew from the At this moment an object appeared I knew from the another, to interrupt the chaser it was by the tree; perh as for a re-clours fancied they were going to charge back upon me; and had I been other wise than well downted, I should have been very charge of risking such an encounters. A more formidable pair of antagonists, as far as appearance went, could not have been well considered with the moment it came under my went, could not have been well considered with the moment it came under my went, could not have been well considered as a far as appearance went, could not have been well considered as a far as appearance with the moment of antagonists, as far as appearance went, could not have been well considered as a far as appearance with the moment of the first for a draphit of water. could only leap this gully, I felt sattle ied that the buffalo could not. It was a sharp leap-at least seventeen feet from cheek to cheek; but I had done more than that in my time; and, without halting in, my gait, I ran forward to the edge and sprang over. I dighted cleverly upon the opposite banks where I stopped, and turned round to watch my pursuer. I now scertar ed how near my end I had been; the bull was already up to the gully; had I not made my leap the instant'l did, I should have been by thatstime dancing upon his horns. He himself had baulked at the leapthe deep chasm like cleft had awed

> He saw that he could not clear it and now sio d upon the opposite bank, with head lowered, and sprea iostrils, his tail Jashing his smooth flanks, while his glaring black eyes expressed the full measure of his baffléd rage. I remarked that my shot had taken effect in his shoulder, as the blood trickled from his long hair. I had almost begun to congratu late myself on having ascaped, when a hurried glance to the right and an other to the left cut short my happi ness, I saw that on bo h sides, at a distance of less than fifty paces, the gully shallowed out into the plain, where it ended; at either end sit was, of course, passable. The bull ob. served this almost at the same time as myself; and suddenly urning away from the brink; he ran along the edge of the chasm, evidently with the inminute's time we were once more on the same side, and my situation appeared as terrible as ever, but stops oing back for a short run, I releaped the chasm, and again we stood on opposite sides.

During all these manceuvres I had held on to my rifle; and, seeing now that I might have time to load it. I ommenced feeling for my powderhorti. To my astonishment, I could not lay my hands upon it; I looked down to my breast for the sling-it was not there; belt and bullet ponch, tine-all were gone! I remambered litting them over my head, when I set about cutting the dead bult. They were lying by the carcine. This discovery was a new source of changing but for my negligence I could now have about cutting the dead bull. They er to run to my ber, e and mount him of fire from where I stock; that question however, was settled by the bull allowed by the bull and plunge violently, and deuming it perhaps a violently and decided again turned the ditch, and the fire the fire fire from the fire from where I stock; that the dead bull. They were lying hy the earcise. This first step are to represent galeped back to strip the carcise. This first step are to refer from the struck me. The first step was to get possession of the remaining tit bits, should be impossible. The first step was to get possession of the remaining tit bits, should be impossible. The first step was to get possession of the remaining tit bits, should be the form the first struck me. The first step was to get possession of the remaining tit bits, should put enigrants passing themes truck me. The first step was to get possession of the remaining tit bits, should put enigrants passing themes truck me. The first step was to get possession of the remaining tit bits, should put enigrants passing themes truck me. The first step was to get possession of the remaining tit bits, should put enigrants passing themes to strip the dead to the struck me. The first step was to get possession of the remaining tit bits, should put enigrants passing themes to strip the dead to the struck me. The first step with do do the truck in the creation of the remaining tit bits. New Orleans on their guard against the store with the ground to the accompanions the ammunition would be impossible. In the creation of the creation of

challenge, he suddenly swerved from and was once more upon the same side My "picker"-a piece of straight with me, and I was compelled to take another leap. I really do not remember how often 1 sprang backwards and forwards across that chasm, I should think a score of times at least; I became wearied with the exercise. leap was just as much as trould do at my best; and as I was growing weaker at each fresh spring, I became satisfied that I should soon leap short and crus! myself against the steep rocky sides of the chasm. Should I fall to the bottom, my pursuer could easily reach began to dread such a finale. The listo the tree, taking the whole of it in vengeful beast showed no symptoms of retiring. On the contrary, the numerous disappointments seemed only to render him more determined in his resentment.

An idea now suggested itself to inmind. I had looked all round to see if there might not be something that offered a better security. There were trees, but they were too distant; the only one near was that to which my horse had been tied. It was a small one, and, like all of its species, (it was a cotton wood,) there were no branches near the root. I knew that I could clamber up it by embracing the trunk, which was not over ten inches in diameter. Could I only succeed in reaching it, it would at least shelter me better than the ditch, of which I was getting heartily tired. But the question was, could I reach it before the bull? It was about 300 yards off. By proper manœuvring, I should have a start of fifty. Even with that, it would be a "close shave," and it proved so. I arrived at the tree, and sprung up it like a mountebank; but the hot breath of the Buffalo steamed after me as I ascended, and the concussion of his heavy skull against the trunk almost shook me back upon his horns. After a severe effort, I suc ceeded in lodging myself among the branches.

I was now safe from all immediate danger, but how were the second? be relieved I had but one hopethat my companious would nome to my relief; but I kne a that would not be before morning. They would miss mer of course. Perhaps my horse would return to camp; that would send them out in secret of the; but not be, fore night land; allen. In the darkness they could not follow my trait. Could they do so In the light? This last question, which I had put to myself. question, which I had put 10 myself, startled me. I was just in the condition to look upon the destate that the grant it now occurre to me that they might not be able to he done!—There were many possibilities that they might not. There were numerately might not. There were numerately might not. There were numerately might not. ladians had passed. I saw this when tracing the butlalo. Besides, it might rain in the night, and obliberate them all, my own with the rest, They wer not likely to find me by change. A circle of ten miles in diameter is a large track. It was a rolling prairie, full of inequalities, ridges with valleys between. The tree upon which I was perched stood in the bottom of one of the valleys--it could not be seen from any point over 300 yards distant. Those searching for me hight paswithin hail, without perceiving either

the tree or the valley. The busied with such gloomy thoughts and forebodings. Night was coming on, but the fierce and obstinate brute showed no disposition to raise the siege. He remained watchful as ever, walking round and round at intervals, lashing his tail, and uttering that snorting sound so well known to the prairie hunter, and which so much resembles the sunffigns of hogs when suddenly darmed.

While watching his manœuvres, an object on the ground threw my attenhorse. One end of it was fastened round the trunk by a firm knot-the other lay far out upon the prairie where it had been dragged. My at-tention had been drawn to it by the bull himself, which he in crossing bad noticed, and now and then payed it with his hoofs. All at once a bric a new flashed

All at once a strict from flashed apon me—a sudden have argise within me—a plan of escape, resented itself, so feasible and persible flat I leaped in my perch as the flagght struck me.

The first step was to get possession of the rope. This was not such an

wire with a ring-end-hung from one of my breast butto s. This I took hold of, and bent into the shape of a grappling hook. I had no cord, but my knife was still safe in its sheath; and, drawing this, I cut several thongs from the skirt of my buckskin shirt: and knotted them together until they formed a string long enough to reach the ground. To one end, I attached the picker; and then letting it down, I commenced angling for the rope. Af ter a few transverse drags, the heok me by entering at either end, and I caught the latter, and I pulled it up until I held the loose end i my hands. The other end I permitted to remain as it was; I saw it was securely knotted round the trunk, and that was just what I wanted. It was my intention to lasso the bull; and for the purpose I proceeded to make a running noose on the end of the trail-rope. This I executed with great care, and with all my skill. I could depend upon the rope--it was a raw-hide--a d a better was never twisted; but I knew if any thing should chance to slip at a critical moment, it might cost me my life, With this knowledge, therefore, I spliced the eye, and made the knot as firm as possible, and then the loop was reeved through, and the thing was ready.

I could throw a lasso tolerably well but the branches prevented me from winding it. It was necessary, there fore, to get the animal in a certain position under the tree, which, by shouts and other demonstrations, I at length succeeded in effecting. moment of success had arrived. stood almost directly below. The noose was shot down-I had the grati fication to see it settle around his. neck, and with a quick jerk I tightened it. The rope run beautifully through the eye, until both eyes and loop were buried beneath the shaggy hair of the animal's neck. It embraced his throat in the right place, and I felt confident

the length of his tether, and take to my heels. My gun lay on one side of the tree, where I had dropped it in my race; this obsourse I ment to carry oil with me. I waited, therefore, until the animal, in one of his my race; this obscurse I meant to carry off with me. I waited, therefore, until the animal, in one of his circles, had got round to the opposite side, and then propagation the theory of the party in the ough the house saw a lot of party in the ough the case.

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Som Moore, Mr. I wing said the case. o be about twenty-varies in length, but I ran one hundred at least before making hault. I had even thought of continuing on, as I still could not help some misgivings about the rope. The ball was one of the largest and strongest I had eyer seen. The rope might break, the knot upon the tr e might give way, or the noose might slip over his head. Cariosity, how. eyer, or rather a desire to be assured of my safety, prompted me to look around, when, to my joy, I beheld the huge menster stretched upon the plain could see the rope as taut as a bow string; and the tongue protruding from the animals jaws, showed me that he was strangling himself as fast as I could desire.

At the sight, the idea of buffalo tongue for supper, returned in all its vigor; and it now occurred to me that I should cat that very tongue, and no other. I immediately turned in my tracks, ran towards my powder and balls--which in my eagerness to escape I had forgotten all about, seized the horn and founch, poured in a charge, rammed down a bullet, and then stealing nimbly up behind the still struggling bull, I placed the muz zle within three feet of his brisket, and fired. He gave a death kick or two, and then lay quiet; it was all

I STALL DEVELOPE AND A COMMENT OF STALL

How to Begin Business.-One of the wealthiest merchants of New. York hired as a laborer in the basement and

mough to keep body and soul togeth. the army, if any one had seen or er. In the basement and sub-cellar I heard of it. The answers were all in soon attracted the attention of the the negative; upon which a messen. counting:house and chief clerk. I say, ger was dispatched to the place where ed enough for my employers in little they had been stationed, where ac. things wasted to pay my wages ten cordingly they were found, fixed to times over, and they soon found it the spot, and reduced to the last ex. out. I did not let any body a out tremity of hunger, but never thinking commit petty largenies without remon of removing. On their being asked strance and threats of exposure, and real exposure if remonstrances would had not returned to the camp?—they

If I was wanted at 3 A. M., I never had no orders! growled, but told every body to go nome, 'and I will see everything right. I loaded off at day bre k packages for the morning boats, or carried them myself. In short, I soon became in. dispensable to my employers, and I rose, and rose, until I became head of the house, with money enough as you see, to give me any luxury or any po. sition an ereantile man can desire for nimself and children in this great city.

A Suspicious Tuvern in New Or-

Texian, now living in Burnett county, to gain his object. and a gentleman in whose statements that it would hold. The moment the we place the utmost confidence, relatively the right the right up of the threat, he hours dashed madly out from the tree; and see connected with a certain house in so heedlesly, he stood mute and more then commenced running in circles around it. Contrary to my intention, the rope had slipped from my hands the hands of the house in pressed his surprise at it, the advocate at the first drag upon it. My position by. Mr. Miggll went to the house in was rather an unsteady one, for the duction it being convenient to the branches were sleder, and I could have wished.

But I now felt confident enough — But I now felt confident enough — The bull was tethered, and it only remained for me to get out beyond the families of ladies and their children and saveral nations after head why, then, did you not follow the first drag upon it. Mr. Miggll went to the house in pressed his surprise at it, the advocate said that his client was, unfortunately, deaf and dumb.

"No, no," exclaimed the plaintiff, off his guard, "it is false, it is an evaluation; I myself heard him very plainly say. "Take care!"

"And why, then, did you not follow his warning?" said the Judge, smill. dren, and several negroes; after breaks tast, and while Mr. M. was out on in another apartment another man was loading a revolver. The ladies became alarmed, and drom the conduct and character of the persons seen about the house Mr. Magilibeca no satisfied that it was no place for him of those under his charge.—Ou asking for his bill, they having outs taken threakfast the keeper of Ou asking for his hill, they having only taken breakfast; the keeper of the house, as woman exorbitantly demanded \$40, which he had. After leaving the place, Mr. M. was informed that, it was a suspicious house, and, if reports were time, his life; if he had money or negroes, might not have been safe. After getting on board the Texas strainer.

ones as to whom they, belonged, Ac. The reply was that they were brought to the house in New Orleans from Montgomery, Ala., by a Mr. Shackel. ford; that on the morning of embark ing on the Texas steamer they were told that Mr. Shackelford had, sold them and left the city in a steamer before day. Mr. Magill believes that the owner of the negroes has met ant existed in great numbers, a very "foul play," and that they were run considerable absence of import life: "foul play," and that they were run off under pretence of a sale. The experience of other Pexicans at some two, and then lay quiet; it was all over with him.

I had the tongue from between his teeth in a twinkling; and proceeding to the other bull, I linished the operation. I commenced groping my way back to the camp; but before I had got halfway, I met several of my companions. My harse had got back a little before sunset—his appearance had of course produced alumn, and half the camp had course produced alumn, and half the camp had course around the line search of mic. Several who had a relish has considered that the antime stable shore, This manner of the home without on the remaining tit bits; but before midnight all had returned; and to the accompanion of the hump and to the accompanion of the hump.

same negroes, seen at the tavern, on

board, and at the instance of Mr. M.,

he interrogated one of the younger

Europe equals the Russian, in the recity tells as how he commenced bus. semblance it bears to a machine moved by the word of command. An I entered a store and asked if a amusing instance of this is given in a elerk was not wanted. 'No,' in a French work published some time rough tone, was the answer, all being ago. It occurred when the Empress too busy to bother with me—when I Elizabeth was carrying on a war Elizabeth was carrying on a war reflected that if they did not want a against the King of Prussin. The ar. clerk, they might want a laborer; but my being then on the frontiers of Ger. I was dressed too fine for that. I many, a small piquet was placed at went to my lodgings, put on a rough some distance from the camp, with

eans .- Mr. Wm. II. Magill, an old care, he had recourse to an expedient

garb, and the next day went into the a view of waiting the motions of the same store and demanded if they did Russian troops. The soldiers employ. not want a porter, and again, 'No, sir,' ed in the service were supplied with was the res onse-when I exclaimed, provisions for 24 hours. The enemy, in despair almost, A laborer? Sir, I however, came on unexpectedly from will work at any wages. Wages is a different quarter, and a battle ensu-not my object I want to be useful in ed, which entirely drove from the business. These last words attracted mind of the commander all thoughts their attention; and in the end I was of his piquet. Some days after, how. ever, recollecting the circumstance, sub cellar at a very low pay, scarcely he caused enquiries to be made through

> were astonished at the question-they ARTFUL EXPEDIENT.—A laborer in Italy, employed in throwing down rubbish from a house, called to the passengers to take care; but one of them' paying no attention to the warn. ing, was wounded by a stone. He eited the man at the court of justice, and demanded damages. A celebrated advocate undertook the defence of the laborer; but finding it im.

possible to prove that his client had

really warned the passenger to take

why when their provision failed they

When the case therefore came to

his warning? said the Judge, smil.

house pear by and write is down. Ho used to think ten lines a good day's work, and would keep the little poem by him for weeks, waiting for a single word. On one occasion he was riding with Mr. Morre in a cab, in Paris, and the driver carelessly drove into a

has jolted it out of me." On reaching. getting on board the Texas strainer his room, Moore specific the word and immediately despatched the finished song to the publisher in London. "Moore, added Mr. Irving, was a most explicating companion, and the sweetest bulled singer I ever heard. No one could forget him that heard In sing,"
INSECTS DESTROYED BY ANTS.correspondent of the Chicago Prairie

Farmer, writing from Freeport, says:
"I have noticed in the far West, that in certain localities, where the this may have been accidental, but I am persuaded that the aut has some