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POETRY. The Voice of the Grass. Here I come creeping, creeping everywhere; By the dusty roadside, On the sunny hill-side, Close by the noisy brook, In every shady nook, I come creeping, creeping everywhere.

POETRY. The Shaver's Soliloquy. To shave or not to shave! The question is, To let accumulation of our hair, Cover the chins and lips which now are bare; Or to continue still to scrape away.

MISCELLANEOUS. One of the "Partingtons." This is the best we have seen for a good while; for the dame, like her predecessor in authorship, Homer, does some times nod: "Your old Kentucky home! you poor soul," said Mrs. Partington, as she thrust her night cap out of the window

Playing on the Jackass. On board the steamer Indiana, in one of her trips down the Mississippi, were a large number of good natured passengers. They were seeking to while away the hours, according to the several notions of pleasure, and would have got on very well but for one annoyance.

ted and swore at the "saore" fiddle. The passengers tried various expedients to rid themselves of the Hoosier and his fiddle; it was no go—"he would fiddle just as long as he d--d please."

The effect of the move was beyond description. Old Kentuck brayed so loud that he drowned the screeching of the fiddle, and amid the shouts of the passengers, the discomfited Hoosier retreated below, leaving the victory of the unequal contest to the Kentuckian, and his singular impromptu imitation of Balaam's friend. The delight of the Frenchman knew no bounds—and quiet was restored for the day.

A CHANCE.—Any bachelor who wishes to dispose of himself eligibly can do so by accepting the following offer made in the Prairie Journal, through a correspondent: "The Haynese chief offers one thousand head of horses to any respectable white young man, well recommended, who will marry his daughter, a girl of about eighteen, settle down among them and teach them agriculture.

ANECDOTE OF GEN. LEE.—When Gen. Lee was a prisoner at Albany, he dined with an Irishman. Before entering upon the wine the general remarked to his host that after drinking he was apt to abuse Irishmen, for which he hoped his host would excuse him in advance.

DELIGHTFUL RESIDENCE.—A Washington correspondent, in describing a beautiful young lady, says—"She has a face a painter might dwell upon." Quite an open countenance, he would suppose.

FAUCOURT in his history of Madagascar says that the so called savages of that island use the following prayer; O, eternal, have mercy upon me, because I am passing away. O, infinite, because I am weak. O, sovereign of life, because I draw nigh to the grave. O, all bounteous, because I am in darkness. O, omnipotent, because I am poor. O, all sufficient, because I am nothing.

AN OLD bachelor being ill, his sister presented him with a cup of medicine. "What is it?" he asked. "It's elixir asthmatic, and will make you feel ecstatic."

A rather hard specimen of a Yankee lately returned from Europe, told his friends he had been presented at Court there. "Did you see the Queen?" asked one. "Wal, no," replied the Yankee, "I didn't see her, 'zactly, but I seed one of her friends, a Judge. Yer see," he continued, "the Court I was presented to there happened to be a Police Court!"

SNACKS.—The prettiest lining for a bonnet is a sweet face. Blushes are flying colors, which maidens carry becomingly. If a man waits patiently while a woman is putting her things on, or 'shopping,' he will make a good husband.

POETRY. The young lady who "fell in love" has just been pulled out by the daring fellow who "successfully struggled with the world."

POETRY IN CALIFORNIA.—A correspondent of the Nevada Democrat sends a patriotic poetical production to that paper, of which the following is a stanza: Keep your eye ever fixed on the American flag, Whom we as the proud bird of our destiny hail.

There is a man living in the backwoods, who being invited to dinner, ate so much bear's meat, that he went home and hugged his wife—a thing he had never been guilty of before. Sonny, do you know your letters? Yes, sir, two of 'em. 'Possible! what are they? 'Let 'er go and let 'er rip!' 'Smart boy, go to the tub and wet your hair;—a brain of such fertility can't be kept too moist!'

THE PHRASE, "fighting on his own hook" is now more elegantly rendered, "waging war upon the prudent individuality of his personal curve."

Why is Russia like Rome in the golden age? Because it has Czar at its head.

How to RISE EARLY.—Live next door to a house where Shanghais are kept.

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