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ORIGINAL POETRY.

FOR THE AMERICAN. THE FIRE.

Twas midnight deep, or thereabout, When evil sprites, 'tis said, are out Their airy rambles taking; Many had sunk in soft repose,-And some had just begun to doze -Half sleeping, and half waking.

Others, perchance, lay wide awake, Contriving plans, the best to make, Some claims, or title stronger; The debtor, wondering how he'd meet, The don that met him in the street, And said, He'd wait no longer.

When, bursting on the ear of night Such horrid din, as well might fright Sound sleepers from their slumber, The startling cry of Fire! is heard, All quarters echo back the word, From voices without number.

Starting, afrighted, from his bed, The drowsy sleeper lifts his head, comiring "what's the matter to Whence does this hubbub all proceed?" A question vainty asked indeed. Mid such confusing clatter.

At length to every drowsy brain, The cause of all the noise is plain: And now begins the flurry-For pants and boots each gropes around-But who, these garments, ever found When he was in a hurry ?

At length equipt-or partly so-Through street and ally swift they go, With landible desire Each striving to outrue the rest, And all resolved to do their best In putting out the fire.

But 'twas provoking, in th' extreme, To put to flight some pleasant dream With such precipitation, Hurried from bed-but partly dressed-Such willing zeal to manifest,

Behold the cause of all the noise! Some wicked, mischief-loving boys For New-Year's recreation-Had, on a corner, rudely placed A building, that had better graced A more retired location,

This holding out a chance for fun, Could not pass, unimproved, by some Who in such sport delighted : Anxious to bring the affair to light, Straightway resolved, that every night, To have the building lighted.

The joke now out, and past the fright-Some foamed with rage-some laughed outright

But all slunk back again to bed. From which they in such haste had fled-Thus ends the CONFLAGRATION.

A Sketch.

THE IRISH APPLE GIRL.

BY LIEUT, MITERAY.

At the last season, Newport was one of the most lively and spirited that was ever enjoyed at a watering place. Every part of our Union contributed its quota to make up the cordon of beauty and fashion that assembled nightly to participate in the gay dance, the musical soirce and the fancy ball. There were some ladies of rank also from abroad, and altogether Newport was the centre of fashion and beauty for the time being. Come with us now, in imagination, into one of these gay assemblies; the band is discoursing its rich tones, and feet as light as fairles' tread, are gliding in the mazes of the dance. At this moment, a couple latigued with the exertions of a polka, have stepped one side from the dancing half, and sitting at the door of the withdrawing room, are criticizing the dancers.

They are a fair couple; the lady is not more than twenty-three, and the gentleman three or four years her senior. She is a very dark brunette, with a speaking eye, and the unmistakable belonging of a southunder a tropical clime, and she spoke and acted with an energy and fire, though finely tempered by a distingue air of refinement, that was peculiarly Southern. Her companion showed himself a gentleman of high breeding, and evidently a Northerner. His high, bold forehead, full blue eye, and classical profile, bespoke intelligence and native power, while his manner bore token

of the tenderest interest in her by his side. "How charmingly Mrs. Warland looks to-night, Mr. Burditt, don't you think so ?" Works, Law, Medicine, School and Children's said the lady, referring to the person of an tentions. In the height of the season, elegant looking woman who was dancing Honora zuddenly disappeared from her the mazurka at that moment with an Eng-

lish nobleman.

finest woman I ever saw." "Do you know her, Mr. Burditt ?" "Well-and few of those with whom I as well as of person. You must have heard little or no estate; but the elegance of her tertaining ?"

"She is indeed, and the star of every circle that she graces. Mrs. Warland must be nearly forty, and perhaps there are few At this moment the lady of whom they were speaking, glided gracefully out of the dance and seated herself in an alcove of

the hall where she was at once surrounded by the elite of the company. "Dear Miss Langly," said he whom we have introduced to the reader as Mr. Burditt, "appropos of this leisure moment, let

me speak to you upon the subject we were discussing yesterday." With all my heart; anything for an mesticated. Honora, the poor apple girl, argument," replied Miss Langly, "you are was the centre of attraction in the first cirso very convincing, and bring such indis- cles of the town society. She was courted putable evidence of your position, that by all classes of the rich, the proud and any one might know you were a lawyer.' the learned.

I was about to tell you a true story, by an incident in point which goes to prove way of example, and in proof of the side I the position which I advanced yesterlay, had taken upon the subject we were dis- that circumstances, not blood, make us

come of it. Go on, Mr. Burditt.

way, New York, with fiery h.at, when a beauty, and dignified grace ?" private carriage drew up by the corner of

'My little girl,' said the man, 'whose daughter are you?" "I haven't got no father nor mother, but that's my aunt that sells apples over at the other corner of Broadway and Canal

Would you like to go and live with me of which is under ground? if your anat is willing ! After a moment's hes'tation the child

answered, looking into the kind face of the old gentleman. 'Yes, sir, I think I should like to.'

'What is your name ?' 'Honora Carey, sir.'

her fifty dollars for parting with you." "Fifty dollars?" repeated the child, in astonishment, gazing with her handsome eyes upon the old gentleman.

'Yes, yes, hurry over and tell her.' the carriage, where the bargain was con- exhibits for instance, at this very moment. summated, and she was told to come to a See, she is waltzing with her husbandcertain number in Bleeker street on the they are very graceful." next day, where her signature would be regired and the money paid.

had been married many years, but had no the Irish Apple Girl.' children, and his heart yearned for a child to dote upon, to instruct, to love, and to endear to him. Little Honora Carey happened to catch his eye; she was a beautiful child, though dressed in a coarse trock him that he might adopt her if circumstances were propitious. He inquired as I have told you, and in week after, Honora

can only excel in; her language was well chosen, her subjects happy and spirited, and her manners refined and easy. The experiment was successful, and the old gentleman was trebly repaid by the unbounded love the child bore him above al! else on earth. She seemed only really happy when by his side, and he on his part, often told his triends that had she really been his own child he could not have loved her better. He was still more neary drawn to her by the death of his wife hich occurred during the second year of er adoption, and Honora seemed to redouble her efforts to conduce to the happiness of her benevolent benefactor.

Well, years rolled on, and Honora grew p strikingly beautiful. The fine persons with whom she had associated, her masters and studies, had all tempered her native accent, so that every intonation of brogue was gone, leaving a rich roundness of articulation, so to speak, that was an universal beauty in itself. Her thoughts seemed gathered from the mind of intellect : scores ot she seemed wedded to her protector and benefactor, and until his death she listened to no words of love from any one erner. Her fine figure had been developed He left her his entire fortune, half a million of dollars, and then the simple apple girl was an heiress, and mistress of one of the finest establishments in the metropolis

of America. There were many in the fashionable train that paid her homage whom she might perhaps have liked, if not loved, but she possessed a shrewd and well balanced mind and knew how easily she might be deceived as to the motive that actuated those who sought her hand; for she was an heiress, as I have said, of no mean preproud mansion, which she left in the teeping of safe agents, nor did she return "Charming," repeated Mr. Burditt, thus for nearly a year. When she did, it was addressed by his partner, "With one ex- as a wife. After developments showed ception," he answered, "I think her the that she had repaired to Philadelphia in the interim, and in the midst of a family circle which were her triends, made her home. Here, with the assistance of the am acquainted possess such charms of mind family, she passed for a young orphan with drew around her many sincere admirers, who, of course, sought her for herself alone. From them she selected a young student at law, whose excellence of disposition and true manliness won her heart, and they were married, her husband solemnly believing he wedded a penniless

girl. Aladdin-like, when he came to New York, the place that was to be his future home, broke with astonishment upon him Rejoicing himself in the fact that he knew not of her wealth inasmuch as it proved his sincerity, he acceded, most happily to her plans, and here they were at once do-

IN THE FRENCH DEPARTMENT OF LOT, ther is a collossal walnut tree, 800 years old. It "We were interrupted yesterday just as "Now, my dear Mis; Langly, there is yearly bears 15 bags of walnuts.

cussing. Shall I proceed with my argu- | what we are. Do you not yourself think | THE CALIFORNIAN'S FAREWELL. so, when you consider the poor Irish apple Certainly, especially if a story is to girl, with no better blood in her veins than that which warmed the pulse of her aunt, "Well, as novel writers begin, it was a who sold fruit at an opposite corner, behot afternoon in July, and the sun was came the most distingue woman in New pouring down upon the east side of Broad- York, celebrated for her wit, intelligence,

You are so fluent, Mr. Burditt, that you Canal street, and the occupant, a rich old pume at fault; all you say is very fine but gentleman, called to a poor Irish child still I cannot but think with Pauline, that who sold apples, and who came to the car- there is something glorious in the heritage riage door offering her basket, and expect- of command, and that a person who has ing to sell a few penny's worth of the con- ancestors seems like a representative of the 1'm going there by water, and I know

'If you think thus with Pauline, Miss Langly, I think none the less with Claude. that brave deeds alone are the ancestors of brave men, or with the shrewd philosopher who likened those persons who boasted of ancestors to the potato plant, the best part

'Fie, fie, Mr. Burditt, there's no getting along with one so ready as you are. But what does your story weigh after all ?-One must see such a woman as you have described to admit that she could be so well endowed. It is true that all this may be, but yet it appears to me more pro-'Go ask your aunt; tell her I will give bable that in your generosity of disposition you may have accorded more excellence to one who has thus risen in life than she really deserves. I cannot believe that one who lacks gentle blood could arrive by any means short of a miracle at such a degree The child's story brought her aunt to of enviable elegance, as -as Mrs. Warland

"Now, my dear Miss Langly, I think I shall make a conveit of you, for that very The old gentleman was one of the rich- Mrs. Warland, the belle of this aristocratic est of New York's retired merchants. He | company, is she of whom I have told you,

HOT SUMMERS. The excessive heat which prevails at present gives some interest to the following acand with bare feet, and the thought struck 1132 the earth opened, and the rivers and But, fair one, of alarm your troubled feelings count of remarkable hot summers :- "In springs disappeared, in Alsace. The Rhine was dried up. In 1152 the heat was so was domesticated in all the magnificence great that eggs were cooked in the sand. In of a princely town mansion. She was but 1160, at the battle of Bela, a great number of nine years old, but still she was deemed to soldiers died from the heat. In 1276 and be old enough to commence her studies, 1277, in France, an absolute failure of the and the best masters was induced, by extra- crops of grass and oats occurred. In 1303 ordinary pay, to expend unusual labors and 1304, the Seine, the Loire, the Rhine and upon her, so that in a little more than a the Danube were passed over dry-footed .twelve month, Honora's own mother in 1393 and 1394 great numbers of animals She now walked with the lightness, In 1440 the heat was excessive. In 1538, confidence and grace that a good danseuse | 1539, 1540, 1541, the rivers were almost entirely dried up. In 1556 there was a great drought all over Europe. In 1615 and 1616 the heat was overwhelming in France, Italy, and the Netherlands. In 1646 there was 58 consecutive days of excessive heat. In 1678 excessive heat. The same was the case in the first three years of the eighteenth century. In 1718 it did not rain once from the month of April the to month of October. The crops were burnt up, the rivers were dried up, and the theatres were closed by decree of the Lieutenaut of Police. The thermometer marked 36 degrees Reaumur (113 of Fahren. heit.) In gardens which were watered fruit trees flowered twice. In 1728 and 1724 the heat was extreme. In 1746, summer very hot and very dry which absolutely calcined the crops. During several months no rain fell. In 1748, 1754, 1760, 1767, 1778 and 1788 the heat was excessive. In 1811, the year of the celebrated comet, the summer was very warm and the wine delicious, even teeming with jewels and precious stones at Susenes. In 1818 the theatres remained closed for nearly a month, owing to the heat. of devoted lovers strove to win her hand The maximum heat was 35 degrees (110 75 Falmenheit.) In 1830, while fighting was going on the 27th, 28th, and 29th of July, the hermometer marked 36 degrees centigrade 97 95 Fahrenheit.) In 1832, in the insurrecion of the 5th and 6th of June, the thermometer marked 34 degrees centigrade. The highest temperature which man can support for a certain time varies from 40 to 45 degrees (104 to 113 Fahrenheit.) Frequent accidents however, occur at a less elevated temperature." - Galignani's Messenger.

POPULATION OF THE UNITED STATES, PAST AND PUTURE.

William Darby has communicated to the National Intelligencer the following synopsis of the population of the United States, acording to the several Censusses hitherto taken, with the probable aggregate at each decennial numbering during the next century

TABLE I .- Population of the United States. as recorded in the Tabular view of the Seven Ennumerations made by the Decennial Census, 1790 to 1850, inclusive:

1800	5,305,952
1810	7,239,814
1820	9,638,131
1830	12,866,920
1840	17,063,353
1850	23,144,126
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284,480,000 379,307,000

poctrn.

I'm going to the Diggins, with Smith, Jone and Higgins, Where the sands all in the gulches are

bright with precions ore, shall take a pick and shovel-build a log and canvas hovel, And in the gravel grovel, on that bright

and golden shore, Where the stones and sand are money, and the rivers milk and honey, In that wonderous Eldorado, by the Sacra-

mento shore. hadn't ought ter, For I shall be so sea sick when winds and waters roar.

I shall feel, when on the Ocean, for thee a deep devotion, But I fear the vessel's motion, will make me think of shore-For when the sea makes breaches, one naturally retches. And would be very glad indeed to be

upon the shore. I leave you sad and lonely, for I know you love me only, But I fear you'll find another ere my expedition's o'er;

Where the broad red sun is setting. I am going to get a wetting, Sacramento shore. l love you, and I leave you, and awhile of joy bereave you, But all will be serene again when I return

once more sad afraid, I'll get to be a skeleton, and never see you For the dining will be scanty in our little

canvass shanty, And I shan't be so gallanty, while scratching for the ore : But I'll get with some hard knocks, a pocket full of rocks,

seeing you once more. O fair and lovely creature ! angel in form and beauty ! I know you love me truly and will love

land of ore ; But shall get from the hollows a hundred thousand dollars. To bring you for a settlement from Sacramento's shore.

My spectacles a straddle, on my nose all like a saddle. Will guide me to the placers and pockets of the ore, all these knocks. That pocket full of rocks on that Ophir's

But never think that same is the Gauri sacra fames."

gent at dinner, Eat beef, 'tis good for love they say, in books of ancient lore shilly-shally.

But my appetite I'll rally, as oft I've done My speciacles on my nose make all "corleur de rose."

on Sacramento shore. I say nothing of the few I have given up for triment.

That loved me in despite of the spectacles I wore : There were Sarah, Mad and Lizzy, and Ginny, Jane and Sissy, And one that sang like Grizi, and any number more :

For you I sacrifice them, however much prize them, And with pickage on my shoulder, seek the Sacramento's shore.

Then farewell, Adelaidy, the ship is almost ready, Think of all the airs I used to play, as late the evening wore I'm tossing on the billow, and you toss on your pillow, Still wear for me the willow, till my pil-

grimage is o'er; Then a lassie fair and bonny, with her true will stand up at the alter, and -1 can't and with equal success. - Lycoming Gazette. say any more.

Miscellancous Matter.

A MISER'S BEQUEST.

A Mr. Neild, recently deceased, has beneathed to Queen Victoria nearly the whole of his property. It consists chiefly of land, scattered in various counties, and is valued at half a million sterling. Nield was a barrister at law, and died in Chelsen, aged 72 years. He was possessed of an immense fortune, but was of very eccentric and penurious habits. At the death of his father, thirty years since, he came into possession of about £250,000; which sum had not been touched up to the period of his death. The deceased was never known to wear a greatcoat, and would not allow his dress coat to be brushed, as it would take off the nap and deteriorate its value. His appearance and manners led strangers to imagine that he was in the lowest verge of penury, and their compassion was excited in his behalf, which he never failed to accept when it led to an exhibition of their benevolence. For some years before his death, Mr. Nield scarcely allowed himself the common necessaries. and comforts of life, and has left a poor old housekeeper, who was with him for more than twenty-six years, without the smallest provision or acknowledment for her protracted and far from agreeable or remunerative

A DESPIRATE FIGHT WITH A BLACK

The Portland Argus contains the following account of a bear fight, which transpired in Andover, North Surplus, Oxford co., Maine, on the 22.1 nlt

As Erastus Bean, a young man of 20 years was hoeing in his field, accompanied by a boy of 12, named Donn, he looked up and saw near him a large black bear, of the white faced breed, (the most savage of the black variety.) Having taken his gon with him to shoot partridges, he caught it up and fired at the brute, but with little effect, as the bear immediately began to close upon him. Bean fell back slowly, loading his gun in the meantime, when, just as he had got his charge in, his heel caught against a twig and he fell backwards, and bruin leapt

upon him. His situation now was a frightful one, but nis coolness did not forsake him and he immediately fired again, but with no visible effect. The bear at once went to work, seizing his left arm, biting through it and lacerating it severely. While thus amusing himself, he was tearing with his forepaws the clothes and scracking the flesh on the young man's breast. Having dropped his arm, he opened his hoge month to make a pounce at his face. Then it was that the young man made the dash that saved his life. As the bear opened his mouth, Bean thrust his lacerated arm down the brute's throat, as far as desperation would enable him. There he O Adelaide! fair Adelaide! indeed I'm very had him. The bear could neither retreat nor advance, though the position of the beseiged was anything but agreeable on so warm a day as Thursday ast.

Bean now called upon the lad to come and take from his pocket a jack-knife and open it. The boy was a fitting companion for this brave young man. He marched up to the And then grow fat upon the thought of work boldly. But before he could get at the pocket he had to crowd the beast's head over a little to get at it-the beast meantime not being at all easy with such a hoge monthful in his throat. Having got the knife, Bean, with his untrameled hand, cut the bear's throat from ear to ear, killing him I shall not come to harm in the precious stone dead while he lay on his body. He then threw the beast off, notified his friends, had his wounds dressed, and is now comfornearly four hundred pounds! One of his paws, which our informant saw, weighed two pounds eleven ounces.

the millions is about to be fully tested by the French Government, who have recently devoted the sum of 30,000 francs for facilitating the operations of Messrs. Berthol and Derzein, in their establishment for the artifi-I only ask a competence on Sacramento's cial propagation of fish. This establishment, based upon previous discoveries and practi-Dear Ad least you grow thinner, be dili- cal experiments, turned out, during the last year, 1 000,000 of trout and salmon, and of a species of fish partaking of the qualities of And I, in that fair valley-I shan't stand both. It is proposed to stock, by means of this new discovery, all the available streams of France, and the prospect of success hitherto afforded by the course pursued, bids fair for the realization of the project in question. And will brighten e'en the barren glades The eggs required for the purpose can be conveyed a considerable distance without de-

AMERICAN PEACH FIGS .- A preparation of beaches under this title, was shown us by Mr. Charles Downing, of Newburg. The peaches were first peeled, then cut in halves and the stones removed; they were next placed on plates, with their hollow sides up, and containing one-sixth of their weight in

After having been sufficiently dried in an oven, they may be stowed away in jars; or boxes like figs, the texture of which they materially resemble, while their flavor is cutire ly superior. They may be swellen by water and used for pies, tarts, &c , and are ve y superior in quality to the ordinary dried peaches. Cherries and other fruits, have been preserved by Mr. Downing, in a similar manner,

Tomators .- Those who wish to hurry their tomatoes for market may do so by proper shortening in. All must have observed that inches from the ground, and that 90 per cent. of the vine, containing only 10 per cent. of fruit, grows above this point; therefore cut one it off and remove it, with the small tomatoes The vines will not bleed, and the large tomsufficiently high to compensate for their culture .- Working Farmer,

nine (Ireland) Chronicle, says : -Last year the emigration from this country was 6,000 souls per week; this year the number is nearly 7,000, and the tide is still unbroken. There is no sign of cersation or diminution, but the crowd to every port press on, drawn by friends and hopes beyond the Atlantic, pressed torward by the want and misery behind.33

Australia, so far, seems to have had but few attractions for the Irish emigrant. It is the English and Scotch who turn their eyes in that direction .- The Irish know only

A mystic bells who came tripping into the house one evening from the fields, was told services. A few days before his death by her city cousin that she looked as fresh the deceased told one of his executors that as a daisy kissed with dew. "Well it wasn't he had made a most singular will, but as the any fellow of that name, but Bill Jones that property was his own he had done as he kissed me, and, confound his picture, I told him every body would find him out."

A NEWSPAPER IN A FAMILY.

A school teacher, who has been engaged a long time in his profession, and witnessed the influence of a newspaper on the minds of a family of children, writes to the editor

of the Ogdensburg Journal, as follows : I have found it to be a universal fact, without exception, that those scholars, of both sexes and all ages who have access to newspapers at home, when compared to

those who do not, are-1st. Better readers, excelling in pronunciation and emphasis, and consequently read

more understanlingly. 2d. They are better spellers, and define

words with greater ease and accuracy. 3.1 They obtain a practical knowledge of geography in almost half the time it requires others, as the newspaper has made them familiar with the location of all the important places, notions, their governments, and doings, on the globe.

4th. They are better grammarians, for, having become familiar with every variety of style in the newspaper, from commonplace advertisements to the finished and classical oration of the statesman, they more readily comprehended the meaning of the text, and consequently analyze its construc-

tion with greater accuracy. 5th. They write better compositions, using better language, containing more thoughts

more clearly expressed. 6th. Those young men who have for years been readers of newspapers are always found taking the lead in debating societies, exhibiting a more extensive knowledge upon a greater variety of subjects, and expressing their views, with greater clearness and correctness in the use of the language.

THE LATE BISHOP CHASE. Letters from Robin's Nest, Peoria County, Illinois, confirm the report of the death, on the 20th of September, of Rt. Rev. Philander Chace, D. D., Bishop of Illinois, and Senior Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. It was the result of a fever produced by injuries received while travelling on his official duties. Bishop Chase was in his seventy-seventh year, having been born at Cornish, N. H., on the 14th of December, 1775. He graduated at Dartmouth table. It was judged the bear weighed College in 1795; was ordained in New York in 1798; performed parochial duties successively in New York State, New Orleans, and Hartford, Ct, and in 1817 removed to Ohio, where he was chosen first bishop of that A NOVEL METHOD of raising food for the diocess, and consecrated by Bishop White, College, of Gamber, Ohio, was founded by him, but difficulties connected with it having arisen, he resigned the episcopate. In 1835 be was elected Bishop of Illinois, and since then has devoted himself to that diocese, and to Jubilee College; having, by great personal exertions, in England and at home, succeeded in establishing that institution on what is deemed a secure basis. He was a man of very good talents and uncommon energy, and peculiarly fitted for ministerial duties in the West. By his death, Bishop Brownell, of Connecticut, becomes senior bishop of the Episcopal Church.

THE Swiss papers received by the last steamer state that the block of granite intended for presentation by Switzerland to the United States, to be inserted in the monument to Washington, is prepared and ready to be forwarded. It is a fine specimen of the reddish granite of the country, and upon its polished surface is engraved the follow-

> "TO THE MEMORY OF WASHINGTON. THE FREE SWISS CONFEDERATION, 1852."

IMPORTANT SUIT AND DECISION'-An important case was tried, a few days since, in the circuit court of Shenandoah county Va. The Rockingham Register states that about a year since a gentleman, while going down the valley, in a stage coach, belonging to Messrs. Farish, Harman & Co, was serieasly injured by the upsetting of the coach. His leg was dreadfully broken, inasmuch that he is made a cripple for life. He brought suit against the company, claiming 90 per cent, of the tomatoes grow about 18 damages to the amount of \$10,000. The jury in the case rendered a verdict for the plaintiff and assessed the damages at \$9,-

New Invention .- An ingenious mechanic atoes left will increase in size more than of Nashna, N. H., has invented a new methequal to the value of those removed, besides od of driving circular saws without an arbor. getting them to market while the price is With a saw arranged as he has it, a four foot saw will cut a board three and one half feet wide, while as now arranged, a four foot saw will hardly cut one and one-half feet .-IMMIGRATION FROM IRRLAND .- The Coler- It is also arranged so that it will cut when the carriage is going either way, and will, at the same time, saw nearly twice as fast,

"UNCLE TOM AS HE IS." - We saw, on Saturday, a gentleman from Western Virginin-a former resident of this vicinity-who was on his way home, accompaned by a slave, who ran away about two years since, but had, on meeting his master in Rochester, begged the privilege of returning. He was an active, intelligent appearing "boy," about 25 years old. - Buffalo Courier.

The Troy Budget says that a lady lost the use of her tongue for nearly a week the other day, from eating too many tomatoes. The price of this indispensable vegetable will, no doubt, rise in consequence,

A Western editor in noticing a new and splendid hearse, thinks "it will afford much satisfaction to those who use it "