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POETRY.

KIND HEARTS EVERYWHERE.

Wmy should we call the path of life, A bleak and desert spot, When we ourselves but make it so ? No, no-believe it not ; For though the ilis we're doomed to feel, Are sometimes hard to bear, The world we live in teems with good And kind hearts everywhere. A wish to calm each others griet,

To sooth each others woes, In every bosom finds a place-And this all nature glows, Men of all claims, abroad, at home His generous feelings share; The world we live in teems with good And kind hearts everywhere.

And should misfortune's heavy hand, On every side prevail, Or sorrows overwhelming storm Our happy hours assail, To grieve is folly, wise men say,

Then why should we despair ? The world we live in teems with good And kind hearts everywhere.

JOHN STRAUSS AND HIS SOPHIE WALTZ.

Strauss is a second Orpheus, whose tender moving, spirit-stirring, love-kissing music conquers the most inveterate enemy of Terpsichore; themselves. Strauss has written waltzes that are more to me than any operas. In seven of in as many heavy scores of other musicians .-What a fullness of siren beauty, what a rich mind of poetry; what an inexhaustable fount of over-gushing melody! And not the more property in the more property alone-the rhythm, also, with magical influence seizes the brain and enters the heart .-His violin is a talisman, by which he draws from the depths of the human soul brightest joy and deepest wo, and mingles them with master The bow with which he draws these humming,

their shoulders and shout "Strauss forever!" daughter of a count. Sophie was her name. in, gazed at the dog-his nostrils all the while Her eye was bluer than Italy's heavens, and Grace and beauty were in every motion, and it, came back with a bound, seized the lap-dog music in every tone. In a word, Sophie was by the tail, and hurled him howling through win but one glance of love, but she was cold cian, with nothing but his violin, to dare to love the high-born Sophie, who had as many noble ancestors as he had waltzes.

"Impertinent," said Sophie, and when he came to give her brother a lesson on the violin, she scarcely deigned him a look. Shortly afterwards Sophie was betrothed to Count Robert, Lord Chamberlain, who had indeed as many proud ancestors as Sophie, but beyond these and his titles, had nothing of which he could

One day, when Strauss chanced to be alone with Sophie, he sank upon his knees before her, and with burning words declared his love, and besought her to give but one word or look of love ete he was quite deiven to despatr. But neither tears nor protestations moved her; she was cold and unfeeling as marble. "I am an affianced bride," she said haughtily; "and if I were not, think you I would become the wife of a poor musician?"

She turned away scornfully, and left him alone in his grief and despair. The repentance which soon awoke in the heart of Sophie, unhappily came too late. The bridegroom and her father hastened the marriage. In eight days she would be the wife of Count Robert .-The ceremony was to be performed in the great saloon of the city, and the Count called on Strauss to request him to lead the orchestra on that occasion, and to honor his bride with the composition of a new waltz.

Strauss, the most miserable man in God's universe, promised him both. "He wishes to wound me yet more deeply," said the unhappy man to himself; "but I forgive him; and may she be happy-may she never repent her choice."addressed himself earnestly to his work .--This waltz should be the interpreter of his paslenge at least her pitty, if not her love. When all the great city slept, Strauss took his violin, floored.

pened his window, gazed out into the cold night and improvised and moaned forth his sad tale of woe to the sweet stars above, that looked kindly down on the desolate and heratstricken.

The day of the wedding came at last. The ierce agony of love had gived him a waltz, every measure of which spoke a longing sorow, a wailing woe. The hall glistened and shone with bright jewels, and brighter eyes; gard, emaciated man, with brilliant, piercing black eyes, sharp, strongly marked features, dressed from head to foot in black, as though he had assumed this mourning livery for the bride now dead to him, stood sad and silent in the gallery above, directing the movements of the orchestra. Sophie danced now with one, now with another of the wedding guests, and so often as she paused after the giddy whirl of the dance, she turned her eye toward the pale, grief-stricken Strauss, in his robes of sorrow and mourning, and met his look of despairing

It was more than pity she felt-it was regrowing ever wider and deeper, threatening to overwhelm and destroy her quite. Gladly would she have wept, but she dared not. It sounded twelve o'clock, and Strauss gave the signal for the performance of the new waltz --The gay dancers stood up, Sophie on the arm of the happy bridegroom. All stand spell-bound with the wondrous witchery of those magic sounds. They forget to dance-they gaze wondering up at the pale man in black, whose grief-torn soul breathed out its woe through the soun ling strings of his instrument. His bow moved-with his heart went his spirit. The bridegroom led off-they dance and dance .-Strauss followed the flying pair with tearful eyes-torn heart. They dance and dance, and will never cease. Strauss played and played and played, and will never stop his wonder ful waltz, which so fearfully affects both him whose magic sounds soothe hearts, still sighs, and them. They dance and dance; he played dry tears, tame wild beasts, and move the stones and played; suddenly the E string of his violing snaps, and in that moment Sophie falls dead upon the floor. Violin and bow fall from his his measures, there is often more melody than trembling hands, and with a cry of horror, he shrieked, "Sophie," and fell fainting on the

nel name: Strauss etta porto nel 111 nis death. He, too, is dead, but his charming "Sophia Waltz" lives yet .- Translated from German.

MUSK IN A BACKWOODS TAVERN. A week since, a gentleman and ledy from this vicinity were travelling in Michigan, and many-colored tones from his instrument is a having missed the stage, were compelled to magic wand, which touches the grief-worn soul take a private conveyance from the town of with the healing balsam of joy, and lends her Scuderi to Thomastown. The lady had with handkerchief, when the lady lent him hers witching influence. He is the idol of women. down in the midst of a hard rain, and they In every house, on every piano in Vienna lie were obliged to take refuge in the half way Strauss' waltzes. He has written over two house—a "one horse" log tavern, consisting of up, but the great space and vast dome were lost hundred; all are favorites, all are sung and trilled, and played throughout Europe. Cobbler and dandy hum and pipe them; orchestra and barrel-organ play them. We hear them in short time the gentleman had an ocaasion to use the streets, at the ball, in the garden, and at the his handkerchief, and took it out, leaving it lytheatre. The dancing Viennese carry him on ing on his knee when he got through with it. In a few moments the landlord opened the door, This Strauss, this waltz-hero, loved the put his head in, looked around, went out, came upturned in intense disgust. He finally appearsofter than the sweet light of the evening star. ed satisfied, went to the outside door, opened beautiful. He would have given worlds to the open door, full ten rods in the forest. The wife fainted; the husband rose to his feet terriand stern. Madness, indeed, for a poor musi- bly enraged, and wanted to know what he did it for. "That's my dog," continued he, furiously, "dont care a cuss whose dog it is," said the man gruffly and impetously ; "I ain't going to have no sich blasted smelling varmint around my tavern." The husband and wife evacuated the house instantly, and proceeded on their way

WALKING.

It is really astonishing to see how few people have ever learned to walk properly. The art of pedestrian locomotion is one of the earlie-t of human acquirements, vet hardly one in ten does it gracefully or characteristically. the city, people all walk in too much of a hurry—they seem to have no time to straighten out the knee-joint, at the end of every step, but go trotting along, with bended legs, leaning forward and presenting altogether, a very ridiculous appearance. In the country, the heavy,

Women very rarely walk well. Even those who dance, sit, stand, or recline with the greatest grace cannot walk easily, and it is positively unpleasant to see many ladies perform pedestrian duty. In walking, one should keep the shoulders back well, and move the fee neither too fast nor too slow. The toes, should be turned out, and his knee joints entirely straightened at each step. The carriage of the head has much to do with the gait, and should be upright though not stiff. It would be an excellent idea for walking to be taught in the schools, as a regular branch of exercise, especially in this country, where its beneficial effect and value in giving grace to all other move-

ments are so universally ignored. Why is Ullman like the lobby-carpet at the A TERRIFIC CAVERN.

Mr. J. Atkinson, an English scholar and travcavern, with which he met in the course of his Home Journal travels. While travling along the steppe, near five hundred feet. Nearly opposite to the before us a woman in the highest sense of the gorge by which we had entered, there was another in the mountains to the north. On reaching it I found this was also a deep and narrow ravine, and no doubi formed by the earthquake; through this the water had rushed, ed the chasm, which I found was about 120 vards wide, covered with fallen rocks, among which a torrent was foaming with great fury. morse, it was kindling love. A terrible pain our way was a rough and dangerous one awoke in her heart, lake a swelling stream. sometimes several hundred feet above the stream, and then descending nearly to the level of the water. At last we reached a spot beyond We were now a little above the torrent, which was hidden from our view, and close in front of us the rocks rose up like a wall to an enor- ure. mous height. A loud roaring of the water was heard, which induced me to suppose it was rolling over a deep fall. The old guide told me it was Shaitan's Cavern, swallowing up the river. The mouth of the cavern was formed by a rugged arch, about 60 feet wide and 70 feet high. The river entered this, opening by a channel cut into the solid rock; it was about 30 feet wide and 10 feet deep. A ledge of rocks, about 12 feet wide, formed a terrace along the edge of the stream, and just above the level of the water. When my astonishment had somewhat subsided, I prepared to explore the cavern, by placing my packet of baggage and my rifle on a rock, and the two Cossacks tollowed my example. The guide watched these proceedings with great intereste, but when he beheld us enter the cavern, he was horrified Having proceed and cold, chilling, blast met us. From this point the cavern extended both in width and height, but I could form no idea of its dimen-We cautiously groped our way on in the sions. gloom for about eighty yards from the entrance, when we could see the river bound into a terrific abyss-'black Erebus,' while some white vapor came wreathing up, giving the spot a most supernatural appearance. Few persons could stand on the brink of this gult without a wings to mount up into the heavens of peace. Scuder to mount up into the heavens of peace. her a beautiful little lap dog, which she carried shudder; the roaring of the water was dreadful There are many waltz compositions as rich in melody, but few as rich in melody, but few as rich in melting rhythm as the ride the husband discovered that he had no waltzing, gliding, and dancing, so inviting, so which was scented with musk. About half irresistible, that no dancer can withstand their way between the two towns the carriage broke for a distance the sides and arch were lighted row!"

WEARING FLANNEL.

The very best thing that can be worn next to The very best thing that can be work next to substitute the skin, in summer as well as in winter, is and farev to even an attention of person. common wollen flannel. One color has no ad- Everythis sunk by the predominating and vantage over another, except that which is more likely to "full we see who have begun life with the qualified by a knowledge of reading, writing hot strong soapsuds on the garment in a tub, let it alone until the hand can bear the water, then good talegood tempers, good hearts, good pour off and add clean water, boiling hot, let this stand also as before; pour off and add more tex of thinkard, have become by degrees ly on a line in the hot sun, or before a hot fire anxiety. is not the same man for any one part of the garment, press it out with the hand or incom When he will rise or when he and be careful to stretch the labric as soon as the chance. I which he swallows for what the water is squeezed out, aiming as much as chance, which he swallows for what four minutes. The dog is about four years old, the water is squeezed out, aiming as much as possible to keep the flannel hot until it is dry. he calls re, brings pain surely as night but large and powerful. We would like to If wollen garments are treated literaly as above brings m. Poverty and misery are in they will remain pliable and soft until worn the train

Recent scientific experiments carefully conducted, prove the truth of the popular senti- followinging comments upon the prospect ment that flannel is the best fabric to be worn of "betts." We fondly trust that the next the skin, as it absobs more moisture from "good tining" may speedily arrive: the body than any other material, and by so doing keeps the body more perfectly dry. Cotton the prosproad are reported by good auabsorbs the least; hence the prespiration remains more on the skin and being damp, the heat of classes and have re-established confithe body is rapidly carried off by evaporation, dence a in themselves and each other. stiff boots generally worn, and soft nature of the ground, give to the walker the air of having the ill effects of which no intelligent mind needs labor mey employment in the major and suddenly cools when perspiration ceases, the major are in operation everywhere, thirty-six pound of shot fastened to his ankles. to be reminded of. Hence it is that the common observation of all nations leads them to give their sailors woolen flannel shirts for all seasons and for all latitudes, as the best equalizers of the heat of the body .- Hall's Journal of Health.

> A Challenge to skate was given by a of discot the Bank of England is one Miss-, of Salem, Mass., a Di Vernon young lady, who saucily gave out that if any of the male gender could catch her, she would forfeit continued for a considerable time." a kiss. The Boston Herald says that an athletic negro hearing of the challenge gave chase, and soon his arm encircled her waist. Her brother, however averted the impending smack by presenting the fellow with a \$5 bill-telling him to "slide." The African started on a "bender" with the funds, remarking audibiy

THE "TOM BOY."

Let parents ponder on the truth contained in eler, recently described, in a lecture, a fearful the following remarks, which we cut from the "The "Tom-boy" is an eager, earnest impulthe foot of the Altaian Mountains, in Asia, he sive, bright-eyed, glad-hearted, kind-souled spesaid he came to the brink of one of the dry cimen of genus feminiue. If her laugh is a litriver beds frequently found in those regions— the too frequent, and her tone a trifle too em-This was the evident trace of the sudden disrup- phatic, we are willing to overlook these for the shone with bright jewels, and brighter eyes; but Sophie was more gloriously beautiful than all. The richest gems lent her their charms and their lustre; the pure myrtle wreath bloomand their fustre; the pure divide with about 15 miles long and 4 miles wide, surrounded in her golden hair, and the rare and costly ded by mountains, varying from 5,000 to 7,000 tions. The glancing eye, the glowing cheek the fresh, balmy breath, the tithe and graceful the fresh that the fresh mountan lake, was proved beyond all doubt, play of the limbs, tell a tale of healthy and vigby the sand shells spread over its bed. "I also orous physical development which is nature's found," continued Mr. Atkinson, "the water best beauty. The soul and the mind will be line on the cliffs, showing that the depth was developed also in due time, and we shall have

When the "Tom-boy" has sprung up to a healthful and vigorous womanhood she will be ready to take hold of the duties of life, to become a worker in the great system of humanity. draining the lake, and had formed the great water-course on the plain. We shortly enterin ennui, or fall sick at heart-but she will ever be able to take up the burden of duty. In her track there will be sound philosophy, in her thoughts, boldness and originality, in her heart heaven's own purity, and the "world will be better that she has lived in it." To her fallotted task, she will bring health, vigor, energy, which, to all apperance, we could not proceed. and spirits, and these will give her both the power and the endurance without which her life must be, in some respects at least; a fail-

SATURDAY NIGHT.

What blessed things Saturday nights are, and what would the world be without them? Those breathing moments in the broad and gearish glare of noon; when pale yesterday looked peautiful through the shadows, and faces

Saturday nights make people human! set

the shuters with a will click mass the key in orbits most eccentric.

The door that had then faint and fainter greet in tempestous might, been a week, gently closes behind him, the world is shut out. Here are the treasures, and not in the vault, not in in the book saw I? sures, and not in the vault, not in in the book saw I? -save if the old family Bible-and not in the

May b you are a bachelor, frosty and forty. Then, por fellow, Saturday nights are nothing to you. Fet a wife-get a home-thank God and take ourage.

The do and dusty shops are swept, the The do and dusty snops are such that the hammer thrown, the apron is doffed, and the President of the above institution: laborer hiens homeward.
"Satury night," faintly murmurs the

languishily, as she turns wearily on her couch ; "d is there another to cor "Satury night at last!" whispers the weeper over e dying; "and it is Sunday to-mor-

INEBRIETY.

constitutionly being drawn into the vor-

FW from the money article of a late nupf the Philadelphia Press, the "Businot only reviving among us, but

thority y cheering. The commercial labor mey employment in the agricultural dind food, generally, is cheap .-It is asset in any ordinary times, under such a slings as prevail there, money would in demand at high rates of usance, extraordinary caution of the moneyers brought home such an immense a money, that the current rate and a ha per cent, per annum, while the bankwo and a half is expected to

Oncee, an Irishman and a negro were figt while grappling with each other, than exclaimed: "You divi! of a bur, cry enough—I'll fight till I die I boss," sung out the darkey, "I alwa

There ounterfeit \$5 note in circulation on Bank of Reading.

The following poem, from the San Francisco Golden Era, is not only Homeric in style, but complete in itself, for it ends in the total annihilation of the combata nfs :

"On a pine wood shed, in an alley dark, where scattered moonbeams, sift ing through a row of resentatives of this State. They have raised tottering chimneys and an awning torn and the demon and they may exercise him. But drooping, fell, strode back and forth, with stiff and tense-drawn muscle and peculiar tread, a State Legislature, we are compelled to note a

His name was Norval; on yonder neighbor

Grim war was courted; and twisted tail, and spine upheaving in fatastic curve, and claws distended, and ears flatly pressed against a head thrown back defiantly, told of impending strife.

With eyes a-gleam and screeching blasts of war, and steps as silent as the falling dew, young Norval crept along the splintered edge, and gazed a moment through the darkness down the law, en tered into another contract with Ma. with tail a-wag triumphantly.

Then with an imprecation and a growl-perhaps an oath in direst veangeauce hissed he started back, and, crooked in body like a letter being fixed at three thousand per day, the S, or rather like a U inverted, stood in fierce attention of the House was called to the fact, expectancy.

Twas well. With eye-balls glaring and ears aslant, and open mouth in which two rows of fangs stood forth in sharp and dread conformity slow up a post from out the dark below a head

A dreadful tossin of determined strife young Norval uttered; then, with a face unblanched, and moustache standing strait before his nose, and tail flung wildly to the passing breeze, stepped back in cautious invitations to the foe.

Approaching the other and, with preparations dire, each cat surveyed the vintage of the field. Around they walked with tails uplifted and backs high in air, while from their mouths in accents hissing with consuming rage dropped prief but awful sentences of bate.

Thrice round the roof they ment in circle, each with eye upon the foe intently bent ; then changel long ago, smiling sweetly; again in sidewise moving, at is wont with cats, gave one the hu h, when one remembers the old folks long-drawn, terrific, savage yaw and buckled act of the Opposition is heightened when the

The fur flew. A mist of hair hung over the their hear's to beating softly, as they used to battle-field. High bove the din of passing wagdo before the world turned them into wax one rose the dreaful tumult of the struggling drums, and jarred them to pieces with tattoes. cats. So gleamed their eyes in frenzy, that to ties, those who voted for the contract after this The edger closes with a clasp; the iron me who saw a conflict from a window near, doored aults come too with a bang; up goes naught else was plain but fiery ball that moved without a dollar of responsibility on his part.

Six claws-one ear-of teeth, perhaps handful; and save fur, nought except a solitary contract without security, and thus made up a tail. That tail was Norval's-by a ring I knew't. The ear was -but we'll let the matter pass. The tale will do without the ear."

FARMERS' HIGH SCHOOL OF PENNSYLVANIA .-The following circular has been i sued by the

"The officers of many County Agricultural Societies have omitted to nominate candidates with Mr. Haldeman is of a full binding effect for admission to this School; whilst many until properly annulled. That has not been others desire to name a greater number than done, and therefore he is entitled to compensa-Our charter enjoins upon us the observance of this principle, and we desire to comply with it House of Representatives, knowing that the if the recommendations be made to us. If the officers of County Societies do not make nomina-When s vice has taken fast hold of a man, tions on or before the 16th February, when the farewell nstry-farewell attention to things School will open for instruction-we will adworthy oattention—farewell love of virtu- mit the surplus of other counties or those who ous soci-farewell decency of manners; are reccommended to us by individuals, if such possess the necessary qualifications. In the common wollen flannel. One color has no advantage over another, except that which is more brutal aple. In how many instances do ved. Applicants must be 16 years age, and agreeable to the sight, is more likely to "luli brightest pects before them, and who have and arithmetic, grammar, and geography, to a

A Dog Feat-Fast Travelling .- A young this stand also as before; pour off and add more boiling clean water, and when cool enough the most some and despicable of mankind. In the haf the drunkard there is no happing merely squeeze the garment with the hands—
no wringing or rubbing. Stretch it immediateno wringing or rubbing. Stretch it immediateness for one. All is uncertainty and
since, on business requiring speed, whereupon ly on a line in the hot sun, or before a not life day at a and as the water settles at the most dependent day at a No one knows of his outgoings light handsled, and made the journey on the part of the garment, press it out will the mand will lay to rest, is wholly a matter of tance is seven miles in a little less than see the dog that can excel this feat.

FIGURATIVE LANGUAGE.-How many commo expressions in our language are borrowed from the art of carpentry, may be seen in the following sentence :

"The lawyer who filed a bill, shaved a note, empaneled a jury, put them into a box, nailed a witness, hammered a judge, and bored a whole court, all in one day, has since laid down law, and turned carpenter."

was at Zanesville, Ohio, a few days since, come asy to him. gives a description of monster sorrel horse, which was raised in Pennsylvania, and purchased by a resident of Zanesville. He is "pony built," measures twenty hands high, groes from that State within a year, or the alternative of their choosing masters and remaining as slaves. \$1,000. State fair at Zanesville.

swain who has been duped by some fair maiden, thus delates the case :-

With whiskers thick upon my face, I went my fair to see , She told me she could never love A BEAR faced man like me. I shaved them clean and called again, And though my troubles o'er. She laughed outright, and said I was. More BARE PACED than before.

HOW THE OPPOSITION ACT IN THE STATE LEGISLATURE. We have no disposition to interfere in the

domestic strifes and brickerings of the "happy

family" which now rules the House of Rerecent occurrence in the House, which illustrates in a most forcible manner the reckless ing shed his father fought the cats that came in squads from streets beyond Dupont, in search of food and strange adventure. of important public duties. The Legislative Record is now published and issued by R. J. HALDEMAN, under a contract which extends through the present session, unless said contract be rescinded by a joint resolution of the two Houses. All efforts to rescind this contract having failed, the house, in direct violaton of BERGNER to furnished them with two thousand copies daily, of a similar record, at the rate of \$5 and while discussion was being held upon it, the political friends of Mr. Bergner allege that he altered his proposals from two to three thousand, thus making it agree with the contract of Mr. Haldeman. This was at once pointed out by M. Foster, an Opposition member from Allegheny, who denounced it as an outrage of the; most palpable character. Mr. Rose, from Mercer, also joined Mr. Foster in his repudiation of this attempted swindle, and resolutely proclaimed his determination to resist the consummation of this fraud upon the Treasury at all hazards. But the main body of the Opposition followed the lead of the Speaker, and voted to sustain the Bergner contract in the face of such facts as were substantiated by the evidence presented to them, and not denied by the Speaker of the House, who was forced to admit that the alteration had been made and that in a most suspicious manner. The iniquity of this fact is known that this alteration was made after the securities were attached to the official bond for the faithful performance of the contract, and as such alterations relieves the securidiscovery, voted to give it to Mr. Bergner He might execute it or not, he might give bond was concerned. That was worthless, and yet the majority of the Opposition members sustained this fraudulently aftered contract, this record on which the honest tax-payers of the

Commonwealth will try and judge them in the future. The economic view of this question it also interesting, when placed in contrast with the profession of retrenchment and reform which were so loudly made by the Opposition prevition. He supplies both Houses with Record. have to be paid, proposes to contract for an additional and unnecessary Record, and take from the treasury over five thousand dollars to pay for the same. This is a fair specimen of that economy which the Opposition generally inaugurate when they have the power .- Pennsylvanian.

Carles H. Weeks, a well known actor closed it out any ray of comfort and condegree, sofficient to qualify a boy to commence val last fall, in New York, and subsequently preached in one of the churches in that city, has deserted the pulpit and returned to the stage. He gives as a reason, that he was unable, by preaching, to support himself, an aged mother and two sisters, who were dependent

The following cure for cold has been on cord since 1430 :

Putte your feete in hot water As high as your thighes: Wrappe your head up in flannelle As low as your eyes; Take a quart of rum'd gruelle, When in bedde as a dose, With a number four dipped Well tallow your nose.

(F"Pap, I have planted some potatoes in the garden," said one of the smart youths of this generation to his father; "and what do you cut an acquaintance, split a hair, made an think came up?" "Why potatoes of course." "No, sirree! There came up a drove of hogs and ate them all." The "old man" gave in.

FA dancing master was taken up in Natchez recently, for robbing a fellow boarder. He said he commenced by cheating a printer, and A Monster of a Horse. - A gentlemen who that after that, every thing rascally seemed to

The Missouri Legislature has under advisement a bill for the expulsion of free ne-

William and Mary College, at Williams-A LOVER IN A DILEMMA. - An unfortunate burg, Va., one of the oldest institutions of learning in this country, was destroyed by fire on Tuesday last. The property was very valuable.

13 A contract has been concluded with certain parties to clean the streets of New York, for five years, at \$342,000 per annum.

FAt a party in Washington city a few nights since a lady from New York is said to have been adorned with jewels worth fully \$100,000.