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POETRY.

Poeta nascitur, non fit. "Uncle Toby" has outdone himself, in the following lines, and has fully exemplified the truth of the Latin maxim which we have just quoted...

The Great Cause. BY UNCLE TOBY, Author of "The Keystone Rail Road."

Uncle Toby feels sad and very weary. At his home so lone and dreary. In the shadow of the mountain. Uncle Toby hath heard it said, That great men, Stevens, Sumner and Wade, At Washington, the Metropolis of this nation, Are evoling the greatest wonder of creation...

OUR LOCAL HISTORY.

Highway Robberies wrongfully attributed to Smith's Black Boys: Letter of Messrs. Frazer and Woods to Gov. Penn; Lord Dunmore claims South Western Pennsylvania as a part of Virginia; Murder of Logan's family; The war resulting therefrom averted from Pennsylvania by the wise conduct of the Governor.

After the exploit of Smith's Black Boys in capturing Fort Bedford, numerous highway robberies were committed in the county, and as every footpad blackened his face, all these depredations were, of course, blamed upon Smith's band and the latter finally came to be regarded as the enemy to the peace and welfare of the community.

Physicians and Dentists. P. H. PENNELL, M. D., BLOODY Run, Pa. (late surgeon 6th P. V. V.) tends his professional services to the people of that place and vicinity. Dec. 22 '65-ly*

Bankers. J. J. SCHELL, REED AND SCHELL, Bankers and DEALERS IN EXCHANGE, BEDFORD, PA.

Miscellaneous. DANIEL BORDER, Pitt Street, two doors west of the Bedford Hotel, Bedford, Pa. WATCHMAKER AND DEALER IN JEWELRY, OPTICIAN, &c.

expelled. This satisfied Logan and his followers, that Pennsylvania had nothing in common with the spirit of aggression that had dealt so wantonly with the unhappy chief. Bedford county, therefore, escaped a scourge which, perhaps, would have been more terrible than even that which desolated her fair valleys in the days of the murderous Shingas, and the inhabitants were not again seriously molested by the Indians, until after the breaking out of the war for independence.

CONGRESS INAUGURATING A REVOLUTION—A WAR OF RACES IN PROSPECT. No person can contemplate the action of Congress without forebodings for the future. This is to us the darkest hour in the history of the country. It is true that we have crushed an extensive and powerful rebellion. The disputed question in regard to the interpretation of the constitution has been appealed to the arbitration of arms, and settled. It has been disposed of finally and forever by the removal of the cause of disagreement, in the total abolition of slavery. In this decision the people in the revolted sections have acquiesced, and now come back, asking from the government the privilege of enjoying all the blessings of a restored Union and the exercise of their legitimate rights under it.

The enemies of this country in Europe were constantly predicting during our late war that it made no difference whether the North succeeded on the battle field or not; the Union was destroyed and the country could never be united again. The South, they declared, might be whipped, but they would never renew their allegiance to the Union.

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nently anti-Pennsylvanian, though undoubtedly calculated to benefit those sections of the State through which the road mentioned would run. The Conneville Railroad ought to be finished, but not so as to carry its traffic to cities outside of this State. It should be extended eastward through Somerset, Bedford and Fulton counties down to Chambersburg, where, connecting with the Cumberland Valley Railroad, it would pour the trade of the southwestern quarter of the State through Harrisburg and Lancaster to Philadelphia, instead of running it off to Baltimore and Washington as contemplated by Mr. Bigham.

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From the Detroit Tribune, Jan. 30. THE TRICHINA IN DETROIT—THE DANGERS OF EATING PORK.

One case of the epidemic called Trichina, which has recently excited so much alarm in Berlin, Prussia, has appeared in this city and proved fatal. The victim was a young lady, a German, who was taken ill some time since, and called Dr. Herman Keifer to attend her. Dr. Keifer was at first unable to tell the precise nature of the disease, but finally became convinced that it was of the same nature as the Trichina, which has been known for some years, in Germany, and which arises from the eating of diseased pork.

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the fires of destruction which their pretended friends are kindling around them. A great noise is made by the fanatics in Congress about distinction of color; but the very steps which they are taking is increasing that prejudice and adding to that feeling which nature has planted in the breast of every man. There is a point beyond which the people will not be passive lookers-on. To that point we are rapidly being pushed by the modern Jacobins. The people of the North realized but little of the hardships of the recent war. We saw the tax gatherer approaching our doors; we saw the wives and daughters of those gallant soldiers who fell in battle put on the weeds of mourning; we saw the maimed and crippled brought back from the front; but beyond this was but a dream. It came and passed away like a storm in the winter, leaving here and there a mark indicating that something unusual had transpired. The people in many sections of the South, however, saw more of its solemn realities. Families were broken up and homes destroyed, all of which was but the legitimate penalty of rebellion and attempts to destroy the government.

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Ramsay, Sherman, Sprague, Stewart, Sumner, Trumbull, Wade, Wiley, Williams, Wilson and Yates—33. NAYS—Messrs. Buckalew, Cowan, Davis, Guthrie, Hendricks, M'Dougall, Nesmith, Norton, Riddle, Saulsbury, Stockton and Van Winkle—12.

As heretofore, in all the negro measures of the Disunionists, the Democracy are found voting solidly for the White Race, and for the Union and its perpetuity. We are glad to see Mr. Cowan (the true Republican) voting with the White Man's party.

CALIFORNIA CURIOSITIES. The two objects of natural scenery in California most worthy of mention are the big trees and the Yo Semite Valley. The route to the latter place took us through Mariposa county, past the Fremont Mariposa mines, where we remained a day, and to the immediate vicinity of the grove of big trees known as the Mariposa Grove, but which in reality are situated in Fresno county.

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