### PRIVATE BOHEMIAS.

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## BY THE AUTHOR OF "EMILY CHESTER."

In speaking of Bohemia, I have no reference to that country whose capital is Prague; whose intabitants use a language closely resembling that of angry horses; where, it would seem from all accounts, wounded prisoners of war do not find that their lines (of battle) have fallen in pleasant places - a region of which I know little. Neither do I allude to that universal empire, whese spiritual capital is supposed to be Paris; whose law is liberty; whose inhabitants live by their wit or their wits; whose moral code is scarcely the Ten Commandments-an empire of which I know still less. My reference is to private possessions, held by steady-going, proper, pious citizens, whose social habits are modelled to a sufficient degree upon those of the lark, and the lamb; who pay their bakers' bills, and whose washerwomen do not go away sorrowing; who are sometimes pillars of church and state, and who would generally be shocked by the bare suggestion of their ownership of such property.

It is to these I wish to make known the nature of their own rich estates; it is to these, who seeing see not, I write. Let me explain.

A private Bohemian I take to be that small portion of time or space into which a man may transfer himself from out of his fixed relations with the external world, his habits and ordiwith the external world, his habits and ordi-nary frame of mind. Entering it in a mental process somewhat akin to Sidney Smith's idea of taking off your flesh and sitting in your bones. It is remov-ing the narness from the working horse, and turning him out to gambol and graze in the green nelds. It is slightly divorcing one's self from one's self. Escaping into his own small nook of hiry-land, the soldier ceases to be a soldier; another inner sell, as it were, develops, and he becomes an artist, perhaps, with an eye for all lovety color, or an ear for all harmonious sound. The lawyer, by the same process, sloughs off the montal coil to such a degree that be emerges for the moment a poet, with only frome and rhythm swaying thought and word, with memo-ries of the sweet singers of every time and laud returning to him and flowing from his lips. The merchant forgets his stocks, and the builder his stones, become loyous and jovial, "good fel-lows" in the best sense of the words. Each one changes to something which he apparently is not.

The evidence furnished by history on the sublect of private Bohemias is very full, and well worthy o. consideration.

The administration of the kingdom of Prussia nnder Frederic William would scarcely suggest that its monarch could possibly claim such a ominion as I have described. In those days all abilition as I have described. In those days all Prussian souls wore uniforms, physically or inctaphorically; they walked between straight lines, generally of bayonets; they improved each shunlog hour to a most painful degree; and the law of the land was a mixture of the multiplication table and the right angled triangle. Yet the man who per-sound this whole system. from whom it was excluded could only here inder it by meriodicating evolved, could only live under it by periodically escaping from it. He could not "polish his stanza," as Mr. Carlyle has it, without con-stantly throwing down his pen and rushing out to stretch his himbs and draw a breath of fresh air. Hence his tobacco-college; which impresses me as the natural and n cessary Bohemia of this rough. If royal, member of the brotherhood. Let us hope that it was as pecultar to himself as many of his habits and customs; let us still more hope that his unfortunate subjects had likewise their own means of escaping from the yoke of such a hie-some little resting-place for soul or body sacred from recollections of Poisdam guards and uplitted watking-sticks. Their continued existence is a guarantee that such must have been the case-that in this manner was the wind tempered to these shorn Prassian lambs.

When Frederick the Great inherited the crown this portion of the father's domain did not deseend to him in form. But in a singularly dif-ferent guise he still possessed it. There has al-ways been, to me, some hing pathetic in his lifelong exercions to share his private Bohemia with kindred spirits, in his undiminished faith and are to actually a se a visible ginedom. rom those early days, when he sought to enthrone Voltaire as its crowned head, to old age, he seems never to have surrendered this hope. Poet, philosopher, and wit he wooed, but never permanently won. They seemed divided by some invisible barrier, which neither could pass, The electric chord would not bind them, the divine fire which each possessed failed to fuse their souls in one My own supposition is that he did not recognize where alone his real kingdom lay, he did nol realize that his true Bohemia was secreted in a flute. To him that hollow stick was the enclanter's wand. Though fighting the whole world, though worn by sickness and trouble, though overwhelming deleat and national fa mine stared him in the face-he had but to take out that small instrument and breathe upon it, and about him lay the fair and sunny land where the sky is ever blue, where the flowers ever bloom, and the waters murmur and sparkle in light. The musician's soul which slept within him, which he carried about armored by the nature and habits of the hardpressed, practical soldier, then spread its wings and bore him far away to another country above the pain and shadow of that in which he usually lived and had his being. Louis XVI of France was another royal fugitive from himself and his surroundings; though retuge in a locksmithy does not strike one at first sight as being a private Bohemia. Yet such, I am sure, it was to him. It is only another in-stance of extremes meeting. In the surenarged atmosphere of a time and place which contained an unborn French Revolution, one can imagine that the perfectly prosaic would be a relief and comfort to a man who feit himself totally unequal to that which was present and that which was to come. Under the circumstances, the exact reversal of all precedents was a necessary result. I confess, also, that the possession of such a very superior wile strikes me as, in itself, demanding of Frovidence some spe compensating support and alleviation. Marie Antoinette was undoubtedly a very beautfal woman, who went to the guillotine with uncommon grace and dignity (that seeming to be what she was chiefly fitted for), but I suspect she must have been a trial to ordinary nerves, at ordinary times and seasons. Thinking of this, as of many other phases in the unfortunate king's existence, it has always been a great comfort to me to remember the lock mithy. Americans, with their natures and babits as fluent and changeful as the sea itself, are such therough Bohemiaus in every sense, that it seems singular that the greatest of them is the very man of all others with which it is most impossible to connect such an idea. The most vigorous imagination must stand in coolessed weakness before the effort to endow General Washing on with a private; Behemia, I simply recommend the attempt, as a more con-viccing process than any argument on my part could be. Though regarding him as the publicst, simplest, wisest character in our history, the feeling will arise that he must have found life rather cool, and bleak, and dreary, standing all by himself, without this little backdoor by which sometimes to escape. But I do not think he was conscious of his loss; perhaps for the same reason for which, Horace Walpole said, country life did not bore his lather as it did hum-"he had his dignity of character to oc-cupy his mind." To speak of Horace Walpole is to mention an-other eminent member of the guild. He, too, possessed, a private Bohemia, out it was not Strawberry H.D; neither did a visit to Madame du Defand carry him thither. Perhaps, when delictons George Selwyn came to dine with him, the feast was spread in this semi cole-tial region; but I fancy he lived in it most perfectly and permanently in those charming carly days when he travelled on the con inent with the post Gray and pleasant Harry Conway; when, he tells us, visitors used to surprise them at breakfast in a "crumby room." in trying to escape from which they would drop their slippers, and be thereby enominiously discovered in cowardly flight. Perhaps this blessing of his youth came back to him as he neared his second childhood, when

Berry, whose hands we heard Mr. Thackersy beast of having touched. But perhaps the most enviable private Bo-hemin on record was that of Marin Luther. He stands before the world as the foremest figure in a grand historic period, as the might he face of the forent within the stand the face of the forest and acquainted with grief; he fought the bevil (as he beliefer) in person, and closed in a life-lorg struggle with the splendid bravery of a solder and the splendid bravery of a solder and the splendid bravery of a solder and the enthusiastic faith of a martyr - yet are few human souls who have been forced to choose this day whom they will serve; who have stood in that darkness the only light of which is honest conviction—in that silence through which the only sound is the still small rect. voice; who have not in that darkness and that silence groped, as it were, for the hand of the man and brother who so long ago stood in the same strait, while to their lips rose involunta-rily his very words, "Here I stand; I cannot do otherwise; God belp me !" It is in this aspect the generations have done homage before his memory; but it is another division of his nature for which, so long as human hearts beat with the same emotions, men will love him, and in right of which I claim him. The bright, warm inner soul of the man struck siways like sunshine through the rifts in the armor which the battle of life so seldom permitted him to cast aside; but it only gave out its full light and ebeer within his humble little home. We read of few pleasanter things than that table at whose head satting lord Katy," while Dr. Mattin alled his glass, and

trolled out, Who loves no woman, wine and song He is a fool his whole life long:

of few more delightful -cenes than those musi-cal meetings "where sk trut musicians performed cal meetings "where is in in biolouis performed upon different instruments," of nothing more charming than those (hristmas-trees and testi-vals for his children, where we may be sure Dr. Luther himself was the youngest present. In pos-ession of such a Bohemia, how could be greatly disquiet himself, though the heathen did rage and the people imagine a vain thing; though it had hterally "rained backs Georges," and though "the devils were as many as the tiles upon the house tops." While rating his own little king-dom, the mighty "powers that be" had not power to disturb him. Of all religious herces, to him. I suspect, alone

belongs the henor that there is not one of us who would not gladly have known him in the flesh. We may remember Calvin in his skull-cap, and John Knox at his oar in the French galley, with great respect; but it is impossible to believe the being exists who wishes that either of them had lived in his time, or who cherishes a regret at not having met them per-sonally; while towards this dou-hearted reformer all our social and human instincis go out, and there is probably no historic individual in whose private Bohemia we would so gladly

In whose private Bohemia we would so gladiy have chosen a place. Dr. Johnson must also be admitted to a place upon our rollcall. He also was one of the lions who occasionally lay down with the himbs. In spite of his youthful contemporary's remark that 'he could not see anything wonderful in Dr Johnson, except that bokewow way he had," there were times when he did not delight to back and bite. A very grin old gentleman in score aspects; a sorely tread soul and body, tor'ared, almost maddened by roverty and the king's evit—but, on the other poverty and the king's evil-but, on the other hand, did he not fulle over a bouse nominally possessed by one Mrs. Turale, where there was a perpetual least of tea on and flow of soul (to say nothing of the flow of many other good things), where Funny Burney and numerous pleasant persons loved and honored and flat-tered him to his heart's content? and where, in return, he "roared them gently as a sucking dove

There are certain Bohemitas which pertain to whole classes, having the delightful reculiarity of being equally public and private, whose charm is that they belong and private, whose charm is that they belong absolutely to each 1 essessor, and yet are tree to al. The object of these i take to be novel-rend-ing. To emotional and inazinative persons, especially women, the title-page of a novel is the door to fairs-hand. They lose their indi-yiduality and become the heroine whose for-turns they are following; the deficiencies of their own from such and from such and then here a own lives lade from sight, and they live a nature analogous to the field of swine; that they are in a crude state-mere pork, as it wereno more substantial bond of friendship between women, than having selected the same novel for their special devotion. Its character is, perhaps, the surest test of their characters; indeed, judging any woman I should much prefer learning the name of her favorite novel to that of the church she attends. So entirely do I regard novel-reading as the true feminine Bo-hemia, that I am not sure men who treach apon this pleasure-ground may not be considered and treated as ircspassers. The Bohemia of bys ought properly to be situated in the isles of the sea. But as these are unattainable, it must be looked for at present in "Robinson Crusce" the "Swiss Family Robin-son," and the works of Captain Mayne Reid. With the "Arabian Nights" added, that the East as well as the West may be represented I think there are few hors who would be the set. treated as trespassers. there are few boys who would not claim ownership. To those who wish to view my theory from a poetic standpoint, 1 recommend the perusal of Mrs. Browning's "Lost Bower," which I never read without mentally changing the last word of the title, feeling convinced that part of the poem is only Browningese for a description of a ost Bohemia For the past week I have been experiencing some of the sensations therein described, though certainly in a very different form; and this little sketch was suggested, and is now written, somewhat in memoriam. It has been my great good fortune to passess from child hood (in common with my family and friends) a visible, concrete Bonemia, from which we are about to part. The fate of Mr. Paul Potphar has come upon us-we are to move. Like that gentleman, we are down town, and the march of civilization and manifest destiny alike forbid us to remain. Now that our departure is a fixed and near fact, we have all discovered that we have grown to our old home like moss to rock. But though each room in this house is brightened or shaded some memory of the past, there is none to which we all cling so closely as our "library," so called, perhaps, it in the fact that no one so called, perhaps, if in the fact that no one ever reads in it. One of its sides is covered with books, but the room night much more truly be said to be devoted to song and story. It has often been re-marked that it resembled that other library known to fame, Mr. Ponto's—' which consisted chiefly of boots." By a beautiful provision of the live of abouts. he law of chances, every article in the room has been ordered by a different person-of the result it may be said, as of Mr. Bob Sawyer's chorus, in which each gentleman sung the time ho knew best, "the chieft was very striking." The walls are blue, because one member of the family so fancied: the carpet is green, because another possessed, I suppose an unconscious weakness for grass, an inarticulate [ove of Na-ture; and so on, until every law of color and con-trast is violated. The chairs, tables, and sofas ally sustain the sau a principle; whatever is considered unsuitable for any other room is con-signed to this; sometimes, I am arraid, in a condition which would suggest the theory that we looked upon our library as a ho pital for sightly invalided furniture, or that we believed that the braits that chairs, like hearts,

he loved and served so graciously those sisters Berry, whose hands we heard Mr. Tunckersy beast of having touched. But perhaps the most envisble private Bo-hemin our record was that on the history of pl

The "librarians" are of every are and di-tion, from the gentle matronly presence prestors over all our pleasures, to the s-child of nume-a preternaturally sharp who, under the influences of the place, h veloped a capacity for annihilating reto to be equalled among the race of new to be equalled among the race of news To him most of the remarks are addresses his amusement serves as an excuse for degree of childishness on the part of adults. For his entertainment pictures drawn—as, for instance, that of the Ar Saxon, a man's figure done entirely in s and strught times, with a square head, which he was pronounced to be clearly a head. For him, also, parodies are improv-as, upon one very cold night, that har nursery rhyme, concerning the troubles of nursery rhyme, concerning the troubles of little robin redbr ast during inclement w was suddenly perverted to a discription course of a dissipated young man of the of Robert, and in this form sung in full c

# The north wind doth blow, And = esball Lavesow And what will poor Rooin do then, Poor thing:

He'll s't in the bar-room, As a keep himself warum (pure Celtic And never say "No" to gin-sling, Poor thing!

Reading, some time are, an article Abantic Monthly, entitled "Negro Spirity was reminded of a contribution of one librarians to the general entertainment, ing one evening, be a-ked if we would bear a genuine specimen of African Psa and, upon our assenting, gave us the foll description of the overthrow of King Pl and his host, sung to a strange, minor m half chant, half tupe:--

Did'n ole Phay get losa, Get losa, get losa, Did'n ole Phay get losa In de Red sea? Phayo say, I gwine across In de Red Sea. So whip up your horse : an' gallop acros In de Red Sea.

Did'n ole Phay get loss. Get loss, get loss Did'n cle Phay get loss In ce Red Sea? Phayo say, I gwine along home in de Red Sea. Oh, how I wish I hadn't a-come, In de Red Sea :

Did'n o'e Phay get less, Get ioss, get loss Get 1088, get 1088" Did'n ole Phay get 1088 In de ked Ses" Hebrews say, Wr got across now, In de Red Sea, At Thy feet we numblic bow, In de Red Sea!

At first we strongly suspected it had its in his fertile brain; but upon strict inq was round to be a veritable native prod-sung constantly in the chusches of Ball and familiar to and often performed 1 suble inhabitants of our kitchens. As a present it to that large class for whom thing connected with the race seems t such a singular fascination. As a com-piece of description, it appears to me a ble. The way in which the event is deli ble. The way in which the event is deli-by indicating the emotions of the ac-really artistic; and the osychological displayed in the single line,

#### "Oh, how I wish I hadn't a-come!"

is beyond praise. You feel convinced th and such only was the sentiment which King Pharaob's soul as he saw the water descend.

I never take up a newspaper, with its of civil commotions, without being real a peculiarity of the discoverer of the After righting through the entire war, b speaks of the time which has since elap cept as- "since peace broke out."

The conversation turning upon the lie expression now taken by women both is and private, one of our band inquired, " and private, one of our band inquired, "In what particular do women of the present day resemble St. Paul?" The entire company replied by simply denying the possibility of such a like-ness; but we were forced to retract when in-formed that it was "because they spoke after the manner of mea." The male "librarians," in common with all masculine Bohemians, evidently believe their thoughts and functes to have something in their nature analogous to the desh of swime; that they

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#### "may break, yet brokenly live on."

Here ablde baojo and guitar: here wonders of whistling and singing are performed; here a gipsy-tent seems always pitched, and under its standes the family and a few tried friends as semble. To elect a person even temporarily a "librarian" is, in our eyes, the highest compliment we can pay him. The bond of union is not culture, nor literary taste; for I am convinced more than one prominent member believes in his secret soul that Solomon's chief claim to be considered the wisest man lies in the fact of his having said that "much study is a wearine's to the flesh." But then such a perfect sense of humor as these persons poisess -- they recognize wit under any disguise; as it were, they shull the battle from afar.

One article of faith we all hold-that first class non-ense is rarer, more difficult to produce, and, from a conversational point of view, more preclous than first-class sense; as we all like-

until, by the influence of smoke, they are cured | PER into a consistency corresponding to wholesome and palaiable bacon. Consequently, we might be permanently described as under a cloud. Not long stuce these fibrarians took under consider "Tobacco as a moral agent," and, starting from Dr. Watts' principle, that

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proved to their own satisfaction that it must have accomplished incalculable good to the human race.

Then it was inquired, whether the red man PER could properly be spoken of as

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Lo, the poor Indian;

though he has an "untutored mind;" though small-pox and the war-path have borne hardly upon him, when it is recollected at what PER an early date tobacco was known to him, and that he is still capable of enjoying an unlimited number of pipes.

A suspicion arises in my mind that this account of our private Bohemia will chiefly suggest the counterpart of Mr. Pickwick's sen-sation, when told by Mr. Peter Magnus that he sometimes, in writing to his friends, signed himself P. M., atternoon, as it amused them, 'Mr. Pickwick rather envied the ease with which Mr. Peter Magnus' triends were amused." But this is precisely one of the points I am trying to set forth-that a capacity for being easily amused is really the most enviable of characteristics. Blessed is the man to whom it has been given. To him there is no need to "Would he were a boy again," for he carries within him a fountain of perpetual youth. Better still, his title to a private Bohemia is undeniable.

In parting, dear reader, I can express no batter wish for your happiness than that claim is also secure. -Painam's Magazine. lat your

#### LEGAL NOTICES.

'N THE ORPHANS' COURT FOR THE CITY

IN THE ORPHANS' COURT FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF PHILADELPHIA. Estate of DANIEL, POHTER, decreased. The Andier appointed by the Court to andit, settle, and adjust the account of JAMES Rick and GROKGE POWFIL, Excenters of the last will and testament of DANIEL FORTER decessed, and to r-port distri-bution of the balance in the hands of the accountant, will meet the parties interested, for the purpose of his appointment, on TUESDAY, Joly 21, A. D. 1888, M eleven (11) o'olock A. M., at his office, No. 466 WAL-NUT Street, in the city of Philadelphia. WILLIAM D. BARWE, 7 10fmw St<sup>®</sup> Auditor.

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF PHILADELPHIA. Is the matter of the Assigned Estate of HARVEY S. + GIFELL and ERASAUS KELLY, trading as FODELL & KELLY. The Auditor appointed by the Court to audit, settle, and adjust the account of HENJAMIN L. TEM PLE. Assignee of said FODELL & KELLY, and to report distribution of the balance in the hands of the accountant, will meet the plattles interested for the purpose of his appointment, on TUE-DAY, July S. A. 1, 18%, at h o'clock a. M. at his office, No. 406 WALNUT Street, in the city of Philadelphia. 7 If imwat? WILLIAM D. BAKER, Auditor,

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA IN BANKBUPTOY. At Philadelphia, Jany 14, 1983 The underspeed hereby sives notice of his appoint-ment as Assigned hereby sives notice of his appoint-ment as Assigned of NicHolas Ballier, of Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvaria, within said District, who has been adjudged a balkrupt upon his owa petition by the District Court of said District. BAMUEL B HURY, Assignee, No, 52 S, THIRD Street, To the Creditors of said Bankrupt. 7 11 m 3.8

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