## POETRY AND MISCELLANY.

GRATITUDE TO GOD.

AFTER ROBSFAU, BY LEILA. The starry heavens instruct the earth, Their mighty author to revere In every burning, rolling sphere. What a sublime, a heavenly song,

Bursts forth from that celestial choir! What swelling music roots along From every sweet serapnic lyre, Blending in one full harmony, Almighty King, in praise to thee'

Oh Lord, Thy might, Thy wondrous glory, Each fair thing in Creation tells: Day unto day repeats the story, And night unto the night reveals. Not man's the language, faint and weak, Obscurely falling on the ear; Not thus doth mighty nature speak-Her voice is loud, her tones are clear;

She readeth from an open book.

And all who hear may turn and look. How grand Thy works, Thou gracious Lord, Thy blessings boundless, great, and free: How rich, how sweet, the full reward

Or creatures faithful unto Thee! In humble loye, in holy fear, The weakest spirit dwells secure; Here springeth light to warm, to cheer, To strengthen, to infoire, assure; And kindle in the feeblest mind

Bright gleams of wisdom, clear, rafined, Remember, Lord, my trembling faith, And fill me with a watchful fear, To fly the works of sin and death-To see Thy law in letters clear.

Thy blessed law of light and truth, . In all its force to me unfold; And let its precepts guide my youth More precious far than gams of goi I. More sweet that boly Law to me,

Than honsed treasures to the Lee.

Without those beams of sacred light Thy Spirit and Thy Word impart. Ah' who can tell the d-pth of night That broods upon his inmost heart? Oh, lend me one pure burning ray,

My own dark spirit to explore, To tright mine inward focs away: And, that it may return no more, Lord, let it gleam forever there, Expelling darkness and despair

Irdius, dear Lord thou deign to bless My soul with thy reviving smile, To fill me with thy righteousness, An I keep my wandering feet from gode. My grateful soul shall draw supplies From thy pure fount iin, full and free; And upward evermore shall raise The glory and the praise to Thee. For all who see the change dryme, Shallown the work, great God, for Thine.

## THE OVER-PAID CHECK.

BY T. S. ARIHUR.

"I'll tell you something, af you'll promise not to say anyng about it," said a voung man named. Wheeler to a on clerk named Watson.

"I'nt no hand at keeping secrets," returned Watson, you'd better not tell me " You know, I had a chork for my quarter a surry to-

"It was for three hundred dollars. Now look here."

, and commenced counting them over. The whole out was eight hundred dollars. "There is what I received for my check", said he, in a

as and with a glanco of exultation. "Eight hundred dollars!" remarked Watson, evincing

"I thought your check called for only three hundred

" did I. But it seems the teller the't differently." "Then he overnaid your check five hundred, dollars." "lle did, and no mistake," replied Wheeler. Ain't I th' No errors corrected out of bank, you know." "But you don't intend keeping the money?"

"Yes I do. Suppose the check had been for eight telred' Would be have rectified the error! No, inall It's a poor rule that won't work both ways." "How could be have made such a mistake?"

"Easily enough. The counter was fined with a dozen ne. You know how curiously Mr. Y----, makes ofigures' It's no great wonder that there should be carkes some times. Now what figure do you call

The clerk pointed to a piece of paper that lay on the he left his old place, another clerk was engaged.

Tet one might easily enough mistake it for an eight

a hurry." "Oh ses " "Just such another figure was on my check."

Then the teller was not so much to blame." "Oh no. The mistake is by no means a surprising

"But do you mean to take advantage of the error?" "I certainly do. If it had been on the other side, -'dhe have corrected it!'

The lose will fall upon himself,"
ortick Should to "I'll get the advantage.—
the dozen't meet with such good luck every day." "Indeed, Wheeler, I think you're wrong," said his on clerk, carnestly. "We should never seek to do to ourselves through another's loss. The teller will thre hundred dollars, unless you go forward and corthis mistake, and that will-bo a serious matter for

You know he has a large family." Lethin take better care another time. But I don't ave the bank will make him lose it."

"Even if they should not, the principle upon which you "That for the principle," snapping his, thumb and fin-"When a man gets five hundred dollars in his

up, it takes a large amount of principle to get the monout again. My principle is to hold on to all I can

The conversation between the two young men was in-Tupted at this point, and they separated to attend to transus duties that were required of them.

'I hope you've thought better of it, and intend returnand the with Wheeler alone.

Didn't this very teller make a mistake of fifty dol- false entries in the book, each for one hundred dollars.ar instances of the same kind. Now I'll turn the him." es on hun, and he'll understand how he feels."

Ten're wrong, depend upon it, you're wrong," an- lor, in so changed a voice that his employer looked at "ed Watson. "The teller refused to correct the mis- him seriously." because he did not know them to be such. But that rou have received five hundred dollars, securities released. The Directors, under the circums for he could not think of removing her from her please other times. Wheeler slepped quickly forward to meet drede of dollars,

ual who committed the error."

"You need not talk to me, Watson, I know what I am about. I just wanted five hundred dollars, and the monev has come in the nick of time."

Wheeler was in earnest, as his conduct proved. He kept the money notwithstanding several persons, who came to know the fact urged him to do what was right. But it proved of no benfit to him, for he lost it all, and three hundred dollars besides in an adventuro made in one of his employer's ships, before the year was out. .

About this time the firm in whose service he was, discovered that a system of peculation had been going on in their establishment, but were unable to trace the wrong to any particular clerk among the large number employed. Whole pieces of fine and costly goods disappeared to be unaccountably short. Under these circumstances a council of the firm was called, and the matter taken up seriously.

"I am afraid," said one during this interview, that the young man in whom we have reposed so much confilence, is not innocent in the matter."

"You don't mean Wheeler?" inquired a second momber of the house exhibiting marked surprise. "I do," was answered.

"Impossible."

"So I would have said yesterday. But I heard something this morning that has altogether changed my opinion of h:m." "What is it?"

"You remember the adventure upon which he lost so heavily?"

"Were do you think a large part of the money which he bought the goods sent out, came from?"

"He saved if from his salary, I presume." "I believed the same. But now I learn that on one of the checks we gave him for a quarter's salary the teller overpaid him five hundred dollars."

"Yes." "Then he is not honest."

"And he kept it?"

"Of course he is not. The act is just as dishonest as toaling."

"But are you certain of this?"

"John Phillips told me so this morning."

Phillips was a clerk in the establishment, and the real definquent in the under investigation. He had become apprised of the act of Wheeler, and rightly judged that; to give him a hint of it to his employers, would be to turn their attention from him, and fix his grailt upon an- His ultimate intention was to commence business himother, if this peculations were made the subject of investigation, as he had every reason to belive was about to be the case.

"Can we believe him?"

"He says andrew Watso I knows it to be the case." beyond a doubt. "It won't do to retain him in our employment," said

"No. But who would have decamed of suspecting

him! It is well we have not yet carried out our intention of establishing a house in Cincinnati. With him at the head of it, as was designed, we might have sustained a heavy loss." Not the elightest evidence appeared against Wheeler

the check before the eyes of his employers, who were suffering loss from some one about their esteblishment. Their determination, after long depating the matter, and whether the money if restored should go to Gardiner or Bank?" said the uncle. toke, he opened a drawer of the deak viewing it on every side, was to inform him that they the bank This was soon settled, however, on the side which he was writing, took out a small parcel of bank | no longer had need of his services | Nothing could have more astounded the young man than did this announcement when it was made. His inquiry into the cause of his dismissal was not answered truly. Something about the necessity of reducing expenses was allewed, and that was about all the satisfaction he received

> competent to take charge of business, Wheeler received signature. He then felt more comfortable in mind; esthe offer of a situation at a thousand dollars a year, as pecially as Gardiner immediately closed with the neuding soon as it was known that he had left his old place. This offer he accepted, although the salary was two hundred dollars loss than the one he had been receiving. In the house from which he was dismissed, Wheeler

had been employed for ten years. He entered it as a lad of fifteen, and had always acted so as to secure the confidence and respect of every member of the firm .adred dollars, and the teller had paid me but three His expectations in life as far ss business matters were concerned did not go beyond this house. A branch in Cincinnati had been for some time under contemplation. and it was understood that he was to have an interest in iti and it was to be under his charge. His disappointsons wanting with their checks, when I handed up ment and mortification were, therefore, extreme. He knew that the cause assigned for his discharge was not the real one, for business had paver been more active; and had he possessed a doubt on this subject, it would have been removed by the fact that a few weeks after

> This reaction upon the young man's error, although ho was ignorant of the fact that it was such a re-action, sobered his feelings very much. We say ignorant of the fact, still a thought of what he had done would occasionally cross his mind, and stir a lotent suspicion of some favor in the eyes of his old employers. The effect check?" of this was to awaken a feeling of regret for having kept the money, which became, at length, so distinct an impression as to trouble him.

"The money never did mo any most the section;" This acknowled ...... murmured to himself, one day, ....en thinking over the matter, marked the progress of

About a year after Whoeler had left his old place, the merchant in whose employment he was, said to him one day, on coming in from the bank, where he had been to

attend to some business. "I'm sorry to hear bad news about Gurdiner, the first

teller in our bank." "Ah! What is it?" Inquired Wheeler. "He has been detected in afveral false treaties."

"It can't be possible! I have always believed him to be a very honest man."

"So havo I. In fact the circum stances are suell as to show the existence of strong temptation." "How much has he taken from the bank?"

"Oaly five hundred dollars have been discovered; and that, he says, is the full amount abstracted from the funds her's situation was rendered so uppleasant, that in a few of the institution, and I am disposed to believe him."

"What could have possessed him to do so?" "Very peculiar circumstances. He has a large family, and his expences have been fully up to his income .-About two years ago, he says he over-paid to some one, five hundred dollars, which the Institution required him The five hundred dollars you drow out of the bank in tom the good. It was deducted from his salary, at the and Watson, when he had an opportunity to rate of one hundred and twenty-five dollars a quarter .-In the meantime debt becams the unavoidable conse. "Lu're very much mistakon," was the prompt reply quonce, and under its emburassment, and goaded by cle, with whom she resided, was a man of some proper-Atal no such thing. No errors corrected out of the thought that the bank was unjust in laying the optive This is the rule; and it's as good on one side as burden of the error upon him, when he was so little able The hanks make the rule: and let them abide to bear it, he yielded to the temptation, and made five

"What course will the bank pursue?" inquired Whee-

"Gardiner has been removed from his place and his

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while they pitied the young man they could not retain him in so responsible a situation as the one he had occupied."

"Oh dear!', fell from the lips of Wheeler, in a tone of distross, that was far more doubly grounded in his heart the chage in her manner towards him. While pondering way to a new home in the West. than the merchant dreamed.

"I don't envy the feeling of him who received the temporary benefit from that poor clork's error when he comes to hear of the sal consequence that has followed," said Wheeler's employer, as he turned from the young

How the words stunned the ears that heard them! For days and wooks little olse but the thought of Gardiner's dismissal from the bink was in the mind of Wheeler. Most sincerely did he repent of what he had mysteriously, and on various occasions the eash proved done, and with repontance came the wish to make restitution. While in this state of m'n l. Gardiner come into the store to see his employer and lay before him an offer to go into business which he had received. In order to form the connection, he must have a capital of five | this grew into importance, and now it became necessary | man's champagne and venison." So saying, he marchhundred dollars; but he had not a cept, was out of employment, and his family dependent for their daily bread

upon the bounty of a relative. "The offer is a very good one," said the marchant.-But can you furnish the capital?"

"No," was replied "that is the difficulty!" "How do you think of obtaining it?"

"I know of no resource, unless those who do not think

me really dishonest at heart, and who pity my misfortune, help me. Can I depend upon you for any aid?" "I'm afraid not," replied the merchant, "I have need of every dollar it is possible for me to command."

Gardiner went away looking sad and hopeless. Wheeler did not hear what he had said, but he was painfully affected by the expression of his countenance.

"Poor fellow!" said the merchant, after Gardiner had retired-"I pity him, but I can't risk my money on oue inclined to ask for one, nor to a renewal of the old rewho has proved himself dishonest, even though it were under strong temptation. He has a capital offer to get into business, if he had only five hundred dollars to invest, but he will find it difficult to raise that sum; at least from people who know anything of his short-comings the day previous to his intended departure, while passwhile in the bank."

Wheeler heard this but said nothing. He was naturhis salary, and, in consequence, always had money laid | she saw him. up in the bank, invested in good stocks, or accumulating by means of such business operations as he could enter did not leave the city the next day as he intended. It pany at dinnea to-day.' into without interfering with his regular duties as, clerk. self, as soon as he had saved about five thousand dollars, unless a good connection in some well established house offered before that time. Towards this object he had al- concluded to see her uncle, and plainly ask the reason ready accumulated nearly two thousand dollars. Altho' why Adeline had years before, broken the engagement he had lost in an unsuccessful adventure, the five hun- into which she had entered. Upon this resolution he suppose you are addressing?' Watson being questioned, fully confirmed the fact. dred dollars obtained through the teller's error, yet the acted. The uncle received him with chilling formality. Other evidence was added, establishing the matter bethought of restitution came into his mind. He felt that But, not repulsed by this, Wheeler came at once to the thought of restitution came into his mind. He felt that | But, not repulsed by this, Wheeler came at once to the Gardinor's misfortune lay at his door, that he had injured him beyond all hope of full reparation. But his strong love of money, and ardent desire to accumulate a sufficient sum of money to justify him in commencing business for himself, arose in opposition to the honest impulse. Then came a warm debate in his mind between selfishness and just principles, which went on several days, during which time, he was much disturbed. To. estore the five hundred dollars, was to put off at least a noss, the period he so anxiously wished to arrive at; and his heart sunk at the thought. Then came the question and who had been so great a sufferer in consequence.

It was nearly two weeks before the mind of Wheeler came to a full and fair decision. It was in favor of jus-Being a most excellent salesman and in every way Gardiner in a letter, to which, of course there was no hundred dollers received in mistake?" offer, and came into a business, that while it gave him comfortable living for the present, promised well for the

> A few months after this, his old employers were waited upon by the merchant whom he was serving as a

"I wish." said the latter, "to ask you one or two questions about Wheeler. I have thought for some time of offering him an interest in my business. But before doing so, it seemed but right that I should see you, and ask the reason why you did not retain him in your employment, It could not have been for want of ability or attention to business."

"No. Few young men have his ability," was re-

"Then you had a reason for dispensing with his services beyond this?"

"We certainly had."

"May I be permitted to inquire what it was?" "Yes. And under the circumstances we cannot with-

hold a candid answer. You know that Gardiner, the with much warmth .- But do me the justice to prove paying teller in the \_\_\_\_ Bank lost his place by ab- the truth of what I have said. To-morrow I will see structing five hundred dollars, to make good his own loss you again." connection between the over-paid check, and his loss of in consequence of having over-paid that sum on a

rather a hard case. The scoundrel who took the money grasped the moment he came in. if known, should meet with the executation of all he

drew the check." "Wheeles?

ceived for his quarter's salary, Gardiner paid him by mistake eight hundred, and he kept the money." "And for this you discharged him from your house?"

"Yes; as soon as we were apprised of the fact, which was nearly a year after it occurred."

"Did you tell him the reason." "No. We did'nt care to do that."

"He's not an honest man," said the merchant on learning this, "and of course not worthy of confidence. So far from connecting myself with him in business I shall hardly deem it prudent to retain him about me even in his present capacity."

months, he gave up, and sought another place.

Again he felt the reaction of his error, without comnot know how much he had lost in seeking to gain five

hundred dollars dishonestly. Tenderly attached had Wheeler been for two or three years to a beautiful and affectionate young lady, whose connections embraced many families of wealth and influence. Her name was Adeline Burton. As her unty, and was living in a style of more elegance than Wheeler could support, he had delayed urging a marriage until he could get into business. But he east one young man after another, by far less capable and expeat winter and refuse to correct it? I know a good This is his account of the matter, and I believe and pity rienced than himself, selected by men of capital as partners, or introduced into firms to which they had come over him. He saw no lights in the future. Anx- years entered, leaning on the arm of her relative. Her rid of him, and he thus accomplished, by impudence

eleance with which she wes familiar.

Thile hes tating whether to ask his betrothed, for this strange circumstance, he was astounded by the recept of all his letters and little souvenirs, and a cold egjest to have here returned. Indigdant at such fulth was a heavy one, and saddened his heart for life. Soon on the point of being served.

after he left the East and removed to a Western city.

'len years elapsed, and then Wheeler came back for like to make one of them.' hefirst time since he had gone away. On the little sunt "I'll take any bot, returned Hook, that I do-call he lad saved from his earnings, he had commenced a for me at ten o'clock, and you will find that I shall be smill business in a far off western town. Gradually able to give a tolerable account of the worthy gentleo visit the East in order to purchase a stock of goods. Hiberto'he had supplied himself either in Cincinnati or er, and was quickly lost to the sight of his astonished Piteburgh. In the old place he found everything chan- companion. As a matter of course he was immediate ged Scorcely a familiar countenance met him as he ly ushered by the servant as an expected guest, into the walted through the streets, and in the business portion drawing roun, where a large party had already assemof he city, only here and there did he observe the blod. The apartment being well nigh full, no notice was "signs" of other times. /Gardiner, the once unfortunate at first taken of his intrusion, and half a dozon people park teller, had become a prosperous merchant, and was were laughing at his bon-mots before the host discoverconsidered to be worth fifty or sixty thousand dollars.

This fact he learned with pleasure. Wheeler did not ask for Adeline. He could not trust contiful image faded from his memory. Once truly loved, and never proved unworthy of his heart's best the old gentleman was able to catch the attention of the affections, he had not been unable to forget her. Yet ha- agreeable stranger. ving been rejected without a reason, he had never felt lations. For all he had learned to the contrary she had become, years before, the bride of another.

After remaining in the city a few days, and making some purchases, he prepared to leave for the West. On ing along the street, he came suddenly on Adeline Burton. The lady started, paused slightly, and then went ally fond of money, and ardently desired to accumulate hurriedly on. Her face was thin and wore a look of

was impossible for him to go now until he had obtained an interview with Adeline, who had not, as he learned, all night, thinking the best course to pursue, he finally od in the city-as I was about to explain whenobject of his visit.

"Ten years ago, sir," said he calmly, "your niece. to whom I was engaged in marriage, broke her contract with me, without assigning any reason. I asked none, and to this day have remained ignorant of her mo- only afraid I have kept you waiting." tives. But I now feel a wish to know them. Will you

do me the justice to give her the information I seek?" "Certainly," replied the uncle, "if you desire to learn | andhouse not be gratified."

"Speak then, I am prepared to hear."

"You remember Gardiner, the teller in the A deep crimson instantly covered the face of Wheeler.

floor. When he looked up his countenance was com-"Yes." he replied, "I remember Gardiner very well.

tice. After decidining, he acted quickly. Five hundred for I have cause. I understand it all now. Adeline ed, and I am only too happy to be able to offer you a seat dollars worth of stock was sold, and the money sent to was told that I unjustly withheld from the bank five at mine.

The uncle bowed gravely. "And for this she rejected me?"

"She did, and I must say with good cause." "Perhaps so," said Wheeler. "Yet may not a man repent a wrong act?"

"Oh yes. But we will judge of the quality of his repentance by his efforts to repair the injury he has

"True. And now you will do me the justice to see ago, receive, from an unknown hand, the sum of five hundred dollars."

"Then you restored the money?"

go to the - Bailk, and ask the Cashier, if seven years laughter, and make good the first impression. The mirth ago, he did not receive a letter from the West, covering grow fast and furious, whon hy way of a coup do grace, a remiftance of five hundred dollars, to be placed to the credit of Gardiner, in liquidation of the deficit remaining in his account?"

"That would be restitution two fold," said the uncle of Adeline.

"And it has been made," returned Wheeler, speaking performance with the explanatory study:

Saying this Wheeler rose and retired. On the next day, when he called again upon the uncle of Adeline, "Yes. And I have pitied him very much. He was his reception was very different. His hand was warmly

"I have seen both G rdiner and the Cashier," "We are sorry to say that Wheeler was the man who done well in business, offered some years ago, to make up regularly for their papers, are regarded as prompt good his short-comings at the Bank, but your remittance men, and worthy of confidence. We had a person come

> ten years ago." "I cannot receive it," was the prompt reply of Wheeler.

"But Gardiner will not feel happy if you refuse." "And I will not be happy if I accept. But let us waive that now. There is something elso nearer my heart. It was for this cause that Adeline turned from me?"

"Has she loved another since?" "No. She has received three or four advantageous

offers but rejected them all." "Do you object to my socing her again?"

"No: You committed a grievous error. But you best of your ability. None can ask for more than this. prehending from whonce the effect proceeded. He did All are liable to do wrong, but few sincerely repent.". "Are you willing to inform Adeline, before I soe her,

> of all that you have just learned." "That has already been done." "It has?" "Yes."

"Will she see me?" "I will ask her, if you desire it." "This evening I will call at your house," said Wheeler. Inform Adeline of my wish to see her, and tell her He then made a polite bow, and retired .- Trumpet. that since the unhappy hour she turned from me, I have A specimen of genus leafer contrived recently to singular fact, says the editor, that under Mr. Polk's adnot ceased to think and pray for her."

not your due, and that the loss will fall upon the individ- stances, voted to let the loss fall upon the Bank. But sait home into one at all inferior, or wanting in the her; and she received his extended hand, and returned its warm pressure. While they yet stood, mutely gazing at each other, the uncle retired, and they were left med was the relation Adeline bore to him, to name an alone. What passed between them we will not record. carlor day for their marriage, he observed a sudden Enough that two weeks afterwards, Adeline was on the

HOW THEODORE HOOK GOT A DINNER.

"Lounging up Scho Square in the afternoon with espess, he sent back what she desired without a word Terry the actor, the nostrils of the promenaders were of eply, written or verbal. But the circumstance seem- suddenly saluted with a concord of sweet odors from a ed betun him. He had leved Adeline with the most spacious area. They stopped, snuffed the grateful incartest affection and in-all his dreams of his future life, conse, and peoping down perceived through the kitchen perimage had been beautifully blended. The blow window preparations for a handsome dinner, evidently

"What a" feast!' said Terry. 'Jolly dogs! I should

ed up the steps, gave an authorative rap with the knockod the mistake. Affecting not to observe the visible embarrassment of the latter, and ingeniously avoiding any opportunity for explanation, Hook rattled on till he had himself to speak of her to any one; for not yet had her attracted the greater part of the company in a circle round him, and some considerable time had clapsed ere

> " I beg vour pardor sir," he said, contriving at last to get in a word: 'but your name, sir-I did not quite catch -servants are so abominable incorrect-and fam real-

> ly a little at a loss -"Don't apologise, I beg, graciously replied Theodore; Smith-my name is Smith-and, as you justly observe, servants are always making some stupid blun-

der or other. I remember a remarkable instance. 'Ac. "But roally, my dear sir,' continued the host, at the termination of the story illustrative of stupidity in serproperty. He made it a rule never to spend over half of suffering and resignation. She turned very pale when wants: 'I think the mistake on the present occasion does not originate in the source you allude to; I certain-Wheeler was deeply agitated by this apparition. He ly did not anticipate the pleasure of Mr. Smith's com-

> know, and it is now, I see, a quarter past five-you are a given her yows to another. After lying awake nearly little fast by the way; but the fact is, I have been detain-"Pray,' exclaimed the other, as soon as he could stay

"No, I dare say not-you said four in your note; I

the volubility of his guest, whom, may I ask you, do you "Whom? Why Mr. Thompson, of course-olfriend of my father. . I have not the pleasure, indeed, of being personally known to you, but having received your

Frith Street-four o'clock-Family party-come in boots-you see I have taken you at your word. I am " No, no, not at all. But permit me to observe, my

dear sir, my name is not exactly Thomson, it is Jones,

kind invitation vestorday, on my arrival from Liverpool,

bly assumed consternation; Jones-why surely I cannot have-yes, I must-good heaver! I see it all! My dear sir, what an unfortunate blunder-wrong house-what you think of such an intrusion! I am really at a loss for words in which to apologise-you will permit me to

"Pray don't think of retiring," exclaimed the hospitable old gentleman, 'your friend's table must have been cleared long ago, if, as you say, four was the hour name

"Hook, of course, could not hear of such a thingplenty chop-houses at hand; the unfortunate part of the business wee, he had made an appointment with a gentleman to call at ton o'clock. The good natured Jones, however, positively refused to allow so entertaining a visitor to withdraw dinnerless. Mrs. Jones joined in solicitations, the Misses Jones, smiled bewitchingly; and, at last Mr. Smith, who so in recovered from his confusion, Gardiner, and ask him if he did not, more than ten years | was provailed upon to offer his arm to one of the ladies,

and take his place at the well-furnished board.' "In all probability the family of Jones never passes he seated him olf at the piano-forte, and struck off into one of those extemporaneous effusions which had filled more critical judges than the Joneses with delight and ast mis'iment. Ten o'clock struck, and on Mr. Terry being annouseed, his triumphant friend wound up, the

"I'an very migh pleased with your fare," Your cellur's as prime as your cook ; 'My friend's Mr. Terry, the player, And I'm Mr. Theodor e Hook!"

"Yes. On a check of three hundred dollars re- of five hundred dollars as a return of the loan you made send the "Trumpet" new to- ?" We te-"he owes me about thirty-nine dollars, and I can't get it. I don't think he's good." We looked secretly at his account and found him all paid up. We then replied to the inquirer, "that man is good; your debt is sufe; he deliberately resolves, for a "valuable consideration," to may have forgotten it, or something else may have pre- maintain a senseless castle, that shuts him up to a dull vented his paying; but he is good." The man's eyes round of folly and fashion, and dissipation, of which he brightened. Said he, I have been to several printers, may be heartily tired, and cuts him off forever from the and could not find where he took a paper. I thought of you, and said I would come here." Said he again, after society. - Ontario Messenger. a pause, "This is the why we find out whether people are good. We ascertain what paper they take, and contrive some way to peep into their account. Men who are pieus man in Massachusetts happening to stray into the good are sure to pay for their newspapers; and if they do road, a neighbor of the man who owned the horse, put have seen it was wrong, and repaired the injury to the not pay for these, we think them not good." We were him in the pound. Meeting the owner soon after, he will send up my bill to \_\_\_\_, by express." (These ex. ) him in the road hereafter, I'll do just so again." "Yes, sir-ec," (said be) and opened his hand and showed in your yard; and I'll do it again!" Struck with the a roll of bills. "There, said he, "give me a printer's reply, the man liberated the horse from the pound, and books after all to tell whether a man's good-they're a paid the charges himself. complete thermometer, sir, a credit thermometer; we always know a man to be bad if he don't pay the printer."

get from New York to Chagres without paying & cent .- administration, her eggs were unusually large-but That evening Wheeler called as proposed to do. After Thence he walked across the Isthmus, and through the Since Taylor's inauguration, they have become smaller sending up his name, he sat awaiting the appearance of connivance of a fireman, concented himself on the and smaller, down to one no larger than a robbin's egg! formerly held a clerk's relation, while he was passed either Adeline or her uncle for nearly five minutes. A steamer California, for San Francisco. He made his She evidently make this a "day of small things," and by some unaccountably. A feeling of discouragement few moments of suspense and the leved one of many appearance on deck when three days out-too late to get means to be in the fashion.

## MDHAVE NO HOME

We have no home; The cottage gray is ours no more. And by its hearth stone strangers dwell, A darkness hangs about the door Which scaree the sunshine can dispel; There youthful joys, affection's ties, Gave foretaste of a paradisc. And sweet the day of toll or rest A mother's presence always blest.

We have no home. A thousand thoughts unbidden start-A thousand fears portentous rise To fright the soul and shake the heart, Like clouds athwart the summer skies No home! afar let me be cast Since here the stanger's foot hath passed; , The barque which braves mi I-ocean's roar, May wreck upon her native shore?.

We have no home-And yet, my sister, yet with thee, A humble cot I hope to gain-For dear unto our hearts would be The lowest roof that wards the rain-Where winter storins a loy would yield. And pleasure fill each summer field-Where nature's music, groves and flowers, Portray the home that erest was ours!

THE MUSHROOM ARISTOCRAT.

All aristocracy is some thing of a puzzle to our democratic notions of mon and things; but there is some times extant in this queer world a flush aristocracy—a bogus coin—which we apprehend is quite as much a marvel to

its simple victims as to others. A man by a fortunate investment or speculation; by overreaching and extortion, by grinding the faces of the poor and preying upon the necessitous, by shaving notes, verworking and starving his help, exorbitant profits, and stealing the half cent in every sixpenny trade, by squeezing every sixpence till it is flattened into a shilling, by spending little and saving all, at length becomes rich-to

wit: gcts more money than his honest neighbors. And shall this goodly estate, which has cost him so much wear and tear of body and soul, avail him nothing? Shall he not straitway get to himself "goods, tenements, and here ditaments," worthy of his high estate? Shall he not have houses, furniture, et cetera, suitable to a family about to assume their proper "station in society?"-All this is easily answered and easily done, for money will accomplish it.

But now to this new adventurer comes the tug of war. Old associates are to be at once cut, forgotten, never in fact known; and new ones of quite an other kidney known like a book, familiar as household words, the very men in fact he has been brought up with from his youth. He has not only to learn all things anow, but he is to perform the more difficult task of forgetting all his old habits and associations, that he may be born again into the New Order of Aristocracy. Old things must pass away, and all things become new. His manners, his tastes, his very senses must all be changed in the twinkling of an eye. He must now have spontaneously the native air of

his own order. He must know how to give a la monde. the countersign to the first class-the patronizing, how to the second-the ned of recognition to the third-and the vacant, idiotic stare to the groundlings. He must learn to admire those objects for, which he has no taste, and detest what he still loves. He must make himself quite at home in his new prison, and, as he

looks over his splendid apartments, and costly furniture, and accomplished family, "wonder how some people live," who live just as he did a few years ago. The most familiar old objects and handicrafts must become to his refined taste and standing a marvel. Though he used to black his own boots, he must wonder every morning how the d-l they contrive to get that shining polish And his whole family must participate in the general

refinement. His daughters, simple souls, must so have forgotten the physiology of a disheloth as to mistake it for a dipping sea monster, fished from a rock "in the deep bosom of the ocean burried." And the dear wife could not think of trospassing upon the kindness of a good woman, though she can't at once unlearn all the perfect stranger; if too late for Thompson there were vulgar usefulness, must contrive to accommodate herself us best she can to their new position in society. If she hasn't wholly forgotten the former cares of her house hold, they must not constitute the burden of her conversation or the objects of her taste. She must become literary and musical withal, and wonder how families, can amuse themselves without books to read in, and a "pean-

ner." and "genteel society." Now all these and a thousand and one such like things. are a far graver puzzle to these now-fledged aristocrats than to simple lookers on. Not the little shepherd of Issuch an evening before. If nok naturally exerted himself rael in Saul's armor felt half so out of place, as for a time "I did. But see him. Put the question to him. Then to the utmost to keep the party in an anceasing roar of they feel. And to the author of these new relationsthe pione or on this new tide of successful experiment, the thing never becomes natural. Now the object of his heart is accomplished, and he has fairly got into the "first society," he feels away frome home, like a bird (a mock ing bird) in a cage, of puss in boots. He himself can not divino why it is, that somehow he has learned, and his little children have learned after him, to stare at the lower classes in the street, out of their little innocent, pewter eyes. He himself can give no reason why he don't visit them, or they him, only-"he don't go in that society." It is some satisfaction to know that he is rich. to admire the new fine things, and the growing accom-A New FACT Discressed.-We were not aware, unil plishments of his family and children; but it remains a sad puzzle to him how these should imprison him and recently, that the books of newspaper publishers are consulted to quite a large extent, by people in business, to them, from other men and other children they used to ascertain the pecuniary standing of persons. Debts for know, and visit, and love. He is sometimes, in his simthe Uncle, "and it is all as you say Gardinar, having newspapers come due once a year; and persons who pay plicity, inclined to think there is nothing in it, (for he don't feel himself a bit more of a man-than before.) that he will break this tother and go out and brouse where he had anticipated him, and he now sends you this check into our office, a few weeks since; and ask, . Do you used to do in general society, and get common, human; and vulgar again. But then, their family prospects!plied, "Yes, we certainly do." Woll," said the man, Thou, his daughters would be common girls, and his sous common boys-his wife a common woman, and his

> The sacrifice is too great for "flesh and blood"; so he best impulses, and sympathics, and offices, and duties of A SOFT ASSWER TURNETH AWAY WRATH .- The Horse in the Pound and the Cattle in the Field .- The horse of a

> dwelling a common house-and his dog a common dog!

forcibly struck by such an idea: "Well," said he, "I told him what he had done, and added, "If I ever catch presses, by the way, are one of the best inventions of "Neighbor," replied the other, "not long since I lookmodern times.) In a few days the person came in again, hed out of my window in the night and saw your cattle in Said he, "I sont up my bill." "Well, did he pay you!" my mowing ground, and I drove them out and shut them

> A Day of SMALL THINGS .- The New Haven Regisfor acknowledges the receipt of a basket of eggs, the product of one hen on a farm at East Haven. It is a

D'According to the New Orleans Delta, the Banks of ious to lend to the altar the one he loved, he yet hesitated; countenance was pale, yet in her eyes was the light of and Jerry Diddleriem, a voyage that costs others hun- that city have in the aggregate, one dollar and thirty cents specie on hand, for each dollar in circulation.