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WHOSE?

A little mound of earth above,
With matted, stunted grass o'er grown,
A heart-heart to grave-and plot,
By every former friend forgot,
Yet strangers' steps I can't find chose
Say by that grave, not knowing whose!

What need of sculptured stone to tell
Who slept beneath was sleeping well?
What need to know the sleeper's name?
To us or him 'twas all the same!
Life's story still I could peruse,
Beside this grave, not knowing whose.

"Dust to dust" the end of earth,
The end of dreams our life gives birth;
The summing up of all our fame,
Was here, a mound without a name!
A matted sod, a lonely spot,
By grieving friends at last forgot!

Not knowing whose, what worth it was
His name, his age or history?
Did earth resound once with his crime,
Or may hap with his deeds sublime;
What boots since o'er him hangs the pall
Oblivion weaves and spreads for all?

One of the millions gone before,
Whose steps are washed from off Time's shore;
A matted sod the only trace
That's left as landmark to his race,
Whene'er like me one comes to muse
Beside his grave, not knowing whose!

LOVE AFFAIRS OF FAMOUS PEOPLE.

It is said that one of Andy Johnson's sons denies that his father was ever subjected to any disappointment of the affections. If this be the case then Mr. Johnson's history is very different from that of most men, and, it may be added, women also. As a disappointed lover, indeed, he would have stood in very good company and chief among his associates would be the "Father of His Country," and the man that brought down the lightning. It is well known that the former came to this city in 1752, and was entertained by Beverly Robinson, whose wife's sister, Miss Phillipse, was both a beauty and an heiress. The Phillipse mansion stands in the midst of Yonkers, and is the city hall. The estate was one of the finest on the banks of the Hudson, and even at that early day had a great value. It is said on good authority that Miss Phillipse made such an impression on the young Virginian, who was then hardly of age, that he offered her his heart and hand. But the belle of New York had no desire to be buried in a Virginian plantation, and therefore declined. She after ward married Captain Morris, of the British army, who built, on her territory, the grand Morris mansion, which afterwards became the residence of Miss Jumel. It is now occupied by Nelson Chase, who holds the Madame's estate. Washington returned to Virginia, and, after his campaign under Braddock, married the opulent young widow, Martha Dandridge. He thus became the richest man on the continent, and Mrs. Morris lived to see him the most distinguished. He and Beverly Robinson came into indirect contact twenty-five years afterward, for it was at the Robinson House that Arnold held his last conference with Andre.

FRANKLIN.

Benjamin Franklin, when a poor printer in Philadelphia, courted a girl and appeared to be getting on nicely, when the latter's friends objected to the match. The printing trade was not sufficiently lucrative to suit their views, and as the girl had a chance to marry a thrifty mechanic, she concluded not to throw herself away on Benjamin Franklin. The printer stood the bereavement with great nerve, and subsequently married a Miss Bache, with whom he lived very happily.

IRVING.

Irving, while a penniless lawyer, was deeply in love with Matilda Hoffman, the daughter of Judge Hoffman, in whose office he was studying. She died early of consumption, and left him plighted as well as bereaved. He never recovered from the shock, and in his private drawer, after his death was found her miniature and locks of her hair. He said of her to a friend, 'She died in the beauty of youth, and to me she will always be young and beautiful.' It is to be remembered, however, that upon this bereavement hinged the author's literary career. Had Matilda Hoffman lived and become his wife, would he have gone to Europe and become a distinguished author? Would he have spent seventeen years abroad, including two years in Spain and in the Alhambra? Certainly not. He would, on the other hand, have been an inferior lawyer, while as a writer he never could have attained wealth, though he might have reached fame. Irving's disappointment was necessary to his success, and, no doubt, he saw it afterward in this light. There is no ground to suppose that he ever afterward contemplated matrimony.

WALTER SCOTT.

His early disappointment was very bitter, and, although its full details cannot be given, it may be said that when he was a poor young barrister, living still under the paternal roof at Edinburgh, he fell in love with a maiden whose rank was above his own, and whom he could not hope to win. Still he hoped against hope. His father heard of the affair, and with sober sense of mature years informed the lady's friends of Walter's weakness, and they at once removed the girl from the city. Scott never knew the cause of this change till years afterward, but as the income of his profession for five years averaged only £100 a year, he could not expect to encounter the expense of a domestic establishment. The girl married soon afterward, and one of Scott's friends was much alarmed for fear of the consequences. He writes as follows:

"This is bad news for our romantic friend, and I should shudder at the violence of his most irritable and ungovernable mind. 'It is said that men have died and worms have eaten them, but not for love.' I sincerely hope it may be verified on this occasion."

Scott did nothing more than pen a few stanzas, which are worth reading, in this connection. They are addressed to the violet, and close thus:

Though fair her gems of azure hue,
Beneath the dew-drop's weight reclining,
I've seen an eye of livelier blue,
More sweet though watery lustre shining.

The summer sun that dew shall dry,
Ere yet that sun be veiled in mourning,
So longer in my false love's eye
Remained the tear of parting sorrow.

Before six months had expired this disappointed lover was as deeply enamored of another girl, whom he had met while on an excursion in the North of England. She was of French birth, and is described as very fascinating. One of his friends said: "Scott was fairly beside himself about Miss Carpenter. We toasted her about twenty times over, he raving about her until it was one in the morning." The next Christmas they were married. It may be added that the match was not felicitous on the part of the husband; for although their married life was harmonious, the wife was deficient in that mental strength which union required. "Scott never outlived the influence exercised on him by his first love, and in his latter years he wept at the mention of her name and the memory of old associations. He made the remark to a young clergymen thirty years after his marriage that 'scarce one person out of twenty marries his first love, and scarce one out of twenty of the remainder has cause to rejoice at having done so. What we love in those early days is rather a fanciful creation of our own than a reality. We build statues of snow and weep when they melt."

SOUTHEY'S METHOD.

The manner in which Robert Southey wrought upon the adverse stream is worthy of notice. He was in love with a girl as poor as himself, and was obliged to leave England for Portugal for the purpose of improving his fortunes. The day the vessel was to sail he fixed on for his marriage with Edith Fricker, and his maiden bride bade him a sad farewell at the wharf and went home wearing her wedding ring as the only memento of the occasion. Southey wanted to send her money, and knew that she would not accept it from one who was not legally her husband. This strange wedding was the beginning of a union marked by more than the usual degree of felicity. Upon the whole, it seems, as Shakespeare says, that "marriage and hanging go by destiny." It is, of course, very trying to be disappointed in love; as Orlando says (in "As You Like It," "O, how bitter a thing it is to look into happiness through another man's eyes," but it is an experience often noticed.—*Troy Times.*

HENRY WARD BEECHER ON COMMON SCHOOLS.

NO BIBLE IN THE SCHOOLS.

The Rev. Henry Ward Beecher delivered a sermon on Thanksgiving day, on the subject of Common Schools. On account of his high position among Evangelical Christians, standing at the head of the Puritan sects, his views on this important matter are worthy of consideration. We republish a portion of them, taken from the Brooklyn *Eagle*. Mr. Beecher said that:—

"Four things are necessary to the Common Schools: First, That education shall be common. Second, That it shall be so conducted as to enable men of all political faiths to unite in the system. Third, That it shall unite in sympathy all religious sects. Fourth, That by its intrinsic merit it continue to feed national confidence and national enthusiasm."

Under the first head, he asserts that a common education should be given to rich and poor, whites and negroes throughout the whole United States. Under the fourth head, he argued that children should be taught not only reading, writing, arithmetic, and geography, but the rules of health and bodily purity, and the laws of morality, so as to prepare them to become vigorous, energetic, and useful citizens. He held that the State ought to make its system compulsory upon parents.

His remarks upon the second and third heads are subjoined:

"Secondly. Our Common Schools must be so constituted as that they shall enable all political parties to unite in their maintenance and in the enthusiasm of them. Their existence ought not to depend upon the caprice of ever-shifting parties. Our schools ought not to be like floats in the harbors, with variable tides that ride high when the tide is in and nuzzle in the mud when the tide is out. Our schools should be delivered from any such mutations. Their general scope—their machinery, should not be subject to the alterations of party. You cannot prevent any great public interest from becoming a theme of consideration; but it does not follow because every party will first or last, be called to act on the Common School question, therefore the party will attempt, by its own machinery, to act upon Common Schools. The work can be put into departments, and that which I say is that the departments must carry it forward, but must not belong to a party. Above all, political influence should not be suffered to officer and control the school. It is an outrage for the sake of political reward to put into the hands of incompetent men the care of children. If Goliah is to be slain, it is a shame to send a wet nurse to do it; and if a babe is born, it is a shame to send David or Goliah to suckle it. Fit things for fit functions. For a department of education in a community to be officered by the hirelings and off-scourings is blasphemy against the Holy Ghost of intelligence, and parties ought to be considered as having committed, not a blunder, but a sacrilegious crime, that attempt to give the sacred fire of education into unpriestly hands, into the hands of men who themselves have foul mouths and foul hands. And when I think of some of the unrevealed revelations; when I know that in places not far from this men who have been appointed to the general conduct of schools have made their last the price of advancement; when I know that blackmail and favoritism have wrought by those who have been put as high priests of culture, I am glad that it was enough only to lift the corner of the screen, and let the imagination tell what was or might be, and that the sore was healed. But that which was done in the dry tree may be done in the green one again, and it is only one caution as to the danger of putting the great interests of Common School education into the hands of men with no other qualification than that they are castaway politicians. [Applause.]

"Thirdly. They should be so constituted that men of all creeds should send their children without any fear of propagandism. They must not be called religious in the just sense of the word. After the manner and speech of men the Common School must not be regarded as a religious institution. It is secular; it must be kept secular and defended against anything that will make it other than secular. Only on that ground can you have national schools. It is not just and fair that I should be taxed for the education of my boy when I cannot send him to the Common School for fear his conscience will be perverted and where he will be taught the thing that I abhor. It is not fair to compel the children of a Jew—a citizen like me, a taxpayer like me, a free American citizen like me—it is not right that he should be compelled to pay money that his child may hear the New Testament read day by day, which he doesn't believe in. [Applause.] It is not right that our substantial Catholic fellow-citizens should be compelled to send their children to schools where the Bible is read, when they do not believe that the Protestant version is the faithful version of God's will. [Applause.] It is not right that they should read their Douai Bible in Common Schools and compel us to hear them. Fair play! Fair play! And it is not fair play that the majority should dictate to the minority. A little while ago the enunciation of this doctrine would not have drawn the approbation of your feet. [Laughter.] Those journals that at first were disposed to vindicate the old order of things, by larger reflection, by the light of a second thought, have come, or are rapidly coming, to the ground that our Common Schools must be secular and not religious institutions, and that only on that ground can the State support them. If they are secular the State has a right to support them, because in doing so it is preventing its own decline and overthrow. Does this make a godly school? In one sense it does; special functions being developed, special organs must perform. In the education of the community there is another work to be done; there is church work and there is school work. We do not, on the ground that a child can be educated without religious culture. You must put the child through different institutions. The Common School does not undertake to educate the whole man. It educates him as far as is necessary to make him a good citizen, and says to the father and to the priest, 'You must do the rest.' When, therefore, you say the Common School is godless, I say it is godless in precisely the same way that a hatter's shop is godless. Suppose I should have a shop for manufacturing chairs, and a man should come and say, 'Do you manufacture Bibles?' 'No.' 'Then you have a godless shop.' The spirit of the Common School is not to circulate religious culture, and the school is not godless on that account. The Common School does not take away from the young citizen the religious elements. It merely says that that must be performed elsewhere. It belongs to the parent and the priest."

We do not agree with Mr. Beecher about compulsory education, but upon other subjects, he is right in his views. His arguments must be separated from his moral character. Old King David was guilty of adultery and murder, but that fact does not lessen the beauty of the Psalms.

ONE OF BURR'S JURORS.

A venerable gentleman, with a history of peculiar interest, is at present sojourning temporarily at the Good Samaritan hospital, in this city. He came here several weeks ago, totally blind, suffering from a cataract of his left and sole remaining eye. He was operated on for cataract by one of our Cincinnati oculists, and although the venerable man had attained the uncommon age of ninety years and four months, the delicate operation was perfectly successful, and the patient now has the happiness of enjoying his sight once more.

The old gentleman is a physician, by name Dr. David Creel, and is one of the earlier graduates of the old University of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia. He is the father-in-law of Judge Safford, of our State, and is at present a resident of Chillicothe.

Part of Dr. Creel's history is a matter of national interest, from the fact that he was one of the jurors in the great trial of Aaron Burr for conspiracy against the United States government.

The trial of Aaron Burr, it will be remembered, took place in September, 1807. So far as our venerable friend knows he is the sole man remaining of the twelve men who acquitted Aaron Burr of treason against the United States. There is probably no doubt that he is the only one left, as he was one of the youngest of the jurors, and he is now over ninety years old.

"The trial lasted a month," said Father Creel.

"And how did the jury stand?" was asked.

"Unanimous for acquittal," said he—"unanimous. Burr's principal lawyer was Luther Martin, of Philadelphia. Luther Martin was considered the finest lawyer of the day, but he was, unfortunately, a hopeless drunkard.

"Oh! it was a famous trial, that was—worth a lifetime to hear. Luther Martin was one of the first lawyers of the age and put forth his most powerful efforts in Burr's behalf. Chief Justice Marshall allowed Burr to speak in his own defence whenever he chose, and although, as I said, Martin was one of the most accomplished lawyers of the age, yet Burr knocked to pieces in five minutes all that Martin could say. Whenever he opened his lips there was most perfect silence in the court. Aaron Burr was so graceful and splendid in all he did or said. Every word made a most profound impression on the jury. I shall never forget—never—though I live to be five hundred years old."

"Was he so eloquent?"

"No, he was not eloquent at all, in the ordinary sense of the word. He was not a bit flowery in his language. It was just clear, precise and simple, with no attempt whatever at ornamental clap-trap, but he had a way of making a point before a jury more clearly than any man I ever knew, so clearly that they had to see it."

"What was the fascination about him, do you think?"

"I think it was his manner. There was a charm about him that no human being could resist, particularly a woman. It is a fact, without a particle of exaggeration, that when once he fixed his fascinating eye upon a woman there was no escape for her. It may sound strange, but I having seen and known the man as I have, must say that I doubt if there was ever another as fascinating a man on earth as Aaron Burr. Then his intellect was far more powerful than is generally supposed. His head did not slope back from his brows like that of Henry Clay, as is sometimes represented in his pictures, but it was massive and full in the forehead. His brain was magnificent, in my opinion, equal to Jefferson's."

"Was Burr so very handsome?"

"Not so handsome in the face; but though rather a small man, he was the most perfectly formed man I ever saw, and his manner of carrying himself was indescribably princely and splendid."

"Did the jury which tried him really believe him innocent?"

"Not one of us thought he had any direct designs against the government of the United States. His ambition and his plans were magnificent, but they were not to be directed against this country, at least not then. As nearly as we could conscientiously get at the truth, we judged that his plan was about this. First, the conquest of Mexico and the establishment of a government which would probably have been a mild form of a monarchy, with Aaron Burr for king. Then afterwards perhaps a few of the southern United States would have been attached, but he never had an idea of breaking up the United States government itself. After conquering Mexico and perhaps annexing a few of our Southern States, his plan was to go on south and add to his kingdom from the South American States. There was not a doubt on our minds, neither, that General Wilkinson, who commanded the United States troops in the south, was just as guilty as Aaron Burr was, but for some reason, Wilkinson was never brought to trial."

"You knew the Blennerhassetts well, too, Dr. Creel?"

"Very well," said the Dr. "Blennerhassett and his wife have visited at my father's. I danced with Mrs. Blennerhassett at a ball in Parkesburg, West Virginia, once. She was a very accomplished, agreeable woman, and her husband idolized her."

"Was she handsome?"

"No, not very. She was a very graceful, finely formed woman, with dark hair and rather dark eyes, but not so handsome as stylish and elegant. At the time of her acquaintance with Burr she must have been as much as forty-five years old. Blennerhassett was very wealthy then, and Burr won over Mrs. Blennerhassett to his cause; she won over her husband, and so Burr got Blennerhassett's money. Mrs. Blennerhassett was a remarkable woman. I remember she used frequently to walk from home to Marietta, a distance of twelve miles, before breakfast, in the morning and take breakfast in Marietta. Blennerhassett himself was very English in appearance. He strogly resembled Lord Ashburton, formerly minister at Washington.—Blennerhassett and his wife were a most affectionate couple, devotedly and faithfully attached to each other."

"And what became of their children after the failure of Burr and the ruin of their home?"

"They had three sons," said the venerable doctor, "Harmon, Dominique, and Joseph Lewis. Joseph was the youngest. I do not know the fate of the elder sons, but a few years ago Joseph Blennerhassett, this younger son, was living in Missouri, on the Mississippi river, a few miles above St. Louis. For anything I know he is there still. He is a farmer, if I am not mistaken. The high-spirited but broken-hearted Mrs. Blennerhassett died poor and lonely in the care of some kindly Sisters of Charity in New York, and none but those angels of mercy followed her to the grave. It was a mournful ending to a life like hers."—*Cincinnati Commercial.*

THE OLIVE TREE.

In Morocco, as in Spain, the olive is the most extensively planted tree, and forms not only a striking feature of the landscape, but one of the chief sources of subsistence to the people. So important is the yield of this time honored tree as an article of food, of domestic economy and the arts, that it demands a brief notice.

Olive trees, in Morocco, are usually set out in rows, the young plants being branches cut from the parent stock in the month of January. The end of the cutting is usually split into four prongs which are held apart by a small stone, and then planted, banked, manured and watered for one or two years. As the young tree grows, its exuberance is pruned into a few upright promising branches. It begins to yield lucratively about the tenth season; but, like man, is not fully developed before the thirtieth year.

The tree is in flower during the months of June and July, but all the above statements are modified by the variety, situation and latitude of the olive. The full grown tree yields from two to three bushels of berries. These are picked in Autumn or early winter, when they are purple colored and shining, and a right beautiful, merry sight is the harvest home.

The trees are generally beaten, contrary to Calameila's advice, by slender poles to disengage the berries, which are gathered up by men, women and children, and carried to the oil mill in baskets, on the back of a mule or donkey. The berries are seldom sorted, as they should be, but are thrown, as they are gathered, on a circular, hollowed stone, over which another is made to revolve, by mule or other power. The crushed mass is then shoveled into mats and taken to a rude lever press, where the juice is expressed. The liquor, as it flows out, is caught into a reservoir below, partly filled with water, and the oil, as it rises to the surface, is skimmed off and poured into large earthen jars. The pulp of the berry is subjected to boiling water to further disengage the oil; but generally it is used for fuel and for fattening animals. The olive oil of Morocco is certainly not so pure as that of some other countries, but the taste, it seems to me, is not so insipid.

Olives for pickling are usually gathered before they are quite ripe and while the skin is yet green, though not always. The berries are repeatedly steeped in water with some alkali added to hasten the change in taste, for naturally they are bitter and nauseous, and when this is accomplished, they are put into brine of simple water and salt, or of one composed of salt, thyme, garlic and bay laurel. The most common olives, well pickled, constitute an important part of the food of the poor and of the army ration. Indeed, pickled olive berries are very nutritious. They form an essential portion of the people's food and no one who has come to use and like them will willingly exchange either for their substitutes in other lands.

Olive oil is also used extensively in the arts and as a medicine. The Moors use the poorer oil for lamps and in the manufacture of ordinary soap; while from the better kind they make, like the French and the Spanish, the finest castile.

In this connection I should speak of the date palm, the pomegranate, the fig, and almond trees of Morocco. The first is regarded by the Moors as the special gift of Providence to their table lands, where vast groves welcome the traveler and caravan, affording food, fuel and shelter to man and beast—The date palm yields per year about 100 pounds of dates. Camels are exceedingly fond of the refuse dates and the crushed date stones, while the leaves are used for many purposes, especially in making baskets, ropes, bags, etc.

From the fruit of the fig and the nut of the almond trees the Moors compound a food which is not only condensed in bulk self-preservation, and wonderfully nutritious but as simple and healthful as it is cheap and delicious.—*V. D. Collins.*

About 2 o'clock the other morning a Norwich policeman found a man sitting on the sidewalk. Naturally, he asked him what was the matter. "Well," said the man, sadly, "my wife thinks I am drunk. I've tried twice to get in at the front door and she's put me out both times, and my self-respect won't allow me to try it again. So I'm waiting till she's quieted down a little, and then I think I can crawl through the cellar window."

PAUL MORPHY.

THE RECENT CAREER OF THE ONCE WORLD-RENOWNED CHESS PLAYER—HE BECOMES A HOPELESS MANIAC.

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Fifteen years ago the name of Paul Morphy, the famous chess player, was as familiar as household words in almost every portion of the civilized world. He was a lion in his day, and no mistake, and for a young man—he was not over twenty then—he made considerable noise.

For a twelvemonth he was a sensation, and then passed away from public notice and fame, as suddenly as he had risen to those giddy heights.

Among those who recollect the brilliant career of the great chess king, there are very few who could tell you anything about his existence during the past ten years, or, indeed, whether he lives or is dead.

But it is safe to assume that the revival of the subject here will prove a matter of much interest to thousands, for although Morphy dropped from the world's view many years ago he has not by any means been forgotten; and the very mention of his name, almost anywhere, will suffice to awaken a curious desire to know what has become of him, and what has been his history since he resigned his crown in the domain of chess.

With the wonderful and dazzling career of Morphy in 1859 and 1860 all men are familiar. What led to it will here be recited. He was born in New Orleans in 1840, of a creole family, rich and respected. When a mere lad he evinced an aptitude for chess, and in six months after having played his first game he developed into a marvelous player. He not only beat his father and his teachers, but vanquished the best chess players in the city, and in three months more had so progressed that among the most skillful players at the game in New Orleans—and there were many good ones here—none could even approach him.

At this time his fame had traveled not only to the North in his own country, but to Europe, and then his star began to rise until it became brightly conspicuous on two continents. His entrance upon the life of a public chess player was effected against the remonstrances of his parents and his kindred, who saw something ignoble in the public parade of young Morphy's talents, and the cultivation of the notoriety which would necessarily follow. But Paul was charmed at the prospect of becoming famous, and no argument could turn him from the course upon which he had set his soul. So he became great, but it will be hereinafter seen that as the price of his fame was his family's sorrow, it came home to him in after years, and made him a morbid, melancholy man. It has at last reduced him to a mental wreck, and he is now an inmate of a private asylum, where he has resided for the past three months, and whence he will perhaps never emerge alive, as he is considered to be hopelessly insane.

When Morphy returned from Europe in 1860, after his magnificent triumphs there, it was not as a conqueror that he came, but as a man who, having tasted the fruits of glory, has found them bitter in the end, and disgusted with himself and mankind, resolves to eschew the world and its people forever. This was Morphy's condition of mind when he came back to his New Orleans home late in 1860, and then was seen the first gleam of his after sorrow, which reproached him for having grieved his family, and which settled upon remained with him ever after.

From the hour of his arrival here he declared he had done with chess for the rest of his life, and he not only vowed never to play or look upon a chess-board more, but he expressly enjoined upon all who knew him to never allude to the subject of chess in his presence, save under pain of his severest displeasure. It came to be generally understood that he had thus set his face against what had once been his pride and ambition, because to its indulgence he charged not only a remorseful feeling at having crossed the wishes of his parents, but likewise the forfeiture of brilliant prospects. At all events he despised chess as much as he had once loved it, and he steadfastly refused to mingle in the world beyond the confines of his own kindred. Thus he lived a secluded and morbid existence here until the outbreak of the late war, when, in company with several members of his family, he went abroad.

In 1866 he returned to New Orleans and renewed his life here under the same conditions which had prevailed before his departure, save perhaps that he was more retired than ever. Still he was a conspicuous character, although no one except his mother could lay claim to his friendship or his notice. His daily routine of existence involved a walk on Canal street every morning, where his dapper little figure—always scrupulously well dressed—became as well known and as regularly looked for as the noonday bell. After his daily promenade he retired from public gaze until evening, when he appeared in his box at the opera, where it is said he never missed a night. It is further related that during these years he permitted no friendly acquaintance; he was never known to associate with anybody but his mother, and persistently repelled advances from those who, having been friends of his early youth, desired to renew their associations. He lived a strange life, a strange, moody and peculiarly mournful man.

Twelve months ago, he began to show the first positive symptoms of a breaking down of his mental faculties, and he soon manifested such eccentricities of disposition in public life, that his mother began to be unhappily alarmed about him.

This concern, as it proved, was not without warrant. He continued to manifest increased symptoms of mental aberration, and after vainly striving to battle with the inevitable, his mother sadly recognized the fact that her son was insane, and three months ago, as already recited in this article, he was placed in an asylum.

It is a sad sequel to a history whose pages were once aglow with a world's admiring plaudits, and there are many in both this country and in Europe who will invest the knowledge here conveyed with a tender interest, and with it revive the recollections of a man who, in his time, was famous far beyond the common lot of mortality.

When they came to the ring part in a marriage ceremony at Kingston, N. Y., the other day, the bridegroom run his hand into one breeches pocket, then the other, looked frightened and said: "Ah, there is a hole in my pocket, and it has slipped into my boot." He sat down, pulled off his boot, stood up like a man, put the ring where it would do the most good, and walked off with his bride.

A CHEAP CELLAR BOTTOM.

In sections of the country where there is an abundance of cobble stones, collect a few loads of them about four or five inches in diameter, grade the bottom of the cellar, lay the cobbles in rows, and ram them down one-third into the ground, so that they will not rock nor be sunk below the rows by any heavy superincumbent pressure, such as the weight of a hogshead of molasses or tierce of vinegar. The bottom of the cellar should be graded, so that the outside will be two or three inches lower than the middle. A mistake sometimes occurs by grading the cellar bott