Poetry.

Our Father God above, O hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, In earth and heaven the same.

Give us our daily bread For by Thy grace we live Forgive our trespasses, O Lord,

Into temptation's power O lead us not we pray, In mercy, Lord deliver us. From evil's wicked way.

Through all eternity, A-men.

We were a quiet and sober set, Little accustomed to noise and fret. Decent and modest at work or play, And oh ! so prober in every way, Before we went to the circus!

By the very most orthodox kind of

For we were a people of good decent, And rather phlegmatic of temperament Until we went to the circus!

Alas and alas! 'tis a woeful sight, The way we are changed at the time I

Father is swaying against the breeze, Hung by the toes from a high trapeze Trying to copy the circus!

Are riding wild horses on each high

chair. Or down on their backs on the side-

walk brick Are balancing tubs for a juggling trick; The girls have painted their hands and

And got themselves up for an Indian

As they saw them do at the circus!

Mother high up on the table stands, Swings the baby with both her hands, Swinging the baby with many a rub,

While baby himself, in a terrible fright Howls lide a Zulu from morn till night, Since we went to the circus!

Alas and alas! I can only say,

I wish in the night, I wish in the day

wish with a shrink that would rend

We never had gone to the circus

For The Post.

to get some food ready for my hungry stomach, which is so illustrative of the difficulty generally experienc-

I opened the programme oue morn-The wood consisted of some roots milk. which I had "extracted" from the ground the day previous, and con- the living death of Andersonville, sequently was not very dry; so, which, in spite of its comic side, had my notice the fourth day I was in blowing the fire the tin pail would tip over. I worked three or four count of a rain coming up, putting

when I was stirring the meal the not one gleam of comfort to illumi fire would go out, and while I was nate the misery of bondage. hours in this way without success, it aferwards became inexpressibly when I abandoned the task on ac- worse. the wood into my pockets and hat to keep it dry. In the afterneon it cleared up,

when a comrade and mysef, impelled to the same purpose by a common hanger, went to work jointly for our mush. But after nearly blowing the breath out of our bodies, and getting the fire fairly under way, speaking was all burned up. And, while we were in pursuit of more passing along stumbled, and upset he ingredients of our mush, and we rrived on the spot just in season to ave the pail from the hands of

Ruefully we looked at the composition on the ground, and then at the molasses on the last piece of such other's faces, and went to bed Johnny-cake, and said. "Those hat night eadder and hungrier than e got up, without breakfast, dinnor, or supper. The next morning,







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the size of the top of my bat, and ate into all the mysteries of tunnelling. it with comic voracity : and I con- and other modes of escape from prifess, with all my hunger, I could son. not but laugh, the whole group was I commenced my first tunnel with from the dead line. so exceedingly comical and at the him, and become conversant with all same time ludierous.

three or four months, I could lap I knew he had to much of the game days." my thumb and finger above the el- character to give up in despondency; This order not only offered a

eating, demolished it, his critical dead. grown loase, which had tragically be would go away as he had planed ceeding the report of guns in the met his fate in Indian meal.

into each other's faces as though if anything some one was to blame that there was no more.

Cooking our bacon was generally performed by fixing it upon a sharp lively as ever, and walked away. stick, and holding it over the fire by those who were lucky enough to possess the implements, or utensils. by frying over a fire ; but in a great majority of cases was eaten raw. which was also the popular way of eating fresh mest, when we got it, as it was considered a cure and pre-

ventative for scurvy. But the custom, I believe, to be more owing to the scarcity of wood. than from any sanitary provision or forethought of ours.

What was prompted by necessity we made a virtue of, by seeing some good in every extrame into which we were forced by circumstances.

I, for one, was always too hungry to wait for it to be cooked, especially when I had to build a fire and

A favorite dish was prepared, by taking a pint of Indian meal, mixing it in water, and the dough thus tunnels, which were all discovered made was formed into dumplings by the rebs, before being finished. about the size of a hen's egg. These were boiled with bits of bacon, about as big as marbles, untill they floated line. upon the top of the soup. Thus made the dumplings were taken out, cut open, and the sonp poured on, giving us a dish which was a great luxury, although under other circomstances we would not have insulted our palates with such a con-

oction of estables as these were. Sometimes we made coffee of them in a tin cup, which was greadiing by getting ready to cook 'mush.' ly drank, without sweetening or did and as in the crowd was often

This was our introduction into

Sad as was the introduction during our first month's imprisonment

If any of the men tunneled out of the stockade, we would not get any rations for twenty-four hours.

We became so hungry that we did something to eat, had we done sometuings in an enlightened community, we would have went to jail.

Some of the prisoners, who had been confined in those reble hell-

One fellow come along one day, we would take things, he gradually from curiosity or pity, dared to aphelped himself to Johnny cake and proach the poor fellow. molasses, which we happened to have at that particular time. With great continually shot upon the smallest coolness be gave a relishing smack to his lips, as he used up the last of

lasses are good." He was a Kentuckian, and naturally a good deal of a fellow.

Nature, at least had stocked bin well with shrewdness, impudence, and daring, -qualities not to be dis- Frequently the guard fired judis-

through a hole in the top of which see two comrades seriously lugging no defence whatever. and, as he termed the process of had in prison in laying out the of their blankets at night.

examination, proved to be an over- said, "Poor Billy," I little thought ens of cases which I heard of, suc- the umbrella around her head.

The reader will query, "Did this He makes a very natural corpse," affect your appetite? I can assure said one of the boys; and sure but the sharp crack of a musket told cinct where the adventurous boy you "not a bit," for we ate it down enough, he looked the same as in the murder of another defenceless to the crumbs, and hungrily looked life, only his face was a little dirtier victim.

dead-house, he took to his legs as

He never was heard of in my prison experience again, and probably escaped to Sherman's army, which was then in Marietta.

Tunnelling was performded in much the same manner wood chucks dig their holes.

feet in the ground, then were commenced parallels, the hole sufficiently large to admit a mac. The labor was perfouned during

the night, and the dirt carried off in around camp.

rations were offered to spies.

I was engaged in digging, during the first week, on no less than four

One of the great instruments of death in the prison was the dead

This line consisted of a row of stakes driven into the ground, with parrow board strips nailed down on the tops, at the distance of about fifteen feet from the stockade, on the interior side.

This line was closely guarded by sentinels, stationed above on the stockade, and any person who hapburned bits of corn bread, by boiling pened to touch this dead line was sure death, as many unconsciously unavoidable, no warning to any one.

An intauce of this kind came to

A poor one-legged criple placed one band on the dead line to support himself while he got his crutch. which had fallen from his feeble grasp to the ground. The rebel guard put a bullet through his head. In this position be was shot another time through the lungs, and laid near the dead line waiting in torresort to desperate means to get ment during most of the forenoon, until at last death came to his relief.

None dared approach him to remeeting with the same fate.

The two guards loaded their muskets after they had preformed this dastardly and inhuman act. and grinning with satisfaction, viewed man, for nearly an hour, with apparent pleasure, occasionally raising

pretext, and that it was nothing but a pretext was apparent from the fact that one man approaching the dead line could have in no manner harmed the combersome stockade. even had he been inclined so to do and a bundred men could not, with their united strength, have forced themselves out of the stockade.

On one occassion I saw a man wounded and another killed; one

A key to this murderous, inhuman One of our number, never to fat, One day this man said to me, that ing order at rebel head-quarters, gentleman in charge. "Is this the in about a month after our capture about all the way he knew of getting that "any sentinel killing a Federal locality where the brave boy charges many calves in all ? had become a pictures que combination out of the prison was to "die." They soldier, approaching the dead line, up the canyon and speeds a bullet to of skin and bones, during my stay in carry the dead out but it is bard shall receive a furlough of sixty the heart of the dusky redskin? this prison (we all lost strength and word for the living to get a sight. I days ; while for wounding one he and she jerked the urchin around by muscle at a rapid rate, at the end of did not exactly understand him, for shall receive a furlough for thirty the ear and brough her numbrells he lose if he didn't sell his influence

bow joint not very much of a Del- and as for dying, I had no idea he premium for murder, but encourage plied the young man evasively. toid muscle there to see or to feel.) thought seriously of such a thing as ed the guard in other outrages, to Well pitch-pine smoke, and dingy long as there was any kick in him. inhuman to relate in any civilized premises on which the daring lad blue, surmounted by an old hat. You can imagine my surprise, to community, against which we had springs upon his fiery mustang and.

plame. As he eagerly, but critically morning, with his toes tied together, infringe the prison regulations were captive's cords and bears him away broke piece after piece for mouthfuls -which was all the ceromony we not safe when lying in the quite before the wondering Indians have received 1,800 pounds. How much

stockada.

Scarcely a night or day passed

Men becoming tired of life committed spicide in this manner. They bite the dust at every crack of his hear, that after Billy was laid in the had but to get under the dead line. faithful rifle! I'm looking for the or lean upon it, and their fate was place where that sort of thing hapsealed in death.

my notice or knowledge in July. A whack across the back. New York soldier had tried to escape once or twice, by which means ing victim. and pain, anticipating by only a few weeks a death be must eventually have suffered. Those juhuman and

ening or anticipating death by a few weeks or days, thus saving himself in his infinite mercy only can answer it, and will at the final judgment day, when the prison victim and his unrelenting foe shall be arraigned before Him who noteth even the fall of a sparrow !

To be Continued.

CHEEKLY THRIFT.-A neighboring editor who probably has some reason to complain speaketh in this manner : We like to hear a man refuse to take his home paper, and all the time sponge on his neighbor for the reading of it. We like to hear a man complain when asked to subscribe for his home paper, that he takes more papers than he reads now, and then go around the corner and borrow his neighbor's or loaf around until he gathers in all the news from it. We like to see a man run down his home paper as not worth taking, and every now and lieve his sufferings through fear of then begs the editor for a favor in the editorial line. We like to see a mechanic or merchant refuse to ad vertise in his home paper, and then like to see these things, it looks your pantaloons to stay." very economical, thrifty, progressive and-cheeky .- Ez.

had a drink of water, pleaded in ex- was her bed ticking right under her tenuation of his disobedience that and she never thought of that at "even a river couldn't run when it all. was dry."

A lawyer is about the only man that ever made anything by opposing Blood and Thunder Novelist.

The other day a stout woman. a New York boy's story paper.

"Is this the place where they practice was to be found in a stand- fight Indians?" she inquired of the lown on the desk.

"We publish stories for boys," re-

"I want to know if these are the darting through the circle of the his hair projected like an Indian poor Billy out on a stretcher one Men innocent of any intention to thunderstruck savages, cuts the change? recovered from their astonishment? Four or five instances happened That's the information I'm after. 1 go to work to get it? eye detected a substance foreign to I took a last look at poor Billy as within range of my observation at want to know if that sort of thing is Johnny-cake, which, upon nearer be lay upon the stretcher, and Andersonville, and there were doz- prepetrated here!" and she swung

"I don't remember those specific

acts," protested the young man-"I want to know if this is the prejumps on the back of a buffalo and with unerring aim picks off one by one the blood thirsty pursuers, who pens?" and this time she brought An incident of this kind came to the unlucky young man a tremendou-

"I think-" commenced the dodgbe had lost his cooking utensils and "I'm in search of the shop it his blanket, and was obliged to en- which the road agent holds the dure the rain and heat without pro- quivering stage driver powerless tection, and to borrow, beg or steal with his glittering eye, while he cooking implements, cat his food robs the male passengers with an raw, or starve. Lying in the rain adroitness born of long experience, often at night, followed by the trop- and kisses the hands of the lady ical heat of day, was torture which passengers with a gallantry of beargoaded bim to desperation. He an- ing that bespeaks noble birth and a nounced his determination to die, chivalrous nature!" screamed the and getting over the dead line, was woman, driving the young man into The mouth of the tunnel was cov- shot through the heart. One can a corner. "I'm looking for the ered up during the day to prevent not be a constant witness to such apartment in which that business is discovery, which was more liable to scenes without being affected by transacted!" and down came the happen than otherwise, from the them. I doubt not be saved him umbrella with trip hammer force on

the wretched youth, "I want to be introduced to the dropped the umbrella on the young man's skull until he skipped over

"I'll teach 'em," she panted, grasp ing the urchin by the ear and leading him off. I'll teach 'em to make it good or dance. Want to go fight Indians any more ! Want to stand proudly upon the pinnacle of the mountain and scatter the plain beneath with the bleeding bodies of uncounted slain ? Want to say 'hist!' n a tone that broke no contradicfully spare the beautiful maiden in self for not plantin' more onions " the cabin, that she may become your bride? Eh ! Going to do it any more ?"

With each question she hammered the yelping archia' until his bones were sore and he protested his per manent abandonment of all the glories enumerated.

"Then come along," said she, taking him by the collar. "Lot me catch you around with any more ramrods and carving knives and you'll think the leaping, curling re sistless prairie fire had swept with try to get a share of the trade a a ferocious roar of triumph across newspaper brings into town. We the trembling plains and lodged in

A lady put her watch under ber

pillow, the other night, but couldn't A little boy who wouldn't rue to keep it there because it disturbed the store for his mother until he had her sleep. And there, all the time

Sophronia ! "Can the weather pro phete foretell sudden rain storms is dog's tail 'Cause it follows Fore- Summer ?" They could, probably, it they knew the dates on which Sunday school picnics would be.

started at Pittsburg.

The newer Arithmetic.

A new arithmetic has been gotten lying under his torn blanket asleep, armed with an umbrella and leading up in the west. It is a product of the other standing some distance a small archin, called at the office of the Detroit Free Press office. A few problems are given below.

In one lot there are four calve and in another two young men with their bair parted in the centre. How

An alderman who has an official salary of \$100 per year, spends \$100 to be elected. How much would to rings and schemers?

Mary bought a comb for ten cents a spool of thread for six cents, and paper of pins for seven cents. Sh handed the clerk a fifty cent piec with a stove-ripe hole in the rim How many cents did she receive it

A man ordered a ton of coal and more was due him, and how did he

A woman Lought eleven yards e cloth and paid for it with butter giving three pounds of butter for a yard. There was a stone weighing live pounds in the centre of the crock, and the dealer cheated her yard and a half in measuring the cloth. Who was ahead on tha trade, and how much ?

A farmer's wife had twenty-two hens. A preacher comes to stay over Sunday, and she cooks a neck piece of corn-beef. How many hear bas she left ?

A boy can earn eighty cents a day and beat the old man out of bis board at \$3 per week. How much will be have after the first grane aggregation of gigantic wonders leave town?

Albert has nine marbles and Aaron steals four. How many are left? Aaron drops a dime from his pocket, and Albert swallows it What was Aaron's profit on the whole business?

Hunting a Fishing Locality.

Boys, do you live around here? "Yes, sir."

"Then you must know the best fishing ground ?"

"No, sir, We never fish in the ground up here."

But do they catch that lake over there?"

"I never saw 'em catch any.' "How is the creek !"

"I guess its pretty well." "Don't they fish for trout here !"

"I never axed 'em what they were fishing for." "Is there any game in the woods? "I never saw any, but I'm near-

sighted." "Do many people come here?"

"I gness so." "Any scenery around here?"

"I guess so, but I forgot to look and see." "Boy, what bait do you use bere

to fish with !" "Well, we've got four school ma'ams from Grand Rapids boarding at our house, and that other man over on the hill has a deaf and dumb coon, a tame bear and a part tion ! Propose to spring upon the of a busted 'Uncle Tom's Cabin' affrail and with a ringing word of troupe. I guess its purty good bar command send a broadside into the By the way, the old man is putting richly laden galley and then merci- up beds in the barn an' cuesin' him-

> A Brooklyn lawyer who has the reputation of securing pensions for men who were within twenty miles of any battle, was waited upon a few days ago by a man who thong it ie deserved something from Uncle Surwhen the following conversation took place :

> "Did you go to war !" "No. bu was in camp at Elmira for ten days.

"Were you accidentally wounded ?

"Have a heavy fit of sickness ?"

"No. Contract rheumatism !"

"No."

"My friend said the lawyer, as b ooked at him in a fatherly way. some pension agents might be dis couraged over your case and refuse nas, de., de. to touch it, but I shall at once for- PAYNE'S P ward your papers for a pension ou the ground that you were broken of your usual rest during those ter uights. Call again in sixty days for your back pay. Good morning, sir -nert

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PRAYER.

As others we forgive.

And thine the kingdom Lord, And thine the glory be And Thine the everlasting power,

What the Circus Did.

We went to church, we went to school,

The boys on their heads, with feet in

And brandishing him like an Indian

I wish with a sort of mute despair,

REBEL PRISONS. BY DR. R. ROTHROCK. I remember, at this time, the history of one day's exertion in trying

ed, that I will relate it.

the wood got all, or more properly boles, were reduced to a mere wood to finish our "scald" (for, with he observed us eating, he said, the body of the dying, murdered pur most sanguine hopes, we did "how are ye," sat down, and looking not expect anything more than first at one of our party and then at merely to scald the meal.) some one snother, to ascertain no doubt, how their guns to threaten any one who uthless "flankers"—another term or thieves used among us.

of clothing for a Johnny cake about Through him I became initiated

his plans.

The next day I was startled to

First, a hole was sunk about five

baversacks and bags, and scattered

but sure death.

In a similar manner men wer

criminately into a crowd.

fact that great inducements of extra self by such a course much trouble the young man's head. barbarous orders were issued b jars in which you keep the boy by Capt. Wirze commanding the sconts of the Sierras ! Show me the prison, horrible indeed to think of. bins full of the boy detectives of the Under the tortures of such impris- prairie ! Point out to me the barrels onment, where its continuation is full of boy pirates of the Spanish certain, is a man blamable in hast- main !" and with each demand she from the lingering tortures of death the desk and sought safety in a by exposure and starvation ! God neighboring canyon.

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"No." "Get chronic diarrochea?"

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