

Love in an Almshouse and Singular Elongment.

A correspondent of the New York Sun, at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., dated 22d inst., relates the following singular story of love in an Almshouse and singular elongment:

We have had a sensation in our Poorhouse—a sensation rivaling in intensity the story of "Perichole." Some months ago a woman, squalidly dressed, but the owner of a face singularly beautiful, was committed to the almshouse for vagrancy. A little child accompanied her. Her panner, though coarse, gave unmistakable evidence of her former refinement—Her voice was soft and melodious, and her eyes lustrous and sparkling. She was miserably poor, both in purse and dress, and appeared to have suffered in past years much agony of mind. She claimed to have once moved in respectable circles, and registered her name in a beautiful hand as Eloise Brentano. She performed all her duties in the almshouse faithfully, and frequently, in the evening sang sonnets in French and Italian. It is reported that she was formerly an opera singer of some note. When spoken to on the subject she gave an evasive answer, and preserved a long silence.

Two weeks ago, one Clarence Beaumont, a "Pignolo," tattered and torn, hungry and forlorn, was committed to the building on a charge of vagrancy. He was possessed of more than ordinary intelligence, but seemed to have been embittered by the trial of life, and his conversation was marked with coarseness and profanity. After being in the almshouse three days, he manifested a strong attachment for Eloise, and sought her company constantly, waiting upon her with the assiduity of a servant, and paying her the most respectful attention. He soon gained her heart and affections. One day before his discharge they had a long interview, and separated with mutual tears and caresses.

Now, Mark the sequel. Clarence Beaumont was discharged from the poor house on Friday morning. Before he left, the pair had made preparation for an elopement. At 3 A. M., Eloise stole out of her room, with her sleeping child on her arm, met her lover beneath the cold stars at the gate, and carefully crept away over the snow. At 7 A. M. they were seen arm in arm, floating down the Dutchess county turnpike since which time nothing has been heard from them.

It now turns out that Eloise had fallen heir to some \$30,000 by the death of a aunt in Adrian, Mich., and that Mr. Beaumont's attentions were paid with a view of securing the money.

FASHIONABLE RELIGION.—Fanny Fern makes the following sharp thrust at fashionable religion:—Our Catholic brethren have set us, at least, one good example; their churches are not silent as the tomb on week-days. Their worshippers do not do up all their religion on Sunday. It may be only for a few moments they step in through that open church-door, on a week day, to kneel and lay down burdens too heavy else to be borne. I like the custom. I should rather say the remainder, and the opportunity thus afforded them; and I heartily wish that our protestant churches could thus be opened. If rich Christians object to the promiscuous use of their velvet cushions and gilded prayer-books, at least let the altar be free to those who need God on the week-day—for the poor, the tired, the tempted—for those who shrink in their shabby habiliments from the Sunday exhibition of fine toilettes, and superfine Christianity. Were I a minister, and obliged to preach to painters and diamonds and satins, on Sunday, I think I should have to ease my heart in some such way as this to make my pastoral life endurable, else my office would seem to me the most hellish of all mockeries. "The rich and the poor met together, and the Lord is the Maker of them all," should be inscribed outside my church door, had I one. I could not preach to those painters and their owners. My tongue could be paralyzed at the sight of those kneeling distortions of womanhood, bearing such a resemblance to organ-grinders' monkeys. I am not sure that I should not grow hysterical over it, and laugh and cry at the same breath, instead of preaching. I can never tell what vent my disgust would take; but I am sure it must have some escape valve. You may say such worshippers (Heaven save the mark!) need preaching to. I tell you that women given over to "the devil and his works" are just praying for—having eyes they see not; having ears, they hear not.—They are ossified—impervious; they are Dead sea apples, full of ashes.

A Washington dispatch tells the full length story about Gen. Grant and a lady questioner on Cabinet matters: A gay party was assembled at Gen. Grant's residence several nights ago, and the ladies composing it formed a group around the great man of the mansion, talking pleasant small talk for some time, when one of the party, a sprightly and handsome lady, thought the opportunity favorable and the General's mental guard sufficiently negligent to venture in where other folks than angels have hitherto feared to tread. "General," started the venturesome fair one, "now won't you say who you intend to put in your cabinet?" The general paused for a moment, while a battery of bright and anxious eyes were directed upon him. He saw the critical nature of his position, and that skill alone secured him a graceful triumph. "Well, Mrs.," said he, with a twinkle of humor in his eye, "my wife has asked me that some question already, but I have told her yet."

WHICH ROT FIRST?—Of three kinds of timber used for telegraph-wire supports, the chestnut poles decayed first, the cedar next, the locust are still sound.

NEWS ITEMS.

Ohio thinks Wade will get a position in Grant's Cabinet. Boston for which two potatoes on exhibition, for which is asked \$50 each. Gen. Grant, it is said, will re-instate Gen. Sherman in command at New Orleans. At New Haven, recently, a poor family were discovered making a dinner on boiled dog. Grant's salary for President will be nine thousand dollars more per annum than his present pay. It is considered cool to take a man's hat with his name written in it, simply because you want his autograph. The telegraph is a failure in Mexico.—The people steal the wires as fast as they are put up. A one legged soldier and a one armed sailor have gone into partnership in the hand organ business in New York. Quite a number of counterfeit fifty dollar greenbacks were thrown into circulation at New York last week. From 1804 to 1828 North Carolina furnished all the gold produced in the United States. The aggregate of all her gold yield up to 1866 is about \$9,300,000. George S. Twitchell, under sentence of death for the murder of his mother-in-law at Philadelphia, has been denied a new trial. Senator Doolittle is going to locate in New York city, where he will find his affinity in politics. No wonder he does not like to go back to Wisconsin. Cowan should locate in New York, too. The worst feature on a man's face is his nose—when stuck in other people's business. Dip paper into strong alum water, and it will resist the action of fire. New Orleans markets are supplied with strawberries. We in the United States are said to use 365,000,000 postage stamps yearly. Rev. Charles H. Platt, pastor of Christ Episcopal Church in Manhattan, and Chaplain of the Royal Arch Masons of New York State, died a few days since. The Fourth National Bank of Philadelphia has probably "gone up." Sugar making has commenced in Wyoming County. The remains of Andersonville Wirz have been delivered to his friends. The Maine Senate has passed a bill allowing physicians to obtain subjects for dissection. The Chinese in San Francisco attempted to seize a newly arrived cargo of their country women. Martial law has been declared in Giles county, Tennessee, and 400 militia have sent thither. Complaints are made that the American fishermen are so thick in the Bay of Fundy that the Canadian fish had no room to cast their nets. General Ransolf, the King of Denmark's Minister of War, urges the sale of the British West India Islands to the United States. The woods in the neighborhood of Campbell Court House, Virginia, are being ravaged by a very extensive fire, which is also doing great damage to the fencing. John Delvin, the revenue swindler, pardoned by President Johnson, is so ill with small-pox that he cannot leave the Albany Penitentiary at present. Large numbers of converts to the Catholic Church are reported among the negroes of the South. New Yorkers now talk of a tubular iron tunnel under east river to connect them with Brooklyn. The Newport police arrested a blind and deaf-blind beggar the other day, and found \$143 in gold on his person. A jaded wife in San Francisco dressed herself in male clothes, the better to follow and watch a gay husband, and brought up in the station house. The average earnings of the boys who sweep the crossings of the London streets are from two to four shillings a day, but on holidays they earn much more. A negro girl, in Louisville, in revenge for chastisement at her mistress's hands, on Thursday, poured lye down the throat of the lady's son, a child of two years of age, and caused his death. An amendment to our Constitution has been proposed declaring that whenever the Presidential election occurs, the State election shall be held upon that day. It is said in Washington that Daniel Pratt, the big Indiana senator, has decided that none of the Senate chairs are strong enough to hold him, so that he contemplates having one made on purpose, of immense strength, with "ample room and verge enough." It is also hinted that Mr. Sumner will oppose this as establishing an inequality, and as dangerous precedent. He will introduce a joint resolution regulating the size and color of all Senators. Gen. Reynolds has been for two days before the Reconstruction Committee giving evidence in relation to affairs in Texas. From his statement it appears that the lawlessness and violence which prevail there have been greatly underrated. He says that hundreds of murders have been committed and nobody punished. In answer to the Committee's inquiry he suggested the proper remedies to be applied, among which were the removal of some officers of rank who have been stationed there.

The speech made by Marshall Serrano at the opening of the Spanish Cortes on Thursday, is such as has rarely been heard in that country, and holds out fresh ground for hope that Spain will improve her opportunity, and come from it strengthened in every particular. He recommends that Spain shall pattern the progress of other countries and construct herself anew, and counsels economical legislation. The radical liberalism adopted in religion and education must be consolidated. The rebellion in Cuba must be conquered by reforms, and slavery extinguished. These are advanced views for that kingdom, and sound anywhere. If they represent the opinions of the Cortes, and if that body carries them into effect, the Iberian peninsula is at the dawn of as brilliant a day as its history has ever known.

It is very evident that while the Democracy intend to oppose impartial manhood suffrage, they will do what they can to identify themselves with female suffrage, so that hereafter we may expect to see and hear as the champion of Democratic candidates, the ablest of our lady orators in the land, who, as a matter of self-advancement in politics, will be compelled to attach themselves to that organization.

THE "SEVEN" OF HUMAN LIFE.—Anciently a child was not named before 7 days not being accounted fully to have life before that periodical day. The teeth spring out in the 7th year, when infancy is changed into childhood. At three 7 years the faculties are developed, manhood commences, and man becomes legally competent to all civil acts.—At four times 7 a man is in full possession of his strength. At five times 7 he is fit for the business of the world. At six times 7 he becomes grave and wise, or never. At seven times 7 he is in his apogee, and from that decays. At eight times 7 he is in his first climacteric. At nine times 7 or 63, he is in his grand climacteric, or year of danger; and ten times 7, or three score years and ten, has by the Royal Prophet been pronounced the natural period of human life.

The Israelite, the organ of the Hebrews in Cincinnati makes the following suggestion: "In order that we may have a day of rest, a REAL Sabbath, which can be observed by ALL Israel, we propose to adopt that day, which is set apart by hundreds of millions, may the whole civilized world, for physical rest and the worship of God. Let our prayers and thanksgiving with theirs, ascend to His throne on the same day, Sunday."

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