## The Pittsburgh Gazette.

LINES TO A SKELETON.

[Fifty years ago the London Morning Chronicle published a poem entitled "Lines to a Skeleton," which excited much attention. Every effort, even to the offering of a reward of fifty guineas, was vainly made to discover the author. All that ever transpired was, that the poem, in a fair, clerkly hand, was found near a skeleton of remarkable beauty of form and color, in the museum of the Royal College of Surgeons, Lincoln's lnn, and that the curator of the last month. For sixty-nine years he had Museum had them sent to Mr. Perry, of the

Morning Chronicle.] Behold this ruin! 'Twas a skull, Once of etherial spirit full; This narrow cell was life's retreat, This space was thought's mysterious scat; 'What beauteous vision filled this spot! What dreams of pleasure long forgot! Nor hope, nor joy, nor love, nor iear, Have left one trace of record here.

Beneath this moldering canopy once should the bright and busy eye; But start not at the dismat void if social love that eye employed—if with no lawless fire it gleamed. But through the dew of kindness beamt That eye shall be forever bright, When sun and stars are sunk in night.

Within this hollow cavern hung
The ready, swift and tuneful tongue.
If falsehood's honey it disdained:
And when it could not praise was chained;
If bold in virtue's cause it spoke,
Yet gentle concord never broke,
This silent tougue shall plead for thee,
When time unveils eternity.

Say, did those fugers delve the mine? Or with its envied rubies shine? To hew the rock or wear the gem Gan little now avail to them. But if the page of truth they sought, Or comfort to the mourare prought. Or comfort to the mourner brought. These hands a richer meed shall clain Than all that wait on wealth or fame. Avails it whether hare or shod.
These feet the path of duty trod;
These feet the path of duty trod;
If from the halls of ease they fed
To seek affliction's humble shed;
If grandeur's guilty bribe they spurned,
And home to virtue's cot returned.
These feet with angel's wings shall vic.
And trend the palace of the sky.

## **EPHEMERIS**

-Kit Karson is ill in Denver. -Frenchmen don't like bag-pipes. -Louisville is to have a public library. -Once more Madame Dudevant is a grandmother.

Geo. H. Pendleton's income is not quite \$10,000.

-A colossal confidence man is what Peto is called.

-A new hotel, to cost \$200,000, is to be erected in Toledo. -The sugar crop of Louisiana is large

and promises well. -One million and a half of people live in New York city, including Brooklyn.

-Prof. Boise has determined to resign the Greek chair in the University of Michi-

-\$14,000,000 were the expenses of the War Department during the month of -The American shoe tip Company in

Boston paid \$25,000 in dividends on the The excise board of New York is going

to furnish \$35,000 from license fees to build a home for the new boys. —Gen: Pillow and Ex-Gov. Harris have joined their fortunes in a law partnership,

and practice in Memphis. —Nine colored persons were confirmed on Good Friday, by Bishop Smith, in Saint

Mark's Church, Louisville. -A. T. Stewart, of New York, declares that he is still doing service for Grant as gallantly as he knows how.

-A St. Louis firm is reported to have cleared nearly a million of dollars by a recent heavy operation in pork.

-Offenbach is writing an opera expressly for the American stage. A little more prurient than usual, probably. -Vesuvious has three active eruptions on

hand at present. One is from the old crator and two are from new ones. -Gen. Meade has issued an order forbid-

ding any one who is not a registered voter from challenging the votes of others.

-A Dusseldorf artist is attending the impeachment trial and making sketches for a great historical painting for the Dusseldorf

-The executioner of Maarid murdered his mistress. The sight of excutions did not seem to do him much good in the way

-A woman named Ravenswood flung herself from the rear of a ferry boat at New York into the East river, and was drowned

-Several prominent German and French newspapers have correspondents at Washington, sent especially to write up the impeachment trial.

the Papal Dominions, is stated to be nearly 22,000,000 francs.

-A priest in Strauburg, Bavaria, reads on Sundays, immediately after sermon, letters from America describing the impeach-

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ment proceedings. -The lightning tolled the fire alarm bell in New Orleans for eight minutes on the 7th inst. The Fire Marshal then came and told

the bell to be quiet. -Dawison, Ristori, Janauscheck and Dickens have, it is said, sent or taken to was taken to the dark cell, and saw the hibitions in America.

-The names of twenty-four Pittsburgh ers were on the botel lists in Monday's Philadelphia papers. Many prominent citizens were among them.

-A man in Maryland died of chicken cholera last week. That is the chicken died of that disease and then the man ate the chicken and died too. -The second New Jersey brigade lost its

battle flag and was disconsolate. The flag has at last turned up at Newark and the brigade is again jubilant.

-A man named Baker was found dead near-Savannah, Georgia, the other day, with a bullet hole through his heart. Another evidence of Ku-Klux crime.

-Mazeppa is the great card at two of the city theatres now. There are two Black Besses in the field; which is the Black Best, however, would be hard to determine.

-John Bell, the fugleman of the defunct

to reach second story windows along the route would be still another improvement -Napoleon and General Dix are not on speaking terms. Napoleon is displeased with the General because he said he had doubts of the stability of the imperial government.

-Second adventists predict that the world will come to an end on the 2d of October, 1868. The end of what is not stated, nor whether the world will stop when it does come to it.

-Rev. John Healy Bromby, the oldest clergyman of the Church in England, diedbeen rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity at Hull.

-685,050 gallons of petroleum were exported from the city of Philadelphia last week, and seven ships, fifteen barges and six brigs are now chartered and loading at that port with petroleum.

-A child of a Mr. Wamroth in New Or eans tickled its father's feet whilst he was sleeping. Mr. W. unconsciously kicked severely, an action which threw the child from its bed and caused its death.

-The Marquise de Mahbreuill, one of the most notorious of all the notorieties of the French capital, has sold out her goods and moved to New York. She has a fortune of 500,000 francs, proceeds of her infamy. -Yesterday was one of the most abomin.

able days of the season. Fifth street was literally fluxive, and persons who were compelled to be out of doors were about as much in need of focillation as possible.

-The city of Buffalo has decided by vote to purchase the water works from the company owning them. \$750.000 is the price agreed on, and the Commercial of that city says that it is just half a million too much. -Prince Napoleon is reported to have said that he would rather be President of the United States than sovereign of any land in Europe. The Prince said this before Andrew II. stepped into the White House

-Two desperados went into the store of Cassius Turner, at Rocky Cowford, Arkansas, some days ago, and after shooting Mr. Turner carried off everything valuable that there was in the store. Being in Arkansas, they did so with impunity.

-The husband of Adah Isaacs Menken has obtained a divorce from her, in Hamilton county, Ohio, on the ground of improper conduct with John C. Heenan. Which of the husbands of the fair Adah has thus freed himself we are unable to state.

-On Wednesday night last the schooner Lewis Chester, Captain Gookin, from Philadelphia, bound for Portland, was run into off Barnegat, by an unknown schooner, and cut down to the water's edge. A seaman named\_Thomas McCauley was lost overboard.

-A New Yorker proclaims himself champion smoker of America. He had a match with another man recently for that proud position. The champion smoked twelve cigars and a half between the hours of 8 and 12 P. M., while his competitor consumed

but ten and a quarter. -Changes seem to be working in all of AT WILLIAM SEMPLE'S he churches. The Clinton street Presby terian church, in Philadelphia, had a special choral service on Easter morning, and had flowers in the chancel. Hereto the celebration of this day has been confined to the

Roman, English and Lutheran churches. -Jason W. Kellogg, a Methodist preacher, has been expelled from his church for eloping with a member of his former congregation at Dearborn, Mich. As Kellogg was a married man and his companion in elopement was a married woman, the action taken by his church may be looked upon as

eminently proper. -The Archbishop of Croatia has issued protest against "the liberty of the press as one of the greatest evils of human society;" also, calling the newspaper editors "men without piety or conscience." It is possible that the Croatian editors are not very respectable; but the remedy is not in fettering the press, but in improving the moral stand

ard of editorship. -On Sunday evening Mrs. Rogers and her family, living on Fitzwater street in Philadelphia, went to church. On returning they found the house illuminated and the door locked. On ringing the bell a man thrust his head from the window, and said that whoever set foot in the house would be a dead man. As the family was composed —The value of the exports of paintings one accord they all left to find a policeman. of women this astonished them, and with and sculptures during the year 1868, from When they returned of course the intruders had departed. Only some fifty dollars' worth

of goods were stolen. The beautiful murderess, Baroness Ebergenyi, now in jail in Vienna, was recently caught bribing one of the keepers to take a letter from her to her relatives. For this attempt to violate the prison rules, she was sentenced to forty-eight hours in the dark cell, on water and bread. Up to that time, she had always maintained the most surprising self-possession, but when she Europe nearly \$700,000 profits of their ex- straw on which she was to lie for two days, she burst into a violent fit of weeping and sobbing, and then, getting desperate, she resisted the jailors, who finally, after tearing her whole dress, hurled her head-long into the cell. Only five months since, she was still admitted to the most aristocratic circles, and generally admired for her beau-

ty and grace. In Adams county, Iowa, they have a colony of those queer birds, the Icarians. They have over 1,700 acres of fine land, and a saw and grist mill. Their residences form a little village of separate log houses, but cooking, eating, washing, etc., are done in a large building, centrally situated. The community has thirty-six members—sixteen men, nine women, and seven youths and children, nearly all of whom are French. They do not interfere with the marriage relation, nor with political or religious opinions; but when a member joins he gives to the community all his money and other property that may be suitable for Bell and Everet party, although still alive, is said to be a fearful wreck mentally and physically. He is seventy six years old.

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