The Pittsburgh Gazette.

SONG.

BY JEAN INGELOW.

The martin flew to the finch's nest,
Feathers, and moss, and a wisp of hay;
"The arrow it sped to thy brown mate's breast;
Low in the broom is th mate to-day."

"Liest thou low, love? low in the broom?
Feathers, and moss, and a wisp of hay.
Warm the white eggs till I learn his doom."
She beateth her wings, and away, away!

"Ah! my sweet singer, thy days are told,
(Feathers, and moss, and a wisp of hay;)
Thine eyes are dim, and the eggs grow cold.
O mournful morrow! O dark to-day!"

The finch flew back to her cold, cold nest,
Feathers, and moss and a wisp of hay.
Mine is the trouble that rent her breast,
And home is silent, and love is clay.

EPHEMERIS.

—The Queen's birthday is to be celebrated in Madrid.

—Leonard Orth hung himself in Louisville on Wednesday.

—Queen Victoria is to make a Continental trip this summer.

—A State Emigration Convention met last week in Mobile, Ala.

—Wine is cheaper than milk in the wine region of California.

—Doctor Holland is to write a book during his visit to Europe.

—Ten million dollars' worth of books were sold in 1868 in Leipsig.

—A menagerie is to be taken to California by the Pacific Railroad.

—An exchange thinks an Indian with his tomahawk is dresed to kill.

—Three men were drowned in the Androscoggin river on Wednesday.

—Earthquake waves were seen on Wednesday, June 2d, in San Francisco harbor.

—Minnie Hauck has accepted a two years' engagement at the Grand Opera in Vienna.

—A cripple in Tennessee, the other day, took of his wooden legs and then killed himself.

—The political prisoners now confined at Fernando Po are to be removed to the Canary Islands.

—Prof. Blot is about to make another tour of the country with a new course of lectures on cookery.

—A gang of Mississippi rowdies whipped a man to death, the other day, in the presence of his brother.

—The floor of a Chicago concert saloon fell through recently, sending 600 gay revellers into the cellar.

—An alligator, six feet two inches in length, was recently caught in a seine in the Mississippi river at St. Louis.

—The French government offers to transport, without cost, all laborers who will go to Algiers for the harvest.

—Prince Metternich has received as much as eight hundred dollars per barrel for his Johannesberger this year.

—On Thursday afternoon a little girl named Hoffman was terribly bitten in a street in Cincinnati by a large dog.

—More than five hundred German immigrants have purchased land and settled in Amelia county, Virginia, recently.

—Immense numbers of caterpillars infest Dent county, Mo., and nearly all the trees have been denuded of their foliage.

—The Spiritualists of Indiana are to hold a State Convention in Indianapolis on the 17th, 18th and 19th of this month.

—On Wednesday night, thieves broke into the postoffice at Fremont Ohio, and stole or destroyed a large amount of letters.

—John S. Clarke, the Philadelphia comedian, has performed Major De Boots two hundred and twenty-three times in London.

—The grasshoppers which last year infested the lower part of Huron county, Ohio, have reappeared and seriously threaten the crops.

—Within a few days past, three convicts in the Ohio Penitentiary have committed suicide—Barzilla S. Brown, Henry Wise and James Riley.

—Bishop Quintard, of Tennessee, in an address to the Episcopal Convention at Clarksville, on Friday, denounced lotteries and raffles at church fairs.

—A man in Chicago killed himself the other day in order that his wife and family might get his life insurance money and thus be saved from starvation.

—The Yale *Courant* suggests that "college men" from the various colleges charter a steamer and go over to England *en masse* to see the inter-national races.

—At Pleasant Ridge, near Madison, Indiana, on Friday, Ebenezer Neal was accidentally shot by Robert Bernham, his brother-in-law, and died the next day.

—Miss Charlotte Jolly committed suicide at Portage City, Wisconsin, on Saturday, by taking iodide of potash Her father lives in Hamilton, Canada.

—An English clergyman, who is obliged also to officiate as organist, is using the new electrical action, having the keyboard fitted up in the reading desk.

—Flotow, the composer of Martha, was divorced from his first wife, and afterwards married her sister. He has now applied for a divorce from the second wife.

—A boat was carried over a waterfall near Lewiston, Me., Wednesday. It contained nine men, five of whom jumped out, and three of the latter were drowned.

—Professor Noble, of the Savannah, Georgia, Museum, was cooling off an alligator by pouring water on its back, recently, when the reptile seized his hand and mangled it.

—The Rev. Samuel Hughes, of Wales, has accepted the unanimous call of the Second Baptist Church of Camden, N. J., and was to have entered upon his duties yesterday.

—Last year two thrifty Germans purchased eighty acres of land in Southern Tennessee. This season they gathered strawberries enough from four acres of it to pay for the whole tract.

—An Ohio colporteur had a dream four years ago which he interpreted to mean that he would die a violent death before five years passed. He brought his prophecy true by cutting his throat the other day.

—Brevet Major Chas. O. Wood, of the United States Army, recently sentenced to six months' suspension for striking a brother officer in Alaska, has been reinstated in the service by order of the President.

—Seven hundred Bishops are expected to participate in the deliberations of the Œcumenical Council. There are, altogether, about eight hundred and fifty Bishops, exclusive of the Bishops, *in partibus*.

—There was landed Wednesday, at the Bremen dock, New York, the elephant Empress, said to be the largest animal in the world, weighing fifteen thousand pounds, and standing twelve and a half feet high.

—A Swede named Swan J. Peterson, a soldier on Rock Island, and who had served for about two years, committed suicide, June 1st, by taking poison. Discontent and home-sickness were the causes of the act.

—Chas. Kendall was found dead, last Friday morning, in an iron cage in which he had long been confined, at the County Infirmary, Wilmington, Ohio. He is supposed to have been smothered during a fit.

—Last Thursday Mr. T. C. Cochran accidentally drove his wagon too near the edge of a road two or three miles from Ripley, Ohio, and, with horse and wagon, went over an embankment into a ravine sixty feet deep. The wagon only was hurt.

—On Tuesday a man named Gilbert Louis, and living in Warren county, Ohio, committed suicide in a very novel manner. He tied a hitching strap around his neck and fastened the other end to one of the arms of a wind mill; the result was death by strangulation.

—The Plover, Wisconsin, *Times* says that, while Julian Ward was threshing grain last fall, a pig was accidentally covered up in the straw stack. This spring, seven months and a half after incarceration, the pig was found imbedded in the stack, and still alive.

—William Snook was found dead in a barn near Richmond, Indiana, on Wednesday of last week. He committed suicide, as he stated in a note found in his hat, because people thought him lazy, when the truth was that he was unable to work in consequence of affliction.

—In the Register of Deeds' office of Pepin County, Wisconsin, there was recently filed a claim that dates back to 1767. The copying occupied some days. The original claim covers 6,000,000 acres, and it has been transferred about seventeen times. The present owner, Henry R. Bunster, of New York, bought it of Henry Schmidt, of Philadelphia, for $60,000.

—In New York Andrew Eisenhover and Caroline Schuman got into a quarrel, during which he emptied upon her a pail filled with a mixture of slacked lime and copperas, which taking effect upon her head and face, had the effect of almost destroying her sight and burning the skin from her face. She was, of course, prostrated with her injuries, and her life was for a time in jeopardy.

—Some little children, playing in a wood near McPherson, Montgomery county, at about nine o'clock on Wednesday morning, were frightened at seeing a man hanging by the neck to a little tree. His name proved to be J. G. Boelink, and he had drank a glass of beer in a saloon in McPherson about an hour before, and had left a dinner bucket with the landlord, saying he had no further use for it.

Domestic Turkish Baths.

A neat little Turkish bath might be introduced into our homes to great advantage. R. N. writes to Human Nature how to make the domestic bath. He says: "In reference to the further adoption of the Turkish bath, analysis has satisfactorily proved that perspiration contains in itself the component parts of the excretions of both the kidneys and lungs. How great, then, must be the remedial power of the bath in derangements of these organs. Then, like all true remedies, it is good for the healthy as well as the sick—both preventive and remedial.

A small bath, good but not costly, may be fitted thus—a chamber six feet square, with a small brick furnace fixed from the outside, the fire-hole projecting into it, and if possible on a level with the floor, covered with cast iron plates one-half an inch thick, and over these one malleable iron plate, six feet eight inches by two feet one-fourth inch, which will not break like cast-iron with the heat, the malleable plates to be flanged down each side with angle iron, three inches deep, which will sink into the brick-work, while the ends will go four inches into the walls of the chamber. You will thus get a heating surface of six feet by two feet, which with no great expense of fuel will give you a heat of from 150 to 160 degrees. Ventilators and a good sized window are also wanted. There, at a low temperature, you can sit and read or write, with the advantage of the sunlight playing on your body, the beneficial effects of which have been acknowledged since the time that the Greeks planted their holy sun walks.

My own bath resembles the above in all respects, saving that it is twelve feet long, and is divided by a curtain hung midway; this both imparts an air of comfort to the place, and gives you advantage of different temperatures.—*Herald of Health.*

CLIPPINGS.

Mr. J. W. McFarland, of Hartford, Ohio, has two milch cows, which yielded the following handsome returns, From May 20th, 1868, to March 24th, 1869, from butter sold, $291. Besides this, a small family had an abundant supply of milk, butter and cream from these cows.

Senator Sprague, who has just returned from the South, estimates the next cotton crop at two million or two million and a quarter bales. Owing to the uncertainty of negro labor, it has become unprofitable to carry on large plantations, and most of the crop is now furnished by farms that yield from one to five and so on, up to fifty bales.

At the recent term of the Supreme Judicial Court of Rhode Island, there were no less than twenty-seven divorces from the bonds of matrimony granted, and four separations from bed and board. In the first mentioned class, which were for desertion and adultery, the females were the defendants in thirteen of the cases. This for a State of its size is a pretty good record.

In St. Mary's Parish, Louisiana, the dewberry crop has come and gone. The blackberries are ripe, but rather small, and not as plentiful as might be expected from the season. Plums are ripe but the crop is short. Figs are popping out in millions. They will be ripe in six or eight weeks. Strawberries are now in their prime, and those who have plenty of vines have plenty of ripe fruit.

A man named Farrell was shot in Henrysburg, Belmont county, Ohio, last Monday night. It appears that Farrell, while intoxicated, came into Yaus' saloon and demanded something to drink. His order was refused, an altercation ensued, which terminated in Yaus' shooting his customor. The ball entered the groin, inflicting serious injuries, but it is possible that the wounded man may recover. Yaus was taken to St. Clairsville. He gave bail in the sum of $5,000 for his appearance at Court.

The Ripley *Bee* says that a cow belonging to a Mr. Kendall, near Decatur, Brown county, recently gave birth to one hundred and six calves at one calving, and that another cow, belonging to Mr. Edward Francis, in the same vicinity, about the same time, brought forth sixty. In each instance there was one large developed calf, while the others were about the size of large Norway rats. The smaller ones were perfect miniature calves in every respect. Both of the cows died. The *Bee* says there is no doubt of the truth of this statement.

Aping the Ape.—It is stated of M. Mazurier, a French actor of the part of an ape, that he would not appear in his new character till his competency had passed the most rigid ordeal. According to this tradition he attired himself in his ape dress, and placed himself before the monkey cage in the Jardin des Plantes. For some time the monkeys treated him as a stranger; but at last a veteran ape snatched an apple from his hand with a look which regarded him as a brother. "*Enfin je suis singe!*" was the exclamation of the delighted artist, who, thus severely tested, now ventured to become an ape on the stage.

The Rev. Dr. Sunderland is held by the New York *Commercial Advertiser* to be a Beecherdox clergyman. It says that his religion is rifle-bored, and his precepts are bullets. As he contemplates his own figure of the Alabama as a "she wolf preying upon the white flocks of our commerce," an imaginary scabbard trembles upon his thigh, and an imaginary blade leaps therefrom to slay the beast and all those who encouraged its ferocity. He is the Presbyterian St. Peter, though no Master is at hand to stay his avenging arm, or to utter those words of a higher philosophy, "Put up again thy sword unto its place; for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword."

Information from authentic sources shows that thirteen expeditions in all have left the United States for Cuba. Seven have gone from New York, three from Baltimore, and three from Florida. Three expeditions were on steamers, and the rest in schooner and brigs. The largest number of men carried was four hundred and fifty, and the smallest twenty-eight. There were five batteries of artillery, and arms for fourteen thousand men. An ex-Major of the United States army is about to leave with another expedition, but the point of departure is not yet fixed. Narly four million dollars have been expended here in the Cuban interest, though it is suspected that much of it has been appropriated by the parties handling it.

At Halifax, North Carolina, on the 28th of May, a strange scene occurred, involving a somewhat important question as to the legal force of a reprieve transmitted by telegraph. On that day, between the hours of twelve and one o'clock, Baker and James Thompson were to have been hanged for the murder of Wade Ditcher. Baker had desired to see a Catholic priest, and there being none in the place, one of his counsel telegraphed an earnest appeal to Governor Holden for a respite. At eleven o'clock a despatch arrived from the Governor's Secretary, the Governor himself being out of the State, directing that the prisoner should not be hung until Friday, the 4th of June, and stating that the respite would be forwarded by mail. The Sheriff refused to acknowledge this despatch as official. Shortly after twelve o'clock a second dispatch was received from Raleigh, requesting the Sheriff to stay the execution to the last moment, as Governor Holden, who was in Baltimore, had been telegraphed to. At half past twelve o'clock the Sheriff arrived at the jail grounds, and proceeded to arrange for the execution, declaring his intention to enforce the sentence within the specified hours. The prisoners were accordingly led to the scaffold, the ropes placed around their necks, and all made ready. Then the Sheriff consented to wait five minutes. At the expiration the prisoners' counsel claimed that the time fixed in the death-warrant had expired, and asserted that the prisoners could not be hung after that time without a positive violation of the law, and that by so doing the Sheriff would lay himself liable. The Sheriff's own watch, however, showed that there were yet nine minutes before one o'clock, and he expressed a determination to hang the men according to his own chronometer. This created a great deal of excitement and discussion as to the legal value of telegrams in such cases, and the proper standard of time, in the midst of which, a despatch from Baltimore was received from Governor Holden himself, respiting the prisoners for a week. The Sheriff concluded to recognize the authority of this dispatch, and the prisoners were accordingly returned to the jail.

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