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A Genuine Poem.

The annexed stirring old poem, says the Home Journal, has the ring of the true me- the traffic. tal and is as applicable now as when it was written-for the philosophy is sound, and therefore universal:

Who shall judge a man from nature? Who shall know him by his dress? Paupers may be fit for princes, Princes fit for something less. Crompled shirt and dirty jacket May be lothe the golden ore Of the deepest thoughts and feelings-Satin vest could do no more.

There are springs of crystal nectar Ever swelling out of stape; There are purple bads and golden Hidden, crushed and overgrown.

God, who counts by souls, not dresses, Loves and prospers, you and me, While he salaes thrones the higest But as pebbles on the sea. Man upraised above his fellows,

Oft forgets his fellows then: Masters-rulers-lords, remember That your meanest hands are men! Men by labor, men by feeling, Men by thought and men by fame, Claiming equal rights to sunshine In a man's envolling name. There are foam embroidered oceans, There are little weed-clad rills, There are feeble inch-high saplings, There are cedars on the hills; God, who counts by souls, not actions. Loves and prospers you and me; For to Him all vain distinctions

Are as pebbles on the sea. Tolling hands alone are builders Of a nation's wealth and fame; Titled laziness is pensioned, I'ed and fattened on the same, By the sweat of other's foreheads, Living only to rejoice, While the poor man's outraged freedom

Vainly lifteth up its voice. Truth and justice are eternal, Born with loveliness and light; Secret wrongs shall never prosper While there is a sunny night; God, whose world-heard voice is singing Poundless love to you and me,

Sinks oppression with its titles, As the pebbles on the sea.

A TASTE FOR CONFECTIONARY -- A venerable young gentleman of our acquaintance, four years old, recently threw his maternal relative into a fit of admira- of the store. tion by the following speech:

"I like most all kinds of cake-pound cake, sponge cake, and jelly cake, but I don't like stomach-ache."

pended for six weeks, in order that he may visit St. Louis with a load of bearfor subscriptions. He is bound to raise him-as he was still in sight. the cash on them.

"dying for one's country," the glory of a in the case of the luckless John Gilpin, "death-bed on the battle field," and all that they "ran a race." that, but statistical returns show that the great majority of soldiers die of dysentry, which must be a very different affair.

A friend of ours said he would always there, if not before, should trap him. have remained single but he could not afford it. What it cost him for "gals and ice-cream," was more than he now pays to bring up a wife and eight children .--Bachelors should think of this.

A traveler says there is a race of men at the extremity of South America, of their lather in a wash tub, and shave with a scythe. They probably curl their hair with the cistern-pole.

tees of the Hardscrabble boys' school, desiring to keep up with the age, have legitimate owner. written to the inventor of the "patent switch," requesting him to send them a diagram of his machine, and a statement his face, "but you had a pretty good tug negotiation at \$500 per acre, as we are light of every one, a fawn like, blue eyed weighed when taken full eight and a half cellar-way, was," now the wheel's broken, of its cost.

Uncle Joe and the Sheriff.

Uncle Joe kept a flourishing grocery that kettle.' in the town of N. Perhaps the most profitable branch of his business was in that class of articles which not only cheer but inebriate. Of course Uncle Joe was an tones of disappointment. uncompromising opponent of the Maine Law. He considered it a direct infringement of those glorious privileges for which our fathers, fought, bled and died:

However, Uncle Joe was a law-abiding citizen, and he made up his mind to obey the law so long as it remained in force lance, decidedly sold ! -a resolution worthy of all commenda-Nevertheless he had no objection to getting a little fun out of it, if it should prove convenient, and accordingly laid his much after that .- Yankee Blade. plans for a trick upon the sheriff, who he was aware, would keep a watchful eye up- A Singular Case .-- Living Without Food. on him, in consequence of his having until this time been so actively engaged in Montreal, the followidg communication

In fact the Sheriff used now and then to drop into Uncle Joe's store, ostensibly to ville : read the papers, and talk politics with his neighbors, but Uncle Joe could see as far Sir: I have but one desire - one into a mill-stone as most people, and he thought; to be useful to my fellow creaknew very well, that it was all in the way tures. Please communicate the following piring around you.

itary house in the woods a man who had benefit from my communication, my satbeen a frequent customer at Uncle Joe's. isfaction will be great. I shall have ful-Through his means he hoped to play his filled a sacred duty toward my brethern contemplated trick on the Sheriff. Un- of every origin and color.

Our generous captain sat a splendid support, the clerk made out two certificates, cle Joe knew that this man, who had a There is at present in St. Hyacinthe, in fast horse, would call on a certain Satur- the District of Montreal phenomenon, day afternoon to get his supply of groce- which I conder very interesting, and deries for the week following, and that the serving of the attention of scientific men. Sheriff would keep his eyes open while he The facts, as far as I have been able was in the store. Accordingly he con- to ascertain, are as follows: There is in trived to see this Benton (the man's name) St. Hyacinthe a young girl about 17 or in private a few minutes, when they con- 18 years old, (I forgot her name,) belongcluded an arrangement which seemed to ing to a very respectable family of that promise good results.

tering asked mysteriously to see Uncle health has not suffered, her complexion is Joe alone. Meanwhile all his groceries fair, she is always lively, and busy about were sent out, and deposited in the wag- the house, or teaching the poor children on his arm, was the most loveable woman reality of the evening. on. The Sheriff stood carelessly leaning of her own place reading, writing, sewing it has ever been my lot to behold, her fine against a post, but noting with argus eyes and praying; still she does not seem to hazel eyes-tell tales that they werethe various articles that were put in.

carrying a large gallon kettle, about whose she began to take some light food, which, safety he seemed very anxious, and look- however, she has never been able to keep that of a queen. ing furtively at the Sheriff, he jumped in, on her stomach. This young person, who seized the rein, and was about to drive is said to be very amiable and candid disoff, when the Sheriff called to him.

contents of that kettle?"

"Why," said Benton in a confused her part. his suspicions were well-founded.

ton, I have strong suspicions that it is lethargic sleep may last several days, or staging, and up the sloping bank. Some something which the law declares contra- even weeks, that a person may exist for fifty yards up the brook the pair stopped, band. As an officer, it is my duty to as- some time under the influence of a fever and joining hands they stood with the clear certain by examination, unless you tell without taking food, but in this case where water between them-bridged it was by me what it is."

oil," said Benton doggedly.

the wagon, with the intention of investi- which certainly deserves the attention of man. Adam said this is bone of my bone gating the matter, when Benton gave his science.

we'll fix 'em yet."

baffled Sheriff belind. "who'll lend me a horse!"

said a man whose wagon stood in front tem "That's exorbitant."

dollars was an extravagont price, but he cause, will be strong enough to induce emotion, said: burned to distinguish himself in the office them to occupy themselves with it, I hope the publication of his paper will be sus- waiving this, he exclaimed-"I'll give you the work, by praying for the success of a

skins, hoop-poles, shingles, oak-bark, cellent horse, and he flattered himself mysteries impenetrable to science, to dis- pure and blessed.' pickled cat-fish, &c., which he has taken that he should eventually come up with appear.

On they both dashed at a break-neck friend and servant, pace, Benton in advance. Whenever P. BOUCHER DE BOUCHERVILLE. they passed a house, the windows were A. HALL, M. D., Mentreal. There is a great deal of poetry about crowded with spectators, all thinking as

Three-four-five miles were passed quarter of a mile behind. He comforted of Coal Lands that are taking place at ed on a tall, handsome Tennesseean, tion in a printing office where females himself with the thought that Benton would present in that region :

steeds urged by their impetuous riders. of the valley. The Coal will be needed Benton holds his own. But he is draw- the Company may be. The purchasers you can love me as she loves (pointing to a bachelor, at a "banquet" in Pottsville : ing near his own house. The Sheriff are Philadelphians. feels the importance of overtaking him | An old resident of the Lackawanna such enormous proportions, that they mix before he has had an opportunity to con- Valley, a man who has roughed it through ceal, or otherwise dispose of the liquor. many years of hard times on an upland For this purpose he spurs on his jaded farm, has recently sold, we hear, for over steed, urging him to still greater velocity, one hundred thousand dollars. Anothwhile Benton, designedly, although this er, a short time since, sold for more than did not appear to be the case, let his fall sixty thousand. It must be a terrible A HINT FOR INVENTORS.—The trus- behind, so that the Sheriff's horse enter- load of anxiety and care for a man in his ed Benton's yard in close pursuit of its old age, after enjoying the freedom of a

claimed leaping from his wagon.

"Yes, so it seems," said Benton wiping price two or three years ago, is now in

"And now I must see the contents of

"O, very well," said Benton coolly, "just raise the cover, if you like."

The Sheriff did so. "Why it's only lamp oil!" said he in

believe me," remarked Benton, as he pro-

ceeded to unharness the horse. The Sheriff noticed the slight twinkle to show him he had been, in vulgar par-

Slowly he gathered up his reins, and

We find in The Medical Chronicle, of

QUEBEC, May 13, 1855.

to your colleagues, and to the public if Some ten miles off there lived in a sol- you think fit. If science can derive some

place, who has for about three months Benton drove up to the door, and en- taken no food of any kind whatever. Her enjoy a strong constitution. Last Christ- speaking deep emotion, and her expres-At length Benton came-out hurriedly mas, after an absolute fast of three months, sive lip, quivering with suppressed exciteposition by those who know her, does not "A moment, if you please. Have you appear to have any intention of deceiving, the altar, and where that was we had about any objection to inform me what are the and after strict surveillance it has been as clear an idea as a trancendentalists gen-

manner, "what do you want to know for?" There must necessarily be something low in their wake was the way to see it. His manner convinced the Sheriff that extraordinary in the physical organiza- As the ladies passed, a gallant arm was tion of this person to produce such a phe- offered to each, and thus we marched out "Because, to tell the truth, Mr. Ben- nomenon. We can understand that a a young girl remains in her usual state, the twining fingers and crossed by a stream "A good deal of fuss about a little lamp- preserves her complexion, her sleep, her of love as pure as itself. All was silent, strength, her good humor, without any still, until broken by the minister reading "Lamp-oil? Ah, we'll see if that's the palpable change, without either eating or in an impressive manner; 'And of the rib So saying, the Sheriff advanced towards thing very extraordinary - something made he a woman and brought her to the

the symptoms and a search for the causes, Therefore shall a man cleave unto his The horse sprang forward, leaving the would perhaps lead to a solution of this physiologic phenomenon, and open to then closed the good and holy book and "A horse! a horse!" he exclaimed, science the way to new discoveries inter- offered a most touching and beautiful esting as well as useful, on the organiza- prayer-not a heart but seemed to feel "You may take mine for five dollars," tion and formation of man's physical sys-

Being convinced that the mere enunciation of the existence of a like phenom-"Don't care. I cant let him go for a enon will suffice to attract the attention raised her beautiful face all covered with of scientific men, and that the desire to tears,-clasped her hands, and in the The Sheriff hesitated a moment. Five study its character and to penetrate its most touching sweet voice, tremulous with

Speculation in Coal Lands.

The Wilkesbarre Record of the Times contains the following account of the sales

make straight for his own house, and that "Large sales of Coal land continue to be rumored. Some four or five hundred This would be full ten miles distant acres near this Borough, running from from the place whence he had started .- the Canal over the mountain, have just However, it was in the exercise of his du- changed hands at a figure which renders ty, and he would doubtless be repaid. the working of them pretty certain.

On-still on-pressed the recking will give new life and activity to this part Seven-eight-nine miles! and still before it can be opened, however active

back woodsolife for three score years or "Ah! I've caught you, have I?" he ex- more. A farm on the Lackawanna, for which \$150 an acre was considered a fair

Taken at his Word.

A few years ago I made one of the seventy-nine passengers on board the fast steamer Emily Barton, hound up the Tennessee. A pleasant, intelligent, go shead captain, a good steward, and a social, refined company, made the trip one of plea-"Just what I told you, but you wouldn't sure; indeed long shall I remember the ing freight.

of his eye, as he needed nothing further whispered that we were to have a wedding ing his dashing eyes with a triumphant said whisper started first low and near tioned, he said: the stern, somewhere in the vicinity of the without another word, directed his course ladies cabin, and speedily making its way -on this spot we'll be made one. I never homewards. He did'nt trouble Uncle Joe to the hall, the boiler deck, and then to let such luck pass me by waiting a minute, the main; like the snow-ball rolling down so go ahead,' and on that spot where first the mountain, gathering size, form, and they met, were they solemnly united formomentum, as it rolled forward, until the ever. principals in the interesting scene were not only pointed out, but the parson with let no man put asunder,' died away, a some scraps of the history of each fiction, shout went up that awakened the ochoes, from the Hon. P. Boucher de Boucher- fact, and surmise, all bushed up ingen- for miles, every hand was extended to the iously, leaving one in that half pleasant, happy, lucky, ventursome fellow, and evehalf painful state of suspense and doubt, ry lady in that crowd pressed the lips of that opens the eyes so wide and strains his trusting wife. For a moment I wishthe drum of the ear so tight to all trans- ed I were her, but I instantly recovered

cent beech bottom, the tall, heavily leaved always seemed a waste of sweetness, but trees with their eilver grey trunks making they know best,) and laughing, shouting a deep cool shade, while they, with the and happy, we all returned on board. true, that inversion only pointed the false they were signed by the parson and sevenspot in twain, came murmuring a crystal you know, men and women all told-evespring brook, scarcely four spans wide, to rybody signed. lose itself in the mass of Tennessee wa- Then we danced, we laughed, we made ters, they in return to be alike lost in the children of ourselves-yes I'm afraid we boundless ocean.

ment, while her dress, step and grace, was

'There they are ! That's her !- Oh, how beatiful!' burst from many a lip, as we instinctively made way to let them pass to astertained that there is no deception on erally has of what they are talking about. But one thing was fun ahead, and to folof the cabin, down the stairs, across the drinking, there is, it appears to me, some- which the Lord had taken from man, and flesh of my flesh, she shall be called horse a sharp cut, exclaiming-"Gee up, An investigation of facts, a study of woman because she was taken out of man. wife, and they shall be one flesh.' He the earnest appeal to the throne of grace. Then asking the usual questions he pro-

nounced them husband and wife. The bride slowly sinking on her knees,

'And now, oh, merciful Father, grant An editor of Missouri announces that to which he had just been appointed, so not to be refused to associate myself with that our lives thus untied may peacefully flow in one, even, as this rivulet, until we the money," and leaped into the wagon. discovery which will but serve as van- reach the river of death, undivided in faith The animal which be had in use, though guard to more brilliant ones, and cause and conduct, and be permitted to enjoy not quite equal to Benton's, was an ex- the absurd idea, that there are in nature thine eternal smiles in the land of the

Every pulse seemed stilled, hoping for Believe me to be sincerely, Sir, your more of this beautiful drama. Not a word, not a movement from all that throngall, all was happiness. Oh, lovely panorama, how thou art graven on this heart! The happy man was in the act of imprinting a kiss upon the smiling lips of his ted suits against the editors of the Union magnificent bride, when the clear tones of and Borough Item, for libel. a manly voice started all from their pleasant reveries, and the universal gaze restwhose eagle eye spoke the man a fit rep- were employed, saying that he never "set resentative of the State where sleeps a up," with a girl in his life.

'I can't stand this any longer. I can't by-pardon ladies, but I have a proposition to make on the good faith of a man or die-so here goes: Now I will marry representative of the "upper ten." on this spot any lady who has the nerve to face such music. Look at me, and if man will make a woman who comes fire-side, without them !" trembling under his wing; I say further, that no spot of shame attaches to my name, After a clergyman had united a or ever shall, and this arm shall support happy pair, not long ago, an awful silence and protect the one that will trust it .- ensued which was broken by an impatient Who'll take me? and his eye ran slowly youth exclaiming, "Don't be so unspeakaand steadily over the crowd of handsome bly happy !" women around him. His earnest manner and novel speech had aroused an intense An Enormous Crab is noticed by the head-long into the gutter, "and now I'm excitement, all was surprise and deep New York Sun, having been taken in on dry land," as he fetched up on the sympathy with the fearless, excited ora- Gowanus Bay. It measured three feet in curb-stone. His concluding remark, astor, when, to the astonishment and de- length from tip to tip of its claws, and his boots followed his head down an open girl from the flowery banks of the Ala- pounds.

bama, stepped to his side and looked confidently up to his eyes with her hands on his arm, and said-

'I am thine.'

By this time his arm was around her waist and parting her curls-black as the raven at midnight-looking steadfastly in her face for a moment and 'signed the saucy Emily Barton, and her superb liv- contract' with a kiss that all the married ladies afterwards pronounced to be of the One lovely summer afternoon it was genuine sort, perfectly satisfactory. Rais-

'Where is the parson? Send him here

When the words, 'what God had joined my self possession, and thrust the weak-Well, we landed to wood at a magnifi. ness from me, (women kissing each other

from the real, while cutting this charming ty-four witnesses-five more made nine

made fools of ourselves. Be that as it No sooner was the staging out than may, when the watch was changed at sothere emerged from the ladies' cabin a lemn noon of night, the bluffs on the dark fine, manly looking fellow, dressed in fault- shores of the river returned only the echo less taste, intellect beaming in every fea- of the hourse coughing of the engines of ture, while over his face perfect happiness the Emily Barton, for we slept, and our shone like Phorus on the sea. Leaning dreams vainly tried to vie with the levely

A Magnificent Wedding in Prospect.

The Richmond Dispatch treats its read-

ers to the following piece of gossip: We make no excuse for referring to a grand nuptial occasion which is to take place this month in New York. It is gotten up on a scale of estentation and munificence necessarily giving it a publicity that will force the reporters-in spite of their well known repugnance for such things-to notice it as a part of the chronicles not to be withheld from the public. The parties are wealthy. The bridegroom is a Louisiana planter, (sugar) and the bride is the daughter of a New York Judge. The preparations are of the amplest kind. No Presidential tour was ever so magnificently provided for, even in the day of Old Hickory. There are 2,-000 guests invited, all of whose expenses are to be borne by the invitors. The bridegroom is to be accompanied by two hundred pairs of young ladies and gentlemen from the South, and will pass thro' this city about the 12th of July. [That's something to watch the cars for !]

In his route he will be joined by recruits in every city; for the attractions will utterly throw in the shade the fleshpots of the "wealthy Camacho." There being no possibility of accommodating the multitude at a private mansion, the St. Nicholas Hotel has been rented at \$2,-000 a day for four days, which there will be royal feasting. The most distinguished caterer in New York has been engaged to fill the post of purveyor for the vast assemblage of guests. Every expenditure that can add to the pomp and circumstance of the event, will be employed Wealth there is in abundance, and the parties are determined that the ceremony and attending circumstances shall exceed

is grandeur anything that has ever preceded it! We will not for the present let our fair readers into the secret of who these people are who are about to become so notable; it would diminish the interest of the affair to tell them all about it at once. So we will drop the subject for

The Rev. Stephen Miller, editor the Telegraph, at Harrisburg, has institu-

A bashful printer refused a situa-

BO A lady being asked at the Springs, during the past season, how she liked Crabbe's Tales ? "I never eat any crab's who never lies or trifles. I must make it tails," innocently replied the exquisite

IT The following toast was given by the bride) I'll promise to be a husband to "The women and coal of Schuylkill you, such a husband as a true hearted county-O, how desolate would be the

The Study of Arithmetic.

Arithmetic, when properly studied, forms an important part of a sound elementary education. It opens a wide field for the exercise of the reflective and constructive powers of the mind, but when it is studied as to exercise the memory principally, injurious effects will follow.

The mind can make no true progress before the boat reached her destination - expression from the pleasant job just menapplying rules; it must progress by a thorough investigation of principles. The habit of depending upon the rules of our arithmetics, enables pupils to "pass over the subject without passing through it."

It is much more difficult to teach these

pupils the science of numbers, after they have been thro' the usual circle of rules several times, than it would be, if they had never seen a rule. They have become accustomed to proceed without a thorough knowledge of principles, and as a sensation of motion has been their only evidence of progress, they are impatient when effort is necessary to attain accurate knowledge. They think that they are obliged to manufacture certain results, rather than to understand the processes, by which these results, are obtained .-This is not a picture of the imagination. We frequently find pupils in our schools, who think themselves masters of the seience, when they actually know but very little about it. If you interrogate them concerning their knowledge, they will tell you, they "have been through the book two or three times." Now put them to a test; give them a simple question not found in any book, but such as would frequently occur in business transactions; they will look up with astonishment, and perhaps enquire, "by what rule is that question solved." They have been so long accustomed to depend upon the memory and to learn things "parrot like," that it is exceedingly difficult to convince them of the necessity of thinking into and through, what they have been in the habit of doing without much thought.

We deprecate this method of studying arithmetic, as being highly injurious in its effects, and tending to defeat the object for which it should be studied. The subject is frequently commenced too late. Very young children can understand simple numbers when applied to tangible things. We would recommend the practice of mental arithmetic in cur common schools, as soon as the pupils can read simple sentences with tolerable accuracy. The nomenclature of numbers and numeration may be taught with the aid of a numeral frame, made to correspond with our decimal system of arithmetic. The fundamental processes of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, may be illustrated also by the judicious use of this frame. The two former should be taught simultaneously. After the pupils have been exercised in those two rules by many familiar questions, the two latter should be taught in connection with each other. The pupils will now be prepared to pass at once into some intellectual arithmetic, similar to Colbrun's First Lessons. We should however keep distinctly in view, the true object to be gained by these mental exercises, or the main advantages which might result from them, will be lost. A knowledge of arithmetic is not the principal benefit to be received, but one of secondary importance. It is the discipline of the mind, the habit of attention, the power of reasoning, and of abstraction that constitute the chief value of these exercises. But in order to secure these advantages, the pupils must give their entire attention, while the question is stated by the teacher, and retain the whole statement in their minds, until the answer is given and the process explained by which it was discovered.

This mental discipline so desirable, can not be completely attained, if the pupils be allowed to read the questions, or use the slate while solving them.

In Colbrun's book the questions are so admirably arranged, and the knowledge in each question comes into requisition in those that follow, so beautifully, that if this plan of study be commenced right, and strictly followed, intricate questions will be analyzed by a class with such facility as to surprise one who had never been familiar with mental operations of this kind. Nothing should be taken on trust in Arithmetic. Every principle should be fully explained, and nothing passed over without being thoroughly understood.

When pupils are asked why a certain step is taken in the solution of their problem, they sometimes answer, the rule says so." Now we object to this appealing to or depending upon the rules. We would have them rely upon no rule, except that of common sense-that teaches them to analyze their problems and from the analysis to construct their own rules.

The Birmingham (England) Mercury says an elephant, 120 years old, is to be shot in that town, in consequence of its extreme age and physical weakness.

"Hang me if I don't believe the world's a wheel barrow," said a jolly inebriate, "and I'm the wheel revolving on its axis. Now I'm in the mud," said he as he went and the vehicle is out of repair,"