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SELECT POETRY.

THE CORN SONG. BY J. G. WHITTIER. Heap high the farmer's wintry hoard! Heap high the golden corn!

Let other lands, exulting gleam The apple from the pine, The orange from its glossy green, The cluster from the vine;

There richer than the fabled gifts Apollo showered of old, Fair hands the broken grain shall sift, And knead its meal of gold.

Let earth withhold her goodly rood, Let midday blight the rye, Give to the worm the orchard's fruit, The wheat field to the fly;

But let the good old crop adorn The bliss our fathers trod; Still let us, for His golden corn, Send up our thanks to God!

A Select Tale.

A SABBATH OF 1776.

Late in the fall of 1847, it was my good fortune to spend several delightful hours in the gallery of the "Art Union" in New York. Among the many exquisite pictures that graced its walls, was one which particularly attracted my attention...

One Sabbath morning, during the gloomy summer of 1776, when the hopes of the patriots seemed likely to be down in darkness and blood, and even the God-sustained heart of Washington grew troubled...

It was a beautiful mid-summer morning. A light shower, during the latter part of the preceding night, had laid the dust and given coolness to the air. The rain drops still hung trembling from leaf and spray...

watching with breathless interest the movements of their friends. Love, pride, anxiety hope and faith, lit up their excited features, but I trow there was little cowardice there.

The old minister's heart glowed within him at the sight of the resolute, determined looking faces before him, as they proceeded to a choice of officers. The subordinate offices could readily be filled; but who should lead them to face the danger and death; who should be their captain?

No monument is raised to the memory of the great "Liberator" over his remains at Glasnevin Cemetery, near Dublin. A gentleman who has recently visited the spot thus describes what he saw:—

The following colloquy passed between the party and guide:—"Is this the spot where the national monument is to be erected?" "No; there is other ground set apart for that."

"For, lo, mine enemies make a tumult, that they hate thee have lifted up the head. They have taken crafty counsel against thee, and consulted against thy hidden ones. They have said, Come, let us cut them off from being a nation, that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance."

"Let them be confounded and troubled forever; yea, let them be put to shame and perish." "That men may know that thou, whose name alone is Jehovah, art Most High over all the earth!"

"Thee, O God, that art Most High over all the earth!" "Thee, O God, that art Most High over all the earth!" "Thee, O God, that art Most High over all the earth!"

A CAPITAL ANECDOTE. Professor Risio, who is now in Italy, says recently when he was in Venice, an American captain and an Englishman met at dinner.

The N. Y. Herald on alluding to the proceedings of the recent women's Convention remarks as follows:—"But there was a remarkable omission in all their proceedings. Not a baby, among all the three or four hundred women present, was seen—not a wrapper, or an insinuation, that babies are necessary to the preservation of society, did we hear."

MARRIAGE IN CALIFORNIA.

It is said that the Californians are born on horse-back, it may also be said they are married on horse-back. The day the marriage contract is agreed on between the parties the bridegroom's first care is to buy or borrow the best horse to be found in his vicinity.

The inventor, Jephth A. Wilkinson, of the city of Providence, has devoted much time in perfecting this extraordinary combination which now promises a new era, if it does not effect a through revolution, in the art of printing.

The types, moreover, possess in their shape a great advantage. They are so formed that they will necessarily all stand the right way; and in their action upon the paper are not subject to injury by being battered; and they are much less worn and disfigured by use than type employed in the old way.

The married couple then enter the house where the near relatives and all waiting in tears to receive them. They kneel down, before the parents of the lady, and crave a blessing, which is bestowed with patriarchal solemnity.

How THEY GET MARRIED IN ILLINOIS.—Mr. Henry Wheeler, of Green county, and Minerva Stealy, of Maceris county, wanted to get married, but their friends didn't want them.

REMARKABLE MEMORY. "Who made you?" inquired a lady-teacher of a great lubberly boy, who had lately joined her class.

A HASTY TEMPER.—Fight hard against a hasty temper. Anger will come; but resist it stoutly. A spark will set a house on fire. A fit of passion may give you cause to mourn all the days of your life.

SLAVE HUNTER KILLED BY A FUGITIVE.—John A. Butler, of Edgefield District, S. C., was killed on the 23d ult. by two runaway slaves which he was in chase of, and was about to fog for having fled from their proprietor.

THE PRESS OF MISSISSIPPI.—The 46 papers published in Mississippi are thus classified:—Whigs and for union; 7; democrats and avowedly distinct; 9; democrats and agitators; 9; democrats favoring the Governor's proclamation; but opposed to disunion as present remedy; 2; unknown;—total 46.

LOLA MONTES, according to the last account, was thinking of retiring to a convent. It is now well ascertained that the quality of the wine in Europe of the present year will be very inferior in consequence of the rain which prevented the vines from ripening.

THE SILKWORM.

At Colico, in Lombardy, we found a little girl who had set up her miniature breeding establishment in a corner of the hut, having received, as she told me, four ounces of seed as a present from her grandfather, and being allowed by a neighbor's son to gather from his mulberry trees as many leaves as she required.

The best silk in Lombardy is produced in the environs of the lake of Como, especially in the beautiful district of Brienzo; and in all the valleys between this and the Carnic Alps the culture of silk affords substance to the great mass of the inhabitants.

NEEDLES were first made in London by a negro from Spain, in the reign of Mary; but as he died without teaching the art, it was lost till 1566, when it was taught by Elias Gorrose, a German.

Walls of brass resist not. A hole underneath nor can vice Raise any virtue to make good a peace, Where witwork seeks to enter.

THE READING OF a good and well conducted newspaper, even for the short space of one quarter of an year, brings more sound instruction, and leaves a deeper impression, than would be acquired, probably, at the best schools in twelve months.

A CHILD living near Cincinnati was recently seized by the throat by a large bulldog, and was so seriously injured by the brute that its life was despaired of.

BACON AND GREENS, jole and snaps, once upon a time were regarded in Virginia and Tennessee with a reverence second only to the resolutions of '98 and '99.

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