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INDIAN CHOLAGOGUE—An excellent article for the cure of Fever and Ague, Bilious Fever, Intermittent or Remittent Fever...

COOPER'S GELATINE. For Jellies, &c. For sale by WEBER & BRUNER, Sunbury, June 24, 1854.

Original Poetry.

BEAUTY'S HOME AND COMPANIONS.

Not in the sparkling eye, The ruby lip and cheek— Not in the forehead high, Would I for beauty seek...

AN INTERESTING SKETCH.

NELSON'S LOVE.

Lamartine's Memoirs of Celebrated Characters, has, in the memoir of Nelson, an episode concerning the famed beauty that once enchanted him.

LADY HAMILTON'S YOUTH AND FORTUNES. Her only name was Emma, for her father remained always unknown.

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entirely of the prisoner's sister, accompanied to the capital of the trip to explore the liberation of her brother.

One of his friends, bearing a noble name, and possessed of a large fortune carried off the faithless Emma to an estate in the country, treated her as his wife, made her the queen of the hunting parties, lured, and finally, and finally, gawking tired of her at the end of the season, left her in London, at the mercy of chance, necessity, and crime.

THE beauty of Emma overpowered him, and, like one seized by sudden madness, he forgot, after two or three interviews, his age, his rank, his repugnance to matrimony, her obscure birth and irregular life, the mutual affection long subsiding between her and her paramour, the living pledges of their love, the scandal and infamy of a traffic in female charms; and finally, porphyry the discharge of his nephew's marriage to the daughter of a nobleman, and Sir William hastened back to Naples with his prize, leaving his union unbroken.

Her beauty dazzled Italy, as it had previously fascinated England. But the knowledge of her avocation as a model, which could not be concealed, and rumor of the shameless bargain between the uncle and nephew, preceded her to Naples. The ambassador, to trifle these reports, and re-establish his idol, was compelled to the ceremony of a public marriage.

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No, she read it quite through. The lover, who dived his nose from the bottom of the river, had skillfully adopted the allegory, and introduced himself as a grotesque inhabitant of the waters. The fable was gracefully managed, and with the jesting tone which he had adopted was mingled a true, serious, and eloquent sentiment, expressed with beauty and eloquence.

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THE LATE DEFENCE OF SILISTRIA.

SILISTRIA, Thursday, July 6, 1854.—The first impression which Silistria makes upon any one accustomed to the fortresses of civilized Europe, is one of amazement at that place being a fortress at all; the second impression is, that being a fortress, its works, such as they are, cannot be any serious obstacle to the proceedings of a besieging army.

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