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Absolute acquiescence in the decisions of the majority, the vital principle of Republics, from which there is no appeal but to force, the vital principle and immediate parent of despotism.—JERRISON.

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The Laborer.

BY W. D. GALLAGHER.

Stand up, erect! thou hast the form And likeness of thy God—who mote!

What then! Thou art as true a MAN As moves the human mass along!

Who is thine enemy?—the high In station, or in wealth the chief?

If true unto thyself thou wast, What were the proud one's scorn to thee?

No!—unnumbered passions—low desires— Absence of noble self respect—

These are thine enemies—thy worst; Thy chain thee to thy lowly lot—

Thou art thyself thine enemy! The great!—what better thee than thou?

True, wealth, thou hast not: 'tis but dust! Nor place, uncertain as the wind!

With this, and passions under ban, True faith, and holy trust in God,

TEA.

The Tea or Tea tree flourishes best in a light soil. It is raised from seed in spring and transplanted in rows of 4 feet asunder.

Black teas are grown chiefly in the province of Fokein. The Chinese prefer it to green as being a better stomachic.

The difference between green and black tea is believed to arise from their being dried—the black on iron, and the green on copper plates.

Tea was first introduced into England about the year 1600, and was sold at 60 shillings a pound; 30 millions are now used in the United Kingdom.

LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND.—The census of Liverpool has just been taken. The population of one of the sixteen wards, Vaughan, announced to 25,437.

A Winter in the Azores.

From a work recently published in England, under this title, we have the following extracts concerning these islands situated nearly midway between Europe and America.

AZORIAN POLITENESS.—The politeness of the people here is very striking to an Englishman. A country man will hardly ever pass you without taking off his hat, even when his load may make it a real inconvenience to him.

A stranger is likely to be set down as most unmannered until he knows that every man is expected to take off his hat to every lady whose eye he catches.

The country people do this with a deliberate gravity, very different to the graceless but equally civil mode in which country people in English villages, remote from the defilement of large towns, pinch the brims of their hats to those better dressed than themselves.

The custom is agreeable enough to strangers, as it deprives a strange place of its solitariness. The mutual recognition awakens slight sympathies on each side, and on this account should not be despised, though it is worth no more.

PACKING ORANGES.—Walked this morning, (Dec. 27,) to an Orange garden beyond the little village of Ribeira Secca. At its entrance was a pathway with evergreen faya-trees on each side, meeting in arches overhead.

A quantity of the leaves being heaped together near the packers, the operation began. A child handed to a workman, who squatted by the heap of fruit, a prepared husk; this was rapidly snatched from the child, wrapped round the orange by an intermediate workman, passed by the feeder to the next, who, sitting with his chest between his legs, placed it in the orange-box with amazing rapidity.

The pressure of these flexible boards is immediately upon the oranges; a plan admirably adapted to spoil them, for they are thus flattened and squeezed. Of course, there are cogent reasons for this. One is, that the duty paid in England is calculated according to the size of the box, and consequently the more oranges that can be squeezed in, the less duty is paid.

PECULIARITY IN ORANGE TREES.—March 26th—accompanied Senhor B. to several of his orange gardens in the town. Many of the trees in one garden were a hundred years old; still bearing plentifully, a highly prized thin skinned orange, full of juice, and free of pips.

bundle of seeds; but as the vigor of the plant declines, the peel becomes thinner, and the seeds gradually diminish in number, until they disappear altogether.

WORKINGS OF THE SLAVE TRADE.—On expressing surprise that this miserable craft (a vessel called by its owner the Flower of Fayal, but popularly known as 'the skull of a jackass') should be employed in a traffic in which there is so much risk of being captured by English cruisers that the fastest vessels are usually engaged in it.

A Description of the Person of our Saviour as found in an ancient manuscript sent by Publius Lentulus, a resident of Judea, to the Senate of Rome.

"There lives at this time in Judea, a man of singular character, whose name is Jesus Christ. The barbarians esteem him as their prophet; but his followers adore him as the immediate offspring of the immortal God.

The following story, by Hoco, is irresistible:

"It's a good sign of a dog when his face grows like his master's. It's a proof he's aye glowin' up in his master's een, to discover what he's thinking on, and then, without the word or wave o' command, to be aff to execute the wull o' his silent thocht, whether it be to wear sheep or roon down deer.

GOOD WIVES.—The Factory Girls at Lowell, have often deposited in the Savings Bank of that city, over one hundred thousand dollars! What prudent saving wives they would make.

Oranges.

The average crop of an acre of orange trees is from 6 to 8,000. When the Florida war is terminated by the expulsion of Indians, if ever, there will come into the market vast tracts of land well adapted to sugar and to the orange and other tropical fruits.

On Destroying Rats.

Sir:—The following is a reply to your correspondent's inquiry as to the best mode of destroying rats: Should he find either of these methods succeed, he will oblige us by a reply through your paper.

1st. Corks cut as thin as sixpences, roasted or stewed in grease, and placed in their tracks.

Or—dried sponge in small pieces, fried or dipped in honey, with a little oil of rhodium.

Or—bird-lime laid in their haunts, will stick to their fur, and cause their departure.

If a live rat be caught, and well rubbed or brushed over with tar and train-oil, and afterwards put to escape in the holes of others, they will disappear.

Most Horrible.

Two men named Liman Crouch and Smith Maythe, confined in the jail at Williamson, Ky., for an attempt to murder a man named Uterback, where taken out of the prison on the 10th inst.

"The jail was opened by force I suppose there were from four to seven hundred people engaged in it; resistance was all in vain. There were three speeches made to the mob, but all in vain.

John Randolph's Grave.

A gentleman on a visit to the residence of the late John Randolph, writes to the National Intelligencer as follows:

"The body of this extraordinary man reposes beneath the tall branches of a veteran pine, about forty paces from this summer dwelling. No marble marks the place of his repose. He was buried, according to his own request, with his head to the east and his feet to the west; with a white unpolished stone at his head, and a black one at his feet.

The Boston Post states that the Druses of Mount Lebanon, a sect of heretical Mohammedans, numbering 70,000 or more, who have heretofore been subject to the Maronites are now resolutely determined to cast off that subjection, and to have a prince of their own, subordinate to the Porte, and under the protection of England.

It is said that the Americans who went to India to introduce our mode of rearing and preparing cotton, have returned, and declare the project cannot succeed.

From the New Orleans Picayune.

A DRUNKARD'S FATE.

From the Blotter of P. Pickle, Jr., Accountant.

We were passing the front entrance of one of our principal hotels a few days since, at an hour when the summer sun was not far from its meridian height, a little noise inside attracted our attention, and we immediately stopped—few men pass by any thing which gives indication of a fray.

The man thus unceremoniously introduced to the receipt of all things filthy, was miserably, but not helplessly drunk. The vile liquid in which he had been partially bathed, seemed to bring him a little nearer his senses, for he scrambled forth quickly, staggered to one of the chairs upon the balcony and took possession of it.

It was even so. In that bloated brute, we recognized all that remained of an early and accomplished friend. He came to New Orleans a few years ago, a full grown, real man, in heart and intellect.

"Let us drink, who would not since through life's varied round In the goblet alone no deception is found."

The poor mother in a distant land, who mourns over her lost son, the almost broken-hearted sister, who can never forget the companion and playmate of her childhood, while she remains this side the tomb, might search in vain for a familiar lineament in the face of this wreck of fair humanity.

His race is nearly run. Between the labors of the bottle, the climate, and the season, the cold earth has already been hollowed out for his final resting place. Reason even now totters. The last act in the drama of his existence will be that of thousands in whose footsteps he had trod.

"Sensible to the last."—An old man about to bid a last adieu to earth, had his friends called around him, when he was desired by his wife to tell what debts were owing to him.

"I owe five shillings for mutton." "Oh!" interjected the delighted hospitable, "to see a man at this time o' day, and just gone to close his last account, use the use o' his faculties—just say away James, 'Ay, an'—ten shillings for beef.' 'What a pleasant thing to see a man dead!' sensible to the last!—only mair—but not to distress yourself! 'An'—a crown for a cow hide! 'Ay, quoth the wife, 'sensible yet—well, James, what was't ye was gone to say! 'Nae mair,' quoth James, 'but I'm awn Jack Tamson two pound in balance o' a cow! 'Ho, ho, ho, quoth the wife, 'the ravin' noo, he jass ravin'—dinna mind any mair that he says."

another world, reeling into the presence of angels, with a half uttered prayer still hovering upon his lips, for deeper and darker and more final partition!

A Man Ruined by Sudden Wealth.

The Baltimore Sun gives an account of a young man named Benton Starks, from Athens, Ga., who had been remarkably industrious and had acquired a respectable property, but whose intellect was completely disordered by his suddenly coming in possession of \$7,000.

The Falls of Niagara.

The steamboats and rail cars that ply between this city and the Falls, and the Hotel keepers there had quite a benefit yesterday. It was reported that two men in a boat from Chippewa had been drawn into the restless current, that one went over the Falls, and the other had succeeded in getting a footing on one of the Sisters, three little islets on the west side of Goat Island.

The Oldest Republic on Earth.

The American Quarterly Review contains a letter from G. W. Irving, Esq., giving a sketch of his visit to San Marino, a small Republic in Italy, to the territory of the Apennines, the Po, and the Adriatic.

The taxes are light, the farm-houses are neat, the fields well cultivated, and on all sides are seen comfort and peace, the happy effects of morality, simplicity, liberty, and justice.

Disastrous Effects of Temperance Reform in Ireland.

The following unusual information is taken from a letter written by a gentleman of Dublin, to the Leeds Mercury:

"Our public hospitals bear abundant evidence also of the improved health of the people. I was informed lately by a young surgeon, that the want of broken limbs, &c. is severely felt, as subjects for young practitioners; also, that there is a greatly increased difficulty in getting bodies for dissection. In our largest hospitals there has been but one case of delirium tremens (whiskey fever) for several months past, and even that a doubtful one, although formerly it was not uncommon to have twenty or thirty at one time. Deaths from fever have much decreased."