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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.—JACKSON.

By Masser & Eiseley.

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PRICES OF ADVERTISING.

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Coming the Bread Act.

'Please sir, to give me a penny, to buy a loaf of bread,' said a dirty faced, meagre little vagabond...

'Yes—but he drinks whiskey, and don't buy sister and me nothing to eat—and mother's dead, and father beats us when we cry—and I hasn't had nothing to eat since morning, so I hasn't 'Hoo-hoo-hoo!' and the little rascal cried as naturally as possible.

The gentleman moved with compassion, at his forlorn condition, gave him some pennies, and the urchin walked across the street, and joined a parcel of his comrades, as ragged and dirty as himself.

'Now, boys,' said he—and his eyes sparkled with glee at the thought of the fun—'now boys, I'll pitch coppers with you—I've got four.'

'How did you raise 'em, Jim?' said one of his companions; come the grab game, eh?'

'No, sir; I don't steal; but do you see that gentleman up at Boleman's Foundry; the one as has brass buttons on his coat, I means?'

'Yes.' 'Well, I comed the bread act on him.' 'Did, eh?—well, he's green.'

'The other put his thumb on his nose and the little ragamuffin moved toward the steps of the Theatre, to engage in the delightful amusement of 'pitch penny,' and 'crackloo.'

The circumstances above alluded to, actually occurred last week. 'Human nature is but human nature,' as old Stapleton used to say.—Pittsburg Chronicle.

LOVE LATE IN LIFE.—The following extraordinary statement appears in the Paris "Journal de Commerce." Two individuals of Pargrey have been remarked for their attention to a lady residing in the same village.

On Sunday, the 3d ult. the two rivals happened to meet at the house of the lady, Madame N. A quarrel ensued, which would have been attended with unpleasant consequences, had they not been separated.

The following day, one of the parties was found dead in his bed. The authorities having been informed by public report that the death of the party was the result of the scene of the preceding day, an examination of the corpse was made, which demonstrated that death had been caused by a rupture of a blood vessel of the heart, his rival seventy-seven, and the lady sixty.

A REVEREND SENATOR.—The Hon. and Rev. Mr. Colquitt, Senator in Congress, from Georgia, was announced to preach at the Washington Methodist Church, on Sunday last.

The Express says: at home, he has been known to preach a sermon, try a case in court, as advocate, sit on a reference, marry a couple, christen a child, and make a stump speech—all between sunrise and bed-time, in one day.

ROGUISH RATS.—A gentleman receiving a present of some Florence oil, the flasks were set in his cellar, at the bottom of a shallow box; the oil not being wanted for use, they remained there for some time; when the owner going one day by chance in the cellar, was surprised to find the wicker works, by which the flasks were stopped, gnawed from the greater part of them, and upon examination the oil sunk about two inches or two and a half from the neck of each flask.

It soon occurred to him, that it must be the work of some kind of vermin; and being a man of speculative turn, he resolved to satisfy the curiosity of his mind; he accordingly found means to watch and actually detected three rats in the very act; the neck of the flasks were long and narrow, it therefore required some contrivance; one of these stood upon the edge of the box, while another mounted his back, dipped his tail into the flask, and presented it to a third to lick; they then changed places; the rat which stood uppermost descended, and was accommodated in the same manner with the tail of his companion, till it was his turn to act the porter, and he took his station at the bottom.

In this manner the three alternately relieved each other and banqueted upon the oil till they had sucked it beyond the length of their tails.—London paper.

GRUMBING.—The world is full of grumblers, who fret away their lives in a system of torture, which if inflicted by any other than themselves, would cause tears of blood to flow.

What a curse is a discontented spirit. He need not fear trouble from abroad, who has his with him at home. Why should I envy my rich neighbor? I see him day after day the victim of indolence, the killer of time, while I, without a penny that is earned by hard and constant labor, am full of elastic hope and buoyancy. These nerves are all firm; this head is clear, the blood that courses in these veins is quiet and healthful; give me your youth and health, for his pile of dirty gold.



From the Mirror.

THREE STAGES OF WOMAN'S LOVE.

There is a love in early life Which shuns parade and worldly strife, And seeks, contented the princely dome, In humble cot, a happy home.

There is a love of earlier growth, Less dazzling than the love of youth, Where gentle looks and anxious care Inspire, the husband's toil to share;

There is love in a later stage, When pain and sickness grow on age, When he, so active once, and gay, Perceives approach his closing day;

Farmers' Club.

We give some interesting sentiments made at the last meeting of the "Farmer's Club," in New York:

Mr. Pell, of Ulster county, made a statement relative to his experimental farming from which it appeared that he had found benefit from the use of oyster-shell lime—using 300 bushels per acre.

A FENCE MADE.—Married, at Barnstable, Massachusetts, on the 24th ultimo, by the Rev. J. Gates, Mr. JOHN POSEY to Miss SOPHIA RAILE.

CHAPTER OF YOUNG MEN.

ALEXANDER of Macedon, extended his power over Greece, conquered Egypt, rebuilt Alexandria, overran all Asia, and died at 38 years of age.

HANNIBAL was but 26, when, after the fall of his father Hamilcar, and Asdrubal, his successor, he was chosen Commander-in-Chief of the Carthaginian army.

SCIPIO AFRICANUS was scarcely 16, when he took an active part in the battle of Cannæ, and saved the life of his father.

CHARLEMAGNE was crowned King of the Franks before he was 26.

CHARLES XII., of Sweden, was declared of age by the States, and succeeded his father at the age of 15.

LAFAYETTE was a major General in the American army at the age of 18; was but 20 when he was wounded at Brandywine; but 22 when he raised supplies for his army, on his own credit, at Baltimore; and but 33 when raised to the office of Commander-in-Chief of the National Guard of France.

NAPOLEON BONAPARTE commenced his military career as an officer of artillery, at the age of 17. At 24, he successfully commanded the artillery at Toulon.

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DR. DWIGHT'S Conquest of Canada was commenced at the age of 16, and finished at 22.

At the latter age, he composed his celebrated dissertation on the history, eloquence and poetry of the Bible, which was immediately published in Europe.

A PHILANTHROPIST.—Miss DIX of Boston, passed through Ulster last week on her return home, after having visited the almshouses and many of the prisons of New York.

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GEORGE WASHINGTON was only 27 years of age, when, in defence of the British soldiers troops at Braddock's defeat; and the same year was appointed commander-in-chief of the Virginia forces.

Gen. JOSEPH WARREN was only 29 years of age, when, in defence of the British soldiers stationed at the door of the church, he pronounced the celebrated oration which aroused the spirit of Liberty and patriotism that terminated in the achievement of Independence.

ALEXANDER HAMILTON was a Lieutenant in the army of the American Revolution; and aide-camp to Washington at the age of 20.

THOMAS HAYWARD, of South Carolina, was but 30 years of age, when he signed the glorious record of the nation's birth, the Declaration of Independence.

JOHN JAY, at 20 years old, was a member of the Revolutionary Congress, and being associated with Lee Livingston, on the Committee for drafting an address to the people of Great Britain.

At 32 he penned the old Constitution of New York, and in the same year was appointed chief justice of that state.

At the age of 26, THOMAS JEFFERSON was a leading member of the Colonial Legislature in Virginia.

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QUEEN VIC. A QUADRUPLED.—The United Service Gazette informs its readers that "Her Majesty's 4th Foot at present suffers severely from sickness."

Parental Councils to a young Married Couple.

The following is extracted from a letter written by the Hon. C. A. Wickliffe, Post Master General, to his son Robert and his wife, soon after their marriage.

WASHINGTON, March 24th, 1843. MY BELOVED CHILDREN:—You have united your destiny and pledged yourselves, in the presence of an all-seeing and merciful God to love and cherish each other.

Much, very much, depends upon your personal deportment towards each other; a mutual confidence and habitual kindness are all important to domestic happiness.

If he is about to engage in any enterprise, pecuniary or political, she should be consulted; and in nine cases out of ten, the best answer he can give to an application to become surety, is that he will consult his wife.

In the course of time, incidents will occur in your family, about which you will naturally entertain a difference of opinion.

Never buy what you do not need, and avoid indebtedness as much as possible.

You will think it strange for me to tell you that you should cultivate a fondness for the society of each other, and never, under any circumstances, give, or seem to give, a preference to the company of another.

Regular hours are all-important to domestic comfort, to health and happiness.

Avoid, my son, dissipation of all kinds, and eschew the company of the wild and evil disposed, as you would the pestilence.

In your deportment towards your fellow men, be frank, candid, open-hearted, honest and just in all your dealings.

If you respect the rights of others, you will soon learn how to respect and maintain your own.

A petulant man is neither agreeable nor useful. Be patient in difficulties, and submissive under the chastisements of an over-ruling Providence.

The profession you have selected, is one of great responsibility, and of high honor and distinction.

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy; it is a divine commandment.

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necessary to insure respect for the lawyer; honesty, industry, punctuality, and fidelity, should always be conspicuous traits of his character.

If you meet with your fellow man in poverty, and unable to pay you for professional labor, do not refuse on that account to engage for him.

One other admonition I will give, and enjoin its strict observance: never use your client's money, but pay it, as soon as you collect it, to the utmost farthing.

That the God of all grace may smile upon you both and crown you his, in this and the next world, is the prayer of your fond father.

C. A. WICKLIFF.

ROBERT and ANNA WICKLIFF.

A HORRIBLE INSTANCE OF FANATICISM, causing the death of an individual, is recorded in the London papers, of some of the Mormons or "Latter Day Saints."

The priest of the order is a blacksmith, of the name of Cartwright, and among the devotees is a fanatic, named Pugmire, also a smith or engineer.

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The body of the woman was found, but life was quite extinct. She was in a state of perfect nudity, with the exception of a slight singlet, and her clothes were found upon the bank where she had put them off previous to her calamitous immersion.

A CORONER'S INQUEST has been held upon the body, and the jury having returned a verdict of manslaughter (ought it not to have been murder?) the husband and blacksmith priest have both been committed to Chester Castle to take their trial.

It is somewhat remarkable that a preacher of this sect, while baptizing a disciple, was carried away by the flood and drowned a few days before, in the river at Handsworth, Woodhouse, near Sheffield.

Quite a romantic affair occurred recently at New Orleans, arising out of tender passion.

A Dr. Mackay courted the daughter of Judge Story, of that city. The lady gave her consent to the union, but the father said nay, and the pair started off in a carriage, privately, to Lafayette, to get "spiced."

On the road they met the lady's brother, who attempted to stop them, but was pitched into the mud by the driver.

The next obstacle with which they came in collision was not so easily got over, being a heavy dray—and they were pitched into the mud.

As one of the horses was killed, the carriage smashed and the Jehu "knocked into a cocked hat," the lovers had to take to their personal powers of progression, and they trudged back to New Orleans through mud and rain, in the hope of finding an up-river steamboat to bear them to bliss.

They found one, and embarked; but the family heard it, chartered another boat, and at the last accounts the two steamers were "going it" up stream at a boiling gallop, while the citizens on shore were giving and taking odds on the result!

"Have you voted?" asked a political dilettante of a loafer who was hanging round the polls, as he thrust a ticket into his hand.