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WASHINGTON.

How might a Briton bless thee without blame. Yet how deny thy worth its honest praise? Great, virtuous, modest, whose unspotted name is stamped in gold upon the rolls of fame—

The following translation of a favorite song of the German students has a political meaning: the image of the dead maiden serving to represent liberty, which is the fashion of young Germany to consider a defunct in the Fatherland:

Der Wirthin Tochterlein. O'er Heidelberg's old castle The rays of morning shine, As journeyed forth three students Across the silver Rhine;

My rich wine sparkles red, But her whose eyes were brighter, My gentle child, is dead.

When the second saw her lying Calmly as one that slept, He turned him in the chamber, And bowed his head, and wept.

Oh! how my heart has loved thee Through many a bye-gone year.

But the third, before replacing O'er her couch the funeral veil, Bent down and kissed the maiden Upon her lips so pale.

Stern death may take thy beauty, But not my love away.

PIEGRAM. Maria's like a clock they say, Unconscious of her beauty; She regulates the live long day, Exact in every duty.

If this be true, such self-command, Such well directed powers, Oh! may her little minute hand Become a hand of hours.

A Chapter on Rats. We have read a pretty tough rat story in the "Penny Magazine," but it is said to be authentic.

Another story about these animals, almost as wonderful, we have upon the authority of a clergyman in England. He says that he was walking out in a meadow one evening, and he observed a great number of rats in the act of emigrating.

JOHN U. WARING.

This was a notorious, and in some respects a remarkable man. He was lately shot, as we stated previously, by some person secreted in a Hotel, and died some hours afterwards.

We have heard it stated that no 'coat of mail' was found upon his body after his death. He was, in his life and death, a most unfortunate man.

Since the conclusion of the border wars between England and Scotland few men have acted a similar part in civilized life.

He was a lawyer, and most of his difficulties originated from the mode in which he practised his profession.

Had his mode of warfare been more bold and open, he would have avoided much of the obloquy which his course drew down upon him.

Another Attraction.—An Italian, one Dr. Silvestre, is about to exhibit some remarkable specimens of petrification.

He also exhibited a woman's head, with the hair parted and dressed, the hair retaining its flexible properties and color.

It has lately been discovered in Florida, that an alligator is as valuable in his way, as a sperm whale; their oil is said to be better for lamps than even whale oil.

The Schoolmaster at Fault.—A good man was lately attempting the conversion of a convict, in one of our prisons, who has shown some signs which were considered hopeful.

An Irish doctor advertises that the deaf may hear of him at his residence in Liffy-street, where also blind patients may see him from ten till three.

The last Hours of St. Louis of France.

On the sixteenth of March, 1270, he left Paris for the sea-shore; on the 1st July he sailed from France. The sad story of this his last earthly doing need not be here repeated.

If the following account, given by Catline, of the faith of some of the Western tribes of Indians, is correct, it goes far to prove that they retain traditional superstitions, derived at some former period from the Romans or Roman Catholics.

Our people all believe that the spirit lives in a future state; that it has to pass a dreadful, deep and rapid stream which is hemmed on all sides by high and rugged hills—over the stream, from hill to hill, there is a long and slippery pine log, with the bark peeled off, over which the dead have to pass to the delightful hunting grounds.

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Belittled Whittewash.

Much is said of the atrocious whittewash, on the east side of the President's House at Washington.

The following receipt for making it, with some additional improvements, learned by experience: "Take half a bushel of nice, un-sacked lime, slack it with boiling water, covering it during the process to keep in the steam."

Buffalo Tales. I had a friend in the Indian country who was a rare narrator, but suspected of embellishment. He never failed in a story. He was a genius. No matter what the incident, he could relate so as to be intensely interesting or irresistibly amusing.

And off he went full tilt, towards a small bottom prairie the Spaniard running after him as fast as he could.

And you on his back? we would ask. "Yes sir,—fact—and I kept beating him with my gun stick, on the side of the head, until his course became circular, and he made several tours of the little prairie. I could easily have killed him with my knife, but I wanted to show the Spaniard, who had run to the middle of the prairie, some feats of horsemanship, as he kept walking around like the ring master of a circus.

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