The Fourth of March.

I saw him—he had come
From his far distant home
In the West;
A jingling purse he showed,
And in the latest mode
He was dressed.

His face was all a smile,
And he discoursed the while
How he took
Such an interest in the late
Election in his State
For old Buck.

He'd always felt the ties
Of party—let it rise,
Let it fall;
'Twas not for the reward
That he had worked so hard,
Not at all.

But office he could bear,
As a brave soldier could wear
Epaulets,
Which fix his rank, you know,
(And the public show—
What he gets.)

I saw him after that:
He had a kinky hat
On his head,
His shoes were worn away,
And his pockets seemed to say
"Nary red."

And loudly he declared
That for party men he cared
Not a jot;
He scorned their dirty tricks,
And as for politics
'Twas a plot.

Folks saw the sudden change,
And thought it wondrous strange,
At the best;
Our friend did not explain,
But took an early train
For the West.—[*Boston Post.*

A Good Anecdote.

During the inauguration of General Taylor at Washington, D. C., March 4th, 1849, the police regulators, as usual, required that after the speech of the new President had commenced, the gates of the Capital Grounds should be closed, and no carriages of any kind allowed to pass, until the speech was finished, to prevent confusion.

The Minister of all the Russias, M. Bodisco, was very late, and after the speech had begun, drove up to the gate in great haste, the horses covered with foam, when the coachman shouted to the guard, "*Open ze gates*, iv you please." The guard shook his head and stood still. The footman next called out,

"Will you open ze gate for ze Russian Minister?" The guard again shook his head without answering a word. Next the grand Minister put his head out of the window and called to the guard: "Open ze gate to ze gran Minister of all ze Russians. Minister Plenipotentiary, M. Bodisco; I am ze Minister."

There was a great crowd around the gates within and without, and all this fuss created quite a stir. The guard drew himself up, and in a firm and pleasant manner replied, "*If you were a free born citizen of these United States of America, you could not pass these gates in a carriage.*"

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