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"Port's Corner."

From the Waverly Magazine.
Susquehanna.
BY IRA LOUIS LITTLE.

They tell me of the sunset's glow
Upon Italia's flow'ry plains,
Where balmy breezes softly blow,
And ceaseless summer ever reigns.
They tell me of the wild romance
Of Spain's bright vales and towering hills,
Where fountains in the moonlight glances,
As murmur on her silver rills.
They tell me of the Grecian land,
Her ruined fane and crumbling domes,
That in their gloomy grandeur stand,
Long buried heroes' stories told.
Yet not for all their beauties wild,
The pleasure that their climate distils,
Would I exchange the scenery wild,
Of Susquehanna's rugged hills.

So noble monuments arise,
As trophies of a people's power;
To girdle castles in the sky,
No wand'ring maid's enchanted bow;
The shade of arms is never heard,
The smoke of battle never seen,
The tramp of armies never stirred,
Her blooming hills and valleys green,
But in their place stand forest trees,
As rough formed cliffs of granite grey,
Green hills famed by the passing breeze,
Go in wild landscapes stretched away,
Go here you may throughout the earth.

View all the different haunts of men,
And sought you'll find, in joy and mirth,
Like Susquehanna's glad and green,
Her hills of proud Spanish maid,
Relieved being the Gaudalquivir,
(Of wondrous thro' Alhambra's shades,
Pure as the stars gleam in the river,
They tell me of Italian girls,
Voluptuous as the nymph of love,
And praise their voice, their eyes, their curls,
That in the wind ring the wind rove,
They tell me of the Grecian fair,
With all their proud majestic grace,
Their magic form and queenly air,
And more than mortal gifted face,
Yet Italia's forms so bright,
No more beauty's eye of light,
Can equal Susquehanna's daughter.

Her lady some in manhood's pride,
The glass of youth and joy and dreams,
Her cheeks with twilight clouds dyed,
As on their breast the twilight gleams,
The stern, wild beauty of her face,
Her moustache's beauty for the eye,
That the unbroken, waxy like glass,
Of prairies, when the west winds sigh,
Should other lands become my home,
Should other lands my dwelling be,
Where'd my wand'ring footsteps roam,
Midst old hills I'll think of thee,
When in the grave my bones must rest,
On peaceful land or storm-wrapt sur,
I'll pray that I may lay my breast
Beneath old Susquehanna's turf.

Selected Miscellany.

THE MAINE LIQUOR LAW;
Or Paul Perrywinkle's last Glass.

BY FALCONBRIDGE.

The force of "circumstances" has led me into some desperate measures; the faculty of some under the influence of "love" has furnished endless foundations for the romance; but the love of ardent passion, the insane passion and utter extravagance, none, than all other evils, and all the catalogue of human excesses. With some the infatuation for brandy assumes a very serious, and a tragic aspect, while in others it takes a broad, emphatically comic and ludicrous ground, that the pencil of the humorist, and pen of the humorist, find rich themes in depicting the gyrations, the "flips," &c., of a human creature under the force of *agria ardens*.

Such a subject as the latter comes under our notice, in the person of Paul Perrywinkle, of Pimpkinville, State of Maine. Paul was what some people call a "bottle," ergo he did not stop after the best of Egypt, but for that a reasonable and atrocious fabrication of American Distiller, dignified with the name of French Brandy. A like most wonderful at the shrine of Bacchus, Paul was at first, and it was not long, so it was alcohol, although he preferred the dyed dead and more poisonous article, French Brandy. It was the good fortune of Paul, who by the way officiated on a stage line, to be thrown into a village, not far from the town called Bangor, where he was seen by the Legislature, that was

the damper on the entire line of rum-sellers in the great Pine State of Maine. That such a thing could be done, as to stop grog selling, *quash* the rum business in that or any other part of the Christian world, was the richest joke of the season to Paul, and he enjoyed it up to the hilt. But, no less to his mortification than surprise, one morning after driving a full load of the floating population into the aforesaid enterprising town of Bangor, and feeling, of all times in his eventful life, a little of the darpest kind of thirst, the said Paul was very solemnly informed by the *gens* of the quarters he had long patronized—

"Nar a drop in my house, sir!" Paul looked, then looked again at "bottle," and as he looked, his broad and perfectly good natured countenance looked mighty humorous, his broad grey eyes twinkled, and his large and flexible mouth fairly ran over with humor.

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