Poetry.

IT IS A SHAME

I really think it is a shame

A woman can't propose, Instead of waiting the caprice

Of obstinate young beaux;

Then take him or refuse.

Our foolish custom ne'er allows
A timid maid to choose,
But she must listen to man's choice,

They tell us that when leap year comes

To take effect direct, That man should beneaforth sit and wait,

This privilege we have,
But 'tis an idle tale, I vow—
We're nothing but man's slave,
I wish some one would make a law,

And woman should select.

Why, if a woman now declines, If asked some time or other,

And thus lets one proposal slip,

Or he can let the matter pass, Just as he has a mind to.

She ne'er might get another: But man can poke his nose around, And pick where he's inclined to.

A Romance of Reality.

THE FORTURES OF A YOUNG GIRL.

We find the following singular story narrat-

mending with his last breath his danglifer

Aline, and his only son to the care of the Gov-

The Marquis de Bouville did not neglect the

France, where he had a small patrimonial pro-

perty, and where various members of his

vessel, however, never reached its destination.

dear friend of the young Aline. The letter

ernor.

ed as a fact by Mr. Jouy, in his 'Hermit in the was carried off with his companions. All hope



Mewspaper,---- Dennted to Literature,

Politics,

Business and

ARE TWO THINGS, SAITH LORD BACON, WHICH MAKE A NATION GREAT AND PROSPEROUS-A FERTILE SOIL AND BUSY WORKSHOPS,-TO WHICH LET ME ADD KNOWLEDGE AND FREEDOM.-Bishop Hall.

nore fun and popularity than the Hon. Leslie

Coombs, of Kentucky. In the way of anec-

ing stories imparts a tone to them that no one

Among the "Characters" that Mr. Coombs

taste for bragging amounts at times to the

sublime. Whenever the Major has a stranger

n the neighborhood, he "opens wide and

spreads himself," and with a success that

caves us nothing to desire. The following

scene took place between the Major and Col.

"Major, I understand from General Coombs,

that shortly after the Revolution you visited

"Capitally! I had not been in London five

hours before Rex sent for me to play whist,

"Why. Rex the King-George the Third .-

The came came off at Windsor Castle-Rex

Burke-and resulted father comically."

Father of his country.' 'Father be d—

Adams. He wanted me to play ninepins with

him, and I did so. Won \$200 at two shillings

Whilst I still had him down, Jim came in and

"Why, Jim Madison. I went, played euchre

"Why, Tom Jefferson. Jim, however, would

ran in, and said I must accompany her up to

"Martha Washington, wife to George, the

About here, Coombs said the stranger began

to discover that he was "swallowing things."

The next stage that come along he took pas

sage in it for an adjacent town. The Major

we believe, is still living, and still believes that

walloping he gave Louis the Eighteenth is the

very best thing on record .- New York Dutch-

THE DUTCH BLACKSMITH.

Colonel F---, a very irritable and impa-

tient man, had occasion once, while passing on

horseback through a town in the West, to pa-

"Are you the smith?" he asked of a stout

olack, bearded smoking man, that come out of

"Yees, I be der shmidt," replied Mynheer

stendying his long pipe with his left hand,

while he lifted one of the horse's feet with his

right. "You wish him to have de now shoes?"

"Set the shoes on his fore feet-that's all."

derstan. I will have in vun hour shoed."

" No sir," said the Colonel, in his quick way.

"Set de shoes on his fore feet--yah, I un-

The Colonel went away, and returning a

the appointed time, found the Dutchman still

at work on his horse. He was very wroth

when he saw the state of affairs; but he went

away again with the promise that in 'vun half

hour' longer the shoes would be set. After

" Four shillings! It is an imposition! I

"Worry well," nodded Mynheer, "Vun

never paid over a shilling for setting a shoe in

shilling for de vun shoe--I set de four shoe-

" Nick!" roared the excited traveller. "Whe

"By doondor," said the smith, "you tell m

"So I did, the two shoes on the fore feet."

"You f-f-fool!" exclaimed the Colonel, who

laughed the smith scornfully and angrily .-

" Hundert tousand blitzan! you Yankee!"

"You goosel mankey, vun fool!"

der right way doonder and blitzun!"

Mos Honesty is always the best policy.

"You w-w-wooden headed Dutchman!"

ship, and asked, "what was to pay."

that ish four shillings-nichts?"

told you to set more than two shoes?"

" 1? It's a falschood-a-"

Yun hat on dree head as mootch!"

" Four shillings."

my life."

vourself."

four foot—"

ing Dutchman."

the shop to look at the horse's defective shoes

ronize a Dutch Blacksmith.

dragged me off to the White House."

that I should go home with him."

Mount Vernon, to see George.

4 What Marthy do you mean ?" -

old boy that gave Jessy to the Hessians."

England; how did you like the jaunt?"

and a devil of a time we had of it."

"Rex? what Rex?"

" How so?"

was Q.'

"O! what Q?"

"About what?"

"What Jim ?"

" What Tom ?"

man.

game, and then had a row,"

Peters. "a late arrival from Illinois:"

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Education,

Information.

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for the night. In the morning they found nothing but bustle and alarm on board. Their vessel was pursued by a swift sailing Algerine corsair, of a size which rendered it almost hopeless for a petty merchantman to make any resistance. Nevertheless, the crew took their arms, resolved to sell their liberty dearly The pirates were not long in coming up and

boarding, and, as might be expected, soon overpowered all opposition. Aline had kept close beside her brother, deermined to perish with him if he fell, and when the capture took place, she was bound with him to the same chain. This association greatly lightened her sufferings, on the occasion, but it did not last long. When the corsair reached the port of Algiers, an order was issued for the conveyance of all the male prisoners ashore, and the retention of the females. The language spoken around her was unintelligible to Aline, but she soon, became sensible of the intended separation. Her agony was dreadful at the moment, the past mishap seemed to her insignificant in comparison with this crowning ill. She fell on her knees before the barbarians of the vessel, and used every entreaty, by words and gestures, which might have a chance of maying them, to per mit her to accompany her brother. Her tears and imploring looks fully expressed the meaning which her language could not convey, but they were totally disregarded, and her brother

Provinces, a work professing to detail authen- seemed to depart with him, and Aline fell tic and curious matters relating to the various down in a swoon. provinces of France. Mr. Jouy states that he | Her insensibility, at least to a partial extent, received the narrative from the lips of Mons. was of long continuance, every return of her and Madame Dupre who were aided in the powers of reflection serving only to renew her recital by the actual letters of the heroine: grief, and throw her back into a state of le-In the town of Havre de Grace, France, not thargy, which rendered her heedless of all many years ago, there lived an aged couple, around her. Zera, meanwhile, the old negress, M. and Madame Dupre. In themselves these watched over her with incessant care. When personages were worthy and respected, but Aline regained something like composure, she circumstances of a remarkable and romantic found herself on board of a different vessel, nature connected with their family, rendered and again upon the open sea. Zera informed them objects of peculiar interest, not only to her that she had been purchased by an Armetheir neighbors and fellow citizens, but to all man merchant, and was now on the way to those who visit the town of Havre. One of the Smyrna, whence, after taking on board some near relatives of this venerable pair, was des- Circassian and Georgian captives, Achmet, as tined to a career of life such as we shall only the merchant was called, intended to proceed find a parallel to in the pages of Arabian fic- to Constantinople. Zera likewise added, that Achmet seemed to take a strong interest in Aline Dupre was born at Martinique, in the her restoration to health. This last piece of year 1763. Her father possessed one of the intelligence was anything but pleasing to the best estates on the island, and spared no pains poor captive, and her mind was so heavily opor expense in educating his daughter, whose pressed with a foreboding dread of the fate rare qualities, both of person and mind, well that seemed to await her, that she resolved to merited the most careful development. At escape from it if at the cost of her life. No the age of fourteen, when womanly charms are other way of effecting this object was in her almost matured in that clime, Aline was the power save that of starving herself. For two pride of her family, and the admiration of the days she maintained this determination; and upper circles of the colony. In private society was already begining to feel her strength di-no one surpassed her in vivacity of spirit; in minishing, when some proceedings on the part

the ball-room the graces of her person and of Zora changed altogether the train of her movements were unrivalled; and she posses- thoughts. The old negress, like many of her ed musical talents well fitted to enhance and race, affected the power of reading the cards, complete, the impression made by her appear- or of telling fortunes, and she artfully led her ance and address. Such was Aline Dupre, languid mistress to express a wish to know when an unforseen accident gave a sudden what would be her brother's fate, the subject turn to her prospects and fortunes. Excited ever uppermost in her thoughts. by oppression, real or imaginary, a numerous the opportunity given to her most dexterously. band of negroes made their escape from their | Consulting the cards, she assumed, after a masters, and spread the most serious alarm time an aspect of great joy. 'Your brother over the whole island. Profiting by the scan- | shall yet be free and great! The cards declare tiness of the military force stationed there at it-and by you-by you, shall be be saved! the time, these runaways committed various The suggestion of such a possibility made an outrages, and made threatening demonstra- instantaneous and striking impression upon tions at many different points calling every- Aline, and raised in her mind a new course of where upon their fellow slaves to join their action. She resolved to desist from her abstistandard. None of the negroes in the employ nence, and preserve her life, in the hope, that of M. Dupre had acceded to the insurgent whatever might be her own fate, she might yet

band; but the station of the gentleman, and have it in her power to alleviate the sufferings the high opinion entertained of his talents and of her beloved brother. When the vessel arrived at Smyrna, it activity, caused him to be pitched upon as the leader of the militia raised for the suppression chanced that while Achmet was getting on of the mutineers. M. Dupre fulfilled with board his other captives, he met the French energy and success the duty entrusted to him. Consul in society, and mentioned his having The fugitives were surrounded and captured. with him a beautiful slave of French descent. but only by a desperate struggle in which M. The Consul immediately requested to see her, Dupre received a mortal injury. He survived and after some difficulty this was accomplishit long enough to permit him to receive the ed. On seeing Aline, Monsieur L - generfrom France the cross of St. Louis, which the ously offered to purchase her from the Arme-

Governor of the colony, the Marquis de Bounian, and set her at liberty. 'My brother,' said Aline, 'will you set him ville, had requested for him. Soon after receiving this reward, M. Dupre_died, recomtoo at liberty ?"

'Alas!' said the Consul, 'that is not possible. How could be now be found out? The intervention of the Sultan alone. I fear could avail to discover his retreat and procure his charge committed to him. It had been the freedom.'

'The Sultan!' replied Aline: and for a few purpose of the late M. Dupre to return to noments she remained in thought. . Well. continued she, at length, I cannot, and will family were settled. This intention had been not, since such is the case, accept of liberty partly formed with the view of completing the myself.' The Consul pressed her to alter her education of Aline and her brother, and in the resolution, but the generous girl held firmly hope of seeing them well established there in by her purpose. The sight hope which existed of her finding in Constantinople some means life. The Governor of Martinique determined to fulfil the wishes of the father in this respect. of liberating the poor captive of Algiers, kept Finding the young Dupre, who was a year or her fixed in the determination of remaining with Achmet. It seemed to her as if some two older than Aline, to have an inclination secret power urged her onward to the Turkish to a military life, the Marquis arranged that capital.

he should go to France and enter the regiment But, as she sailed thither, doubts and fears of Bouillon, while the sister was to be placed took-possession of her mind. Her whole chance for a time in the seminary of St. Cyr, the of success was founded on her personally seehighest institution then existing for persons ing the Sultan, Abdul Hamund, or some great of her sex. Aline and her brother accordingly embarked in a vessel bound for France. That courtier, from whom she might beg the life and liberty of her brother; but she remembered, and shuddered to remember, that she Its fate remained unknown for seven years, might become the purchased slave of some at the end of which time a letter, containing rich obscure Turk, and might be snut out fordisclosures concerning it, was received by one of the friends of the Dupre family residing in over from the light of day among strangers.-With these thoughts in her mind, she proceed-France. This individual was a young lady who had spent some years of her youth in ed to the presence of Achmet, and assuming a Martinique, and had been the playmate and

firm and bold tone, she said: . Armenian, your fortune and mine are now alluded to was delivered by the ambassador of in your hands. If I have observed aright, a great power, and it was from his sovereign you do not confound me with these poor and -his crowned queen. That queen was Aline Ignorant slaves, who have bodies and no souls. Dupre! The strange vicis-studes which placed Such as these subjugate the eyes, but not the Aline, in this position were detailed in the heart. My character is different from theirs, communication to her friend, nearly as fol and so will be my destiny. It will be a high one, and your fortunes shall rise with it. In-The vessel which bore the brother and sis- troduce me to the presence of the Sultan, and tor, intended to land on the western coast of depend on my eternal gratitude.' .

Achmet seemed to be struck by these words France, and reached the Straits of Gibraltar in safety. Suon afterwards, however, when and the confident tone in which they were utthe passengers, attracted by the beauty of ev- tered. His manner assumed a resemblance of ening in that latitude, had assembled in a respect very unusual between master and slave, group on deck, an old negress in attendance and he expressed his intention to gratify the on Aline, pointed out a dark spot in the sea at wishes of Aline, if possible. Accordingly, a distance. The captain was present at the when the vessel entered the port of Constanmoment, and was observed to grow pale as he inopie, and the party were conveyed to the turned his eye on the object pointed out but house of Achmet, he showed his intentions he made no remark, and the passengers retired by bringing her one of the righest dresses to

Few men have ever gone to Congress with

be found in the city, this being a preliminary tep as he thought, to the execution of her design. But Aline declined assuming the garb, and contented herself with one of the most simple kind. To his surprise, the Armenian was compelled to admit that her appearance vas more captivating without than with the ich attire obtained for her.

Though Achimet seemed thus desirous of ulfilling her wishes, day after day passed aknows like a book, is old Major Lucky, whose vay without any approach of that event on which Aline rested every hope of procuring her brother's liberation. At last, however, Achmt nnounced that it was impossible for himself to introduce his beautiful slave to the presence of the Sultan in any way.

'But do not despond,' said he, 'I have sold you along with Zera, to Isaac Age, son of the old chief of the old guards. - He has promised to place you in the way of seeing the Sultan.' Aline at first thought she was deceived with false promises, but such was not the case. -Isaao Age was faithful to his word, and Aline obtained her wish. She was brought before the Sultan. It is needless to linger on the isue. The skill of Aline in music was exerted o charm Abdul Hamund, and not in vain: It was not long ere his passion for the accomdished captive grew so deep and strong, that he made her his legitimate wife, and she had also the plersure of embracing, her brother liberated by the Sultan's orders from the slave chains of Algiers. Under the title of Sultana Nalide, Aline outlived Abdul Hamund, to whom she bore the Sultan Mahmoud. Mahmoud did not immediately succeed his father, but lived in seclusion during the intervening reigns of Selim and Mustapha. The civilized spirit of Mahmoud may, in part, be traced to like a bullock. The next moment Pitt and he instruction of his mother, the Sultana Valide. She discovered the retreat of her relatives in France, and as has been said, sent them letters which were accompanied by-magnificent presents. M. and Madame Duphre. the aged pair described as residing at Havre de Grace, were her uncle and aunt, and shared liberally of her bounty. The Sultana Valide died in 1817, at the age of fifty-four.

Miscellaneous.

BLOOD BATRS.

According to a dark tradition, which is incilentally mentioned by Pliny, the ancient kings of Egypt used to bathe in human blood when they were seized with leprosy. A similar story is told of the Emperor Constantine, but he eems to have been restrained from employing this revolting remedy in consequence of a vison; and he is said to have cured by baptism. No great weight can be attached to these illuthenticated stories; yet it is wat too true children and virgins, and that occasion was fifty feet. When I left, they were giving it to doing but simple justice in turning me out of given thereby for numberless cruelties. It is each other in the coal cellar. How it terminat- the church—and you can do it as soon as you belief in the expiatory or healing properties of pure blood; they ramify far, and passinte the most ancient times. Cures of leprous people by the blood of animals, in employing which certain symbolical customs were observed, are mentioned in the book of Moses; and it might not be difficult to discover similar forms among all the nations in the world. During the middle ages the delusion about the healing virtues of human blood, which must have had horrible effects in the plague of leprosy, received a check from the impression that only the blood of those children and virgins would prove efficacious, who offered themselves freely and voluntarily for a beloved sufferer. This idea s particularly expressed in the touching story of "Poor Henry," which forms the subject of one of the most beautiful poems of the thirteenth century. A Sunbian knight, who sits in the lap of happiness, is seized with the leprosy. In order to escape death, seeks through the world-for help. The physicians of Montpelier can give him no assistance; he hasteno Salernum. Here one the masters makes him equainted with the apparantly hopeless means of cure. Sad at heart, he returns home, and prepares himself to sorrow out the remainder of his days in solitude. A girl of twelve years of age, the daughter of a countryman, conceives a passion for the unfortunate knight, attends him affectionately, and, upon accidentally hearing of the free will offering, cannot be dissuaded from her resolution to purchase the recovery of her master with her life. Both set out for Salernum, but the catastrophe is not fatal: Henry gets rid of the leprosy, and

Nor so Poon,-Charles Jarvis, the artist ells the following anecdote of his father's travels in the Western part of Kentucky :---

ringe .- German Medical Gazette.

ewards his generous benefactress with mar

At the close of a day in midsummer, Mr Jurvis and his companion rede up to one of the nost dilapidated log huts they had ever seen. The wifidow was stuffed full of rags, and the cracks between the logs were partially choked up with the same articles.

"What an awful shanty this is!" exclaimed Jarvis as he rode up. ... It is evident they are oo poor here to accommodate us.

" Not so poor as you mout think, stranger, said a head that showed itself among the rags "for I don't own this place." "Have you anything in there to eat?" said

farvis; "any bread and ham?". "Not a smell, stranger-all gone; every mitch-not a crust left!". "Have you any feed for our horses?" "Not a corn, nor an oat, strenger -- haven'

no use for none!" . `

"Well, can you accommodate us for the night?" "Wall, we can't, stranger. There is no loor to the house, and the straw, is all out." "Why, I never heard anything like it," said

Jarvis impatiently. "Why how do you do

here ?" "Putty well, I thank you," said the Kenuckian: "how's the folks down your way ?" That was enough for them—they rode on to tter quarters.

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GEN. COOMBS ON STORY TELLING. LET THE HEART BE BEAUTIFUL.

So the heart, the heart is beautiful,

I care not for the face; I ask not what the form may lack Of dignity or grace;
If the mind be filled with glowing thoughts,

dote, he is unequalled, while his mode of tell-And the soul with sympathy, What matter though the check be pale, can appreciate who has not made his acquain-Or the eye lack brilliancy.

> Tho' the cheek, the cheek be beautiful, It soon may lose its bloom,
> And the lustre of the eye be quenched
> In the darkness of the tomb;
> But the glory of the mind will live
> Though the bloom of life dapart;
> And oh! the charm can never die
> Of a true and noble heart,

The lips that utter kindly thoughts Have a beauty all their own; For gentle words are sweeter far Than music's softest tone; And though the voice be harsh or shrill That bids the oppressed go free, And soothes the woes of the corrowing one,

That voice is sweet to me.

THE IRISHMANS PROBATION.

From a pleasant gossipping epistle of a legal friend in Indiana, says an exchange, we and I played against Billy Pitt and Edmund

take the following amusing passages: "In the intervals of leisure afforded in one's office, a good story is occasionally brought to "As we were playing the last game, Rex notice, or an old one occurs, that affords a said in a rather familiar manner, 'Major, I laugh hearty enough to be shared by others. suppose you know George Washington, the In talking some time ago with a friend about the usage in the Methodist church in taking says he, 'he" was a cursed rebel, and had I members upon trial for six months, he related served him right, he would have been hung an incident that presents an entirely novel long ago.' This of course riled me, and to view of this feature of ecclesiastical polity.that degree, that I just drew back, and gave "An Irishman, in time of a revival, had joined him a blow between the eyes, that felled him that church. Some time afterwards a piously inclined person was exhorting him on the sub-Burke mounted me, and in less than ten minject of religion, when Pat indignantly answerutes my shirt and breeches was torn and tated, "Sure, an didn't I jine the Methodists? fered, that I looked like Lazarus. This gave Fajx, and I did. I jined for six months and me rather a distaste for English society; and behaved myself so well, they let me off wid t'ree. on the next marning I set sail for America .-

This reminds us farcibly of a story recently

Six weeks afterward I landed at Washington. told us by a clerical friend, which struck us at The first person I met, after entering the city the time as being "too good to be lost." A reverend brother in a "down east" State, was brought up before an ecolesiastical council, to "Why, that darned old federalist, Quincy answer certain grave charges of immoral and unchristian practice. He assumes an air of indignation and "injured innocence" at the allegation, and went personally to all his friends in the parish, inviting them to come to his "He wanted to pay me off in Continental trial, and see for themselves how virtue could noney, worth about a shilling a peck. I got riumph over malignant prosecution. The day angry, and knocked him into a spittoon .- of trial at length came. The church was crowded, and the examination of witnesses began As the cause advanced, fact after fact, of the most damning character, was brought out in the testimony; and when the whole evidence for two hours, then Tom came in and insisted was in, the defendant rose and said; "I confess that the character of the testimony adduced on this trial, as it has advanced, has somewhat staggered me in the belief of my innothat, both in anoient times and the discussion of liston to it, and the consequence was that cence; and now that it is summed up. I have decided healing virtues for the cure of lengts, they went into a fight. In the midst of it they come to the conclusion that I have been mistawere supposed to exist in the blood of inne-fall over the bannisters, and dropped about ken! And on the whole, I think you would be not listen to it, and the consequence was that cence; and now that it is summed up. I have ed I never could learn, as just then Marthy | please! "cool!"

ANIMALS OF CHINA.

The denseness of the population had long since entirely driven out ail wild quadrupeds; and there are also few domestic ones, such as are found in Eastern countries. Beasts of burden are in a great degree superceded by the means of transport afforded by the numerous rivers and canals, and by the coolies or porters, a class of athletic men, who take the place of animals in carrying burdens and in dragging boats. Animals are excluded, to leave more food for men. There are no meadows for feeding; but the entire soil is used in raising food for the inhabitants. Wild cats are sometimes caught, and are considered a great dainty. Monkeys are found if the southwest provinces. What few horses and asses are found in China are small, and very inferior in every respect. The Buffalo is sometimes used in ploughing. Dromedaries are used between Peking and Tartary. There are also hogs, goats, and sheep. There is but one variety of dogs in the country, an animal about one foot high and two long, resembling small spanicl. Rats are very abundant, and furnish the common people with ment. They are very large and destructive to crops.

Of the birds in China, there are the englo, the falcon, the magpie, crows, sparrows, cormorants, the rice-birds, and many species of aquatic birds. Cormorants are used by the Chinese for catching fish. The falcon is imperial property, and the magpie is sacred to Fish forms a very important part of the food

dinner he made his appearance again at the of the Chinese, and great care is taken in raising them in artificial fish-ponds. The gold and silver fishes are kept in glass globes as ornaments.

The large species of reptiles are unknown n China. Frogs, lizards, and fresh water toroises are common. Venomous serpents are

very rare.— Williams' China.

THE AGE OF THE PATRIARCHS .- Some bave

not hesitated scriously to ascribe to our forefather Adam, the height of nine hundred yards, and the age of almost a thousand years. But " Mine good sir l' You say set de shoe on de the accurate and rational investigation of modern philosophy has converted the supposed bones of giants, found in different parts of the earth. "Ish der man crazy? two shoes on four feet! into those of the elephant and rhinoceres; and acute theologists have shown that the chronolstuttered when much excited. "I said set the ogy of the early ages was not the same as that used at present. Some, particularly Hensler, fore shoes on thise two feet, you b.b.blunderhave proved, with the highest probability, that "Set four shoes on two feet! Ha, ha, ha!" the year, till the time of Abraham, consisted only of three months; that it was not till the time of Joseph, that it was made to consist of twelve. The assertions are, in a certain degree confirmed by some of the Eastern nations who still reckon only three months to the year; The Colonel replied, stuttering worse than ever; the smith strock his first and jabbered and besides, it would be altogether inexplicable why the life of man should have been shor-Dutch, his knowledge of English being exhaustened one half immediately after the flood .ted; and thus they had it, until a mutual ac-It would be equally inexplicable why the paquaintance explained the matter. The Col. triarchs did not marry till their sixtieth, sevenpaid the charge, laughing at the mistake; tieth, and even hundreth year; but this diffiwhile Mynheer smoked fleroely, and blazed away at the language which made four feet oulty vanishes when we recken these ages actwo feet, or two feet four feet, many way but cording to the before-mentioned standard, which will give the twentieth or thirtieth year; and, consequetly, the same periods at which people marry at present. The whole, there-

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fore, according to this explanation, assumes a lifferent appearance. The sixteen hundred years before the flood will become four hundred and fourteen; and the nine hundredlyears (the highest recorded) which Methusels lived. will be reduced to two hundred-an age which s not impossible, and to which some men in nodern times have nearly approached.—Dr. Van Orden. .

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ONE OF THE WEDDINGS.

A few years since, one pleasant day in September, there arrived in Boston, the great metropolis of New England, a certain couple from Vermont, who came to get peacefully joined in the "holy bonds of matrimony." So soon as the happy couple were fairly ensconced, the would be bridegroom, who was a rough but apparently honest specimen of the "green nountain boys," immediately sent for the

is summons. 'Say lan'lord,' interposed the stranger, who cointed to his modest "lady love," far in the corner of the parlor, 'this is my young weman. Naow we've come all the way from furmount, and want to be bitched. , Send for he parson, will yer? want it done up right

proprietor of the hotel, who quickly answered

trait off. The landlord smiled and left the room. But short time had clapsed, before a licensed ninister made his appearance, and the obliging host and his family, were called in to wit-

less the scene. 'Naow, Mr. Tie-'em together,' said Jonathan, 'do it up brown, and yer money's ready;' and forthwith the honored functionary commenced by ordering that mine host should join hands with his intended. 'Jonathan stood up to his blushing lady love, like a sick kitten hugging a hot brick, seized her by the hand, and was as much pleased as a monkey might be supposed to be with two tails.

'You promise Mr. J ...,' said the minister, to take this woman--'

, 'Yaas,' said Jonathan, at once. 'To be your lawful wedded wife?' continued he parson.

'Yaas, yaas. 'That you will love her and respect her in

all things?'____

'That you will cling to her, and her only; s long as you both shall live?'

'Yans indeed, nothin' else!' responded Jonathan in the most delighted and earnest manner; but here the reverend gentleman stopped short, much to the amazement of all present, and more especially to the annoyance of the ntended bridegroom 'Yans, I said,' added Jonathan.

that the law of Massauhusetts cannot permit of these ceremonies without the observance of "publishment," for a particular length of

'One moment, my friend,' replied the min-

ster slowly, 'for a thought occurred to me,

'Wot'n thunder's the trouble, mister? Don't stop, put 'er thru. Nothin's split, ch! Aint siek, mister, be ver?'

'I say, my friend, I have come to the conclusion that you cannot be married in Massachusetts.' Can't? Wot'n natur's the diffikilty. I like 🔸

her, she likes me, she said she did; wet's to hender? 'You haven't been published sir. I think?'

'No! Agint agoin' to be nuther! At's wot we cum 'cre for, on the sly; go on, go on, old eller. 'I really sir.'-said the parson.

'Railly! wal go ahead, 'taint fair you see,

'taint I swaow, you've married me, and haint teched her. Go on, don't cave in here! 'At aint just the thing, naow 'taint,' "I will consult-" 'No you won't, you don't consult nothin' nor nobody, till this 'ere business is concluded;

naow mind I tell ve!' said Jonathan with resolution, and in an instant he had turned the key in and out of the lock, amid the laughter of the witnesses, who were nearly choked with merriment. 'Naow say, mister, as we were,' continued the yankee, grasping his trembling intended by the hand again. 'Go on right strait from ware you left off.' And here Jonathan crowd-

ed his hand far into his pocket, and drow from it an old pocket-book, (probably used by his great grandfather,) as an inducement for the reverend gentleman, and continued: 'You can't come none of this half-way business with this child, so put'er through, and yer money's ready, naow no dodging. It'll be all right by The parson considered a moment, and con-

cluded to risk it, at sight of the well crammed wallet, of course. He continued: 'You promise-'

'Yans,' replied Jonathan. The parson smiled and went on. 'You pro-

mise, madam, to take this man to be your usband lawfully?' · Yaus, yaus,' said the yankee again, as the

ady bowed.____ That you will honor, love, and obey, and-'Them's um,' said Jonathan, as the lady

owed again. · And you will cling to him, so long as you ooth shall live?'.

'That's the kind, thats the talk!' exclaimed Jonathan, and the lady responded with a 'yes'

again. 'Then in the presence of Him on high, and these witnesses, I pronounce you man and

'Hoornh!' shouted Jonathan, at the top of his voice, leaping nearly to the coiling with

And what God has joined together, let no man put asunder.'

'Hoorah!' continued Jonathan, 'by golly, wot's the price? haow much? spit it cout, don't be afeared. You did it jis like a book old feller! 'Ere's an X, never mind about the change. Send for a bomnibus, lan'lord ! Give us yor bill! I've got her! She's mine! Hail Columby happy land!' roared the poor fellow. entirely unable to control his joy, and in ten of minutes more he was on his way to the Lowel: depot, with his wife, the happiest "man on of jail.'- Woburn Journal. A service of the serv