

Selected Poetry.

THE DRUMMER BOY.

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"Captain Grey, the man was sayin'
Ye would want a drummer lad,
So I've brought you my boy Sandie,

Miscellaneous.

THE LAW OF COSTS.

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Our nation is now paying the price, not
only of its vice, but also of its virtue,—not
alone of its evil doing, but of its noble
and admirable doing as well.

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normal qualities and actions involve costs
no less than vicious and abnormal. Such is
the law of the world; and it is the law of
the costs of worthiness, of knowledge, and
nobility, of all memorable being and doing.

below at a thousandth part of the sense of
pain which from a Spartan child wrings no
triumph.

it is this in particular that we are now paying—
paying it, and surely in the form of
tribute, because the nation declined to
meet it otherwise.

now when the first officer of the land has
found the trumpet to his mouth and blown
the world of nations to power, these costs will
begin to be paid, this true conservation to
be practised!

The Woodcutter's Warning.
A GERMAN STORY.
During a walk that I once had with the
clergyman of Landsdoff and his wife, they
told me of a sudden death which had lately
taken place in the village.

It was very awful, I said; what a thread
life hangs upon.

It was really the case with one of my
family in time past, said the clergyman's
good wife. Her life did hang by a thread.

They were once invited to a wedding, which
was to take place by torch light, according to
the old German custom. They did not ac-

CAN A CARPET BAG EAT?—It was but a day
or two ago, while traveling upon the canal
between this city and Columbia, that I
stopped at a small village not a hundred miles
off, the conductor crying out: Fifteen min-

It was not to be so, History is coarse; it
gets on by dragging and levers, and not by
delicacy of temperance and wisdom of
reform.