

Select Poetry.

From the American Presbyterian.

Little Willie*

BY REV. GEORGE DUFFIELD, JR.

Slowly o'er the radiant ocean,
Rose the full-orbed harvest moon;

A thousand joyous waves beneath—
Above, the glorious sky was bright;

And still, to the bewilder'd eye,
The sky was sea, the sea was sky,

While, ever more, with ceaseless roar,
The billows beat the patient shore.

Out spoke then to his sister dear,
A little brother standing near,

"Patience and love, my dear,
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The light of immortality;
"Bless such a night our God has given
To angels—were there night in heaven!"

Agony he spoke—that angel-child,
So gently sad, so sweetly mild;

"His feet not near to the wave
Than to the portals of the grave—
"Sister, dear sister, tell to me
What in this world light you see."

Asking his better thought instead,
She listened, wondering, as he said—

"What but the just man's path, whose ray
Shine brighter shines to perfect day?
Would that the signal now were given,
Through yonder gate to pass to heaven!"

When evening came again, no more
That gentle sufferer walk'd the shore;

The white robe droops upon his breast—
The weary one has found his rest;

"The shining" way his feet have trod,
And entered through "the Gate" of God!

*Founded on an incident at the sea shore.

For the Presbyterian Banner and Advocate.

A Letter from Ohio.

MR. EDITOR:—In visiting the town of Sharon, in the County of Noble, a short time ago, I found there in session the Presbytery of Zanesville; and as I am a Presbyterian, I attended its sittings with much interest and satisfaction.

When I got to Plymouth, I found that the Presbyterians here had just completed their edifice, and that it was to be dedicated the next day. Of course, I staid and participated in the pleasures and privileges of the occasion.

The people attended in crowds. The church building was filled with a respectable and attentive audience, all the time. This may have arisen, in some degree, from a circumstance that seemed to give to the occasion a special interest, viz: the reception of two ministers from other denominations.

This Presbytery has under its care an Academy named after the late Rev. Dr. Miller, of Princeton, which was reported as being in a highly prosperous condition.

The Bible.

For the Presbyterian Banner and Advocate.

Bible Narratives—No. 14.

NIMROD.—GEN. x: 1-10; xi: 9.

Nimrod was the son of Cush, and the grandson of Ham. The peculiar Bible-statement is referred to him, as being the first who had been named to be the eldest son, or the first of the eldest, though not named till the last.

Though the word "hunter," as used elsewhere, (Gen. xxv: 27,) of itself might refer only to taking and destroying wild beasts; yet, as used in connection with "mighty," so recently applied to the renowned sons of antediluvian times, it seems natural to suppose that Nimrod was very like the sons of those antediluvians who God had destroyed.

This view is strengthened by the declaration that he was the founder and first prince of a kingdom which extended rapidly and widely its borders.

The phrase, "before Jehovah," literally, "before the face of Jehovah," does not contradict this sense; for the greatest wickedness is something described. Thus, "The earth was corrupt before the face of the Lord."—Gen. vi: 11. Adultery is an abomination "before the face of the Lord."—Deut. xxiv: 4. Sometimes it gives with the verb the sense of resist; as, "No man shall be able to stand before the face of (resist) thee."—Deut. vii: 24. (See Esther ix: 17.)

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For the Ladies.

From the Journal of Prison Discipline.

Mistresses and Domestic.

1. If books and newspapers are among the means of parlor improvement, an appropriate selection of both will have its value as an appendage to the kitchen. If daily religious services constitute part of the order of the household, the servants will be well-versed in the observation of them.

Opportunities to attend public worship will be freely afforded, and such other suitable means of religious improvement will be suitable but not denied them. Whatever would be done or forbore because of its moral or religious bearing on the parlor, will be equally done or forbore from regard to the interests of the kitchen.

The mistress of a family should feel it to be a part of her mission to teach those who are under her care the best way of doing house-work. There is a right and wrong way of cooking, washing, churning, sweeping, &c. There are principles of economy which a good housewife must recognize in the use of fuel and food; in the adaptation of means to ends, and in the order of different departments of labor.

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Miscellaneous.

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Arrivals and Departures of the Mails, and from Pittsburgh, Pa.

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