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He that will not reason is a bigot; he that cannot is a fool; he that dare not is a slave.

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POETRY

FORGOTTEN GRAVES.

In my musings I had wondered
Through the city of the dead;
Pausing oft before the marble
Towering o'er each lowly bed—
Reading there in faded letters
Words by loving fingers traced—
Of the joys, ere life had faded,
That beloved one had graced.

Just a moment I had listened
To the whisper of the breeze;
For it sounded like a death chant
Wafted through the willow trees;
Then I turned to leave the city,
Passing through an aisle overgrown
With the roses and the myrtle
Nature's hand alone had sown.

There I found amid the grasses,
That were left to bend and wave
With the roses and the myrtle,
Just one tiny, little grave.

There alone, and all forgotten,
"Nearth the ivy's clinging vine,
Was a little stone—thus worded—
"Darling Lettie, aged nine,"

Thus we too some day must slumber
Nearth the untraced flower and
grass,
That shall hide our graves completely
From the few who chance to pass,
For our sleep, like darling Lettie's,
Will be left to angel's care,
When the friends who once wept o'er
us
Shall no longer linger there.

STILL TACKLING BRUIN.

A PEEK COUNTY BEAR SHOWS ITS
TEMPT FOR A GEORGIA BEAR
HUNTER

HAWKEYE, Pa., Aug. 7.

After the killing of the boss bear by
Tunis Smith, and the ridding with
bullets of another one nearly as big
by citizens of Green township, Pike
county, on Thursday last, as stated in
The Sun at the time, two more large
bears were found to be still lurking in
the vicinity, on the lookout for sheep.
On Sunday some lumbermen saw one
in the woods, near Tobyhanna. On
Monday Frank Floyd took his gun
and dog and went out after the bear.
The dog drove it out of a swamp,
and it made its way up the side of a
steep ridge, and disappeared in a
cavity in the rocks. Floyd followed
it to the spot, and started a fire with
henlock boughs in the mouth of the
opening to "smoke Bruin out. The
opening was a crevice which ran into
the rocks for some distance, and then
turned outward and opened in an
open space on the face of the ledge.
While Floyd was busy himself in
building the fire the bear passed out.
At the other end of the crevice, and
was half way to the top of the ridge
before either the hunter or his dog
discovered it. The dog started in
pursuit, and the bear sought safety
in a tree. Floyd stood in under the
tree, and fired at the bear. It came
tumbling to the ground. The dog
closed with the wounded animal at
once, and was instantly killed for its
feverity. Floyd emptied his other
barrel into the bear, which, brought
to bay, and not wholly disabled by
the two gunshot wounds, now itself
became the aggressor. Floyd, know-
ing that the wounds must necessarily
be mortal, and that the bear must
succumb to them in a short time, re-
solved to put himself out of reach of
the infuriated brute and quietly
await the end rather than risk a hand-
to-hand fight with it, which would
be necessary unless he retreated. The
bear, however, did not give the hun-
ter time to take the first step away,
but pressed him so closely that Floyd
had broken his gun over the animal's
back, and was battling it with his
short-handled axe, in reach of its
claws, almost before he realized his
position. The bear fought so desper-
ately that Floyd's clothing was soon
torn to tatters, and he had re-
ceived several bad flesh wounds. The
bear covered with blood, which
poured from the wounds in its side
and shoulder, finally showed signs of
rapid weakening. To escape a blow
from one of its paws, Floyd jumped back
a step. He struck his head against a
rock and fell backward to the ground.
The bear fell at the same time, par-
tially on the hunter's body. Floyd,
from fright, as he says, fainted away.
When he came to he lay in the posi-
tion in which he had fallen, and the
bear lay dead by his side. Floyd
was not seriously injured, but when
he reached the village they said he
looked as if he had been blown up in
a powder mill.

RECIPE FOR GROWING PLUMP.

Go to bed at half-past eight or
nine o'clock, and don't be in a hurry
about getting up in the morning.
On going to bed and getting up in
the morning drink as much cold
water as you can swallow. Soon you
will learn to drink two tumblers, and
some persons may learn to drink
still more. Drink all that your
stomach will bear. Spend a good
deal of time in the open air without
hard exercise, but exposed to the
sun. If practicable, ride in a carriage
some hours every day. Remain out
enough to give you a good appetite,
but don't work hard enough to pro-
duce excessive perspiration. Eat a
great deal of oat porridge, cracked
wheat, Graham mash, baked sweet
apples, roasted and broiled beef,
though the vegetable part is more
fattening than the animal part. Lie
down an hour in the middle of the
day, just before you take your din-
ner, and rest, and if possible, take a
little nap. Cultivate jolly people.
"Laugh and grow fat" rests upon a
sound physiological basis. A pleas-
ant meeting of social spirits is a great
promoter of digestion. Keep your
skin clean, sleep in a room where
the sun shines, keep everything sweet
and clean and fresh about your bed,
sleep nine or ten hours in twenty-
four; eat as I have told you, cultivate
the jolly spirits, and in six months
you will be as plump as you could
wish.

seen. He put on a belt full of car-
tridges, hung a long hunting knife in
a sheath at his side, and carrying his
gun in its case, started down the
railroad track with his guides. They
walked a mile, and pointed to the
woods where the bear had eluded his
pursuers on Sunday. They had no
idea that the animal was then any-
where in the vicinity, and started
slowly back up the track. They had
gone nearly a hundred yards when
they heard a fearful yell behind them,
and, looking back, saw Chamberlain
tearing out of the woods and putting
in his best kicks for the railroad track.
He was hatless, but still clutched his
loaded gun case while the long hunt-
ing knife flopped at his side. He was
calling piteously for help, for not ten
feet behind him a big bear was doing
its best to catch up with him. Cham-
berlain ran bowling up the railroad
track at the top of his speed. The
bear, seeing the two other men, gave
up the chase and turned, evidently
with reluctance, and disappeared in
the woods. As soon as the bear hun-
ter of the Georgia swamps could re-
cover his breath and speech he said
that he had unintentionally disturb-
ed the bear at his dinner. It was din-
ing on a sheep, and he had stepped
up to within five feet of it before he
saw it, and it did not give him time
to take his gun out of his case, put it
together, load it, take aim, and knock
Bruin over, but just came for him
and turned his attention to the open
country. The same afternoon a party
of men, without buckskin shirts,
gins in cases, or experience in Geo-
rgia bear hunting, went out and killed
the bear and brought it in. Cham-
berlain did not go, but requested the
hunters to look up his hat. They did
not find it, and he went away on the
next train.

DON'T READ THIS OVER YOUR TOPY.

John Bechem and Nathan Wet-
zel, of Liberty twp, went out to
shoot woodcock, on Friday last.
They had met with fair success in
their sport and toward evening start-
ed to return home. As they passed
by a big brush heap along one side
of the road Wetzel noticed a monster
garter snake crawling into the brush.
He called his companion's attention
to the fact, and they at once decided
to kill it. Working their way into
the brush they came across another
big snake which together with the
first one seen, they killed. As they
disposed of these yet another was
seen making for the brush. After
some trouble they dispatched this
one also. Each snake was as thick
in the body as the upper part of a
steward man's arm. They were fem-
ale, and strange as it may appear,
each one was full of young snakes.
As soon as one of the old snakes was
struck a host of young ones ran from
her, and the total number of snakes
killed was one hundred and fifty-
two. Thus each of the snakes aver-
aged about fifty young. This may
appear as "drawing the long bow,"
but the fact is well attested by those
who have seen the dead serpents.
This rather takes the snake, we think,
for this season at least.—Danville
Sun.

That wife of his.
A PROPOSITION TO STATE EACH OTH-
ER'S FAULTS DISCOVERED SINCE
THEIR MARRIAGE.

After having been married some
weeks it came into the head of a
young husband one Sunday, when he
had but little to occupy his mind, to
suggest to his wife that they should
plainly and honestly state the faults
that each had discovered in the other
since they had been man and wife.
After some hesitation the wife agreed
to the proposition, but stipulated
that the rehearsal should be made in
all sincerity, and with an honest view
to the bettering of each other, as
otherwise it would be of little use to
speak of their faults to which mar-
riages had opened their eyes. The
husband was of the same mind and
his wife asked him to begin. He
was somewhat reluctant, but his wife
insisted that he was first to propos-
e the matter, and as he was the head
of the house, it was in his place to
take the lead. Thus urged he began
the recital.

He said:
"My dear, one of the first faults
that I observed in you after we began
keeping house, was that you
neglected the tinware. My mother
always took great pride in her tin-
ware, and kept it as bright as a dol-
lar."
"I am glad you mentioned it, dear,"
said the wife, blushing a little;
"hereafter you shall see no spot on
cup or pan. Pray proceed."

"I have also observed that you
use your dish-rags a long time with-
out washing them, and finally throw
them away. Now, when at home, I
remember that my mother always
used to wash out her dish-rags when
done using them, and then hang
them up where they could dry, ready
for the next time she would use them.
Blushing, as before, the young wife
promised to amend this fault.
The husband continued with a
most formidable list of similar faults,
many more than we have space to
enumerate, when he declared that he
could think of nothing more worthy
of mention. "Now, my dear," said
he, "you begin and tell me all the
faults you have discovered in me
since we have been married."
The wife sat in silence. Her face
flushed to the temples and a great
tremor came in her throat which she
seemed to be striving hard to swal-
low.
"Proceed, my dear; tell me all the
faults you have discovered in me;
spare none."
Arising suddenly from her seat
the little wife burst into tears, and
throwing both arms around her hus-
band's neck, cried:
"My dear husband, you have not a
fault in the world. If you have
one my eyes have been so blinded by
love for you that so long as we have
been married I never once observed
it. In my eyes you are perfect, and
all that you do seems to be done in
the best manner and just what
should be done."
"But, my dear," said the husband,
his face reddening and his voice
growing husky with emotion, "just
think, I have gone and found all
manner of fault with you. Now do
tell me some of my faults; I know
I have many—ten times as many as
you had or ever will have. Let me
hear them."
"Indeed, husband, it is as I tell
you; you have not a single fault
that I can see. Whatever you do
seems right in my eyes, and now that
I know what a good-for-nothing lit-
tle wretch I am, I shall at once be-
gin the work of reform and try to
make myself worthy of you."
"Nonsense, my dear; you know
that sometimes I go away and leave
you without wood cut; I stay down
town when I ought to be at home;
I spend money for drink and cigars
when I ought to bring it home to
you. I—"
"No, you don't," cried his wife,
"you do nothing of the kind. I like
to see you enjoy yourself; I should
be unhappy were you to do other-
wise than just exactly as you do."
"God bless you, little wife," cried
the now subjugated husband, "from
this moment you have no faults in
the world. Indeed, you never had a
fault; I was joking; don't remem-
ber a word I said!" And he kissed
her; and as I have told you, cultivate
the jolly spirits, and in six months
you will be as plump as you could
wish.

curiosity of the Law.
The majesty of the law is a great
and awful thing, but it is sometimes
maintained at the expense of per-
pleeing illogical methods. A case in
point is afforded by the application
of the extraordinary law to be found
in the Public Statute, chapter 205,
section 18, which reads as follows:
"If a jailor or other officer volunta-
rily suffer a prisoner in his custody
upon conviction or upon a criminal
charge to escape, he shall suffer the
like punishment and penalties as the
prisoner suffered to escape was sen-
tenced to or would be liable to suffer
upon conviction of the crime
wherewith he stood charged." Under
this statute is called the case of
the Government against John Smith.
Government states that Officer Smith
voluntarily suffered William Jones, a
prisoner in his custody upon the
charge of murder in the first degree,
to escape, and moves that sentence
of death be passed upon John Smith.
Smith admits voluntarily suffering
Jones to escape, but says that Jones
has been recaptured and may be in-
nocent and that it is not fair to
hang him first and try him after-
ward; but the court says that never-
theless that was doubtless the intent
of the law; and sentences John
Smith to be hanged by the neck un-
til dead, and then tries William
Jones, and the jury acquits him. It
is true that the prisoner should be
punished in a suitable manner, but it
seems an absurd relic of barbarism to
leave the law as it stands.

LOVE AMONG THE PEACHES.

Several years ago a gentleman living
in this city bought a farm near
Wyoming, on the Delaware railroad,
just below Dover. He removed
thither with his wife and only child,
a daughter now about twenty year
of age, a bright and accomplished
girl. To vary the monotony of her
simple rustic life she taught music in
the surrounding neighborhood. A
young man dressed like a laborer,
but showing evidence of a more re-
fined nature than his external ap-
pearance indicated, applied for and
obtained work from the heroine's fa-
ther. He was a well-built, pleasant-
looking fellow, although not hand-
some, and wore a bright Auburn
beard. A mutual affection sprang
up between the daughter of the
household and the new hand. A
sharp watch was kept on the maiden
but in one of her usual rounds among
her pupils her lover took advantage
of the opportunity, proposed, was
accepted, and the twain went to the
nearest minister, where they were
made one. They returned later in
the evening, confessed, and the newly
made wife pleaded forgiveness.
Her father became very wrath at her
undutiful act, and ejected them, with
a few articles belonging to them,
from his home, and told them never
to return. They went to her uncle's
house, where they stayed for the
night. They next morning, without
father's law, they went north on
the first train, and did not stop until
they reached Albany, in New York.
To the astonishment of his wife, he
here disclosed his true position—the
son of very wealthy parents and
himself possessed of a competency in
his own name. He had fled from
home for some folly, but his parents
received their new daughter-in-law
with open arms. A letter of explana-
tion was sent to her parents at Wy-
oming who were overjoyed at their
daughter's good fortune.—Wilmington
(Del.) News.

Letting the Devil Out.

In a little frame house, four and
one-half miles west of Mount Morris
Michigan, lives a family of sixteen
persons, all being huddled together
in apartments not large enough for
four. Some time ago a child died in
the family, and since then several
members of the household have been
impressed with the belief that every-
thing around the premises was be-
witched—people, stock, and the very
air and weather—all being controll-
ed by the evil spirits. A Mrs. Sum-
ner, who is, and has for some time
been quite ill, was afflicted with this
hallucination to a marked degree,
and while not pretending to prescribe
for her mental trouble, Dr. Luman
L. Fuller, of Ohio, has been trying to
minister to her physical ailments.
He called at the house, and when he
attempted to get to her room he was
not by a Mrs. Livingston, another
member of the strange family, who
had a razor in one hand and a knife
in the other. In her frenzied efforts
to induce him not to interfere with a
case already being handled by the
witches, she attacked and cut him
savagely in the breast, inflicting a
bad wound. She has been arrested,
and a young man named Whitney, a
brother of Mrs. Livingston, is also
in custody. Other members of the
family may be arrested. The neigh-
borhood is full of stories of the
strange hallucinations of the occu-
pants. Some things they have done
are worthy of the old witchcraft
days of Massachusetts. The pigs
and cows have had little sticks put in
their ears to let the devil out.

BLAINE'S LUCK.

"Mr. Blaine has been an almighty
lucky man all his life, and I believe
he will be elected," remarked an
Easterner at the Tremont House the
other night.
"I never heard that he had any
great luck," said his companion.
"Never did, eh? Well, let me tell
you of one streak just one. When
he was a young man he courted two
girls who were cousins. One of
them was lovely in disposition and
the other was rather peppery, but
smarter than lightning. He thought
the most of the latter for a while, but
he finally concluded to tie up the
other one, and as she was willing,
they were married, and a very happy
match it has been."
"Well, I don't see any unusual luck
in that. Thousands of men are hap-
pily married."
"True, true, but thousands of men
don't just escape proposing to Gill
Hamilton, by thunder, and that's
what he did."—Chicago Herald.

A man thinks that he knows, but
a woman knows better.
A near neighbor is better than a
distant relation.
Deal with faults of others as gen-
tly as with your own.
One of the hardest things to ac-
complish is to awaken a man in a
railroad car who is occupying two
seats.
A young man sticking close to his
girl for an entire evening is a very
nice kind of court plaster.
An expedition to the pole look-
ing for a barber shop.

A BRAVE CONFEDERATE.

Under the shadow of the Peaks of
Ottar, at his home in Bobacourt
county, on the 4th inst, Wyatt J.
Markham breathed his last after a
lingering illness. He was a member
of the first volunteer company which
left his county, and from Ball Run
to Vicksburg was always ready to
answer "Here." At Baker's Creek,
Miss., when his battery had been al-
most annihilated, every horse killed,
guns and caissons dismantled and
our defeat became a rout, Markham
coolly spiked his gun with a "rat-
tail" file, and laughing in the face
of a Federal colonel who ordered him
to surrender, walked from the field
in a shower of leaden hail uninjured.
After the fall of Vicksburg he was
placed in charge of the remnant of
his command, all of whom were either
sick or wounded, and piloted them
via New Orleans and the Gulf of
Mexico, finally reaching their homes
in safety. He was an unassuming
Christian soldier—only a private in
the ranks—and yet his record merits
this notice at our hands.— Lynch-
burg Virginian.

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