

## SELECTED POETRY.

Where elms enclose yon rustic ground  
And willow branches wildly spread,  
There, earth within his narrow bound,  
Repose the dead.

Happy! no more shall cares molest,  
No more disturb their peaceful sleep;  
Unbroken now their sacred rest,  
Silent and deep.—

Tir'd of the ceaseless glee of day,  
What wishful thoughts thy breast invade;  
When I that peaceful scene survey,  
That silent shade.

And oft, beneath the moon's pale light,  
I nightly tread the hallowed ground;  
While fancy starts at every sight,  
At every sound;

An holy calm invades my breast;  
Life and its little passions fled;  
The prelude of that sacred rest,  
Which holds the dead.

**CURIOUS SCENE.**—I was amused at the sight of a score of children lying in trays beneath a sort of arbour made of boughs; they were all naked, and looked like so many tadpoles, alternately sleeping and bawling till the mothers went and suckled them. Some of the men had calabashes of sugar-juice to recruit their spirits. I was much diverted with the head driver, who walked about with the whip in one hand and a bamboo staff in the other, in which he carried a yard of rum or grog, and as he quaffed from time to time, he elevated his bamboo towards heaven as if he were a Syrophel star-gazing. After we had returned to the overseer's house, an old woman marched up at the head of another detachment, a phalanx of children, all under seven years of age. They were also naked, each carrying its frock on its arm, and came to shew that they were washed clean, and were free from all disease. They were full of fun and tricks, and their skin, black as ebony, shined like silk. The old gentleman asked them what they were to have for dinner; they replied, "cow-sin;" and having put on their Osnaburgh frocks, they were helped in little calabashes, out of a boiler built up against the piazza. Their dinner was cow or ox hide, (the hair of which is singed off,) boiled to a jelly, with yams, cocos, ochro, and other vegetables; a famous mess, of which the little negroes made a most hearty meal. I wished my poor neighbors in Hampshire might always be assured of such a meal once a day; however, I consoled myself with the reflection, that they are not slaves; I wish it would console them for their empty bellies.—*Williams's Tour in Jamaica.*

YORK (U. C.) June 22.

**Strange doings at Little York.**—On Thursday the 8th instant, a number of people proceeded to the office of the *Colonial Advocate*, and demanded admittance, which could not be obtained in the usual manner, burst open the door, upset the press, and scattered some of the Types in the yard and street and some carried to the Bay, and precipitated into the water. All this was done in the face of the day commencing about 6 o'clock, P. M. in the Capital of Upper Canada!!!

We are extremely sorry to find that several respectable gentlemen's sons, were amongst the number.

Our readers are aware what our opinion of this demoralizing Journal was. From its commencement, we were of opinion that such scurrilous stuff as proceeded from it would soon be consigned to oblivion, by a loyal, discerning, and well informed public: our conjectures were nearly realised, when they have come forward, in such a ridiculous manner, in the face of the laws of the land, and in defiance of the civil authority, to the great dishonour of the country, and projecting themselves to a heavy penalty

It was the most foolish and ridiculous act we ever knew taking place in the Province. The injury intended to be done to the Editor of the *Colonial Advocate* will recoil on their own heads, and would be a great benefit to the Editor, should he ever again be able to establish himself in the Province. Persecution, or any thing like persecution, will soon elevate any demagogue to be taken notice of; when otherwise they would soon descend to merited contempt. No doubt ample damages will be obtained by the laws of the land.—*Niagara Gleaner.*

**Late Outrage.**—Nine of the conspirators have been identified and sworn to—and in order to give a correct idea of the thing, it is necessary for us to state, that five or six of the nine are employed in the offices of the Governor, the Attorney General, and the Solicitor General—as clerks and students!!!

What appears most extraordinary in this business is, that the official Gazette has been published a second time since the outrage was committed, without ever alluding to it.—*Canadian Freeman.*

## HORRID MURDER.

LONDON, JUNE 1.

The neighbourhood of Queen-street, Seven Dials, was this morning thrown into the utmost confusion by the perpetration of a most horrible murder on the body of an infant only three years of age. The little sufferer (a female) was it appears the illegitimate child of a person named Brown, who had formerly lived as a footman in a gentleman's family. The mother of the child was a housemaid in the same family, and is still in service. Brown it is stated, had some years previous to this connexion quitted his situation, having married the cook, with whose savings he had set up a coal shed, but still kept up his acquaintance with this girl. In fact the money alluded to would seem to have been his principal, if not sole, motive for marrying his present wife, inasmuch as the latter is more than double his age, he being 26, while Mrs. Brown is 53. Of late the jealousy of the latter has been much excited, although she had so far overlooked the connexion alluded to as to take the infant, which was the fruit of it into the house, and seems to have treated it with kindness. But about three months ago, another child had been sworn to Brown by a different female, since which time the quarrels of the married couple have been incessant, and Brown has repeatedly threatened in consequence to renew his first connexion, and bring home the mother of the girl, whom they had under the roof. A violent altercation took place between him and his wife last night, and this morning about nine o'clock, while he was engaged in open-

ing the shop, Mrs. Brown came down stairs and called out to him "Brown, I have done for the child." Horror struck at the intimation, and at the sight of her hands, which were covered with blood, he rushed back to the bed room, where he found the poor infant lying on the bed, with its head nearly severed from his body. A large knife, the instrument with which the dreadful deed had been accomplished, lay near it. His cries and those of the woman alarmed the neighbourhood, who broke into the house and secured the woman. She admitted having killed the infant, but refused accompanying the officers and made so violent a resistance, that it was found advisable to secure her in a straight waistcoat, before she could be removed to the Police-office for examination.

**FURTHER PARTICULARS.**—Two o'clock.

**MARLBOROUGH-STREET.**—The examination has been gone into, and in addition to what has already been given of this dreadful event, the constable who brought the prisoner to the office, stated, that when he asked her how the matter happened, she answered "she could not tell; that the child was asleep when she laid hold of the knife; whether it was a carving knife or not she did not know, nor could she account at all for doing it."

The prisoner sat in the most pensive state whilst the examination was going on.

The immediate cause of this ebullition of frenzy is, having been taunted last night by another woman with her husband's infidelity.

When asked what she had to say, she appeared much agitated, and said in the most feeble manner, "I could not help it—I did it in a moment, without thought, whilst the child lay asleep on the bed. I am sorry, very sorry for it."

She was then removed from the bar, and Saturday is fixed for her final examination.

There was nothing in her manner or appearance which could at all warrant an opinion of her insanity, and all the witnesses described her as having previously shown great affection for the child.

The Mucomer Locks on the Caledonia Canal are now completed. It is officially announced that the navigation from sea to sea would be opened on the 8th inst.

The 29th Regt. were about embarking at Cork for the Mauritius.

The Government and Directors of the Bank of England have agreed to advance the sum of £100,000 to the merchants and manufacturers of Sheffield.

Dublin June 7.—Price of—Quartern loaf 4lb. 5oz. 9½d. half do. 2lb. 2oz. 4½d. Prime red British wheat, 32s. to 35s. White do. 34s. to 36s. Oats, 11s. to 14s. Flour per cwt. 17s. to 19s. Oatmeal 12s. to 14s.

Extract of a Letter dated Drummondville 24th June.

"We have undergone all the horrors of sufferings of the Miramichi settlers, except loss of lives. On Wednesday fire was reported to be in the woods two miles above the village, in the evening the sound of the Tocsin called us to, the Roman Catholic Church, the fire having come within a few hundred yards of it; a change of wind however, allowed us to retire to our homes, with the hopes of security. On Thursday morning the winds springing up, we were again alarmed, and this time it was to witness the burning of every house in the village, except three, which with the two churches were saved; thirty buildings, with all the fences, were consumed in less than two hours. Colonel Heriot lost a house and a large building in the village, but his dwelling has escaped, and affords shelter to some of the sufferers. The fire is still around his farm but some rain having fallen the apprehension of further danger is lessened. The Episcopal Church was three times on fire. Five hundred stand of arms deposited here for the use of the militia have been destroyed.—*Canadian Freeman.*

## A Lawyer's Story.

Tom strikes Dick over the shoulders with a rattan cane as big as your little finger.

A Lawyer would tell the story something in this way:—"And that, whereas the said Thomas, at the said Province, in they ear and day last aforesaid, in and upon the body of the said Richard in the peace of God and the state, then and there being, did make a most violent assault, and inflicted a great many and divers blows, kicks, cuffs, thumps, bumps, contusions, gashes, wounds, hurts, cuts, damages, and injuries, in and upon the head, neck, breast, stomach, hips, knees, shins, heels, of the said Richard, with divers sticks, staves, canes, poles, clubs, logs of wood, stones, guns, dirks, swords, daggers, pistols, cutlasses, bludgeons, blunderbusses, and boarding pikes, then and there held in the hand, fists, claws, and clutches of him the said Thomas.—*Providence Journal.*

A farmer in C—, having been persuaded by his only son to give him a deed of his property soon found himself neglected, and was at length removed from the common table to take his morsel alone in the chimney corner. A little grandson of the old gentleman's one day observed his father hollering a piece of wood, and asked him what he was doing; I am making a trough, he replied, for your grandfather to eat out of: And papa, said the child, when you are as old as grandfather, shall I have to make a trough for you to eat out of. The instrument fell from his hands, the old man's forgiveness was asked, and he was restored to the standing to which his age and worth entitled him.

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