## SELECTED POETRY

NEGLECTED CALL."

Young's Night Thoughts. O, COME, Solemnity, and o'er these lays, These artless lays, the tribute of my lyre, Spread thy deep shades, emit thy glitnm'ring rays, And let Reflection's pensive voice inspire.

See where you roses bend their languid heads! Those beauteous lilies, how they droop, and die ! The rustic footstep o'er the vi'let treads, Nor grieves the humble fragrance to destroy.

These silken leaves, now scatter'd o'er the ground. With full-blown honours sipp'd the morning dew; The cautious rosebud marks the ruin round, And boushing veils her beauties from our view

Conceal'd in vain! The idle trifler comes, Ah, hapless fate! to wither e'er it blooms, Ye flow'ry tribes in odours breathe your sighs.

Let pale Narcissus bend his gentle head, And Hyacinthus droop the pensile bell ; With silent sorrow now lament the dead, While sympathetic zephyrs softly swell.

Nor these alone: Reflection, aid my view, To pierce the deep recesses of the Tomb; Thro' flow'ry emblems deeper scenes pursue; And bid my muse an awful form assume.

The Tomb! Nay, start not at the solemn sound, The damp, lone, chilling mansion of the dead, Where iron slumbers the cold bed surround; Unpinion'd spirits view'd the scene, and fled !

And you, ye Great, for once descend, and hear. The tyrant's name from which you seek to fly; Death! Lo, unthought of, he full oft is near, And unsuspected clips the flaxen tie

Hark! While I write, the deep sonorous sound, The bell funeral tolls a long Adieu! These lines entore'd by many a sigh profound, And mem'ry drops a tear, -- 'twill drop for you!

For you! who mindless of the last sad sigh, When drooping nature's languid efforts faint, Approach the scene! There learn what 'tis to die, A scene too awful for a muse to paint.

Say, have you never, never lost a friend, Their clay-cold image to the grave consign'd? And could you leave them, fearful of their end, Each tender care to strangers' hands resign'd?

A case how frequent ! Sensibility, Sweet source of tender seelings in the breast, Unmov'd by thee, gay hearts from sorrow flee, And yet invoke and claim thee for their guest!

The life, the sentiment, a contrast shew; Not so, where bright Religion rules confrst; Not sentiment alone, can shield from woe, But nobler ardours shall exalt the breast;

Shall teach the heart, that owns her pow'rful away Thro' the deep horrors of the yawning tomb, To view the regions of eternal day, Unveil the distant joys, and chase the gloom.

Then brightest prospects dart upon the eye, The mental eye, that triumphs as it views: No more afraid, the spirit longs to fly. Nor the dark lonely passage wou'd refuse,

## MONITORIAL.

ON INDUSTRY.

means not only of subsistence, but of wealth. that I have dired in town. My compani- regions of happy souls, again to seek the But means must be applied, or the end is ons will eat without suspicion and die. I realms of night and misery? No doubt Subscriber by note or otherwise, not attained. Greater industry may be ne- have at present only one third of the treasure, some high commission from Jove. Oh! cessary here, than in some other climes : but I shall then have the whole of it. this is no unhappiness. A people that In the mean time, the two travellers con- in suspence." graw rich suddenly and without much labour, ferred together in these terms : ' we had! The Frenchmen regarded the Prussian soon become luxurious and effeminate. little occasion for this young fellow's com- Capt. with looks that plainly declared their They presently sink again into poverty; or pany at such a juncture. We have been mability to comprehend the meaning of what their wealth is confined to a few. They obliged to give him a share of the treasure. he had been saying; at length their loqua lose their strength and vigour and the spirit His part of it would have encreased ours, cious prolocutor requested he would have 3 Oct. 1826. of liberty; and fall an easy prey to the first and we had both been truly rich - He will the goodness to explain himself, since his powerful invader, or ambitious usurper. A be back to us soon-we have good poig- speech certainly betrayed rather the ravings habit of industry is first acquired by neces | nards.' sity; and, once acquired, it may continue for a while, after the necessity abates, unless provisions: his companions assassinated him ed, " be you who you may, I demand incircumstances after too suddenly. It -- They then eat and died, and none of the stant sa isfaction,"---"What then" exclaimstrengthens the body, braces the mind and three enjoyed the treasure. aids other virtues. It gives patience in adversity, courage in danger, and perseve rance in difficulty. No people ever main la young lady says, I think you ought to be like myself." Then cising from his knees, tained their liberty long, after they ceased to well informed how much your husband's he added, " as to the insult you speak of, be industrious and became dissolute & lux- revenue amounts to, and to be so good a Sir, I am willing to answer it at any time

mind refreshed at the overflowing fountain; and not to put yourself in the number of tend giving you an attack upon your ho-Here the fatigues of study and worldly pure those polite ladies, who think they gain a nour. We are Prussian and British Office HEAV'N GIVES THE NEEDFUL, BUT suits find an antidote, which amusement or great point when they have reazed their cers, continued he, turning to his compani. nony pleasures can never give. In solitude husbands to buy them a new equipage or a ons, and have been listening this half hour we find a relaxation, which serves to refine laced head, without once considering what to your effusions of vanity. You are, it our pleasures, as well as to afford that re long score remained unpaid to the butcher. freshment to the mind which our peculiar situations often require. Here we retire disgusted with the noisy world; and by useful reflections learn properly to estimate. those pleasures which innocence and virtue will allow us; and condemn those vices hat, we learn by experience, serve to acce. lerate our progress on the road to ruin and misery. Such are the charms of solitude, that the sacred tablets of Heaven invie man to participate its sweets: " it is good for With saunt'ring step, and crops the destin'd prize; thee to be alone," says the divine Solomon : and philosophers of modern and ancient Europe have all with implicit confidence acknowledged the truth of this wise observation. In solitude the human mind receives a peculiar polish, which enhances those rational ideas, which entwine man to his creator. Here the wisdom of the world is drawn together, as it were, in a focus - and societies of all nations receive their moral in struction from those pens, that solitude has enriched, by her benign influence. Let us then learn, that in order properly to estimate ourselves and our fellow creatures, we must sometimes retire from the noisy bustle of the world where the God of solitude prevailswhere awful silence erects her throne, and where the human eye of curiosity cannot disturb. When we are tossed on the billows of anxiety & care - when the flaws of adversity darken our prospects-when clouds of darkness hover around us, with disfressing perplexity; SOLITUDE, hu manity's friend, will infuse into our hearts a healing balm.

STRICKING FATE OF GUILT.

together. They found a treasure, which gravity, goes up to the table at which the they equally divided. They continued Frenchmen were sitting, and falls down on their journey, entertaining each other with his knees in a posture of adoration, calling their different schemes of employing their solud to all the company present to imitate riches which they had thus suadenly acquir- his example-- " Gentlemen," cried he. ed - The provisions which they had along "how can you sit with such indifference in with them, were consumed: they therefore the presence of departed spirits? - Down agreed that one of them, should go to town on your knees and do them homage! and buy some, and that the youngest should Then addressing the Frenchmen, "Illustri execute that commission. He accordingly our shades," he continued, "bow long is it

self, 'now indeed I am rich; but I should were slain was fought but three weeks ago. have been much richer if I had been alone How fare all the illustrious heroes and worwhen the treasure was found. These two thies of anticient and modern times, the men have carried off two thirds of my rich Alexanders, Cæsars, Hannibals, Fredericks, es—cannot I fall upon a way of recover Turennes, Mariboroughs, &c. &c.? How sy, I have only to poison the provisions of bliss with such spirits, to all eternity! This is a country, which affords all the I am going to buy, and on my return say What could induce you so soon to quit the

SWEET SOLITUDE -how is the human he management which falls to your share, provided you really think the lesson I in-

MILITARY ANECDOTE.

The Old Guard never surrender - THEY DIE

Soon after the occupation of the French metropolis by the allied armies under the Duke of Wellington and Prince Bluch r. a few words to your panegyric on the Old after the memorable battle of Waterloo, some British and Prussian officers happened one afternoon to meet at a coffee house where some French gentlemen, sitting at the further end of the room, were warmly discusing the subject of the late unfortunate conflict, some attributing the disaster to treachery, others to the vast superiority of the enamy's force, &c. &c .-- Two of the noisiest and most violent of these disputants happened to be officers in the Old Guard, though at that moment not in uniform, which was also the case with the guests above mentioned, who had just entered the room. "No matter," exclaimed the turbulent Frenchmen, "though defeated, we are crowned with immortal hohour; never troops fought better, and the answer of the Old Guard to which we have the honour to belong deserves to be recorded in letters of gold. On being summoned to surrender they exclaimed, 'The Old Guard never surrender-THEY DIE!!' Such an an swer is only to be expected from French troops, who are animated by the soul of ho nour, and with whom no soldier in the world is worthy of a comparison."

The British and Prussian Officers listen ed with attention for some time to thi thodomontade, till, their patience being exhausted, a Prussian Captain, perfect masier THREE inhabitants of Black, travelled of the French language, rising with much since ye left the elysian fields? It musi As he was upon the road he said to him have been lately, for the battle in which ye ing them? That I think may be very ear enviable is your lot to dwell in the fields speak, and leave us poor mortals no longer

of disordered intellect than any thing else; The young man returned with poisoned "but if you aim at an insult, Sir," he addled the Prussian, " you are really not debarted shades, just arrived post haste from GOOD ADVICE. - Swift, in a letter to Paradise, but mere men of flesh and blood computer as to keep within in that part of and place you may be pleased to appoint, cording to the amount received.

seems, officers of the Old Guard, who do not surrender, BUT DIE !- Now it is clear in that case that you must be dead men, since you could not think of surrendering. Should I, however, err in my conjecture, and really have the honour of conversing with lining Gentlemen, I have only to request that in future you will have the goodness to add Guard, and say, the Old Guard never surrender; they either die, or --- RUN AWAY.

DIGESTION .- The French Academy of Sciences having last year proposed, as a prize subject, to determine, by a series of chemical and physiological experiments, what are the phenomena which succeed one another in the digestive organs during the act of digestion, granted to Messrs. Leuret and Lesseigne the sum of 1,500 francs in consideration of the numerous and expensive experiments made by them, and of the remarkable results obtained. The principal conclusion to be drawn from the researches of these gentlemen is, that digestion, in warm blooded animals, consists in the transformation of the food into organical or chyleous molecules, after it has been diluted and divided to infinity by the juices of the intestinal canal. These molecules of a globulous shape, they consider analogeous to monade, or micriscopio animalcula of the simplest kind. In support of this supposition they adduce the great quantity of these animalcula which are found in the intestines of frogs, and which they also regard as the produce of digestion. If, on the one hand, it may be objected to them that the stagnant water, which these reptiles inhabit, contains rumbers of these minute beings, which they may probably swallow, - it must, on the other hand, be acknowledged, that learned naturalists have expressed a similar opinion, and have considered these animalcula as being rather the elementary molecules of animals, and perhaps of vegetables, than real animals, In order to shew their sense of the obstacles in the way of the complete solution of the question proposed by the Academy, Messis Leuret and Lesseigne conclude their memoir as follows: "It is impossible, in the existing state of knowledge, to determine the chemical alterations which food undergoes in the digestive canal, because the means of analysis are insufficient, and because the mixture of the food with the juices in the digestive canal, render the results-of any experiment exceedingly complicated.

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