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Poetry.

HOW STRANGE.

How strange it will be love-how strange when we two Shall be what all lovers become-You, frigid and faithless-I cold and untrue-Love's bright web unrabelled, and rent, and worn through, And life's loom left empty-ah, hum !

How strange it will be.

Which makes me seem lovely to-day; When every day serves some new fault to disclose-And wonder you could for a moment suppose I was out of the common place way-

Ah, me,

How strange it will be !

How strange it will be, love-how strange when we meet With just a chill touch of the hand ! Ah, me,

How strange it will be! How strange it will be when we willingly stay Divided the weary day through !

Or, getting remotely apart, as we may, Sit chilly and silent, with nothing to say, I shrink from the picture-don't you?

How strange it will be! Dear love, if our hearts do grow torpid and old, As so many others have done, If we let our love perish with hunger and cold-If we dim all life's diamonds and tarnish its gold-If we choose to live wretched and die unconsoled 'Twill be strangest of all things that ever were told, As appening under the sun!

Ah, mo! How strange it will be !

Select Tale.

JOE BOWERS'S WEDDING.

The county of _____, " away up in the mountains," boasts of one of the best judges in California. On the bench he is firm, decided and prompt, not caring the snap of his finger for either the ap-Guernsey's Patent Power Cylinder Printing Presses are plause of friends or the mutterings of enemies. He is perhaps the most devoted man to law in all creation, and has his head so full of what he terms "judicial talk" that he not unfrequently finds himself making learned charges, passing sentence outside the court room.

On a recent occasion the judge was called on to exercise the " power and authority in him vested Plain, Mass. Fall Term begins Sept. 7; Winter Term, in the case of a young couple who desired to have their hearts united in the holy bands of wedlock. A. HARVEY, Principal, Needham, Mass. Of course he consented to perform the pleasing duty, and on the appointed evening was promptly on hand, at the house at which the affair was to come off. The room was crowded by the beauty and fashion of the town, and none looked more dignified or happy than the judge himself, who

was dressed within an inch of his life. It is customary on occasions of the kind referred

of all good judges: he would take his "tod." heart throbbed with most pleasurable emotion .- The party were proceeding towards this point, when The young gentlemen desired to know how "Joe" from a thicket at the edge of the road the animal, Other, again, who had closely observed the turn situation was a most perilous one, but his firmitess anairs had taken during the evening, fixed their saved him. The lion crouched down, with his head attention upon the judge, to see how he would between his for paws, and showed his formidable

come out of the scrape. which he had occupied in one corner of the room, lion's threat. The animal rolled about and endeav and casting his eye over the company, he recognized ored to get rld of the obstacle, but from the peculiar Looking sternly at the officer, he shouted :

A general titter followed this command, in the of his prowess. midst of which the sheriff took took the "court ' genaly by the arm, and led him to his seat in the corner, at the same time informing the august per-

sonage of his mis mistake. Everything now bid fair for a pleasant termination of the affair, until another annoyance, which was nothing less than the absence of the bridegroom

It turned out that he had just stepped across the street to join his friends in a parting drink-but before his return, some cold-blooded wag had whispered into the ear of our foggy judge, the cause of "delay in the proceedings." Instantly the chair in the corner moved, and in that direction all eyes

"Mr. Sheriff," always drawled the judge-"bring Joe into court on a supenar "-the judge had his own way of pronouncing the word-then addressing the bride, who stood in the foreground and hung her head in confusion, he added; " I spose your'e the plaintiff. Well, don't take on .-Innocence and virtue will be protected by this here

was again made to see his mistake, and would have critter," which he instantly applied.

....J.-J-o-e B-o-w-e-r-s, commenced the man of law in that distressing style of speech with which he was invariably troubled when under the influence of liquor, J-J-o-e B-o-w-e-r-s, stand up. Have

from the back part of the room. "You are not idly, but stood his ground well. Recovering himyour fire and candle; be charitable to the poor, and husband!

Self, he proceeded:

The same season for 25 years, and colder weather in bottome, how such a line of the poor, and busband!

London than at the same season for it years.

"J J oe B B Bowers, do y-y-you t-t-ake Nancy H H-arkins for y-y-our wife, so h-e-help y-y you This was a tolerable effort, and Joe nodded as:

"N N Nancy II H Harkins, it now remains for this here C-C-ourt to---Here the sheriff again interrupted the Judge, reminding him of the real business of the eve-

"Miss N-Nancy," resumed the Judge, after heing set right, "d-do y-y you take J-J- Joe B-B Bowers for a husband, to the best of your knowledge and belief, or not?" "You bet!" softly answered the light-hearted

The judge then took the hands of the happy couple, joined them, and wound up the business as

"It now r-r emains for this here court to pronounce you, J Joe B Bowers, and you N-Nancy H-Harkins, man and wife; and,"-(here the judge paused to wipe the perspiration from his face, m m may the L-Lord have m-mercy on y-y-your s-s-ouls! Sheriff, remove the culprits!

The company roured: Joe and Nancy weakened. The sheriff was taken with a leaving. The judge let himself out in a glass of apple jack. Taken by and at large, it was the greatest wedding ever wit-

THE CONSTITUTION OF SOCIETY-WOMAN'S PROV-INCE. - It may be merely a piece of good economy reserved for men. Women might be equally fitted for these pursuits, but then there are also things place, women have the power of pleasing. Accomplishments are cultivated as instrumental to the successful exercise of this power, and therefore are not to be rejected on the ground that they waste the time that might be given to mathematics. The common sense of the world has long ago settled that men are to be pleased and women to please. Accordingly, women acquire an agreeable experiness at the piano, and view the acquisition as a solemn duty; whereas a man who fiddles or flutes to please women is barely tolerated by the women to whom he is musically attentive, and is heartily despised by the rest of the world. Then, again, women have a wonderful fund of patience, which is denied to men. They can bear any kind and amount of pain without flinching. They can wait contentedly in a room as the twilight deepens, without longing for candles. They do not much mind sermons, or crossed letters, or morning calls. They are happy while waiting for hours at a railway station without anything satisfactory to eat. Men can do none of these things; and, associety necessarily requires that a certain stock of patience should exist in it, it would be a great pity if women were to insist on absorbing themselves in the cultivation of their equal intellects, and thus forcing situations requiring patience on men, who are so very ill suited to fill them. There are many other points in which women have special excellencies and we cannot mention them all. We will, therefore, content ourselves with alluding to that which is perhaps the most signal and valuable. Women recoil from being the victims of small frauds. They are endowed with a spirit of resistance to servants, landladies and shopkeepers. It is a mistake to suppose

A NOVEL LION HUNT.—A letter from Oran gives the wine quite freely, and to their everlasting credit place on the frontiers of the province by the memwe will add they consider it no harm for one to bers of a company of amateur sportsmen, who had "lively." The judge is an ardent admirer of the chrated Gerard. The hero of the day was Count fair sex, having in the course of his life led the Henri de Steck, a Polish nobleman, who made use third one to the altar. To use his own language, of a new kind of weapon invented by him. It is a his a "great believer in weddings," and that he lance weighing from 20 to 25 kilogrammes. It is should become a little mellow during the first sense sharp at the point, but for some distance down it of the evening, was not to be wondered at by those is barbed and notched, so that when once it had who know him intimately. He had the weakness entered any body it would be impossible to remove it. The lance is made of Toledo steel, and of the The wine had passedround and round, and the best temper. The lion was supposed to be in a music had cased. The time for making Joseph cavern at the bottom of a deep ravine, the approach Powers and Nancy Harkens one had arrived. Every to which only admitted of two persons going abreast would stand it, and the young ladies were anxious which was of enormous size, suddenly sprang out to see how " Nance" would suffer the awful shock. in front of the Count and within four yards. His teeth. The Count lowered his lance, and just as At length the trying moment was announced .- the lion was about to make its spring, the hunts-The judge arose very cautiously from the chair man stepping forward plunged the weapon into the the sheriff of the county, who was present as an information above described could could not do so. invited guest. The judge had imbibed just enough and as the part not in its throat was lying on the to make him forget the nature of his business. He ground, the weight prevented it from springing on was full of his "judicial talk," and required no- any of its assailants. A pistol bullet through its thing but the presence of the sheriff to start him. heart settled the business. The Count was warmly congratulated on his success by his companions, "Mr. Sheriff, open the court and call them to who had on starting laughed at him for his new-

us .- London Saturday Review.

TRAPPING A TIGER .- A still more ingenious mode of tiger killing is that which is employed by the natives of Oude. They gather a number of the broad leaves of the prouss tree, which much re sembles the sycamore, and having well besmeared them with a kind of birdlime, they strewed them in the animal's way, taking care to lay them with the prepared side uppermost. Let a tiger but put his paw on one of those innocent looking leaves, and his fate is settled. Finding the leaf stick to his paw, he shakes it, in order to rid himself of the nuisance and finding that plan unsuccessful, he endeavors to attain his object by rubbing it against his face, thereby smearing the ropy birdlime over his nose and eyes, and gluing his eyelids together. By this time he has probably trodded upon several more of the treacherous leaves, and is bewildered with the inconvenience; then he rolls on the ground and rubs his head and face on the earth, in his efforts to get free. By so doing he only adds fresh birdlime to head, body, and limbs, agglutinates his This was the saddest blunder of all. The judge sleek fur together in unsightly tufts, and finishes by hoodwinking himself so thoroughly with leaves been considerably set back had it not been for a and birdlime, that he lies floundering on the correstive, in the shape of "forty drops of the ground, tearing up the earth with his claws, uttering howls of rage, and dismay, and exhausted by earnest. The bridegroom had arrived full of joy. The bride, in "gorgeous array," stood at his side, of his misery, who run to the spot, armed with are none imported from Ceylon or the East Indies. which, according to his rendition of it, was as followed by V Sun The company pressed forward. The excitement guns, bows, and spears, and find no difficulty in was intense. The judge never looked so dignified despatching their blind and wearied foe?-Rutin his life. He evidently felt every inch a ledge's illustrated Natural History, by the Rev. J. G. Wood.

This beantiful tree-the most majestic of the palms-thrives in most tropical countries. Its proper habitat, however, is undoubtedly the East. In Ceylon, so luxuriant is its growth, that it is said to form a grove, nearly three miles deep, all round the island. The cocoa nut tree is to the poor East Indians, and to the natives of the Polynesian Archipelago, what the cow is to the peasants of Scotland and the Shetland Islands. It is even more; for it not only furnishes them with food, but with these simple people.

the very margin of the ocean.

nut in the shell, divested of its husk, must have of shoe and the manner of securing it to the foot. observed three eyes in the stem end, and some have Notwithstanding men's opinions on the general for which they are exclusively fitted. In the first doubtless endeavored to bore through each of the art of shoeing horses, we think that all will sooner eyes, and found that they only succeeded in perfor- or later agree with us, that a beveled, or cup-shaped ating one of them, with the ordinary appliances of ground surface, is the best. We care not what a penknife. It is from this eye that the plant may be the form of the foot, whether it be high or springs; and some experience is requisite, to enable low-heeled, contracted at the heels, lengthened or the planter to determine through the busk, on which shortened at the toe, or baving a concave or a conside the soft eye is; so as to plant that part of the ver sole; it is all the same. The ground surface nut upwards, in burying it. In a week's time, the must always be contave. In every other part of nut appears above ground. It is allowed to reach the shoe, improvements and alterations are suggestthe height of about 16 inches, when it is dug up ed, and, indeed, required, in consequence of the and transplanted in the spot it was designed to ever-varying form and action of the horse's foot occupy-care being taken to be liberal in the use under the state of health and disease; but on the of sand and ashes, as before, except the soil is nat- inferior surface of a shoe, which no man can ever urally sandy, when the former material may be improve on, and if we were to follow that pattern dispensed with. From twenty to thirty feet between more closely, there would be fewer accidents in each tree is necessary, as it is not advisable for the falling, and less lame horses. branches of the two trees to touch, because the fruitfulness of each is thereby impaired.

The young nut, as it increases in size, and nears through the air in circles, which the car can follow that the encounters of ladies with their domestics its full growth, begins to be filled with a delicious by the blooming of their tiny wings. Butterflies are a source of unmixed pleasure to them. They cooling water, improperly called the milk. It is of large size and gorgeous coloring, flutter over the feel wearied and annoyed, but then they do not very grateful in the tropics, taken pure and simple, endless expanse of flowers; and frequently the exgive in. On the other hand, the vast majority of though some persons make punch of it, by mixing traordinary sight presents itself of flights of those men are so conscious of a childish helplessness in It with brandy or rum. At this stage the fruit is delicate creatures, generally of a white or pale hue, such matters that they never dream of entering into of the consistency of delicate jelly—being in fact a apparently miles in breadth, and of such prodigious conflicts in which they know they must be worsted. If, therefore, women were to withdraw from household cares the time necessary for the cultivation of ally hardens, while the water diminishes. The one knows; whither going, no one can tell. As day their equal intellects, society would be one vast water, in fact, becomes converted into jelly, and declines, the moths issue from their retreats, the playground or petty larceny to revel in. We must such of it as remains loses its mild flavor. In the crickets add their shrill voices to swell the din; and not quarrel with the appointed order of things. It market towns of the West Indies, the sale of the when darkness descends, the eye is charmed with has pleased Heaven there should be one sex, and young nuts, for the water and jelly, is pretty ex the millions of emerald lamps lighted up by the only one, that dare examine a lodging-house bill or tensive. The ripe nut is generally exported, as no fire-flies amidst the surrounding gloom .- Tennant's a cook's system of management. Let us cling to one thinks of eating it in its raw state, though it Ceylon. the protection which this special courage affords enters into the composition of sweetmeats of various

cocoa nut. It is converted into a valuable oil, has recently given a short statement of some expemuch used in England, in conjunction with palm riments he has been trying upon plants, and the to, for the good folks of the mountain to pass around an account of a lion bunt which had recently taken oil, in the manufacture of a superior candle—an vigorous growth of "green" is nearly as marvelous invention stimulated by the scarcity of tallow, dur- as when tried upon animals: considered as an excellent return.

> knows that the tree rises to a stately height, from centre to the circumference. In the very centre is rectly, while the other plant was watered with coma number of young leaves, closely entwined, and quite erect, while all the other leaves, as they anproach the outside, assume a more lateral position, wards, and having subserved their purposes, become the other was only ten inches high; the root of the till those on the extreme onter verge droop downwithered, and fall to the ground, to be succeded in former was found to be four inches long, while that due course of time by those of the next row. In cocoa-nut consists of successive rings about four or merized were far from being a numerous, and havfive inches above each other, to the leafy canopy above. These are caused by the falling of withered leaves. The fall of an outer layer of these leaves fashioned lace; and the Arabs were in admiration causes an additional ring, and adds to the height of the tree. Consequently, it is said that a cocoanut tree never ceases growing till it dies. The rings above, however, are closer than those below, till, when they nearly touch, the sap is exhausted, and live for eighty or even one hundred years, and to er, which had not been sickly. the tree dies. Cocoa nut trees have been known to be as many feet in height as they flourished for years. But such instances are rare. From thirty to forty fact of the bare trunk, and perhaps as cently delivered a lecture in Philadelphia, descripmany years old, is a fair average.

sented a number of minute black spots on a brown fore Jehovah's awful throne," &c., and the speaker makers of the West Indies; but the workmen are listened to. His style of prayer the speaker did apt to bestow anything but benedictions on a wood not like ; it was to him exceedingly irreverent and cially when used in the transverse section.

Benes. -The invention of bells is attributed to to go much further than he has on the subject, and see you in torments, will only strike a higher note Polonious, Bishop of Nolo, Campania, about the call it one of her crowning charms. How often the at that vindication of God's justice." year 400. They were first put up in Croyland Ab. spell of beauty is rudely broken by coarse; loud y-y-you a-an-y thing to s-s-a-y w-w-why sen- bey, Lincolnshire, England, in 945: The Curfew talking! How often you are irresistibly drawn to bell was established in 1078. It was rung at eight a plain, unassuming woman, whose soft, silvery "Stop stop, stop, judge," shouted the sheriff, in the evening, when the people were obliged to tones render her positively attractive! In the 1859, will be long remembered in Great Britain as put out their fires and candles. The custom was social circle, how pleasant it is to hear a woman the coldest and stormiest that have occurred at that abolished in 1700. Bellmen were first appointed in talk in that low key which always characterizes the season within the memory of the oldest inhabitant. The judge drew a long breath, and winked rap- 1556, to ring the bells and cry out, "Take care of true lady! In the sanctuary of home, how such a There was skating in Scotland, a thing unheard of

THE COCOA-NUT TREE.

foot, says the American Veterinary Journal, is ond of the unavoidable evils of domestication, yet when properly applied is not so great an evil as some persons miglit suppose. One of the objects in applying the shoe is to preserve the notural concavity of the sole of the foot. A horse in his natural state, and, indeed, up to the period of his first introduction within the precints of the "smithy," has, generally, a concave sole; and wisely is it so ordained; were it otherwise, the animal would be unable to secure footbold; as it is, the inferior a powerful wine, clothing and shelter-the leaves edge of the hoof-that is, the graund surface-probeing a durable thatch, to cover the habitations of jecting beyond the soie, may be compared to the The cocon nut tree thrives best in a sandy soil, grasp, as it were, Bodies with which they come in and within the influence of the sea breeze. It is a contact, and that secure a point of resistance, singular fact that the tree invariably leans to the which aids in advancing limb, or body, over a point from which the trade winds blow-generally smooth surface. Now, in order to preserve the with much violence in the West Indies as if the natural mechanical functions of the horn and sole, tree actually wooed the health-giving gale, instead the ground surface of the slice must correspond to of being forced from the perpendicular by its con- the foot; that is to say, the ground surface of the stant action in an opposite direction. Far in the shoe must be beveled cup fashion; its outer edge interior, where sea-sand does not exist, the cocoa- being prominent, takes the place of the hoof; its but will not flourish; and even when it is conxed inner surface being concave, corresponds to the natto grow, from the liberal use of sand, brought from ural concavity of the foot. It is a custom among the sea-side, it becomes dwarfed, and retuses to at- some blacksmith; and often the ground surface tain the stately proportions of its kind growing on appears to be more convex than concave. In justice. however, to that much abused individual, the shoer, To obtain a vigorous tree, the nut, fully ripe, -who is not always at fault-we remark, that enclosed in its outer husk, should be buried in a often he is not allowed to use his own judgement, mixture of sand and wood ashes. It should be for, as some people believe, "any one can doctor a placed in a standing position, the stem part up- horse;" so an equal number have an idea that they wards, as the eye from which the sprout springs is know all about shocing him, and men will often

INSECT LIFE IN CEYLON. - Owing to the combi-In seven years' time, from the period of planting, nation of heat, moisture, and vegetation, the myria is the cocoa-nut tree begins to bear. At this period, of insects in Ceylon form one of the charasteristic the tree is so short in stature, that the nuts can be features of the island. In the solitude of the forests, plucked by a person standing at its roots, and the there is a perpetual music from their shooting and bearing of the tree is very small. It requires three melodious hum, which frequently swells to a startor four years more before the cocoa-nut tree begins ling sound as the cleada trills his sonorous drum on to bear in full vigor, when a good prolific tree will the sunny bark of some tall tree. At morning, the produce from four to five hundred nuts per annum. dew hangs in diamond drops on the threads and The process of bearing is curious, and continues gossamer which the spiders suspend across every throughout the year. On the same tree will be pathway; and above the pools, dragon flies, of found the blossom and nuts, from the size of a large more than metallic lustre, flush in the early sunmarble to those of full growth. The blossoms are beams. The earth teems with countless ants, which beautiful, and hang in clusters from a thick stem. emerge from beneath its surface, or make their de-They are of a bright yellow color, and their atti- vious highways to ascend to their nests in the tude, so to speak, drooping from the parent stem, branches. Lustrous beetles, with their golden clytra, bask on the leaves, whilst minuter species dash

MESMERIZING PLANTS .- Mesmerizing has "taken But, much more important use is made of the to the woods " at last. A French experimenter

ing the Russian war. The oil, too, is valuable for M. Seydel having planted in a box two rosetrees manifest his interest in the joyous event by getting been attracted to Algeria by the exploits of the cel- lamps, but is only suitable for tropical countries, of the same species and similar size, and each tree as it congeals at a high temperature. As a lubrica- three years old, and having placed them in a wintor and anti-attrition for machinery, it is almost dow with a southern aspect, he mesmerized one of invaluable. From one hundred nuts two and a them every day, and watered it with mesmerized half gallons of oil have been obtained by hydraulic water; the other was not mesmerized and was wapressure-a much better and more economical tered with ordinary water. At the end of three method than the old boiling method. This may be weeks the mesmerized rosetree had eighteen fine roses, and greatly exceeded its neighbor in size and As in all the palms, the growth of the cocoa-nut vigor; on the other tree only partly opened buds is singularly provided for by nature. Everybody were to be seen. The same mesmerist made a similar experiment upon two night-shades which had a single trunk, and then puts forth its coronal of been planted at the same time and in the same branches, or rather leaves-for each branch is a mould, and in a similar aspect to that of the roseleaf, with innumerable leaflets along its huge length, trees. Seeing that one of these appeared drooping disposed with singular regularity. These leaves and backward, while the other was in vigorous rise one above another, and spread upward and health, heimmediately began to mesmerize the sickly onward, sweeping with graceful curves from the plant by means of mesmerized water, as well as di-

> At the end of a fortnight M. Seydel saw with satisfaction that the formerly drooping nightshades had grown to the height of eighteen inches, while of the latter was only two mehes. Eastly, the flowers of the nightshade which had nor been mesing as fine a color as those of the plant which had been so treated. Another instance of the effect of mesmerism on plants, is of two geranisms, one of which was withered, and had beer more than one single leaf, which was no sooner formed than it faded and fell off, while the other plant was constantly green and vigorous. The withering plant was mesmerized, and after a few days it had leaves, and moreover, it produced flowers sooner than the oth-

The Rev. Mr. Milburn, the blind preacher, retive of his visit to England, which is partially re-The wood of the cocoa-nut tree is soft and spongy ported by the Press. He entered the immense when green, and the tree is easily cut down. When building where Spurgeon preached, three quarters dry, however, it consists of an exceedingly hard of an hour before the hour of commencing, and abre of a black color, mixed with a brown pith-like bad then found great difficulty in procuring a seat. wood. A transverse section of the dried wood pre- The congregation in opening, he said sang, " Beground, while longitudinally these colors are drawn said the singing of this solemn hymn to the good in stripes, crossing and recrossing each other diago. old tune of "Old Hundred," by a congregation of nally in all directions. Used both ways, it is some- several thousand persons, was one of the noblest times used in marquetrie work, by the cabinet specimens of congregational singing he had ever that plays such sad havor among their tools-espe absolutely shocking. As a preacher he was said to be bold, manly, plain, and evidently honest .-The traffic in this single fruit among the dealers He was a thorough Calvanist-in which he differed in this city is immense. No fewer than 240,000 are from the views of the speaker. He doubted if Calinqually imported, which at an average cost of vin had ever a more honest follower than Spurgeon, \$2.80 per 100, represents no less a sum than \$55, and though he could not agree with him, he admi-580. They are derived exclusively from the islands red his boldness in preaching what he believed .souls, that unless you repent of your sins and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ (and I don't know A Low Voice in Woman .- We agree with that whether you can or not; my business is to tell you old poet who said that a low, soft voice was an ex and if you can so believe to do it,) you will be cellent thing in woman. Indeed, we feel inclined damned, and I, from my high seat in glory, when I