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Poetry.

For the Sentinel.
TO LITTLE ANNIE IN HEAVEN.

WHO DIED AUG. 5, 1865.

Faint flower! so soon to droop and die;
But of thy mother's soul! thou'rt gone
To expand in climes beyond the sky,
And shed thy fragrance near the throne.

Too fair a flower to grow on earth—
Transplanted to more genial soil,
By Jesus' hand that gave thy spirit birth—
Forever safe from sin, sorrow and toil.

I miss thy little form, so fair and pure,
That smile, still resting on thy little lip,
Imprinted on my heart to endure,
Till God shall fill thy soul the body strip.

Did'st thou know those shining forms that came,
To watch thy going towards heaven's gate?
Did the loved ones wait, to escort thee home
To Heaven, to sing thy hymn of praise.

I'll give the joy! thou little gem;
Thou hast escaped the mares of life,
Redeemed from death the Saviour's diadem,
And free from all terrestrial strife.

M. J. P.

Select Tale.

THE WESTBURN WILL.

'So old Westburn is dead at last?'
'At last. And did you ever hear of such an absurd management of property?'
'How do you mean?' asked Howard Dymock, with a sudden gleam of interest in his handsome, though rather expressionless face.
'Was there no will?'
'None whatever.'
'Then, of course, the estate all goes to the heirs-at-law?'
'Of course; and what injustice that is to Mrs. Leland and her children, who have lived with the old man, and nursed him, and bore with all his whims and caprices.'
'To be sure,' said Dymock, absently. 'And so the Lelands have nothing! What are they going to do?'
'Mrs. Leland will take in sewing, and Amy goes out as a daily governess.'
'Poor Amy!'
'Nay, laughed Frank Elmore; 'I should say rather, rich Amy, for she does not popular rumor whisper that she is soon to become the wife of Mr. Dymock?'
'A mistake, hurriedly interrupted Dymock; 'utterly and entirely a mistake. I—admire Miss Leland very much, of course; but my means would scarcely justify me in marrying a portionless wife.'
'Frank Elmore's lip curled a little contemptuously.
'Howard Dymock, do you pretend to say that you do not intend to prosecute your suit to Miss Leland?'
'That was my meaning.'
'Very well. I, at least, value the young lady for herself and not for the hollow glare of old Westburn's reputed wealth. Amy Leland is a fortune in herself.'
'Glad you think so!' said Dymock, shrugging his shoulders.
'Puppy!' muttered Elmore, between his teeth, as they parted. 'But what an egregious fool I am to quarrel with the way of the world. And the two men went their ways.'

The level bars of sunset crimson were shining softly into Mrs. Leland's little room—a room where the traces of extreme poverty were but too apparent. Mrs. Leland herself, a pale, worn woman of about fifty, clad in shabby bombazine sat in the midst of a heap of rusty-looking garments, while two or three little children played around her feet. Amy had just entered—a tall, beautiful girl, with shining black hair, and soft, wine-brown eyes, and sat with her bonnet in her hand.

'Why, Amy, how red your cheeks are?' said her mother, glancing up with an affectionate smile. And the cheeks grew redder still.
'Mamma,' said Amy, hesitatingly, 'I—I—walked home with Mr. Elmore, and—'
'Ah, I see,' said the mother, smiling once more, yet sighing at the same time. 'The old story!'
'Any hid her forehead on her mother's shoulder.
'Mamma, he says he loves me. He has asked me to marry him.'
'And you?'
'I said yes.'
'Mrs. Leland folded her daughter tenderly to her bosom.
'My love I think he is worthy of you—more praise I could scarcely accord to him.
'So Frank Elmore and Amy Leland became engaged.

'Mamma,' said Amy, wistfully, when the candle was lighted, and the soft glow of love's young romance was fading into the sombre light of every day toil, 'what are you doing with such a mountainous pile of Uncle Westburn's old coats and vests?'
'Mrs. Leland smiled.
'Your cousin, Mrs. John Westburn sent them. She thought that I might cut them over for the little boys.'
'Mamma?'
'My dear she knows that we are very poor.'
'But everybody thinks, mamma, that they ought at least to have divided the estate with us. Mamma, Frank Elmore will never believe but that Uncle Joseph made a will, and that it has been destroyed.'

'I think he fully intended to leave us the property, Amy, in fact he had often told me that he should do so.'
'Then how do you account for this neglect?'
'My dear, I cannot question Heaven's decree!'

'Mother,' said Amy, softly, 'I never shall be half so sweet and patient as you are. Now if it was I, I should throw those horrid old clothes out of the window. Mrs. Westburn had no right to insult you thus gratuitously!'
'Amy, we are very poor; your little brothers need clothing.'

'But, mamma—'
'Amy checked herself suddenly, for Mrs. Leland, in turning over the pockets of an old russet-grey coat, that had been a favorite article of costume with the old miser, Joseph Westburn, had turned out a crumpled pocket-handkerchief and a folded sheet of paper.

'Why, mother, how strange!'
'It is the very coat your grand-uncle had on when he was stricken down with the paralytic stroke that afterwards proved fatal—and Amy! She uttered a low cry.
'What is it, mother? Oh, mother, do not faint!'

'Amy threw her arms wildly around her mother. Mrs. Leland had unfolded the paper, and given one glance at it.
'It is a will, daughter—I cannot look at it—I dare not look at it. Put on your things and take it to the lawyer's immediately. Oh, my poor, poor uncle, how terribly we have misjudged your memory!'

'But, mother, how—what—'
'Don't ask me a single word, Amy—I dare not even picture to myself the change it may yet work in our destiny. Only go—go quick, in Heaven's name—the suspense is dreadful!'

And Amy Leland fluttered through the darkest streets, with the precious document held close against her bosom. As she passed a group of gentlemen lounging around the hotel steps, the light fell full on Howard Dymock's handsome, sneering face.
'Some fair damsel must be in a great hurry,' he said mockingly. 'Oh, if he had only known!'
'Miss Leland! And so late!' said the grey-headed old lawyer, courteously.

'If you please, sir, mamma has found this old paper, and—'
'She sat down breathless and trembling. Mr. Archer slowly unfolded the paper, and a yellowish flush crept slowly over his pale forehead. Amy watched him eagerly.

'Is it of any use sir?'
'Of the greatest,' he answered slowly. 'My dear Amy, this is the paper for which we searched so vainly while your grand-uncle lay dead. It is a will which constitutes your mother and her children sole heirs to the whole of the Westburn property—a sum amounting to over eight thousand dollars.'

The room seemed to swim around in Amy's eyes—her cheeks grew very white. So they were to be rich at last!
'And—is it—is it quite legal?'
'Perfectly so. It is like that old chip of coquetry to carry an important paper like that about in his coat-pocket. My dear child, let me congratulate you.'

He looked sharply over the rims of his gold spectacles as the door opened.
'Mr.—Mr. Elmore, you happened—just in time; for I rather imagine Miss Leland will need an escort home, and I am rather old to play *procurator*.'

And Amy, blushing up to the roots of her pretty brown hair, slipping her hand under Frank Elmore's arm, tripped away.
'So I'm to marry an heiress,' said Frank, looking after her into her eyes when they were stood on the threshold of her home. 'What will Howard Dymock say?'
'Howard Dymock said nothing; but in his inmost nature he felt that he had made a woful mistake.

The Westburn will had put matters in such an essentially different light!
'Evils of Gossip.'

I have known a country society which withered away all to nothing under the dry rot of gossip only. Friendships, once as firm as granite, dissolved to jelly, and then run away to water, only because of this; love, that promised a future as enduring as heaven and as stable as truth, evaporated into a morning mist that turned to a day's long tears, only because of this a father and a son were set foot to foot with fiery breath of an anger that would never cool again between them, only because of this; and a husband and his young wife, each straining at the hated leash, which in the beginning had been the golden bandage of a God-blessed love sat mournfully by the side of the grave where all their love and all their joy lay buried, and only because of this. I have seen faith transformed to mean doubt, hope give place to grim despair, and charity take on itself the features of black malevolence, all because of the spell of words of scandal and the magic muttering of gossip.

Great crimes work great wrongs, and the deepest tragedies of human life spring from its larger passions but woful and most unclenchably the unatoned-for tragedies that issues from gossip and detraction; most mournful the shipwreck often of noble natures and lovely lives by the bitter winds and dead salt waters of slander. So easy to say, yet so hard to disprove—throwing on the innocent all the burden and the strain of demonstrating their innocence, and punishing them as guilty if unable to pluck out the sting they never see, and to silence words they never hear—gossip and slander are the deadliest and the cruellest weapons man has forged for his brother's hurt.

'One very cold night a doctor was aroused from his slumber by a very loud knocking at his door. After some hesitation he went to the window, and asked, 'Who's there?'—A friend was the reply. 'What do you want?'—A friend to stop here all night. 'Stay there, then,' was the benevolent reply.

The Woman in Africa.

Taken generally, woman has no ill time of it in the districts of interior Africa which Dr. Livingstone's party traversed, though, if she and the village to which she belongs happen to be captured by slave-dealers, she suffers, beside the common misery, the humiliation of being estimated as less valuable than her fellow captive, man, by a yard of cotton cloth. Four yards are given for a male; the market price of the woman is three. In their free homes, Dinah is mistress and master too. At Killimanjaro, the women are the traders, and will not admit a man to make sales in the market-place. In some districts, where the husband is permitted to sell, he is only the good lady's factor. We find one who, having sold a goat without referring to his wife, was soundly reprimanded by the businesslike woman, who felt herself insulted. 'Do you think you are unmarried?' asked the irate lady; 'why, what sort of a man are you? These strong-minded women are not Penelopes. Husbands too long absent at the chase or in war are sometimes too hastily pronounced dead, and their dignities given to a successor. Polygamous husbands, of course, are the most respected, for they are the richest in cattle, and cannot only support the greatest number of wives, but the oldest and richest of such women obtain the youngest and prettiest girls for wives. A smart, honest lover, with one cow, has little chance of winning the dusky young girl of his affections. When he comes to his head of cattle by thousands, he can procure more young wives than he wants. These idies do not comprehend how England can be happy and powerful, seeing that no man can keep more than one wife, which has a mean and shabby aspect. Notwithstanding all this, there is true heart beneath some of these dark and comely bosoms. We read of one girl who, rather than marry as her chief would have her, and her inclinations would not, slew herself, and escaped what to her was degradation. Added to this impassioned feeling there is a mixture of fine modesty and curiosity among them. One can pardon the curiosity which prompts them to take a shy glance at a white man bathing; they would see if his body be really as disgustingly pale as his face. When their own countrymen go down to the river, the women avoid the place. There is no such shameful defiance of decency in Africa as may be seen in many English watering-places. Some of the prevailing ideas of modesty are, no doubt, conventional; but such has been the case in the regions of the sublime and beautiful. When Penthesilea was dying, the sole anxiety of that incarnation of lovelessness was that some dear friend would be good enough to see that her feet were covered and her bosom exposed!'

The pearl was anciently considered a preservative of virtue, although Cleopatra certainly did not dissolve her's with that intent. Although the pearl will dissolve in a strong acid, it is needless to say that vinegar is far too weak to produce such an effect. It is a pity to be obliged to demolish such a pretty story, but the truth must be told. The oriental pearl is just as much prized now as in ancient times. The charming harmony it has with a delicate skin has always made the necklace of this material so much valued. It used to be one of the boasts of the famous lady Hester Stanhope, that water could run beneath her instep without wetting the sole of her foot, and that her pearl necklace could not at a little distance be detected upon her neck. Among the famous pearls existing at the present day is one belonging to the Shah of Persia, valued at £60,000. Her Majesty was presented with a fine necklace by the East India company, and the one possessed by the Empress of the French is famous.—Once a Week.

'Many a Slip Between the Cup and the Lip.'

This saying was supposed to take its origin from one of Penelope's woeers being shot at as he was going to drink. But it arose, as Ainsworth has it, thus: A king of Traced had planned a vineyard, when one of his slaves, whom he had much oppressed in that very work, prophesied that he (the king) should never taste the wine produced by it. The king disregarded his prophesy; and when, at an entertainment, he held the cup full of his own wine, he sent for his slave, and asked him, insultingly, what he thought of his prophesy now. The slave only answered, 'There's many a slip between the cup and the lip.' Scarcely had he spoken, when news was brought that a huge bear was laying his vineyard waste. The king arose in a fury, attacked the bear, and was killed without even tasting the wine.

A comely young wife, the cynosure of her circle, was laid, apparently dying from swelling and inflammation of the throat; everything had been tried. Her friends were standing round her bed in misery and helplessness. 'Try her wit,' a compliment, said her husband, in a not uncomic despair. She had genuine humor as well as beauty, and as physiologist know, there is a sort of mental tickling which is beyond and above control, being under the reflex system, and instinctive as sighing. She laughed with in her whole body and soul, and burst the abscess and was well.

'A chap out west recently got the miltion. He must have felt very bad. Hear him: "Farewell! dear child, farewell! I'll go home to my wife; in peace and comfort may you dwell, and I'll go home to mother."'

Discontent is a sin that is its own punishment, and makes men torment themselves. It makes the spirit sad, the body sick, and all enjoyment sour; it arises not from the condition, but always from the mind.

County Council.

JANUARY, 13th.
Moved by Mr. Simpson, seconded by Mr. Morhouse, Resolved that each member of this Board be furnished with 25 copies of the By-Laws of Council for distribution in their respective Parishes.
Reports on Parish returns were now received, they will appear elsewhere.

Mr. Merritt, from the committee appointed to prepare a scale of Ferry fees, submits their report and a By-Law as follows, which was, on motion, adopted:—
Be it ordained by the Municipal Council of the County of Carleton that section 10 of By-Law No. 13 be so amended that, For every foot passenger after the 15th day of May until the 15th day of November, be three cents. For each and every head of horses, neat cattle, over two years old, cows and this 25 cents. And for each and every head of sheep, swine or calves, less than two years old, including the person in charge, eight cents. For four wheeled carriages, or wagons drawn by two horses or oxen, together with the driver or person in charge, twenty-two cents. For every carriage drawn by one horse, including the driver and passenger, ten cents. And for all other articles, such as freight, goods, wares or merchandise exceeding three hundred weight, not herebefore provided for, three cents per hundred.

And before the 15th day of May and after the 15th day of November, the said Ferryman or Ferryman shall be compelled to cross whenever practicable on receiving double fare for passengers, horses, carriages, neat cattle, cows, sheep, swine, &c., provided that the foregoing provisions do not extend to, or effect ferries in the parish of Kent and Wicklow.

COURT HOUSE COMMITTEE.
On motion of Mr. Farley, Resolved that Mr. Harding be authorized to execute a power of attorney to Mr. Harding, in lieu of Mr. Tompkins, who is absent.

Mr. Longstaff, from the Committee, reports that the Committee having had a conference with Mr. Harding, that gentleman offers to relinquish his contract for building the Court House for the sum of \$200. Report signed by Mr. Longstaff, and adopted.

The Report being on motion received, and the Board having considered it—
Mr. Merritt moved, seconded by [Mr. Longstaff, that a Committee be appointed to negotiate with Mr. Harding with reference to giving up his contract, such Committee to have power to allow him \$100, if he will surrender the contract—lost.

Moved by Mr. Kearney, seconded by Mr. Gallip, Resolved that the Committee be instructed to petition the Legislature to enact a law whereby this Municipality can borrow money, to the amount of \$2,000, for the purpose of improving, enlarging, and repairing the County buildings.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Irvine, seconded by Mr. Bailey, that the action of the board allowing the account of J. C. Allan at \$5, be reconsidered.—lost.

On motion of Mr. Kilburn, seconded by Mr. Bailey, Ordered that James Kirkpatrick be a Revisor for Richmond in place of Oliver Hemphill.

A petition was received from Lewis Combes asking that a reserve be made from the by-road money, and appropriated on the improvement of the roads and approaches to the Ferry landing Woodstock. The petition sets forth that Mr. Combes has a road in a vacant lot, and is a practical, and that at low water in the present state of the approaches it is impossible to run any kind of a boat.

Mr. Longstaff gave notice that at the July session he would move for an appropriation as asked for above.

On motion of Mr. Merritt, seconded by Mr. Hayward—
Resolved by the Municipality of the County of Carleton that Constables who present accounts for payment out of the County funds shall have to present certificates from the Justices before whom the suits were conducted in support of their claims, and that the Justices certify that the services were actually performed, and that the party in default of payment of the fine and costs was imprisoned.

The Secretary Treasurer submits a memorandum of liabilities of the County, and an estimate of the liabilities and revenues of the same for 1866.

Mr. Simpson moved, seconded by Mr. Farley, Resolved that the assessment for County purposes be \$5,000, to which in amendment Mr. Kilburn moved, seconded by Mr. Hayward, That the amount assessed be \$3,513—amendment lost and resolution carried.

On motion of Mr. Dibbles, seconded by Mr. Hayward, Resolved that the assessment of the several Parishes be levied according to the scale adopted last year, and that the balances due by the several Parishes be added to the warrants on such Parishes.

Moved by Mr. Merritt, seconded by Mr. Shaw, Resolved that the Secretary Treasurer pay to Bernard Travis, Commissioner of Poor for Simonds, the sum of \$6.40 expenses incurred by him in opening a road in a vacant lot, and charge the same to the Parish of Simonds.

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the signature of the Warden being attached thereto.
Adjourned sine die.
[Omitted last week.]

ABERDEEN.
COLLECTOR in account with Parish.
To County Warrant \$10 00
Warrant to pay Commission-
ers Pearson, Whitehouse &
Reid 6 00
By paid Sec'y. Treasurer \$21 18
Defaulter's list in hands of H.
H. Hobbs, Esq. 3 82
\$25 00

List of Warrants ordered, and of Licenses for the sale of Spirituous Liquors, granted by the Council of Carleton, at its January Semi-Annual Meeting, 1866.

WARRANTS OF ASSESSMENT.
County. Balances. Poor. Roads.
Woodstock \$1,492.81 288.39 160 00
Wicklow 746.41 43.89 200 00
Richmond 746.41 2.37 500 00
Simonds 699.76 160 00
Wicklow 391.86 23.99 100 00
Northampton 208.39 9.56 200 00
Brighton 279.90 34.77 200 00
Kent 149.28 34.77 80 00
Aberdeen 242.58 23.99 60 00
\$3,000 00

\$5.50 to refund T. Corbett, Commissioner, expenses incurred.

LICENSES.
TAYNOR.—(6 mos.) James Knox, Woodstock; T. J. Boyer, Brighton; John Good, Simonds; John Gibson, Kent; R. McElroy, Simonds; B. Lloyd, Kent; J. J. Montgomery, Simonds; D. McGaffigan, Simonds; W. Waugh, Simonds; Noah Chandler, Richmond; Charles M. Sweeney, Simonds.

REPORTS ON PARISH RETURNS.
JANUARY, 1866.
BRIGHTON.—The undersigned committee, appointed to investigate and report upon the return of Parish Officers for the Parish of Brighton, have attended to that duty, and beg leave to submit the following report:—
Commissioner of Highways and By-Road Commissioners. James H. Richardson, Esq., satisfactory; no return statute law.
Overseers of Poor. John Baber, unsatisfactory; no return statute law. Nathaniel Gray, satisfactory. Zephaniah Prosser does no business, deceased.

Collector of Rates. S. H. Bulley and T. J. C. Sewell, satisfactory.
WILLIAM HAYWARD.
SAMUEL H. SHAW.

KENT.—Councillors report that Wm. Gibson, Commissioner of highways and by-roads sworn to. Timothy Corbett, correct.

Overseers of Poor. Robert DeMerchant, satisfactory. D. M. Gibson, satisfactory. John Miller, no return.

Collector of Rates. Wm. Gray, satisfactory. Overseers of Highways, satisfactory.

Wicklow.—The undersigned having examined the several returns of Parish Officers of Wicklow for the year 1865, report as follows:—
Collector of Rates, satisfactory, except no return of precept.
Overseers of Poor. C. H. Richardson, Esq., satisfactory; no return statute law.

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mount not yet collected from delinquent rate-payers.
IVORY KILBURN,
ROBERT M. BAILEY.

PEEL.—Report of Parish Officers.
Commissioners of Highways. Joseph Foster, James Brydges, Wm. Barnes, no return.
Commissioners of By-Roads. Joseph Foster, James Brydges, satisfactory. William Barnes, no return.

Poor Masters. A. Taylor received no paid any money. J. Foster, 37 cts. in his hands, no voucher. Benj. Atwater, satisfactory, showing a balance due him of \$12.49 from the parish.

Collector of Rates. Bradstreet Tompkins, unsatisfactory, as he shows \$5 paid for transportation of a certain family, by steamer, from Peel to St. John. I know that Delaney Tompkins paid the said \$5, and now holds the same against the parish, and some other matter. Mr. Tompkins, the Collector, agreed to settle here with me.

WICKLOW.—The Councillors for Wicklow submit the following report on Parish returns:—
Overseers of Poor. James H. Richardson, Esq., satisfactory. Matthew Hutchinson, very unsatisfactory; no vouchers.

Collector of Taxes. George West, unsatisfactory, list of defaulters and persons excused as returned not accompanying returns.

Cash Commissioners. James H. Linn, returns correct and balanced. Thomas Fulton, satisfactory, showing balance over expended by him \$1.25.

Statute Labour Commissioners. James H. Linn unsatisfactory, some parties not having performed statute labour, and have not been presented as directed by law. Thomas Fulton, satisfactory. Thomas Kestelbrook, unsatisfactory.

Surveyors of Roads. Israel Kinney and Henry Green having made no returns should have been prosecuted.

DAVID IRVINE,
JEREMIAH LLOYD.

A Mr. Neale has bequeathed his fortune of \$1,250,000 to Queen Victoria.

A horse is being exhibited in Berlin, which has attained the patriarchal period of eighty.

Several hundred miles of the new Atlantic cable have been completed.

A man in Paris slept three days and a half, woke up and died.

A French newspaper says only three of its subscribers are bald and they are in arrears for subscription.

The present wealth of the British Islands is estimated at thirty-six thousand millions of dollars.

A man has been sentenced to three months' imprisonment at York, England, for having attempted to hang himself.

Eggs are now dearer in France than they ever have been known. They are selling at the rate of 1s. 3d. per dozen.

Some Americans have recently constructed a telegraph across the Andes, to connect various cities of Colombia, South America.

An application of a colored girl for admission to the High School in Troy, N. Y., which was refused by the Principal, was taken to the Supreme Court, where it was recently decided against the applicant.

A savings bank for coloured people established only three months ago in Louisville, Ky., has received in deposits over \$30,000. About \$7,000 have been received from coloured soldiers originally from Kentucky, but now on duty in Texas.

A strange disease has broken out among the poultry in Ohio. The chicken's comb and gills turn black, it gapes, sneezes, and falls dead in a few minutes.

A Toronto despatch states that General Secord's promise of home for Fenian convicts in Ireland, has created fears of another Canadian invasion, and stirred up the Provincials to renewed excitement and wrath.

A French savant says Adam was 123 feet 9 inches tall and Eve was 118 feet 3 inches tall. He declares was an equally large young man.

The commerce of the world is estimated to require 3,000,000 able-bodied men to be constantly traversing the ocean, of whom 7,500 die every year. The amount of property moved on the water is from fifteen to two thousand millions of dollars, and the amount annually lost by casualties of the sea averages twenty-five millions of dollars.

Colonel Minie, the inventor of the rifle which bears his name, has invented still another gun, experiments with which are about to be tried before Louis Napoleon's campaign, when it is intended the birds shall make their Christmas dinner.

In France the agricultural population is 53.15 per cent. of the whole, the manufacturing 24.42 per cent., the commercial 4.11 per cent., the liberal professions 4.15 per cent., the mediocraft 0.9 per cent., and the clergy 0.5 per cent.