#### THE SILVER BIRD'S NEST.

BY MISS H. F. GOULD. Founded on the singular incident of finding the nest of a hanging bird in a sycamore tree, formed entirely of silver wires, plucked from a soldier's epau-

A stranded soldier's epaulette The waters cast ashore: A little winged rover met And eyed it o'er and o'er. The silver bright so pleased her sight, On that lone idle vest, She knew not why she should deny

Herself a silver nest.

The shining wire she pecked and twirled, And bore it to her bough, Where on a flowery twig 'twas curled The bird can show you how. But when enough of that bright stuff,

The cunning builder bore Her house to make, she would not take, Nor did she covet more. And when the little artisan,

With neither pride nor guilt,
Had entered in her pretty plan,
Her resting place had built;
With here and there a plume to spare,
About her own light form,
Of these, inlaid with skill, she made A lining soft and warm.

But do not think the tender brood, She fondled there and fed, Were prouder when they understood The sheen above their head? Do you suppose they ever rose

Of higher powers possessed, Because they knew they peeped and grew, Within a silver nest?

### Miscellaneous.

[From the Quarterly Journal of Agriculture.] MIGRATION OF THE HERRING.

Various accounts have been given of the visits of the herring upon our coasts. Many writers and scientific works state, that the herring comes from the Arctic Circle, in large shoals of many leagues extent, dividing into coast of Scotland and to Ireland, and another course southward. Others state that although the Forth any month in the year. the herrings do not come from the Arctic Circle, they at least come from a considerable disand in the rivers and bays, are consequently when proceeding to some coast. natives, and that although, after spawning, they sea in the neighbourhood of the coasts, where and the larger to the North Sea?" and supposthey continue, and where they feed until the ing, as it is asserted, that the whales are the again to the shore. The latter is the most return?" And Mr. Yarrell, in his valuable reasons against the old theory :-

fact, that practical men can at once pronounce many are caught, throughout the year. the locality on seeing the herring. We, there- 11. Various other fishes have similar habits higher up the Baltic, the size of the herrings is tants of a distant frigid region. one-third larger than those of Liimfiord; and In short, from all the circumstances known virtue.—Self Culture by Dr. Channing.

the error of the tale of their southern journey, at the feeding ground, and these circumstances as the general state of the herring. For in- may account for the regularity of their appear- ous, honest and frugal, and you will acquire stance, as already mentioned, those caught off ance, at certain periods, upon the various coasts more. Shetland are not nearly so fat as those caught which they frequent. about the same time on the coast from Thurso to Lochbroom. In the first of the season, those caught in Lochfine are not so extremely fat as the Thurso herrings. The herrings of Lochfine are much superior in quality to those of the east coast of Berwickshire and Aberdeenshire. Again, there is a marked difference in appearance and quality, (and this is easily distinguished by those accustomed to see them,) between those got near Caithness and Moray shires, and those cuught off Aberdeenshire and Berwickshire. The quality of the Danish and Baltic herrings is much inferior to the Shetland and West Highland herrings, and those caught on the coast of Holland are so very inferior, as not to be pickled at all by the Dutch. The Yarmouth herrings are inferior in some respects to those of the north of Scotland, and the herrings

spawn. As a few instances, it may be stated, spawn. As a few instances, it may be stated, but the the fixture decorations of his bouse. Enraged, he called one of his bouse. Enraged, he called one of his bouse. Enraged been heretofore occupied as a hearding estable. Kingston. as well known, that herrings are caught in Lochfine in June, before any are caught near are elegant and costly, more particularly the servants. "John," said he "why is this dirt lishment to the Queen's County Grammar Lochfine in June, before any are caught near Cape Wrath; and off Berwickshire and Aberdeenshire by the Dutch, before any are caught off Caithness; and even off Yarmouth, herrings of the chapel, drawing room, and library. A few days before Napoleou's the premises." "Then dig a ditch back of the house and throw it in." "But what are we to do with the earth which will be dug out?" to L. H. Deverer, Esq. Chatham (Miramichi), "George Kerr, Esq. Chatham (Miramichi), "Mr. W. Sinnson."

places of resort.

offered of the herrings having been seen ap Waterloo, on which the foiled tatician fought proaching the south in a highnorthern latitude; indeed, although I have conversed with many intelligent masters of the Dutch herring-busses, I could not find one who ever saw any considerable shoal; and we do not find that any of for the rank of his antagonist, if his tactics as a our Greenland whale fishers ever saw any of chess player were but sound and ingenious. those shoals of the magnitude so fabulously described.

5. None have ever been ascertained to exist in the Greenland Seas, but, on the contrary, no herrings have ever been found in the stomach of the wales caught there. The food of the Balæna mysticetus, or common whale, consists of actiniæ, sepiæ, medusæ, cancri, and helices. The Narwal inhabits the seas near Spitzbergen, but only remains of sepiæ were found in the stomachs of several examined by Scoresby. The Trichecus rosmarus, Walrus or Sea-horse, inhabits the icy seas adjacent to Spitzbergen: in the stomachs of those examined, only shrimps, crawfish and young seals were found. Egede, who resided fifteen years in Greenland, after enumerating various kinds of fish caught there, says, "no herrings are to be seen."

6. We find that those species of whales which feed principally on herrings, frequent our shores. Scoresby says of the Balæna Musculus, "This species of whale frequents the coasts of Scotland, Ireland, Norway, &c., and is said principally to feed on herrings;" and the Baæna rostrate inhabits principally the Norwe-

7. Bloch, the celebrated naturalist (with whom Lacepede in this particular statement coincides,) has established, that fishes of a similar size, even in fresh water, cannot go above half a mile per day, and that, therefore, herrings could not make, even from spring till autumn,

the long voyage attributed to them. 8. The same naturalist farther states, that herrings may be found in certain localities all lesser shoals on coming towards the north point of Scotland; one body proceeding to the west opinion of the oldest fishermen at Lochfine and other places; and it is well ascertained, that to the east coast, the whole directing their herrings, either young or old, may be caught in

9. The herrings mentioned as coming from the north (as Bloch justly remarks,) are never tance northward of Scotland. Others consider known to return; and it may be added, they that the herrings being spawned upon the coasts, are never known to proceed southward, but

10. The same naturalist demands, "Why do not continue close in shore, they proceed to the smallest herrings proceed to the Baltic, spawning season approaches, when they return cause of their flying. -"Why do the herrings rational conclusion, and the following are our work on fishes, says, "There can be no doubt that the herring inhabits the deep water all 1. The most convincing proof that the herring is truly a native of the neighbouring seas, for the purpose of depositing its spawn within is that the herrings resorting to the various the immediate influence of the two principal localities, have marked differences in size, shape agents in vivification, increased temperature and and quality, those of each particular coast having oxygen; and as soon as that essential operation a distinct and specific character which cannot is effected, the shoals that haunt our coast disbe mistaken; and so well determined is this appear, but individuals are to be found, and

fore, find every year, at a certain period of the in spawning. The salmon ascends rivers from (the Working men of America,) to take part year, a particular size and quality of herring the sea at particular periods for the purpose of in the politics of their country. These are to Woodstock, Canada, the United States, generally resorting to the same place; for ex- spawning; for this fish no distant residence (if the true discipline of people, and do much for ample, the size of the herrings caught off the that term may be used,) has, however, been their education. I counsel you to labor for a projecting coast of Stadtland in Norway, is all assigned. The sprat appears in shoals in vari- understanding of the subject which agitate the most twice that of those caught off Shetland, ous localities on the coasts of the British community, to make them your study, instead which kind again is nearly twice as large as Islands, from November to March. The shad of wasting your leisure in vague passionate talk those caught off Thurso; and the first caught or aloso is found in shoals in some of our rivers about them. The time thrown away by the Thurso herrings are considerably smaller than from May to July; in the Severn generally in mass of the people on rumors of the day, might, the Isle of Man, Minch and Lochfine herrings, May, and continues there about two months; if better spent, give them a good acquaintance much smaller than the Caithness and Banfi in the Mediterranean near Smyrna and Rosetta, with the constitution, laws, history, and interests herrings, and not above half the size of the and it ascends the Nile as high as Cairo in of their country, and thus establish them in herrings caught off Aberdeenshire, Fifeshire, December and January. The pilchard appears those great principles by which particular and Berwickshire. Again, the Yarmouth in shoals on the coast of Cornwall from June to measures are to be determined. In proporcaught herrings are much smaller than those of the end of the year; and the tunny comes in tion as the people thus improve themselves, Aberdeenshire and Berwickshire, and those shore on the coast of the Mediterranean in they will cease to be the tools of designing pocaught on the coast of Holland considerably summer; all these fishes appear to have the liticians. Their intelligence, not their passions larger than those caught at Yarmouth. A size same habits of gregariously visiting various and jealousies, will be addressed by those who of herrings similar to the Yarmouth fish, till coasts and rivers at particular seasons for similar seek their votes. They will exert, not a nomilately, visited Liimfiord in Denmark, in great purposes as the herring, but no one would, on nal, but a real influence on the government quantity. Now, on the Mecklenburg coast, this account, pronounce them natives or inhabi- and destinies of the country, and, at the same

proceeding up the Baltic coast above Mecklen- of the natural history of herrings, in regard to burg, namely, on the Pomeraniam, and part of their visits upon our own coasts, and the coasts the Prussian coasts, the herrings are fully one of other countries, it is reasonable to conclude, third smaller; and again, still farther up, they that they inhabit the seas in the neighbourhood are larger, and about the size of the Moray of the coasts on which they spawn, and that Frith herrings. Thus, the theorists who ar- they come at particular periods near our coasts gued that the herrings come from the north, solely for the purpose of spawning, for every must furnish two rare kinds of herrings, namely, where they leave the coasts immediately after; one kind, which, in its progress southward, grows and perbaps the early or late appearance of the shame on him; if he cheat thee twice, shame smaller on its journey, and another which grows herrings upon different coasts (besides the on thee. effects of clear and warm weather, as before 2. As to quality, nothing so much proclaims mentioned,) depends upon the depth of water and you will gain it.

> Longwood. - The old residence of Napoleon and ingenious:

"When Napoleon sought Death, arm'd with his spear ready to fall. and shield

Death was afraid to meet him in the field: But when his spear and shield he laid aside.

Death, like a coward, struck him, and he died." The site of the new house at Longwood was got on the French coasts are also of inferior selected by the Emperor from the extreme and extensive beauty of the surrounding scenery; 3. As to the time of appearance, we find he however did not live to see its completion, much to prove that the herrings are natives of and it is singular that he should himself have residing in the country during the summer to which are two dwelling Houses, one of the seas adjoining the coasts on which they planted an oak sapling there, which now share the window of the library. The rooms of dirt and rubbish lying in the vard in front to it a Barn and other out Houses, and has satisfied to it a Barn and

and the various times of their approaching the are in possession of the officers of the 91st coasts in the Baltic, prove the locality of their Regiment, stationed an the island, as also the Emperor's chess board, the most interesting 4. No well authenticated instance has been relic perhaps of the whole-a minor field of quests. A Mr. Gideon, a shopkeeper in the his former Establishment by additional Buildtown, states himself to have been in the constant | ngs, has built a large and handsome Dining habit of playing with Napoleon, who cared little This same Gideon possesses a very admirable Herald for November.

> BRUSSELS ON THE MORNING OF THE QUArespective bearings of the various soldiery .-Some were taking a tender, many a last leave of wives and children. Others, stretched upon the pavement, were listlessly waiting for their comrades to come up; while not a few strove to snatch a few moments of repose, and appeared half insensible to the din of war around them. Waggons were loading and artillery harnessing; orderlies and aids-de-camp rode rapidly through the streets; and in the gloom of early morning the pavement sparkled beneath the iron feet of the cavalry as they hurried along the causeway to join their respective squadrons, which were now collecting in the park. The appearance of the British brigades. as they filed from the park and took the road to Soignies, was most imposing. The martial air of the Highland regiments, the bagpipe playing at their head, their tartans fluttering in the breeze, and the early sunbeams flashing from their glittering arms, excited the admiration of the burghers who had assembled to see them march. During the winter and spring, while they had garrisoned Brussels, their excellent conduct and gentle demeanor had endeared them to the inhabitants; and they were so domesticated in the houses where they were quartered, that it was no uncommon thing to see the Highland soldier taking care of the children, or keeping the shop of his host. Regiment after regiment marched off; the organization of all most perfect; the Rifles, Royals, Twenty-eighth, each exhibiting some martial peculiarity, on which the eye of Picton appeared to dwell with pride and pleasure as they filed off before him. To an indifferent spectator a national distinction was clearly marked; that of the Scotch bespoke a grave and firm determination; while the light step and merry glance of the Irish militia man told that war was the game he loved, and a first field had no terrors for him. Eight o'clock pealed from the steeple clocks: all was quiet; the brigades, with their artillery and equipages, were gone, the crash of music was heard no longer, the bustle of preparation had ceased, and an ominous and heart-sinking silence succeeded the noise and hurry that ever attends a departure for the field of battle .- Maxwell.

WORKING MEN SHOULD STUDY POLITICS. -I respectfully counsel those whom I address, time, will forward their own growth in truth and

"Why" said a physician to his intemperate neighbor, "don't you take your regular quantity every day-set down a stake, that you will go so far and no farther." "I do," replied the go so far and no farther." "I do," replied the other, "but I always set it down so far off, that I long established Institution has for more I get drunk before I get to it!"

PROVERBS .-- If a man cheat thee once,

If you have lost your credit, be industrious

If you have a good wife, take care of her,

and if you have not, get one immediately. Signs of Rain .- Sir Humphrey Davy says at Longwood is now a farm; the room in which that the air when dry refracts more red or the body of the Ex-Emperor was laid in state heat making rays; and as dry air is not peris occupied by a machine for grinding corn; feetly transparent, they are again reflected in while the apartment in which he died is conver- the horizon. I have, he says, generally obted into a stable. The walls are covered with served a coppery or yellow sunset to foretell the inscribed names of visitors to the spot, and rain: but as an indication of wet weather apin one portion of the building some lines remain, proaching, nothing is more certain than a halo which, whether original or not, are at least ap- round the moon, which is produced by the preposite, and the idea conveyed by them novel cipitated water; and the larger the circle, the nearer the clouds, and consequently the more

He who thinks no man above him but for his virtue, none below but for his vice, can never he obsequious or assuming in a wrong place, but will frequently emulate men in stations below him, and pity those nominally over

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By this arrangement, passengers travelling

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JAMES M. KELLY. Miramichi, Sept. 17, 1839.—3m

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Fredericton, Dec. 5, 1839. List of Letters remaining in Office at this date

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