

POETRY

RECOLLECTED CHILDHOOD.

From the New Monthly Belle Assemblee.

Thought presses on my brain,
And the fair retrospect of other years,
Is spread before me—pure and holy tears,
Are on my cheek again;
And my bowed spirit cannot all repress
Its early dream of trust, and tenderness.

I hear my mother's song
At even-tide—an ancient chant, with
sweet but troublous air,
Whose story was of God—an infant fair
Suffering all human wrong—
And the deep sources of my heart are
stir'd
By the remember'd tones, so long un-
heard.

I dream of all things fair,
Of breathing flowers, and birds upon the
wing,
And rippling streams, whose gentle mur-
muring
Make music on the air;
And shady pools, where on a summer's
day,
Bright dragon-flies, like *fairy rainbows*
play.

A living fairy-land
Is spread around—in fancy I behold
The fuzzy hills, like "fields of cloth of
gold,"
Wove by some giant hand;
Gorgeous, and glowing as in childhood's
hours,
When sunset found me lingering midst
its flowers.

Then, day was one delight,
And when I knelt down in the twilight
dim,
And yielded up myself in prayer to
Him
Who knows no night,
I slept as one untouched by human sin,
In the safe keeping of an angel's wing.

And still I am a child—
A guileless child, playing not with my
fellows, but with things
More beautiful still—the breeze, the
flowers, as if my spirit's wings
Were palpable; on the hill wild,
Where'er the breeze blew freshest, there
was I—
Like a freed thing that lov'd liberty.

I sought its wild embrace,
And 'mid the tangles of my flowing hair
To feel it playing—making my forehead
bare,
And kissing my flush'd face—
Freely as brothers do, whose pure caress
We turn to meet in very sportiveness.

But even while I write,
My dream has changed—and joys that
pleas'd before,
Have lost their charm—I am a child no
more;
So quickly fades the light
Of innocence, and hope and sinless love,
With which our first warm dream of life
is wove.

Intended Alteration of the Small Fire Arms of the Royal Artillery.—Two gunners and drivers of the battering train of the Royal Artillery were ordered to proceed from Woolwich garrison to the Ordnance Office in Pall Mall, the one armed with a gun of the same description as those of the soldiers of foot regiments, and with the cross belts and accoutrements as at present used by the Foot Artillery; and the other with a carbine similar to those used by regiments of light horsemen. The men having gone through the different exercises, according to carbine and musket practice, the Master General, Sir Hussey Vivian, was so pleased with the carbine, that he decided upon that description of fire arms being universally adopted in the Royal Artillery, and they will in future be issued instead of the musket, until the whole of this corps are supplied with them. In consequence of this alteration, the cross belts, or those supported on the shoulders, will be discontinued, and the Master General has approved of the pouch being supported and made to move backwards and forwards on the frog belt, as it is termed. This belt is fastened round the middle, and is at present used in the battering train department. The intended alteration appears to be hailed with great satisfaction by the men, as it will relieve them of a great weight when on guard,

and must prove a valuable acquisition in the event of a war, as a carbine may be carried to the field of battle and be made available as a weapon of defence when muskets could not be used by those having to perform the arduous duties of an artilleryman. Applications were made at the Tower of London on Thursday, to ascertain if there were 7,000 carbines in that depot for military stores, and if there be that number ready for use, they will be issued immediately to the troops at Woolwich, and to those at the other stations at home and abroad on the first opportunity.

One of the most extraordinary specimens of silk weaving ever executed, was exhibited at Mr. Morrison's late Conversation given to the Members of the Institute of British Architects. It was a portrait of the Jackward, representing that extraordinary man in his workshop, surrounded by his implements, and planning the construction of that beautiful machinery, which now, in its increased perfection, returns this testimony to the genius of its inventor. This work, worthily entitled, "*Homage to J. M. Jacquard*," was woven with such truth and delicacy, as to resemble a fine line-engraving: it was executed by Didier, Petit & Co. We learned that there were 1,000 threads in each square inch (French) in both the warp and the wool; and that 24,000 bands of cards were used in the manufacture, each band large enough to receive 1,050 holes. Owing to the black threads passing under them, the tone of the highest light was grey, though this was scarcely perceptible.—The great difficulty to be overcome, was, it is said, the keeping the broad margin round the picture perfectly even in colour, and regular at the lines forming the edge of the picture.

DENMARK.—The *German Journal of Frankfort* gives the following, dated Copenhagen, 4th instant, as the reply of the King of Denmark to an address which had been presented to him by 1145 nobles, relative to a change in the constitution:—"It does not appear to me that the time for making changes in our fundamental institutions is opportune. We should first endeavour to make a wise and useful application of those which exist, such must be the object of my efforts, and I recommend all my actions to God, whose servant I am on earth. I hope with you that the liberty of the press, will not require new restrictions. I thank you for your expressions of devotion and esteem. I shall always regard these sentiments as my best reward."

ALGIERS.—The *Toulonnais* publishes the following letter from Algiers, dated the 4th instant, which shows that the Arabs were still in force about the city, and that they were determined, that as they could not gather in the harvest for their own use, it should not serve the invaders:—

"Last evening the plain was on fire towards the east. Etna and Vesuvius are only parodies compared to this fire, which extend for several leagues. But yesterday evening the sight was as imposing as it was horribly magnificent; a thousand sheaves of fire ascended towards heaven, and a thick and red smoke crowned this bouquet which it would be impossible to depict. Having not a single habitation left in the plain, we experienced no feeling but that of a passive spectator. To-day we have ascertained that the Arabs were burning the remainder of the harvest, to prevent it falling into the hands of Marshal Vallee, who was expected to arrive there to-morrow." Several other letters are given which assert that the army had "quite enough of fighting."

The late *Madame Malibran's Criticism on the Pit*—One day an intimate friend accused her of being generally too tame in the opening scenes of her characters. Her reply was curious. I look upon the heads in the pit as one great mass of wax candles—if I were to light them up at once, they would waste and soon burn out. But, by lighting gradually, I obtain in time a brilliant illumination. My system is to light up the public by degrees.

An American editor apologizes for the lack of editorial matter, by saying that he carried several good and interesting articles to a wedding in his hat, and the girls coaxed them all out of him, to wrap up bride's cake in.

A metropolitan paper, referring to a recent affair, says, "We regret that an unsuccessful attempt has been made on the life of the Queen!"

PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency HENRY PRESCOTT, Esquire, Companion of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Governor (L.S.) of the Bath, Governor H. PRESCOTT, and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c.

WHEREAS on FRIDAY the 15th of this instant MAY, a most atrocious and diabolical outrage was committed by Four Men, at present unknown on the Person of

MR. HERMAN LOTT,

of St. John's, who was then on his way from Carbonear to Harbor Grace in this Island. And whereas it is no less especially necessary to the ends of Justice than essential to the protection and safety of the lives of all Her Majesty's subjects, that the perpetrators of this daring outrage should be detected and brought to punishment: I do therefore call upon all Her Majesty's faithful subjects to aid and assist Her Majesty's officers in discovering and apprehending the Persons concerned in perpetrating the aforesaid crime; and for the speedy detection of whom I do hereby offer a Reward of

£300 Sterling

To any Person or Persons (except the Person or Persons who actually committed the said outrage,) who shall give such information as will lead to the apprehension and conviction of the Offenders.—And I do also promise a FREE PARDON to the Person or Persons who (being an accomplice or accomplices, but not the actual perpetrators of the said crime) shall give such information as aforesaid.

Given under my hand and seal at the Government House at St. John's in the aforesaid Island, the 18th day of May, in the Third year of Her Majesty's Reign, and in the Year of Our Lord, 1840.

By His Excellency's Command,
JAMES CROWDY, Sec'y.

New Goods.

Just Received,
EX-ANN, FROM BRISTOL
An Extensive Assortment of

MANUFACTURED

Dry Goods,

50 Tons SALT
10 Tons Best COALS.
And, ex-VFTO, from
New York,

160 Barrels Flour
45 Barrels American New Pork
5 Barrels Primeew Beef
Spirits Turpentine
Bright Varnish, Tar, &c.

Offering at Low Rates for Cash

BY

THORNE, HOOPER & Co.

Harbor Grace,
April 29, 1840.

FOR SALE

BY

Ridley, Harrison & Co.

25 Puns. High Proof

RUM,

Of fine flavor,
JUST IMPORTED

By the Atalanta from
Liverpool.
Harbor Grace,
June 10, 1840.

Notices

CONCEPTION BAY PACKETS
St John's and Harbor Grace Packets

THE EXPRESS Packet being now completed, having undergone such alterations and improvements in her accommodations, and otherwise, as the safety, comfort and convenience of Passengers can possibly require or experience suggest, a careful and experienced Master having also been engaged, will forthwith resume her usual Trips across the BAY, leaving Harbor Grace on MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, and FRIDAY Mornings at 9 o'Clock, and Portugal Cove on the following days.

FARES.

Ordinary Passengers 7s. 6d.
Servants & Children 5s.
Single Letters 6d.
Double Do. 1s.
and Packages in proportion

All Letters and Packages will be carefully attended to; but no accounts can be kept or Postages or Passages, nor will the Proprietors be responsible for any Specie or other monies sent by this conveyance

ANDREW DRYSDALE,
Agent, HARBOUR GRACE
PERCHARD & BOAG,
Agents, ST. JOHN'S
Harbour Grace, May 4, 1839.

Nora Creina

Packet-Boat between Carbonear and Portugal Cove.

JAMES DOYLE, in returning his best thanks to the Public for the patronage and support he has uniformly received, begs to solicit a continuance of the same favours.

The NORA CREINA will, until further notice, start from Carbonear on the mornings of MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY, positively at 9 o'clock; and the Packet Man will leave St. John's on the Mornings of TUESDAY, THURSDAY, and SATURDAY, at 9 o'clock in order that the Boat may sail from the cove at 12 o'clock on each of those days.

TERMS.

Ladies & Gentlemen 7s. 6
Other Persons, from 5s. to 3s. 6
Single Letters.
Double do

AND PACKAGES in proportion
N.B.—JAMES DOYLE will hold himself accountable for all LETTERS and ACKNOWLEDGMENTS given him.
Carbonear, June, 1836.

THE ST. PATRICK

EDMOND PHELAN, begs most respectfully to acquaint the Public that he has purchased a new and commodious Boat, which at a considerable expence, he has fitted out, to ply between CARBONEAR, and PORTUGAL COVE, as a PACKETS BOAT; having two cabins, (part of the after-cabin adapted for Ladies, with two sleeping berths separated from the rest). The fore-cabin is conveniently fitted up for Gentlemen with sleeping-berths, which will the trusts give every satisfaction. He now begs to solicit the patronage of this respectable community; and he assures them it will be his utmost endeavour to give them very gratification possible.

The St. PATRICK will leave CARBONEAR for the COVE, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, at 9 o'clock in the Morning and the COVE at 12 o'clock, on Mondays Wednesdays, and Fridays, the Packet Man leaving ST. JOHN'S at 8 o'clock on those Mornings.

TERMS.

After Cabin Passengers 7s. 6d
Fore ditto, ditto, 5s.
Letters, Single 6d
Double, Do. 1s.
Parcels in proportion to their size of weight.

The owner will not be accountable for any Specie.

N.B.—Letters for St. John's, &c., &c. received at his House in Carbonear, and in St. John's for Carbonear, &c. at Mr Patrick Kieley's (Newfoundland Tavern) and at Mr John Cruet's.
Carbonear,
June 4, 1838.

TO BE LET

On Building Lease, for a Term of Years.

A PIECE of GROUND, situated on the North side of the Street, bounded of EAST by the House of the late captain STABB, and on the east by the Subscriber's.

MARY TAYLOR,
Widow

Carbonear.

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Of Various kinds For Sale at the Office of this paper.