



WHAT DO YOU THINK OF IT, BROTHER SIR LEONARD?

For soldiering is a risky trade, and there might come some harm to you, Your eyes blown out, your head knocked off, or p'rhaps you'd lose an arm or two; Get married then, and take a wife, perhaps you won't be boss of her, And over your own "Infantry" assume the Gin'ral Ossifer.

QUESTIONS OF PRIVILEGE.

Would it be in the *spirit* of righteousness to designate inveterate whisky imbibers as subjects for malt(treatment)?

Can prison delinquents be classified under the heading of re-fined society?

Was the late seizure of deistical works at the Customs here a pain(eful) duty for the collector to perform, and did the consignee fail to carry out his paying-full duties?

In instituting a search for his composing stick can a printer be said to be performing a *mystic rite*?

Would the air of Mimic-o act as a stimulant to the stale mimicry that invariably accompanies itinerant minstrel shows in this city?

Does a man necessarily *lower* himself in the estimation of others when his *true* nature shows itself?

CONSOLATION.

I don't know how it is with you,
With me, I kind of grieve,
And always feel a little blue
When Summer takes her leave.

There's something in an autumn day,
When nature all is still,
That melancholy *will* convey,
Resist it how I will.

The silent grove, the cone-clad firs,
The birds that southward hie,
And the horse-chestnut burly burrs,
That on the side-walk lie,

The changing color of the trees,
With glowing verdure dressed,
And many other signs like these
Affect my feeling breast.

But if 'tis hard to stay the tear
When all is well—as yet,
How dreadful at this time of year
To be in love, or debt!

Ye nature in her saddest mood
(And such I've often felt),
Had always some reserve of good
Some compensation dealt.

And nature, even in this case,
Her promises will keep,
And bid me wear a smiling face,
With oysters getting cheap!

"Dan," said the grave and steadfast Henry, "you should not talk so much foolishness; there's no sense in it." "No," answered Dan, "but there's plenty of nonsense in it." "It's a bad habit of mind," continued Henry. "Now I believe you would make a joke if you were going to be hanged the next minute." "I'd be hanged if I wouldn't," said Dan.

"I know a man just as queer as that, said Brig. "He is a crusty old soul, too, and is noted for never having a decent word to say to anybody. One time a stranger in the place said he believed he could make him speak civilly, so he came up to him when he was at work, and said quite pleasantly, "Nice morning, isn't it?" "Wal," growled the hero of my tale, "who said 't'w'ant? D'ye want to argy?"

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