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Poetry.

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Genius-in their operations and influences, teachers were thoroughly versed in their of the great deep' in my heart ' were brokare not restricted by national boundaries, business, and had succeeded in rendering en up⁷-my tears flowed-and my wailing geographical distinctions, or dissimilarity my mental training somewhat successful: was loud, awakening the sympathy of byof races. Anglo-Saxonism is as clearly at least, it was not an utter failure. I was standers. This outgosh of emotion was and robustly developed in New England then nineteen years of age, and my father violent for a time; but, after awbile it as it is in the land of Bacon, Shakespeare took me into his confidence, and explained subsided ;-my lamentations were kushed; to me what he would like me to be in fu- -and my tears ceased to flow. and Hampden.

It is not my purpose just now to enter ture life, and the course of conduct he For several months after my father's into a general detail of all I saw in the would advise for my guidance. He told death, a sense of bereavement oppressed ramblings to which I have referred; but me that my sister was about to be married. me, and a gloom rested, like a cloud, on to lay before the readers of the MONITOR a that he intended to give her as a dowry my grief-stricken spirit. I spent day after curious manuscript that came into my what silver and gold he possessed, and day, and week after week, scarcely leaving possession while tarrying a few days on that the homestead should be mine. Al- the house, except on a moonlight visit to the picturesque banks of the Connecticut though I expressed no dissatisfaction at the graveyard. That melancholy restingwhat he said, I could not forego with place of the dead had now an irresistible at-

I visited that charming locality in re- readiness the idea of being a gentleman, and traction and an interest, which often, when sponse to the invitation of a travelling the happiness of having plenty of money the twilight was throwing its deepening companion, with whom I became casually to spend. Of what avail, thought I, would shadows over the earth, drew my footsteps acquainted in the region of the White be my fine clothes and jewelry as a farmer. thither. There, under the stars, I fre-Mountains of New Hampshire. I spent Unknown to my father, I was already deep- quently uttered vows, (as if my parents several days at his delightfal residence, ly in debt, and some of my creditors were under the sod could hear) to reform my enjoying his genial hospitality. He was importunately pressing me for payment. I habits, and lead a better life. Meanwhile a man of general information, and, being had been a considerable loser in gambling, I did not concern myself about business full of interesting reminiscences, his over- as well as in betting on horse-racing. I was matters, knowing that they were judicionsly attended to and managed by Henry flowing conversation was peculiarly racy indeed in a tight place. and pleasing. His father for many years Not long after the interview which I Hawthorne, who had been on the farm was the keeper of an alms-house, and he have just mentioned, my sister was married ever since he was a boy. He was active, had learned much of the history of many to a lawyer of New Haven, and left the old industrious, honest and intelligent. For of the paupers who were the inmates of homestead forever. My mother, who had some years my father had prized his serthat eleemosynary institution. Amongst been laboring under a pulmonary difficulty vices highly. He was in charge of everyinstances of the personal history of some for some years, on the day after my sister's thing, and I had entire confidence in his of the unfortunates referred to, he read to marriage, had a fit of coughing which broke judgment and fidelity.

me an autobiographical manuscript, which a blood-vessel; and before night, her About eight months after the calamitous came into his possession on the death of spirit had passed from earth. When this event which I have just related, tidings his father. I was interested in the paper, stunning event happened, my sister had reached me that a fatal disaster had hapand asked permission to copy it. 'You embarked on a bridal tour for Europe. pened to my sister. She and her husband, may do that,' said he ; 'it is no longer of Father and I were alone with the remains Philip Ogden, had gone to Europe, as alany use to me; and you may take it as of my venerated mother whom I dearly ready related, on their bridal tour. They loved. It was the first heavy calamity I had seen the principal places of interest in it is !

I consider the pauper's story both in- had endured in life. It tended to subdue Great Britain and Ireland-had gone up teresting and instructive, as well as illustra- and chasten my wayward spirit. Con- the Rhine, and were crossing the Alps on tive of the evils that result from a wrong science sternly reminded me that I had their way into classical Italy. In attemptstart in early life. I send it to you, Messrs. been contracting vicious habits, and ruustart in early me. I send it to you, messes, our deallong into immoral courses. As mit, my sister's foot slipped on the edge of manuscript coincides with mine, you will I heard the earth-'ashes to ashes, and an icy declivity, and she was precipated not hesitate to give the narrative a place dust to dust"-fall on the lid of her coffin, into a yawning cavern, several hundred I resolved to reform ; and for a time, I teet in depth, and of course immediate death was the result. The news of this sad in the MONITOR. did reform. AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH.

The day after the funeral, with an ac- event made me more lonely than ever. As cusing conscience, a grief-stricken heart, I contemplated the ravages /which the WRITTEN IN AN ALMS-HOUSE. My birth was on the family homestead tearful eyes, and a palpitating spirit, I king of terrors' had wrought in sweeping

of my father, which had been in the family made a clean breast to my father, confess- away in a very short time the recently for several generations. It was beautiful- ing my wrong doings, and penitentially happy inmates of my father's house, I ly situated in one of the most flourishing agricultural districts of the State. My fa-knees I implored his forgiveness. He seem-lancholy, taking but little interest in what ther's farm was a particularly valuable ed astounded at the revelations I made of was transpiring around me. one. The frugality and industrious habits my misconduct. He, however, pardoned In this gloomy-minded mood I remained

of an energetic and hardy ancestry had me, and paid the debts I had prodigally for several months. At length, my bromade the old homestead one of the most comfortable residences that are to be found in the most fertile parts of New England. My father had in his possession a consider-able amount of hoarded silver and gold. My childhood's home was a happy home. I had no brothers, and an only sister was the domestic playmate of my juvenile the domestic playmate of my juvenile was were both over-metted by over-

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NEW YEAR'S EVE. 7. BY THE LATE DR. M'EWAN. The sun upon the wintry day Is waning—waning on the year; Is waning—waning on the year; Yon sunset clouds are warm and gay. The trees and fields are cold and sear, And cheerless as the miser's face, While all above is bright again; Ah! 'tis not time that flies apace-'Tis we are waning, we who wane But don your furs, dear wife ; the sleigh 7S Is waiting for us at the door ; This life looks like a winter's day, This life looks like a winter's day, Compared with summer gone before, But put these gloomy thoughts away, 'Tis sad to think we're growing old ; Dear wife, have we not had our day, With health and blessings manifold f

OX OR Ah! me, how short it seems ago, Since I in coasting time would whirf My sled along the crispy snow, With you, a romping, rosy girl; Oh! what a glorious time we had On that old sled! I see it still, As down we dashed, half glad, half mad, In vaultnes on the bending hill. W. OCK SON'S In vaultings on the bending hill.

And when, by naughty boys or fate, our little sled would overpoise Our little sled would overpoise, Oh1 bliss, to hear you supplicate. To hear the music of your voice, And feel your arm around my waist— Reitance mixed with vague alarm— And sweet it was when kisses chased Works. From your sweet face all sense of harm

> But, ah ! these days soon passed away, But, ah! these days soon passed away, As pleasant things are wont to do, And loft us not so young and gay, Yet each to each as warm and true. And, oh! I love their memory still, Although it makes me sad, dear wife; Somehow that sledpull up the hill Aye minds me of the hill of life.

And other memories, other scene and my heart arise and beat, Around my heart arise and beat, nd many a picture intervenes Between me and the darkening street; Between me int the tark the first see, And many an ancient face I see, And many a well-known voice I hear, But when you speak these shadows flee, n and satis And you and I alone are here.

> And Time hath almost rebegotten And Time hath aimost record of the art handber year; Sometimes I think he has forgotten That you and I still linger here. Mere idlers by the stream of life, And worldly noise that rushes by Our quiet nock—those sounds of strife. Have lost the power to terrify.

And oft in dreams I throw away, And off in dreams 1 throw away, As an old robe, my weight of years : And 'tis a happy New Year's day, And we are youthful charioteers, Coursing along the village mere, And down the happy streets their swells A laughing voice that haunts my ear, A jingling, jingling, sound of bells.

o we will take a quiet ride Along the bright and crispy snow : I love to have you by my side, As in the days of long ago. The sun has sunk and raised to light The snow fields rich as rosy dow



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times my father intimated to me that it was his desire that I should be so educat-ed as to be fitted for a farmer's life, and be sufficiently intelligent to hold a respect-able position among the surrounding terminetion. There is the surrounding terminetion is the surrounding terminetion. able position among the surrounding termination. I went-got inflamed with where he kept his business papers, and

iller of the soil. It seemed to me that night I was a considerable loser, and tothe vocation of a farmer was anything but wards morning, I returned home utterly

espectable. Though I had not told my demoralized. 'Two days after, my father ger Farming on a grand scale, even father so, I had made up my mind to be a came back; and when he did so, I was at with the assistance of improved machinery gentleman. The mere idea of holding the the village. In the evening, a message and implements, is a dangerous experiplough, as my ancestors had done, was not reached me while I was at the saloon that ment, and in the West has terminated to be thought of. I had been liberally he was alarmingly ill. I hastened to his disastrously. It is estimated that the mosupplied with pocket-money, and had ac- bedside and found him utterly unconscious. ney sunk during the past ten years in such quired the habit of spending it freely and Apoplexy had seized him, and before mid- undertakings amounts to over a million unwisely. I was fond of fine clothes - I night his breathing had ceased forever. dollars.

pended no small amount of money in mak- so sudden, to me was like a cloud of miding a show among my fellow-students and night gloom, darkening the earth without negotiated with various merchants, for During the late Autumn I spent a few other acquaintances. I aimed at the ap- a premonitory sign of its coming. It utter- goods amounting to over \$100,000. In reeks in rambling through the New Eng- pearance of gentility in dress and manners. ly stupified the spirit within me. Even some of the stores, the merchants and

ing with the difficulties and privations hard-drinking, gambling and horse-racing; frozen. The weight of a mental night- ence. A yet more remarkable relic is the that are incidental to the settlement of a but they were obscene and profane in their mare deadened all my thinking faculties. I ship in which Charles II. returned to Eng-

I was intensely interested in much of all I regarded its frequenters as jolly fellows, internal emotion. Although years have because they are soiled. Wash them in saw and learned during my wanderings in choice spirits, and their companionship far rolled away, to this hour I shudder as mem- suds made of fine toilet soap and cold

the birth-place of quite a constellation of with their language and loose conversa- present and commiserated my bereavestalwart-minded men, who, in the fields of tion. My father's house soon began to ment, heard not a sound of vocal wailing Sixty- even thousand acres were literature, science and statesmanship, wear an aspect of repulsive dreariness. from my lips ;--they heard no complaining devoted to cultivation of castor oil in Madhave won for themselves a world-wide The home that was pleasant and enjoyable in my utterances-they saw no tear in my ras, last year. These who have had any F. E. Rice, Alpheus Marshall, H. H. Chute, Di theof Cherler Marshall, H. H. Chute, Di theof Cherler H. H. Chute, H. H. C

dell Holmes, and the indomitable love of daily drudgery. Oh, how I loathed the ous grief: it was the stupefaction of all my freedom which characterized the public life thoughts of a farmer's life. And while emotional sensibilities. I was under the Matthews, that, personating an eccenof the late Senator Sumner, have evoked away at the academy, I was far from cir- influence of a benumbing spell, which was tric old gentleman, a family friend, he admiration throughout the civilized cumspect in my morals. On one or two not broken till the day of interment, when drank tea with his mother without her

us of Longfellow, the eloquence of Web- gloomy; and my father, as he followed articulated with solemn calmness. My age may now take comfort. ster, the inimitable humor of Oliver Wen- the plough, seemed the willing victim of f eling at this time was not that of boiste -

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