

## Trade and Spade.

BY CHARLES MACHRAY.

Between two friends in days of old  
A bitter strife began,  
And Father Spade with Brother Trade  
Disputed man to man.  
"You're vain, undutiful and proud,"  
Said Spade with flashing eyes,  
"You earn your thousands while I starve ;  
You mock my children's cries ;  
You ride in state with lordly looks,  
You dwell in bower and hall ;  
You speak of me reproachfully  
And honor in my fall,  
So from this hour, in shine or shower,  
We'll learn to live apart ;  
I ruled the earth e'er you were born,  
I cast you from my heart."

And Trade lost temper in his pride ;  
He uttered words of scorn ;  
"You do not know the ways of men,  
Amid your sheep and corn ;  
You doze away the busy day,  
Nor think how minutes run,  
Go put your shoulder to the work,  
And do as I have done.  
You've all the earth to yield your wealth—  
Both corn and pasture land ;  
I only ask a counting house,  
A room whereon to stand.  
And from this hour in shine or shower,  
We'll learn to live alone ;  
I'll do without you well enough—  
The world shall be my own !"

And thus they wrangled night and day,  
Unfair, like angry men,  
Till things went wrong between them both,  
And would not right again.  
But growing wiser in distress,  
Each grasped the other's hand ;  
"It was wrong," said Spade, "to rail at Trade ;  
He loves me in the land."  
And Trade as freely owned his fault ;  
"I've been unjust," he said,  
"To quarrel with the good old man,  
Who grows my daily bread.  
Long may we flourish, Trade and Spade,  
In city and in plain !  
The people starve while we dispute—  
We must not part again."

And all the people sang for joy,  
To see their good accord,  
While Spade assembled all his sons  
And piled his plenteous board.  
He fed them on the best of fare,  
Untaxed the foaming ale,  
And prayed in England's happy shore  
That Trade may never fail ;  
And busy Trades sent fleets of ships  
To every sea and strand,  
And built his mills and factories  
O'er all the prospering land,  
And so we'll sing God save the Queen !  
And long may Brother Spade  
For sake of both the rich and poor,  
Unite with Brother Trade.

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**ASHES.**—Have been in good demand at 34s 9d to 35s for shipping parcels of Pots, and 31s 3d for Pearls.

**PROVISIONS.**—No transactions.

**FRIGHTS.**—Amount of produce offering for shipment is light, engagements have been made for Ashes at 30s to 31s 3d sterling per ton, and some Indian Corn at 8s to 8s 6d sterling per quarter to Liverpool.

**STOCKS.**—Banks—No change since our last. Montreal Mining Company's Consols—Several sales through the week at 61s 3d ; to-day they are in the market at 59s. In Quebec and Canada Mining Companies—Nothing doing. Huron Copper Bay Mining Company—Small sales at 3s. Champlain and St. Lawrence Railroad—Inquired for at 37½ per cent discount. Grand Trunk Railway of Canada—In demand at 37½ per cent discount. Government Debentures—A large amount, having 20 years to run, has been placed at par. In other Stocks—Nothing doing.

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