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CRITICISM. Criticism is supposed to be the greatest of tasks, so easy that a post lass could do it.

EVERYBODY is a critic in some things. One criticizes habits, one dresses one's sermons, one looks at one's curls, one looks at one's mixed drinks, one looks at one's mixed drinks, one looks at one's mixed drinks.

CRITICISM is not easy. It is criticism to believe that a "post lass" is a new brand "perfectly lovely," the weather "horrible," and the play "sublimely," "Dick's conduct "awful," and Jeremiah "ridiculous," criticism is easy in deed; but true criticism goes deeper than this.

TO deal with a book properly, the critic should know what the author is doing, what he knows about the subject of which it treats, what the author should be imbued with a conscientious desire to point out the excellencies of the work, so that they, ignorant of the author's merits, might not miss them, and to warn readers against errors of fact or viciousness of style. Some works sink so deeply into the popular heart, and manifest so deep a vitality, that the critic's duty is simply to discover the secret reasons for their popularity of other aspirants for literary fame.

AND yet hundreds of critics—the best critics too—have wasted their learning, their theories, and their success in proving that such books are all wrong, that they have no claim to popularity; and that the authors are idiots. The fact that five of the books that have gained wide-spread fame for previously unknown authors were accepted by the critics until long after judgment had been pronounced upon them by the masses is often cited to the credit of criticism. But it will be found that, while once in a century an original genius grows so popular with the people that the canons of criticism have to be changed for the purpose of enabling critics to tender him a trophy of admiration, the critics are right in the great mass of their judgments. Criticism is to style what grammar is to language, style and language coming first and the canons of criticism and the rules of grammar afterward. Language is the vehicle of thought, and style is the dress of the thought, and the grammar is the dress of the style. It is the duty of the critic to discover the secret of their popularity, and to determine that other authors shall display their consciousness of it. All are judged by this standard and condemned or approved. The condemnation crushes mediocrity instantly, but only temporarily impedes the reception of genius. And it is here that the weakness of criticism displays itself in its old-fashioned failure to recognize genius that comes in a new garb, genius that does to come in an original dress. Mediocrity was not at first thought worthy of praise, Milton was neglected, Wordsworth was condemned with unmeasured sarcasm by the foremost critics of his day. Keats was killed with the lash of critical satire, and almost every author who has had genius enough to walk in a new path has been subjected to the scorn of those who have been led to think no new paths could be opened.

THE uneducated, those whose instinctive perception of beauty has not been overclouded by scholastic preconceptions, discover a new genius and then force the critics to expand or modify their canons so as to include him.

A large class of long horns is reported in Kentucky. Where are the crusaders? If you want to feel warm all day, give some poor fellow the means to keep warm. John C. Calhoun has been arrested in Memphis for wearing somebody's else's trousers.

Texas has a town called Lovelock. Old maids are inquiring about the climate before taking liberties with a stranger dog, observe his tail and wait for the wag.

A Minnesota man makes the winter appear short by giving his note payable in the spring.

Governor Peck, of Vermont, is a bachelor. Marrying would make half a bushel of him.

The meanest man in the world is the fellow who knows where Charley Ross is and will not tell.

Miss Ives of Danville, by the death of an uncle, has fallen into a fortune of \$100,000, and the Danville boys think just as much of her as they did before.

A candidate out West had been detected, when a boy, thirty odd years ago, stealing apples. His opponent found it out and the opposition papers denounced him as a "detected thief," the whole of fair creating the most intense excitement, until it was explained how long ago the thing occurred.

A St. Petersburg man has just married a Cincinnati girl. He saw her picture in an album in his own city and fell in love with it. A correspondence and an exchange of photographs followed. Last year she went over to see him, and now he has taken her away to Russia.

A little canal of twenty-three miles was wanted in China, in 1825. Time must be precious there, though life is so cheap. Only six weeks were given in time to dig it, though it was through great forests and over extensive marshes; twenty thousand men worked upon it night and day, and over seven thousand died of fatigue.

A Touching Story.

A very strange story was told to me the other day (says a London correspondent of The North British Advertiser and Leader's Occasionalist.) In a town not far from London there lived a young lady who was handsome, tolerably wealthy, and more than usually well educated.

Her father was an invalid; her mother was an invalid, cold and heartless woman. Two years ago a physician of London was called to attend the father—in this way the young lady saw him. He paid no attention to her—his mind was so preoccupied with his professional duties.

A few weeks ago, this doctor, after paying a visit to his patient, was somewhat surprised by being asked by the young lady to grant her the favor of a private interview. She took him into a drawing room, and led him to the further end of the apartment.

"Doctor," said she, "I suppose that gentlemen of your profession are accustomed to receive strange and undesired visits. I have a confession to make to you. I have supposed that the impending conflict between her and her father, and the state of her own health or that of her father, and he begged her to proceed.

"You must, however, scarcely be prepared for what I am about to say," she continued. "I have never married, and I have never been engaged. And your affections are not engaged." "And you surely have the right to ask them," said he. "Well, then," she replied, "I will not ask it; but I must make to you my confession. I have loved you since I was a child, and I wish you to marry me. I loved you from the first moment I saw you. I said to myself, 'I will be his wife, and if he then speaks to me, I will know what to do.' You have not spoken, and I am a widow. I have never been married, and I have never been engaged. And your affections are not engaged." "And you surely have the right to ask them," said he. "Well, then," she replied, "I will not ask it; but I must make to you my confession. I have loved you since I was a child, and I wish you to marry me. I loved you from the first moment I saw you. I said to myself, 'I will be his wife, and if he then speaks to me, I will know what to do.' 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