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## POETRY.

SPRING.

Hail, welcome Spring! delightful Spring! Thy joys are now begun: Earth's frozen chains are rent in twain By yonder glorious sun.
The dews of eve, on meadows green,
And waving blades of corn, Like diamonds set in emeralds sheen, Are twinkling in the morn. Sweet Spring!

In thee the snow drop finds a grave; Meanwhile the primrose pale Grows sweetly on the sunny bank; The daisy in the vale
With golden eye looks beautiful;
Young trees fresh odours fling, Their incense rises to the skies In worshipping the Spring. Sweet Spring!

All living things that life enjoy Are now instinct with love: In pairs fend creatures woo on earth, In pairs they woo above. The echoing woods in music speak,
As winged minstrels sing, Uniting heaven and earth with song In welcoming the Spring.
Sweet Spring!

Spring, Summer, Autumn, Winter, all Their lesson read to man, And teach him sorrow 's not the end Of Heaven's benignant plan: However great our cares may be, However deep their sting, Like Winter's storms they pass away, And welcome glorious Spring. Sweet Spring!

## LITERATURE.

A Cale of Irish Life.

BY SAMUEL LOVER, ESQ. [Continued.]

Mr. Furlong, it has been stated, was an official of Dublin Castle, and had been despatched on electioneering business, to the country. He was related to a gentleman of the same name, who held a lucrative post under government, and was you're not dwunk!"

well known as an active agent in all affairs requiring what in Ireland was called "Castle influence;" and this, his relative, was now despatched, for the first time, on a similar employment.

After Andy had driven some time, he turned round and spoke to Mr. Furlong through the pane of glass with which the front window-frame of the chaise was not furnished.

"Faix, you wor nigh shootin' me, your honor," said Andy.

"I should not wepwoach myself if I had," said Mr. Furlong, "when you quied stop on the woad: webbers always qui stop, and I took you for a wobber."

"Faix, the robbers here, your honor, never axes you to stop at all, but they stop you without axin, or by your lave, or wid your lave. Sure I was only afeered you'd dhrive over the man in the road."

"What was that man in the woad doing ?"

"Nothin' at all, faith, for he wasn't able; he was dhrunk, sir."

"The postillion said he was his own bwother."

"Yis, your honor, and he's a postillion himself, only he lost his horses and the shay—he got dhrunk, and fell off."

"Those wascally postillions often get

dwunk, I suppose."

"Och, common enough, sir, particlar now about the 'lection time; for the gintlemin is dhrivin' over the country like mad, right and left, and gives the boys money to dhrink their health, till they are killed a'most with the falls they get."

"Then postillions often fall on the

woads here?"

"Throth, the roads is covered with them sometimes, when the 'lections comes an."

"What howwid immowality! I hope WIOTHEOL.

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