

Poetry.

THE THRUSH'S NEST.

A SONNET, BY JOHN CLARK, THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE PEASANT.

Within a thick and spreading hawthorn bush,
That overhung a mole-hill large and round,
I heard from morn to noon a merry thrush
Sing by us of capture, while I drank the sound
With joy; and oft, an untrading guest
I watched her secret toils from day to day;
How true she warped the moss to form her nest,
And model'd it with wool and clay.
And by-and-by like heath-bells gilt with dew,
There lay her shining eggs, as bright as flowers,
Ink-spotted over, shells of green and blue:
And there I witnessed, in the summer hours,
A brood of nature's minstrels chirp and fly,
Glad as the sunshine and the laughing sky.

THE RICH MAN AND THE BEGGAR.

A beggar boy stood at the rich man's door—
"I am houseless and friendless, and faint and poor,"
Said the beggar boy, as the tear drop fell
Down his thin cheek, blanched with want and cold.
"Oh! give me a crust from your board to-day,
To help the beggar boy on his way!"
"Not a crust nor a crumb," the rich man said,
"Be off, and work for your daily bread!"

The rich man went to the parish church—
His face grew grave as he trod the porch—
And the thrashing poor, the m'ought mass,
Drew back to let the rich man pass.

The service began—the choral hymn
Arose and swelled through the long aisles dim,
Then the rich men kneel'd, and the words he said
Were—"Give us this day our daily bread!"

CANADIAN DEPARTMENT.—CRYSTAL PALACE.

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ROBERT POOBLE.

Mr. J. B. Carpenter,
Townsend, C. W.

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