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**Hope.**

Ten speak and dream with kind delight  
Of some sure coming better day;  
To gain the happy golden light  
All madly rush as the crowd away.

He world grows old and young by turns,  
But human hope unrelenting burns.

Hope leads the infant forth to life,  
And gaily / hums the boyish hoar;  
Her spell lures youth to manly strife,  
Nor leaves the veteran's dying bed;

And when life's o'er 'er from the tomb  
Hope springs to shed her brightest bloom.

All is not vain illusion—no—  
Mere fancy, sprung from error's brain,  
Too well proclaims the life we know;  
A higher life shall man attain,  
And what those inward voices say  
Shall ne'er be the hopeful soul betray.

—Schiller.

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**ITEMS OF INTEREST.**

A stick in time saves nine boys out  
on.—*Albany Journal.*

The man who opens a bundle exer-  
cise an undo influence on it.

The yearly herring cure of Scotlan-  
reaches 3,000,000 barrels

A rich uncle's heir, who waited long  
was finally worth his wait in gold.—*Re-  
York Herald.*

Why is a correspondent like a ga-  
bler? Because he spends much of his  
time in righting lettuce.

The first railroad at Palestine has been  
contracted for between Jaffa and Jer-  
usalem, forty miles. The contractor  
will be G. F. D. Lovel, a reside-  
of Cincinnati.

A huge overhanging rock on the bar-  
of Sunday creek, Ohio, recently tumble  
over, forcing the water into a lev-  
field. When the water receded it le-  
numerous large catfish on dry lan-  
One of the catfish measured over three  
feet and weighed 375 pounds.

Learn how to swim. The art ma-  
some day be the means of saving you

to lie in the cradle and save many mile.

The Zulus have a matted chair which they ascribe supernatural power. Warriors who sit in it before going to battle are believed to be invariably successful, or rather they used to be, for Cetywayo is understood to have broken the charm by removing this chair from its sacred spot in which it has stood for many years.

A Russian peasant girl, ten years of age, weighs 418 pounds, is now on exhibition. She is accompanied by her mother, and is engaged by a manag who pays to the mother for the girl's services \$70 monthly. This gigantic girl, when traveling, is put in the baggage car, as she cannot pass through the door of the passenger cars.

**Drowned Themselves.**

A lover and his sweetheart recently drowned themselves in a mill-pond near London. The motive was given in a letter found in the young man's hat addressed to the girl's father: "Dear Mr. Parkinson—You have tried hard for long time to part your daughter Catherine from me, but you have failed turning her mind from me. Know that you would not give your consent to our marriage, and will be eternally not part from each other, and of bodies will be united in this pond. We have both committed suicide together. Yours, James Wm. Thompson, July 2, 1879." Mr. Parkinson, in answer to the coroner, said that the young man had asked his consent for the hand of his daughter. He did not think Thompson was capable of keeping a wife, and refused. This appeared to upset the minds, and his daughter said that unless she had Thompson she would not have an one else. One evening his daughter suddenly disappeared from his house, and he never afterward saw her alive. The jury returned a verdict "that the deceased persons committed suicide together while in a state of unsound mind."

**The Tread Wheel.**

That ancient song, "Such a gittin' upstairs I never did see," was composed by some convicts in England, where every one has to tread a wheel, or simply run a ring tread, that is, built on the rim of the wheel to a stern wheel steambreak. The convicts have to climb up to a live link to avoid having their legs broken by being caught against the edge of the floor below. An overman armed with heavy whip stands near and len his aid in creating motive power. Much machinery in the large cities throughout the British kingdom is run by the wheels, and it would be a bad idea that kind government establishment that kind a

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