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Poetry.

The Balm of Gilead Tree. It stood beside the gray old house...

Selected Tale.

TAKE IT FOR GRANTED.

Thus the time passed, until Sam Averill having made and lost and made again his twelve thousand dollars among the copper mines, came home to "marry Augusta and settle down."

As good as gold, clear through the corn. I have always liked him and you never said anything," repeated my poor aunt Augusta; "I will be your friend, though, just the same."

But Mr. Averill was not to be diverted by any side issues. "Augusta," said he earnestly, "I made a serious mistake once. It was not a mistake about my own mind, however, that remains the same it always was."

Miscellany.

Ghosts.

BY F. DEWITT TALLMADGE.

It is difficult to escape from early superstitions. You reason against them, and are persuaded that they are unworthy of a man of common sense; and yet you cannot shake them off.

supernal, witch, ghost, demon, or headless horseman, we could not immediately tell. We tell prostrate, our hands passing over a hairy creature; and, as our head struck the ground, the monster rose up, throwing our feet into the air.

plute a shrewy pump. And yet not shallow-minded but with deep wells in their inward being capable of becoming fountains. Others there are whose tongues are spry enough in the neighborhood tattle and the longer gossip—but this is not conversation.

gateway. This was secured in 1819, by the taking of Penary, which was held to be a great victory over the Dutch. Her giving it up to Holland secured for her the dangerous,—for she shall soon see that it is dangerous,—Ashantee War.