

Poetry.

The Lost.

By R. L. SPENCER.

Sweet violets on a grassy mound.

Beside a river pure and bright.

Perfume the airs that breathe around.

At morning, noon, and night.

Awaken'd by the genial rays.

Of spring, from the soil they burst.

And smile, met our tearful gaze.

Of all the wild-wood flowers the first.

So they for whom our tears are shed.

Have passed to purer joys above.

O, say not they are lost—are dead!

—National Magazine.

The Forgotten Man.

Like to the falling of a star;

Or to the flights of eagles rare;

Or like the fresh springs gaily blue.

Or silver drops of morning dew.

Or like a wind that blows the flood.

Or bubbles, which on water float.

Even such is man, whose tormented light.

Is straight called in, and put to flight.

The wind blows out, the bubble dies.

The spring contended in autumn dries.

The dew drops, and the wind is lost.

The light is put, — a man forgot.

—Bishop King.

Miscellaneous.

The Sea.

By LIEUTENANT MAURY.

The Bible more frequently refers to

the sea in evidence of the power of the Creator,

than to any other part of the physical world.

The wonders are in the deep, and truly they

are many, mighty and great, and it is very

profitable to study "His ways" there.

He has shown the "Harmony of Science

and Revelation," and point to the winds and

the sea. Creation is all harmony, and neither

earth, air, nor sea is ever out of tune.

Their adaptations are perfect and exquisitely

sublime. Take the lesson which comes

from the sea and the law of its green

we, and let us consider together the evi-

dences of design and unity of thought in

creation, afforded by one of the minutest

animals of the sea, the little coralline.

This insect is the architect of islands. It

builds up from the bottom of the ocean the

most stupendous works of solid masonry.

The greatest structures ever erected by the

hand of man are but the works of pygmies

in comparison. It is without the power of

locomotion, yet the obedient currents of the

sea are its load-carriers; the winds wait upon

its summons, and the waves of the sea, and

the clouds of heaven, are its obedient ser-

vants. The insect is so small, and its work

is so great, that it is almost incredible

that it should be so perfect. It is a

lesson of the power of the Creator, and

of the wisdom of His ways. It is a

lesson of the unity of design, and of the

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and materials for the busy little mason in the

depths below.

Seeing, then, that the inhabitants of the

sea with their powers of secretion, are com-

petent to exercise at least some degree of

influence in disturbing equilibrium, are not

these creatures to be regarded as agents

as agents which have their offices to per-

form in the system of oceanic circulation,

and according to the command of Him

who "voice the sea and the winds obey."

Thus God speaks through sea-shells

the ocean.

It may therefore be supposed that the ar-

rangements in the economy of nature are

such as to require that the various kinds of

marine animals whose secretions are cal-

culated to alter the specific gravity of sea-

water, to destroy its equilibrium, to beget

currents in the ocean, and to control its cir-

culation, should be distributed according to

order.

Upon this supposition—the like of which

nature warrants throughout her whole do-

main—we may conceive how the marine

animals of which we have been speaking

may impress other features upon the phys-

ical regulations of the sea, by assisting also

to regulate the climate, and to adjust the tem-

perature of certain latitudes.

For instance, let us suppose the waters in

a certain part of torrid zone to be 70 deg.

but by reason of the fresh water which has

been taken from them in a state of vapor,

and consequently by reason of the propor-

tional increase of salts, these waters are

heavier than waters that may be cooler, but

not so salt.

"This being the case, the tendency would

be for this warm but salt and heavy water

to flow off as an under current toward the

Polar or some other regions of lighter water.

Now if the sea were not salt, warm water

would be carried toward the equator, and

its circulation would be entirely different.

With what subtlety and yet glowing enthu-

siastic does he gaze upon the costly

fruits of a thousand embattled volumes!

How gently he draws them down, as if they

were little children; how tenderly he

handles them! He peers at the pages

for yet a text, at the notes, with the nicety

of a bird examining a flower. He studies the

binding; the leather, —Russia, English,

call, morocco; the lettering, the gilding,

the edging, the hinge of the cover; he opens it

and shuts it, he holds it up and brings it

nigh. It suffices him to hold the book

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ceedings against the East India Company

for the recovery of a large amount they are

indebted to him for money, he and his ac-

cessors advanced them. It appears, also,

that his highness is indebted to Professor

Holloway for many valuable hints in obtain-

ing a restitution of his rights; the professor

is somewhat of a lawyer and a philosopher,

and has both law and justice administered in

all parts of the world, from London to the

wilds of Central America, and more particu-

larly on the European Continent, has ad-

vised the Rajah a way of administering a

powerful pill to his adversaries, and doubt-

less, with energetic measures, such as the

Professor himself has exhibited in his suc-

cessful career, the Prince of Coorg will ul-

timately be restored to all his pecuniary

rights, even if his principality has been

confiscated for ever. By the way, Profes-

or Holloway has established his medicines

in all parts of the known world, and has

the energetic individual is now expending

about 25,000 per annum for advertising the

same. It is further stated, that by his deci-

sion of character, energy, and perseverance, he

has overcome the scruples of almost every na-

tion in the world; even the most bigoted

and prejudiced teachers, and the most

obstinate of the Christians are, as it were, pos-

sessed to his will; and he has, in his

own person, shown the efficacy of his

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fore? It has been in the house of two

mouths; and you rush on with aedific

and incident, and point out the binding,

and that peculiar trick of gilding, and every

thing else you can think of; but it will not

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