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Poetry.

Written for the Signal,

Wintry Sentiments.

AN ODE

IN IMITATION OF SHAKESPEARE.

BY WM. BANNATYNE.

Heigh-ho! this wintry weather!
How each bitter storm:
Wind, and snow, and frost, together
All life's bowery haunts deform!
All the hopes the spring-day nourish'd,
All the joys that summer cherish'd;
All the fruits of autumn perish'd:
Oh! how bleak the sky of life is!
Oh! how stern this innate strife is!
Thus I sigh, and this I say:
Heigh-ho! and alack-a-day!
How soon youth's visions fade away!

Once for me, on earth, were beaming
Love and friendship's light;
And affection's ardent dreaming
Poised my spirit's soarings bright.
Life was social, sweet and jolly;
Free from pain and melancholy:
Never deeming trust was folly!
Oh! how pure was life's full chalice;
Unprofaned by woe or malice!
Thus I sigh, and this I say;
Heigh-ho! and alack-a-day!
How fast life's fondest ties decay!

No more for me, on earth is shining
The light of love's bright eye:
Toil, and grief, and age combining,
Cause me ever thus to sigh—
Heigh-ho! but life looks dreary!
Wrapt in wintry clouds uncheerie!
Hopes deferred make hearts so weary:
And stern cold Truth dispels each vapor
That woke round Fancy's luring taper.
Thus I sigh, and this I say:
Heigh-ho! and alack-a-day!
What sorrows haunt an old man's way!

No more for me on earth is calling
Kind friendship's syren voice:
Frail age, and memory appalling
Ne'er were friendship's partial choice.
When the spells of age have caught us,
Friendship, that in sunshine sought us,
Flees, with all the gifts it brought us;
Selfishness sub-borns its pinions:
Swiftest wing'd of Fortune's minions!
Thus I sigh, and this I say:
Heigh-ho! and alack-a-day!
It leaves us when it ought to stay.

No more for me on earth are wreathing
The flowery gift of praise;
Time his searing blasts bequeathing
From my brow hath reft the bays.
Traitor Fancy! why deceive us!
All the chaplets thou dost weave us
Fade when youth and fortune leave us:
Hapless old and wintry weather
Have thou! be falsehood altogether.
Thus I sigh, and this I say:
Heigh-ho! and alack-a-day!
Oh! when will misery pass away!

Ashfield, February, 1873.

LAND RATE AND WATER RATE.

BY W. B. TOB.

CHAPTER XXII.

RETRIBUTION.

On the termination of the trial, Charley Baxter was discharged from custody and return to his post on the Ottawa River, but yielded to the solicitations of his friend, Ned Simcoe, to defer his departure until he could return with him. The latter had business at Bytown, and a lonely drive to that place had fewer charms than company offered, and he pressed his whole family into the party, that he consented to wait that they might travel together. Accordingly, thay left Montreal on a bright winter's morning, in a cutter, well horsed and appointed in every other respect, and after two days' brisk driving, enter of Bytown, where they spent some little time together, and then separated.

His business completed, Ned turned homeward, and being delayed by satory, which, however, passed over without much detriment to the roads, late on the second night he left the banks of the Ottawa River, which hitherto he had mainly followed, and struck direct for Montreal, then about twenty miles distant.

Familiar with the road, he thought he might with safety make a short cut by a cross track, which would save a bend in the main road, and turning aside on the impulse of the moment into a tolerably well-beaten track, pointing to the right course of instruction, he pushed quickly along.

The night was calm and the atmosphere bracing, yet not chilly. The horse's hoofs scattered the snow, which lay a loose and dry as sand, whilst above, the blue vault was studded with innumerable stars, and everything above and beyond was bathed in soft light of a most silvery moon. At times, in extremely cold weather, the Canadian sky has this aspect of a great concave of solid blue, still, but now it seemed soft and lovely as an Italian firmament.

Feasting his vision on the beauties of the heavens, Ned allowed his horse to pursue a straight course, and even crossed the main road without observing it, but his thought at length reverting to earthly matters, he felt satisfied that he had gone astray. Not dismayed, yet annoyed, he drove on intending to take the next cross road, trusting in the course he wished to pursue, and when he reached it he at once turned his horse's head in the supposed right direction.

He had not proceeded far when he discerned a light in the distance, and presently he could distinguish a house. With a cheery word to his fourfooted companion, he urged him on, making up his mind to alight and learn from the inmates his exact position.

He drove up as closely to the house as the banked up snow would permit, and lifting the latch entered the house.

He stopped into a large room, warmed by a huge stove, standing in the middle of the apartment. The only light was derived through the leaping flames of a wood fire. It was a house which entertained casual travellers, but appeared for the moment deserted. Surprised, Ned rapped with his whip and then raised his voice. He heard in response voices in altercation—a woman's in tones of supplication and reproach—a man's in defiance and exultation, then dying away into cautious accents. Startled, he raised his voice yet more, glanced round the room in which he stood, and finally his eye turned to the door through which he had entered. He saw at a glance that the key was in the lock, and in a moment he took it out and removed it to the outside, and then quietly reclosed the door. He then moved to the door giving access to the interior of the house, and calling out again, a voice responded in a whisper, and he heard the pounds of a scuffle, the thump upon the floor beheld a young woman clad in outdoor apparel, struggling in the grasp of a man, and apparently making strenuous efforts to escape from the grasp of her assailant. On seeing the figure of a man she cried out in piticous tones.

"Oh! monsieur, save me. In the name of God help a poor girl."

The man with whom she was struggling had not noticed the entrance of Ned, or in the dim light, though it was his opinion, but at her earnest exclamation returned towards the intruder, and loosing her for the moment, he instantly darted towards the door, and grasped Ned's arm with imploring entreaty gleaming from her eyes. Throwing her grasp off for a moment, Ned made one stride towards her assailant, and, by a blow given with the fullest vigor of a powerful arm, nerved with recollections of the past, and the indignant fury of the present moment, smote him to the ground without a word of interrogation or challenge having passed between them. The two men had in a moment calculated and decided upon a course of action, and neither would have spared the other. It was Randolph Patton whom Ned had struck with such telling force.

Uncertain what aid the scoundrel might have to support him, Ned at once retreated into the outer room and was in the act of opening the door to pass into the road with his arm supporting the rescued girl, when a man made his appearance from the rear of the apartment, rushing towards them to intercept their exit. Hastily telling the girl to take her seat in the sleigh, which she could see standing before the house, and drive away at the horses' best speed for assistance, if he did not immediately join h.r, Ned closed the door and turned to meet his new adversary. He felt that he must accomplish a victory by a quick blow or he was lost; for he noticed at once that the new comer was a powerfully built ruffianly looking fellow, armed with a bar of iron, one blow of which would have ended his earthly career. Ned had, fortunately, retained his whip in his hand, and, quick as thought, he launched it at the ruffian's face. Fortunately it struck him directly in the eye, and before he could recover from he sudden pain which paralyzed his movements for a moment, Ned sprang upon him with all his strength pent up in one great effort, and with a wrestling trick, dashed him across the room full upon the great stove. With a fearful clatter the stove fell to pieces under the sudden weight cast upon and against it, and the red embers and blazing wood flew over the apartment. In the midst of the confusion, Ned made his escape, and turned the key outside, just as Randolph Patton rushed into the room with a loaded gun in his hand, determined to prevent the escape of the girl, and punish Ned even by assailing his life.

For Ned to gather up the reins, spring into the sleigh, and start his willing horse, was the work of a moment, whilst at the same time he addressed a word of encouragement to the girl who cowered silent and trembling beside him. Not a moment too soon, for a crash of glass caused Ned to cast a glance backwards as the horse darted on, and a red flash with a loud report told him that the baffled ruffians had resorted to firearms to prevent his escape, and unable to issue from the door they had dashed out a window so as to take aim. The startled horse increased his pace until he almost flew over the ground; and with a rich unlocked for prize in his course, Ned allowed two or three miles to pass over before he again glanced in the direction of the house. When he did so it was to encounter a red glare which momentarily increased in intensity and volume, and reaching the summit of a rising piece of ground, he saw, what he felt satisfied was the place he had left, a mass of flames.

Still he continued at the full speed of his horse until he reached the main road, and had left the scene of his late exploit miles behind.

At the first inn which they reached they halted, for the sons and sighs of his distressed companion alarmed Ned, and he was anxious to learn her story, that he might restore her to her friends. He at least felt place for the night in a place of safety. The responsibility of carrying her on with him to Montreal he could not undertake unless her friends resided there.

He almost carried the poor girl into the house, and giving her into the charge of the willing mistress of the establishment, requested her to provide her with whatever she required, whilst he attended to the wants and comforts of his horse.

In the course of half an hour Ned was requested by the waiters to enter the parlour, where he found the girl waiting him, and to his astonishment he recognized in her the niece of the proprietor of an hotel on the shores of the lower saint Lawrence, where he had spent many of his summer leisure hours, fishing and boating. The recognition was mutual, and the delight of the girl extreme, and it required but a short time for Ned to learn the main features of the story she had to tell.

Like Ned and many other young men, Randolph had frequented the house of her uncle in summer, and had even contrived during the winter to pay a visit to, and at all seasons he had assiduously cultivated Hortense Lapelletier's good opinion. She was in the main a kindly hearted, sensible girl, but a little too susceptible to flattery, and with a youthful ambition to contract matrimony in a circle above the one in which she had been born and bred. Playing upon her weakness, Randolph had led her to obtain permissionfrom her uncle to pay a visit to some relatives in Montreal, and whilst residing there he had maintained a pretty close though clandestine acquaintance with her. Pretending that his relatives would look with disfavor upon any alliance he might make with a Roman Catholic, he assumed a persecuted air, and appealed to her love to conceal their intimacy. Leading her on with infernal duplicity from one piece of deception to another, she was fast yielding her conscience into his sole keeping when the failure of his schemes against Harry, forced upon him, as he thought, more decided and peremptory action. Accordingly he invited her, without the consent of her friends, to accompany him for a drive into the country, on the understanding that they would return at an early hour in the evening. His plans were skilled, and that with the intention that she should not return until her ruin had been accomplished. He had yielded to the requests, or perhaps threats of his companion, Murray, who had endeavoured to drown Harry when descending the Ottawa as related, by furnishing him with the means of opening an inn or drinking shebeen, on a side road on the island of Montreal, and near a point much frequented by lumbermen and their congenial associates. Here he had arranged that by apparent accident, but really danger, they should, on returning from their drive, be benighted, lost, or their horse lamed. This succeeded, and he heard the sounds of a scuffle, but he weighed the girl's affection for him, and circumstances against her virtue, too recklessly, and met with a rebuke from Mademoiselle proper. His endeavors unsuccessful, he descended to threats, and taunted her with the impossibility of accounting for her absence in a satisfactory manner, and that her reputation being tarnished she had to look to his fortunes and assistance as her only shield against disgrace. Distracted yet firm in her resolutions not to abandon self respect, she was appealing to him for mercy when she heard Ned's voice as he entered the house, and determined to make an appeal to him for assistance in her great strait. It was whilst struggling to reach the door to speak to him that Ned burst in upon them.

Man and beast refreshed, Ned made preparations for departure, as he felt that no time should be lost in restoring Hortense to the shelter of her friend's house, not only for her present comfort, but for the preservation of her reputation.

Assisting her into the sleigh, he then took his seat, and for a time, as they drove along, cogitated in silence as to the wisest course to pursue in proceding to Hortense's abode. At last he burst out:

"I have it, Hortense—I have thought of a plan to silence malicious tongues. I think it will be well to make no allusion to what has occurred to-night, excepting to your uncle on your return home, where I will accompany you, and on reaching Montreal I will call upon a young lady who will, I think, on my explanation of the circumstances, see you to the dwelling of your friend to-night. Your return with her will cause no comment, and I will be your escort to the door."

Accordingly, on arriving in town, Ned drove at once to the residence of Belle Stewart, and sending in his card with a note, asked to see her privately, to introduce a lady who accompanied him. He was at once shown into the apartment where Belle sat alone, and after a brief introduction of his companion, he related to Belle the incidents of the evening, and named the idea which had suggested itself to him for the return of Hortense to her friend. Belle fell into his views at once and desired him to leave Hortense with her, whilst he drove his horse home and procured another sleigh, in which all three could proceed as arranged.

When Ned had departed, Belle addressed herself to Hortense, and finding her a ladylike educated girl of pleasing manners, soon soothed her agitated feelings by her sympathy, and obtained from her a complete account of her adventures, of which Belle made a careful record in her mind for the benfit of Randolph Patton, in case he should have the hardihood to re-appear in Montreal society.

Ned soon returned, and the party drove to the residence of the friend of Hortense, when Belle alighted with her and only parted after exchanging salutations with her relatives, who was acquainted with her name and position in society.

The next day Hortense departed home accompanied by Ned Simcoe, and in an interview with her uncle, she was her only near relative and guardian, explained what had occurred, at the same time requesting and advising silence in the matter in the interests of all parties concerned.

To say which proved more grateful, Hortense or her uncle, would be difficult, and in his joy at the girl's escape, her relatives readily consented to adopt Ned's advice, only declaring if Randolph Patton in his hut, and with great reverence stored him to conscionsness but never to health. He had known his father in the years long past as an agent in the employ of the Hudson Bay Company, and in gratitude for services which he had received at his hand, he had tendered and nursed the son through a long sickness. He was now at the point of death, having, during the weary period of his confinement, been received into the fold of the Catholic Church by one of the Jesuit Fathers, who ministered to the spiritual wants of the aberiginal inhabitants of the district, and had, by the ghostly father, been induced to communicate with his friends to make some atonement before he passed away, for faults committed against them in his worldly days. In this extremity, he had expressed a desire to see Charley Baxter, whom the Indian now sought for. It was through Ned that Charley had been found.

Mr. Wilton thought it his duty to communicate this statement to Mr. Lambton, without delay, and that gentleman departed at once to the dying bed of the erring sinner.

He found Randolph wasted to a shadow and hardly conscious even of his own existence, or that of others, but before the curtains of death were drawn he revived sufficiently to recognize his uncle, express his contrition and receive forgiveness. He then passed away, it is to be hoped, to a better world to receive mercy at a merciful tribunal.

Ned Simcoe married the lady of his choice soon afterwards, and Mr Ellis expressing a desire to be relieved of the cares of business, Harold Grey, Harry and Ned united themselves to carry on the business of the old established firm of Lambton & Co. an enterprise crowned with the greatest success.

Harold undertook to conduct the branch in England, where he still resides, but the other parties have not forsaken the land which adopted one, and gave birth to the other, but remain on its soil, to which they felt more and more attached by the closest ties, domestic, social, and commercial.

FINIS.

Contradictory Proverbs.

We do not know that any attempt has been made to bring together contradictory proverbs, and we therefore present our readers with a few gathered at random:—

A rolling stone gathers no moss.
A setting hen never gets fat.
Never quit certainty for hope.
Nothing venture, nothing have
Haste trips up its own heels.
Delays are dangerous.

There is another proverb in which the careful view is taken—"Haste makes waste, and waste makes want, and want makes strife between the goodman and his wife." As we can never hope that men of different temperaments will agree upon what constitutes rashness and overcaution, we are not surprised to find opposite opinions illustrated in various proverbs. The rival views of marriage are seen in the following:—

God never sends wooths, but he sends meat,
Many children and little bread is painful pleasure.
Love is as warm among cottagers as courtiers.
When poverty comes in at the door, love flies out at the window.

There are several proverbs that clash with each other as to the advantage or disadvantage of doing one thing only at a time, as—

It's good to have two strings to our bow.
Put not all your eggs in one basket.
The mouse that has but one hole is easily taken.

These are answered by—

Who hunts two hares, misses one and loses the other
Many irons in the fire, some may cool.

The view that "One hand's enough in a purse," and "Too many cooks spoil the broth," finds its antidote in "The more the merrier," "Many hands make light work," and "Two eyes are better than one." One man will say, "Take care of the pence, and the pounds will take care of themselves," while another will answer him, "Penny wise and pound foolish."

Patience is a plaster for all sores.
What is the use of patience, if we cannot find it when we need it?

The tongue breaketh bone, though itself hath none.
Hard words break no bones.

A civil denial is better than a rude grant.
Some is welcome, though it come in a dirty cloak.

Consider twice before you speak once.
Think much, speak little, and write less.

Custom is the plague of wise men and the idol of fools.

As good to out of the world as out of fashion.

How would have your brother dealt with you, self if fair, and answer accordingly.

The man who is his own lawyer has a fool for his client.

Something might be said on both sides of these questions, but the unchristian "Pay him home in his own coin," is self-commended, and we are glad, for the sake of humanity, that we can quote against it "Forgive and forget." Other instances might be added, but we have given sufficient to show that the wisdom of the many is very apt as tinpan to give an uncertain sound, and leave us in doubt as to which of two contraries is the right.—*Leisure Hour.*

The clerk of a Hamilton lawyer guarded against the possibility of forgetting the secret of the combination by writing it upon a piece of paper and pasting it upon the knob of the safe.

Stephen.

February 8th, 1873.

All members present, minutes confirmed. Reeve to attend to horse case. $50 granted to aid Crediton in procuring telegraph poles for line from Devon to Crediton, on condition there be an office at Devon, money payable when line is in operation. Council to meet again first Saturday in March at 10 o'clock, when Fence viewers, Pound keepers and Pathmasters will be appointed.

The following orders were granted: I. Pickard for lumber, $1.92; J. Howard to assist in repairing Armory in Exeter $10; Charity $5; Eagleson work on 21 Con., $2.75; T. King lumber $3.75; Agricultural Show grounds, $150; Coblings statute labor remitted, $5; R. Whiting gravel, 75 cents; T. Lamport work $6; Station putting up posters, postage, Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages, $38.72.

C. PROUTY, Clerk.

Brussels.

COUNCIL MEETING.—A regular meeting of Council was held on the 6th inst., at the Clerk's office. The Reeve and all the Councillors were present. The minutes of last meeting were read and passed. Applications were received for the Assessorship from D. Stewart for $10, Mr. Elliott for $8, John Somerset for $10. Moved by B. Gerry, seconded by C. Wright, that John Somerset as Assessor for the Village of Brussels, for 1873, at a salary of $10—Carried. Moved by B. Gerry, seconded by J. C. Holliday, that the sum charged applicants for tavern licenses in the Villages of Brussels for the current year be $30, exclusive of all Government charges, and that the sum for shop licenses be $50 exclusive of all government charges—Carried Moved by C. Wright, seconded by T. Ballantine, that the Clerk prepare a by-law in accordance with the preceeding resolution, for the regulation of hotels, inns, and shops, to be passed at the next meeting of Council—Carried. Moved by C. Wright, seconded by B. Gerry, that the Clerk prepare a by-law to be passed at the next meeting of Council to provide for licensing transient traders in the Village of Brussels. License to be $10—Carried. Moved by C. Wright, seconded by J. C. Holliday, that John Manning be tavern and shop inspector for Brussels for the year 1873—Carried. Council then adjourned.

Grey.

COUNCIL MEETING.—The municipal council of the township of Grey met at Tuck's Hotel, Cranbrook, Feb. 10, 1873. Members all present, except Mr. Williamson. The Reeve in the chair. Mr. Adam Ferguson applied for relief on behalf of Widow McKay, on account of indigent circumstances. Moved by Samuel Stemmon, seconded by I. Dobson, That the sum of $12 be granted as charity to Widow McKay, and that the Reeve grant a debenture for the same—Carried. The following accounts were presented for payment: James McNair, John Sillers, James Spencer and Duncan McDougall, Returning Officers, $6 each; Samuel Rose for repairing road between lots 30 and 31, 1st concession, $1; George Crooks, for 80 loads of gravel for same road, $4; J. R. Grant postage, telegraphy, entering by-laws and one day at election, $15 40. Moved by Samuel Stemmon, seconded by Lewis McDonald, that the foregoing accounts be paid and debentures granted for the same—Carried. Moved by Samuel Stemmon, seconded by I. Dobson, that the Clerk be instructed to procure 500 notice printed on the same—Carried. Moved by Samuel Stemmon, seconded by L. Dobson, that notice be printed on the Grey and Bruce Road, in reference to repairs