

MUSHANMILK BILLINGS.

HIZ MEMORANDUM.

Mushanmilk Billings waz one ov mi earliest efforts in the way ov ansesstors. He waz begot during the 11th or 12th sentury, or thareabouts. He derived hiz name from his grate ability tew conquer mush and milk, Titus Odistes, a celebrated writer in thozе days, sez he haz known him tew eat a potash kittle ov pud-din and milk, at one sitting. I kant state whether this iz sutch or not, for i never met Mushanmilk personally. He died previous tew mi birth. Titus Odistes also sez, that Mushanmilk had a very sweet disposishun, how sweet, he dont tell us, but from what i kno ov the latter-day saints, amung the Billings family, it couldn't hav bin quite up tew the best brand ov Nu Orleans molassiss. He waz sed tew be number One in modesty, and sitch like, but this dont exackly conspire with what i know ov the Billings'es. Cheeck has alvus been reckoned amung our virtews. In taking a square look bak upon mi ansesstors, i find that they were rather a thin set. I find that their *ambishun* waz the result of *vanity*. Their *honesty* the effekt ov *edukashun*. Their *charity* the luv ov *novelty*. Their *philosophy*, able to bear the stummuk-ake ov others with heroik fortitude, but not worth a kuss in their own; and their *virteus* generally, more the growth ov their *pride* than ov their *humility*. What a pitty! Echo answers, "Jiss so." Man iz an angle-worm. He iz. Verily.

MORAL.

Thare aint to-day, so just a vittle,
Az mush,—rite hot, from out the kittle.