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Portry.

Longing.

O foolish wish long sought in books!
O vainest of all earthly tasks!
O claims that bind the hand and mind—
A fuller life my spirit finds.

For there the grand hills, summer-crown'd
Slope gently downward to the sea;
O'er eyes that ache for print and word—
Were woe a year of days like these.

Their cool soft green to ease the pain
Of eyes that ache for print and word—
O'er weary none—the city's voice,
Lull'd in the sound of bees and birds.

For Eden's life within me stirs,
And scorns the shackles that I wear,
The manly grand, pure soul, strong hand
The hush of steel, the heart of air!

And I could kiss with longing will—
Earth's dew-drops brown, loved so much;
A grass blade fanned across my hand,
Would thrill me like a lover's touch.

The tree's would talk with me; the flowers
Their hidden meaning each make known—
Their olden love revived once more,
When man's and nature's heart were one.

And as the parson's pail might come
Back to the garden God first framed,
And hear Him call at even-fall,
And answer, "Here am I," unnam'd—

So I, from that green hill, wherein
The Eden-faith grows staid and dim,
Would walk, a child, through Nature's will,
And hear His voice and answer Him.

Adrift on the North Sea.

BY THOS WHITE.

The day wears on; night falls, and our
Friends the fishermen are still busy at their
task; for they intend to continue their labors
until to-morrow's dawn. There is no fore-
boding of danger. True, the sky begins to
be overcast with clouds, and a brisk breeze
has sprung up from the north-east; but the
like they have often seen before.

Al! little they dream of what is before
them. Night comes on, the "morning" lark
(a quantity of lines) is set; and as the first
streaks of dawn spring up in the east,
the breeze increases to a gale. The little
crew, looking uneasily around, commence
hauling the lines into the boat, preparatory to
a start for home. Before the last of the lines
are drawn in, the gale has increased to a hur-
ricane; wildly it whistled through the shrouds
of the tiny bark, sending her like a thought
of air over the wide, wide sea! Sad thought!

It is driving them further and further from
their native shore. Fiercer howls the fearful
blast! Higher rise the surging waves, until the
fishing-boat looks like a miracle on the tur-
moil of waters. Storms the crew have seen
before—one like this?—never!

In their manly breasts Hope struggled for
the mastery, against the odds of wind and wave,
until two mighty fellows rise in awful majesty
above each gunwale. Up, up piles the fearful
wall of waters! Hope flees from these fer-
ror-stricken sons of the ocean, as they gaze on
the yawning gulf into which they have run.
Oh, who can tell the agony of that moment!

They think of the loved ones at home,—of that
lone mother bowed down with grief for the
loss of that faithful son,—that tender wife
wringing her hands in despair, as she lists to
the wall of the little ones calling for their
father.

They all stand aghast, as they behold the
expression of awe depicted on each other's
countenance, and the despairing cry of one is
heard:

"Ah, boys, we'll soon be gone!"
But the eye of a kind Providence was
watching over the tempest-tossed. An Al-
mighty hand appeared to grasp those mighty
waves, and say their natural course until the
trail bark had sprung up from the fearful val-
ley, high on the crest of another wave, freed
once more from the jaws of destruction.

Hope revives again; and O joyous sight!
there's "land a-head!" On, on they dash
over the warring waters. At last, they near
the land. Again dismay seizes them; for, as
far along the coast as the eye can reach, rise
frowning, jagged rocks, against which the bil-
lows lash and roar with redoubled fury. Oh,
how their hearts sink within them! But, lo!
high on the top of ponder rock, form after form
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Along a smooth harbor in the Faroe Island;
for such is its name. Towards the shore many
are gathered to meet them, whose hearts beat
with warmest sympathy for the weary fisher-
men.

The boat has scarcely touched the beach,
when a crowd of willing hands hoist her
ashore, far up on the sand. Our friends are
soon welcome to the warm hearths and hospi-
table boards of the Faroe Islanders. I doubt
not but that many a prayer of thankfulness
went up that night to the King Eternal for
His sparing mercies.—[From "New Dominion
Monthly," for May.]

Hints and Thoughts.

We frequently receive letters from young
contributors which are, to the accompan-
ing paper is a first effort, and has been hastily
written; but, if favorably received, will be
followed by others prepared with more care.
Now, if these young writers would but think
a moment, they would see that the first article
or poem requires, if possible, more care and
more attention than any succeeding ones—

Writers who have made their names great
can write as they please, and what they write
even though great trash, will be published and
eagerly read; but those who are not in this
position will find no care and no painstaking
to great anything which they desire to get in-
to print. If you wish to be successful, make
your work as perfect as possible, then copy it,
legibly, writing on one side of the paper only,
and numbering the pages. If it is a poem, or
a short piece it is far better to keep a copy
than to request its return. If, however, you
wish particularly to have it returned if not in-
serted, inclose an envelope, addressed to your-
self in full. Remember to write proper names
very distinctly, and be careful to mention in
your letter the title of the piece which you
send. It is accepted, it cannot generally
appear for two months, at any rate; and it
may be much longer before it can find its way
into the crowded pages of the magazine, es-
pecially if it is intended for any particular
column.

We require this because articles are
frequently accompanied by a request that they
may appear in the next number, when not one
of the next, but next again are so far com-
pleted, that nothing more can be inserted.

We would, besides this, venture to suggest
to some of our young contributors, that instead
of poems or essays on abstract subjects, they
would try their hand at writing stories for
children. The field is large, and if you write
naturally and simply there is great hope of suc-
cess.—[From "New Dominion Monthly," for May.]

A Good Recipe.

We have recipes innumerable for preserv-
ing all kinds of fruits for a long period.—
Here is one for preserving boys for a whole
lifetime—on the farm. Let every farmer who
has a boy try it. It is warranted to do no
harm.

Another thing: the boys want an interest
in the business, and the sooner you give them
an investment in the farm or its stock the
more likely you will be to make farmers of
them. It is true, the law gives you the right
to the avails of their labors until they reach
their majority. It may be true that these re-
sults are no more than a fair compensation for
the expenditure of parents and children.

The intercourse of parents and children
should not always be grandeur by the legal
scale. You do not want your son for a ser-
vant, but for a companion, and a support in
your declining years. You want to attach him
by affection and interest to the soil he cul-
tivates. Begin, then, early to identify his in-
terests with your business, as if he was under
no obligations to you. If he fancies stock, give
him what he fancies, and let the increase be his.
Especially encourage him to plant orchards
or vineyards of the most varieties of fruit.

Teach him to build, graft, prune, ripen and
market all the fruits of your climate. Furnish
him with all the books and facilities that he
needs to study and to practice pomology
and horticulture.

If properly encouraged, he will take an in-
terest in these things very early, and before
he is old enough to think of leaving your roof,
his tastes will be formed, and his course in
life will be determined. His heart will go
down into the soil with the roots of every fruit
tree that he plants, and the orchards and the
old homestead, or another glass by, will be his
paradise from which nothing but necessity can
drive him.

A gentleman, formerly of great wealth, recently
died in New York in poverty, to which he had
been reduced by the large sums which he had been
obliged to pay to hush up disgraceful accusations
against a couple of sons—his only children—to
whom he was tenderly attached. Years ago
his wife's sons were mere children, he used to
himself to make and save money for their sakes,
and they repaid him by bringing him down, broken-
hearted, to a pauper's grave.

Grand Jury Room,
April 13th, 1869.

The following persons were sworn in as
Grand Jurors:
Sam. Darling,
Geo. E. Egan,
Robt. Ray,
John Reynolds,
Thomas Harrison,
Wm. Thompson,
Isaiah Bridges,
M. D. Butler,
James Arvine,
Geo. Hamph,
Wm. Hartford,
Samuel Darling was chosen Foreman, and
N. T. Greathead, Secretary.

The Grand Jury inspected the Jail and
found no repairs immediately necessary. Upon
the suggestion of the High Sheriff they would
recommend the completion of four cells on the
lower flat, (now in an unfinished state,) and
also the immediate purchase of six pairs of hand-
cuffs and three pairs of shackles for use of pri-
soners. They think a little more ventilation
would be beneficial if it were possible. They
have also inspected the interior and exterior of
the Court House, and find large portions
of the roof in a dilapidated state, and would
recommend the same be reshingled.

COUNTY TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.
The County Treasurer's Accounts have
been examined and found correct.

ST. ANDREWS PARISH.
ROAD COMMISSIONER'S DISTRICT NO. 1.
The road commissioners accounts have been
examined and found correct with one excep-
tion. Commissioners charge expending \$600.
of \$500, at 5 per cent. It would only be
\$30.25. There is a sum of \$145.37 over and
above the amount authorized to be expended,
and the Grand Jury would recommend that
in future the Commissioner confine his expendi-
ture to the amount available for Road pur-
poses.

The Alms House Commissioners accounts
have been inspected and found correct.—
There are two charges for supplies, H. O'Neill
\$80 and \$90 which do not give bill of parti-
culars. A detailed statement showing the
working of the farm connected with the Work-
house with the profits arising therefrom should
be in the opinion of the Grand Jury be rendered.
Information as to the number of inmates, &c.,
should also be given, as it is impossible to form
any judgment as to the economical working of
the establishment without these particulars.

The Collector of Taxes has charged his
commission on the full amount of the Warrant,
viz.—\$1,351.78. The Grand Jury be-
lieve he is only entitled to his commission on
the amount actually collected.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.—ST. ANDREWS.
Accounts examined and found correct. This
account only shows the expenditure of the
last year with amounts drawn from the Sav-
ing's Bank to meet the same. There is no
statement showing the financial position of the
Department, neither any information respect-
ing the cost of a second hand Engine recently
purchased.

The following Parish Accounts have been
inspected and found generally to be correct:
Dunlopston, Pennfield, Grand Mann, St.
James, St. David, Lepreux, St. Patrick,
Campbell.

No accounts rendered from West Isles.
No accounts rendered from Upper Mills
District, St. Stephen.

COMMISSIONER OF HIGHWAYS, DISTRICT NO. 1.
On examining this account we find some
items charged as gold which we think judg-
ing from the prices charged, must be Ameri-
can currency, for instance we find a charge
for one K-g of nails \$5.55, also for 28lb spikes
at 6 cents per lb.

The Grand Jury condemn the practice of
the Road Commissioner performing the labor
himself, and would recommend that the work
be publicly sold as the law directs, and that
this method be enforced for the future to in-
clude the current year.

The Grand Jury cannot too strongly urge up-
on the Justices the necessity of compelling the
Road Commissioners to pay strict attention to
requirements of the law in these matters, and
that they be informed that accounts rendered
otherwise will not in future be accepted.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.—(MILLTOWN) ST. STE-
PHEN.
There is a charge in this account of \$300
paid to 50 men at \$6 each. This charge ap-
pears to the Grand Jury to be excessive.—
The fire companies in the town of St. An-
drews do not make a similar charge, the only
compensation to the men being a remission of
highway tax and exemption from being called
on for jury duty. It is also known that a number
of these men are absent from home during the
winter season, and that in case of a fire, those
in the neighborhood at the time are called upon
to perform their duty.

The sum of \$500 asked for the present year
the Grand Jury consider large; \$250 would

be ample especially in the absence of any
special reason being given for such a large
outlay. The account shows a balance of cash
on hand of \$61.74, which with the grant of
\$200, would give them a total of \$261.74 for
the year.

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S ACCOUNT ST. STEPHEN
CASH DISTRICT—No. 2.
C. B. Eaton's account. In this account we
find a charge of 2 1/2 per cent. on \$3,886.50, a
mounting to \$97.16. From the information
the Grand Jury have received from respect-
able members of their Board, they are of the
opinion this charge should not be allowed.

COLLECTORS OF RATES—DISTRICT NO. 1.
ST. STEPHEN
Mark Millbury the collector has overpaid
the Assessor \$4.47. Amount due him on \$2-
315.17 at 1 1/2 per cent. would be \$34.78.—
Paid Assessor \$39.16. The excess should not
be allowed.

Robert Clark paid two assessors \$8.68 over
the amount allowed by law, 1 1/2 per cent. on
\$425.37 is \$63.28, amount paid \$71.96, ex-
cess \$8.67 which should be disallowed.

ST. GEORGE PARISH.
The Alms House Commissioners accounts
have been examined and vouchers found to
agree with the same, with one exception: a
voucher wanting John Clayburn, furnished
Alms House \$18.61. The audit committee for
the Parish call attention to a number of over-
charges and irregularities in Mr. Moran, Alms
House Commissioner's account, but the Grand
Jury have failed to find any exception above
named.

Robert Sparks account \$86.21, vouchers
rendered for \$46.68, the balance is not account-
ed for with the proper vouchers. The audit
committee have also called the attention of the
Grand Jury to this fact. John Clayburn's ac-
count of \$91.45, proper vouchers required
for this expenditure. The Audit Committee for
this Parish made out a report upon the ac-
counts in general and the Grand Jury Leg-
islatory call the attention of the Justices to the same,
especially to the remarks relating to the un-
collected portion of the Taxes.

COUNTY ACCOUNTS.
The Grand Jury have examined the County
accounts and have also read the report of
Geo. S. Grimmer, Esq., Clerk of the Peace,
appointed by the Justices to audit the Coun-
ty, and we approve of the Report as given by
him, and we embody it and consider it part
of our own.

With reference to Mr. Grimmer's charges
for professional services rendered, the Grand
Jury would recommend the allowance of the
same providing the Magistrates consider the
services performed, are outside of, and do not
form a part of his duties as Clerk of the
Peace.

ESTIMATES FOR COUNTY CONTINGENCIES FOR
1869.
The Grand Jury would recommend the
estimate for expenses of the County for the
ensuing year, or such part thereof as may be
considered necessary.

The Grand Jury would recommend that no
licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating
liquors, for the present year.

The Grand Jury also recommend that in all
cases where parties have been convicted, and
fined for selling liquor contrary to law, that
such fines be not less than the amount charged
for license, and the same be fully enforced.

In conclusion the Grand Jury would re-
commend that in all cases when a complaint
is brought before a Magistrate and not sustain-
ed, the costs of the parties be enforced against
the complainant; they are also of opinion that
a little more economy might be in the ex-
penditure for County purposes, without im-
pairing the efficiency of the services required.

The Grand Jury would recommend that
this Report be published in the St. Andrews
Standard and St. Croix Courier.

All of which is respectfully submitted.
Signed,
SAM. DARLING, Foreman,
N. T. GREATHEAD, Secretary.

DEUTIES OF SOLDIERS.—A certain Confede-
rate regiment that served during the war in
the Western Department was commanded un-
til after the battle of Murfreesboro by a colo-
nel who was a foreigner by birth, but a soldier
by choice and education. He never learned
to use good English, but he had a short way
of expressing himself in impetuous excla-
mations that was quite as effective in convey-
ing his conclusions as his practiced sword was in
disabling an adversary. This anecdote is at-
tributed to him: Once, when some general of-
ficers were hesitating about making an impor-
tant but desperate movement, on account of the
loss of life it was likely to involve, he, happen-
ing to be present, bawled out: "What, kill
soldier! What soldier made for? Soldier
paid to be killed, py tam!"

At the battle of Murfreesboro, when a cer-
tain brigade was ordered forward, on Wed-
nesday, to assist in the attack on the Federal
right, the regiment commanded by the foreign
officer referred to met with such furious recep-
tion from "the boys of the West," as they

prided in calling themselves, that it wavered,
and was on the point of falling into confusion,
when, it is said, he instantly brought the men
to a sense of their duties and responsibilities
by dashing madly along the line, brandishing
his sabre over their heads, and shouting at the
top of his voice: "Go up, tam, men! Go up
tam! Py tam, 'do you want to live always?'"
—[Drawer, Harper's Magazine.]

PASTE THAT WILL KEEP A YEAR.—Dissolve
a teaspoonful of alum in a quart of warm wa-
ter. When cold, stir in as much flour as will
give it the consistency of thick cream, being
particular to beat up all the lumps; stir in as
much powdered resin as will stand on a dime,
and throw in half a dozen cloves to give it a
pleasant odor. Have on the fire a teaspoonful
of boiling water, pour the flour mixture into
it, stirring well all the time. In a very few
minutes it will be the consistency of mush—
Pour it into an earthen vessel to cool; lay a
cover on and put it in a cool place. When
needed for use, take out a portion, and soften
it with warm water. Paste thus made will
keep twelve months. It is better than gum,
as it does not gloss the paper, and can be writ-
ten on.

A poor woman in England, the keeper of a
market stall, seven years ago lost her little
child under such circumstances as to convince
her that a beggar had stolen it. All trace be-
ing lost, and the mother not having the means
to command the services of the detective police,
she gave up in the hope that somehow her
tramps about England, she might meet the
beggar and her lost daughter. At last her
wonder search has been rewarded, she has found
her child, now nine years old, and the beggar
has been taken in custody. The loss occurred
in Liverpool, the recovery in Manchester.—
Such incidents as these, which occasionally
come up in police reports, show how far is the
imagination of novelists from exhausting the
resources of the world.

DEATH OF A MILLIONAIRE.—Samuel Miller,
the richest man in Virginia, died at his home near
Lynchburg, on Saturday. He was the architect
of his own fortune, a man of remarkable com-
bination of commercial affairs, and though living in seclusion
on his farm, operated in all the great centres
of trade. The war greatly impaired his estate, yet
as it is, his wealth is estimated at \$3,000,000 of dol-
lars. It is not known how this has been disposed
of in his will, but \$192,000 in securities was left as
an endowment for a Female Orphan Asylum in
Lynchburg, and \$100,000 as a fund for a Chair of
Agriculture at the University of Virginia at Char-
lottesville.

Another monster blast has been made in
California by which a mountain was demol-
ished. A tunnel 570 feet in length was made
and 1200 kegs of powder placed in it. A
young lady was chosen to establish the electric
current by which the charge was touched off.
The mountain was thoroughly shattered.

The Early Rose spring from seeds in a po-
tato cell. From the seeds of that one ball
seven kinds of potatoes have been raised; and
what is stranger than all this, each of the seven va-
rieties is excellent in its way.

The consumption of tea in the United States
amounts to more than 30,000,000 pounds per
annum, or nearly one pound each for every
man, woman and child in the country.

By putting a little borax into cold water, it
will be found that Daniel will not only come
out better cleansed, but there will absolutely
be no shrinking.

"Bill, you have been courting that girl long
enough. Why don't you pop the question?"
"I have." "What did she say?" "Oh,—well
—I've got the 'reel-salt' her."

"From Ocean to Ocean, no Transfer, is
pointed on a bed of freight cars, now building
in Illinois.

Why is the washerwoman the most cruel
person in the world? Because she daily
wrings men's bosoms.

During the past twelve months the French
custom house returns show that a million
francs' worth of velocipedes have been ex-
ported.

A coloured boy has been appointed as one of the
pages in the New York Legislature; and a factional
editor remarks that this is not the first dark page in
the history of that body.

Re's last trick was to throw Mrs. Parington's
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