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Poetry.

The Angels' Song.

It came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
From angels bending near the earth
To touch their harps of gold:
"Peace to the earth, good-will to men
From heaven's all-gracious King!"
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.

Yet with the woes of sin and strife
The world has suffered long;
Beneath the angel-strain have rolled
Two thousand years of wrong;
And man, at war with man, hears not
The love-song which they bring:
Oh! hush the noise, ye men of strife,
And hear the angels sing!

And ye, beneath life's crushing load
Whose forms are bending low;
Who toil along the climbing way
With painful steps and slow,—
Look now! for glad and golden hours
Come swiftly on the wing:
Oh! rest beside the weary road,
And hear the angels sing.

For lo! the days are hastening on,
By prophet bards foretold,
When with the ever-circling years
Comes round the age of gold;
When Peace shall over all the earth
Its ancient splendours fling
And the whole world send back the song
Which now the angels sing.

The Telegram.

"I didn't say a great many words," said John Macklefresh in a glum, grinding sort of a way, "but I guess it'll cut."

"I wish ye hadn't writ so hard, John," said his wife, pleadingly. "Twas all the worse for bein' so short. Your brothers and I don't never mean to believe that Samuel meant to cheat ye out o' that \$200."

"What did he mean then?" snapped her husband fiercely, his square, dogged chin in the air as he combed his whiskers upward, a favorite action of his when he felt particularly pugnacious.

Mrs. Macklefresh turned one of the long stockings she was darning from heel to toe and back again before she answered:

"Didn't mean nothin', husband," she answered softly. "We're all feller-

mottles. Some of us is human some-time. Thought he'd pay ye, I expect, when he borryed it. Then he could'n't, that's all."

"I dunno' anything about 'couldn't's; I know about 'didn't,'" said John Macklefresh doggedly, still combing that perverse chin into the air. This I know, he's got the two hundred, and I hasn't, and I'll never—"

"Don't, John, dear!" interrupted his meek little wife.

"Well, bein' a deacon and a—"

"Christian" suggested his wife, seeing he skipped that hard word.

"I s'pose I can't say I won't forgive him. But they ain't no commands between the led's of that air Book about—"

"Twenty-five cents to pay" said a small, business-like voice at the door. Mrs. Macklefresh turned the rough, brown envelope over fearfully in her hands, trembling as people do, at telegrams. I wonder if the telegraph boys ever get used to it.

"Don't be bothering, Alice," said her husband, pushing her away, not ungently, though his words were rough as usual.

This is what he read when he had torn a thin outlet at the end of the envelope:

"Your brother Samuel died this morning. Come at once."

The Western Union Telegraph Company has a good deal to answer for—but then so have a great many other people. John Macklefresh did not swoon away on the door-step, or throw up his hands with a piercing cry, or any of those things. He mechanically took out a quater from his loose change pocket, careful even in this moment to count the pennies given in change, shut the door, handed the dispatch to his wife, and walked away to the window. It was only his heart fainted. This, then, had come to the man he had said, but a moment ago, he would never—

no, no, not that; he didn't say that—

Alice had stopped him, you know. Besides he was a deacon and a—Christian?

Alice had said so.

But then he couldn't forget. That was what he had been going to say when the door opened. The Bible don't ask that. Or, does, it when it speaks of God cast'ng our sins into the depths of the sea—behind his back—remember-

ing them no more against us. Forget?

What was there to forget? He had lent his brother \$200. Might have given it to him and never missed it.

Under his remorseful eye his great fields stretched away, white now with snow,—white as the soul God had forgiven, but yellow enough he knew as the summer came on, yellow as the gold they would bring to pocket. Those few poor, pitiful hill-sides of Samuel's! Why hadn't he given it to him right out and saved hard feelings? There was Johnny (named for him) wanting to go to college ever since he was out of petticoats. Suppose he had given it to him.

Misery—misery of remembering unkindness when too late! And then that cutting letter! Had it reached him before he died, or was it only his poor stricken brother's family that would read the brief harsh words?

He turned to his wife who sat holding the dreadful envelope, sad, doubting if she would be wise to speak yet to him.

"Get your things on, will ye," he said in a voice that sounded dry and harsh even to himself. "I'll be round with old Billy to the front door. Wrap up warm and take a soapstone. I'll have the buffaloes. It's mortal cold."

She was ready and waiting when he brought Billy around. The house could take care of its-elf. She locked it.

They had some sixty miles to ride. In the course of it his tongue became somewhat loosened, and he told in broken and jerky sentences into her sympathetic ear what little of the chaotic grief and remorse he was able to put into words.

"My brother, after all. Used to play together when we were little. Hum, hum."

A man grows very tender when he goes back to the days when he was "little."

"Bought me a pair o' skates once when I wanted some. Older than me—Samuel was always a making me kites and whistles and all s'en rattle-traps. Never could seem to get along. Big family? Yes. I ought to have helped him. Ain't a man livin' could scratch anything but moss off them rocks he calls a farm. I'll help the boy—see if I don't."

It was a long, cold ride. Mrs. Macklefresh wrapped the buffaloes higher and higher till at last she was quite ex-

tinguished in their folds, and her husband thought on drearily alone.

Almost there. The house is in sight. A long, long, unpainted affair. The old st inhabitant could not remember when its owner had had money enough to paint it. Here at last. "Who's that, Billy! You remember the old hitching post though it is so long since you've stopped at it. There hasn't been much visiting lately. Remember how brother used to rush out in his old blue coat, Alice, and—"

"Why, John! Why, John!"

Mrs. Macklefresh rose up out of her enveloping furs like a startled Esquimaux. She pinched her husband's arm hysterically, he in his turn, rubbed his eyes half out at the sight of the apparition that confronted them.

"Come in! come in!" it cried cordially. "You must be half frozen, both of you."

"How do you come here?" said John Macklefresh, fearfully, not stirring a step in answer to his invitation.

"How do you come, I should say," returned brother Samuel, for it was he, blue coat, brass buttons and all. Come, are you dead? You act so.

"No," broke in Mrs. John, who had found a tongue, "but we thought you were. It said so—the telegraph did. We came up to the funeral!"

And so, between hysterical tears and laughter and questions that nobody pretended to answer, they unloaded and got into the house. At least Mrs. John. The two brothers sidled off behind the barn. There John got hold of brother Samuel's hand and shook it silently and solemnly, while the strong tears ran down both their rugged faces. Neither offered or asked explanations. In that moment their hearts spoke plainly enough. "This my 'brother' was dead and is alive again."

In the house they went to work more reasonably to unravel the mystery. Mrs. John showed them the telegram.

"I see!" cried one of them with a sudden light, "there's a Samuel Macklefresh down at the Four Corners, and I did hear he was very low last week. He's got a brother John, too, but I didn't know he lived in your town. Now he won't get it. Ain't that too bad?"

The brothers now came in wiping.

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A SUGGESTION.

During the last few months the potato question has been the one next to "didactics" that has occupied the top shelf in the farmers' mind.

We have been thinking the matter over and the present state of affairs brings to us the fact that we should have some market at home for our potato crop.

Of course we are too young in business matters to understand thoroughly the drawbacks and oppositions which would offer to such measures but it occurred to us that perhaps a starch or similar factory by which our crops could be utilized ought to pay. Any way it should be worth the careful calculation and consideration of our capitalists perhaps better the Grangers in the county.

Anything that will make a demand for the produce of our county should be hailed with delight by all, and any suggestion should not be thrown aside without careful attention. When others refuse or are unable to help us we must help ourselves.

Our columns are open to any who wish to discuss this or any other much needed reforms. Let us hear from you.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Why couldn't some of our young people start a Dramatic or similar Literary Club here this winter, thus helping to pass the dreary months more pleasantly?

Our attention has again been called to the matter of having our side walks cleared of snow. Any person who has ladies in his family ought surely to see and appreciate the need of some way of overcoming this difficulty. If our men are too lazy to go out and shovel snow themselves, then let them make up a fund and have a snow-plough built and pay a man to clear the side walks after every storm.

Reform is badly needed in this direction, and we appeal to those who have the comfort of the village and of themselves at heart to make some move toward the accomplishment of the

necessary arrangements for the furtherance of this matter.

In connection with the above we would further say that the fun of tying teams across the side walks is still indulged in to some extent. Of course piling the teams up in the street and turning them loose would be contrary to law and very naughty, but it would be apt to stop this dangerous practice.

The *Hants Journal* is complaining because the *Western Chronicle* appropriated one of its items without giving credit for it.

Why that is nothing. On two occasions the *W. C.* has used parts of our editorials merely changing the wording a little. They are used to that sort of thing there and all one can do is take it and say nothing or else get abused for asserting your rights.

Neither Mr. Woodworth or any one else has taken the trouble to enlighten us about the new wharf matter. Perhaps they think that as it is only the "Acadian" that asks it is not worth their while to reply. They probably forget that we are representing one of the best towns in the county and that we ask for the information of some of our subscribers who might be of some value perhaps were an election to make its appearance at any time.

Don't despise little things for sometimes "the weak things of the world are used to confound the mighty." See?

ROWDYISM.—For weeks the painful truth has been steadily forced upon us that this dire calamity is become far too prevalent in King's Co. Kentville is full of it, we have had perhaps a small proportion, but enough to greatly injure the name of our village abroad. Horton has become noted for it, Canning has a large share of it and in fact all through the county the evil influence largely the work of alcoholic liquors is severely felt. What is to be done? No one seems to have any authority to stop it, and if individuals try to protect themselves by resort to the law, they are looked upon even by those who should know better, as oppressors of the poor man who because he is under the influence of liquor is not responsible for his act. Is not this wrong? We think so. But not until those who have influence go to work can this course be stopped. Let all men worthy of the name take a stand now and demand some way of keeping rowdyism in check, or else give us mob law and work on the Texas plan of every man for himself, and all protect themselves as they see fit. Then we imagine the thing will work its own cure.

GENERAL NEWS.

The Queen has prorogued Parliament until Feb. 5th.

Earl Spencer has refused to reprieve Poole the murderer of Kinney.

A statue of Mr. Gladstone was unveiled in the City Liberal Club room in London Dec. 14th.

J. L. Murphy, of Guelph Ont., charged with promoting and carrying on a lottery was fined \$20.00 and costs on 18th inst. Notice of appeal was given.

The Republican National Convention, to prepare for the next Presidential election, will meet in Chicago on the 3rd. June next.

A Hurricane in the Province of Alicante, Spain, uprooted 400 olive trees. An immense sea demolished the quays at Denia, flooded the town and wrecked fourteen vessels.

Five Gambling houses were raided in Chicago the other day, and eighty keepers and inmates were arrested and the apparatus seized.

Sir John Glover has been appointed Governor of Newfoundland in place of Sir Henry Maxse, deceased. This is the second time Sir John will occupy the position.

The commercial Cable Co. with a capital of \$4,000,000. has been incorporated in Albany N. Y. with the object of constructing lines to all parts of the U. S., Europe, West Indies and South America.

The Parliament Buildings of Canada are to be lighted with electricity at next Session, except the legislative chamber where the light will not be changed until the new system is thoroughly tested in other parts of the building.

A Bill introduced into the House of Representatives, Washington, requests the President to negotiate with Great Britain for a renewal of the Reciprocity Treaty of 1854 with Canada.

Tennyson the poet has been raised to the Peerage with the title of Baron Tennyson D'Erncourt of Aldworth.

O'Donnel, Carey's murderer, paid the penalty of his crime on the 17th inst. He declined assistance in ascending the scaffold and was perfectly calm and looked around unconcernedly. Birds were self-possessed and pulled the lever as the neighboring clocks were striking eight. O'Donnel fell eight feet.

R. PRAT

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Local and other Matters.

Begin the new year by subscribing for the ACADIAN!

THE RINK.—The Skating Rink opened on Christmas day with fair attendance afternoon and evening.

Persons desiring permanent board may secure the same at Mrs. Henry Brown's, Wolfville—where large and well furnished rooms with good board are offered at a reasonable figure.

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D. A. Munro.
Wolfville, Oct. 12th, 1883.

WEATHER.—The weather during the last week has been of such great and rich variety that Nova Scotians are all proud of it. Rain, Cold, Cold and Stormy, Cold and Stormiest, Fair, very Fair, Cloudy, Misty, Foggy, Rainy, Snow most all gone, such is a short concise and thoroughly authentic record of the weather during the last eleven days. In fact we might, would space permit, have gone back some three weeks farther but it would have been largely a repetition of this week. On Sunday 23rd, the thermometer stood at 12 degrees below zero. All these things have exerted a somewhat dampening influence upon trade and consequently the Xmas rush this year was not quite as large as last year.

Local and other Matters.

The Municipal Council meets for the transaction of business on Tuesday the 8th day of January, next at Kentville.

Wolfville Division S. of T. gave a very enjoyable entertainment to invited friends on Monday evening 17th inst. Some excellent speeches were made, good music was sang. Readings, recitations, confectionery, raisins and fruit mixed, filled up the balance of the programme. All appeared well pleased with the evening's amusement.

XMAS DAY.—The Feast day of the season has passed very quietly as usual. A few got drunk but no rowdiness was indulged in and all voted Xmas '83 as the quietest ever seen here. The day was one of the most pleasant of the season and lots of sleigh driving was done by the fortunate possessors of good teams. The Rink also was well patronized.

We have the pleasure this week of recording two of those interesting events which go so far towards the happiness of mankind. On Wednesday afternoon Mr. Wm. A. Woodman and Miss Ida W. Faulkner proceeded to the Baptist Church accompanied by numerous friends and being met by Rev. Dr. deBlois the interesting ceremony was performed which made them man and wife. We wish them long life and much happiness.

The other couple made happy were Mr. L. F. Hamlin of Pictou and Miss Elizabeth R. Johnson of Wolfville. They too have our congratulations.

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D. A. MUNRO, Proprietor
Wolfville, Dec 17th, 1883.

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STOVES! STOVES!!

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WOLFVILLE N. S.

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 very suspicious tears with their countenances. They sat talking over the candle ends, while the village post came rattling by, tossing the mail at them as they sat at the window. Some one rushed out to get it, but seized with a sudden impulse John Mackle fresh dashed off just him and secured it himself. He sat glancing about him he stuffed the thin epistle into his own pocket. It was the "cutting" letter.
 That'll keep to the day o' judgment," he muttered rejoicingly. "I'll write him a receipt in full for the two hundred—gins! I'm a deacon and a Christian!"

Impudent little boy (to a very fat old gentleman, who is trying to get along as fast as he can, but with very different success): "I say, old fellow, you would get on a jolly sight quicker if you would lie down on the pavement, and let me roll you along."

**W. & A. Railway
 Time Table.**

1883—Winter Arrangement—1884
 Commencing Monday, 16th Dec.

GOING EAST	Accm. Daily	Accm. T & S	Exp. Daily
Annapolis Leave		6 15	1 15
St. John's		7 15	2 05
St. John's		8 10	2 45
St. John's		9 15	3 30
St. John's		9 30	3 45
St. John's		9 50	3 57
St. John's	6 00	11 15	4 35
St. John's	6 20	11 35	4 51
St. John's	6 30	11 44	5 00
St. John's	6 43	11 57	5 11
St. John's	6 55	12 10	5 23
St. John's	7 12	12 30	5 38
St. John's	8 00	1 30	6 00
St. John's	10 15	4 00	7 30
St. John's	11 00	4 40	8 00

GOING WEST	Exp. Daily	Accm. M W F	Accm. Daily
St. John's	7 15	7 00	3 30
St. John's	7 55	7 22	3 30
St. John's	8 15	10 15	3 30
St. John's	9 40	10 44	6 01
St. John's	9 55	11 02	6 16
St. John's	10 05	11 15	6 23
St. John's	10 17	11 30	6 40
St. John's	10 25	11 40	6 50
St. John's	11 00	12 30	7 30
St. John's	11 27	1 05	
St. John's	11 36	1 15	
St. John's	11 50	1 40	
St. John's	12 30	2 50	
St. John's	1 15	3 50	
St. John's	2 00	4 45	

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 P. Jones,
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 December 16th 1883

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Wolfville, Sept 24th 1883.

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