

A Bloome lady who appeared in Brooklyn the other day was stopped by an important little Irish boy, who wanted to black her boots. "Boots blacked, sir! shall I shine 'em up, sir!"

SEE THEM WHEN THE TWILIGHT FOLDS.

I see them when the twilight folds
 Its robes of silver gray,
 Soft as an angel's wing,
 Above the sleeping day,
 When silence broods o'er land and sea,
 My heart flies fondly back to thee.
 Love of rebels 'gainst fate's decree,
 Though duty bade us part,
 Bade each to walk life's weary way
 With a divided heart;
 And twilight oft brings back the past—
 The happy hours too bright too fast.
 When borne on memory's airy wings,
 My thoughts go back to thee,
 I know that twilight to these brings
 Thoughts of the past and me;
 It brings the words so fraught with pain
 To both: We may not meet again.
 And yet, though bitter is the thought,
 Perhaps 'twas best to part,
 Ere cold distrust had banished love,
 Or time had chilled the heart;
 For now we only know we meet
 To love, to part, but not forget.
 When twilight's sombre shadows creep
 O'er life's declining day,
 When burst our prison doors,
 And break their bands of day,
 At last we may be near
 Through worlds of light for evermore.

Prohibition of the Exportation of COAL TO CANADA.

We find the following paragraph going the rounds of our American exchanges:
 "One of our coal merchants informs us that he received notice yesterday from a Government official, forbidding any further exportation of coal to Canada. The trade in this line has heretofore been immense, supplying a pressing want of our Provincial neighbors, and constituting a profitable business to several extensive dealers on this side. The sudden embargo is not understood. What does it mean?"—*Quebec Palladium*.
 This is what it means: Canada imports all her anthracite coal from the United States and during the past two years the coal merchants of Canada have been doing a thriving business in supplying the steamers engaged as blockade runners, at Newau, with United States anthracite coal, without which they could not escape the vigilance of our blockading fleets, as bituminous coal would make too much smoke. Last summer the attention of the United States Government was called to this trade, and it has now properly been stopped. We are sorry for the "pressing want" of our Provincial neighbors, but before they get any more coal they must limit their operations. Uncle Sam is liberal, but it is too much to ask him to send the English blockade runners that will enable them to supply the rebels with the munitions of war.—*Chicago Tribune*.
 We cannot believe that the statements contained in the above paragraph are true, they involve such manifest absurdities. In the first place, Canada has not supplied blockade runners with anthracite coal. The trade and navigation returns for 1863 have not yet been published, but in 1862, not a single barrel of coal was sent to the "pressing want" of our Provincial neighbors. Furthermore, coal is among the products, free importation of which is guaranteed by the Reciprocity Treaty.—*Globe*.

THE LAST OF THE LOYALISTS.

Mr. Archibald Crawford who died on Monday last at Musquodoboit Harbor in the 101 year of his age, was a native of South Carolina, and of Scottish parentage. He was a Loyalist, and witnessed the first American Revolution, and when the great revolution was over young Crawford and his parents made the best of their way to Nova Scotia, in order to preserve their allegiance to George III. He lived for many years on the Musquodoboit River near Crawford Falls, where his hospitality was often enjoyed by travellers. From this place he removed to Porter's Lake, where his house was always the home of Presbyterian clergymen of standing there. For the last few years he lived with his grandchildren at Musquodoboit Harbor. His wife who died about five years ago was also a Loyalist. Mr. Crawford was probably the last of the Refuge Loyalists in the Province. He has a clear recollection of all the stirring times when the great Republic first took its place among the nations; and he survived two years the existence of the Union.—*Halifax Reporter*.

Of all the Percy family the noblest is Percy Vere, (persevere), and the most cruel Percy Cate (persecute).

The fuel question has been solved in Minnesota by the discovery of immense beds of peat near St. Paul. It is said to burn as well as a grate as coal, and can be furnished for from two to three dollars per cord.

There are 480 lions running in Massachusetts making belmoral skirts.

Why are bachelors like criminals? Because they hate to go into court.

What is the difference between a good soldier and a fashionable young lady? One faces the powder and the other powders the face!

When was a newspaper reader be said to have a voracious appetite? When he devours the Post and swallows the Globe!

Why is Mount Vesuvius like a newspaper establishment? Because it sends forth columns of smoke and volumes of gas.

Why is a man who beats his wife like an exquisitely formed dog? Because he's a perfect brute.

Cash Wanted AT ARNPRIOR

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 4th January, 1864.

THE Municipal Council of Pakenham, will meet in the Town Hall, on SATURDAY, the 20th instant, at Ten o'clock, Forenoon, for the purpose of appointing Overseers of Highways and other Township Officers, and to transact such other business as may be brought before them.
 Parties interested in the appointments are requested to attend.
 Parties intending to take out Tavern Licenses for the current year, will please hand in their petitions at the said meeting.
 JAMES CONNERY,
 Town Clerk.
 Pakenham, Feb. 5th, 1864. 22

Notice.
 THE Municipal Council of the Township of Ramsey will hold a meeting in the Township Hall on Friday, the 26th inst., at 10 o'clock forenoon.
 Inspectors desirous of renewing their licenses are requested to present their petitions in accordance with the Statute.
 All persons having business therewith are required to be in attendance.
 DAVID CAMPBELL,
 Town Clerk.
 Ramsey, 4th Feb., 1864. 22

Notice.
 A SOIREE will be held in the new Presbyterian Church, Almonte, on WEDNESDAY, 17th inst., at 7 p.m., when several addresses will be delivered by gentlemen from a distance.
 A good Choir of Vocal and Instrumental music will be in attendance.
 Refreshments will be served at 7½.
 Admission 1s 2d each.
 The proceeds to be applied to the completion of the church.
 Almonte, 8th Feb., 1864. 22a