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Poetrn.

THE LANGUAGE OF FLOWERS.

In Eastern lands they talk in flowers, And they tell in a garland their love and cares; Each bloesom that blooms in their garden bowers, On its leaves a mystic language bears.

The rose is the sign of joy and love, Young blushing love in its carliest dawn; And the mikiness that suits the genile dure, From the myrtle's snowy flower is drawn

Innocence dwells in the lily's bell,
Pure as the heart in its native heaven;
Fame's bright sur, and glory's swell,
lly the glossy leaf of the bay are given.

The silent, soft, and humble heart, In violet's hidden sweetness breathes; And the tender soul that cannot part, A twine or evergreen fondly wreathes.

The cypress that darkly shades the grave,
The sorrow that mourns us bitter lot;
And fakh that a thousand illecan brave,
Speak in thy blue leaves—Forget-me-not.
Then gather a wreath from the garden bowers,
And tell the wish of thy heart in flowers
Prectvat.

SONGS OF THE FLOWER SPIRITS.

STEALTHILY, stealthily up to the light,
When his gleaming wand first passes,
We errep in our curnents of dazzling white
Ere the vernal leaves and grasses.

And the sun looks down with a wondering gaze, As if in earth's bloomless bowers, "Twere the wireln now of the winter days That has word under all to kovers."

And we lift our ice-crowned heads to feel. The warmth of his proud caress, For each kies he gives is a magic seal. Of strength and loveliness.

CROCURER.

From prison and gloom, and the ruthlescold, We struggle and part and are free, And the noonday is riding our leaves for gold, But at night right warily.

We'll close the gay woof of our stainless domes, Lest the frost with his shining feet, Should wander within, and our fairy homes Become his winding sheet.

See, green swards bristle around us well, And the crisp snows drift away, And a trench lies round our citadel— "Tissufe as in rosy day.

Literature.

A TERRIBLY STRANGE BED.

(Concluded from our last.)

In the nervous unsettled state of my mind at that moment, I found it much easier to make my proposed inventory, than to make my proposed reflections, and soon gave up all hope of thinking in Lo Maistre's fanciful track—or, indeed thinking at all. I looked about the room at the different articles of furniture, and did nothing more. There was first, the bed I was lying in—a four post bed, of all things in the world to meet with in Paris!—yes a thorough clumsy British four poster, with the regular top lined with chintz the regular fringed valance all around-

drawn back against the posts without particularly noticing the bed when I first got into the room. Then there was the marble topped washhand-stand, from which the water I had spilt in my hurry to pour it out, was still dripping slowly and more slowly, on the brick floor. Then two small chairs, with my coat, waistcoat, and trowsers flung on them. Then, a large elbow chair covered with dirty white dimity with my cravat and shirt-collar thrown over the back. Then, a chest of drawers, with two of the brass handles off, and a tawdry, broken china inkstand placed on it by way of ornament for the top. Then, the dressing table, adorned by a very small looking glass, and a very large pincushion. and a very large pincushion. Then, the window—an unusually large window. Then, a dark old picture, which the feeble candle dimly showed me. It was the picture of a fellow in a high Spanish hat, crowned with a plume of towering feathers. A swarthy sinister ruffian, looking upward, shading his eyes with his hand and loking intently upward—it might be at some tall gallows on which he was going to be hanged. At any rate he had the appearance of thoroughly deserving it.

This picture put a kind of constraint upon me to look upward too—at the top of the bed. It was a gloomy and not an interesting object and I looked back at the picture. I counted the feathers in the man's hat; they stood out in relief: three. white; two, green. I observed the crown of his hat, which was of a conical shape, according to the fashion supposed to have been favoured by Guido Fawkes. I wondered what he was looking up at. It couldn't be at the stars; such a desperado was neither astrologer nor astronomer. must be at the high gallows, and he was going to be hanged presently. Would the executioner come into possession of his conical crowned hat, and plume of feathers? I counted the feathers again; three, white: two, green.

While I still lingered over this very improving and intellectual employment, my thoughts insensibly began to wander. moonlight shining into the room reminded me of a certain moonlight night in Eng-land— the night after a pic-nic party in a Welsh valley. Every incident of the drive homeward through lovely scenery, which the moonlight mude lovelier than ever, came back to my remembrance, though I had never given the pic-nic a thought for years; though, if I had tried to recollect it I could certainly have recalled little or nothing of that scene long past. Of all the wonderful faculties that help to tell us we are immortal, which speaks the sublime truth more eloquently than memory? Here was I, in a strange house of the most suspicious character, in a situation of uncertainty, and even of peril, which might seem to make the cool exercise of my recollection almost out of the question; nevertheless remembering, quite involuntarily, places, people, conversations, minute circumstances of every kind, which I the regular stifling, unwholesome curtains, had thought forgotten for ever, which I could hife in me, which I remembered having mechanically not possibly have recalled at will, even under in my eyes.

the most favourable auspices. And what cause had produced in a moment the whole of this strange, complicated, mysterious effect? Nothing but some rays of moon-light shining in at my bed-room window.

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I was still thinking of the pic-nic, of our merriment on the drive home, of the sentimental young lady who scould quote Childe Harold because it was moonlight. I was absorbed by these past scenes and accessments, when in an instant the thread on which my memories hung snapped asunder, my attention immediately came back to present things, more vividly than ever, and I found myself, I nether knew why nor wherefore, looking hard at the picture again.

Looking for what ! Good God, the man had pulled his hat down on his brows!—No! The hat itself was gone! Where was the conical crown? Where the feathers, three white; two green! Not there! In place of the hat and feathers, what dusky object was it that now hid his forchead—his eyes—his shading hand! Was the bed moving ?

I turned on my back, and looked up. Was I mad? drunk? dreaming? giddy again? or, was the top of the bed really moving down sinking slowly, regularly, silently, horribly, right down throughout the whole of its length and breadth-right down upon Me, as I lay underneath?

My blood seemed to stand still; a deadly, paralysing coldness stole all over me, as I turned my head round on the pillow, and determined to test whether the bed-top was really moving, or not, by keeping my eye on the man in the picture. The next look in that direction was enough. The dull, black, frowsy outline of the valance above me was within an inch of being parallel with his waist. I still looked brenthlessly. And steadily and slowly-very slowly-I saw the figure, and the line of frame below the figure, vanish, as the valance moved down before it.

I am constitutionally, anything but timid. I have been, on more than one occasion, in peril of my life, and have not lost my self-possession for an instant; but, when the conviction first settled on my mind that the bed-top was really moving, was steadily and continuously sinking down upon me, I looked up for one awful minute, or more, shuddering, helpless panic-stricken, beneath the hideous machinery for murder, which was advancing closer and closer to suffocate me where I lay.

Then the instinct of self-preservation came, and nerved me to save my life, while there was yet time, I got out of bed very quietly, and quickly drossed myself again in my upper clothing. The candle, fully spent, went out. I sat down in the arm-chair that stood near, and watched the bed-top slowly descending. I was literally spell bound by it. If I had heard footsteps behind me, I could not have turned round; if a means of escape had been miraculously provided for me, I could not have moved to take advantage of it. The whole life in me, was at that moment, concentrated

fringe round it, came down-down-close down; so close that there was not room now to squeeze my finger between the bed-top and the bed. I felt at the sides, and discovered that what had appeared to me, from beneath, to be the ordinary light emopy of a four-post bed was in reality a thick, broad mattress, the substance of which was concealed by the valance and its trings. I hooked up and saw the four pests rising hideously bare. In the middle of the best-top was a huge worden screw that had exdently worked it down through a hole in the celling, just as ordinary presess are worked down on the substance selected for compression. The frightful apparatus moved without making the fatutest noise. There had been no craking as it came down; there was now not the faintest sound from the room above. Amid a dead and awful silence I beheld before me—in the pineteenth century, and in the civilised capital of France—such a machine for secret murder by suffocation, as might have existed in the worst days of the inquiestion, in the lonely line among the Hartz Mountains, in the invision tribunals of Westphalia! Still, as I looked on it, I could not move, I could hardly breathe; but I began to recover the power of thinking, and, in a moment I discovered the munderous conspiracy framed against me, in all

My cup of coffee had been drugged, and drugged too strongly. I had been saved from being smothered, by having taken an ovenlose of some parcotic. How I had chafed and fretted at the narcotic. How I had chafed and freited at the fever fit which had preserved my life by keeping me awake! How recklessly I had confided myself to the two wretches who had led me into this room, determined, for the sake of my winnings, to kill me in my sleep, by the surest and most horri-ble contrivances for secretly accomplishing my destruction! How many men, winners like me, had slept, as I had proposed to sleep, in that bed; and never been seen or heard of more! I shud-

dered as I thought of it.

But, ere long, all thought was nead suspended by the sight of the mucderou canopy moving ones more. After it had remained on the bed—as ones more. After it nad remailed on the best-ass nearly as I could guess—about ten minutes it began to more up again. The villains, who worked it from above, evidently believed that their purpose was now accomplished. Slowly and silently as it had descended, that horrible bed-top rose towards its former place. When it reached the upper extremities of the four posts, it reached the eviling too. Neither hole nor screw could be seen per extending too. Neither hole nor serew could be seen—the bal breams, in appearance, an ordinary bed again, the canopy, an ordinary canopy, even to the most suspicious eyes.

Now, for the first time, I was able to move, to rise from my chair, to consider of how I should escaps. If I betrayed, by the smallest noise, that the attempt to sufficate me had failed, I was certhe attempt to suffocate me had fatted, I was certain to be munlered. Had I made any noise already? I listened intently, looking towards the door. Not no footsteps in the passage outside, no sound of a tread, light or heavy, in the room above—absolute silence everywhere. Besides locking and bolting my door, I had moved an old woolen chest against it, which I had found under the bell. To serve this chest further them. the bed. To remove this chest (my blood ran cold, as I thought what its contents might be !) without making some disturbance, was impossi ble; and moreover, to think of escaping through the house, now barred-up for the night, was sheer insanity. Only one chance was left me—the window. I stole to it on tiptoe.

My bedroom was on the first floor, above an entread, and looked into the back street, which you have sketched in your view. I raised my you have sketched in your view. I raised my hand to open the window, knowing that on that action hung, by the merest hair's-breadth, my chance of safety. They keep vigilant watch in a House of Murder—if any part of the frame cracked, if the hinge creaked, I was perhaps, a lost man! It must have occupied me at least five minutes, reckoning by time—five hours, reckoning by suspense—to open that window, I suc-

It descended—the whole canopy, with the ceeded in doing it silently, in doing it with all the dexterity of a house-breaker; and then looked down into the street. To leap the distance bedown into the street. To leap the distance be-neath me, would be almost certain destruction. Next, I looked round at the sides of the house Down the left side, ran the thick water-pipe which you have drawn-it passed close to the outer edge of the window. The moment I saw the pipe, I knew I was saved my breath came and went freely for the first time since I had seen the canopy of the bed moving down upon me!

To some men, the means of escape which I had discovered might have seemed difficult and dangerous enough—to me the prospect of slipping down the pipe into the street did not suggest even a thought of peril. I had always been accustoma thought of peril. I and always occur accusion-oil, by the practice of gymnastics, to keep up my schoolboy powers as a daring and expert elimber; and I knew that my head, hands, and feet would serve me faithfully in any hazards of ascent or descent. I had already got one leg over the win-dow-sill, when I remembered the handkerchief. filled with money, under my pillow. I could well have affonded to leave it behind me; but I was revengefully determined that the miscreants of the gambling-house should miss their plunder as well as their victim. So I went back to the bed, and tivel the heavy handkerchief at my back by my cravat. Just as I had made it tight, and fixed it in a comfortable place, I thought I heard a sound of breathing outside the door. The chill feeling of horror ran through me again as I listened. Not dead silence still in the passage—I had only heard the night air blowing softly into the room. The next moment, I was on the window-sill-and the next I had a firm grip on the water-pipe with iny hands and knees.

I slid down into the street easily and quietly, as I thought I should, and immediately set off, at as I thought I should, and immediately set off, at the top of my speed, to a branch "Prefecture" of Police, which I knew was situated in the immediate neighbourhood. A "Sub-Prefect" and several picked men among his subordinates, happened to be up, maturing, I believe, some scheme in discovering the perpetrator of a mysterion-munker, which all Paris was talking of just then. When I began my story, in a breathless hurry and in very bid French. I could see that the Sub-Prefect suspected me of being a drunken Englishman, who had robbed somebody, but he soon alman, who had robbed somebody, but he soon al-tered his opinion, as I went on; and before I had anything like concluded, he shoved all the papers before him into a drawer, put on his hat, supplied me with another (for I was bare-headed), ordered a file of soldiers, desired his expert followers to get ready all sorts of tools for breaking open doors and ripping-up brick flooring, and took my arm, in the most friendly and familiar manner possible, to lead me with him out of the house. I will venture to say, that when the Sub-Prefect was a little boy, and was taken for the first time to the Play, he was not half as much pleased as he was now at the job in prospect for him at the "Gambling

Away we went through the streets, the Sub-Prefect cross-examining and congratulating me in the same breath, as we marched at the head of our formidable posse comitatus. Sentinels were placed at the back and front of the gambling-house the moment we got to it; a tremen-dious battery of knocks, was directed against the door; a light appeared at a window; I waited to conceal myself behind the police—then came conceal myself behind the police—then come more knocks, and a cry of "Open in the name of the law!" At that terrible summons, bolts of the law!" At that terrible summons, bolts and locks gave way before an invisible hand, and the moment after, the Sub-Prefect was in the passage, confronting a waiter, half-dressed and ghastly pale. This was the short dialogue which immediately took place.

"We want to see the Englishman who is classified in this house?"

sleeping in this house?"

"He went away hours ago."

"He did no such thing. His friend went away; he remained. Show us to his bed-room!"

I swear to you, Morsieur le Sous-Preset he is not here! be-

"I swear to you, Monafeur le Garcon, he is, He slept here—he didn't find your bed comfortable—he came to us to complain of it—here he is among my men-and here am I, ready to look for a flea or two in his bedstead. Picani! (calling to one of his subordinates, and pointing to the wai-ter) collar that man, and tie his hare's schind him Now, then, gentlemen, let us walk "p stairs!"

Every man and woman in the noise was secured—the "Old Soldier," the first. Then I identified the bed in which I had short; and then we went into the room above. No object that was at all extraordinary appeared in any part of it. The St b-Prefect looked round the place, commanded everybody to be silent, stamped twice on the floor, called for a candle, looked attentively the state of the stamped that the place of the silent that the stamped of the stamped the stamped the stamped to be silent, stamped the silent that the stamped of the silent the silent sile on ine moor, called for a camble, cooled attentively at the spot he had stamped on, and ordered the flooring there to be carefully taken up. This was done in no time. Lights were produced, and we saw a deep raftered cavity between the floor of this room and the ceiling of the room beneath, this room and the ceiling of the room beneath, Through this cavity there ran perpendicularly a sort of case of from, thickly greased; and inside the case appeared the screw, which communicated with the bed-top below. Extra lengths of screw, freshly oiled—levers covered with felt—all the complete tipper works of a heavy press, constructed with internal ingenuity so as to join the fixtures below—and, when taken to pieces again, to go into the smallest possible compass, were next discovered, and pulled out on the floor. After some little difficulty, the Sub-Prefect succeeded in nutting the machinery together, and leaving his putting the machinery together, and leaving his men to work it, descended with me to the bedmen to work it, descended with me to the bed-room. The smothering canopy was then lowered; but not so noiselessly as I had seen it lowered. When I mentioned this to the Sub-Prefect, his answer, simple as it was had a terrible signifi-cance. "My men," said he, "are working down the bed-top for the first time—the men whose

the bed-top for the first time—the men whose money you won, were in better practice."

We left the house in the sole possession of two police agents—every one of the inmates being removed to prison on the spot. The Sub-Prefect, after taking down my "praces-revola!" in his office, returned with me to my hotel to get my passport. "Do you think," I asked, as I gave it to him, "that any men have really been smothered in that bed, as they tried to smother me?"

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I have seen dusens of drowned men laid out at the Morgue, answered the Sub-Prefect, "in whose pocket books were found letters, stating that they had committed suicide in the Seine, bethat they had committed suicide in the seine, oc-cause they had lost everything at the gaming-ta-ble. Do I know how many of those men entered the same gambling-house that you entered? won as you won? took that bed as you took it? slept in it, were smothered in it? and were privately thrown into the river, with a letter of explanation written by the numberers and placed in their pocket-books? No man can say how many, or how few, have suffered the fate from which you have escaped. The people of the gambling-house kept their bedstead machinery a secret from us—even from the police! The dead kept the rest of the secret for them. Good night, or rather good morning, Monsieur Faulkner! Be at my office again at nine o'clock-in meantime, au reveir!"

The rest of my story is soon told. I was examined, and re-examined; the gambling-house was strictly searched all through from top to botwas strictly searched all through from top to bottom; the prisoners were separately interrogated; and two of the less guilty made a confession. I discovered that the Old Soldier was the master of the gambling-house—justice discovered that he had been drammed out of the army, as a vagabond, some years ago; that he had been guilty of all sorts of villanies since; that he was in possession of stolen property, which the owners identified; and that he, the croupier, another accomplice, and the woman who had made my cup of coffee, were all in the secret of the bedstead. There appeared some reason to doubt whether the There appeared some reason to doubt whether the inferior persons attached to the house knew any-thing of the sufficating machinery; and they received the benefit of that doubt, by being treated simply as thieves and vagabonds. As for the Old Soldier and his two head-myrmidons, they went to the galleys; the woman who had drug-

ged my coffee was imprisoned for I forget how man' years; the regular attendants of the gamb-ling house were considered "suspicious," and placed under "surveillance;" and I became, for one whole week (which is a long time), the head "lion" in Parisian society. My adventure was dramatised by three illustrious playmakers, but never saw theatrical daylight; for the censorship forebade the introduction on the stage of a correct copy of the gambling-house belstrad, "I'wo good results were produced by my adven-

Two good results were produced by my aircen-ture, which any consorship must have a ppproved. In the first place it helped to justify the Govern-ment in forthwith carrying out their determination to put down all gambling-houses; in the second place, it cured me of ever trying "Rouge et Noir" as an amusement, The sight of a green cloth, with packs of cards and heaps of money on it, will henceforth be for ever associated in my mind with a bed-canopy descending to sufficiate me, in the silenco and darkness of the night."

Just as Mr. Faulkner pronounced the last rords, he started in his chair, and assumed a stiff, dignified position, in a great hurry, "Bless my soul!" cried he—with a comic look of astonishment and vexation—" while I have been telling you what is the real secret of my interest in the sketch you have so kindly given to me, I have altogether forgotten that I came here to sit for my portrait. For the last hour or more, I must have been the worst model you ever had to paint from !" "On the contrary, you have been the best," said I. "I have been painting from your expression; and while telling your story, you have un-consciously rhown me the natural expression!

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ROYAL SCOTTISH ACADEMY.

In the Art Journal, for May, we have an account of the twenty-sixth Exhibition of the Royal Scottish Academy, an Institution founded in 1835 by a number of Scottish artists. In 1838 the Ausociation received a Royal Charter of Incorporation, and was constituted the Royal Scottish Academy of Painting, Sculpture and Architecture. The membership was to be restricted to Artists by profession, of high reputation in their several professions, settled and resident in Scotland at the date of their respective elections, and not to be members of any other Society of Artists established in Edinburgh. The charter also ordains that there shall be an annual exhibition of paintings, sculptures, and designs, in which, all Artists of distinguished merit may be permitted to exhibit their works,—to continue open six weeks or longer. It also ordains that so soon as the funds of the academy permit, professors of Painting, f.culpture, Architecture, Perspective and Anatomy, shall be elected; and that there shall be schools i) provide the means of studying the human for 1, with respect both to anatomical knowledge and taste of design, to consist of two
departments—one appropriated to the study of
the remains of ancient sculptures, and the other to

the study of living models. The first presidentof this Institution was Mr. George Wilson, a portrait painter; the second, Sir William Allan, R. A.; the third and present, Sir John Watson Gordon, R. A. The Society has already a fine collection of works of Art, and in spite of the difficulties with which it has had to contend, has funded unwards of £10,000, and intends to increase it to £.0.000, as an endowment for pensions to aged mentions and widows of members of the academy in all time to come. A valuable library is also in course of formation. Great exertions have been made by the Honorable Board of Manufacturers for the Honoranc mourd of Manufacturers for Scotland, to render the Schools of Design in Edinburgh in all respects initiatory schools of Fine Art in Scotland; and Sir John W. Gonlon, D. O. Hill, and John Steell, Esqs, three members of the academy, have been appointed by the Queen, correspondents of these boards, and it is presumed their influence will be beneficial towards the improvement of Anistic education. Such is the initiative of this Association, of which the Art Journal says " There is perhaps no Institution in these Kingdoms that gives so good proof of vitality as the Royal Academy of Arts in Scotland-or so strong an assurance of that on-progress, which cannot fail to confer honour upon a country always famous for energy and industry, and renowned for its frequent association of labour with genius, * * * The highest and most popular names of British Art, have been those of Scottish men, and even to-day the list of the British Royal Academy would be sadly shorn of its bonours if the names of its Scottish members were abstracted from it. Already this Scuttish Academy takes rank among the best Institutions of Europe, and among its members are some who might bear the palm from all competitors in more than one branch of art. It at present consists of thirty members, and seventeen associates: and their Exhibition this year contains nearly seven hun-dred works." We have spent many pleasant hours in these Annual Exhibitions, while luxu-riating in delight amid the brilliant conceptions of genius, and the exquisite elaborations of art; and now in our adopted home, in this, the Edinburgh of Canada, we hope yet to realize, in the efforts and productions of "The Canadian Institute," a few scintillations of that electric impulse. which has crowned with excellence the industry and energy of that more ancient seat of learning and renown. A notice of the principal works in and renown. A notice of the principal works in this exhibition, even, although interesting to many of our readers, would be out of place here, as we have no means of making a personal inspection. There is one artist, however, whose fame we cannot omit to sound. Suffice it to say, that at the head of Art in Scotland, and as certainly at the head of his own particular art in Great Britain stands Sir John Watson Gordon, P. R. S. A .- Of him the Art Journal says "There is, of a surety, no living painter, who, can so happily, as Watson Gordon, convey to canvass the mind as well as the features of a man of intellect." Some years ago, along with a mutual friend, we visited a private museum of antiquities, kept in a room of a neat Gothic Cottage, the family residence of Joseph Paton, a pattern drawer for the Dunnfermline Damask Weavers. At that time, the eldest son, a lively young lad, assisted his father in displaying the various curiosities which an eccentric fancy had collected. There was and excentice laney had consected. Incre was nothing peculiar about the lad, further, than, that his father said he was a clever boy. A few years afterwards, the same lad made an engagement with an extensive Muslin Warehouse in George Street, Paisley, in the capacity of what is termed in the West a Flower Drawer. Here he continued upwards of a twelvemonth, but it would seem that the latent genius struggled to be free. He proceeded to London and thence to the Continent. where he spent some time, and again returned to the old royal burgh of Dumfermline, within whose hallowed closter, repose the ashes of "The Bruce of Bannockburn." The light of genius

hallowed remembrance - and the radiance from that light is already widely dispersed. The Art Journal says:-

There can be no second opinion as to the Artlst who will take rank next to the President. Nocl Paton, Esq., RSA, contributes Int two Three are, however, amply sufficient WOLKS. to sustain a reputation already classing with that of the highest of the age. This artist has not yet exhibited in Landon and publicly, that is to say for circumstances have made some of his productions known to his professional brethren, and the respect in which he is held in London, is hanily less than he has obtained in Elinburgh. The works now exhibited are, first "Dante meditating the Episole of Francesca da Rimini and Paolo Malatesta," and an illustration of that passage in the "Eve of St. Agnes" which describes the escape of the Youth and Maiden Both are exqui-site in conception and in execution. The first named is especially beautiful- touching in the extreme; recalling to memory the mournful story, and adding to it all the interest it can derive from Art. This exquisite work may range side by side with the best productions of modern times. The "E-cape," if less pure and holy in feeling is equally good in finish, grouping, and drawing; and both works do honour to the School of which the accomplished artist is one of the youngest members."

We transcribe these lines with feelings of the purest and most hallowed pleasure. How forcible are the words of Pope,-

Honour and shame from no condition rise, Act well your part, there all the honour lies.

Here is a youth, reared in a small, but, ancient city in the west corner of Fife. The place is famed chiefly for its table linen, and damasks. His father holds a respectable position in society, although that position,—when last we saw him, at least—was maintained by his daily industry as a pattern drawer. He had, however, rendered himself somewhat famous for a little eccentricity of habit and a desired perfettivition for the collection habit, and a decided predifection for the collection of antiquities. The son is reared at home and follows the calling of his father until of an age to take a situation as designer in a large establishment in Paisley, and now, although one of the oungest members of the Royal Academy his reputation as an Artist already classes with that of the highest of the age. It such proficiency, has been already attained, what may we not expect from a few years more experience if the mind be kept pure. But he stands not alone in the family. kept pure. But he stands not alone in the family. His sister, Miss Amelia Paton stands high as an Artist, and is also favourably known in literary circles.

SAND.

While on an entomological excursion to the Peninsula last week; I took the range of the Lake shore, as I considered it to be, especially at this season of the year, an excellent locality for collecting Coleoperous insects. In my walk, my attention was very much taken up with two different strata of sand, forced up by strong southerly winds,-one consisting of a mixture of pretty. red, pink, and clear crystal pebble,-the other altogether clear crystals. I selected a small quantity of each, and having placed them under the microscope, I found them quite transparent, in truth, extremely beautiful. Now, I do not hesitate to say, that this sand, so shundant on the Peninaula, is of the very best quality for the manufacture of glass of all kinds, and would, I am satisfied, pay a company well in manufacturing it into glass. The time is not distant, I hope, when Canada will be quite independent as regards the importation of glass and earthenware from other countries; as we have abundance of natural re-

Literary Notices.

Mayen's University.-New York. Hermann J. Merer

This is the first number of a publication to be issued in New York, in semi-monthly parts, at is, 3d. a number. It is to be illustrated with engravings, from drawings by the first artists, with descriptive and historical texts by eminent wilters, and edited by Charles A. Dana. The Universum has been established in Germany for years, and in commencing the issue of the work in America, the publisher has made preparations to present it in such a form as will meet the re-quirements of the American public. For above a year past, artists have been engaged in exploring the most romantic regions of the States, Canada, and Central America for this work, and the engravers are now occupied with upwards of one hundred views of North American scenery one numered views of Avoid American security alone. It is to be published on the 1st and 15th of each month—each number to contain four of each month—each number to contain four steel engravings, with about twenty pages of letter press. The present number contains a view of Niagara Falis—(Horse-shoe Falis) The Tower of London—Hohenasberg—The Fortress for State Prisoners in the kingdom of Wurtemberg -and Fingal's Care.

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Natural historn.

A large white-headed male Eagle, which, with its mate is stated by the Portland Advertiser to have inhabited "Dole's Woods," at Stroudwater, and reared their young year after year, for the last forty or fifty years past, was shot a few days ago by a person living in that vicinity. It had become of late very ferocious, and had carried off two lambs,—and turkles, geese, and chickens, without stint; and fearing that some child might be attacked and carried off by it, one of the owners of the wood reluctantly consented to have it shot. The female bird having absented herself for some time, after the fate of her partner, has returned in company with two rival suitors to view her old abode, so that in all probability one or other of them will be installed as supreme of the domain.

ANECDOTE OF THE DOG.

Mr. Kidd in his Essay on Instinct and Reason, tells a very good anecdote of a dog which he seems to have trained with great care, and which by the retentiveness of its memory relieved its master from a position which would otherwise have been unhappy. Mr. Kidd's dog, Dash, was once stolen from him, and after an absence of thirteen months, one day entered his office in town with a long string tied round its neck; it had

oner. Mr. Kidd discovered the thief, had him oner. Mr. Kild discovered the thief, had him apprehended, and taken before a magistrate. The culprit with the greatest complacency swere that the dog was his, and called witnesses to bear him out. This was rather a fix, but the oath of such characters is about as valuable as their word. The magistrate, Mr. Twyford, asked Mr. Kild if he could give them any satisfactory proof of the dog being his property. Mr. Kidd placed his mouth to the dog's ear,—first giving him a knowing look,—and whispering a little masonic communication, known to their two selves only. communication, known to their two selves only, "Dash" immediately reared up on his hind legs, and went through a series of gymnastic manous res with a stick, guided meanwhile by Mr. Kidd's eye, which set the whole court in a var The evidence needed no further corroboration; the third stood committed; "Dash" was liberated, and amidst the cheers of the multitude bounded merrily homeward.

TO MAKE CANADIES PAMILIAN.

If you wish—as all who truly love birds must wish—to make your "pets" familiar, give them every now and then a small quantity of yolk of egg, builed hard; and a small quantity of "Clifford's German paste," mixed with a stale aponge cake. Put this, lovingly, into a little "exclusive" cake. Put this, lovingly, into a little "exclusive" the pan, fitted into a sly corner of the cage, and the treat will have a double charm. These innocent ittle creatures love to fiftr with any nice pickings thus mysteriously conveyed to them; and they will keep on chattering to you in a language of their own, for many minutes, while viewing the operations in which you are actively engaged for their particular benefit.—Kidd's Own Journal.

Agriculture.

FARM WORK FOR JUNE.

June, named from June, the fabled Goddess of beauty, is one replete with interest to the farmer, not alone for its universal beauty but for its prestige of his future hopes. Seed time has passed:—fructification is taking place, and as is this month, so usually is his harvest. It is not only a month of interest, but it is a month of labor. He has planted his seed, it has put forth, and now its young shoots must be cared for. The main instruments of his care, are the cultivator and the Acc. Both of these instruments have the same object, and the use of both may be called,

The objects are, to destroy the weeds: to keen the soil loose and porous; and to surround the young plants with fresh and nourishing earth.

young plants with fresh and nourishing earth. In all soils, and especially in rich soils, if it were not for the use of the hoe, a luxuriant growth of weeds would spring up, and draw the nourishment from the cultivated plants, and thus "choke up" or injure them. Frequent hoeing destroys these weeds and nothing but the hoe, with the frequent use of the fingers, will do it. And here let us remark, that the man who has fingers too delicate for frequent use upon weeds, stones and dirt, may make a gentleman farmer. stones and dirt, may make a gentleman farmer, but can never make a practical farmer.

At the time of hoeing your corn or polatoes, put a handful of wood ashes or plaster of Paris upon each hill. A mixture of both is preferred by some. If the weather be very dry, the ashes or plaster should be applied before hoeing, so that they may be covered by the earth, and thus their fertilizing qualities be preserved from the sun and air.

Hoeing or using the cultivator among growing vegetables, that admit of such use, keeps the ground porous; and gives freedom for the extension of the roots and fibres of the plants in all directions, after their proper nourishment. And no one, farmer or gardner, should be afraid of deep town with a long string tied round its neck; it had broken away from the scilow who held it a prister roots and fibres not extended; but after

plants have got considerable growth, and their roots and fibres have become extended in all directions; then the hocing should be on the surface and not deep, as deep-hoeing at such times, will cut and otherwise injure the roots. Deep hoeing, the better keeps up that fermentation in the soil, which promotes the growth of plants by forming their appropriate food. Besides, if the soil to kejt well pulverized, it absorbs all moisture, whether from dews or rains, and thus preserves their nourishing qualities, which would otherwise pass off upon the compact soil into the gutters, and thus afford no nourishment. In addition, it is the fact, that frequent stirring the soil, brings to the plants fresh soil, which imparts to them a fresh supply of their appropriate nutriment; a supply that will stand them in need during the scorching days of June and July.

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Then in June "haying " commences. heavy gram should be mown first, as that is litble to "lodge." Then take the next heaviest, and so to "lodge." Then take the next heavies, and so on, reserving the thin to the last; unless it is becoming "too ripe," or dry and wiry, when the sconer it is mown, the better. "When a "second crop" is calculated upon, the first crop should be taken earlier. The ground should be mown clean and even, and then the hay should be properly made. It should remain upon the ground while it is properly cured, not while its good qualities are rosted out of it, in a burning sunt Some farmers, not content with curing their hay, search it until it will crumble to chaff. More hay scored it until it will crumble to chair. More ner is thus injured, than by burning it when too green. Good hay-making consists in rendering the cut grass so dry as not to heat too much in the mow, and at the same time to preserve as much as pos-sible the natural juices of the grass.

In England, farmers barn their hay much sooner after cutting than we do in this country, sooner after culting than we do in this country, and to preserve it from over heat, they place upon the scatfolding, first a layer of fresh hay and then a thin layer of straw, and thus on until the mow is completed. The straw absorbs the damp exhalations of the new hay, becomes impregnated with them, and thus preserves the mow, and at with them, and thus preserves the mow, and at the same time, the straw thus used, is eaten by the cattle with great avidity. Others use their old lay as a substitute for the straw, and thus better the condition of both old and new. Others still, sprinkle salt upon the hay, as they stow it away in the mow. From four to great the step is a unfairnt and this quantities. a ton is sufficient, and this quantity will not only preserve hay in a green state, but it adds to its quality by rendering more of it palatable to cattle.

As to curing clover, a divergity of opinion pre-ills. Some say that it should remain in the vails. swath till it drys to two thirds of its thickness, then turned over without spreading, suffered to dry a little, and then be barned; in a word, that clover should be stirred as little as possible, before it is put under cover. Others recommend to let the "spreader" follow the "mower," make the hay as soon as possible, and get it into the bara before the leaves crumble. Others still, spread, rake and put into cocks as soon as possible; let it remain in the cock over night, or until it "makes" and then barn it.

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Now these methods are to be used according to circumstances. In fair weather, spread the swaths, but if lowery or variable, let the grass remain in the swath until half dry, then turn it over, without spreading, and after drying awhile, get it in—if rain comes; or put it in cocks if fair. If salt is need four to circle country to the terms of the same to the swath country to the same used, four to eight quarts to the ton, it matters but little which method is pursued.

Speaking of salt reminds us that cattle and sheep running in fresh grass, stand in particular need of salt in the fore part of summer; and no good husbandman will neglect to deal this condiment out to them occasionally. There can be no doubt that it is highly advantageous to them.

Look to the garden; keep it from weeds and stir well the soil about the plants. See to your

rines. Don't let too many plants remain in a hill. Plant encumbers up to July; if you like them for your own table; or would raise them for the market; or would have plents for pickles. Cucumbers and melons should not be nearer in the hill, than four or five feet; two plants, and three at farthest are enough in a hill. Some gardeners say less even, and that they should some gardeners say less even, and distincy should be farther apart. But this of course must be when there is plenty of ground. Soap suds sprinkled or forced upon your vines with a syringe, besides making them grow, will preserve syrings, assume making mem grow, will preserve them from insects. Strong soap suds are most exection, applied to trees, they keep the bark clean, and kill the insects that infest them.—Furmer's Monthly Visitor.

Oriental Sanings.

A certa. Persian king was about to put to death, in the heat of the moment, one of his slaves. The poor wretch, in a state of fright and desperation, began to abuse the king, making use of the most violent language against his lord and master, - in his own dialect, however - as it is said, when a man is desperate, he will give freedom to his tongue, like as a cat at bay will fly at a dog. The king not understanding what the slave said, asked one of his nobles, who was a good and well disposed man, and who replied, O my lord and king, the slave said, that paradise was for such as at all times suppress their anger, and are forgiving to their fellow creatures, for God will always befriend and reward the benevolent. The king on hearing this, was struck with the force of the words of the slave, and not only desisted from shedding his blood, but pardoned him entirely. Another one of his nobles, who also stood by, but who was not so well disposed, and a rival of the former, said, that it was highly wrong for ministers of state to make use of, in the presence of the King, any language which is not strictly in accordance with truth; this slave, said he, abused the King and said many harsh things of his majesty. But the King turned indignantly away at this re-But the King turned indignantly away at this re-mark, and said, I was better pleased with his falsehood than with this truth which you have told, for his Sore the face of good feeling but yours is founded in malignity;—well have our wise men said, that a peace-mingling falsehood is preferable to a mischief-making truth. R.

It has been written over the portico of the pa-lace of an eastern prince "This world, O brother, abides with none, therefore, set thy heart upon its maker, nor rest thy hope and support upon a worldly domain which has indeed fostered and slain many such as thou art. As the precious soul must leave its earthly tabernacle, what matters whether it parts from the throne or from a humble place.

Miscellancous.

THE LAST OF THE JACOUITES.

Janet Munro, or M'Kenzie, departed this life at Alness, in Ross-shire, on the 18th ult., and was interred in the burying-ground of Rosekeen on the 19th: If we are not misinformed, Janet, at the period of her decease, was the oldest woman in Scotland, if not in Great Britain, for she was at least 110 years of age, and there is reason to believe that she was even more. She had a child's recollection of the great national event of the battle of Culloden, and from many of her nearest relations, the Munroes and M'Kenziss, having been "out" in that romantic and daring enterprise, she could detail a whole catalogue of

comparatively remote residence, never found their way into print. In Janet Munro we believe there has passed away the last inhabitant of Scotland who was alive when Charles Edward held state in Holyrood, or skulked as a hunted deer amongst the Western Isles. She was a staunch Jacobite till her dying day, and was, we have no doubt, the last individual in the British dominions who conscientiously believed that Her Majesty held the crown by an unlawful tenure. It is strange to think of what has passed during the five score years and ten which have classed since this venerable crone was christened. She was in the prime of life when the United States of America were English colonies; she was become elderly before Napoleon gained his first battle, and she had clapsed into old age before steamers or locomotives on railways were heard of. Janet belonged to the respectable class of small fariners; she was a woman of unblem-ished character, and was a widow for the period on 43 years. She retained till her last moments the exercise of her mental faculties, and previous to her last illness could read the smallest print with the unaided eye .- Glasgow Herald.

ALLEGED ADULTERATION OF PALE ALES BY STRYCH-NINK.

A report has recently been made upon this subject by Professors Graham and Holmann, who arrive at the comforting conclusion that the arrive at the comforting conclusion that the charge of adulteration is unfounded, and that the bitter beer drinker may dismiss all fears of being poisoned some day while quietly enjoying his favourits beverage. The learned professors, it appears, entered on the enquiry at the request of Mr. Alisopp, the well-known brewer. They state that the quantity of strychnine necessary to impart the degree of bitterness possessed by pale state would be one grain or twice the amount of ales would be one grain, or twice the amount of a fatal dose, for a gallon, and that 16,448 ounces would therefore be required for the 200,000 barrels annually produced at Burton, while the total inanufacture of strychnine over the whole world is under 1,000 or. There appears to be a marked difference in the bitter taste of the poison and of the hop, the former being less instantaneous in ita effect upon the palate, and from its persistence resembling a metallic salt; the latter being aromatic and soon passing off. The report shows that strychnine can be tested and recognised to to the 1-1,000th of a grain. To these main facts is added a careful analysis of a series of samples is added a carcini analysis of a series of a con-siderable number of the London bottlers supplied with Allsopp's ale. This analysis gave not the alightest evidence of the presence of strychnine. The report states that the charge of adulteration was not intended to apply to the present practice of English brewers, and with reference to anterior times reposes simply and exclusively upon the privately expressed opinion of a deceased chemist, "the grounds of which are entirely unknown to the world." It points out that if mere bitters It points out that if mere bitters were all that was required in the manufacture of pale ale, the extract of quassia would supply one which was perfectly harmless and agreeable, and infinitely less expensive than strychnine. Finally, the learned professors say that this poison being known to accumulate in the system, and its action being indicated by violent tetanic symptoms, if used in the way alleged, the fact must long ago have been detected. This investigation, therefore, may be taken as conclusive with reference to the charge, not only in respect to Mr. Allsopp's bitter ales, but those of all the other great brewers.—Times.

STATISTICS OF MUSCULAR POWER

Man has the power of imitating almost every motion but that of flight. To effect these, he has, in maturity and health, sixty bones in his head, sixty in his thighs and legs, sixty-two in his arms and hands, and sixty seven in his trunk. He has also 434 muscles. Mis heart makes sixtycutious incidents connected with these eventful four pulsations in a minute; and, therefore, 3.840 load in Messrs. Glidden & Co.'s linetimes, which, from her retired mode of life and in an hour, 93,160 in a day. There are also three in a packets.—Journal of Commerce,

complete circulations of his blood in the short space of an hour. In respect to the comparative speed of animated beings and of impelled beiles, it may be remarked that size and construction seem to have little influence, not has comparative strength, though one bedy giving any quantity of motion to another is said to lose to much of its own. The sloth is by no means a small animal and yet it can travel only lifty paces in a day, a worm crawls only live inches in fifty seconds; but a lady bird can fly twenty million times its own length in less than an hour. An elk can run a mile and a half in seven minutes; an ante-lope a mile in a minute, the wild mule of Tartary has a speed even greater than that; an eagle can'ily eighteen leagues in an hour; and a canary falcon can even reach 250 leagues in the short space of sixteen hours. A violent wind travels sixty miles in an hour; sound, 1,142 English feet in a second .- Ducir.

REVENGERUL PAGACITY.

There is, says the Cincinnati Commercial, a gentlemen at the Broadway Hotel who owns quite a handsome pointer dog, which has recently given rare evidence of sagacity, and displayed a retaliatory spirit that one would think could not be found in any grade of creation below that of man. Some months since, his master, Mr. N., whipped him with an umbrella. Shortly after this Mr. N. discovered that he was compelled to either buy or borrow an umbrella whenever the condition of the weather required him to carry one, and many is the friend who has suffered his imprecations on that account but most unjustly. Accident at length disclosed the real thief. Mr. N. having occasion to examine the place where his dog quartered, found there the fragments of three umbrellas of his own, chewed and torn past redemption, besides some remnants of three or four belonging to other people. The dog, of course, had to go through the castigatory mill again, but to no purpose; his hostility to umbrellas was firmly implanted in his revengeful bosom, and it could not be hammered out of him. Yester / Mr. N. had occasion to go into Mr. Wolfe's umbrella store on Broadway, followed by his dog, and no sooner did the eyes of the animal fall upon a rack of umbrellas, than he made a plunge at it, selzed a fine silk one, and nearly stripped it of its covering before he could be driven away. By the most vigorous efforts the dog was kicked out of doors, and the master left to foot the bill. If this sort of aggacity does not verge upon reason, we do not know what does; and it would not take much to convince us that that dog, apart from his revengeful antipathies, has, by some means been made to comprehend ontlawed and common stock position that umbrellas hold in society.

THE LARGEST CLIPPER IN THE WORLD.

Mr. McKay has now on the stocks at East Boston, a magnificent clipper ship, which will register about 2,300 tons. She is not only the largest merchant ship, but the sharpest and longest known at the present day, either building or affoat. Her ends are sharper than those of the Collins steamers, but she has great surface of floor, which is carried forward and aft, almost to the extremes, and will render her both buoyant the extremes, and will render her bond onogant and weatherly. In outline she is a perfect beauty. Her lines are concave, but as they accend forward, above the load displacement line, become, convex to correspond with her outline on the rail. She is 240 feet long on the keel, and 365 feet over all; her extreme breadth of beam is 431 feet, and depth 23 feet 3 inches, including 8 feet height between the decks. Her upper deck is without break, and on it are all her accommodations for officers and crew. She has a topgaliant forecastle, a large house abaft the foremast, and a trunk cabbin, built into a half poop 75 feet long, thus leaving all the space below for the stowage of cargo. She has been named the Enock Train and she is already advertised to load in Messrs. Glidden & Co.'s line of Califor-

Artists' Corner.

TURNER, THE PAINTER, AT HIS STUDIES.

One day an invitation was given me by two friends to run along the coast of Borough or Bur-Isand, in the corner of Bigbury Bay, within the Bolt-head. There was to be a winding-up for the season of a fishing account. The invitation was to a regale of hot lobsters; the fish, just taken from the sea, were plunged into boiling water, and thus dressed served up. Turner was invited to be of the party. The coast scenery was just to his taster he was an excellent sailur. Cantain Nicols, a fine old weather-beaten tar-long gone to his account-owned a Dutch boat, a famous sea-going craft, with the usual outriggers. Turner, and an artist named. Demaria, Captain Nilet, made four of the party, which numbered six in let, made four of the party, which numbered six in all. There was also a stout sailor boy to assist in managing the bost. The morning did not look very propitious: there was a heavy sand look every propitious: there was a heavy sand sometimes the forerunner as well as the follower of a gale. We worked out into the Sound, where the breakwater had been just commenced, keeping towards Penice and Ramehead, to obtain an others. As soon as we saw we were clear of the offing. As soon as we saw we were clear of the nearer headlands on the east, we got well off the land, and while still running to the castward the sea rose higher. Off Stoke's point it became very boisterous, but our boat mounted the ridges bravely. The seas in that part of the Channel, not broken so much as farther up, are generally a succession of regular furrows from the Atlantic. We had to run about 15 miles. Turner looked on with most artistic watchfulness. When we were on the crest of a wave, he now and then articulated to myself—for we were sitting side by side—"That's fine !—fine!" Demaria was very ill, and art driven out of his head; the soldier was groaning and spoiling his scarlet coat, extended upon the rusty ballast in the bottom of the boat. Indeed, he wanted to fling himself over-board, and would have done so had he not been withheld. Turner sat watching the waves and the headlands, "like Atlas unremoved." When we were off the island, and saw the sea breaking upon it, there seemed no possibility of our landing, the line of white sur being connected and unbroken. There was a river called the Avon within the island, running up the main; we made towards it, and getting under the lee of the island, landed without much difficulty, with a little wetting. All this time I could see Turner silently glancing over the boisterons scene. The little island and solitary house or hut upon it, the bay in the bight of which they lay, and the Bolthead stretching darkly to seaward, against the precipitous rocky shore of which the sea broke furiously-all formed a striking scene, and Turner While the unfortunate shell-fish thought so. were preparing to be seethed, I missed Turner and found him with a pencil and small book near the summit of the island. I observed, too, he was writing rather than drawing. The tumultuous waves beiling below were seen to great advan-tage from thence. I imagined he had observed something novel in there appearance, but this, whatever it might be, I did not comprehend.—Fraser's Magazine.

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LEARNING, like a river, beginneth in a little stream.

DEEM EVERY day of your life a page in your history.

WE INCREASE our wealth when we lessen our

GET PURTLY, distribute cheerfully, and live contentedly.

Anversity borrows its sharpest sting from our own impatience.

Or ALL PLEASURES those are the most valuable which lie in the mind.

Neguence is the rust of the soul, and corrodes her best resolutions.

Where reason rules, appetite obeys; where appetite commands, the pocket pays.

Ir you would rise in the world, you must not stop to kick at every cur which barks at you as you pass along.

Wise men are instructed by reason; men of less understanding by experience; the most ignorant by necessity; and beasts by nature.—Cicero.

"Mornen, send me for the doctor." "Why, my son?" "Cause that man in the parlour is going todin-hesayahe would if sister Jane would not marry nim-and Jane said she would'nt.

Wealth, Honor, and pavor, may come upon a man by chance; nay! they may be east upon him without so much as looking after them; but virtue is the work of industry and labour; and certainly it is worth the while to purchase that good which brings all others along with it.—
Sencea.

A YOUNG LANT from the country being invited to a party, was told by a country cousin to fix up and put her bes. foot foremost, in order to catch a beau, "she looked so green in her country attire." The country lass looked comically into the face of her rather faded relative, and replied "better green than withered."

As the sun does not wait for prayers and incantations to be prevailed upon to rise, but immediately shines forth, and is received with universal salutation: so neither do you wait for applauses, shouts, and praises, in order to do good; but be a voluntary benefactor, and you will be b-loved like the sun.—Fragments of Epictelus.

WHEN THE MERCHANTS of Breslau once applied to Frederick the Great for "protection" against the runneus competition of the Jewish dealers, the monarch asked how the Jews managed to draw business into their hands. The answer was, that they were up early and late, always travelling about, lived very exonomically, and were contented with small gains on rapid returns. "Very well," said the enlightened monarch, "go and be Jews too in the conduct of your business."

CULTIVATE A GENIAL NATURE.—Really it is disgraceful that men are so ill-taught and unprepared for social life as they are, often turning their best energies, their acquisitions, and their special advantages, into means of annoyance to those with whom they live. Some day it will be found out, that to bring up a man with a genial nature, a good temper, and a happy frame of mind, is a greater effort than to perfect him in much knowledge and many accomplishments.—Companions of my Solitude.

Energy of Character.—I lately happened to notice, with some surprise, an ivy which, being prevented from attaching itself to a nick beyond a certain point, had shot off into a bold elistic stem, with an air of as much independence as any branch of oak in the vicinity. So a human being thrown, whether by cruelty, injustice or accident, from all social support and kindness, if he has any vigour or spirit, and is not in the debility of either childhood or age, will instantly begin to act for himself, with a resolution which appears like a new faculty.—Foster.

THE SEA.—The largest of all cemeteries is the sea, and its slumberers sleep without monuments. All other graveyards, in all other lands, show some symbol of distinction between the great and small,

the rich and poor; but in that ocean cometers the king and the clown, the prince and the peasant, are alike undistinguished. The same waves toli over all—the same requiem by the ministrelsy of the ocean is sung to their honor. Over their remains the same storm heats, and the same sun shines, and there, unmarked, the weak and the powerful, the plumed and the unhonored, will sleep on until awakened by the same trump when the sea shall give up its dead.

Biographical Calendar.

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Thomas Campbell, L. L. D., an eminent poet, was the son of a highly intelligent and respectable Scotch merchant, who gave him an excellent education at Glasgow, where he greatly distinguished himself. A translation of his, from Aristophanes was pronounced by the best judges to be the finest college exercise they had ever seen; and, when little more than thirteen, he won a bursary in his college from a competitor nearly double his age. Leaving Glasgow at an early age, he settled in Edinburgh as a private tutor; and here, when only in his twenty-second year, he published "The Pleasures of Hope," by all judges allowed to be one of the most elegant poems in our language. The success of this work was such as to allow of his making a tour on the Continent, whence he gave the world these splendid lyrics "Ye Mariners of England," "The Exile of Erin," and " Hohenli len." At the battle of Hohenlinden he was so near, that he could see the returning conquerors wiping their bloodstained sabres upon their horse's manes. He now married and settled in London, employing himself not only in the occasional composition of poetry, not only in the occasional composition of poetry, but also in the hard literary drudgery of mere compilation. Here he published "Gertrude of Wyoming." "The Battle of the Baltle," "Lord Ullin's Daughter," &c., and was engaged by Mr. Murray to write the admirable and well-known "Gritical Essays and Specimens." Subsequently he did the New Monthly and the Materialism addited the New Monthly and the Metropolitan Magazines, and published "Theodoric," a poem, besides editing some few reprints and compilations. Early in his career he was relieved from the absolute want which too often stings genius into imprudence, by the kindness of Charles Fox, who put him on the pension list for £200 per annual His health having for some years been feeble, he retired to Boulogne in 1843, and died there June 15, 1844, aged 67. His remains were conveyed to to England, and rest in Westminister Abbey. Aliquis.

The Ponthe' Department.

GEOGRAPHICAL ENIGMA. No. IX.

I am composed of eleven letters.

My 7, 2, 3, 4, 5, was a celebrated Phrygean. My 9, 4, 7, 2, is a word signifying a minute

particle.
My b, 6, 7, 1s an article in daily use.
My 3, 9, 11, 5, is a substance composed of oil and Alkali.

and Alkali.

My 5. 8, 7. 6, 6, 3, is an island on the coast of Asia Minor.

My 5. 11, 7. 2, is a word signifying the head.

My 3, 2, 3, 1, is akind of fuct.

My 10, 4, 7, 11, is the name of a letter in the Greek alphabet.

My 11, 3. 5 is a kind of fuct.

Mr 11, J, 5, is a kind of screent.
Mr whole is the ancient name of a country in Asia.

FRANCIS NISBET.

ENIGMA.

I am composed of six letters.

My 6, 1, 6, 4 is smooth and slippery.
My 4, 2, 1, 3 is part of a bird.
My 1, 3, 6 is something universal, which may be

My 1, 3, 6 is something universal, which may be seen everywhere.

My 6, 5, 1, 1 is a measure of capacity.

My 3, 4, 4 is a change of the tide.

My 6, 2, 4, 3 is used in sarcasm.

My 2, 1, 1 is not good.

My 6, 1, 3, 3 is expressive of great joy.

My 4, 3, 1, 1 is used to alarm, to call, and to welcome welcome.

My whole is the name of a distinguished German. Yorkville, June, 1852. R. H. C.

YOUTHFUL MEGLECT.

Walter Scott, in a narrative of his personal history, gives the following caution to youth:—"If it should ever fall to the lot of youth to peruse these pages, let such readers remember that it is with the deepest regret that I recollect in my manhood the opportunities of learning which I neg. fected in my youth, that through every part of my literary career I have felt pinched and hampered by my own ignorance, and I would at this mo-ment give half the reputation I have had the good ference to acquire, if, by doing so, I could rest the remaining part upon a sound foundation of learn-ing and science."

A TIGER STORY.

The following remarkable escape has been The following remarkable escape has been mentioned in private letters, by the last mail from India. Two young officers Lieut, Hugh Elliot, of the Bombay cavalry, son of Capt. Charles Elliot, Governor of Bermuda, and Lieut, Rice, of the 25th, were out shooting, when they fell in with a tigress and two cubs. One cub was immediately killed, and the tigress wounded. They tracked her for half an hour into the jungle when she auddomly appears out, knocked over Mr. They tracked her for half an hour into the jungle when she suddenly sprang out, knocked over Mr Elliot before he had time to cock his gun, and seizing him by the left arm, dragged him away. Mr. Rice had already discharged one gun when they attacked the tigress. He quickly got his second gun, but, from the extreme difficulty of firing without killing his friend could only aim at the holy of the tigress and though he weight at the body of the tigress, and though he wounded her again he then did not wound her mortally. With admirable resolution, he seized a third gun, With admirable resolution, he seized a third gun, and watching his opportunity till he could see Eliot's head apart from that of the tigress, shot her dead through the head, with his friend in her mouth. The officers were thirty miles from camp, and did not reach it for twenty hours. It is impossible to give too much credit to the skill and coolness of Lieut. Rice. Mr. Elliqu's arm is hadly wounded by the bite, as well as by the stones and rocks over which he was dragged but no fear is entertained for 'his life or his limb.

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