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## Poetry.

### AFTER THE RAIN.

I heard a song on the moorland brown,  
When the days grew fair and long;  
Methought no voice in the noisy town  
Could sing so sweet a song:  
It was but a herd-boy, all alone,  
Alone on the showery plane,  
Who sang with a silver trumpet tone,  
'The sunshine follows the rain.'

My thoughts turn back to that April day  
As I pace the city street;  
But the brown, brown moor lies far away  
From the tread of weary feet;  
Yet ever the song rings clear and loud,  
Over and over again,  
Above the din of the restless crowd:  
'The sunshine follows the rain.'

God knows it is hard to fret and strive  
For the gold that soon is spent;  
It seems sometimes that the sinners thrive,  
While saints are less content!  
But He knows too that the clouds will part,  
And the hidden path grow plain;  
His angels sing to the doubting heart,  
'The sunshine follows the rain.'

### HOW TO READ PROFITABLY.

A word of advice and direction as to the means of deriving the largest amount of benefit from reading may be acceptable. And we begin by noticing that we should read with *attention*. There are hosts of inattentive readers. They *skim* books, so they say; and if by this means they got all the cream, it might not be an objectionable method; but, in nine cases out of ten, there is no such result. They close the book no wiser than when they opened it. They have made no effort to grasp the meaning of the author. They forget all they read; and all they remember is indistinct, and more likely to lead them into error than guide them into truth. A strong effort of the will to bind down the thoughts to any subject taken in hand, is positively necessary and practically possible—it ought to be done—it may be done—it must be done, if we would read with profit.

Then we must *understand* what we read. Unless we apprehend the sentiments of an author, we are none the wiser. His thoughts are expressed in

his words. We must, therefore, know the meaning of his word. This is easy, for dictionaries are cheap. When we have procured a good dictionary, we should study it frequently. When we come to an unknown word in any volume we are reading, we must turn to our dictionary, and find out what it means. Never skip the hard words and guess the sense. If there be any *thought* you cannot understand, think it over, turn it round and round, look at it on every side, and never lose the sense of a thought for want of understanding the meaning of words.

It is an excellent plan to commit portions of what we read to *memory*. We have memories, as we have hands and feet, for *use*. The extent to which our memory can be improved is incalculable. Like the body, its strength depends on exercise. Observe the brawny arm of the smith: it has grown strong and muscular by constant use. It is precisely the same with our mental faculties. In strengthening the memory, the best way is, not to attempt too much at the commencement. Let the first lesson be short: add a little to it every day. Not a single day should be allowed to pass without adding something to our mental store.

Another capital plan is, to read with pencil in hand, and mark the margin of our books for future reference. (This, common integrity teaches us, must only be done with our own books.) It saves time. It more forcibly impresses the mind, and it enables us to judge our past thoughts at a future period—to "talk with our past hours."

It is well to take *extracts*. This is a fine exercise. Writing out a paragraph once is equal to reading it several times over. And then it is important to have a notebook filled with good thoughts, culled from the best authors. Such a volume of extracts is a real treasure; it will furnish a condensed library; and in the process of copying, our style and writings are improved. We attend to paragraphs, capitals, stops—for in extracting we keep our eyes open and follow the printer. Our mode of expression insensibly becomes better. We adopt, without knowing it, a more graceful mode of speech.

It is well to *write* on the subject about which we have been reading. When we put our thoughts on paper, it is like turning our minds inside out. If we want to know what is in a purse, we pour its contents on a table; and then we can readily distinguish the coppers from the silver, and the silver from the gold. Until we have done this, we may mistake farthings for sovereigns. Many a man has persuaded himself that he possessed an abundance of golden thoughts; but, on submitting them to paper, discovered them to be nothing but copper; and

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### LOCAL PAPERS.

At the risk of being thought anxious to blow our own trumpet we venture to say a few words in support of the claims of the local newspaper. No matter how small and obscure it may be at the beginning, and notwithstanding the indifference and even contempt with which it may be regarded, the fact remains that the local paper occupies an important position in the field of journalism and meets a demand which the largest and best periodicals published at a distance are unable to supply. In every village of any importance there are local wants to be supplied, local wrongs to be righted and local grievances to be redressed. It is the province of the local paper to bring these matters prominently before the public and give them a thorough ventilation with a view to the promoting of such reforms as may be needed. No other paper is likely to undertake this task and no paper published in another place can do the work as well. For this reason if for no other, the local paper should receive the support and sympathy of the people among whom it is published, and for whose interest it labours, and each individual should feel a personal interest in its success. A local paper, properly conducted, can scarcely fail to be a benefit to the village in which it is published; it affords the best possible medium for local advertising, and it should receive generous encouragement and liberal patronage.

### A WOMAN'S PLEA.

Years ago, Madame Ristori was playing in the city of Madrid, in the royal theatre. She had carried the audience away in the act by her power. The curtain had fallen on the first act, and unusually long applause occurred. No one could understand her absence. The time came and passed when she should have resumed play. What was the meaning of her absence? As she was passing from the stage, in the wings stood a poor woman, who caught her garments.

"Madam," she said, "do you hear that bell now tolling?"

"Yes."

"That bell tolls for the death of my husband; he will die at sunrise to-morrow. Won't you," implored the woman, "plead for me? The queen sits in the box yonder."

The great tragedy queen went to the royal box and begged for the life of that man—a man that she had no particular interest in, but simply because he was going to die. Madame Ristori pleaded so well with the queen that with a pencil she wrote his reprieve, and he was saved.

Meanwhile the truth had crept out among the audience, and, when the curtain rose again, every person sprang to their feet.

Tears ran like rain, hats and handkerchiefs were waved, and shout after shout went up from the multitude.

Why was this applause? Not for the tragic queen, but for the woman infinitely greater—the woman that had pleaded for a life, and not in vain.—  
*Phila. Saturday Night.*

### PROTECTING SILVERWARE.

Solid silverware, as well as plated goods, grows dark and tarnished in a very short time when exposed to the air, and even when put away in a dark place. That is especially the case when hard coal is used in the house or neighborhood, as the sulphur in the coal, liberated by heat, is sure to stain all silverware within reach. This annoying tarnishing can be entirely prevented by painting the silverware with a soft brush dipped in alcohol in which some collodion has been dissolved. The liquid dries immediately, and forms a thin transparent and absolutely invisible coating upon the silver, which completely protects it from all effects of the atmosphere, etc. It can be removed at any time by dipping the article in hot water.

This recipe has been in use for some time in the large establishments in London, where most of the goods in the show cases are protected in this manner.

To avoid misfortunes by our watchfulness not so noble as to overcome them by patience.



Local Matters.

Some of the boys are having—but there we wont give it away.

SELLON & BURNS did not make a vast fortune here. They gave a very small programme to a still smaller house.

AMERICAN "RED" OIL.—R. Prat has just received a lot of the above brand of oil. It will make your lamps look beautiful without extra cost.

PERSONAL.—Profs. Elder and Wilson of Colby University are in Wolfville. They started for Blomidon on a "rock" excursion yesterday in a metallic boat. They appear very well satisfied with their strange craft but if we were going that way we'd walk first because we were'nt born to be hanged, in fact we'll be hanged if we were.

STRANGE BUT TRUE.—Mr. Chas. A. Patriquin of this place some time ago observed a small swelling just above his left eye which gradually assumed the appearance of a Tumour, and on Saturday last was pronounced to be such by Dr. Bowles and an operation was arranged for on the Monday following, but for some cause the operation was postponed until next day, when strange to say, it had entirely disappeared, and has not made its appearance since.

Our Post Master happened some time ago, as lots of people have done,, to order the *Western Chronicle* discontinued. The reckless man has been the subject of persecution ever since and only last week the Editor was down here, visited a lot of chronic grumblers and then wrote a long article on the irregularities of our postal service. Why dont they give us something new?

ATHLETIC.—The Sans Souci L. A. & M. I. Club gave their first Exhibition on Wednesday evening 18th. inst. About 50 invited friends were present and spent a very enjoyable time. The Club showed that they had given a good deal of attention to their work and while some showed more strength and greater ease than others, all did excellently. It is not our place to particularize so we refrain. The Club deserve great credit for the way in which they have worked and the financial success which they have achieved. During the intermission and at the close interesting remarks were made by Prof. Coldwell, Dr. Bowles, and Messrs. J. W. Caldwell, and G. H. Wallace.

Local Matters.

"NICTAUX"—R. Prat is still selling this choice brand of flour at a low price.

Still Greater Reduction in Straw Hats at C. H. BORDEN'S, Wolfville.

"NICTAUX."—R. Prat is still selling this choice brand of Flour at a low price.

JUST RECEIVED—30 doz. POCKET KNIVES from 10 cents to \$1.00; TABLE KNIVES from 50 cents to \$2.00 per set, at S. R. Sleep's. 1 ins.

PRESBYTERIAN.—The Rev. J. B. Logan is expected to preach in the Presbyterian Church in this place next Sabbath afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

FIRE.—On the morning of the 18th. inst. the dwelling house of Mr. Henry Provo was totally consumed by fire. Loss estimated at about \$650.00 Insurance \$390.00.

ORDINATION.—Rev. R. D. Ross will be ordained and inducted into the pastoral charge of the Wolfville and Lower Horton Presbyterian congregation on Thursday the 2nd. day of August.

These most interesting services, (the first of the kind ever held here) will be held in the Wolfville Church, commencing at 2.30 P. M. It is expected that nearly all the Presbytery of Halifax, some fifteen or eighteen ministers, will be present; and as the services are open to the public, many besides the regular congregation will likely avail themselves of the opportunity to be present.

POTATO BUGS.—There can no longer be a question but that the veritable Colorado Beetle is here as the slugs have been found in several potato fields in this and adjoining Counties, but as to how it came is as great a mystery as ever. The theory that they have been imported with "Yankee" trees has long since exploded, we have taken some trouble to enquire as to the probabilities of their being brought here in such a way, and find that in the majority of cases where they have made their appearance no American trees have been received. At Wolfville Prof. Tufts found them on his vines but has had no American trees this year, and we learn that Capt. E. N. Masters of Hantsport has found them on his vines but has not purchased or planted any American trees for twelve years. We would advise our farmers to look out for them notwithstanding they have had no 'Yankee' trees and to treat them when found with a liberal supply of "London Purple" or "Paris Green."

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men who believed they had nothing but copper, suddenly discovered that their thoughts were virgin gold. Put your thoughts on paper. Test them with pen and ink.

Talk about what we have read. We may just as well converse about what is useful—ay, a thousand times better—than that which is useless; and nothing can be more interesting than the subject of a good book. Talk about what you have read. If it be not worth talking about, it is not worth reading. If it be bad, why debase yourself by reading it? if it be worthless, why waste your time over it? if it be good, why keep it to yourself?

In conclusion, we would say, be economical. Make the most of your time. Take care of minutes—the hours will take care of themselves. Devote your leisure time to reading and thinking. Never attempt the first without the last—they should be inseparable. Never be afraid to question your author, and stop him in his lofty flight or profoundest depths with the question, "Is it so?"

BADLY MIXED.

Some queer complications grow out of the marriage of the Duke of Westminster. The Duke's daughter Beatrice was married to the eldest son of the late Lord Chesham, who has since succeeded to the title, and has borne him a son and heir. Now the Duke himself has married Katherine Caroline, Lord Chesham's sister. The Chesham boy, born in 1878, is the nephew of his new grandmother, who is his father's sister; consequently his grandfather is his uncle. From this it follows that his father, being his uncle's son, is his cousin as is also his mother. But it must be remembered that, since his father and his mother are both his cousins, he is his own second cousin. Again, his father, being his grandmother's brother, is his great-uncle, and his mother is his great-aunt.

Rumor has it that buckwheat cakes will be made this season in the form of billiard balls. This is a concession to the time-saving idea of the expeditious American, it being a part of the design to discharge the spherical buckwheat concoction into the needy stomach from a gatling gun set at the head of the breakfast table.

**GREAT REDUCTION,**

*The Subscriber is selling Tinware at prices that defy competition.*

**S. R. SLEEP.**

Wolfville, N. S. May 20 1883

**RAILWAY ACCIDENT!**

**BEING ABLE TO RESUME BUSINESS**  
I now offer the public a fine selection of Ladies' and Gents'

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To the Editor of the YOUNG ACADIAN.

As the pound-keeper of Wolfville does not consider that a newspaper is a proper vehicle for private pique, personal abuse or retaliatory recrimination; he will not ask the editor of the "Young Acadian" to publish any reply to the article upon the pound which appeared in the last issue of that journal, but will allow all that are so inclined to give full credence to the sundry assertions and insinuations contained in it, and to derive from them all the enjoyment they were found capable of affording. Such newspaper contents are of the nature of bull-dozing, cock-fighting and all similar debasing amusements—they minister to a depraved taste and contaminate the innocent and the young. It is enough for the officer in charge to know that he has faithfully endeavoured, as far as unfavourable and adverse circumstances would permit, to perform his duty, both as regards the cattle impounded and their owners; even if he is made the scapegoat of all the mistakes of the Municipal Council, the injustice of the regulations and the defects and faults in the construction and equipment of the pound itself; and he has reason to believe that in this he has the countenance and support of all those in the community whose good will and good opinion he values or regards.

C. D. R.

Wolfville, July 14th. '83.

THE PRICE OF A SECRET.

Freemasons in the year 1770 must have been rather surprised and amused to read the following announcement in the *Newcastle Courant* of January 4th. of that year: "This is to acquaint the public—That on Monday the first inst, being the Lodge (or monthly meeting) Night of the Free and Accepted Masons of the 22nd. Regiment, held at the Crown, near Newgate, (Newcastle.) Mrs Bell, the landlady of the house, broke open the door (with a poker) that had not been used for some time past; by which means she got into an adjacent room, made two holes through the wall, and by that stratagem discovered the secrets of Freemasonry; and she, knowing herself to be the first woman in the world that ever found out the secret, is willing to make it known to all her sex. So any lady who is desirous of learning the secrets of Freemasonry, by applying to that well-learned woman (Mrs. Bell that lived fifteen years in and about Newgate) may be instructed in the secrets of Masonry.—*Chambers's Journal.*"

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Wolfville, May 17th. '83.

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**Wm. KELLEY.**

Wolfville, July 9th. '83.

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