POETRY.

BY REQUEST.

ODE TO RUM.

BY WILLIAM C BROWN.

Let thy devotee extole thee, And thy wondrous virtues sum; But the worst of names I'll call thee, O, thou hydrasmonster, Rum,

Pimple marker, visage-bloater, Health-corrupter, idle's name; Mischief breeder, vice promoter, Credit-spoiler, devil's bane.

Almshouse builder, pauper-maker, Trust-betrayer, sorrow's source, Pocket-emptier, Sabbath breaker, Conscience stifler, guilt's resource.

Nerve-enfeebler, system slatterer, Thirst-increaser, vagrant thief; Cough producer, treacherous flatterer, Mud bedauber, mock-relief.

Business-hinderer, spleen instiller, Wo begetter, friendship's bane; Anger-heater, Bridewell-filler, Debt-involver, topers' chain.

Memory-drowner, honor wrecker, Judgmen: warper, blue-faced quack; eud beginner, rags-bedecker, Strife-enkindler, fortune's wreck.

Summer's-cooler, winter's warmer, Blood polluter, spacious snare; Mob collector, man's transf rmer,

Bond-undoer, gambler's fare. Vital burner, deadly fire; Riot mover, firebrand-finger,

Discord kindler, misery's sire. inews-robber, worth's-depriver, Strength-subduer hideous foe; leason-thwarter, fraud contriver,

Money-waster, nation's woe. ive-seducer, joy-dispeller, Peace disturber, black guard gust, loth implanter, liver-sweller, Brain-distracter, healthful pest.

tterance boggler, stench emitterer. Strong-man sprawler, tatal diop; umult-raiser. venom spitter,

Wrath inspirer, cowar's prop. ain-inflicter, eyes'-inflamer, Heart-corrupter, folly's nurse? ecret- babbler, body-maimer.

Thief-defeater, loathsome curse. it-destroyer, joy-impairer, outh ensnarer,

rime-inventer, ruin's verge. ue blaster, base deceiver, Spite-displayer, sot's delight;

se-exciter, stomach- heaver; falsehood-spreader, scorpion's bite. parrel ploiter, rage-discharger, Giant-conqueror, wasteful sway;

in-carbuncler, tongue-enlarger, Maice-venter, death's broadway. mpest scatterer, window-smasher, Death-forerunner, hell's dire brink;

From Godey's - Lady Book.

BY T. S. ARTHUR.

pence a week."

catches her lending them." ht do a great many things, child, er magazines.

out I cant and that ends the mat- it.

Mary Rivers was extremely fond of read- the Lady's Book yet?" ther magazines or papers, but his uniform done with it yet." forced to borrow from Jane Tompkins, will do." umns. The newspaper or magizine nev- a little curious about some things." disfigured. All this to Mary was very mor left the house.

ers, who had, about six months before, to her." joined the temperance society, felt very "Let her father subscribe for them, as I of a very literary turn, remarked, on the dry as he walked along the street. Before do. He is just as able." ed a similar state of thirst with an iced --- " in the luxury of a couple of oranges, at costs him more for tobacco and cigars than repenting of this act of extra liberality. four cents each, which tempted him as he it does me for periodicals!"

passed a fruit stall. my mind to take a little excursion down afford it." Speech-bewrangler, headlong-bringer, the river in the steamboat that leaves at "If she were the only one concerned, A year or two have passed, but notyou? We can be home by tea-time."

> "I want a little recreation badly." could afford it never crossed his mind. which were shared with his neighbor.

"Come, let's have a glass of lemonade," "Yes, that is the worst of it."

ly twenty five cents. "Cheap enough," remarked Rivers.

boat is crowded."

and eight o'clock in the evening, it occur- icdical. I never have been guilty of that lowing history, given in the Washington such as any other officer similarly situared to him that, as long as he had been meanness yet, and, if I keep my present Battery, of some of his extras: Scandal-dealer, foul-mouthed scourge; enjoying himself so well, he ought to take mind, never will." something home for his family that was a Mary Rivers, as has been seen, went Cass received sixty thousand dollars for ent servant, little nice. While wondering what this home, feeling very badly. The more she extra services, without special approbation should be, he passed a fruit shop, in the thought about what had occurred, the more by law, and without rendering specific acwindow of which was a large display of or- she felt mortified and really ashamed of counts. Nearly the whole of it was paid

will do," he said.

a half cents; and bought, besides, a fip's she was not slow to infer. worth of tobacco.

sixty dollars a year! And yet Mr. Rivers | Miss Tompkins?" venous-mutderer, wind-pipe-slasher, though himself a very economical man, "No, papa," replied Mary. Drunkard's lodging, meet and drink! and took merit to himself for saving on new spapers and magazines.

ly confined in his store—and as it was dull, "He has," ejaculated Mr. Rivers, with being for the second \$1,500 a year, for allowances from government beyond what Killed in Treeing A coon.—John he could as easily be spared as not. So surprise and something of indignation .- services at Fort Wayne, Pique, and Chica- are legal and just; and, too, merely be- Trimble, a young man of Flanders, Morris a half, and took a pleasant ride to him- "I dont know, but Jane said she couldn't "unexceptionable,"—the truth being that the office of President, is an offence which week, and climbed the tree to a considerao many backs to cover. It's a a shilling in mineral water. During the "It is selfish!" said.Mr. Rivers, "very IV In 1821, Lewis Cass received \$6,610 ed to commit. Put Gen. Taylor will come ground. After being conveyed home, it t afford it! Too many mouths to self. Previogsly to his ride out, se spent let me have them any more." I should very much like to indulge ride he paid to gate keepers, stable boys at selfish! What ham could your reading commutation money for 10 rations a day, off unscathed from all such attacks. man fonder of reading than I am- taverns where he stopped for lemonade, the magazines do him, I wonder? But that for seven years, as Mr. McClelland says, and for what he drank and smoked, just is just like some people! They cannot for supporting Indians;" there being not only three dollars a year. Less thirty eight cents. Ten cents in cakes for bear to see others enjoy themselves, and a particle of proof that Lewis Cass supthe children, laid out to satisfy the rather will prevent it if in their power."

ported any Indians, and large approbations Whig, giving an account of a great Taylor w. But three dollars a year will unpleasant sensation he felt at the idea of Mr. Rivers felt rather uncomfortable a- for the contingencies," his Indian supera barrel of flour and give my fam- having indulged himself in a ride while, bout this refusal on the part of Mr. Tomp- intendency having been already made. for a month. It's no use to talk, his family remained at home, completed kins. It seemed to him to be aimed at his via addressed by Mr W C Rivers and a little and which of the Potato Rot. The crop is so far de-I know exactly my own a- this day's extra expense of the man who family. He also telt uncomfortable at the ington, to settle his accounts. This occud know that I can't afford to take could not afford to take a periodical; the thought of losing his weekly and monthly pied him 208 days. For this visit he cheering assurances:

tay is not the case," returned Mr |"What would I not give if my father would Book. He brought home a couple of num- doubt, due to Mr. Woodbridge, but it ought thy citizen of Harpers Ferry, took his life luck, obtain the plums." If I could afford it, I would take take the magazines for me as "yours does bers with him, and tossing them into Mary's to have been paid Mr. Cass.

Then Mary turned over magazine after kins.

asked, eagerly. father to take 'Godey,' or some of the o. | plied-"I've read it, Mary, but papa hasn't magazines now."

answer was, "I can't afford it," so she was No matter, "Graham" or the National the tears starting into her eyes.

than it was caught up by one hungry mem | tively forbids my doing so. But you can | agreeable surprise ere the week was out. | was Secretary.

Rivers without being considerably worse the fact. She went home feeling badly. Yes, I know you did; your face tells me The secretary of legation, during his ab- mined to awe her into submission, and dethe wear. The papers were soiled, rum- "Your friend Miss Rivers didn't get he so!" pled, the folds worn through or torn, while usual supply of reading," said Mr. Tomp- "You seem highly delighted about it," charge d'affaire, and Commodore Elliott loaded his gun and threatened if she did the magazines were often sent home sadly kin to his daughter, shortly after Mary had Mr. Rivers said, with an irrepressible smile brings the expenses of entertaining the min- not submit that he would shoot her.

tifying, and often prevented her from ask "No, and I was sorry for her," replied "Republican" dreadful bad." ing to borrow the new numbers of the Jane, "She seemed hurt and mortified when Nor was Mary alone in her expression magazines, although, to use her own words, I told her that I could not lend them. I'm of pleasure. The younger sister and brothsometimes she was "dying to see them." | sure, papa, it wouldn't have hurt us at all, ets were in raptures at the idea of having It was a warm day in July, and Mr. Riv and would have been such a gratification a 'Republican' that was all their own to

"Still, papa, it is hard for Mary to be de | magazine and another newspaper came to "Rivers," said a neighbor stepping into prived of them. It isn't her fault. She the house, and before six months, Mr. Rivhis store after dinner, "it's terrible hot, and says she often begs her father to take them ers was as liberal a patron of periodical litas there is nothing doing, I've made up for her, but that his only reply is he can't erature as Mr. Tompkins, and this although

four o'clock. Come-go along, won't Jane she might have them with pleasure," withstanding the heavy additional expense replied Mr. Tompkins. "But you see she of twenty dollars per annum for magazines "I don't care it I do, replied Rivers .- isn't. It is plain, from the condition in and newspapers, the mercantile communiwhich the magazines come home, that they ty have not yet been startled by an an-A thought of the expence or whether he have gone through the hands of the whole nouncement of the failure of Mr. Rivers erwise, one dollar more than the laws in thing else." family. That Mr. Rivers indulges him- and we hope never will-at least not so "At four he was on board the steamboat, self in reading at my expense I am very long as he takes the magazines and newsafter having spent a shilling for cigars, well sati-fied, for I have seen my "Godey" papers and pays for them punctually. at his store more than once."

he said, shor y after they were on board "Besides, Jane, I am not perfectly clear the boat; and the two men went to the bar in my own mind that it is honest towards We are given to understand that if there is and each drank a cool glass of lemonade, the publishers to encourage anything of anything which Gen. Cass, in his public for which Rivers settled. Shortly after- this kind .- They go to great expense and life, regards with more real peasonal sat. following: wards the fare was called for. It was on- labour in getting up their works, and cer- isfaction than anything else, it is his chartainly give the money's worth to all who ges for extra services; and if there is any subscribe. But if every subscriber lends thing for which he, above all other proce-"Yes, cheap as dirt. No wonder the to his neighbors who are perfectly able to dings towards him by the general govern-Twelve and a half cents more were spent if they could not borrow, the publisher payment of these same extras. We have that all the pay and allowances specified eye state which will give Old Zack twenty by Rivers for an ice cream before he re- cannot be sustained, or will receive, at best, no doubt, that the feelings of satisfaction turned from the excursion. He could al- but an inadequate return. For my part, and gravitude of Gen. Cass are truly reportthere is scarcely anything I would not do ed in this. That he has substantial cause and the regulations of the War Department crat friend had sloped.—Williamsport On arriving in the city, between seven rather than borrow a newspaper or a per- for these feelings, will be seen by the fol- made pursuant thereto; at d are precisely Times,

herself for having trespassed upon Jane on his own certificate. "I'll take a dozen oranges home—that Tompkins for her periodicals and newspa- II From 1821 to 1828 Lewis Cass drew pers, to such an extent as to cause her \$1,500 a year from the public treasury, be his duty, to give publicity to the cor- of dollars due our merchants; so that in And so he went in and got a dozen or- father to interfere and forbid her lending which was allowed him by Mr. Calhoun, in respondence. The reputation of General collecting 5 millions, we have sustained a

"Mary," said Mr. Rivers, as he sat that cies at Fort Wayne' Piqua, and Chicago. the people have an interest in preserving it whom we suspect will not be likely soon The extra spendings of Mr. Rivers, who evening, listless for want of something to In 1828, by concealing that fact from Mr Por- from being unjustly sullied. His character to employ Mr. Polk as collector. Again. could not afford to take a magazine, were read or do, "aint none of the magazines ter and Mr. Wirt, Lewis Cass prevailed in will form a portion of the history of his The Reverend author might have added for the day just one dellar and twenty out for this month? Havn't you got a them to allow him another \$1,500 a year country, and it is due to the nation that it to this sum of money-cost the loss by death

"I thought you went there to day."

And thus ending it, Mr. Rivers turned magazine, examining and admining the Mary's eyes and face brigtened as she All this time his pay was going on as govaway from his disappointed daughter and beautiful engravings. When she was po- caught up the "Book."

left the house. "Have you subscribed for it, papa?" she Wm. Woodbridge was doing Lewis Cass's

"And so I am. I've wanted to see the ister's family, into his annual accounts.

read; and even Mrs. Rivers, who was not occasion, that a newspaper was an cxcelsigning the pledge, he would have quench- "But he thinks he can't afford it and now lent thing among children, and that, for her part, she always liked to read a little punch of mintjulip. Now he merely step- "Thinks he can't afford it. indeed!" said in them now and then, especially in that ped into a druggist's and called for a glass Mr. Thompkins. "A man who spends two part containing receipts and other domesof mineral water, for which he paid his fip, or three hundred dollars a year in self in- tic matter. Not for a long time had Mr. thinking, if he thought at all, about the ex- dulgences of one kind and another talking Rivers done anything that give such unipense, that it was the mearest trifle in the about not being able to afford magazines versal satisfaction at home. Even though world. An hour afterwards he indulged and newspapers for his family. Why it he couldn't afford it, he was very far from

Many weeks did not pass before another

he couldn't afford it.

GENERAL CASS' EXTRAS.

I While Governor of Michigan Lewis

ceiving no compensation therefor.

lit was grossly speculative.

whole amount was just two dollars. enjoyment of reading the newspapers and charged the United States \$1,448; draw- cheering assurances: zine"

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thus Mr. Rivers closed the matter

whole amount was just two dollars.

on the day succeeding to this, fifty cents

charged the United States \$1,448; draw
charged the United States \$1,448; draw
ing at the same time three salaries, for al
time sanguine. I am now convinced of the resevering 'canvasser," who was were spent in little self indulgences; ou the fact, this standing of Mr. Tempkins upon leged services in Michigan, one of \$2 000 invincibility of old Rough and Ready ... sly trying to add to the subscrip- next twenty five cents, and on the day af- his reserved rights, had an unhappy effect as Gove nor, and two of \$1,500 each as From 6 ther West we have the most chest a certain highly popular magi- ter nearly a dollar. And so it went on upon the whole Rivers family, from the fa- Indian superintendant. All this time he From father West we have the most cheerday after day and week after week while ther down to little Tommy, who read the was of course unable to discharge the du ing accounts. I write in haste and whilst k you might have taken it, papa," Mary continued to borrow from Jane Tom- anecdotes, and a story now and then, with ties of any one of those three offices. In the Committee of the Convention is acting Rivers, greatly disappointed. kins her magazines, newspapers and books. as high a relish as any of the rest. On her table lay "Godey" and several oth by Mr. Tompkins, that he strained a point, absence a salary at the rate of \$1,500 a prophesy." even though he felt that he couldn't afford it, year, for discharging Mr. Cass's duties dunade of money, which I am very "How much I do envy you!" she said .- and went and subscribed for the Lady's ring those very 208 days. This was, no Suicide. Mr. John P. Kennedy, a wor-

agizines and newspapers in the for you; but he always says he can't afford lap, said-"there is the Ludy's Book for VI So in 1828 and '29, Lewis Cass at num. He was about 38 years of age, and you, Mary, and no thanks to Mr. Tomp- tended 111 days in Washington, preparing leaves a wife and children to mourn his says that Gen K arney is still dan e custo an Indian code, charging for it \$1520 .- untimely end

duties at Detroit, and was paid for doing ing and had, dozens of times, begged her Jane looked slightly confused as she re- "Yes, dear. You can read your own them out of the United press that a most revolting and cruel mur-

"Oh, I am so glad!"exclaimed Mary, the Cass was Secretary of War. VII In 1826, Lewis Cass as Governor the 14th ult. The circumstance related Even though he couldn't afford it, Mr. of Michigan, received \$2000 for his salawhose father subscribed for half a dozen "I'm sorry, Mary," and the color rose to Rivers felt happy to think that he had ry as Governor, \$3000 as Indian superin- are as follows: the thou invisible spirit of rum! if thou hadst magazines and newspapers, and thought Jane's face, "but I cant let you have eith- made Mary so happy. On the next day, tendent, and \$4 260 for other alleged ex- Baker, a man who has been for many ame by which to know thee, we would call the money well laid out. To have to bor- er of them. The fact is Mary, to tell you he thought frequently of the delighted face tra services, in negotiating treaties. Wm. years a citizen of the county, and who row she thought bad enough, but the worst the plain truth, papa has objected for a of his daughter when he told her that he Woodbridge, meanwhile, did his duties as has always been regarded by his neighbors of the matter was, no sooner did she bring good while to my lending my periodical had subscribed for the magazine. Before Governor, and was paid for doing them as a correct and worthy man, peaceable

> ber after another, always including her come and see me, Mary, and read them It was Thursday. On the next evening, VIII In 1837, Lewis Cass was nominal- beth, aged apout 22 or 23 years—a most father, and its contents devoured by each, here. I shall be glad to have you, But when he came in, Mary sprung toward him, ly minister at Paris, and on that pretence worthy and modest young woman-and and this often before she could get a I need not say that - you know I will. I and holding up a newspaper, said, while receiving \$9000 a year from the United made frequent attempts to gratfiv his bruchance to read half a dozen pages or col. wish papa wasn't so particular; but he is her whole countenance beamed with plea. States, while he was really cruising about tal desires, which the daughter obstinately sure-"A man left the "Republican" here the Mediterranean, in armed ships of the resisted, until the day upon which this er passed through the entire family of Mr. | "Mary felt hurt, not with Jane, but at to day. Did you subscribe for it, papa? United States, and travelling in the Fast .- | horrible transaction occurred. He detersence, charges the U. S. the salary of liberately, in the presence of his daughter.

OFFICIAL CONTRADICTION. When the Union recently published a liver; the young lady survived about eight statement in which General Taylor was hours, retaining her reason and faculties of charged with receiving extra allowances speech long enough to relate the brutal to a considerable amount, we took the lib- conduct of the father towards her. Immeerty of giving it a direct and positive con- diately after he had inflicted the fatal wound tradiction; and asserted that he had not, he ran across the field with his gun. The during the whole term of service, receiv- next morninghe was found in his field dead ed one cent beyond the compensation al- driven by the consciousness of his brutal lowed to officers of his grade. We were guilt to shoot himself. Baker was about influenced, not by partizan feeling, but by 56 years old, and had a wife and some considerations of justice towards a veteran live or six children. and detinguished public officer, in our exposure of the misrepresentation -and we are now enable to shew, from an official source, that our statement was correct streets a few days since. General Taylor is without the slightest was driving a herd of cattle along slowly foundation in truth. The Hon. Reverdy and leisurely. Johnson addressed a note to Adjutant Gen- | A gentleman, who has an eye to fun, and

asked the following question: First-If, from the commencement of markhis military service to the present time, General Taylor ever applied for, or receiv-

terms allowed, and ments during the period has been a Major crat. General, have not been the same as those "See here H-y, here's a curiosity, a received by General Jackson whilst he drove of Cass cattle."

nited States?

To these questions Gen. Jones made the Diover. WASHINGTON, Oct. 2, 1348. and fate and"

I am sir, very respectfully, your obedi-Hon. Reverdy Johnson, Baltimore, Md.

services in superintending the Indian agen of public as well as private concern, and mission this to be paid by our people, cents, or at the rate of three hundred and "Post" or a "Courier" from your friend for that whole term, for superintending the should be fairly represented. We do not in battle-death from wounds-death from Indian agencies at Port Wayne, Piqua, and believe that there is a single public man in climate-including the wounded of 25,000 Chicago, on the pretence that he was re- the countra who possesses a more unblem- patriotic Americans to say nothing of broished reputation than Gen. Taylor, or who ken down constitutions and impaired mot-"So I did, but Jane says her father has III While Secretary of War (!!!) Lewis is more ardently attached to the interests als. Terily, James K. Polk has an awful On the next day Mr. Rivers felt as if he forbidden her to lend the paper and maga- Cass presented another account for the of the nation. To have such a man rep- account to settle! years 1829, 1830, and ____ in 1831, resented as demanding and receiving extra go, and endorsed on it that it was quite cause the people have nominated him for County, (N.J.) treed a coon one night last an editor or other person should be asham- ble height to catch, when he tell to the

VIRGINIA .- A letter in the Richmond meeting in Lexington (Va.) at which 4 to from all quarters, of the extensives ravages was addressed by Mr, W. C. Rivers and o- stroyed that there is already a scarcity

on Thursday night last, by taking lauda-1 lill, and that his life is feared for.

ATTEMPT AT SEDUCTION.

MURDER AND SUICIDE. We learn from the Lexington (Mo) Ex-States several years afterwards, while Mr. der wss perpetrated in the neighborhood of Marshall, Saline county, in that State, on

a magazine or newspaper into the house and literary newspapers, and now posi- night he determined to give her another by the War Department, while Lewis Cass and kind in his family, conceived an incestuous passion for his daughter Eliza-

About 2 o'clock in the evening, he deliberately discharged his gun upon the young lady, the whole contents taking effect on the lelt side in the region of the

TOO GOOD TO BE LOST. An amusing incident occurred in our to the letter, and that the charge against A sturdy drover from the great West

eral Jones, on the 30th ult. in which he at the same time a warm hand for old Zack, saluted the man of the beef with this re-

"Are these Cass or Taylor cattle?

Our Western drover replieded in the form of pay, emoluments or oth- Taylor cattle all over, they aint any-

Satisfied with the answer the Whig hur-Secondly-Whether his pay and emolu- ried to the domicil of an inveterate Demo-

held the same post in the Army of the U- | Pleased with the news our Democratic friend came to the door and accosted the

"Cass cattle, ah, fine fellows, slick and

Dear Sir-I duly received your letter "Cass and be d-d'spoke out the Buckof the 30th ult., and having examined the eye, "do you suppose I would drive Cass subscribe themslves, and who would do so ment, remembers with gratitude, it is the referred to, have no hesitation in saying sir'ee—these cattle come from the Buckas having been received by Major General thousand majority, and ," but before

COST OF THE WAR. The Rev. Theodore Parker estimates R: Jones, Adjutant General. | that the cost of our war with Mexico, when its various items shall come to be This letter settles the matter beyond the footed up, will amount to 250 MILLION'S possibility of doubt or civil; and we hope OF DOLLARS. Mr. Polk went to that the editor of the Union will feel it to war, ostensibly, to collect about 5 millions anges, for which he paid thirty seven and them any more. For this fact in the case consideration (among other things) of his Taylor and of other distinguished men, is loss of 245 millions—a pretty heavy com-

Baltimore Clipper. | was broken, and the lower part of his body was dead. He lies in a hopeless state.-Newark Adv.

POTATO ROT. We regret to hear,

Some newspaper wag, who insinuates a deal of truth in his waggery, says the see a magazine or a newspaper borrow from Jane To pkins, and her father grumbles at her when
see a magazine or a newspaper borrow from Jane To pkins, and her father grumbles at her when
satches her leading them?

see a magazines, ucwspapers and cooks. as high a felish as any of the rest.

Things remained in this posture for two or three weeks; when Mr. Rivers become and old Virginia is redeemed. Mark this how it does not appear to be well mixed and superintendant during Lewis Cass's and Old Virginia is redeemed. Mark this how it does not appear to be well mixed and superintendant during Lewis Cass's and Old Virginia is redeemed. a slice and get nothing but dough, while others with less brains, and born to good

The St. Louis Republican of the 26th ult.