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Poetry.

WHEN THE SEA GIVES UP HER DEAD.

BY JEAN INGELOW.

When sparrows build and the leaves break forth,
My old sorrow wakes and cries,
For I know there is a dawn in the far, far north,
And a scarlet sun doth rise,
Like a scarlet fleece the snow-fields spreads,
And the icy founts run free,
And the bergs begin to bow their heads,
And plunge and sail in the sea.

Oh! my lost love, and my own, my love,
And my love that loved me so!
Is there never a chink in the world above
Where they listen for words from below?
Nay, I spoke once, and I grieved thee sore—
I remember all that I said;
And now thou will hear me no more—no more
Till the sea gives up her dead.

Then didst set thy foot on the ship and sail
To the ice fields and the snow;
Then wert sad, for thy love did nought avail,
And the end I could not know.
How could I tell I should love thee to-day,
Whom that day I held not dear?
How could I know I should love thee away,
When I did not love thee anear?

We shall walk no more through the sodden plain
With the faded bents o'erspread,
We shall stand no more by the seething main,
While the dark wrack drives o'erhead;
We shall part no more in the wind and rain,
Where thy last farewell was said;
But perhaps I shall meet thee and know thee again
When the sea gives up her dead.

THUNDER AND LIGHTNING!

Mr. Garrett, of Pine county, Georgia, was lately struck by lightning, and although not much hurt, every hair was taken from his head, leaving him perfectly bald.

Old Mr. Garrett, now lies in his bed,
Sipping his ginger tea very slow;
He has no hair on the top of his head,
In the place where the hair ought to grow.

Struck by lightning in a thunder gust,
Not killed, but very badly shoked;
He'll never go off on another bust,
To the place he was lately knocked.

A Georgia man from a Pine countyfield,
He was before he was hit;
When lightning strikes we all must yield,
If not able to get up and grit.

Mr. Garrett says he's not much hurt,
But he laments the loss of his hair;
If the lightning had to make a spurt,
Why didn't it blaze the old brown mare?

To be so bald is not very nice,
Says this Pine county, Georgia sage.
He once was a widower, and may be twice,
And the girls may mistake his age.

A barber shaves you, and blacks your boots,
And fixes you so you can pass;
But lightning only takes your hair out by the roots,
And polishes the skull like a glass

He sips his tea and he nurses his fate,
This poor Mr. Garrett in the South;
He must be wretched in his forlorn state,
And sadly down in the mouth.

Miscellaneous.

The Plague of His Life.

"That girl has done nothing but to provoke and annoy me ever since she came from school three months ago. I wish, Carrie, you would send her away somewhere—anywhere, so she is out of my sight She is the plague of my life."

Miss Carrie Ives looked pleasantly up from her reading, her plump finger marking the paragraph that had been interrupted by her brother's impatient speech.

"Why, Fred, what has the child done now?" she inquired.

His fine, pale, grave face flushed a little and a half confused expression came into his serious, gray eyes.

"This is the young vandal's latest achievement in the impertinent line!" he said, with a short laugh of chagrin as he pushed toward her a big volume of some abstruse work, and turned the fly-leaf.

Thereon had been sketched an inimitable portrait of himself, sitting in his familiar and scholarly attitude in his leathern chair before his library table—an inelegant study gown hanging ungracefully from his large shoulders and the hand that supported a Websterian head clutching an untidy shock of hair. It was too consummate a resemblance to be gratifying, and altogether too exact for caricature; the dexterous pencil had not in the least exaggerated the peculiarities of Frederick Ives, for he had his own little excentricities and mannerisms, just as we all have, if we choose to admit the fact.

"It is an amazing likeness of you," said his sister, laughing.

"Possibly," he returned in that half mortified, half angry manner, "and I dare say it may be good for a man to see himself occasionally 'as others see him.' But this sort of embellishment is not precisely desirable in a valuable book of science. Jessie Evelyn is becoming quite too mischievous, Carrie; and I fear if you cannot provide a home elsewhere for her, I shall feel myself compelled to leave you."

"O, Fred!" the gentle little lady cried in dismay. "Surely you cannot mean that? Jessie must really stay with me while she is a minor and remains unmarried. If you would be less captious toward her, perhaps she would be more amiable toward you. You treat her as if she was a little vixen, and she resents it by being as vixenly as possible—but that is woman's way, I suppose," she added humorously.

"I know nothing about women and their ways," he answered grimly.

"But you could try to win Jessie's liking, Fred," she returned coaxingly.

"I win her liking?" he repeated in a strange voice. "You suggest what is impossible—it is only too obvious that our pretege detests me."

Just then a dark, swift something rushed past the window outside. It was only a handsome, smiling girl riding a superb black horse rapidly up the path toward the stables; but at the sight Carrie uttered a quick cry of surprise and amazement, and the man started to his feet.

"I advised Jessie not to ride at all. I forbade her going near that horse," he exclaimed, after a long and incredulous stare at the composed rider and her admirably behaved animal. "I wonder that she has not been killed."

"She has subjugated your horse, Fred, just as she manages to subjugate everything else which opposes her," the lady said admiringly. "Observe her and allow her cleverness. She has metamorphosed my old black cloth mantle into a really pretty habit, with characteristic ingenuity she has arranged your man's saddle to suit a lady's seat; and she has utilized your best silk hat, Fred—it becomes her too, with that bit of deep green about the tall crown."

"I detest anything mannish in a woman," he declared crossly, as he resumed his leathern chair.

Certainly the gentleman had experienced very little peace, since that perverse girl of seventeen—that incarnation of audacity and witchery, had invaded the tranquil country home of his indulgent spinster sister. If he wished a little season of particular quietude, the tinkle of the piano and a distractingly sweet voice would sound through the house. If he consulted his labored notes upon some especially favored historical or poetical work, his equanimity would be disturbed by keen and pertinent interpolations that his own wit had never suggested. If he attempted any remonstrance, she would blunt his censure with a pun and defy rebuke by an ingenious repartee. She would affect scientific themes that she might disconcert him by some problem too difficult for his elucidation; she dared his opinions and challenged his sentiments; she wore the colors, flowers and gems she knew he most disliked, and was, indeed, the plague of his life.

"Why do you always wear the topaz, Miss Evelyn?" he asked her later that same day.

He had glanced up with a ready frown at the exquisite shape and charming brunette face, perceiving only the yellow gem that he whimsically abominated, glittering in her coal black hair and amid the white laces on her bosom.

"An amulet," she replied merrily and meaningly. "It is a preservative against poison, you know."

The speech was not quite civil; the laughing glance of the big black eyes was saucy and significant, but her manner was the perfection of innocent playfulness.

Fred's frowning face crimsoned.

"What monster of iniquity would wish to harm so gentle and gracious a lady?" he retorted, with ungallant irony.

She regarded him for a moment with a curiously intent and questioning look, before which his countenance suddenly changed—suddenly he seemed defensive rather than aggressive, as one who feared his own weakness rather than the strength of the enemy.

Perhaps she discerned something in his uneasiness that she wilfully declined to understand; perhaps she comprehended a pain that thrilled her more than she cared to acknowledge—or she, too, changed.

"Mr. Ives," she began at length, with a singular new splendor in her sweet smile and a singular new sweetness in her voice, "any sarcasm is absurd between you and me. The candid truth is so much better always, even if it be disagreeable. I am perfectly aware that you detest me; that everything I do displeases or annoys you. You have given me abundant proof of dislike, and have never yet vouchsafed me a kindness or a courtesy. It is you who is ungentle and ungracious. Why you are so I may not inquire, but I shall implore our Carrie to send me away, and trust that you may never again be afflicted with the presence of so luckless a person as myself."

And while he marveled if this amiability, this charming combination of humility and dignity, were sincerity or a snare, she had gone, leaving him somewhat bewildered and wholly uncomfortable.

"I have a mind to try the subjugated black horse myself," he thought presently, as he noted the gleam of a white dress and an amber scarf among the trees up the long shady road.

But the black horse had not been subjugated for Fred's pleasure, evidently. The mettle that had been obedient to the slightest command of one dainty, daring girl, had not been tamed for his control.

Jessie, pausing by the pleasant wayside, was suddenly started by the unsteady tramp of hoofs, and looked up to behold the untmanageable animal galloping toward her. The next instant he tossed his vicious head aloft and reared back upon his haunches; simultaneously the saddle girt snapped asunder, and the unfortunate rider was precipitated on the sward almost at her very feet.

"Oh, are you hurt?" she inquired in tones of tenderest concern, as she knelt down beside him and slipped her pretty arm beneath his fallen head.

"Yes," he answered, gazing straight up into her anxious eyes. "I am hurt to death for love of a girl who hates me, and fancies that I dislike her."

It was an odd love making, doubtlessly, but there and then, holding fast the little hand, the lover rehearsed the ancient and delectable story.

"Of course I will marry you," she assured him sweetly. "I always knew I was doomed to be the plague of your life."

Letting Him Down.

"Oh, Clara," he said, "how I have longed for this happy hour when we two should sup together alone! Haven't you also longed, Clara?"

"Yes, very much."

"And why, darling, have you longed? Do you really think so much—"

"Oh, yes, Henry! I do think everything of—"

"You do?"

"Everything in the world of these—"

"These happy, blissful moments?"

"No, these oysters. They are the first I've had a chance to bite into for a year."

One pound of green tea boiled until its strength is concentrated into a gill of liquid contains poison enough to kill over 1,000 cats, it is said. Let 'em bring on their cats and prove it. If it doesn't work, we can work in among 'em with an ax.

The Pons comet has been discovered to have a double tail, though when it was here in 1812 it had only one. This is bad. Doubling up on tails, like that, is going to make the comet very provocative of nervousness to the man going home late.

An Indian named "Man-afraid-of-nothing" married a white woman in Montana recently, and one week afterwards applied to the tribe to have his name changed.

Miss Katie Nagle, 73 Warner st., Baltimore says: "I found great improvement from using Brown's Iron Bitters for weakness and loss of appetite."

The man who married a girl because she "struck his fancy," says she strikes him any where that same hands are.

Titus Andronicus is the latest title of a satire on Shakspeare. The next one will be about some other cuss.

THE LABOR BILLS.

The Drafts of Governor McLane's Proposed Legislation for Workmen, Women and Children of Maryland.

Below are given copies of the drafts of the six bills lately submitted by Gov. McLane for the action of the Legislature to regulate labor in this State, and protect workingmen, women and children employed in industrial establishments. Though the Governor in his message recommended eight hours for a day's labor, the bill regulating the hours leaves blanks to be filled up in accordance with the judgment the Legislature may reach on that subject. The bill, also it will be seen, is declaratory only, and does not carry with it a penalty for the violation of its provisions.

HOURS OF LABOR FOR WOMEN AND MINORS.

A Bill entitled an Act to repeal Chapter 125 of the Acts passed at January Session, 1876, limiting the hours of labor in this State for all minors under sixteen years of age, and to enact a substitute therefor prohibiting the employment of children under ten years of age in any factory or manufacturing establishment in this State, and regulating the hours of work of children and women employed in factories and manufacturing establishments in this State, and providing for their health and for certain relaxation from their labor.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland that chapter one hundred and twenty-five of the acts of January session, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, that no child under the age of ten years shall be employed in any factory or manufacturing establishment in this State, and that no child under the age of sixteen years, and no woman shall be employed in any factory or manufacturing establishment in this State more than — hours in any one day; and that there shall be allowed out of such time to every woman or child so employed —— for rest and dinner, which time shall be from 12 o'clock M., to —— o'clock P. M.; and no child or woman so employed shall be required to do any work on Christmas Day, or on New Year's Day, or on the Fourth Day of July, or on the Twenty-second Day of February, or on any day of thanksgiving or humiliation and prayer proclaimed by the Governor of this State or by authority of the Legislature thereof; and no child or woman shall be allowed to clean any part of the gearing of any mill or factory in this State worked by water or steam while the same is in motion.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, that if any person, firm or corporation managing or conducting any factory or manufacturing establishment in this State shall do any act, or make or permit any employment in his, their or its factory or manufacturing establishment in this State contrary to the provisions of this act, he, they or it shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, upon conviction thereof, in a court of competent jurisdiction, be fined one hundred and fifty dollars for each offence so committed.

HOURS OF LABOR FOR MEN.

A Bill entitled an Act to Regulate the Hours of Labor of Workingmen in this State.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, that the period of employment for workingmen in this State shall begin at —— o'clock in the morning and end at —— o'clock in the evening, and that there shall be allowed each day during the said period of employment to each of said workingmen —— for dinner, which shall be between twelve o'clock M. and —— o'clock P. M.; but it shall be competent for any workingman to contract with his employer, if he sees proper, to do work for a longer period in each day.

TRADES-UNIONS.

A Bill entitled an Act to Provide for the Formation of Trades-Unions, under the provisions of article twenty-six of the Code of Public General Laws of this State, as the same was enacted by the act of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, chapter four hundred and seventy-one, and under the supplements thereto, and to define the powers of the corporations so authorized to be formed.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, that any five or more persons, citizens of the United States, a majority of whom are citizens of this State, who are engaged in the same occupation or employments, may organize and form as a corporation, to be known as a "Trades-Union," with such additions to the said name as they may adopt and set forth in their certificate to promote the well-being of their every-day life, and for mutual assistance in securing the most favorable conditions for the labor of its members, and as a beneficial society, under the provisions of article twenty-six of the Code of Public General Laws of this State, as the same was enacted by the act of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, chapter four hundred and seventy-one, and its supplements, in the manner in which other corporations provided for in said act are authorized to be formed. Each of said trades-unions so organized and formed as a corporation shall possess all the powers and be subject to all the regulations in said act and in its supplements contained, affecting beneficial societies or associations authorized to be incorporated under the provisions of said act and its supplements.

HEALTH IN FACTORIES.

A Bill entitled an Act to Protect the Health of those Employed in Factories, Manufacturing Establishments and Workshops in this State.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, that all factories, manufacturing establishments or workshops in this State shall be kept in a cleanly condition and free from effluvia arising from any drain, privy or other nuisance, and no factory, manufacturing establishment or workshop shall be so overcrowded while work is carried on therein as to be injurious to the health of the persons employed therein, and every such factory, manufacturing establishment or workshop shall be ventilated in such manner as to render harmless, as far as practicable, all the gases, vapors, dust, or other impurities generated in the course of the manufacturing process or handicraft carried on therein which may be injurious to health.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, that if any person, firm or corporation managing or conducting any factory, manufacturing establishment or workshop in this State shall neglect any of the requirements of this act, or do, or permit to be done, in the factory, manufacturing establishment or workshop conducted or managed by him, them or it contrary to the provisions of this act, he, she, they or it shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, upon conviction thereof, in a court of competent jurisdiction, be fined one hundred and fifty dollars for each offence so committed.

A Bill entitled an Act to amend Article Thirty of the Code of Public General Laws of this State, title "Crimes and Punishments," by adding thereto an additional section under the new sub-title of "Conspiracy."

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, that article thirty of the Code of Public General Laws of this State, title "Crimes and Punishments," be and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto the following additional section under the new subtitle of "Conspiracy:"

Section —. All agreement or combination by two or more persons to do, or procure to be done, any act in contemplation or furtherance of a trade dispute between employers and workmen, shall not be indictable as conspiracy, if such act, committed by one person, would not be punishable as an offense. Nothing in this section shall affect the law relating to riot, unlawful assemblage, breach of the peace, or any offense against any person or against property.

INDUSTRIAL STATISTICS.

A Bill entitled an Act to Provide for the Collection of Statistics and Information Concerning the Various Branches of Industry practised in this State, and the needs thereof, and the abuses which exist therein.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, that it shall be the duty of the Board of Public Works in this State to collect statistics and information concerning the various branches of industry practised in this State, and the needs thereof, and the abuses which exist therein; and that the said board shall make full report thereof to the General Assembly at each session thereof.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, that the sum of ——— dollars be, and the same is hereby, annually appropriated to enable the said Board of Public Works to employ the clerical assistance and to pay the expenses necessary to the execution of the duties imposed upon the said board by this act; and that the said money hereby annually appropriated be, and the same is hereby, directed to be paid by the treasurer of this State, upon the warrant of the comptroller, in such sums, and, at such times, as the said Board of Public Works shall, from time to time, direct by its order in writing.

For the Star.

SOUTHERN SKETCHES.

Among the Negroes of the West, the Long Shore Men near Savannah, Ga.

In the year 1847, if we recollect aright, we witnessed one of the three instances of cruelty (and this the severest) that ever came under our notice, in an occasional and protracted intercourse with the South.

The subject was an old gray-headed negro, the inhuman perpetrator proved to be a Yankee and superintendent of a wood-yard; the place was the upper wharf at Savannah; the cause was that the man, who had charge of a yoke of oxen, had failed to return from town in time to take the flood tide up the river; his excuse was that he could not get his clothes any sooner.

We informed several gentlemen of the occurrence who became so indignant that they ferreted out the agents and gave us the points we had not ascertained. They and others who became acquainted with the circumstances were very much exasperated, but what was done with the agent we did not learn.

The day afterward we went running with two of the gentlemen referred to. In the course of our ramble we were affected in a different manner. Becoming tired we reached and rested under the shade of a large live-oak. Mr. Williams, an officer in the Bank of Georgia, who was one of the party, referred to the instance of cruelty, and said that most of the cruelty that had come under his notice was perpetrated by northern persons, coming south as agents, overseers or boss mechanics. These imagining they would gratify their employers by lamenting those who were their playmates in childhood, although there were honorable exceptions.

About this period of the conversation we saw a decrepit old woman coming from a small cabin to gather sticks and bark for a fire. One of the gentlemen called to her, "Mama." She turned to us with a courtesy, and said, "What massa?" "Please bring me a light for my cigar." This was done to make inquiries of her. She hobbled to us with the fire and offereder it with great politeness. She was given a coin for which she professed much thanks.

One of the gentlemen questioned her about her condition. She informed us that she belonged to a lady in destitute circumstances, that she had always been treated kindly, had several times been offered her freedom, but had always refused it. When asked why, she replied, "My Lord, massa! what I do, I free? Who take care ob me?" And while tears ran down her withered face, said, "When she could she worked for missus, but now missus worked for her!"

After she left, the other gentleman, whose name is forgotten, but who was an officer in the Custom House, said that when he was in arms, his parents were in the habit of going North for the summer. His nurse, who had nursed an elder brother and sister, was devo