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POETRY.

PROVIDENCE.

BY JOHN G. WHITTIER.

I know not what the future hath
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Assured alone that life and death
His mercy underlies.

And if my heart and flesh are weak
To bear an untried pain,
The bruised reed He will not break,
But strengthen and sustain.

No offering of my own I have,
No works my faith to prove;
I can but give the gifts He gave,
And plead his love for love.

And so beside the silent sea
I wait the muffled oar;
No harm from Him can come to me
On ocean or on shore.

I know not where His islands lift
Their fronded palms in air;
I only know I cannot drift
Beyond His love and care.

And thou, O Lord, by whom are seen
Thy creatures as they be,
Forgive me if too close I lean
My human heart on Thee.

MISCELLANEOUS.

WHAT'S IN A NAME

Has the Name of a Paper Anything to do With the Size of its Snake Stories?

The following correspondence from the Delaware Gazette reminds us greatly of the articles generally published on the editorial page of our own mild-eyed, exuberant Easton Gazette. In its wild flights of imagination, ecstatic and beauteous bursts of language, elegance and ease of its Munchausenic phrases and in the immensity and completeness of its prevarication, the similitude is at once striking and lifelike:

The Situation in the South.

EDITOR GAZETTE:—Being a man of leisure, engaged in no business at all, I thought I would take a trip through the country, after the nominations were made at Chicago, to recuperate my wasted energies and build up my shattered constitution, after my arduous labors in my business establishment in this city during the last winter and spring, and also to personally ascertain the prospects of Blaine and Logan for success in the contest now in progress.

I first visited Maryland and stopped at a small town in the western part of that State containing about 200 voters. Here I found that the Republicans already had a Blaine and Logan club formed with a membership of about 400. I also found that a Democratic club, numbering 1,100, had pulled down the Cleveland and Hendricks banner and came out for the Republican nominees. This town gave the Democrats, in 1882, 50 majority; in November it will give Blaine and Logan about 2,000 majority.

I also interviewed the Hon. David Fitzboozle, the only son of a wealthy and influential Democrat, of this place, who had been a lifelong Democrat, and never voted for a Republican in his life. He is ardent in his support of Blaine and Logan and stated that five of his brothers, who have always been Democrats, will support the Republican nominees.

I then visited Virginia. Everywhere I found the same political revolution going on. In one county bordering on Maryland, where the Democrats in 1882 had a majority of 1,500 out of a voting population of 2,000, I found the changes so great that the Republicans are sanguine of carrying the county by at least 6,000.

In West Virginia, notably in the large manufacturing towns, I interviewed 43,000 Democrats, mostly Irishmen, and they all declared their intention to vote for Blaine and Logan, because Blaine was an ardent Know-Nothing in 1854 and did all he could to proscribe them at that time.

In South Carolina I met a number of prominent Democrats, who have always been in favor of revenue reform, who will support Blaine and Logan, because they are in favor of a high protective tariff.

In Kentucky the changes are so numerous that Blaine will carry the State by at least 60,000 majority. At Munchausenville, a town with a population of about 500, they already have a Blaine and Logan club composed entirely of Democrats, which already numbers 1,100, and is constantly and daily increasing in numbers. No one can join it but persons heretofore attached to the Democratic party.

At this place I met a gentleman, Hon. Simon Gullible, who had represented the district in congress for 90 years. He assured me that he had never voted for a Republican in his life, but this time will support Blaine and Logan.

In Mississippi I visited a county where there is a white voting population of 300 and a colored voting population of 26,000. One hundred and fifty of the whites are Republicans, ninety are independents, seventy-five never vote and take no part in politics, twelve are not voters on account of not being long enough in the county to secure a residence.

If a fair election can be held, and the Republicans are not intimidated by the ku-klux Blaine and Logan will have 30,000 majority in the county and insure the success of the Republicans in the State.

In Louisiana the skies are bright. Reaching New Orleans, I immediately interviewed ex-Senator Killdog. He assured me that in some parishes not a Democrat was to be found, and, in fact, that as far as could be learned, there are but 24 Democratic voters in the State, and one Democratic boy. If they can get a fair election, and the Democrats do not resort to intimidation, the Republicans will carry the State by a large majority, some placing it as high as 100,000.

On the 29th ult., the snow fell in New Orleans to the depth of 14 feet on a level, and as the walking was good, I made an incursion into the surrounding parishes, and found the same condition of things existing everywhere.

Many parishes with a voting population of 300 or 400 will give Blaine and Logan from 900 to 1,000 majority. In Louisiana the Republicans will gain from 14 to 16 members of Congress, and elect the governor and both branches of the legislature unanimously.

Since returning home I visited South Wilmington, and find a Blaine club there composed entirely of Democrats which numbers 200, out of a Democratic voting population of about 175.

The last Democrat joined the club the evening I was over, except one, and he was last seen going towards the river Delaware, to take a skiff and go to Sussex county in search of the Democrats who the Republicans told us left the party in 1882 and would vote for Curry and Hastings, but failed to turn up on election day, as the returns prove.

A TRAVELER.

P. S.—Florida will give Blaine and Logan at least 50,000 majority. Not a Democrat in the State but one, and he will emigrate in a few weeks.

"Puck" Answers Mr. Bradbury.

Mr. Bradbury, of Cincinnati, wrote a facetious letter to Puck on the harm it was doing to its circulation and the good its warfare on the "tattooed man" was doing the Republican nominee, Blaine. Puck replied in characteristic manner as follows:

Dear Sir:—"If the funeral suits you, why don't you let the procession pass on? If we are going toward the dark and silent grave with all our sins heavy on our head, the least you can do is to let the glittering cortege move on at a level trot.

"Is it your corpse, Mr. Bradbury? May we not do as we please with our remains? If you are jealous of our success as a funeral, go away and tune by yourself. Nobody will interfere with you.

"We don't quite understand your attitude, Bradbury. We hope you don't mind our calling you Bradbury. It is a little familiar, but we like to be easy and comfortable with a friendly citizen like you, who drops in on us, as it were, to tell us how to run our own business. You don't mind Bradbury, just plain like that, do you?

"Well, then, Brad., we don't understand your attitude. If we are going to kill ourselves by opposing your candidate, why don't you encourage us in our suicidal intent? That's just what you want, isn't it? We ought to be suiting you right down to the ground.

"It seems to us, Brad., that you are impolitic. There is a flaw in your logic. Your mental processes have got into a tangle, or somebody has 'chawed' them, as small boys say when they tie knots in the clothes of their fellow swimmers.

"If we are helping Mr. Blaine's cause, why don't you let us go on and help? Why do you give away a piece of information that may put us up to depriving your virtuous candidate of a great deal of valuable assistance? If we were a mean paper, we might take advantage of a great deal of valuable assistance? If we were a mean paper, we might take advantage of what you have told us, and then Mr. Blaine would suffer, being deprived of the support of our opposition.

"But we will not, Brad. There is nothing mean about us. We are helping Mr. Blaine by our present course, are we? Delighted to hear it. No, don't stop to thank us yet. Wait until we get through. Bless your soul we havn't begun yet. If this is the kind of course that does Mr. Blaine good he has a great future before him, for he is going to get plenty more of just that very identical course. Why, Brad., we havn't got fairly awake yet. When we get warmed up we shall be able to make ourselves really serviceable to your candidate, if this sort of thing is the sort of thing that he wants. If your candidate is hankering after support of this style he can have it, in quantities to suit, by applying at this office.

"We have an idea, Brad., (we must call you Brad. once more before we take leave of you); we have an idea, Brad., that your solicitude about stopping this funeral arises solely from the fact that you forsee that we are going to prove a pretty lively corpse."

Of Course They Did.

A boy went into a Detroit shoe shop to have his boot patched. Two other boys saw him there and entered and sat down. On a shelf in the shop was an old revolver.

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The reader will imagine five minutes to have elapsed.

The first boy looked at the old weapon and grew uneasy.

The second boy wished he owned it and began to whistle.

The third boy wondered if it was loaded, and made up his mind to see.

The shoemaker waxed his thread and remarked:

"I doan' like some poys to come in here und fools around mit my tools"

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Five minutes more have slipped into the back townships of the past.

The first boy has gained five feet on it.

The second boy has ceased to whistle and commenced to wink.

The third boy is only a neck behind the first.

"Pecause," said the shoemaker, as he cut out the patch, "it vhar dangerous to fool mit tools dot you doan' know aboudt."

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The first boy has the revolver.

The second will bet him a cent that he dasn't smash it.

The third will raise the bet two to one.

Bang! Zip! Buff!

Bullet rakes along the wall and throws the mortar all over the shoemaker. Three boys stand and hold three mouths open.

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"Vhel, I hopes you feel petter," said the shoemaker as he finished spanking the last boy and shot him through the door. "Dot vash shust like a poy. If he sees some tools hanging mit der vall he can't be still until he kills some poor man dot leaves his family mit no life insurance to square oop her rent and go back to Shermany!"

An Obedient Servant.

In Austin it is impossible to ascertain when any particular train leaves, without going to the depot and inquiring of the ticket agent how many hours behind time the train is. Colonel Yerger wished to go to San Antonio on the eleven o'clock train, so he said to his colored servant:

"Sam, go down to the depot and see what time the eleven o'clock train leaves."

It was about three o'clock when Sam returned.

"Well, when does the train leave?"

"It's done left, boss."

"What?"

"I did jss whut yer tole me. Yer tole me ter see when de train left, and I watched till it was plain outer sight on de udder side ob de Colorado ribber."

Ayer's Ague Cure, when used according to directions, is warranted to eradicate from the system all forms of malarial disease, such as Fever and Ague, Chill Fever, Intermittent, Remittent and Bilious Fevers, and disorders of the liver. Try it. The experiment is a safe one, and will cost you nothing if a cure is not effected.

There are over 3,000 pawnshops in London. No wonder Hamlet exclaimed: "Oh, my prefittick soul, my uncle!"

HE TOOK ALL THE BETS.

A few years ago John Mackey was sitting in the Gould and Currie office, Carson, Nevada, reading about the "Jumping Frog of Calaveras," when an idea occurred to him that some sort of a trick like that would be a splendid thing to ring in on Maurice Hoeflich, the mining expert. Hoeflich is around the office a good deal, and whenever he takes a lunch with Mackey he is sure to get in some sort of a dispute and offer a bet. Mackey don't like betting and frowns it down, unless he thinks people are trying to bluff him—besides Hoeflich most always wins. At last he determined to cure Hoeflich of his habit and find where the weak spot in his armor lay.

One day he saw Hoeflich on the stoop playing with an enormous grasshopper, which he was teaching to jump. Hoeflich's grasshopper could jump twenty-three feet and it wasn't long before he remarked to Mackey:

"I'll bet ten dollars dot you cand find an insek to peet 'im."

Mackey bet fifty dollars that he could beat it, and Hoeflich raised him five hundred at once. The bet closed at these figures, and Mackey said he would have the hopper there in a day or so. He then sent a trusted emissary down to Carson Valley to secure a contestant for the winged steed of Hoeflich.

The man spent nearly a week roaming over Carson Valley catching hoppers. He sent an official report to Mackey, stating he had caught over three thousand hoppers and put them through their paces. The best gait any of them had was 17¼ feet. He doubted if a bigger jump could be secured. On receipt of the letter the bonanza prince telegraphed to the man to bring him up anyway. The next day he arrived with about a dozen hoppers from Farmer Treadway's and Mr. Mackey gave them quarters in his room as Vanderbilt would his stud. Each hopper had a cigar box to himself, and every morning they were taken out and put through their paces. It was impossible, however, to get one to jump over 18 feet, although all sorts of invigorating food was given them.

Mr. Mackey was in despair, but one morning a hopper sniffed at a bottle of ammonia on the table and immediately jumped thirty feet. After making a few experiments it was found that one whiff of ammonia so enlivened the hoppers that they could make jumps that were almost incredible. Next day Mackey announced to Hoeflich that he was ready for the match.

The expert was ready at nine o'clock, an hour before the time, with his pet hopper. Not finding Mr. Mackey in, he sat down in the study, and there noticed the bottle of ammonia. While examining it, Bridget, the old and faithful domestic of the Gould & Currie firm, came in with:

"Don't be techin' that numonia, Mr. Hoeflich. It's to make Mr. Mackey's hoppers sprightly. Bedad, I belave by the robes of St. Patrick, he's out of his sinses, since the pump broke at the north ind.

Hoeflich pumped the domestic and soon knew all about Mackey's game.

A light broke upon Hoeflich—grabbing the bottle he rushed across the street to a Perkin's drug store, threw away the ammonia and ordered it filled with chloroform. In ten minutes he was back, and leaving the bottle where he found it, got out of the place as fast as he could.

Mackey soon arrived with half a dozen mining superintendents he had invited up to see him have some fun with Hoeflich.

They were hardly seated when Hoeflich came in with a cigar box under his arm.

"I vas a leetle late, Mr. Mackey, but I'm here mit der hopper and der coin.

He laid down the money which was covered promptly.

"Anyone else to pet?"

Joe Stewart laid down $100.

John Kelly put up $50.

Warren Sheridan stepped in for $200.

Hank Smith wanted a like amount.

Sam Jones had only $60, but he put it up.

Then a few got into a corner of the room and concluded it was a shame to rope Hoeflich in that way, and finally agreed to give the money back after they had won it. Mackey then bantered Hoeflich to raise the pot 100 shares of Union Con. Hoeflich wrote an order on his broker and remarked:

"Dar's no limit to de bets, gentlemen, de coin speaks."

Nearly every man doubled his bet and then Mackey got behind Sam Jones and let his hopper sniff of the ammonia bottle which held Hoeflich's chloroform.

Time being called, the hoppers were placed side by side on the piazza, and at the word "go" each insect was touched on the back with a straw. Hoeflich's grasshopper described a semi-circle in the air and scored twenty-four feet. Mackey's gave a lazy lurch of some four inches, and folding its legs across its stomach fell fast asleep. Jones swore he could hear it snore.

Hoeflich walked back into the room, swept the coin into a canvas sack, and Mackey wrote out an order for the stock. Hoeflich went up the street with his hopper under his arm, leaving the others too much astonished to speak. Presently Sheridan put the ammonia bottle to his nose and called Mackey's attention to the smell.

"Chloroform by gracious!"

Then the Milesian woman who was the cause of all the mischief, appearing with a broom announced that it was "swapin' time," and the crowd dispersed, each going in different directions.

As Mackey started for the Union shaft, he remarked:

"That fellow, Hoeflich does play in queer luck."

And to this, all hands inwardly agreed.

All Hogs.

A Methodist minister once started a church in a young western town, but for want of pecuniary support was soon obliged to abandon it

His farewell sermon to the lukewarm brethren was characterized by more heat than elegance. He ended thus:

"And at the last day the Lord will say to St Peter, 'Where is your flock?' and St. Peter will answer, 'Here, Lord.'

"He will say to Calvin, 'And where are your sheep?' and Calvin will reply, "Here Lord'; and so all of the shepherds can answer.

"But when He asks me, 'Where are your sheep? how will you feel when I am compelled to reply, 'Lord, I haven't any—mine were all hogs?'"

A cyclone in Kansas carried away a bank building, but as the cashier had departed in an opposite direction the day before, it wasn't thought worth while to hunt after the bank.

The banana skin, though crushed to earth has the power to take somebody with it.

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