

POETICAL.

MARRIAGE ON SMALL TERMS.

BY A SWELL OF SLENDER INCOME. The London Times and other British Journals have for some time been much engaged in discussing the question: "Can a man marry on Three Hundred Pounds a Year?" Punch takes up the question in this way:

To marry a girl on three hundred a year, Would involve self-denial extremely severe, When if ten times that income a fellow enjoyed, On pleasure and wants it might all be employed.

I must put down my brougham if I am to wed, And establish a cradle, of course, in its stead. I must give up my club and my sporting pursuits, And resort to cheap tailors and wear fewer boots.

A wife, whom a fellow has got to support, Is the dearest of things a fellow can sport; And still dearer are children—I speak in the sense Of a man of the world—in respect of expense.

O yes! I'm aware the cigars I consume Are so much per annum that flies off in flame, And I know the sum which in smoke I expend, Would suffice to procure tops-and-bottoms no end.

My cab-hire would buy lots of small boots & shoes, But the latter investment I beg to refuse, And I'd rather devote all I could from my store To buy my own boots, which I mentioned before.

Of course, if a man gives up all that makes life Worth living, why then he may marry a wife Whose face is a fortune—while all he has got Will just serve to boil—horrid object!—the pot.

I wish you may get it—I wish you may see Myself in a chair with a child on each knee, And a number of others about me at play, In a cottage with nowhere to put them away.

I'll follow my pleasures, I'll stick to my club, And while I'm enjoying my glass and my grub, With content I'll regard what of conjugal bliss, Exclaiming, "That isn't so jolly as this."

A HINT FOR THE LADIES.

An exchange paper has a bit of advice to young ladies, setting forth how they may know whether a young gallant is really "courting" them, or only paying them polite attentions. The confounding one with the other has been the source of very much trouble both before and since the era of Pickwick and Mrs. Bardwell.

A young man admires a very pretty girl and must manifest it. He can't help doing so for the life of him. The young lady has a tender heart, reaching out like tendrils for something to cling to. She sees the admiration, is flattered; begins to love; expects some tender avowal; and perhaps gets so far as to decide that she will choose a "white silk under the gauze, etc." at the very moment that the gallant she half loves is popping the question to another damsel ten miles off.

Now the difficulty lies in not understanding the difference between "polite attention" and the tender manifestations of love. Admiring a beautiful woman and wishing to make a wife of her are not always the same thing, and therefore the damsel should be on the alert to discover to which class the attentions paid her by handsome and fashionable young men belong.

First, then, if a young man greets you in loud, free and hearty tones; if he knows precisely where to put his hands; stares you straight in the eyes, with his mouth open; if he tells you who made his coat; if he eats heartily in your presence; if he fails to talk very kindly to your mother; if, in short, he sneezes when you are singing, criticizes your curls, and fails to be foolish every hour, then don't fall in love with him for the world. He only admires you let him say what he may to the contrary.

On the other hand, if he is merry with everybody else, and quiet with you; if he is anxious to see that your tea is sufficiently sweetened, and your dear person wrapped up when you go out into the cold; if he talks very low, and never looks you steadily in the eye; if his cheeks are red and nose only blanches, it is enough. If he romps with your sister, sighs like a pair of old bellows, looks solemn when you are addressed by another gentleman, and in fact is the most still, awkward, stupid yet envious of all your friends, you may go ahead, and make the poor fellow too happy for his skin to hold him.

Young ladies! keep your hearts in a case of good leather, or some other tough substance, until the right one is found without a doubt, after which you can go on and love, court and be married, and be happy without the least bit of trouble.

We consider this advice so sensible, that although it is open to the charge of bluntness, we have no hesitation in pressing it upon the attention of our lady readers.

WORDS TO THE UNWISE; OR, THE DONKEY'S DICTIONARY.—Advice; Generally consist, even where the giver is sincere, in recommending somebody else to imitate himself. One man tells another what he would do if he were in that other's place, instead of telling him what would be best for him, differently constituted, to do in his own. Advice is very commonly mere dictation; the expression of a desire to control other people's inclinations and regulate their conduct. In reviewing our past career, we, in almost every instance, repent of having taken the advice we took, and rejoice for not having taken that which we rejected. Medical advice is of dubious value, and advice gratis is not worth what it is offered for. Little dependence can be placed on any advice but that of a respectable solicitor. Banter: Is the polite and playful expression of contempt. It is the conversation of gentlemen who dispise one another. Nobody dares to banter a judge on the bench, or anybody that he fears. The objects of banter are usually those on whom it can, or gentlemen think that it can, be practiced with impunity. Banter tries a philosopher, as a reasonable conversation tries a fool. To rid yourself of the plague of banter you must resort to it, but in the retaliation of banter care should be taken to return insult for insult in an elegant and pleasant manner.—Punch.

POOR SOIL.—An inquisitive Yankee was standing at a tavern door, in the lower part of Jersey, watching a funeral go by. At the head of it was a large manure cart, moving along very slowly, and making no effort to turn out of the procession. The Yankee was astonished at this want of attention on the part of the driver of said cart, and turning to a Philadelphian, who was standing by, he remarked:

"I guess the folks alive very perlitte about here; tu hum, where I live, they always turn out for a funeral."

"Oh, that's part of the procession," remarked the Philadelphian, gravely.

"Du tell? You don't say so! How?" exclaimed the astonished Yankee.

"Why, you see, it is a very poor sandy soil about here, and nothing comes up they plant, unless they manure it well, so when they bury a fellow, they throw a whole cartload in the grave, to make him rise at judgment day!" The Yankee mizzled.

A RUSSIAN BABY.

In the life of a Russian peasant there is a period anterior to all tunics, mantles, and even sheep skins, during which they lead a kind of mummy life, only, unlike the Egyptian, it is the first instead of the last stage of their existence; for the youngest children are always swaddled and rolled up tight in bandages, so that they may be conveniently put away without risk of getting themselves into mischief or danger. On entering one of their houses, an enthusiastic traveler thinks he has come upon some pagan tribe, having their idols and penates, with the heads well carved out, and the rest of the body left in block. He looks curiously at one laid up on the shelf, another hung to the wall on a peg, a third slung over one of the main beams of the roof, and rocked by the mother, who has the cord looped over her foot. "Why that is a child!" cries the traveler with a feeling similar to that experienced on treading upon a toad which was supposed to be a stone. "Why, what else should it be?" answers the mother. Having learned so much in so short a time, the inquisitive traveler wishes to inform himself about the habits of the creature; but his curiosity being somewhat dampened by the extreme dirt of the little figure, he enquires of the parent when it is washed.—"Washed?" shrieks the horrified mother, "washed! what wash a child! You would kill it!" Discouraged alike from personal investigation of the subject, and from inquiry, he turns to the elder children. When freed from their bandages, the child's education begins at once, and is wholly of a practical character. He—or she, for it is the same with both sexes—makes the first struggles in life by floundering in the sand or mud in front of the house, clad in a coarse, ragged shirt, and no thing else. Being taught by stern experience to shun, if possible, the Charybdis of mud, he falls upon Scylla, in the shape of a lean, long-legged pig, which is always prowling about on the chance of something to eat. Looking upon an occasional tumble as one of the natural evils of life, and therefore bearing no malice against heavy and sometimes inconvenient companions, he begins to imitate the pertinacious diligence with which that animal takes everything into his mouth, rejecting only what is absolutely impossible. Having so far finished his education as to distinguish between the evil and the good, in matters of the palate at least, he is promoted to the privilege of the family meals of black bread and "stechi," or cabbage soup, and to the dignity of an old sheep skin.

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HAVING PURCHASED A. C. STEELE'S INTEREST in the Stock of Goods of Brem & Steele, and associated with me J. A. SALTER, Jr., and T. LAFAYETTE ALEXANDER, the business will hereafter be conducted under the firm of

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SHORT NOTICE.

PERSONS indebted to the Firms of LOWRIE & ENNISS, and P. J. LOWRIE, by Book Account, must come forward and settle before the 15th of April, or they will find the papers in the hands of an officer; and that once the Notes will find themselves in the same situation if they do not take the hint. March 23, 1858. 1-5f P. J. LOWRIE.

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Druggist & Chemist, (IRWIN'S CORNER,) CHARLOTTE, N. C. Keeps constantly on hand a large stock of Drugs, Chemicals, &c., for wholesale and retail. March 30, 1858.

YER'S CHERRY PECTORAL, WYSTAR'S BAL-SAM, and Lozenges, Rorer's Syrup Tar, HIVE Syrup, Syrup Squills, Syrup Ipecac and all kinds of Pectoral and Cough Medicines. For sale by H. M. PRITCHARD, Irwin's Corner. April 1.

SUFF—SCOTCH MACKABOY AND ENGLISH, Gentlemen's Shirts, just received, 600 lbs. in bladders and jars. Sold low for cash by H. M. PRITCHARD, Irwin's Corner. April 1.

10 BBL'S PURE BURNING FLUID—NOW IN Store at PRITCHARD'S, Irwin's Corner. April 1.

30,000 SEAGRAMS just received and for sale at \$1 25 per hundred, by H. M. PRITCHARD, Irwin's Corner. Nov. 17.

PURE FRENCH BRANDY, Holland Gin, Whiskey, Sherry and Port Wines, London Ale and Porter, for medicinal use. Sold by H. M. PRITCHARD, Irwin's Corner. Nov. 17.

STARCH, Black Pepper, Ginger, Baking and Washing Soda, Cream Tartar, Nutmegs, Mace, Cinnamon, Cloves, and Flavoring Extracts of all kinds. For sale at Wholesale and Retail, by H. M. PRITCHARD, Irwin's Corner. Nov. 17.

10,000 LBS. "PURE SNOW-WHITE LEAD" in Oil and Assorted KEGS, just received at PRITCHARD'S, Irwin's Corner. Feb. 9.

JUST RECEIVED, the largest and best selected Stock of PERFUMERY and TOILET ARTICLES ever offered in this market: consisting of French, English, German, and American Soaps—for sale at PRITCHARD'S, Irwin's Corner. Feb. 9.

FANCY, Chemical and Drug Store, IRWIN'S CORNER. 500 GALLONS PURE LINED OIL, JUST RECEIVED AT PRITCHARD'S, Irwin's Corner. Feb. 9.

SOAPONIFER, OR CONCENTRATED LEY.—Warranted to make soap without lime, and with little trouble. The best and cheapest article in use. Price 25 and 50 cents a can. Sold by H. M. PRITCHARD, Irwin's Corner. April 1.

CHARLOTTE, March 15th, 1858. THE undersigned will attend at the Insurance Office, on Tuesday of April Court, for the purpose of examining any persons that may wish to obtain certificates of qualifications as School Teachers, for any part of Mecklenburg County.

JOHN P. ROSS, E. NYE HUTCHISON, M. D. JOHNSTON, Com. March 15, 1858. 7f

Belts! Belts!! Belts!!!

FROM the Best Belting Company, at Manufacturer's prices: CASH PRICES:

2 inch 12 1/2 cts. per foot. 2 1/2 " 17 " " 3 " 22 " " 4 " 27 " " 5 " 32 " " 6 " 37 " " 7 " 42 " " 8 " 47 " " 10 " 57 " " 12 " 67 " " 12 1/2 " 4 ply 92 " " "

Seamless Belts manufactured to order at short notice. Conducting Hose of all sizes, for water or steam pressure, ordered direct from the Manufacturers. ALSO, Packing of all description, at 55 cents per pound.

BOONE & CO. February 9, 1858. 4f

State of N. Carolina, Mecklenburg co., Superior Court of Law, Full Term, 1857.

Martha Burney vs. E. L. Burney } Petition for Divorce. It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that E. L. Burney, the defendant in this case, is not an inhabitant of this State; It is therefore ordered that publication be made for six weeks in the Western Democrat, a paper published in the town of Charlotte, notifying the said defendant to be and appear at the next term of the Superior Court of Law, to be held in and for the county of Mecklenburg at the Court House in Charlotte, on the 14th Monday of the 4th Monday in February, 1858, then and there to show cause, if any he has, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

Witness, J. B. Kerr, Clerk of our Superior Court of Law, of office in Charlotte, the 11th Monday after the State of the August, and in the 82d year of American Independence, D. 1857. J. B. KERR March 16, [Prs' fee \$6] Clerk.

B. M. OATES & CO.

ARE NOW RECEIVING a large and fresh supply of GROCERIES, which will be sold exclusively for CASH:

1000 Sacks Salt. 100 Bags Coffee. 10 Bags old Government Java Coffee. 10 Bags best Loguira. 25 Barrels of Coffee Sugar. 10 Bbls Crushed. 5 Bbls Powdered. 50 Bbls good Brown. 50 Bbls New Orleans Molasses. 10 Hhd's West India. 50 Boxes Cheese. 5 Bbls extra Buckwheat Flour.

And a variety of other articles too tedious to mention. Dec. 8, 1857. 4f

TIN-WARE & STOVE DEPOT.

A. A. M. TAYLOR. We respectfully announce to the public that we have the honor to be the corner firm occupied by Higgins & Harty, where he keeps constantly on hand the largest assortment of STOVES

ever offered in North Carolina; among which will be found the celebrated

Iron Wick Cooking Stove, which has gained such a famous reputation in the Southern country for the last eighteen months. This Stove he warrants superior to any Cooking Stove now in use. It is simple in its arrangements, consumes less fuel, and does more work in a given time than any other Stove in use. He will put one beside any other Stove of the same size in the United States, and if it does not do more work in any given time, he will refund the price of the Stove, and quit selling and go for the better one. He has all kinds of

Parlor and Box Stoves; and keeps constantly an extensive and varied Stock of Tin, Sheet-Iron, Japan, and Britannia Ware, Brass Kettles, Cast Iron Bedsteads, Hat Racks, Cradles, &c.,

all of which will be sold, Wholesale and Retail, cheaper than has ever before offered in this vicinity.

He would return his thanks to his friends and customers for the very liberal patronage they have bestowed upon him, and they may rest assured that he will endeavor, by close attention to business, together with a determination to please, try to merit a continuance of the same.

His motto is, "QUICK SALES AND SMALL PROFITS." Ladies and Gentlemen are particularly invited to call and examine his Stock.

All kinds of JOB WORK attended to with dispatch; and all ORDERS will be faithfully and promptly attended to. Charlotte, June 16, 1857. 4f

Spring and Summer Goods, New Stock.

OWING to the late financial pressure in New York, Goods have been sold cheap in order to realize the Cash, and

KOOPMANN & PHELPS have taken advantage of this state of things, and purchased their Goods at low prices for Cash. All in want of good as well as cheap Goods will find their Stock, not only the most extensive, but as good as any in this country. Their stock consists of the following:

Staple and Fancy Dry Goods, Ladies' Dress Goods, Bonnets, Ribbons, Gloves, Hosiery, Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps of every description. Ready-made Clothing, Hardware, GROCERIES, &c.

All of which will be sold cheaper for Cash than they can be obtained at any other Store in the country. The highest market price paid for all kinds of country Produce. Call one and all examine our stock before purchasing elsewhere.

KOOPMANN & PHELPS. March, 1858. 4f

CONFECTIONERY AND VARIETY STORE.

J. D. PALMER, ONE DOOR ABOVE THE BANK OF CHARLOTTE. RESPECTFULLY informs the public that he has on hand a splendid assortment of Confectionaries,

West India Fruits, Havana Cigars, Fine Cheesing and smoking Tobacco, Snuff. Also, a variety of Musical Instruments. YANKEE NOTIONS, TOYS, WILLOW-WARE, &c.

He is constantly receiving the above goods and many other articles too tedious to enumerate. Having secured the services of a first rate Baker the subscriber will be prepared, at short notice, to furnish Wedding, Pic-Nic and private parties with SUPERIOR CAKES. Persons wishing anything in my line would do well to give me a call, as I am determined to keep a good Stock and sell cheap for CASH.

BEH, Repair Shop and W. room at the Musical Hall, December 22, 1857 88-4f J. D. PALMER.

PIANOS.

Keep Your Pianos in Tune. THE citizens of Charlotte and surrounding country are again reminded that the subscriber is at all times prepared to repair and tune Pianos, and Melodions in the best possible manner. He would not say that an old instrument can be made to sound as well as a new one with all the modern improvements attached but he is prepared to say that an old instrument which will justify repairs at all, can be made to emit as good and as sweet a tone as the same instrument did when new.

He also intends keeping constantly on hand, NEW PIANOS, from the most celebrated Manufacturers in the United States, which will be sold at manufacturer's prices, with freight added. OLD PIANOS received in part pay for new ones, according to their value.

He also intends keeping constantly on hand, second-hand instruments, to sell or to rent. Any person having old instruments, and are desirous of selling them, may do well to have them repaired and kept exposed to sale in this market.

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CHARLOTTE HOTEL,

BY J. B. KERR, Proprietor. EVERY ACCOMMODATION afforded the patrons of the Charlotte Hotel.

At this Hotel is kept the line of Tri-weekly Stages from Wm. Monroe, N. C., and Lancaster S. C., to Camden, S. C. Patrons of the Charlotte Hotel conveyed to and from the Deposits free of charge. Oct. 1, 1856. J. B. KERR.

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