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### Poetry.

The golden wedding-bird,  
By ORLANDO HANNEY.  
With a white head like a lady,  
And a heart as merry as a child,  
I am right and I am ready  
For a golden wedding-ring.

### Miscellaneous.

THE FIRST KIND WORD.  
Was your lesson difficult? kindly in-  
structed a young teacher of a rugged and  
hardy looking lad of about ten years, who  
was one of a class who had just finished a  
lesson—"Was your lesson difficult, my  
boy?"

From the Louisville Courier.  
Professor Morse's Reply to Bishop Spalding.  
Poughkeepsie, N. Y.,  
May 2, 1855.  
"IF I FEEL THE LIBERTY OF THE UNITED STATES  
AS DESTROYED, THEY WILL BE BY THE ROMISH  
PRIESTS.—La Fayette.

To BISHOP M. J. SPALDING—SIR: Your  
remarks in the Courier of April 14th, have  
been sent to me. You will excuse the delay  
and my apparent neglect in noticing  
them, however, will be of no damage  
to the cause of truth, since, in the interim,  
I have neither been unfaithful of you nor  
romish, nor unsuccessful in my search for  
the means of gratifying your important in-  
quiries. In common with the rest of the  
intelligent public, whose object it is to arrive  
at the knowledge of an *historical truth*, I  
am under great obligations to you, sir, for  
bringing this subject so prominently and  
distinctly before the American people.

triotic zeal, you seem to entertain, that if  
ever the Liberty of the United States is de-  
stroyed, it will be by Romish priests, are  
certainly without any shadow of foundation  
whatever. An intimate acquaintance of  
more than half a century with the promi-  
nent and influential priests and members of  
that church, both in England and America,  
warrants me in assuring you that you need  
entertain no apprehension of danger to  
your republican institutions from that  
quarter.

Now, sir, either your judgment or your  
honesty suffers from your upholding this  
double attempt to deceive the public—the  
attempt to palm off upon an intelligent com-  
munity, such a miserable apology of an  
authority for the support of anything, and  
the attempt to practise upon the credulity  
of the public with such a letter of La  
Fayette. Your judgment suffers if you  
do not suspect the fabrication, your honesty  
if you do.

close of Dr. Vaupelet's letter, as to the point,  
sir, between you and me. In speaking of  
the interview, he says:  
"Of the conversations at both inter-  
views, my recollection is vivid and distinct."  
"On the next interview and conver-  
sation with La Fayette," says the venerable  
Dr. Vaupelet, "after his visit and return  
from Boston," he said to me, "my dear  
friend, I must tell you something that oc-  
curred when I was in Boston." I received  
a polite invitation from the chief Catholic  
priest or Bishop of the Roman Catholic  
Church in Boston, to attend his church on  
the Sabbath. I wrote him one apology,  
saying, as I never expect to be in Boston  
again, and as during the Revolution when  
in Boston, I worshipped sitting by the side  
of his Excellency General Washington, and  
as I see that the church and the pews are  
the same, except as they are decorated with  
paint, I wish to occupy the same seat in  
that church on the Sabbath. He took it in  
great indignation, that I did not attend his  
church. But I could not help that. I fol-  
low my indignation. Now, my friend, I  
must tell you, that I was brought up in  
France a Roman Catholic, and believed that  
the Roman Catholic Church was the only  
true and Mother Church, till I came  
to this country, where I saw his Excellency  
General Washington, and the officers of the  
American army of different religion, wor-  
shipping in different churches.