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POETRY.

HANNAH. An itinerant preacher thus describes th ough trip he had in preaching to the boys.

I talked of Sin: and they listened in awe As I told of its cause and governing law In most effective manner; And one from out the gathered throng Cried out in pathos deep and strong;
"That's what's the matter with Hannah"

I looked around for the troubled dame And called her out by her given name, (For I did not know the other,) And said with a sigh which the crowd

'Woman ca'l d Hannah, if thou art near, Approach thy Christian brother."

My hearers laughed at my earnest cry, And "Pat a shanty over his eye!" Cried some in mocking fashion But I paid no heed to the scoffing few-"Hannah, my sister, I call for you In love-not wrath nor passion.

Come, then, to the altar, oh, child of Woe! Then spoke another: "Not any for Joe!" I wondered at him slightly, And said; "Oh, Joseph! the flesh is weak It makes me tremble to hear you speak Of holy things so lightly."

Then up from the heathen came a cry Of "Buly, old, fellow!" "How's that fo

h gh?" It fairly made me shiver: And I trembled in heart, as well as in limb As they fiendishly screamed: "Put a head on him, Jim, And pitch him into the river!

But I stood my ground, and comm

Of terrible fires in a terrible hell That would burn them up forever, If they lived for the world Said a man

'Oh golly! you know how it is yourself!" To this I answered, "Never!" And started for home, as they would not yield

And I had neither sword nor shield That might defend my banner; And to-day I sigh for the slough of sin Which one poor woman is working in, Whose given name is Hannah

#### TOBACCO,

It is affirmed by a statistician, or whose competency thus to affirm we know nothing, that of the 1,200,000,000 inhabitantants of the globe more than 1,000,000,000 use tobacco in one shape or another.-Except, the Wahabees, the Latter Day Adventists, and the deciples of The late Mr. Trask, it is difficult to remember any sect, as it is quite impossible to recall any nation or peo. ple among whom its use does not in greater or less degree prevail. It certainty seems to supply a human need or alleviate a human craving which is un\_ iversal, bounded by no lines of latitude por circumscribed by conditions of climate. The Esquimanx living under he arctic Berealis, likes his well as the naked Papuanor the Amazonian Tupinamba, black, ened with the equitorial sau; the hi.dweller as well as the inhabitant of the plains; the olly Jack-tar breasting all seas and sliding through the zones like a water bird, as well as the subterranean toiler in the mine, on whose labor the sunbeam does not beat whose girdling iron walls are only a larger grave forlorn as the lesser and later one but for the fund of solace in his cheek or the black dhundeen in his jaws. In fact it may be said that with the exception of some women and children in the United States and Europe, the entire human race are addicted to this habit, and it is therefore of first consequence that a staple in such universal use should not be tampered with as if it were only bread or beer, or wine, or oil, or other commodity whose use is comparatively restricted and local.-Our reporters, however, inform us that a fellow-citizen or two have embarked in the business of making the worse appear the better tobacco: in other words, they take the refuse of this world-embracing staple and putting it through certain chemical and thermal processes bring it out in a shape calculated to impose on old tobacco-worms as a first-class article. These ingenious fellow-citizens declare that the weed is decidedly improved by these immersions and manipulations; that they supply to it refinements of taste and flavor which nature intended to impart, but in some way tailed in his intention. -For the sake of the smokers who smoke, and the chewers who chew and the suuffers who si:uff these products we hope that this is true, though we should be not surpriesd if they had extolled their new-fangled craft somewhat and assumed for their improved

Trying to do business without advertising is like winking at a pretty gir Grain, Flour, Farming Implements. in the dark; you know what you are doing, but nobody else does.

conneisseur would deny to it.

THE BRACON'S SINGING.

'I'am going out to see if I can tart's singing-school, said the good man, as he stood buttoning up his overcoat and mufflug up lus cars one bitter cold night

'A singing-school!' said his wife; 'how will you do that?

'I have heard of a widow around the corner a block or two who is in suffering circumstances. She has five little children, and two of them down sick, and has neither fire nor food. So Bennie Hope, the office-boy, tells me. 1 thought I would just step around and look into the case.'

'Go by all means,, said his wife, 'and lose no time. If they are in such need we can relieve them some. But I can't see what all this has to do with starting a singing-schooll. But never mind, you need not stop to tell me now; go quickly, and do all you can for the poor wcman.

Out into the piercing cold of the win. try night went the husband, while the wife turned to the fireside and her sleeping babes, who, in their warm cribs, with the glow of health upon their cheeks, showed that they knew nothing of cold or pinching want. With a thankful spirit she thought of her blessings as she sat down to her little pile of mending. Very busily and quietly she worked, puzzling all the time over what her husband could have meant by starting a singing-school. A singing-school and the widow! How queer! What possible connection could they have?

At last she grew tired of the puzzling thought and said to herself: 'I won't bother myself thinking about it any more. He will tell me all about it when he comes home. I only hope we may be able to help the widow and make her poor heart sing for joy.' There! she exclaimed, 'can that be what he meant? The widow's heart singing for joy! Wouldn't that be a singingschool? It must be; it is just like John-How tunny that I should find it out !'and she laughed merrily at her lucky guess. Taking up her work again she stitched away with a happy smile on her face as she thought over again her husband's words and followed him in imagination in his kind ministrations. By and by two shining tears dropped down, tears of pure joy, drawn from the deep wells of her love for her husband, of whom she thought she never felt so fond before. At the first sound of footsteps she sprang to open the

'O, John, did you start the singingschool?

'I reckon I did,' said the husband; as soon as he could loose his wran pings; 'but I want you to hunt up some flannels and things to help keep it

'Oh, yes! I will; I know new what you mean. I have thought it all out. Making the widow's heart sing for joy is your singing-school. What a precious work, John! 'Pure religion and undefiled is to visit the fartherless and widow in their afflctions.' My own heart has been singing for joy all the evening because of your work, and I do not mean to let you do it a lone. I want to draw out some of this wonder-

There are many hearts which would be the better if there could be singingschools started in them. Let's you and I do all we can. Perhaps others may eatch the key-note and help to swell the song until many a widow's heart shall be comforted and the fatherless be ted .-Advocate and Guardian.

Says the brooklyn Argus: They sat upon an inverted wash-tub (directly under a window) dreaming wild dreams of love. With her great starry eyes upturned to his, she softly whispered. "Will you always love me, Warren? and Warren murmured

"Till the sun grows cold, And the stars are old,

Then he sprang to his feet in a wild panie, and made frenzied efforts to get his face through a coating of something that seemed to have fallen from the clouds. Cleaning his eyes he shot one quick glance of hatred up to the window, made a bolt for the back gate and disappeared from the startled girl's side, Old gentleman up stairs, turning to his tobacc , a virtue which, the conservative wife, remarks: "There, Malindy. I bet \$500 I've knocked that blame bowl | 1876. ot hot starch out of the window, and upsot the whole on't." The desolate maiden has no lever now, but goes around with an unquiet glare in her downcast eves.

NORTH CAROLINA -- HER REPRE-

[Says the Charlotte Observer.] We copy from Zieglers Democratic Herald, a newspaper published at Butler, Pa, the followibg high encomium upon our North Carolina delegation in Congress. It is a just tribute to their characters as pure patriots and high toned gentlemen. No State he thinks can boast of a bettor or more honorable delegation. North Carolina has always been backward in praising the labors and services of her statesmen, she has been asleep to their deserts and merits, and has justly received the appellation of the Rip Van Winkle of the South. It is time she should awake from her leth rgy and indifference and show to the world her native talent and true worth. It is refreshing for us to see an article from another State that does justice to North Carolina, she never did have it and never will until she demands

it as a right. "While we were at washington City we came in frequent contact with the North Carolina delegation in Congress, In these days of general demoralization and untruthfulness in man, it was a pleasure to know that the old North State still maintains her reputation of selecting her best men to represent her in Congress, and that the corrupt atmosphere of Washington has no infinence to swarve them from the strict fine of duty or induce them to do ought but what is dedicated by the plainest principles of houesty and integrity. While

there are many Congressmen whom we know, no better than they ought to be, and not as good by any means as they should be, it is a satisfaction to record that such gentlemen, as Gen. Ransom, Messrs. Yeates, Waddell, Davis, Scales Ashe, Robbins and Vance, can be relied on at all times, and who disdain to stoop to the paltry tricks of the dishonorable politician to accomplish an end however just and right.

We know there has been a studied effort in the North to prejudice the minds of the people against the South and probably the imprudence of some southern people has given cause to make such prejudice effective. But there are political lepers in the South as well as in the North. Those who tailed in the North to answer the call ot the country, except in the capacity of quarter masters, contractors and jobbers, would even now flaunt the bloody shirt' in the faces of the decent people, while in the South those who pursued the same course hope by denouncing the North, to obtain public favors. The classes are the same and they differ only as to locality.

fought boldly and bravely for what they considered right, now accept the situation and ext end the right hand of friendship to all northern people with whom they come in contact. This is a it should be, and we take pride in being able to make favorable mention of them in the columns of out paper."

## THE BAPTISTS.

What the Church is doing in North Ci

Two hundred and fifty delegates stended the recent State Convention of the Baptist church in Shelby: Five boards constitute the working machinery of the church. The Boards of State and Foreign Missions are located in Raleigh, the Ministerial Education Board at Wake Forest College, the Suuday School Board at Charlotte and the Church Extension Board at Wilming-

-The amount of money contributed during the past year: To the State Missions by the State Board and District Associations, \$7,000; to Ministerial Education, \$1,600, to Foreign Missions \$2,500, to Sunday Schools, about \$3,000; to Indian Missons, \$1,430; or a total of some \$12,050.

There are at present six students for the ministry at the Greenville (S. C.) Theological Seminary, and twenty six at Wake Forest College.

About 5,000 souls were added to the churches in the State during the year just closed. 'lhe Rev. F. M. Jordan, General

having professed religion under his ministry during the past two years. The next meeting of the convertion will be held in Raleigh in November

Evangelist, reported 691 persons as

"Will this pipe smoke free?" asked gentleman who was purchasing a pipe. "Of course it will, if you can get your tobacco for nothing," was the reply.

CLOVER AND PLASTER PERTIT

You wish farmers to write for you write some things of the past as weil as the present. In my youth clover and plaster was introduced-first experimentally, and then pretty generally. There were many sceptical of the benefits set forth in their favor. Nothing of the kind had hitherto been used and rumor said that formerly the farmers eglected to make use of any kind of manure, as the recently-cleared forests were very rich. At first, when clover and plaster were introduced, it was with caution, either in lots, or if in fields, they would skip over a land and not sow the plaster, and it was found that the clover with plaster was so much better than the clover alone, that it came into general use. It was sown on wheat with very good effect. in fact it pecame applicable to all kinds of grain and grasses. For corn it was dropped on the hill or mixed with ashes and so used. I know sections of country where plaster is still used profusely and with success, but like other things there are two kinds, good and indifferent. Chemists say that plaster fixes the ammonia which is drawn up by the clover from the earth, as well as retains the moisture from the atmosphere. It is unnecessary to tell the farmers of the use of clover for hay and pasture, and the profit of cattle and sheep when judiciously blended with agriculture. Of manures generally, the more we make and use the greater the gain. In fact the use of manure with phosphates. adds to production. Of late many complain of the effects of commercial fertilizers as not being as valuable as formerly and talk of discontinuing their use. Perhaps there are some swindlers among the dealers of them, but it is hardly fair to condemn all on that account. Money might be condemned because there are counterfeits but we cannot do well without it. I am pretty sure we need good fertilizers, good crops, and more money. The surest aids to them is industry, economy and management. So much in compliance with your wishes for the farmers to write for your paper.

Jefferson Co., West Virginia.

PERILOUS NIGHTMARE-A HO STRUGGLE, [From the San Jose (Cal) Patriot.

Last evening a robust and gentleman ly-looking stranger arrived at the New Yors Exchange. His life has been an eventful one, including many passages composed of gentlemen, who having ness for many years being that of a meeting, that I am afflicted with a thief taker. Previous to entering the most impious and depraved son. Thou Soon after seating himself near the s.ove | was seen walking down the principal he dropped off into a troubled sleep. One by one the guests retired, and yet he slumbered. It being nearly midnight, the watchman of the hotel concluded to awaken the sleeper and show him up to his room. He stele to the stranger's side, grasped him by the shoulder, and announced that it was time to go to bed. In a mement the slumberer awoke and bounded upon him, with the exclamation: "I will run this ranch!" Fortunately, Officer Ferrington entered at that instant, and joined in the struggle, which for some minutes was terrific. They had great difficulty in preventing the stranger from securing a pistol which was in his belt. Ferrington finaly got a chance to sound his whistle, bringing officer Pritchard to the scene. About this time a change came over the stranger, and looking up, he exclaimed, as if puzzled: "Is it possible that I am drunk or dreaming? Where am 1?" Then seeming to take it all in at a glance, he asked if those around him were officers. Being answered in the affirmative, he accompanied them without further resistance. Upon arriving at the City Hall he gave a brief synopsis of his life, and said that at the time he was clapped on the shoulder by the watchman of the hotel he was in the midst of a terrible nightmare, in which he fancied himself surrounded and at- all questions relating to public school tacked in a Kansas bar room; that he was not really awake until after the second policeman arrived. All hands were satisfied with the truth of the story and congratulated themselves that the consequences were not more

> "Bridget, I told you to let me have my hot water early in the morning." Sure replied Bridget, 'and didn't I bring it up and lave it at the door last night, so as to be in time, sir.'

"Go AND COME."-"If you want business done," says the proverb, "go and do it! An indolent gentleman had a freehold estate, producing about five paper, getting along in years, I will hundred a year. Becoming involved in debt, he sold half the estate, and let the temsinder to an industrious farmer for twenty years. About the end of the term, the farmer called to pay his rent, and asked the owner if he would sell the farm.

"Will you buy it?" asked the owner, surprised.

"Yes, provided we can agree upor the terms

"That is exceedingly strange," ob-served the gentleman, "Pray tell me how it happens that I could not live upon twice as much laud, for which I paid no rent, you are regurlarly paying me two hundred a year, and are able in a few years to buy it?"

"The reason is plain," was the reply. You sat still and said Go! I got up and said come! You lay in bed and enjoyed your estate; I rose in the morning and minded my business."

WHAT WAS LEFT .- A school committee not a thousand miles from the city were examining a class in a preparatory school. One of the members undertook to sharpen up their wits by propounding the following question.

"If I had a mince-pie and should give two-twelfths to John, two-twelfths to Isaac, two-twelfths to Henry, and should keep half the pie myself, what would there be left?"

There was a profound study among the boys, but finally one lad held up his hand as a signal that he was ready to

"Well, sir, what would there be left? Speak up loud so that all can hear," said the committeeman.

"The plate!" shouted the hopeful fel-

The committeeman turned red in the face, while the other members reared aloud. The boy was excused from anwering any more questions.

Loving Wife-Husband, dear, don't forget to send the dressmaker around so that I can have my dress finished before Sunday sure." Husband-"Now Sarah there is no fret about that dress; guess the heavens wont fall if it is not done this week." Wife-"John! you know that next Sunday is communion and I have not a single dress but that I have worn to communion at least twice. They'll all no me by the clothes wear before a great while."

'Oh! Lord! Thou knowest,' prayed Connecticut deacon in the chu Exchange he took o couple of drinks. knowest that on the last Sabbath day he street in the village, with his hands in his pockets, whistling the following ungodly tune'-And the congregation were astonished to hear 'Yankee Doodle' flow melodiously from the deacon's pursed-up-lips.

> The bureau of statistics of the Detroit Free Press estimates that there have been but 128,360 newspaper slurs at pull-back dresses, up to date.' These figures are large, and it is no wonder they inspired the poet to the utterance of these burning words:

Oh, let poor woman's clothes ald Then, why poke fun at her n?

"Zachariah," said Mrs. Chandler 'what smell is that?' 'Cloves.' 'But that other smell?" 'Allspice.' 'But isn't there another?' 'Yes-apples.' And inst one more? 'Cider my dear. 'Well Zachariah,' said she, if you'd only drink a little brandy now you'd make a good mince pie.'

The Minnesota Legislature yesterday made a formal declaration of the adoption of various constitutional amer ments, among them one giving women the right to exercise the suffrage upon affairs, and making them eligible for school offices.

'The excuse of the third man,' said Mr. Moody illustrating the parable of the guests who were backward in coming forward, 'was more absurd than any - I have married a wife, and there fore I cannot come.' Now, why didn't he take his wife along with him

What is better for being in many pieces? A band of music.