

ODE TO JACK FROST. (Atlanta Constitution.) I thought thee cruel once, Jack Frost, When I was young and small; You pinched my ears and bit my toes, You painted red my cheeks and nose, And kept me close within the doors, And thus I died that chief of foes That could my youth befall.

VAGARIES OF THE YELLOW FEVER. Many of the most learned of the medical profession do not profess to understand the character of the treatment of yellow fever. It varies in its form with different localities, and even in the same localities, and its vagaries are innumerable. It presents very many curious and interesting features, but none more curious or interesting than this, as cited by Dr. Roger B. Tracy, in a splendidly written and highly readable paper on this subject, printed in the October number of The Popular Science Monthly, now on our table. Dr. Tracy concludes his paper, which occupies four pages in the periodical mentioned, in the following language: The germs are portable, and may be conveyed in baggage or merchandise (fomites) for hundreds or thousands of miles. If not so conveyed its progress is very slow. In 1822 in New York, where it gained a foothold in Rector street, it appeared to travel about forty feet a day until killed by the frost. It often leaves a house or block intact, going around and attacking those beyond, with no assignable reason. A thin board partition seems to have stopped it on Governor's Island in 1856, and an instance is related where it attacked the sailors in all the berths on one side of a ship before crossing to the other. Such apparent vagaries are, in the present state of our knowledge, inexplicable.

OVER-RIGHTEOUS MASSACHUSETTS. The 2d volume of what is called "Bryant's Popular History of the United States" has been issued. It is only so far Bryant's as that he read and approved the work as written by Sydney Howard Gay, whereupon it bears upon its title page, "By William Cullen Bryant and Sidney Howard Gay," thus "putting the cart before the horse." No doubt Mr. Bryant received a largess for the use of his name, for he was known to be a very shrewd man in money matters, and he knew that without his name Mr. Gay was not likely to make his book "popular." In the opening chapter of this volume we are told how the Boston people originated the system of slavery in the United States, which they perpetuated as long as they could make money out of it and then assisted to destroy when money and office were to be gained by stealing back the "chattels" whom they had sold. In their war with Pequot Indians, the history says that "the women and children, indeed, were not killed, but they were for the most part, while the hostilities continued, sent to the West India Islands and as slaves." Some of these captives, as is well known were sold as slaves in North Carolina, and their descendants were upon the plantations of Mr. Pollock, on the Roanoke, afterwards owned by Mr. Devereux and the Burgwyns till they were freed by Lincoln's proclamation and the result of the war. But the sanctimonious Puritans did not confine themselves to the traffic in Indians; they fitted out and sent ships to Africa to kidnap negroes, whom they imported and sold here by tens of thousands. A few years after this Pequot war the General Court of Massachusetts, which is the General Assembly passed a special order directing that the children of a banished Quaker, being too poor to pay the fines imposed upon their religious belief, should be sold "to any of the English nation at Virginia or Barbadoes to answer the said fines," and soon afterwards a more comprehensive enactment: "That all children and servants and others, that for conscience sake cannot come to their meetings to worship and have not estates in their hands to answer the fines, must be sold for slaves to Barbadoes or Virginia, or other parts." And so they trafficked in Indians, negroes and whites, just so long as money could be made by it. When that could not be done, they discovered that slavery was sinful, and made up their minds that as they could not profit by it nobody else should—"H." in Raleigh Observer.

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WORDS OF WISDOM. The future destiny of the child is always the work of the mother. There are some who never would have loved if they never had heard it spoken of. The test of extraordinary merit is to see those who envy it the most obliged to praise it. To established ourselves in the world we do everything to appear as if we were established. Few are sufficiently wise to prefer censure which is useful to praise which is treacherous. The duration of our passions is no more dependent upon us than the duration of our life. Applause waits on success. The fickle multitude, like the light straw that floats along the stream, glide with the current still, and follow fortune. Good words do more than hard speeches; as the sunbeams without any noise will make the traveler take off his cloak, which all the blustering winds could not do, but only make him bind it closer to him. Some eyes threaten like a loaded and leveled pistol, and others are as insulting as hissing or kicking; some have no more expression than blueberries, while others are as deep as a well which you can fall into.

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