

FOOTSTEPS OF DECAY.

Oh! let the soul its slumbers break—
Arouse its senses and awake,
To see how soon
Life in its glories glides away,

And while we view the rolling tide,
Down which our flowing minutes glide
Away so fast,
Let us the present hour employ,

Let no vain hope deceive the mind—
No happier let us hope to find
To-morrow than to-day,
Our golden dreams of youth were bright,

Our lives like lastning streams must be,
That into one engulfing sea
Are doomed to fall—
The sea of death whose waves roll on

Like the river's lordly tide,
Alike the humble rivulets glide
To that sad wave,
Death levels poverty and pride,

And rich and poor sleep side by side
Within the grave.

EUROPEAN CORRESPONDENCE.

PARIS, Sept. 12th 1893.
DEAR POST:—I promised to write you a
line from this side, but, since my landing
in England, I have been almost all the time,

Traveling, with light baggage and
uncertain destination, I have been unable
to keep my promises in the matter of correspond-

ence, although I have often thought of
you and desired greatly to hear of your well-
fare. I have had little or no news from Wil-

lington. Sometimes I pick up a scrap
from a New York paper and I get a letter
with some news items, but I am quite un-

posted regarding you all. I see the contest
was sharp for legislative honor and ended
as I was sure it must—Tarkins' defeat.

I am well since I left W—. My
improvement has been rapid. I have no
fever, my legs are getting their youth-
ful pliability and I can walk and run as I

have not been able to do for six years past.
I go in a day or two to Wiesbaden, where I
shall try the famed waters, and buds, their
reputation is so great I look for greater im-

provement than ever.
I landed in Liverpool on 5th of August,
spent a day or two there, then to London,
where I spent three days, then to Paris,

where I remained until after the Grand
Pete of the 15th, which was a most mag-
nificent sight, well worth a trip across the
Atlantic. On the 17th I started on a trip

through Switzerland and parts of Germany.
I visited Basle, Lucerne, and the Lake, sur-
rounded with beautiful scenery and
spots where were enacted the greatest deeds

of Swiss valor. The land of the redoubtable
compatriots. Hence we go to Zurich, a lovely
town situated on a lake of same name.
Then to Coire, way up the mountains; this

is a spot where wonders are seen in moun-
tain scenery, ruined castles and Churches of
the fifth and even fourth centuries. From
Coire we go to Roschack, then by steamer

thing and has never been surpassed un-
til recently. One has been built for the
Cathedral of Bauvais of much superior
workmanship. The Cathedral is something
really worth visiting, its beauties cannot be
described. From Strasburg I come to Paris.

All this part of Switzerland and great
portions of Germany on the Rhine are grape
raising, wine making countries. I carefully
investigated the vines and wines and found
much more poor, than good. The vines are
raised on sticks, are cut down every fall

and grow in height varying from two and
a half to four feet. The soil in much of the
grape country is poor. The country be-
tween Strasburg and Paris produces the
finest champagnes of Europe. The vines are
miserable stunted things, but the chalky
soil imparts a flavor unattainable elsewhere.

In Switzerland everybody works. It is a
country of equal rights. Women have
rights there. They work in the field, yoked
with cattle. The cows all work, the child-
ren work. I said to myself, "How I wish
the advocates of "women's rights" in

America could see how nice it is here!" I
saw no beauty, no expression of spiritual
brilliance there, everything seemed reduced
to hard work. Men, women, children, cat-
tle, and dogs even, were at work. It is no
doubt as much as they all can do to live

even with this industry.
Yours truly,
SILAS N. MARTIN.

OUR NEW YORK LETTER.
NEW YORK, Sept. 28, 1893.
The long agony is over! Gotham breathes
free again. The bulls have heaved the gold

market, and the result was, the suicide of one
of the members of the gold board, and the
complete financial ruin of seven or four leading
brokers. No doubt, ere this, you have re-

ceived the full intelligence by telegraph and
therefore it would be a work of supereroga-
tion to enlarge upon a topic long since ex-
hausted.
Enough, that the ring formed by Fisk
and Gould was not of the right metal to

fasten into the noses of the bears, and there-
fore the battle for the mastery, culminated
in the gambling fiasco of Saturday.
All is quiet at present writing, with the
advantage on the side of the bears.

AGRICULTURAL.

Black locust is the best for posts.
Marl has been discovered in Alfordsville,
S. C.
California raises corn 16 feet 10 inches
high.

The rice crop in South Carolina prom-
ises well.
Wild oats are a pest to the farmers of
California.
Thirty bushels of wheat to the acre in
Michigan.

Thirty-two bushels of wheat to the acre in
Oregon.
Thirty-five bushels of oats from one pint
of seed in Vermont.

Pennsylvania has three hundred and fifty-
four cheese factories.
Two hundred thousand bushels of last
year's wheat crop in Iowa.

Broom corn brush is selling in Illinois at
twenty-five cents a pound.
Talladega has an ear of corn containing
1,044 large developed grains.

The oat and wheat crop in Kansas is
heavier than ever before known.
Wm. Dew has raised a Buckingham apple
weighing one pound. Dew tell!

Jersey City has a pear—from San Fran-
cisco—measuring 13 inches around.
The Scarlet Radish seed should have a
deep red color, small top and clear brittle
root.

One acre of land in Oregon has yielded
forty-one bushels of wheat. So says the
Oregon Unionist.
Cultivate the mole, he is a destroyer of
earth worms, slugs, cock chafers, wire
worms and other pests of the farm.

The first Fair of the Carroll county
(Maryland) Agricultural Society commences
at Westminster, on Tuesday, and will be
continued until Friday.

It is estimated that the orange crop on
the St. John's river, Florida, this year, will
be far larger than usual. Many groves are
said to be more fruitful than they have been
for ten years.

Next week the Pennsylvania State Agri-
cultural Society holds its annual Fair or
Exhibition, at Harrisburg, and we under-
stand that the arrangements are very com-
plete in all particulars.

The last peach train of the season from
Delaware arrived this morning, consisting of
eight cars only. Up in the top of the last
car was a small peach tree, or limb, from
which was suspended a basket of peaches,

typical of the fact that had been picked.
The tremendous crop of peaches this sum-
mer has been unprecedented, and yet they
have brought good prices throughout the
season.—J. C. Journal.

The long prevailing drought has not been
without its wholesome teachings to the farm-
ers. Those who were wise enough to dis-
card the too prevalent system of shallow
plowing, imperfect pulverization, and
sparse manuring, have passed through it
with comparatively small damage; while
those who have followed the old beaten
paths, are to-day heavy losers by their neg-
lect to attend to the plainest principles of
agricultural teachings.

If you plow down your weeds before they
go to seed, they will prove a benefit to your
land instead of a curse. If they are allowed
to go to seed they will be a source of endless
trouble. Plowed under, they are worth as
much as a dressing of manure. Besides en-
riching the soil they tend to keep it loose.
If you add from twenty-five to fifty bushels
of lime per acre to the ground, and harrow
it in, it will convert your weeds into plant
food.

A hog doesn't sweat like a horse or a man,
but through the forelegs. There is a spot on
each leg, just below the knee, in the form
of a sieve. Through this the sweat passes
off, and it is necessary that it be kept open.
If it gets closed, as is sometimes the case,
the hog will get sick; he will appear stiff
and cramped, and unless he gets relief it will
go hard with him. To cure him, just open
the pores. This is done by rubbing the
spot with a corn cob, and washing with
warm water.

MISCELLANEOUS.

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A daily through freight train will leave Wil-
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the accommodation of Truck Farmers. Passen-
gers can also get accommodations on said freight
train as far as Goldsboro.

S. L. FREMONT,
Engineer & Supt.
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CHANGE OF FREIGHT TRAIN
SCHEDULE.
WILMINGTON & WELDON RAILROAD CO.,
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WILMINGTON, N. C., May 28, 1893.
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Wilmington Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays,
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same days at 8 o'clock, P. M.

S. L. FREMONT,
Eng'n & Supt.
may 30

Wilmington & Manchester R.R. Co
GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,
WILMINGTON, N. C., April 10, 1893.
ON AND AFTER APRIL 11, PASSENGER
Trains of this Road will run on the follow-
ing Schedule:

EXPRESS TRAIN.
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Arrive at Florence 2:40 A. M.
Arrive at Kingsville 1:45 P. M.
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Arrive at Florence 3:55 P. M.
Arrive at Wilmington 9:15 P. M.
Express Train connects closely at Florence
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road for Augusta, to which point cars run through
without change.

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Charleston, and at Kingsville with the South
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Columbia should take the Accommodation Train.

Wm. MacRae,
Gen'l Supt.
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Wilmington, Charlotte & Ruther-
ford R. R. Co.
GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,
WILMINGTON, N. C., May 15, 1893.
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day and Saturday, at 1 P. M.
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and Friday at 6:30 A. M.
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W. I. EVERETT,
General Superintendent.
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OFFICE W. C. & R. R. COMPANY,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Sept. 6, 1893.
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the Stockholders of this Company will be
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By order
CALVIN J. COWLES,
Secretary of Board.
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The Red Signal is shown upon the track when
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is closed.

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