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The following laughab[illegible] performance on an obnoxious chara[illegible] at Canterbury in England, is cop[illegible] from the LONDON ORACLE.

FUNERAL [illegible]ATION,

By the DEAN o[illegible] HARING.

TEXT—*He died, [illegible] now stinketh.*

Friends, brethren, & christians,

LISTEN, O list unto the words of my mouth, all you now assembled, whether men women, boys or girls, poor or rich, t[illegible]men or gentlemen, taylors or bake[illegible] brickmakers, or lawyers, listen I say what I shall unfold.—You see my [illegible]thren, our great supporter, Brutus, is no more.—Even he whose genius shoo[illegible]his wicked city, lies now a *remnant* [illegible]ortality—Alas! of what little consequence is man.—To day a prince, a *pa[illegible]* or a *taylor*—to-morrow, death *takes [illegible]sure* of him, the *thread* of life is c[illegible]nd as the apostle said, *he stinketh.* S[illegible]y brethren, shall it be with all—ye[illegible]e time will come, when *you*, this *city* [illegible]d *myself*, together with the *members*, [illegible]*or*, *Aldermen*, and *Corporation*. shall [illegible]olve, and like the baseless fabrick of vision, leave not a *smell* behind.

"And now my brethren I will tell you who Brutus [illegible]—the very Brutus whose poor remai[illegible] rest now before us. —He was lineal[illegible] descended from the celebrated Roma[illegible]rutus, *Marcus*, Junius whose dagge[illegible]netrated the bosom of *Cæsar* the c[illegible]ueror not only of Britain, but of th[illegible]rld.—It is true he was an humble n[illegible]ive, for his occupation was that of [illegible]*ylor*; but then, not all the genious, a[illegible]nited powers of the Roman state, no[illegible] the abilities of the universe combine[illegible] could vie with him in the working o[illegible] *button*[illegible] desendant of that i[illegible] [illegible]Britain wa[illegible] [illegible]aylor in ordinary that mighty general of the emper[illegible] Domitian—nay, my friend, he had [illegible] honour to make the *wedding breeches* [illegible]he celebrated *Tacitus* when he married [illegible]e daughter of that accomplished Ro[illegible]. Having sailed up the harbour of [illegible]utupium, (now called Sandwich) he [illegible]ted Canterbury where he remained u[illegible] his death, and having left the art of *b[illegible]es making* to his posterity.

"Our Bru[illegible] (who is now but a *clod*) inherited [illegible] the virtue of his great progenitor—a[illegible]ereditary hatred to all tyranny and [illegible]pation travelled down him, he could [illegible] therefore patiently behold that wret[illegible]d conclave of city cardinals, vulgar[illegible] called aldermen, lord it uncontroule[illegible]ver your municipal affairs. In the [illegible]se of the people he gloriously quitted [illegible]s *goose*, his *thimble*, his *sheers*, and his [illegible]stomers then arming with a *pen*, he [illegible]came terrible to those aristocratic mi[illegible]s who devour all the good things of [illegible]nterbury. *(Here the Dean is to arise [illegible]o a passion.)* Do they not gormandiz[illegible]n *turtle*?—They do voraciously.—[illegible] they not eat of *venison*, and of the best [illegible]avor?—Have they not *marrow pudding*[illegible]or dinner, and *mutton kidneys* for supp[illegible]—They have, and you know it.—Hav[illegible]hey not pyes, custards, jellies, whip, a[illegible]nacaroni at their tables, and do they no[illegible]et drunk on the richest wines, with C[illegible]ac, and Irish Usquebaugh, until th[illegible] can remain no longer on their broa[illegible]ottoms? I tremble at the very thou[illegible] of the aldermanic voluptuousness t[illegible] reigns in this city.— But who pays [illegible] all these wicked feastings?—you p[illegible] for them my brethren, and have they [illegible]ven you even a spoonful of *turtle soup* [illegible] your money? not a solitary smell to [illegible]ratify your poor noses; no, my brethr[illegible], your *alderm[illegible]n* swallow up the whole and are most of them so fat and lazy, [illegible]hey can hardly waddle once in a mo[illegible]h to church where they should go [illegible]ly. They want much purging in bo[illegible]y and soul, without which they will be——whre [illegible] you think they will be[illegible]rtly my brethren?—I'll tell you—*Peg Trantum's* house, which is ten miles beyond hell.

"But why should I talk of amendment in your members, aldermen, or corporation.—They are indeed *lost muttons*, and I drop a tear when I consider the state of their poor souls. But these things are but vanity—even turtle, venison, marrow puddings, &c. &c. nay, wine itself, stop but a few hours in the belly, and are dismissed as filthy tenants of a poor habitation. Consider this my friends, and remember also, that a *Woodcok* or a *black John*, are alike when they quit this wretched carcase of mortality. Teach your wives, my friends, not to expect the *good things* of this world, but to hope for them in the next, so shall your *days* be peace, and your *nights* be devoted to tranquility and rest.

"Let us now consider what the duties of a christian are, and upon what grounds we may expect to be returned for a seat of greater durability than those of either Mr. *Robinson* or Mr. *Gipps*.—You should be in the first place be *charitable*, for we are told that virtue covers a multitude of sins—you should neither be insolent or arrogant, but *like me*, humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient—you should not write in the *Devil's Misscellany*, commonly called a newspaper, or assist French Quacks in robbing the public, under pretence of curing the gout—you should not libel *your neighbours* through the medium of a press belonging to a *smiling* sycophant—You should not drink punch at the *Fleece* before dinner, or smoke your pipes at the Shakespear until morning.—In a word, my brethren, you do these things which you should not do, and your wives say you omit doing what you should do;—what then will become of your poor souls? Oh frightful, frightful? But repent, I say, repent—by repentance you will have the benefit of an *Act of grace*; and be *white-washed*; like our old friend Bru[illegible]

"No[illegible] to *conclude* and make an *end*—look o[illegible] those poor remains, and remember [illegible]us, your friend and neighbour, was treacherously *murdered*—still you should recollect that it is our duty to pray for the wicked—shape your lives *by my example*, for notwithstanding the ungodly of this city have reviled me, and have called me *Parson Noodle* on one day, and *Parson Doodle* on another—still have my prayers.—Farewell."

After this *moving* discourse, the corps will be enclosed in the arms of our mother Earth and the *Dean* will dine with Mr. *Epps*.

Yours again, Mr. Printers,

TOBY TICKLE.

The PHILOSOPHICAL COBLER.

HIS cottage was situat[illegible] on the margin of a lake, at the distance of a quarter of a mile from the great [illegible], and at the distance of half a mile from any town or village. A few acres of ground which he rented, the privilege of fishing for eels and other small fishes in the lake, with the produce of his calling, enabled this philosophic cobler to live with ease, and with decent hospitality. He exercised by turns the vocations of an husbandman, of a fisher, and of a cobler. We arrived at his humble mansion in the evening—"You are welcome, strangers, said he, to my house. But luxury has made great strides since the song was first composed—

A cobler there was, and he liv'd in a stall,
Which serv'd him for parlour, for kitchen, and all.

Step in and you shall see the first; as to the second, please God, you shall by and by be satisfied of its existence by an appeal to another sense besides that of seeing."

On entering this parlour I was struck with a spectacle which announced to me at once that I had the good fortune to be received under the roof of a philosopher and a humourist, as well as an hospitable man. A skeleton of gigantic dimensions, fixed in a corner of the room, served as a case for a clock, of which he himself had been the artificer. Glass beads, placed in the sockets of the eyes, and moved by the motion of the pendulum, struck the surprized spectator with horror. "That (says he) is the skeleton of my grandfather, which I made with the assistance of a poor student from Edinburgh. I have fitted up a clock in the middle of it, which serves at once as a *memento mori*, and to measure time. This skeleton I call the minister, because he preaches, in his *tick tick* way, and the serious expression of his eyes and countenance, many an excellent sermon. Scarcely any occurrence happens or passion arises, but one look of the minister produces the happiest effect."

W[illegible]ad not well recovered the shock which this sight had occasioned, when a lovely young woman came smiling into the room, with an infant in her arms, little more than two years of age. After a few kind salutations to us, she held up her little girl to the skeleton, whose rueful mouth the child kissed with great cordiality, and shook both its hands, saying, "Dood night, dard dada." A boy of four years old said distinctly at the same time "Good night grandfather."—"These are our childeen," said the cobler, "they, in this manner, salute their grandfather every morning and every evening. That old man whom you see busy in the garden is my father, he is to be placed, after his death, by the side of the minister, and is to be a frame for a piece of mechanism, contrived to play some solemn church music, so that he will be in the station of clerk to the minister. Look how cheerful and brisk he is under his years; it is the certainty, I assure you, that he will not be buried in the cold, dark, and silent grave, deprived of all company, and of the cheerful light of the sun, but every day be a witness of what is going on in his family, and be embraced by his progeny, that supports him in [illegible] mood, even at the adva[illegible] fourscore years.—This m[illegible] the remains of our prog[illegible] nued the cobler, may pro[illegible] to you a little extravagant [illegible] cal, since skeletons, to all appearance, have no sense either of good or [illegible]—it is so; but, if it serves a good purpose, it is very excuseable. We are not always, indeed we are very little, governed by reason. We suffer greatly from the illusions of imagination, and if we can cheat ourselves into a little happiness by the same means, it is fair [illegible]ght that we should do it. The [illegible] dread of death proceeds from the imagination; We, somehow, without [illegible] the absurdity of the idea, naturally conclude, that when embosomed in the earth, we shall be uneasy at the [illegible] solitude and silence of that gloomy abode, not considering that a found[illegible] half an hour [illegible] a million of years is precisely the same thing."

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again, a roast pig was laid smoking on the board, besides a large dish of [illegible] eels. "My dear," said the cobler, this is not well done: that pig mig[illegible] have been sold for four shillings [illegible] at any rate if you had a mind to [illegible] the fool, by affecting a magnif[illegible] above our fortune, it would have [illegible] better to have reserved it for to-mo[illegible] row's dinner, being Sunday. The eels I would have excused, as we have [illegible] tors."—Grace was not yet said, and we stood talking to each other. [illegible] my brothers," said the [illegible]aker. Two young [illegible]men, of modest and ingenuous appearance, came into the room, and in a few words expressed their satisfaction at seeing us, and their readiness to serve us. The boy that looked after the cow and pigs, and a few sheep that fed on an adjoining common, was called, and a little girl that assisted her mistress in the houshold concerns. The house dog, a gentle and affectionate creature, was brought in; he sat down by the door, and by looks and mute gestures signified his complacency in all our happiness. The cat sat purring below the table. Two cows, at that instant, came lowing into the yard. The pigs issued out of their cribs; but the feathered flocks had long gone to rest. Clover was administered to the cows, who were considered as a kind of houshold gods; and grains, with roots, and some of the offals of the kitchen, to the swine and rabbits. Our landlord pointed to the clock, as it struck nine. All eyes were fixed upon this *memento mori*; and his younger brother, while even domestic animals seemed to wait for their food on God, by way of grace, read, with a devout and affecting air, the 104th psalm. The little group of animals, the assemblage of living creatures that struck the eye, gave infinite efficacy to these and other expressions in that divine ode: "He sendeth the springs into the vallies, which run among the hills. They give drink to the every beast of the field: the wild asses quench their thirst. [illegible] [illegible]eth the grass to grow [illegible] herb for the [illegible] [illegible]ey, and young lions [illegible] [illegible] seek their me[illegible] [illegible] his labour forth unto [illegible] [illegible] creatures wait until the[illegible] [illegible] mayest give all up[illegible] meat [illegible] [illegible] That them [illegible] hem [illegible] they are filled [illegible] thine [illegible] thy face; they [illegible] with good: thou [illegible] their b[illegible] are troubled [illegible] return [illegible] dust: thou [illegible] they die, and return [illegible] they are created [illegible] sendest forth thy [illegible] the face of the [illegible] And thou ren[illegible] not help comparing [illegible] earth.—I co[illegible] the first, and other [illegible] this grace with [illegible] sions muttered [illegible] senseless ejac[illegible] by little spruce [illegible] precipitate [illegible] doctors of divinity [illegible] tic chaplai[illegible] dignitaries of the c[illegible] bushy wig [illegible] ablished in lawn [illegible] as by l[illegible] *Hierophants* been pr[illegible] Had a[illegible] grace, I could nou[illegible] the feelings[illegible]