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BIOGRAPHY. A SKETCH OF THE Life and Public Services of HENRY CLAY.

[CONCLUDED.] Henry Clay is now (1844) in his sixty-seventh year, and notwithstanding his varied and arduous labors, tacking his mental and physical powers to an extraordinary degree...

from his pen when he was at the head of the Department of State, may be referred to not only as papers evincing mastery statesmanship, but as excellent specimens of "English hand-writing." In his tastes and habits of life, he is remarkable simply and unostentatiously...

inguous to our highest interest as a free people. It is notorious that, under the dynasties of Jackson and Van Buren, the moral tone of the country has been deplorably lowered; the dastardly doctrine of Reputation has sprung up, by which sovereign States had endorsed the ethics of the pickpocket and the swindler; and our reputation, at home and abroad, has received stains, which it will take years to efface.

while they talk of happiness, and the quiet meal is still pleasant with the delightful novelty of mutual reliance and attention. They come soon, however, a time when personal topics become bare and wearisome, and slight attentions will not alone keep up the social excitement. There are long intervals of silence and detected symptoms of weariness...

When the celebrated Dr. Samuel Johnson was asked why so many literary men were infidel, his reply was, because they are ignorant of the Bible. If the question be asked why the lovers of general reading so often fail to acquaint themselves with the sacred volumes, one reason that may be assigned doubtless is, they are not aware of interesting variety. This feature of the Bible is well illustrated by Mrs. Billie in the following eloquent extract from her recent work, entitled the Poetry of Life.

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MISCELLANEOUS. Women and Marriage. BY N. P. WILLIS. I have speculated a great deal upon matrimony. I have seen young and beautiful women, the pride of gay circles, married...

Brother Jonathan's Wife's Advice to her Daughter. ON THE DAY OF HER MARRIAGE. Now, Polly, as you are about to leave us, a few words seem appropriate to the occasion.

Great Eclipse in 1806. The following fine description of the great eclipse of 1806, is from the pen of Mr. E. S. Thomas, the venerable editor of the Cincinnati Evening Post.

Grounds for Divorce. In New York, conjugal infidelity is the only cause for divorce—a bill has been introduced at the present session of the Legislature, making habitual drunkenness a cause for limited divorce...

Curious Relics. Among the relics of the Historical Society at New Haven, Ct., there is a cane manufactured from the root of the tree on which the Salem witches were hung; the old oak chest formerly in the possession of the family of Aaron Burr; the chair of Roger Williams; the camp stool of Governor General Elisha Williams...