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The Fall of Niagara.

BY A. M. [illegible]

I [illegible] a deep dell [illegible]
Where my eyes [illegible]
While it thunders [illegible]
Seems beneath [illegible]
Fix'd on [illegible]
How those [illegible]
How they pour, and how they thunder,
Till the very earth is [illegible]

When shall peace [illegible] to [illegible]
When the [illegible]
Can by the [illegible] [illegible]
For one work [illegible]

O, it seems [illegible]
Into which [illegible]
Should the strong [illegible]
Soon would [illegible]

Deceitful [illegible]
To thine own [illegible]
While I see [illegible]
Spanning [illegible]

While the earth [illegible]
And I hear [illegible]
Thoughts come [illegible]
Since that [illegible]

Mighty [illegible]
On the [illegible]
And I feel [illegible]
Of my transitory days.

Thus with [illegible]
Onward [illegible]
Swiftly on [illegible]
And it can't [illegible]

Farewell, mighty [illegible]
Now I turn my back to thee—
Now I leave thy work, Creator,
And no more thy flood shall see!

But I feel my nothingness;
Thou hast [illegible]
On I go to realms of bliss—
Thou may'st fall and thunder there.

A dandy in Broadway a few mornings since accosted the old bellman as follows: "You take all sorts of trash in your cart; don't you!" "Yes, jump in, jump in."

'Massa,' said a Southern negro as he was examining the many rents in his brogans, 'wonder whar shoes come from!'

'Oh, they grow at the North,' was the reply.

'Well, guess he picked four he ripe den.'

Why is an attorney like a minister?

Because he studies the law and the profits.

'John,' said a careful father, 'don't give cousin Simon's horses too many oats, you know they have hay.'

'Yeth, thur,' said John, moving towards the stable.

'And hark ye, John—don't give them too much hay, your know they have oats.'

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Beautiful Sabbath! Thy very breath is melody; thy every sound is musical to the ear. Weary, we come to thee for rest. Sick, we find health in thy hours of prayers and blessing. Weak by the strife and the struggles of the world, we gain strength to pursue our tasks again. Happy are they who know thee; blest the nations where thy name is hallowed. All is not so. Some know thee not. The dark mantle of sin and ignorance covers the heathen lands, and the Sabbath suns have never shone in upon their gloom, or the Sabbath bells wafted to greet their joyful hours of prayer to their people. The Sabbath—who does not wish to see it preserved!—who does not wish to see it honored! Who does not wish to see it hallowed! What if peril to humanity but trows from its descending! And made the Sabbath. He made it for himself, and He made it for man to rest. Had it not been wise He never would have ordained the Sabbath. Let us honor the Sabbath then; let us love it as we do. Let us look on that holy day, and go up to the house of God and learn its statutes, and obey the precepts he has given for our salvation. It is no less to love and honor the Sabbath but our duty and our privilege. In the strength we gain by the Sabbath's rest to pursue the labor of the week. We are not rendered poorer or less happier; and surely we may expect the blessing of God upon such labors. They are to his name, His glory by keeping the Sabbath holy. We will not grudge to the Maker of the world, to whom belongeth all days of the week, one day in seven, especially when this day is devoted to the sweetest and most delightful of all employments, the enjoyment of the knowledge of himself. This would be Eden to the soul of man, were sin not in existence, and the curse of the Sabbath be annulled. Let us then, as we would have the spirit of our Redeemer, and the comfort of the Holy Ghost, and remember the sanctified words of the poet, as we give our hearts to prayer and praise:

"Safely through another week
God has brought us on our way;
Let us now a blessing seek
Waiting in his courts to-day;
Day of all the week the best,
Emblem of eternal rest."

If you would be numbered one of the best friends of the human race—if you would promote one of the best friends of the human intellect and general education—if you would forever secure the gratitude of the public conscience, and by such a cheap and powerful expedient as will fall far within your means, secure a law which gave great power to all other divine laws in the human mind—if you would support that which keeps prominently in the spirit of all upon the great truths of Revelation, and you would sustain those which generally strengthen large views and culture—if you would favor an extremely pre-eminent civilization in making men fit for eternal scenes of purity, love and joy—keep the Sabbath.

Miscellany.

Mode Diversions.—The number of Divisions still continues to increase freely in our State. Since our last, the Grand Scribe has issued charters for the following: No. 208, in Granville county; 209 in Caldwell county; 210 in Wilson, Edgecombe, and 211, in Bethel, Hertford county. The Brother forwarding the Application for Wilson Division, says: "The petitioners are of the very first citizens of this place—the right men for a speedy and permanent Temperance reform, which the citizens here are alive to. More signatures than these 16 might have been obtained, if the trouble had been taken; but as we have enough already to obtain a charter, we think it unnecessary to delay longer as they will join the first opportunity. We shall commence with at least twenty five, which will soon, it is thought, be swelled to fifty.—*Spirit of the Age.*

Sudden Death.—Barbary E. Daughter, of Henderson county, fell dead in the floor while doing her house hold work, on the 20th of July. She has left a husband with four small children, to mourn their loss.

Forty Ladies attended the Female Medical College at Philadelphia during the session, which has just closed.

Anecdote of Universalism.

The term Universalism is applied, in this country, to that system of religion which teaches that all lapsed intelligences shall be finally restored to the moral semblance and favor of God. In America, the name is usually understood to signify the code of doctrine which denies the reality of a personal devil, and of future punishments. The following occurrence, which actually took place, shows the system in no favorable point of view:

A Christian gentleman, one Colonel Richardson, was in a boat with two Universalists, on the Niagara river, some distance above the Falls of Niagara. The Universalists began to rally the Colonel on his belief of future punishment, and expressed their astonishment that a man of his powers of mind should be so far misled as to believe to this horrid degree. The Colonel defended his opinion, and the result was controversy, which was carried on so long and earnestly that, when they, after some time, looked around, they found now that the boat was hurrying with great rapidity towards the Falls! The Universalists at once dropped the oars and began to cry to Richardson had hold of the oars, exerted all his strength, and by God's mercy pulled ashore. When they landed, he addressed his companions: "Gentlemen, it is not long since you were calling at me for believing in future punishment. Now, explain to me the reason why you were so terribly frightened when you thought in five minutes more you'd be over the Falls into eternity." The Universalists were silent for some time, at length one of them approaching the Colonel, said, "I'll tell you what, Colonel, I perceive you are very well acquainted with the Bible, and I wish you would explain to me what it will be necessary to do to prevent the Falls of Niagara from destroying us."—*Western Observer.*

New York State Society.—The following is an abstract of the Secretary's Report for the past year, which was read at the anniversary of this society. The number of families visited by the visiting committee is 12,320, among whom 6,342 volumes of Bibles and Testaments were distributed. Since the commencement of the committee's labors in March, 1849, the city has been explored with the exception of 12th, 16th, 18th and part of the 9th Wards. 410 55,510 families visited since that time. 5,012 had not the scriptures; 3,161 refused to take them. The total number of volumes distributed in this department of the work, is 8,014.—Notwithstanding the decrease in the number of arrivals at this port of immigrant persons—the total number of the present year being 317,393—the distribution has greatly exceeded that of last year. 7,185 Bibles and Testaments have been distributed among these emigrants. The number of Bibles and Testaments applied for to the various vessels of the navy is 163.—The distribution for the year by the marine committee and general agent has been 2,939 Bibles and 1,932 Testaments, making a total of 8,001 volumes. 1,418 volumes, Bibles and Testaments, have been distributed by the committee on hospital and criminal institutions. Under the supervision of the committee on emigrant stations, 882 Bibles and Testaments, printed in various languages, have been circulated. The total number of volumes distributed during the past year is 10,211. Of these 29,583 Bibles and 38,531 Testaments donated. The amount paid to the American Bible society is $30,030 22.

The Causes of Life.—There are a thousand things in the world to afflict and sadden; but oh! how many that are beautiful and good. The world teems with beauty, and objects which gladden the eye and warm the heart. We might be happy if we would.—There are ills that we cannot escape; the approach of diseases and death, of misfortune, the sundering of earthly ties, and the canker-worm of grief; but a vast majority of the evils that beset us might be avoided. The course of intemperance, intemperance as it is with all the ligaments of society, is one which never strikes but to destroy. There is not one bright page upon record of its progress; nothing to shield it from the blood of thousands. Do away with all this—let wars come to an end, and the friendship, charity, love, purity and kindness, mark the intercourse between man and man. We are too selfish as the world was made for us alone. How much happier should we be were we to labor more earnestly to promote each other's good. God has blessed us with a home which is not dark. There is sunshine everywhere—in the sky upon earth there would be no tears, if we would look at the bright sun shines out. Summer has never untied her curtain upon the earth which is very beautiful, even when autumn breathes her changing breath upon it. God reigns in Heaven. Murmur not at a being so benificent, and we shall be happier and better.

Steam Ferry and Union Rail Road Company.—The stock holders held their meeting to organize, at Unionville, on Monday and Tuesday last. The balloting resulted finally in the election of the following officers.

President.

Hon. Wm. Carson, Spartanburg.

Directors.

P. Wilkerson, Spartanburg.
A. T. Kennedy "
P. M. Wallace, "
S. N. Evans, "
Jacob Caudle, North Carolina.
J. H. Dugas, Union.
W. H. Gist, "
T. M. Gramling, "
J. B. Jones, "
J. M. Lewis, Pickens.
Hon. J. H. Means, Newberry.

Although the many able and talented gentlemen who has been spoken of in connection with the offices to be filled will of course cannot make complaints. But we congratulate the country upon getting so able and efficient a body of men, whose energy and public spirit will we trust, and believe, ensure the early and brilliant success of this great public enterprise. Our friend, the Hon. C. Carson, is extensively and favorably known throughout the length and breadth of the State, as a firm, intelligent, prudent, and eminently practical gentleman, who has done the District and State some good services. We predict a safe and successful progress under his administration.—*Spartan.*

Communications.

N. Y. Correspondence.

New York, July 26, 1851.

Dear Editor:—The dread sentence of the law was executed yesterday, at Moyamensing Jail, upon two of the wretched culprits who participated in the murder of Jones, the second mate of the barque Isabella.

Libby, who had previously confessed his guilt, and made a full statement of the horrible transaction, maintained his bold demeanor to the last. His conduct, even while he was standing on the scaffold, was that of a ruffian, unimpressed spectator, he minutely examined the grim apparatus of death, and nodded to it with an air of nonchalance, to persons who was confined in one of the cells which commands a view of the execution-yard. He made a short address to the spectators in the usual style of gallows orations: in which, while he admitted, in general terms, that "the wages of sin is death," and that he was justly meeting death as the result of sin, he avoided either a denial or admission of his guilt of the particular crime for which he was about to suffer: although he exonerated Clements, the convict who has been reprieved, from the actual commission of the murder. His voice was clear, and free from apparent emotion; and, as he had for some days evinced a sort of impatience for his last moment to arrive, he died without a struggle. He was a mere youth—only 22 years old—endowed with a considerable share of talent, and of a poetic and imaginative turn of mind. He occupied a large portion of his time, during his imprisonment, in stringing together rhymes, and in preparing a tale which he declared contains a sketch of his own career, with imaginative embellishments. He was, I fear, the type of a fearfully increasing class who prowl about our large cities, utterly void of all moral culture; the plastic spots on the purchased civilization of a bold and restless disposition, he served, during the Mexican War, as a spy, in which capacity, I am told, he rendered valuable assistance to Gen. Taylor. On the return of peace, the wretched youth, cast once more upon the world, and ignorant of any art or trade, practised an idler round the land, for many months, until, ultimately, he palmed himself off as a carpenter, and shipped as such, on board the Ocean

The other malefactor, Benson, a negro who infest our city, and whose Manila, colored man, only 23 years of age, unholy trade consists in practicing appeared to feel deep contrition for the grossest frauds on the miserable the crimes of an ill spent life: but his immigrants that throng our wharves, demeanor, though calm and decent, finding that, as our municipal authorities, Parker, Sir Edward H. Anderson; Sir was, to my mind, scarcely less painful, though less revolting than that of Douglass; for it was, I fear, rather that dogged indifference of a fanatic, who, parted like, had plucked up a few religious phrases, than that of a spirit clearly imbued with the pure light of Revelation. However as he professed himself prepared to meet his Maker, let us hope that the Judge of All may mete out abundantly to him, the mercy we all so greatly need.

He also addressed a few words to the spectators, denying his commission of the murder, though admitting his participation in the willful. He declared the innocence of the reprieved convict, Clements.

Prior to the removal of the prisoners from the Brooklyn Jail to the Tombs, in reply to a wish expressed by Benson, that they might meet in a body, Clements dogged said: "I never expect to live so much luck as they, as you will have."

He received the announcement of the reprieve on Wednesday night with utter indifference; but, strange to say, during the night, he was extremely wakeful, and occasionally burst forth into almost delirious expressions of joy. His reprieve was granted on the representations made to the Government by Rev. Mr. Hodge, who tells me, that Benson, in his confession and other confidential communications had corroborated the constant assertion made by Clements, of his (Clements) innocence, a corroboration which has since added fresh strength from the dying testimony of Douglass, who up to that period, had persisted in attributing the firing of the gun, to Clements.—Rev. Mr. Hodge says, that he entertains little doubt that the unfortunate man's sentence will be commuted into imprisonment for life.

There is quite a difference between a writer and a doer. One would have thought that De Toqueville, who writes well on Democracy, would be known enough to "let well alone, or, at least, until well could be improved upon," without a risk of being made "worse" in the attempt. But Monsieur De Toqueville, in his official capacity of Chairman on the Revision of the Constitution of France, has reported in favor of a thorough revision.

However, M. De Tocqueville is to be pitied. His weakness is a national as well as an individual one. The French are the best theorists in the world; but they are incapable of reducing to practice their truly philosophical conceptions. They can not even take what is called an eminently practical view of a subject; for they can not, as a nation be, practically. So it is with individuals of the nation, especially those of the educated classes. They act quickly and energetically, but they are more sanguine than nervous; hence they lack that intensity, necessary to final and complete success.

The French never attain all they contend for. Their leading temperament is sanguine, and their predominant phrenological developements, (Hope and Approbativeness,) that make them quick, hopeful and courageous, rather than intense, firm and persevering, drive them, also, when under reactionary influences, to apathy, despair and cruelty. Hence massacres—hence the vast number of suicides, far exceeding that of any other civilized nation—hence—but let us hope for the best—the speedy return to monarchy, or a worse despotism, foreshadowed by this unwise report of M. De Toqueville. There are few boys of twenty years old, in practical America that would not see at a glance, if their attention were directed to the present condition of affairs in France, that it is better for the French Republicans at present, to bear the ills they have, than fly to others they know not of—who would not see that, in a dozen years, the workings of a Republican Constitution would have been tested and triumphantly pointed out, and that true reforms could then be made without the danger; but that, now, the only hope of monarchy and despotism is, to slip a wedge into the cracks consequent upon disunion, and to steal and annihilate a few of the disruptured pieces, fragments.

Thus the word discussion, etymologically, which, as you know, means, shaking to pieces.

The Emigrant Runners, those harpies who infest our city, and whose Manila, Sir C. Cresswell; Sir Edward Parke; Sir Thomas N. Talford. *Equity*—Lord Lieut. Baron, Sir Jas. Frederick Pollock. *Barons*—Sir Jas. Thomas J. Platt; Sir Samuel Martin. *Queen's Bench*.—Lord Chief Justice Wightman; Sir Wm. Erle. *Common Pleas*.—Lord Chief Justice Sir John Jervis; Sir Wm. H. Maule; Sir Thomas N. Talford. *Exchequer*—Lord Chief Baron, Sir Frederick Pollock. *Barons*—Sir Jas. Parke; Sir Edward H. Anderson; Sir Thomas J. Platt; Sir Samuel Martin. *Bankruptcy*—Lord Chancellor, Rt. Hon. M. Brady; Master of Rolls, Rt. Hon. T. B. Smith; Attorney General, Rt. Hon. J. Mingle; Solicitor General, H. G. Hughes, Esq.

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Young Peel is a handsome and accomplished debater, not much below the highest order, though quite a young man. The Duke of Wellington speaks remarkably well for a man of his great age, very. The officers of the House of Peers continue to keep alive the habits of olden time, wearing long gray wigs, hanging far down the back and over the shoulders, and large black robes, and so do the Judges of the Law Courts, which give them quite an antique and imposing appearance, very unlike the simple and republican garbs of our public men, and I think the less of forms we have, the more of the substance we are likely to understand and enjoy, for, really, the old States of Europe are nothing else than mere forms of base and idolatrous worship, which are all now of that keep their corrupt and rotten Governments together, tear down and destroy the naked mendicants and bloody crucifixes, and the gross rabbles which now swell the throngs in their churches and public processions, would fly to arms and rip up the kingdoms which have so long held them in base subjection, and are now only held together by the cohesive power of armies from other kingdoms. For example behold the sick condition of old Rome, with all her boasted bravery, sunk, and fast sinking into disgrace and ruins. A short time back, Rome stood supreme in Europe, she enacted laws for Princes, made and deposed Kings, all of which was said to have been done, in early days, by the grace of God and the Pope, and the Priesthood, made the reign of the Pope, yet keeps up a sort of linen decency, with hearts as

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Young Peel is a handsome and accomplished debater, not much below the highest order, though quite a young man. The Duke of Wellington speaks remarkably well for a man of his great age, very. The officers of the House of Peers continue to keep alive the habits of olden time, wearing long gray wigs, hanging far down the back and over the shoulders, and large black robes, and so do the Judges of the Law Courts, which give them quite an antique and imposing appearance, very unlike the simple and republican garbs of our public men, and I think the less of forms we have, the more of the substance we are likely to understand and enjoy, for, really, the old States of Europe are nothing else than mere forms of base and idolatrous worship, which are all now of that keep their corrupt and rotten Governments together, tear down and destroy the naked mendicants and bloody crucifixes, and the gross rabbles which now swell the throngs in their churches and public processions, would fly to arms and rip up the kingdoms which have so long held them in base subjection, and are now only held together by the cohesive power of armies from other kingdoms. For example behold the sick condition of old Rome, with all her boasted bravery, sunk, and fast sinking into disgrace and ruins. A short time back, Rome stood supreme in Europe, she enacted laws for Princes, made and deposed Kings, all of which was said to have been done, in early days, by the grace of God and the Pope, and the Priesthood, made the reign of the Pope, yet keeps up a sort of linen decency, with hearts as

Foreign Correspondence.

Tracks of a Traveller.

City of London, June 3, 1851.

When I last wrote, I had not completed my examination of the rich and interesting contents of the Crystal Palace, nor had I seen sufficient of