

POETICAL



OLD BACHELORS.

They are wanderers and ramblers—n'er at home, Making sure of a welcome wherever they roam.

These creatures, they say, are not valued at all, Except when the herd give a Bachelor's ball.

They like dashing and flashing, and lashing and splashing,

And racing and chasing, and pacing and lacing;

Abuses the world and women he hates!

Then he sends for a doctor to cure or to kill, Who gives him offence as well as a pill.

And as fretful antiquity cannot be mended,

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Miscellaneous.

From the Savannah Georgian.

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He was serving with distinction under Dumouriez in Flanders, when the Convention passed a decree of banishment against all the members of the Bourbon family.

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cle of European politics, and three thousand miles from his country, he hesitated not to comply with her request, and disguising himself as a Dane, he sailed Sept. 24th, 1796, from Hamburg, in the ship America, Capt. Ewing for Philadelphia.

In October, he reached Philadelphia, and being joined in February by his two brothers, the Duke of Montpensier, and Count Beaujolais, who had had a tedious passage of ninety-three days in the Swedish ship Jupiter, from Marseilles, they took up their residence at the house of a Spanish Consul, and mingled in the society of the city.

They crossed the Alleghanies to Knoxville and Nashville, and then turned northward to Pittsburgh, thence up to Erie and Buffalo, and thence to the Falls of Niagara.

"PHILADELPHIA, August 14, 1797.

"I hope you have received the letter which we wrote you from Pittsburg, two months since. We were then in the midst of a great journey, which we finished fifteen days ago.

The yellow fever broke out in Philadelphia on their return, and these Princes were so poor and reduced as to be unable to leave the city until a fortunate remittance from their mother gave them the means of making an excursion to New York, Boston and the Eastern States.

Learning that their mother, by a new law of France, had been sent to Spain, the exiles hastened to rejoin her, and as the surest, though not the most expeditious way, travelled with a wagon to the Ohio, thence by water to New Orleans, which journey they accomplished in little over two months.

A little incident, illustrative of the strong and versatile character of the King, occurred at Carlisle in Pennsylvania. He was thrown from his wagon, and knowing that he required bleeding, he slowly crawled to the house of a farmer, and requesting assistance, opened a vein in his own arm, and derived the benefit he expected.

My dear fellow, I regret that it is impossible," said Jo; "my night is already fixed, and my benefit must positively take place in just two weeks from this time."

"How long do you require to have a five act piece for study?" was the questioning reply of the ardent young genius.

"A week, at least, to do it any kind of justice," returned Jo.

"What! write a tragedy in a week?" "If you think me a fool or a boaster decline the proposition."

"O, my dear fellow, you must not—by the Lord, you must acknowledge it will be rather an extraordinary performance at any rate; but, if you are in earnest it will be a valuable piece of service."

"The thing is done," was the conclusive pronouncement of the embryo dramatist, rising from his seat, and continuing, "I am now warm, and have a thought or two that must not be lost in dreaming; I'll fling off an act before I go to bed. Good night, Jo."

"Good night," said Jo, giving a whimsical quiver over his cigar after his young literary friend, accompanied by a sidelong glance at an empty glass, and an enquiring peep at the condition of a bottle by his side.

came over the spirits of the writer, and the days of the ensuing week rolled on, the play progressing slowly, scene by scene, until the very morning preceding the performance, and at rehearsal the last act still remained uncompleted!

Evening arrived, and the boisterous impatience of a crowded audience began to be manifested before the daring young aspirant made his appearance in the theatre to dress for Aaron Burr, which leading character he had determined to sustain himself.

We think that will do to tell alongside the Pizarro story. It is true. From beginning to end it is literally correct. It was the first rude and dazzling flash of a genius just bursting from its mine, and which is now burning with a steady and brilliant flame.

From the National Gazette.

Prompt Obedience; or, How to Skin a Horse. AN ORIGINAL ANECDOTE.

Upwards of fifty years ago, there lived in the then Far West, a venerable revolutionary soldier distinguished for his scrupulous integrity and gentlemanly bearing.

"Go to the south field and skin that cursed brute, old Sparkle."

"Yes, your honor," answered the willing man of all work.

"Well, how much do you charge?" said the colonel.

"One dollar, your honor," replied his humble fellow soldier.

"One dollar! One devil—what do you mean—one dollar for skinning a horse?"

"But," replied the jobber, "your honor don't consider what a deal of time it took for me to catch him."

"Catch him, you villain," exclaimed the veteran in a tone of rising anger, "I didn't tell you to catch him, but to skin him."

"That's true, sir," said the soldier, "but you know I couldn't skin him till I caught and killed him."

This was enough; the swelling cholera of the hasty colonel instantly mounted to an ungovernable height, and the poor soldier was glad to escape from his presence with whole limbs, convinced that his wisest course was never again to mention in the colonel's hearing his singular job of catching and skinning old Sparkle.

AN ANECDOTE.—Frederick of Prussia had no opinion of phrenology, and one day he sent for the professor, and dressing up a highwayman and a pick-pocket in uniforms and orders, he desired the phrenologist to examine their heads, and give his opinion as to their qualifications.

The most agreeable of all companions is a simple frank man, without any high pretensions to an oppressive greatness; one who loves life, and understands the use of it; obliging, alike at all hours; above all of a golden temper, and steadfast as an anchor.

"Why don't your father take a newspaper?" said a gentleman to a little boy whom he caught pilfering his paper from the door step.

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Agricultural.

STRAWBERRY BEDS.—As soon as the ground has become sufficiently wet to be worked to advantage it should be prepared for the strawberry plant.

When the potatoes were first introduced into our gardens they were very carefully set and nursed as we now set carrots and parsnips in beds; now we give them more room.

Those gardeners succeed best who cover the ground thick with leaves, cut hay, straw, or litter of some kind, to keep the earth light, to prevent the growth of weeds and to keep the berries clean.

Two of the best farmers in the range of our knowledge, one a resident of Coos county, Vermont, have communicated to us the manner in which they secure their fruit.

Professor Jackson, in one of his lectures Boston, in illustrating the manner in which soils might be rendered fertile, said that—"A farm within knowledge blowing sand or pine barren, and almost hopeless, on which ten bushels of corn to the acre could scarcely be grown, by the judicious application of ashes, had been made to produce forty and fifty bushels to the acre.

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