## THE HEART THAT'S TRUE.

Tell me not of sparkling gems,
Set in royal diadems;
You may boast your diamonds rare,
Rubies bright and gems so fair:
But there's a peerless gem on earth,
Of richer ray and purer worth;
'Tis priceless, but 'tis worn by few—
It is, it is the heart that's true.

Bring the tulip and the rose,
While their brilliant beauty glows;
Let the storm-cloud fling a shade,
Rose and tulip, both will fade;
But there's a flower that still is found
When mist and darkness close around,
Changeless, fadeless in its hue—
It is, it is the heart that's true.

Ardent in its earliest tie,
Faithful in its latest sigh—
Love and friendship, godlike pair,
Find their throne of glory there,
Proudly scorning bribe and threat.
Naught can break the seal once set;
All the evil gold can do
Cannot wrap the heart that's true.

First in Freedom's cause to bleed,
First in joy when slaves are freed;
Their hearts were true—and what could quell
The might of Washington or Tell?
Oh, there is one mortal shrine,
Lighted up with rays divine?
Seek it, yield the homage due;
Defy the heart that's true.

Then let me try, each day and hour,
To act upon this plan—
What little good is in my power,
To do it while I can;
If to be useful thus I try,
I may do better by and by. —*Ex.*

## SUBJECTS FOR DISCUSSION
### AT
### *TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.*

The best course to pursue in organizing a school.
The means for securing good discipline.
The means to be used for self-improvement.
Some of the means for true moral culture.
Irregularity, and how to remedy it.
The evils of tardiness, and how to remedy it.
Requisites for success in teaching.
How to teach good manners.
How to secure the co-operation of parents.
How far should oral teaching be adopted?
Some of the causes of failure.
The true aim of the teacher.
Some of the *Methods* of teaching, Reading, Spelling, Grammer, Geography, Arithmetic, &c.
Proper method of conducting recitation.
Best method of teaching object-lessons.
How to interest and advance dull pupils.
What is desirable in a text-book?
The object of school government.
The object of punishment.
Proper methods of punishments.
Proper incentives to study.
Improper incentives to study.
Duties of teachers to patrons.
Duties of patrons to teachers.
What use should be made of the Bible in school?

## THE STORY OF A BOY'S POCKET.

A South hill school marm, the other day, says the *Burlington Hawk-Eye*, while working an example on the board detected an urchin directly behind her in the unlawful act of devouring an apple. She said to him:

'Tim, what are you doing?'

'No'hin,' said Tom with his mouth so full that his cheeks stuck out on either side of his head like an aldermen's stomachs.

'Yes you are,' paradoxically insisted the teacher, 'What have you in your hand?'

'Napple' said Tim with some surprise, as he looked at the fragment of the apple in his hand, and wondered who bit it while he was studying.

'What has become of the rest?'

'Dunno,' said Tim, looking around in an amazed effort to discover who had the rest of it. Somebody is been eatin' it.

'Have you any more?' demanded the teacher.

'Yes'm said Tim dolefully. 'Got nother.'

'Where is it?' relentlessly pursued the teacher.

'N my desk,' sighed Tim as he began to suspect that the teacher was going to demand it of him.

'Well take it out and go upon the platform, and eat it.'

'Eat 'em both?' queried Tim.

'Yes eat them both.'

'Eat all I got?' demanded Tim in a subdued tone and countenance.

"Yes, eat all you have," impatiently responded the teacher and turning to the board continued, "And don't you leave that platform while you have any apple left uneaten.'

Silence reigned in the school room.—The paper pellet pursued its tranquil transit unobserved. The busy hum of the studious made more noise than the cautious smile of the indolent. Tim stood at his post. Munch, munch, munch.—The fragment in his hand soon disappeared, and he fell upon the other apple silently but determinedly. Quickly it followed the first. Then he put his right hand into his pants pocket and took out an apple and after a cautious reconnoitre, during which he wiped it on his trowsers, he began the attack. He carried the fort. Down went the hand again, and another apple was brought to light. It was quickly dispatched. A third followed, then he changed his position, and, resting the weight of his body on his left leg, sighed as he drew from his left breeches pocket another apple. When it was gone he drew out his commissary for another, by the time he produced the eighth apple he was silently being observed by two-thirds of the boys in the school room.—The teacher turned and saw the boy still standing in the attitude of one who was reaching for something in his coat pocket.

'Aren't you through yet?' she queried in some astonishment.

'Got 'nother,' stoically responded Tim, producing it and falling to work on it.

In surprise the teacher saw him reach for still another, and when that was gone surprise grew to amazement at his unwavering hand again sought the gaping mouth of that pocket. As the boy ate he grew in dimensions, and the teacher became alarmed. There seemed to be no end to the apples that he had in his clothes.

'Tim, for mercy's sake, have you got any more apples?'

'Got 'nother,' said Tim, indifferently.

'How many more apples have you?'

'Dunno,' said Tim, 'guess got two or three more."

The teacher did not dare to let him proceed, and appointed herself an investigating committee to look after the back counties. The boy never changed a muscle of his countenance nor moved an inch while the teacher pulled apple after apple from his coat, stacked them upon the desk, until there was something less than a peck piled up, with Dade county to hear from. The school-room was a scene of hilarity which wasn't so much subdued as it had been. Tim had laid in apples for the winter, and the pocket of his coat having no bottom the coat was thus an immense bag, which would hold as many as he could carry. The matter hasn't been laid before the school board yet, but the exhausted school ma'am declares that the next time she will learn how much of a crop of apples a boy has about him before she issues any orders.

## *The Importance of Agriculture.*

What must be the feelings of happiness and contentment of the man who, by skillfully turning to proper account his intimate knowledge of the peculiarities of his land, has succeeded, without increased application of labor or capital, in gaining from it a permanent increase of produce? For such a result is not only a personal advantage to himself, but a most important benefit conferred upon all mankind.

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All our advances in arts and science are of no avail in increasing the conditions of human existence; and though a small fraction of society may, by their means, be gainers in material and intellectual enjoyment, the load of misery weighing upon the great mass of the people remains the same. A hungry man cares not for preaching, and a child that is to learn anything at school must not be sent there with an empty stomach.

Every step in advance, however, made by agriculture, serves to alleviate the sufferings and troubles of mankind, and to make the human mind susceptible and capable of appreciating the good and the beautiful that art and science presents to us. Improvements in agriculture constitute the only solid foundation for further progress in all other branches of knowledge.—*Liebig.*

## GRASS IS KING.

Charles Seymour, in an address before the Wisconsin State Board of Agriculture, says:

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## GRADUAL DISSOLVING OF STONES.

The soluble part of the soil is the inorganic food of the plants. Rain water cannot come in contact with the soil, or even with a gravel heap, without dissolving some of it. Expose almost any stone, or handful of gravel, washed clean, to the action of a quart or so of rain water several days, and, upon evaporating the water, it will be seen from the residue left, that a portion has been dissolved. Now, let these same stones be exposed, covered or partly covered with water, in a saucer, to the action of frost, setting them out of doors for two or three cold nights, taking care that they thaw by day. Pour off the water, rinsing with fresh, and evaporate as above, and it will be seen that a very much larger quantity has come into solution. The reason is, that all stones being somewhat porous, by the action of the frost their outer portion is broken up, scaled and fissured, and a vastly greater surface is exposed to the action of the water, even though this fissuring is not visible to the naked eye. When land is exposed to alternate freezing and thawing, the same effect must take place.—*Scientific American.*

In Paris a swindler, who styled himself Count Beliuski, pretended to be a Russian millionaire, hired a box at a theatre, and gave grand breakfasts at a hotel in Rue Druoit, has been sentenced to fifteen months' imprisonment. He is only eighteen years of age, and alleged in court that he came to Paris to open a subscription for the Servians.

## *Good Women.*

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"What branch of education do you have chiefly in your school?" was asked a pupil. "A birch branch sir: the master has used almost a whole tree."

"We find that he came to his death from trying to cut out Joe Willet in courting Susie Jackson," was the verdict recently of a coroner's jury in Arkansas.

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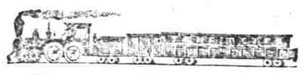

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| " Salisbury | 7.35 " |
| " Greensboro | 9.55 " |
| " Danville | 12.28 P M |
| " Dundee | 12.46 " |
| " Burkeville | 5.05 " |
| Arrive at Richmond | 7.43 P M |

GOING SOUTH.

| STATIONS. | MAIL. |
|---|---|
| Leave Richmond | 7.50 A M |
| " Burkeville | 10.46 " |
| " Dundee | 2.55 P M |
| " Danville | 2.59 " |
| " Greensborough | 5.40 " |
| " Salisbury | 8.15 " |
| " Air-Line Junction | 10.25 " |
| Arrive at Charlotte | 10.37 " |

| GOING EAST | | | GOING WEST |
|---|---|---|---|
| STATIONS. | MAIL. | | MAIL. |
| Leave Greensboro | 10.05 AM | Leave at Night | Arr. 5.25 PM |
| " Co. Shops | 11.21 " | | Lv. 4.15 " |
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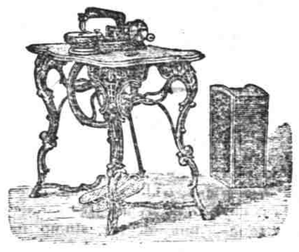

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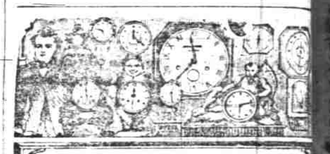

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