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Poetry.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS FROM NOW

BY MISS NELLIE MARSHALL.

The lips of time have lightly press'd The show of my young brow; How many will they have caress'd One hundred years from now?

The saushine dances on the hills, Mist bangs o'er the mead, Where flowers are struggling up to spring Through bramble, brier and weed; How hist and shine will fade away, And meads yield to the plough, And flowers and brambles low be laid, One hundred years from now!

The leaves are green on hill and wold And will be green again; The river sweeps through fields of gold, To meet the smiling main; And merry birds are warbling gay Upon each leafy bough, But they will sing no songs for me One hundred years from now!

The weried and solemn stars serene That gem the brow of night, Thro' lapsing time have ever been As changeless, cold and bright; And though they now look smiling down Upon my girlish brow, They'll smile the same upon my grave Che hundred years from now!

It is a sad, sad thought to me, And starts the tender tears. When gazing down the vistas gray Ofd muncertain years; To feel that over all I love Must gather mould and rust. And that the friends I hold so dear Will sometime turn to dust!

It seems a long, long time to wait For years to come and go. And yet my heart doth truly feel It surely must be so. O. may my life be true and sweet No shadow gloom my brow! Pray Gol, with me, 'twill all be well One hundred years from now! New York, 1868.

Monvellette.

From the Soldiers' Friend. GERTRUDE.

THE EXILE AND REUNION.

New York State, about thirty years the Western breeze, saying: "Gerago, there lived a much-esteemed fam- trude, the moderate drinker will some ily having an only daughter, beautiful day become a confirmed draukard." ite among her associates. We will avocation; but still the inebriate huswith a young gentleman who was said her needle until a late hour at night, and soon became the accepted visitor rest. Business became dull. Gertook place, her parents removed to who passed through them. she had promised to marry Mr. Jand did not wish to be released from but Gertrude remained in her native to do. She saw them comfortable in town, and, in process of time, became their new homes; and the first opporthe wife of Mr. J .- . The first year tunity that presented itself she hired of their married life passed away very a boy to take some baggage to the Many go there to doze and nod; pleasantly to both; but soon the re- railroad station. At night when all port was circulated that he spent was still she took her youngest child much of his time at the village tavern. and wended her way nearly a mile The devoted wife was forced to be- through the darkness of the night, ters.

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lieve this, for she could see it in his and reached the cars, whose lightning eye, and read it upon his counterance, speed was to convey her far away and felt it in his words of anger as from the loved ones she had left to they pierced her heart. Now, she began to realize her forlorn condition in place that to her would have been a life, and ponder upon the counsel of paradise had her husband never beher kind father, and began to regret come a drunkard. She went no one that she had not heeded his voice of knew whither. . None blamed her for warning, as he said to her: "Ger- going, none were sorry. Her eleven trude, the moderate drinker will make years of married life had been years an ordinary eye, there was no special The army of France has been fixed at a confirmed drunkard some time."

very slow and long while they were passing. Four bright, active children were now with them in that household, which might have been a happy one were it not that the husband and scarcely any one would have recogof his earnings reached his home, his wife sought to provide for herself and children as seamstress and laundress. Being of a delicate constitution, this oppressive labor, together with the torture of her mind, wore upon her, so that she finally became prostrated, and for a long time her life was nearseemed to incense the fiery demon there for weeks, rack with the within him; he accused her of false est pain; but all that with a louder tone, the echo of the fa-In one of the interior counties of ther's voice seemed wafted to her in

been intimated to the parents that dition. They questioned her concern- little book her own hand-writing, the drinker would become an habitual trude was ever silent concerning her morning of the resurrection. drinker; and when he saw his advice unhappy life and the ill-treatment by and counsel unheeded, he determined her husband. She scarcely ever spoke to go to the West, striving to per- his name, but when she did it was ing to Church' have made their apsuade Gertrude to go with them and with reverence that would have done make them happy in their old age. - honor to a better man. The eldest But the daughter would not consent, child was now ten years of age, the youngest four, when she resolved to leave forever the home that had been her engagement. He was the only naught but one of misery and continman that she had ever truly loved, and ual sorrow. She went among her with all the ardor of a woman's pure friends, and succeeded in finding heart did she bestow upon him her homes for the three eldest children Some go there to meet a lover; entire affections. Her parents left; telling no person what she intended Some the impulse oft discover;

the care of strangers, and from the of the greatest agony. Sie was now The years flew by; they seemed to find some place where she might no strength, no appetite, no enjoyquick to her after they were gone, but pass a few brief years-Providence permitting, in quiet and alone. Other years passed away. She never returned, nor was she again heard from in that vicinity. About ten years after his wife's departure, J -- died a father loved the intoxicating cup horrible death of delirium tremens, in more than his wife and children, and an old, unoccupied building, forsaken the ale-house better than his home .- and alone, within a stone's throw of Poor J--- had expended his little his brother's mansion. The wretched fortune that had been left by a de- man had suffered with this terrible ceased relative, and now he was to de- disease three weeks, and at last had pend upon his six hours through the crawled upon his hands and knees inday to bring him the means of his in- to the old building to die. And there dulgence, for he was seldom able to with no hands to press his aching labor longer. His once vigorous and brow none to give him a drop of wamanly frame showed signs of premater to cool his parched lips, in this friends appealed to him in vain, and one. In one of its arms, the Bersaghture decay; his hand was tremulous, awful condition, he breathed out the his foot unsteady, his body bent, and last moments of his misspent life, and | cidal habits; to all their calling him | the French army, whose Zouaves were gave up his spirit to be reserved for from despotic indulgences, he could supposed to be the first light infantry nized in him the tall, handsome man the judgment. Surely, it was proved only respond: of eight years before. As very little in his case that "the way of the transgressor is hard."

Their children grew up to maturity. The two oldest, very much respected young ladies, have married well; the third a son, volunteered in the Union, army, was wounded in an engagement with the enemy, and removed to the Lincoln General Hospital at Washingly despaired of. This sickness instead ton, where he was cared for by an elof reforming him in the least degree, derly female nurse. Poor L -- lay day, holding out the bleeding stump pretense and indolence because she thizing heart and ready hards could could not earn her daily bread. Then, do for him were being done, to alleviate his sufferings. His nurse one of the faithful ones who spared

not her own strength to help her fellow-creatures in distress. One day as the only certain method of preventing she had bathed his fevered brow, and one from falling under the influence and accomplished, the delight of her Slowly she began to recover health, prepared to sit down and read him a of a tyranny so terrible, is never to parents' hearts, and a general favor- and applied herself to her accustomed portion from the Sacred Word, he requested her to read from his little call her Gertrude C-. In an evil band was not satisfied. She never did testament that his mother had given hour, she met and became acquainted enough, although she diligently plied him when a little boy. She opened it ly five thousand of the supporters of -what a sight met her gaze! She to bear a good reputation. He had and arose long before the approach of read: "Lorenzo J ----, township of polished manners and a fine intellect, day, when her exhausted body needed C-, N. Y." She suddenly cried out: "Boy! how came you by this testaat the house of Gertrude. He made trade could not get employment in ment? I am deceived! It cannot be! a proposal for her hand and was ac- those times of panic and stagnation, You my son? and I your lost mother? cepted; but, before their marriage which will live in the memory of all No! no! it cannot be!" She looked at entire population of Albany, N. Y., onhim again-yes! his eyes were just as ly one in the twenty-five hundred of the far West, hoping and believing Then came the crisis. She had a blue, and had sickness not come upthat their daughter would accompany proud spirit; she could not let her on him, would have had the same exthem, and thus wean her affections suffering be known, until her sunken pression as when his mother left him from the man to whom she had be- eye and haggard cheek spoke plainly long years before. Yes! it was her come engaged. It had previously to her neighbors of her destitute con- own son, and she was reading in that this young man was a moderate drink- ing her domestic affairs, and, after last that she penned before leaving to leave off the use of spirituous liqer, that he often tarried long at his much evasion, she acknowledged her her home. This unexpected intelliwine; and it did not take the lady's distress. If her brutal husband was gence, and the excitement which it ble malady staring them in the face, father long to decide that he was by unkind to her when she was striving occasioned, were too much for the intelligent MEN WILL DRINK AND DIE!no means a suitable companion for his to obtain a livelihood, now when he poor, wounded, emaciated body to Hall's Journal of Health. daughter. In vain did he plead with saw her han is idle with nothing to do bear; he was taken that evening with his child to cast him off. Fruitless he treated her in a more cruel man- hemorrhage of the lungs, and after were his endeavors to point out to ner, seldom coming into the house three days of languishing dropped her the probability that the moderate without using violence. Yet Ger- asleep, to awaken no more, until the

> The following familiar lines 'On go pearance again, as one of those things which cannot be suffered to die. The views they take may be a little cyni cal, but they find too ready acceptance to be altogether false: Some go to church just for a walk; Some go there to laugh and talk; Some go there for speculation; Some go there for observation; Some go there to meet a friend; Some go there the time to spend; Some go to learn the parson's name: Some go there to wound his fame; But few go there to worship God!

DRINK A DESPOTISM.

In February, 1866, a lady sent for a physician to see her husband, who was laboring under symptoms which have been since the wars of the first she could not comprehend. He was a man with over three hundred thousand dollars, was highly esteemed and The cost of our army is \$100,000,000, had a most interesting family. To or nearly \$2,000,000 per 1,000 men. disease; there was no pain, there was 750,000 men in the 'active army,' and ment; but the physician, in the pecu- ing named the National Guard Moliar condition, discovered that the pa- bile. Total, 1,300,000 men available tient was laboring under the influence for war. A contingent of 100,000 men of long-continued and incessant stim- is annually available to recruit the arulation. He communicated his views my. to the wife as soon as an opportunity offered and retired. The husband 200,000 men. The bulk of this army naturally desired to know the physicis at home, Ireland absorbing about cian's opinion: "He said, my dear 25,000 good troops. Of the colonies husband, that you were under the in- or foreign possessions, India takes the fluence of constant stimulation, and largest body of troops, the Dominion that unless you renounce the habit, of Canada next, Australia next. you cannot live three months." "I can't do it," said he, and within the 600,000 men. time he was buried. Every earthly

"I can't do it!"

captor, he perished in his prime. to drink, was sent to the penitentiary ones.

for some crime; no liquor was allowed having failed to secure him a supply, he came running to the keeper one

the moment, a bowl was handed him, into which was thrust the gory stump, and the next instant he gulped the the standing armies of civilized nacontents at a draught. Such are some of the despotisms of drink, and take a drop—such only are safe.

In 1852, when the yellow fever raged so furiously in New Orleans, near grog-shops died before a single temperance man was attacked by the disease. In the very same year, when nine hundred died of cholera, only three were tetotalers; and when the pestilence swept off one in sixty of the the strictly temperate were seized with the malady. Yet, with these facts before the people, and the disease at our very doors, a very large number of our merchants and multi tudes of mechanics find it impossible nors, even for a season; with so terri-

In a certain convention of temperance philanthropists, a clergyman made a plausible defense of the moral right of even good men to drink and to offer alcoholic liquors. Tetotalism he denounced as fanatical and unscriptural. He talked glibly about the wine used at Cana of Galileethough not very understandingly-and found written its history. This the insisted that for one he should claim old man did, hoping that it would the right to use liquors at his own ta- serve as a timely warning, and that, ble and in social gatherings. When placed on the shelves of some musehe had concluded his sophistical ar- um or of a philosopher's study, they gument, an old man arose under much might be found to illustrate human emotion. His voice trembled with nature. On one of the corks was an grief.' Turning to the Convention, he inscription to this effect: "Champagne said in substance to them, "I know a cork; bottle emptied 12th of May, young man. He is fast becoming an 1843, with M. B—, who wishes inebriate. I fear he is ruined. When to interest me in a business by which he is urged to give up the wine-cup, I was to make ten millions. This afhe always pleads the example of a cer- fair cost me \$50,000. M. B estain popular clergyman. He says caped to Belgium. A caution to amathat while that minister takes his teurs." On another appears the folglass and defends it, he means to do lowing note: "Cork of a bottle of Cythe same. Gentlemen! that poor in- press wine, emptied on the 4th of Detemperate youth is my son; and the cember, 1850 with a dozen fast friends. Brigham Young wishes to dispose clergyman whose evil example he is Of these I have not found a single of thirty-five marriageable daugh- following is the very same one who has one to help me on the day of my just addressed the Convention!"

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At the present day the standing armies of the world are larger than they Napoleon. The army of the United States now numbers 56,000 men in all. 550,000 in the 'passive,' the latter be-

The British army numbers about

The Prussian army numbers about

The Italian army now numbers

consideration of family, fortune and 215,000 men, and is a very effective failed to drag him away from his sni- eri, or rifle battalions, it excels even in the world.

The Austrian army numbers about and yielding himself hopelessly to his 700,000 men; its cavalry is said to be very fine. The goverment breeds its It is related that a man, addicted own horses, and thus secures good

The Russian army numbers about convicts, except by special medical 800,000. It could be quickly increase direction, and every possible device ed to 1,200,000 in time of war. It is spread all over the empire, from the Baltic to the Caucasus.

The Spanish army is small, not exseding 80,000 men, but it is very well clothed and disciplined. It is also receiving breech-loaders.

The number of men maintained in tions, is not less than 3,600,000. All these men are snatched away from useful industries, and condemned to idleness and a vicious life, while the laboring people are taxed for their support and the costly armaments they require. Is it not an expensive police force? Would it not be cheaper to dethrone a few rascals?

A STRANGE LEGACY.

A more extraordinary legacy than that bequeathed to his fellow-citizens by Father la Loque cannot well be imagined. At his death his body was found stretched on a miserable bed in an attic of the Quarter de Grenelle, which is anything but a fashionable district of Paris. He was an old man had lived in the simplest way, sustaining himself almost entirely on bread. His room contained hardly any furniture, vet hid in a corner was found a little cupboard with numerous shelves and on these were sorted, with the greatest order, regiments of corks .-In the centre was a manuscript written by Pere la Loque, on which he stated that he had formerly been in possession of considerable wealth, now squandered; that of all his greatness there remained but these corks, drawn in better times to welcome many a friend who had now forgotten him; that age and ruin had taught their moral, and on each cork would be ruin."