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CLUBS:

Hoetry.

Shall We See.

ars of gladness we are hearing an heat that our pledge makes free.

mices see the light returning | homes of deepest woe ?

Prayers of the millions Gon is hearing, And he will indeed make fies.

Driginal Storn.

Memory Bells.

nest and the balmy them, and how tenderly she cared for house." to spend their most them. reg of those noble oaks and grand approach and the children.

rom the lattice above voice ringing with gay elasticity." ing bird had built

at did then, now so many and there would be fewer gamblers,

my heart, Harry, and I trust you even ed a gay voice from behind. My sister's eves were liftnor hand rested in his arm. He led alty." her out the door, down the steps, along the brick walk to the gate. As I moved to let them pass, they greeted me tendly, and smiled upon me with pleawas but an added charm to the beauty of the morning. But the noise and

ed near me, and a dark, bright face she, Roland?"

knew mischief was threatening dan-Charlie bounded into the porch. hold of her to save the pets, which he

with so much interest.

"You shall not touch them, sissy. It would be cruel to hurt the little chief among the many slain by the irbirds, for their mother loves them so." "I will call mother."

"And I will call grandma." She struggled to be released, and Charlie was equally determined, and yet. There would be more honor in he being the stronger, Valeria was waiting to succeed, where he has failbaffled, and her cry rang out angrily, ed." and echoed in the home, unused to

angry voices. My mother hastened out, bringing a fair haired child in her arms, its lit-

her own. "Charlie, what are you doing to dancing eves belied : grandma's darling?"

"She wanted to get the sweet little birds, and I was afraid she would hurt them.

'I just wanted to 'sawed' 'em ever their secrets. Eh! Kate.' o little bit, grandma. I won't hurt! All eves turned to me, and I dropem with my eyes, I know.

Jimmie, with mouth and eyes stretch- tongue and ruder ways. ed wide with wonder, and Sammie, A servant announced breakfast, and inflowed associations clustered short, black curls, gave her for the babe, but grandma would loved them in the shorter name of Lilly,) stood near give it up, and, with pride and joy sur rose her grandmother, and looked with the little ones, she marched them

"Now we must put them back, and not break the poor mother bird's heart listening to the by depriving her of her little ones."

or the royal David, as I delighted to call him.) came and sat beside me, and nign face, as he said : Dawn spread out her most a pleasing smile was upon his lirs, while he looked back upon mamma

ous delight at the only for her cap and silvery hair." " Grandma is happy, my royal nephew, and happiness is the fount of pe-

"Why is she happy, Kate?" with sweetest perfumes, knew the low, calm tones of my broth- bloomed so sweetly, for he was with traits of virtuous excellence which disand their beautiful leaves, dripping er Howard's voice, and I did not look us when last we all met together. Ah, glistened in the up. He sat on the step at my feet and would we ever meet altogether again! Under such circumstances, there is olden day. A breeze, took my sunburned hand in his white, Whose face would be absent next. nothing to call forth the latent, but t as a mother's; kiss, student's palm. "I know she has had Thoughts like these sped through each ennobling energies of their nature.

> "Our mother has a hopeful disposinevsuckle, and she tion, and contented mind, and more ones till an and than all, a christian spirit. This hem, rose above the combination will bring happiness even was too pure to be long dimmed by if satisfied that in a world peopled with care and sor-

"And she does not hunt up trouble. and joy, and it You are right; these graces in her have sweetly upon the brightened her life, and made our birds took up home blessed. She has lived at home, a carnival of mel- and while she has neglected none of It up, as if in praise her duties as friend and neighbor, she taught her children a fondness for

> drunkards and murderers.' "Can you make room for me?"

"Oh, yes, on this other side of A fondly to her husband's face, and how to be elated amidst so much roy-

> "You will feel insignificant, I know, as you will have a right to."

"Oh, no, your highness; she has greater opinion of herself than that!' t attanes, as they talked together, beside Howard. "She dubs me 'her Intropped distinguish no word. And little brother, and takes on awful airs, so filled with grateful joy, just because she happened to be two years my senior."

to fill the house, and the clear, ringing gentlemanly honors!"

ger the little birds lying so innocently ed by my brother Charles, his gentle, ging expression which gleams from mighty God; and yet, how often do necessary to the good discipline of His noble lord drew nigh, and our family, dark face. eye fell upon his sister, and he took from Grandpa cown to the tiny, weebabe in grandma's arms, were groupand grandmawere accustomed to watch ed together -a happy, joyous band.

"Let me go, buddie! I will see father's beaming face, which brother cadences of thy melodious strains! Royal hastened to answer.

"Roland is desirous of becoming resistable power of fair Cordelia's un-"I love 'em too, and I will see 'em." rivaled beauty. At which, Howard, considering his prior claims, is greatly offended."

"Oh! I shall not press my suit just

"And you think he will fail." "I would rather be in my own shoes," was the ambiguous reply. He tossed his hair back from off his brow, tle hands twined in her fluttering cap and winked one dancing eye, with a ribbons, and its soft cheek pressed to pretence at slyness, and added, in an assumed way of earnestness, which his

> "She is engaged long ago." "Do you know this to be a fact?"

"Young ladies sometimes have way of letting youngsters, like me, in

ped my head in confusion. And mirth-"There, get down, darling, and you ful laughter floated upon the morning shall see them." My mother reached air, but with the embarrassing alluup to the nest and took out the birds sion, the haunting forehodings of the one by one, and put them in the ba- months past, came to me and cast by's little apron. And there she sat their shadows over my heart. An andown and a flock of eager children swering cloud fell upon my brow, and gathered around her. There were Va- with a smile of deep affection, my fathleria and Fanny, with a laughing eye, er bade me not care for his rude

with a gravity beyond his years, and my father offered his arm gallantly to He I joyed to sit upon the front even the fair and stately Lillian, his daughter-in-law, and led the way How (whose snowy brow, round which to the dining room. The nurse came far over the prairie, loving eyes into her face, while she the table. My sisters demurred, and n : and in the sunset told them of how the mother bird built would have bidden them wait, but In and restful silence her nest, and sat patiently upon the grandma insisted that little ones were tiny eggs till the shells opened to set hungry as well as old ones, and should seemed to linger with the little birds free, and how she loved not be "starved out right in grandpa's find fault and raise objections to what

And each one had a seat at the long table, and after asking a blessing for mercies and blessings, so abounding, my father's eye ran along the table The eldest grand-son, David Royal, lingering fondly upon each face, and there was infinite content in his be-

"We are all met together once more! How thankful we should be to the Giver of every good, for the peace "Grandma is a child too, aunt Kate, and joy which fill our hearts!"

A tear quivered for a moment upon my mother's eye lash, and fell silently upon her wrinkled cheek, and I knew leaves of the vines face is wreathed in smiles, and her and for a moment the smile of gladness was fled from each face.

But the joy in the thought of heing all together once more, beneath the roof which sheltered our childhood, fancies of borrowed trouble, and the momentary gravity

sed away and mirthful voices filled the old home and cheerful, glad faces sat around the table. My mother's joy seemed complete as she passed her upon the little children, over whom

memory! How sweet and musical are those voices ringing through those distant years, and how unbroken is the note of gladness which moves the chords of my heart at each touch of memory! I hear again the low benemy Royal brother, "that I may know diction pronounced in my father's tones, and the heartfelt prayer offered that evening about that halloed shrine—the family altar. I see the tear of gladness in my

mother's eyes, the chastened purit y of her wrinkled face, and hear her you held aloof, and refused to give we beaming faces. I heard their low, Roland exclaimed, as he came and sat sweet tones in conversation, the lullaby your influence to so noble and glorifaces of brothers and sisters, and my ous a cause as ours. We need your eyes linger fondly upon the manly influence in our work of saving the profile of my long absent brother, How- youth of this community from the award. This is his coming home after ful results of intemperance; it is the the morning. But the noise and bistle of busy, waking life, now began the older. He is so anxious to wear the house, and the clear, ringing of the noise and bistle of busy, waking life, now began the older. He is so anxious to wear fessors go, and he brings honors of the noise and the prevailing evil, and the ruining vice of prudence and temperance, is absoman to make his exit.

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TO BE CONTINUED.

ADDRESS.

DELIVERED BEFORE

Statesville Council,

BY DR. T. J. CORPENING.

Mr. President and Friends of

The commission which I hold. District Vice President for this District, makes it my duty to address the councils in the District from time to time on the subject of Temperance. shall not attempt on this occasion to deliver an address, clothed in eloquence or rounded periods, and inter endeavor to impress upon each member present the duties and obligations resting upon us as Friends of Tem-

Temperance, as you are well aware. is the basis of our Order. I sincerely congratulate each one here present, on the establishment of this council. gether with the noble accessions ins added to our Order. Let us all re solve to beautify and adorn our council, by discharging the duties of our respective stations, for by so doing we shall put to silence the reproaches

of foolish men. You have heard our grand principles explained, with the instructions given by the Rev. R. H. Whitaker or Wednesday night last; and I doub nst, at other times, you have heard many disrespectful things said of our Order. Envy. malice, and all uncharitableness, will never be at a loss to they do not know. How great then are the obligations resting on this council? With what esteem, respect and regard are we to look on every member present, who has done us the honor of enlisting with us, in the great cause for which we are here assemis our highest ambition, and our greatest care must be to preserve it. The the frivolous ceremonials, and sickenshe was thinking of little Henry, and amidst the profusions of luxurious in-I his silent tomb, where the wild flowers dulgence that we are to seek for those tinguish and adorn woman's character. may temples, and her cares and sorrows, and yet her brain for a gravity fell upon us, and She is there the sensitive creature of the imagination, a wayward and a capricions being, fluttering in the sun shine: braiding her raven tresses with the fairest flowers of summer, or tossing them wildly to the fresh dalliance of the morning breeze, whilst her joyous laugh rings out merrily on the ear, awakening in our hearts responsive tones of gladness, and in the ecstacy of the moment, causing us to dream that no envious cloud can ever obscure the brightness of our sky, or eye over each face and looked fondly gloomy care dash with bitterness the sparkling cup of our earthly existence. she held especial care. How I love to If we would see woman in her greatorning as this, I led home and domestic virtue, which will look back to that time! How plainly ness and true character, we must conwas Marion, from this home of be an influence of safety from vice in is each outline of those dear template her in the hour of trial and the coming years. There should be faces deguerotyped upon the walls of affliction. We must behold her bendwith self-denving devotedness, tasking all the ingenuity of her affectionate heart to relieve the distress of the beloved sufferer, and whispering to his soul the consolation of hope, and the assurance of undving love. It is such scenes that she stands out in bold

Young ladies, let it not be said that

relief, an angel of light, amidst the

darkness of the surrounding storm.

gled with the graver tones of maturer said Howard, tensingly, "and wants ish face from the dear old home he is for age, sex, or beauty, but 'alike des- tablishment of every society, to the years. Restless, pattering feet sound- to be old enough to marry. Who is changed—the Howard of my child- troys all, over whom it succeeds in interest of every individual in the com-| hood and youth is passed away for throwing its magic spell. It is blight munity. It is a moral, it is a chrispeered at me, through the clustering "Oh, I aspire to be my brother ever, and in his stead a tall broad ing the fond hopes of many of the tian virtue. Prudence will discover vines. A smile dimpled her rosy Howard's rival. I am like him, deeply shouldered man with bearded lip and youth of this country, and especially, the absurdity and folly of expecting cheeks, and sparkled in her jetty eyes; and irrevocably in love with Miss firm, strong features, sits in his of this community. It has well nigh true harmony, without due attention place. blasted the fair name of our beautiful to the choice of our members. Tem filled the busy brain, and illumined Howard's face became crimsoned, Brother Royal lifts to my face his town-diminished, paralyzed, and ren- perance will check every appearance her round, healthful face. Little Va- and he laughed in confusion, and the calm, steady eyes and a grave smile dered almost useless our schools and of excess, and fix rational limitations leria did not speak, nor did I, but pre- brothers clapped their hands, and lingers upon his lip-so like Howard institutions of learning, and has part- to our hours of enjoyment. I would sently her little chubby feet and hands shouts of boyish merriment startled when he went away so long ago. And ly depleted the congregations that not be understood here to mean, that began to ascend the lattice, and I the sleeping echoes in the old home. the quizzing eyes of Roland, follow once delighted in attending the sanc- because these three moral virtues are year by year, still rarer gems of My father came to the door, follow- me, and charm me with the ever chan- tuaries, sacred to the worship of Al-, particularly pointed out as essentially

and silently in their nest. But there matronly wife, my sister Anna and their dark depths. And a merry smile we see old men in this community council, nothing more is requisite for progression and learning, we can her husband. Sister Marion and her wreathes his lip, and flashes over his those too, occupying high positions in social must be united with moral society-daily in the habit of vis-cellence. Was a man merely prudent, Ring on Memory Bells for never iting the abominable institutions in temperate and frugal, and vet, be un wert thy notes so sweet and musical this town, where the vile stuff is sold accustomed to the duties of humanity as now, and the hush of this midnight and drank behind a black screen- sincerity, generosity, &c., he would be A questioning look sat upon my hour is broken alone by the matchless ashamed to be seen by the public eye, at most, but a useless member of any and encouraging the young men to society. drink, who are, in all probability, to become the husbands of their own mind you that a due attendance daughters. How many fathers are the council for your improvement and now wielding an influence over their the reputation of the Order in general sons and son-in-laws, which is daily is absolutely necessary. For your bringing an abundant harvest of bitter own improvement, because the advangrief to their families!-but, alas! tages naturally resulting from the when too late to remedy the evil, the practice or principles herein taught, Friends of Temperance. natural consequence of their example, are the highest ornaments of human it will be seen and felt. If I could, I nature, and for the credit of the comwould speak in tones of thunder, and munity in which we live, because it is implore them to set a better example, our indispensible duty to support before their sons, and try to promote such a character in life as is here en-

> by removing every temptation to ample is great, and no language is so drunkenness from them, and by en- expressive as a consistent life and concouraging them to espouse the glori- versation-these once forfeited in the ous cause of temperance. the honor to be enlisted in the work esteem of persons of sense, learning of temperance, I have made it my bus. and probity, but even men of inferior ness to become acquainted with the qualities will se'dom fail of making a principles on which our glorious Or- distinction. You are well aware that der is founded, and like the miner, the farther I have advanced the richer disposed to form their judgments of has been my discovery, and the treas- mankind, according to their conduct, ure constantly opening to my view, in public life. So when members of has provided a full and satisfactory our Order are discovered indulging in reward of all my labors. Such, breth- practices inconsistent with their proren, is the nature of our constitution, that as some must of necessity, teach,

> virtue; and if this council shall ever weak must it appear to the eye of disa due sense of the excellence of its als. principles. But sometimes, (and II might say it is too often the case.)

bled? To have the sanction of the fair, those, who, from among the circle of for our Order, and by its influence up- same as current jelly. Use half a virtues of humanity are peculiar to through our inadvertency the unwor- we live, that we are sincere in the their sex, but it is not in the gay thy part of mankind may find means steps we have taken, and that they haunts of pleasure and dissipation, in to introduce themselves among u - who think and speak evil of us, may whereby they will discourage and be put to open shame, ing parades of fashionable life. Nor bring reproach upon our council.-These cautions, if duly attended to,

of our appetites and affections, so as and upright brethren. to make use of the good things of this

in particular, all conspire to call on us 107! for the exercise of this virtue; in short, it comprehends a strict observwhatever has the least or most remote ged, medam?"

its sting." meeting nature profiled as

In the next place, permit me to re

the happiness of their own children, joined. The prevalency of good ex character of a Friend of Temperance For my own part, since I have had will diminish a man-not only in the the envious and censorious are ever fession, they contribute to bring an odium on an Order which it is the duand rule, so others, must of course, ty of every member highly to honor, learn and obey. Humility, therefore, and I might say as often as they do in both, become an essential duty, for happen, tends still more to discover the rules of our Order have a direct the malignity of our adversaries, than endency to promote moral and social to reflect on ourselves. For how

be held in little esteem by its mem- cernment, to condemn a whole society bers, it must be owing to the want of for the irregularity of a few individu-I apprehend one great cause of our absenting ourselves from the council, mere curiosity, self-interest, or a to be the want of that grand, fundagroundless presumption, that the bus-mental principle-brotherly love-did iness of a council is mirth and enter- we properly cultivate this christian tainment, have induced men of loose virtue, we should think ourselves happrinciples to procure admission into piest when assembled together. On our community. Such persons are, in unity in affection, unity in governmy opinion, no ways qualified for a ment subsists, for whatever draws society, founded upon wisdom, and ce- men into society, it is that alone can mented by morality and christian vir- cement them. Therefore, let a con- then mash the grapes with your hands tue. Therefore, in the future, let it stant exercise of this christian wirtue, (they must be ripe) then squeeze them be our peculiar care to pay strict at- so essential to our future happiness through a cloth to extract all the juice tention to the merit and character of and success, prove our great esteem from them, and boil and firish the our acquaintance, may be desirous of on our lives and actions, testify to the pound of sugar to each pound of becoming members of our council, lest world and the community in which fruit.

Finally, let me advise you to be very circumspect and well-guarded against will continually evince our wisdom by the base attempts of pretenders, altheir effects. For I can, with confi- ways setting a watch before your dence, aver, from experience, that mouth, and with respect to any who nothing more contributes to the dis- may call themselves Friends of Temsolution of a council, than too great a perance, but are at the same time, ennumber of members indiscriminately emies to our Order. Let me exhort made. To guard against this fatal you to have no connection with them, consequence, we shall do well to cul- but according to the advice of St. tivate the following virtues: Pru- Paul to the Thessalonians, "Withdraw dence, Temperance and Frugality vourself from every brother that walkwhich are the best and most proper eth disorderly, leaving such to the supports of every society. Prudence natural consequence of their own bad is the queen and guide of all other conduct being well assured that the virtues, the ornaments of our actions; vain fabric which they mean to erect, it is the knowledge and choice of those having no other support than their things we must either approve or re- own ignorance, will of itself soon tumject, and implies to consult and delib- ble to the ground with shame and apple juice, with the grated peel and erate well, to judge and resolve well, ruin on the builder's head;" but on to conduct and execute well. Tem- the other hand, let us live in strict perance consists in the government amity and fraternal love with all just ses. -

Let God's Holy Word be the guide life, as not to abuse them, either by a of our action. Faith, Temperance sordid and ungrateful parsimony on and Charity our characteristics, then the one hand, or a profuse and prodi- we may reasonably hope to attain the cloth into hot water, wring it dry, and gal indulgence to excess on the other. celestial pass-word, and gain admit strain the apples through it; to each captain This virtue has many powerful argu- tance into that council where pleas- pint of juice allow fourteen ounces of ments in its favor; for as we value pres flow forever and ever. This is fine loaf sngar, clarify it, and add, sponded Patrick, with hand to his our health, wealth, reputation, family the fervent prayer of him who glories with the apple jnice, the peel of a large cap. and friends, our character as men, as in the name of a faithful Friend of lemon; boil it till it jellies, which may shristians, as members of society in Temperance, and has the honor to be be in twenty minutes; pick out the general, and as Friends of Temperance a member of Statesville council, No.

A well-dressed and rather pompous ought not to be quite ripe, they should ance of the Apostle's exhortation, "Be youth asked a young lady who was however, be of a fine yellow color; Irish servant to admit no one, and, if ye temperate in all things, avoiding reading in the cars, "is that seat enga- take of the down which covers them

tongue of the slauderer may be struck and I am engaged too!" and the lady set them on the fire, and when soft. dumb and malevolence disarmed of resumed her reading.

no mean degree from his alma mata. touches, and destroys all that fall vic- highly necessary to the supporting of rers in a diary, wittily called it her to it, stirring it well; when mixed, put that?" "I axed him was his grandintegration of happy childhood, min- "I expect he has a girl in his eye," He carried a smooth chin and a boy- time to its power. It has no respect every desirable character, to the est him book, it sees him book it sees h

Mlasonry.

Masonic Literature.

A writer in our Masonic periodicals discourses thus eloquently on the science and literature of the Order: Masonry has a literature that has come down to us along the ages, gathering to itself, century by century, and thought and science and knowledge, until to-day, in this advanced age of ex- point to the literature of Masonry as not a whit behind the progressive wis dom of the nineteenth century. Were Masonry simply a charitable society

whose only attractions consist in well conferred degrees is it to be supposed for an instant that this alone would have presented attraction sufficient to bind to the order the wise and learned men of the whole world and of every age? No! Were this all there was of Masonry it never coul? have withstood the ruthless current of time that has swept into oblivion systems, dynasties, and institutions some of them as ancient as herself. It is because possessed of other virtues that it has come down to us hoary with in imperishable strength and silent grandour, like the adamantine foundation of earth itself. And this attractive virtue is to be found in its literature! The wise who have sought its shrine and penetrated its arcana, have been surprised at its fullness, the depth, the beauty of its science. moral and religious have lingered with pleasurable emotions over the wealth of virtuous precept and example there aught. The philanthropist receives therefrom a stimulant to greater exertions for the amelioration of mankind.—The scientific, antiquarian. and sage who enter the Temple of Masonic Literature, find there a rare an inexhaustable, intellectual To those, then, who have here hereto fore considered the acme of Masonry to consist in its charities and the polished workings of its degrees, we recommend that their attention turned to its literature, as the substance of Masonry, while the workings of the Lodge are but its forms .-Read, and study it, then-it will ennoble and polish the man, and fit the mind as a living stone for a place in the great Temple of Souls.

'Literature-serene philosophy-Effusive source of evidence and truth ! Witnest thee what were unenlightene. savage roaming though woods and wilds

THE HOUSEHOLD.

And elegance of life.

JELLEY, GRAPE, - Take out the stones

JELLEY APPLE 1 .- Pare, core, and cut thirteen good apples into small bits: as they are cut, throw them into two quarts of cold water; boil them in this with the peel of a lemon, till the substance is extracted, and nearly half the liquor wasted; drain them through a hair sieve, and to a pint of the liquid add one pound of loaf sugar pounded the inice of one lemon, and the beaten whites of one or two eggs; put it into a saucepan, stir it till it boils, take off the scum, and let it boil till clear, and then pour it into a mould.

JELLY APPLE 2. Pare and mince three dozen of juicy acid apples, put then into a pan, cover them with water, and boil them till very soft; strain then through a thin cloth or flannel bas allow a pound of loaf sugar to a pin of juice; clarify and boil it; add the juice of six lemous; boil it for twents minutes; take off the scum as it 'ri

JELEY APRILE 3 .-- Pare and cut into sheev eighteen large acid apples; boil them in as much water as will cover them; when quite soft, dip a coarse lemon peel, and immediately put it into jars.

JELLY QUINCE. - Quinces for jelly quarter, core, put them into a sauce- them an equivocal answer. Night appearance of impropriety, that the The answer was direct, "Yes, sir, pan, with water enough to, cover them came, and the gentleman proceeded to lay the pieces on a sieve to drain. A suppressed titter from some la- pressing them very slightly; strain the man." "What did he say?" "He av-Frugality, the natural associate of dies close by caused the young gentle- liquor, and measure it; clarify, and all d was yer honor in." Well, what did lit on the fire, still stirring; as soon as mother a monkey?"

the jelly spreads over the spoon, and falls from like treacle; take it from the fire, and when cold, pour it into

Farm and Garden.

Never Plow Soil when it is too

The Northwestern Farmer, in a timearticle under this head, says:

"We have often arged the attention of the farmers to this subject, as one I great importance. Any traveller mong our farming districts can see arge tracts of land that have been slowed when wet and unfit to be worked, by observing large, heavy clods of earth, which in the hot season beome, like a brick, burning all the oots off again and other produce ear it. Besides this evil, no seed can regetate and grow well upon the soil. uncultivated, or can that soil give back as much mutrition and upon a warm and sunny day, when warmth can penetrate into the soil, and thus greatly benefit it.

"We are confident that farmers lose forty per cent of their crop by inattenion to this matter. By care at the proper time to plow and by examining the soil and selecting sunny days, the soil will send up its voice in a halo of dew-drop cloud that will wreathe the plowman with its approval of his good

The figure with which our grave contemporary closes its suggestion seems a little mixed. How the soil will send up its voice in a halo of dewdrop clouds, and that will wreathe the olowman with its approval of his good ense, is a question which we would be pleased to refer to the poets who ere permitted a license in language and a mystification in a metaphor which it is well for common prose writers to neither attempt to imitate cr

But that plowing when water is standing, or when the ground may be very wet, is an injury to the crop that is to be grown in such soil, is no ques-

The best farmers in the circle of our acquaintance always wait till their land is quite dry before putting in the plow at all, and their theory is to make the soil as fine as possible by frequent harrowing on the very day it is turned up to the sun, and if posthe sow or plant the seed before a trop of rain settles the earth .- Hearth and Home.

Wit and Humor.

Why is a pig with a twisted tail like the ghost in "Hamlet?" will a tail unfold.

"Madam, a great many persons were disturbed at the concert last aight by the crying of your baby." "Well I do wonder such people will go

"I wonder where those clouds are going," signed Flora, Densively, as she pointed, with a delicate finger, to the heavy masses that floated in the sky. "I think they are going to thunder, said her brother.

"Madam," said a cross-tempered hysician to a patient, "if women were admitted to paradise their tongues would make it a pugatory." And some physicians, if allowed to practice there," replied the lady, "would make

A clergyman was endeavoring to get a subscription in aid of some chartable object out of a close-fisted persher, who attempted to excuse him. self on the ground that he already oud a great deal of money. "But," said he minister, "you owe God a larger lebt than you do any one else." "That's so parson; but their he ain't pushing ne like the balance of my cred.

An officer who was inspecting his ompany one morning spied one private whose shirt was sadly begrim-

"Patrick O'Flinn," called out the

"How long do you wear a shirt?"! thundered the officer.

"Twenty-eight inches long," was the

A literary gentlemen, wishing to be undisturbed one day, instructed his any one should enquire for him to give interrogate Pat as to his callers. "Did my one call?" "Yes, sir, won gintle-

my father's gold with no niggard