

Poetry.

Gone from Earth.

I have been to the brink of the river, The cold, dark river of Death, And still in the valley I shiver, Where my child yielded up his breath;

Oh, dark was the day when the token Was sent from that palace on high, That the sweet silver cord must be broken, And the image all shattered must lie;

Great Father, receive the sweet spirit That has burst all its fetters of clay, He will now with the angels inherit The crown and the kingdom of day.

Disappointment.

If we look at a disappointment as a lesson, we soon take the sting out of it. A spider will teach us that. He is watching for a fly and away the nimble fellow goes.

Christianity.

Religion is the dominion of the soul. It is the hope of life, the anchor of safety, the deliverance from evil. What a service has Christianity rendered to humanity!

Naturalness.

Some young people do not understand the advantages of natural charms, and how much they would gain by trusting to them entirely!

After Supper Talk.

This ought to be the sweetest and most precious hour of the day. It is too often neglected and lost in families. Mothers, fathers, cultivate "after-supper talk."

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EDITORIAL.

Since the stunning reply of Dr. Sears to Gov. Brogden's letter, the Democratic papers of the State are as dumb as an oyster about their beloved Superintendent of Public Instruction.

There is Martyr Cox, too, who has never ventured to explain why it was that he never fixed up things for Pool, and prevented his exposure.

Death of Calvin J. Rogers, Esq.

We regret to announce the death of this well known citizen of Wake county under circumstances of the most painful character.

The Presidency.

The New York Times has for several weeks past, had a correspondent traveling through the South, informing its readers on the views of public men regarding the Presidency.

The Reason Why.

The letter of Dr. Sears, agent of the Peabody fund, to Gov. Brogden, published in our last issue, fully explains the reason why Superintendent Pool has failed to publish a full statement of his accounts.

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The Vance Trick.

We have never been among those who entertained the idea, that the Democratic party would again place Z. B. Vance in the field as a candidate for Governor.

Very truly yours.

H. H. HELPER.

pleasure the receipt of your very acceptable letter of the 21st inst., with the pay roll of the officers of the North Carolina Line, who were in the siege or made prisoners at the fall of Charleston, South Carolina, for which I tender you my thanks.

Very truly yours.

H. H. HELPER.

The store of Mr. John Patterson, of New-Borne, was broken into and robbed of three tubs of lard and 175 pounds of bacon, on Friday night.

North Carolina News.

Wilmington has a letter box. The Catholics are to have a college at Woodlawn, Gaston county.

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H. H. HELPER.

The appropriation for the assay office at Charlotte, N. C., was reduced by Congress on the 25th, from \$4,000 to \$2,700 and is a part of the bill.

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General News.

Savannah is shipping green peas. A \$250,000 failure is announced in Canada.

The Dowager Countess of Derby is dead. Gen. S. Henck's daughter will summer in Ohio.

Governor Kellogg, of Louisiana, is in Washington. Ex-Governor Archibald Dixon, of Kentucky, is dead.

Spring freshets continue in Canada. The Mississippi floods are abating.

San Francisco has a population of 270,000. Wars continue in Cuba, Mexico and Turkey.

Numerous suicides reported all over the country. The funeral of A. T. Stuart cost more than \$12,000.

The Governor of New Hampshire is in the Yosemite. Congress has appropriated \$50,000 to the Apache Indians.

The Irish Rifle Team will sail for the United States in August. H. C. Bowen has withdrawn from the Congressional Union.

The French Atlantic cable is broken two hundred miles from Brest. Mrs. Nellie Grant-Sartoris will be present next season.

Indians in Wyoming are at their old tricks again, killing and scalping. A shipment of \$190,000 in silver bars was made from New York to Europe Wednesday.

It is said that Government Printer Clapp refuses to appear before the Committee on Printing. A shipment of twenty-five boxes of Chinamen's bones was recently made at San Francisco for Cuba.

Five thousand butchers in uniform will parade in Philadelphia on the opening of the centennial. Some of the Indians on the frontier are in a starving condition and a raid on the whites is anticipated.

General Braxton Bragg was recently rejected as City Engineer by the City Council of Galveston, Texas. Fresh butter, at wholesale, will cost the hotel men of Philadelphia \$1 per pound during the centennial season.

Wild turkeys and geese are being exported from San Francisco to New Zealand, in order to be acclimated there. A majority among the Scotch and Irish members of Parliament are strongly in favor of a woman's franchise bill.

John Murray sat in a window, in Baltimore, to cut his toe-nails, fell out, stuck the knife-blade in his side and bled to death. A number of settlers from Ohio and Michigan have recently gone into Prince George county, Va., to grow up with the country.

The Scottsville (Va.) Courier says: "The fruit has been but little injured as yet, and the prospect is very good for an abundant crop." Mary Sherman, a German chambermaid of Cincinnati, was found in her room on the 27th, with her throat cut. Suicide and infanticide.

The Southern demand for provisions and corn from the West this year is said to be not more than one-fifth as large as it was last. Judge Dillon, on the 26th, overruled the motion and arrest of judgment and sentenced Col. Wm. McKee to two years in the county jail and ten thousand dollars fine.

The workmen in the M. L. Finly stove factory, Troy, N. Y., struck on the 25th inst. Non-union men were employed, but were driven away by the strikers. A skiff was upset in a Kentucky pond the other day and James Tyler was thrown into the water. The local editor calls it a clear case of tip-a-cane and Tyler too.

On the afternoon of the 26th, at Peoria, Illinois, John Goble shot John Lockwood, literally blowing his head off. Lockwood had beaten Goble's wife. The Cardinals of Rome, at a meeting on the 27th inst., unanimously declared that peace with the States was impossible unless the spiritual independence of the Catholic church was acknowledged.

One of the New York car companies is said to have on its hands a full bushel of counterfeit nickels. This, too, after the conductors have passed off as many as possible in making change. The Chicago council has declared the recent city election null and void on account of frauds, and has appointed a new set of officers. A committee of citizens has requested Mayor Colvin to resign.

The National Executive Committee of the Union League met in Philadelphia on the 25th. The Secretary's report states that there is a universal move to abandon secrecy, and claims that this new departure meets with universal approval at the South and West.

A dishonest man cannot be a Christian; the morals of Christianity are not lower, but higher, than the worldly standard. If a man falls below the last, he is unfit for any Christian communion, and ought to be reformed or expelled. One immoral person in a church spoils all its influence for good.

This is the way a western editor announces the advent of spring: "The gay and festive jaybird will soon fill the hillsides with his swelling strains, and pluck the voluptuous sopper grass from cereal luxuriance. The variegated caterpillar will soon crawl over ociferous continuations. The thump of the woodpecker, as he goes after the xylophagous milled, will soon undulate the gentle-spring morning. As Phoebus traces his course through zodiac, gently touching up recuperative nature, the vindictive bee will gather treacle from the peach primrose. Salubrious June, with its somnific effect upon the juvenile element, will usher in that speckled grazer the fun loving potato-bug. The blithesome jackass will escape down the virent sward, and pursue happiness in its various ramifications."

It occurs to me that the publication of this pay roll in the newspapers of the State would be a fitting monument to the memory of the dead heroes. Very truly yours, H. H. HELPER.

It will be remembered, that Pool, in one of his cards, states that he had received from Dr. Sears the sum of fourteen thousand one hundred and fifty dollars, (\$14,150) and had paid out twelve thousand six hundred dollars. Dr. Sears states that he had turned over to him fifteen thousand one hundred and fifty dollars (\$15,150.) Thus it will be seen that Pool falsely states the case by only coming in one thousand and dollars of the truth.

Taking Dr. Sears' letter for true (and no fair minded man can doubt it) Pool is a defaulter in the sum of two thousand five hundred and fifty dollars. That is, he has used the difference between the amount sent him and the amount paid out.

Dr. Sears, in the concluding paragraph of his letter, clinches the nail as follows: "I have no doubt he has used for his own private convenience the money I paid him for all the schools not on his list, which should have been paid to those schools." Thus it is, that the Democratic Superintendent of Public Instruction, the only State officer of his political stripe, stands thoroughly convicted, not only of defrauding the poor children of a sacred fund set apart for their benefit, but is proven beyond question, to have resorted to the most infamous falsehoods to

cover up his tracks. While the whole country, both Democrats and Republicans, were loud in their condemnation of Belknap, the Secretary of War, and urged not his resignation but prompt indictment, yet, when the man came forward and acknowledged with penitence the high crime, there were not a few who were moved at his sad fate. It will not be so with Stephen D. Pool. There can be no pity or even the slightest palliation offered for the unmanly course he has taken. If there are any of his own party press who, in the remotest degree excused his offense, they must now, after his final exposure, be disgusted at the manner in which they have suffered themselves to be misled by this man.

But one of the saddest features of this transaction, is the action of the Democratic State Executive Committee, the members of which must have been cognizant of all the facts of the case and who, it seems, have studiously studied to shield this monstrous piece of fraud. Twist and turn as they will, an indignant people will hold them to a strict account for this dereliction of duty towards the masses of the people of all parties. We anxiously await the comments of the Democratic press upon the changed condition of things as set forth by Dr. Sears' letter.

But it is evident now that their game is to demand the withdrawal of Ashe in the Charlotte District and nominate Vance in his stead. This, of course, will be a deep injustice to Ashe, but the hotspurs care very little what becomes of him, so that their darling pet war Governor can be rewarded. The Democratic party is fast degenerating into a Vance party. Nineteen-tenths of the party look upon him as a demi-god mainly because of his ultra war record. No man with them is entitled to even consideration who does not breathe blood and thunder against all who love the government of the United States, or who opposed their infamous designs during the late rebellion. While the whole rebel crew would delight in again seeing Vance lorded it in the capitol at Raleigh, they know full well that the cries of women and children whose husbands and fathers he so mercilessly sacrificed during the war, would tell against him, while the votes of hundreds of poor men torn from their families and friends at his instigation and recommendation would consign him to overwhelming defeat. No, the Democratic party will not nominate Vance but will look around for a victim for whose fate they care but little. Ashe will doubtless be made the scape-goat, and the leadership of the forlorn hope now looks likely to be conferred on him. What humiliation it is for him to submit to such treatment! The fact has doubtless gone forth, however, and it is that or nothing with him. How he must hate Vance! How Vance must laugh in his sleeve at his poor victim! The harlequin plays his role well.

INTERESTING RELIC.—The following correspondence will doubtless prove of interest to our readers especially as this is the centennial year. SALISBURY, N. C., March, 21st, 1876. His Excellency, C. H. Brogden, Governor of North Carolina. DEAR SIR:—Herewith find Gen'l Clarke's pay roll, No. 22, of the North Carolina Line, containing the names of the officers who were in the siege or made prisoners at the fall of Charles Town, South Carolina, war of the Revolution. From pencil endorsement upon the pay roll you will observe that a few Post Office, Custom-house, and other Government officials. Of course, there would be more serious results than these, but they would not be felt directly by the people of the North. There, business would go on as usual, Democrats and Republicans would meet socially, as they do now, and men and women of all classes would work, eat, sleep, and live, just as they have done all their lives. In the South all this is different; here the very right of domicile is involved in the question of who shall be President. If the Democrats are successful, the Republican party of the cotton States must die out forever, for by one means or another the negro voters would be prevented from exercising the rights of citizenship, which were assured to them by the results of the war, and their white

leaders would be obliged to leave the country and seek homes elsewhere. This correspondent states the position plainly and truthfully. The nomination of the President is a serious matter with us. In the success of the ticket, our political, and in many cases, our personal lives, are at stake. In this emergency, all the Republicans of the South ask of their Northern friends is success, and they stand ready to give a hearty support to whatever ticket may be nominated at Cincinnati. It is truly a matter of victory or death.

The names of such gallant men as Gen. James Hogan, Col. Thomas Clarke, Capt. Griffin, Jno. McKee, Capt. Thomas Pasteur, and divers other true patriots whose names appear on the roll, ought not to fade from the page of history. The story of their patriotism and valor, their struggles and trials, their hardships and sufferings, is part of our revolutionary history, which has not yet been effaced by the hand of time. In this centennial year of our National Independence, liberty is enjoyed by the people throughout our great American Union without any regard to race, color, or previous condition. When we contemplate the growth and progress of our country during the past century, its vast extent of territory, its boundless wealth and resources, its diversified employment and industries, its railroads and public improvements, its development of the useful arts and sciences, we have the most abundant cause for gratitude that we are American citizens. Very respectfully, Your obt' servant, C. H. BROGDEN, Governor.

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