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Selected Poetry. TEMPT ME NOT TO DRINK AGAIN.

O tempt me not to drink again,
For I have drunk too deep ere now,
Till reason fled my raging brain,
And beast was trampled on my brow.
How oft for me the goblet's brim,
Hath sparkled with the sparkling wine,
Which 'neath its surface, dark and grim,
Despair would whisper thou art mine.
Away! accused thy wine,
Thou tempter of my senses,
Which all our wits, 'neath artistry,
Have bowed them to the drunkard's god.
Long years have passed since first I fell
A victim to this wily foe,
What I have suffered none can tell;
How long, alas! to many now.
Three boys upon the deep sea roam,
The eldest scarcely yet a score,
They fled a drunken father's home,
And may perchance return no more.
Two sleep beside their mother's grave,
The happiest of the five;
And one remains for me to save;
If yet my drug be to be alive.
I fear her, 'tis not long ago,
Her brow, though placid, plainly bore
The impress of some hidden woe,
Where hope and anguish leaved before.
Full well I know the secret grief,
Which prays upon her breaking heart,
And what alone can bring relief,
And bid her now despair depart.
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GENERAL DIRECTORY. CITY GOVERNMENT. Mayor, Dallas Hayward, Inland of Police. Western Ward—Edridge Smith, A. Adams. Middle Ward—E. L. Harding, Isaac P. Cooper. Eastern Ward—M. Gorman, J. D. Turner.

COURTS. The Supreme Court of North Carolina held in this city on the second and third days of June, and the 20th day of December. Judges—H. M. Frederick, Nath. Child Justice, R. M. Patterson, Associate Justice, W. H. Battle.

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COGNAC, WINE AND RUM. With directions for sale by CARRIE & MARSHALL, 11 & 13 FLEET STREET, New York.

North-Carolina Star. RALEIGH, N. C. Saturday Morning, June 9, 1855.

THE JUNE NUMBER OF THE UNIVERSITY MAGAZINE is before us. It contains the valdictory of the retiring editors who comment their successors, in high terms, to the confidence of the public.

THE AMERICAN PUBLISHERS, Messrs. Leonard Scott & Co., have sent us the April number of Blackwood's Magazine. The character of these publications is so well known to the reading public and we have so often had occasion to speak of them that they need no additional commendation from us at this time.

MASONS IN CALIFORNIA.—The Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, of the State of California, assembled in San Francisco, on the 1st ult. Some eighty subordinate Lodges were represented, and about one hundred and fifty delegates in attendance. The proceedings were marked by the utmost harmony and good feeling.

THE BALANCE IN THE NATIONAL TREASURY is reduced to eighteen and a half millions of dollars, being a falling off from the highest point of accumulation last September, of more than ten millions of dollars.

WE quote from the Fayetteville Observer, the following account of a position taken by the Hon. Warren Winslow in a discussion the other day at Fayetteville, and the conclusive refutation of his position by David Reid, Esq., the American candidate. The authority here produced is Roman Catholic authority and shows most conclusively that the fears of the conservative portion of the people as to the tendency of the action of this church, is so far from being a ground for ponder on the facts here given:

MR. WINSLOW labored to persuade his audience that the Roman Catholics (or Catholics as he said) were very harmless; that more of them were converted to Protestantism than Protestants to Catholicism; and to show how feeble they were, he stated that there were not so many Roman Catholics now in the United States, in proportion to the population, as there were at the Revolution. In reply to this, Mr. Reid produced a Roman Catholic Almanac, in which it was shown, that as late as 1818, they had but one Bishop and about 60 Priests and Churches in the United States; that they increased, at first slowly, but in the last twenty-five years, with gigantic strides, until now, instead of 1 Bishop and 60 Priests and Churches, they claim to have 41 Bishops, about 1800 each of Priests and Churches, and four millions of people—a larger number than the entire population of the United States, of all denominations, at the period cited by Mr. Winslow. Mr. Reid also stated that he had seen the names of the Priests and Churches. We give them in round numbers from memory. He spoke with great earnestness of the danger to the liberties of the country from such a population, animated by such zeal, and bound to a foreign despot, by higher obligations than any they can feel to their government. He spoke of their infernal and malicious designs, of their intolerance and exclusiveness, of their violence at the ballot box, and of the rewards dealt out to them by the administration in bestowing high offices among them, &c., &c.

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RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA, WEDNESDAY MORNING, JUNE 13, 1855. NUMBER 23.

A SPICY CORRESPONDENCE. We find in the New Orleans Pegasus a correspondence between Caleb Cushing, U. S. Attorney General, Mr. Morse, U. S. District Attorney for Louisiana, and President Pierce, all prominent members of the faithful democracy, which shows what respect those worthies entertain for each other, and how the "brethren dwell together in unity."

NEW ORLEANS, May 5, 1855. Sir—I have just received your telegraphic dispatch of 3rd May. I will not give Mr. Isaac E. Morse such official aid as may be deemed requisite in any business which the law imposes on me to manage and control, under the advice of the proper officers of the Government. The promotion of Kendall is of that character, the object of those who required you to issue the instructions received, was—doubtless—to force me to resign. I shall at once comply with it. I hold no office under those, who without the courage to remove me, have the meanness to offer me to a B. F. Streeter, Solicitor of the Treasury, Washington City.

TELEGRAPHIC DISPATCH TO THE PRESIDENT, dated NEW ORLEANS, May 5, 1855. Sir—I hereby resign the office of U. S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Louisiana. You may be curious to have an explanation of that will be given by the President, and the Secretary of State. This explanation will be found in a letter addressed to Mr. Isaac E. Morse, the joint production of your Attorney General and your Postmaster General, and in a dispatch not received from your Solicitor of the Treasury. You may learn from the correspondence that those who have so small an appreciation of the respect due to others, are entitled to none themselves—and are not fit persons to take care of the honor of the Republic. I would have resigned when the letter to Mr. Morse was first sent me, had I not been told that the President of the United States had lent his sanction to the vulgar outrage of two of his ministers. I indulged, too, the hope that the letter to Mr. Morse was written by your Attorney General under some such hallucination as one might be supposed to suffer from the treatment of his own name. I will hope that you have been no party to the conduct of your immediate officers. I resign now, because I have been deliberately instructed to compromise my self respect. I cannot hold office under an administration, the members of which, whose instructions I am bound to obey, are alike incapable of understanding the proprieties of official station and the common courtesies due from gentlemen to gentlemen. Respectfully, E. WARREN MORSE.

TELEGRAPHIC DISPATCH FROM ATTORNEY GENERAL UNITED STATES, dated WASHINGTON, May 31, 1855. Hon. E. P. Morse.—The appointment of Hon. Isaac P. Morse to prosecute the complaint against the late Postmaster at New Orleans, was made by the President. It is a position of honor and trust, and the Agent of the Department, could not cordially consent in conference with you because of what is represented concerning his relations with you in former legal proceedings against a Clerk in the Post Office at New Orleans.

MR. SHEPARD'S SPEECH.—James B. Shepard, Esq., the candidate of the American party for Congress in this District, addressed the people of Orange at this place on Wednesday last week. He was the first to address the people of Orange since the late Presidential election, and his speech was one of the most able and eloquent ever delivered in this section. He was warmly received by the audience, and his speech was one of the most able and eloquent ever delivered in this section.

NOTES BY A TRAVELER. Travelers that merely pass along the line of railroad leading from Weldon to Wilmington, in this State, have no appreciable idea of the difference that exists between the barren sandhills and pine trees of the low lands, and the undulating hills, mountainous regions, luxuriant forests, pure water, and invigorating atmosphere of the country. Striking out from Raleigh, the capital of the State, west after reaching Pittsboro, in Christian county, the most charming views greet the eye on every bank, landscape, waterfalls, well cultivated farms, groves, comfortable residences, and gardens, all seem to vie in beauty and delicately tinted flowers, with Malheur's Paradise. Pursuing your course by the stage road westward, after passing on and on, you find a more fertile and more beautiful country, with more fertile and more beautiful country, with more fertile and more beautiful country.

DESTRUCTIVE STORM IN ROCK.—On Wednesday the 24th ult., a most furious and destructive storm of thunder, lightning and hail, visited our sister County of Surfer. A gentleman of that County writes us that they only escaped by a stroke of lightning, in the house of Mr. Howard, in Morganton. Some other persons, we hear were knocked down or otherwise injured. The hail fell in particles the size of an egg, it is said, and many persons who were exposed were severely injured. It is said that the storm was very violent, and that it was accompanied by a heavy rain. The storm was very violent, and that it was accompanied by a heavy rain.

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THE OCCULATION AND CULMINATION OF DEMOCRACY.

As was in the present election of Virginia, the Democratic party, under the leadership of Hon. John W. Hunter, Mason, Douglas, and others, has shown a most successful and brilliant record. The Democratic party, under the leadership of Hon. John W. Hunter, Mason, Douglas, and others, has shown a most successful and brilliant record. The Democratic party, under the leadership of Hon. John W. Hunter, Mason, Douglas, and others, has shown a most successful and brilliant record.

FREE SOILERS REJOICING OVER THE RESULT OF THE VIRGINIA ELECTION. A grand mass meeting was held in Tammany Hall, New York, last week, to celebrate the Democratic success in the late election in this State. The meeting was presided over by John U. Brennan, formerly a notorious Free Soiler, and one of the right hand men of Martin Van Buren. An approving letter was read from John Van Buren, the chief instrument of the defeat of Fremont in 1852—the ablest and most statesmanlike of the Free Soilers of the North—and the man who declared publicly a few years ago, that he never would be united with me in the Democratic party of the United States.

PAPAL CHURCH—MACAULEY'S TESTIMONY. The great historian of England, in reference to the Church of Rome, has made, for the benefit of the present and future ages, the following clear, pointed, truthful and convincing record: "During the last three centuries, to stem the growth of a new and better Christianity, the Papal Church has been in a constant state of decay and decline. It has been in a constant state of decay and decline. It has been in a constant state of decay and decline.

LIFE IN THE RIFLE PIT. CAMP BEFORE SERRANO, April 27. "I have no news for you, but I write a few lines to tell you how I am getting on. It is no use telling you anything about the state of the war, for you see that in all the papers. "Within the last week I have been twice in the trenches, both times in the advanced trench, and the rifle pits in front of it, and for the first time in my life I have seen a battle. It was a most interesting and exciting affair, and I was very much pleased to see the French men fighting so bravely. I was very much pleased to see the French men fighting so bravely.

A RICH JOKE. A gentleman in this place, played off a rich joke on his better half the other day. Being somewhat of an egotist, he took it into his head, that he would like to have a first rate dinner. He addressed her a note politely informing her that he had a dinner party to give, and that she must be ready to receive it at 12 o'clock. He was very much pleased to see the French men fighting so bravely.

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