

THE STANDARD

THE WINDS AT SEA: A PASTORAL.

BY H. SEYMOUR PINCKLE.

Winds from all points of the compass... Round the globe whistling tunes...

Round the globe whistling tunes... Striking and shouting in glee...

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Jim Wolfe and the Tom Cat.

BY MARK TWAIN.

I knew by the sympathetic glow on his bald head—I knew by the thoughtful look upon his face—I knew by the emotional flush upon the strawberry on the end of the old free liver's nose...

"We was all boys then, and didn't care for nothing only how to shirk school and keep up a revivin' state of devilmint all the time..."

"So, that night, you know, that my sister Mary gave the candy pullin'..."

"Our winder looked out onto the roof of the ell and about ten o'clock a couple of old tomatoes got to rairin' around on it and carryin' on like sin..."

"Well, Jim he got disgusted with the row and 'lowed he'd climb out there and shake 'em off'n the roof..."

"Some mistresses go further and add book shelves, and, possibly, a few books, according to their zeal..."

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Early History of Catawba County.

State Chronicle.

The territory of Lincoln county, from which Catawba was created in 1842, is said to have been first settled by a man named Adam Sherrill who, with his family, was the first white man to cross the Catawba river...

Mr. Sherrill found no ready-made way, and aided by the courage of his wife and children who gladly went with him into the forest to build a happy home...

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Look at Your Watch.

WHY THE NUMERALS ON WATCH DIALS DIFFER FROM THOSE IN COMMON USE.

NEW YORK STAR. In a recent conversation with a Star reporter a prominent jeweler of Maiden Lane told the following story to explain why the Roman numerals printed on the dials of watches and clocks differ from those in common use...

"It is nothing but a tradition among watchmakers, but the custom has always been preserved. You may or you may not know that the first clock that in any way resembled those now in use was made by Henry Vick in 1370. He made it for Charles V. of France, who has been called 'The Wise'..."

"Now, Charles was wise in a good many ways. He was wise enough to recover from England most of the land which Edward III. had conquered, and he did a good many other things which benefited France. But his early education had been somewhat neglected, and he probably would have had trouble in passing a Civil Service examination in these enlightened ages...

"So the story runs in this fashion, although I will not vouch for the language, but put it in that of the present day: 'Yes, the clock works well,' said Charles, 'but, being anxious to find some fault with a thing he did not understand, you have got the figures on the dial wrong?'"

"Wherein, your majesty?" asked Vick. "That four should be four ones," said the king. "You are wrong, your majesty," said Vick. "I am never wrong!" thundered the king. "Take it away and correct the mistake!" and corrected it was, and from that day to this 4 o'clock on a watch or clock dial has been IIII, instead of IV. The tradition has been faithfully followed."

They Meant the Same Thing. Boston Courier. Smith—"Strange things happen in this world sometimes—things that you cannot understand." Jones—"That's so." Smith—"Now, there's Brown. I met him yesterday and asked him to lend me \$5, and what do you think he said?" Jones—"He said 'No.'" Smith—"No he didn't. He said he didn't know me well enough to do that."

Success of Davidson Graduates. The success of Davidson graduates at Northern Universities has been almost phenomenal. In almost every University where this college has representatives, they have attained the highest honors in their classes. The Chronicle noted not long ago their wonderful success at Princeton Theological Seminary, where three Davidson men carried off five of the eight honors among 500 students and moreover won \$1150 of the \$1280 given in fellowships. Within the last few days reports of further honors for the Alma Mater have increased. J. A. McMurry, a Davidson graduate of '88, carried off first honor at the Chicago Theological Seminary. Will Mack won first honor at the University of Missouri; and at Hampden Sidney, the Theological Seminary of the Southern Presbyterian Church, Davidson men have stood at the very head of their classes. Davidson College, honored as she has been through half a century, feels an increased pride in the success of her Alumni, and in the glory they have won for their Alma Mater.—Charlotte Chronicle.

Quarrels would never last long if the trouble was only on one side.—Rocheport. There are no persons more solicitous about the preservation of rank than those who have no rank at all.—Shenstone.

Answers of the Deaf.

Landmark.

To be deaf is a sad affliction, but the answers of partially deaf people are often amusing. Some years ago an old gentleman who could hear but little was engaged in whiskey selling at Mt. Mourne. One evening a number of students came up from Davidson College on a lark. It took a great deal to wet their whistles and their money gave out. They bought more, agreeing to pay for it by a certain time. But they never came back. Finally another crowd came one night and the old bar-keeper mistook them for his debtors. "Good evening, Mr. T.," said the leader. The old man thought he asked for whiskey and promptly replied, "Plenty of it."

The spokesman tried him again in a louder tone as follows: "Is your health good as usual, Mr. T.?" "I never kept anything but good whiskey," said the old man. By this time the students were convulsed with laughter, but the plucky leader, speaking in a still louder tone, remarked: "The weather is quite cool tonight." "You will get no more until you pay for what you have done bought," said the old man. But they finally convinced him of his mistake.

An old man who is partially deaf came over from Catawba to visit a married son in this county. The morning after the day of his arrival his daughter-in-law asked him if he rested well during the night. He said he did. "We spilled some kerosene on the floor in your room yesterday and I feared that the smell might be very disagreeable to you," said his daughter-in-law. "Something did bite me during the night but I got plenty of sleep," said the old man. The lady pitched her voice higher and said: "We spilled a quart of kerosene in your bed-room yesterday and I feared that the smell would disturb you." The old gentleman smiled and said: "They did bite pretty bad but I didn't think there was a quart of 'em."

Whatever speaks the thought or bears the sanction of Robert E. Lee is regarded the world over as being worth remembering. We give below what he thought and said about stimulants. Mrs. Margaret J. Preston gives it in the June Century: "He had the gentlest way possible of giving counsel and administering rebukes. I remember hearing him say, in a presence where such testimony was worth more than a dozen temperance lectures: 'Men need no stimulant; it is something, I am persuaded, that they can do without. When I went into the field, at the beginning of the war, a good lady friend of mine gave me two sealed bottles of very superb French brandy. I carried them with me through the entire campaign; and when I met my friend again, after all was over, I gave her back both bottles of brandy, with the seals unbroken. It may have been some comfort to me to know that I had them in case of sudden emergency, but the moment never came when I needed to use them.'"

Two Clerical Anecdotes. Lynchburg Virginian. Rev. Dr. Joshua Peterkin is perennial in humor, as he is in goodness. One of his anecdotes is the Episcopal Council was that during a flood in the Ohio Valley a relief boat went to a submerged house and found the thrifless owner penned up in the second story. Supplies were handed in to him through an upper window; when he broke forth, "Thank the Lord; I do not know what I would have done but for this blessed food." Another was where a good Methodist brother had preached about the benefits of humility and poverty, and when he called on one of his devout flock to lead in prayer the latter turned the doctrine of the sermon on his astonished pastor in this unexpected manner, "Lord, you keep him humble and well keep him poor."

There are soft moments, even to desperadoes. God does not, all at once, abandon even them.—Cecil. Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but rising every time we fall.—Confucius. Believe nothing against another but on good authority; nor report what may hurt another, unless it be a greater hurt to another to conceal it.—W. Penn. The greater a man is in power above others, the more he ought to excel them in virtue. None ought to govern who is not better than the governed.—Cyrus.

Great Wonders of America.

Niagara Falls—A sheet of water three-quarters of a mile wide, with a fall of 178 feet. The velocity of the current in Whirlpool Rapids is 27 miles an hour. It is estimated that 1,500,000,000 cubic feet of water passes through the gorge each minute.

Yosemite Valley, California—Eight to ten miles long and a mile wide. Has very steep slopes 3,500 feet high has a perpendicular precipice 3089 feet high; a rock almost perpendicular 3270 feet high; and waterfalls 700 to 800 feet high.

Mammoth Cave, Kentucky—Has been explored for ten miles; has a subterranean lake, "The Dead Sea," 90 feet deep, with a navigable river for its outlet.

Yellowstone National Park—Its 3,575 square miles are filled with geysers, hot springs, rivers, falls, mountains, valleys, and forests, making it a veritable wonderland. The Old Faithful Geyser sends into the air every hour a stream of hot water 200 feet in height. Perhaps the strangest thing is the "paint pots," pools of boiling "paint" of many different colors.

"Liberty Enlightening the World," Bedloe's Island, New York Harbor—Presented by the people of the Republic of France to the people of the United States, was the creation of the sculptor, Auguste Bartholdi, and the tallest statue in the world. It weighs 450,000 pounds, 40 persons can stand comfortably in the head, and the torch will hold 12 persons. It is 305 feet high.

Natural Bridge over Cedar Creek, Virginia. City Park, Philadelphia, largest in the world. Washington Monument, D. C., tallest monument in the world. The Erie Canal, connecting the Hudson river at Albany and Troy with Lake Erie and Buffalo, is 363 miles long, 7 feet deep, 70 feet wide at top and 36 wide at the bottom. It was begun in 1817, and was finished in 1825, costing \$7,602,000.

The Weight of Individuals. Philadelphia Record. The average weight of a boy at birth is seven and that of a girl a little more than six pounds. When they have attained the full development of man or womanhood they should weigh twenty times as much as they did at birth. This would make a man's average weight 140 and a woman's about 125. The height of a male at birth is 1 foot 8 inches and that of a female 1 foot 6 inches. Fully grown, a man's height should be about three and a half times greater than at birth, or 5 feet 9 inches, while a woman should be 5 feet 3 inches. The weight of individuals who are fully developed and well formed, however, varies within extremes, which are nearly as 1 to 2, while their height varies within limits which at most are as 1 to 1.3. Taking 200 pounds as the maximum of man's weight and 85 as the minimum we would have the average of 142 1/2 pounds. Placing the maximum weight of woman at 185 pounds and the minimum at 70 and we get an average of 127 1/2 pounds.

Where Lee Surrendered. RICHMOND, June 20.—A dispatch from Appomattox Court House to the Richmond Times says: A gentleman by the name of Middleton from Washington, D. C., is now here buying and taking options on the lands on which General Robert E. Lee surrendered. He has already bought Captain Kindred's place, old Jack Raine's tavern and property, and William Ross' property, upon which General Lee surrendered. He is now trying to buy the old brick building in which the articles of capitulation were drawn and signed by Generals Lee and Grant. Mr. Middleton has bought, up to this time, about 1,500 acres of land, and has option on several other tracts. What he is going to do with the property is not known, but our citizens think he is representing a Northern syndicate.

It is one proof of a good education and of true refinement of feeling to respect antiquity.—Signoriny. Cheerfulness keeps up a kind of daylight in the mind, filling it with a steady and perpetual serenity.—Addison. Pride, like the magnet, constantly points to one object, self; but unlike the magnet, it has no attractive pole, but at all points repels.—Colton. Speaking of the proper bloom for the National flower some wag wants to know "what's the matter with wheat for the National flour?"

ODDS AND ENDS.

A prisoner in a Georgia jail has just committed suicide by starvation.

Rev. Wm. Henry Beecher, brother of the late Henry Ward Beecher, is dead. Fifteen cubic foot of gas will give as much heat as one pound of bituminous coal. Hard working Parisians average sensibly less in stature than their wealthy neighbors. The latest use of photography is to make a cannon ball take a picture of its own wabblings. The American cotton oil trust has been perpetually enjoined from doing business in Louisiana. George Augustus Sala, the journalist, is reported to have declined an offer of knighthood from Queen Victoria. A wife must be one of two things to her husband. She must either be his crown of glory or his crown of thorns. It is now thought that the President will not call Congress together in an extra session until some time in November. The youngest monarchs in the world are the Emperor of China, 17; the King of Serbia, 12, and King of Spain, 3. A New York minister has been sentenced to nine years and eight months in Sing Sing, at hard labor, for grand larceny. A New York estimate is that 40,000 tourists more than the number who go over every summer will cross to Europe this season. Isaac Bamberg, State Treasurer, of South Carolina, dropped dead at his home in Columbia, Friday afternoon from heart disease. A Dresden manufacturer has produced thread from the common nettle so fine that sixty miles of it only weighs two and one-half pounds. Andrew Carnegie is in London getting up a dinner for Gladstone. Some of Carnegie's employes in this country are hungry for a dinner. Edward McClackin, Jr., lately graduated from West Point, at the age of 21 years and 3 days, is the youngest officer in the United States army. Nast, the gifted artist, has returned to the Republican party, and is now using his art for the boosting of the rotten old party he opposed last year. Ernest Schilling, the coachman who once achieved notoriety by his marriage with Victoria Morosini, is earning his living as a painter at Steinway, L. I. A fire broke out at Johnstown, Pa., Monday, and destroyed 25 houses before it was subdued. Most of the houses had been partially wrecked by the recent flood. It has been noted at several of the leading natural gas wells that the minimum and maximum of pressure corresponds to the ebb and flow of the tides. To think well of every other man's condition, and to dislike our own, is one of the misfortunes of human nature. Pleased with each other's lot, our own we hate. While seeking for work from house to house, at Los Angeles, Cal., the discarded daughter of a millionaire accidentally discovered her parents and was welcomed home. The saw is largely used now instead of the axe in bringing down the giant redwoods in California. The tree is sawed partly through, and then is forced over by wedges. The Richmond & Danville directors have declared a semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent., and the Richmond Terminal a semi-annual dividend of two and one-half per cent. George Cutler was driving home a team at Murdock, Ills., during a thunder storm, when a stroke of lightning killed him and both horses without leaving a mark on any of them. Only 15 per cent. of the inhabitants of Paraguay can read and write. According to Consul Hill the women do the work and the men do the smoking, gambling and cock fighting. One mode of selling turquoises at Nishni, Russia, is curious. A person, on payment of a fixed sum, is allowed to plunge his hand into a bag full of them and to become the possessor of the handful. A first folio Shakespeare was lately sold in New York city for \$1,400, and a copy of Venus and Adonis sold for \$2,000. The latter is the only perfect copy known to exist outside of the British Museum.

Jim, he was in sight. He was gormed with the bilin' hot molasses

me."—Ex

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