

POETRY.

There is a pleasure in poetic pain That none but poets know.

Lines on the Death of "Elise"

By C. D. MURCHISON.

She is no more: A star has fallen from the darkened sky.

Of our love—to rise again on high, When life is o'er.

In rosy Spring, The violets that she taught to bloom,

Alas! to decorate her youthful tomb Are withering.

Conceal thy reverent form from our sight, But often on the wings of memory bright,

Thou shalt return.

None, none can say Thine 'e'en the gaiety of youthful mirth,

Was found in thee, thou wert too fair for earth And passed away.

Why do we mourn? The fairest things are first to pass away.

Bright human flowers that speak of no decay Are from us torn!

Thy youthful head Reposes now beneath the grassy sod,

But all thy actions speak the voice of God! "Bless'd are the dead!"

Written for the Concord Gazette. TO KATE S. S. OF COKYSIMA, N. Y.

By E. A. H.

In fancy's dreams I'll oft review, Thy fairy form and footsteps light,

Thy beautiful flashing eye of blue, And ringlets like the raven night.

And when amid the scenes of strife, In memory—distant though I am;

Shall lend enchantment to this life, And ever shall my bosom calm.

I think of strands, where hearts and hands, Will greet me as I come,

But here I find in sunny lands, A peaceful happy home.

Maybe you prize your own blue hills, Where blooms the wild flower at your feet

And the bright, sparkling, bubbling rills, Their murmuring echo may be sweet,

I've often told of sunny days, Where blooms the sweet magnolia flower,

And very dear those lands I prize, Of sweet perfume in evening hour.

'Tis not me not to roam, I'll listen to the mocking-bird's lays

In my far off Southern home.

YOUTH'S CABINET.

[All contributions to this Department must be accompanied by answers and explanations.]

Scientific Experiments

Magic Whirlpool.—Fill a glass with water, throw upon its surface a few fragments of tin,

shavings of camphor, and they will instantly begin to move and acquire a motion both progressive and rotary, which will continue for a considerable time.

During these rotations, if the water be touched by any greasy substance the floating particles will dart back and as if by a stroke of magic, be instantly deprived of their motion and vivacity.

Gilded Silk.—Prepare a strong solution of Phosphorus in sulphuric ether, and dip a piece of white silk in the solution; then, when the ether has evaporated and the phosphorus begins to fume, apply a solution of nitro-muriate of gold, made by dissolving the crystals of that salt in rain water; the silk will be instantly covered with a rich coat of metallic gold.

Answers to last Week's Riddles, &c.

1 Car-ouse. 2 Mis-anthropie. 3 Postage. 4 Heart, ear, hear, tear, eat, tea, earth. 5 A Member of Congress. 6 When he is aboard. 7 A yard-stick.

Enigmas

I am composed of 26 letters. My 11, 7, 24, 13, 23, 15 is a lake in New York.

1, 13, 15, 26 is the author of a history of North Carolina.

8, 10, 7, 4, 9, 10, 20, 12, 18, 10, 11, 17, 22 is a great enterprise of North Carolina.

1, 11, 16, 19, 14 is the greatest source of enjoyment and pleasure to man.

16, 23, 13, 4, 6, 11, 25 is a dangerous place off the coast of Norway.

4, 2, 14 is a certain number.

21, 20, 7, 23, 12, 2 is a very useful article.

16, 17, 13, 14, 5 is a New England State.

23, 15, 6, 3 is one of the heavenly bodies.

13, 7, 19, 10, 4, 13, 20 is an essential property of bodies.

18, 9, 3, 4 is the end.

My whole is a flourishing institution of North Carolina. T. O. P. Jr.

Riddles.

Five letters do my magic name compose, Which any one may curiously dispose,

My first one by itself, as I'm alive, Will count two hundred times the entire five.

My second is no less a standing wonder, It counts just nothing by itself or under.

My third a paradox you may depend, Its just the middle of a misdeed's end.

My fourth is two thirds of an ox's eye, Sometimes you'll find it in a pumpkin pie.

My fifth you'll see on any cloudy day, In yonder sky resplendently gay.

My whole's a talisman that rules mankind, If you can't guess me now you must be blind.

Once walking in a field of wheat, I picked up something good to eat.

Was neither fish, flesh, fowl nor bone, I kept it till it ran alone.

Answers next week.

Great Battle with Chinese Pirates.

The Navy Department have letters from the United States steam frigate "Powhatan,"

Captain Wm S. McClure, at Hong Kong, on the 6th of August last, in which an engagement on the 4th of that month

between divisions of boats from that ship H. B. M.'s steam sloop "Kattler," under the

direction of Commander Wm A. Fellows, of that ship and a large fleet of piratical junks

which infested that neighborhood, and had committed extensive depredations on commerce.

Capt. Fellows fell in with them first on the 2d of August, and chased them into shallow water, and then went back to Hong Kong for American aid.

The following is a list of the Americans killed and wounded, viz:

Killed.—Joseph A. Husley and Isaac Collandsman.

Wounded.—Lieut. R. B. Pegram, (commanding the boat) and Lieut. H. Rolando both in the hand; John Pepper, seaman, mortally; Benj. Adams, dangerously; Jaso Pendergrast, landsman, fracture of a limb; Samuel Mullar, marine, Fred. Hommel, do., P. Walker Schmidt, do., Wm Carnes ordinary seaman, Joshua Lewis, seaman, Wm A. Taylor, captain after guard—all seriously.

Chas. Tingworth, seaman.

The fleet of piratical junks fought at anchor with great desperation with round shot, grape, &c., and as the attacking boats came within one hundred yards with canister shot.

Lieut. Rolando was the first to board a twenty-gun junk, and took her. Each boat then singled out a junk, and attacked it, the latter fighting with great desperation, indeed in one case blowing up a twenty-gun junk, engaged hand to hand with the Rattler's (British) gig; Lieut. Rolando's boat aiding that of the Rattler at the time, and both Capt. Fellows and Lieut. R. were blown overboard, as well as many of the Powhatan's men.

Most of the casualties mentioned above occurred in that affair. Private Adamson, of the Marines, greatly distinguished himself. The British and Americans vied with each other and the enemy fought with great desperation.

The result was the destruction of ten war junks, mounting on an average from 16 to 18 guns, from 6 to 68 pounders.

Six junks and lorchees, prizes to the pirates, were re-taken; sixteen smaller junks escaped, one of which subsequently getting aground was burned.

It is thought that between five and six hundred of the pirates were killed and drowned during the engagement.

The joint expedition was commanded by Commander Fellows, (British) and the Americans engaged immediately by

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For news we refer the reader to the European and other news in to-day's paper, as the article is positively so scarce, we cannot find a single topic whereupon to "hang a tale."

The "war" has grown stale from want of incident, and the stereotyped announcement, telegraphed on the arrival of every steamer, that "the Allies have made no further advance," is worn threadbare, as well as the patience of the expectant public.

Our cotemporary, the *Big Gun* of the "Banner," taking advantage of the "panic in the item market, went off last week, (so the Wachman says,) through the report has only just reached us. He has an excuse now.

A Pittsburg paper says: Local news was unimportant yesterday. A reporter of one of the papers was seen in the afternoon, vainly endeavoring to climb one of the immense fluted pillars of the Court House. Somebody asked him what he was about: "Horrible bad day, this, for news; only trying to get up a column!"

ODDS AND ENDS.

"Facts are stubborn things," said a lawyer to a female witness under examination. The lady replied, yes, sir, and so are women, and if you get anything out of me, just let me know it.

"You will be committed for contempt." "Very well, I'll suffer justly, for I feel the utmost contempt for the law present."

A match game of billiards for \$3,000, to be played in New Orleans soon, between two Creole ladies of "the first respectability." Doubtful.

[Modest Swell, holding up long coat skirts to cross muddy place.] "Gracious, me, I hope no young lady will see my ankles!"

The reported Bank capital of the United States is now about \$33,000,000, while their specie amounts to \$53,000,000, and their circulation to \$180,000,000.

The Hebrews lately in session in Cleveland, have resolved to form a university for the education of their people. It is to be located in Cincinnati.

Among all her seaward looking cliffs, Spain has not a single lighthouse from the Pyrenees to point Europa; she has no rail roads, no canals, no telegraphs, and until lately, there has been no safety for travellers on the public highway.

In Hertford county, N. C., R. Sewell has been convicted of the murder of his wife, and sentenced to the hang.

In Paris apothecaries are obliged to put up poisons in red papers, while white labels must be used for medicines intended for internal application.

The Ship Maury, that was seized on the other day at New York, under suspicion of loading with munitions of war for Russia, has been released, it being found on investigation, that she was loading for China, without warlike intentions.

The Hon. Andrew J. Donaldson and T. R. Nelson, Esqs., have been chosen delegates by the State Council of Tennessee, to the national convention of the American Party, to nominate candidates for President and Vice President.

It is stated in the New York Commercial, that a remittance of ten thousand pounds sterling in gold, was received by the Africa, to be employed in grain purchases in this country, for shipment to England.

The War Department have advised of the marching of the second regiment of cavalry, United States Army, under Col. Sidney F. Johnson, from Jefferson Barracks, for Texas.

In Kentucky a wealthy man who just courted a girl for the fun of it, has been mulcted in six thousand dollars damages, for breach of promise.

Dr. Ball, who was supposed to have perished on the White Mountains of New Hampshire last week, has been found with his feet badly frozen.

Benjamin Brandreth, the great pill man is a candidate for the New York Senate.

He ought to be able to work his way through.

The Edeyville (Iowa) Free Press boasts that a lady of that place, under 20 years of age is the mother of seven children.

The N. O. Baptist State Convention met in Warranton on the 7th inst.

Chase's majority in Ohio, for Governor, is over 20,000.

The Raleigh Register has entered upon the 57th year of its existence.

The President has appointed O. J. Wise son of Henry A. Wise of Virginia, Secretary of the American Legation at Paris. That's policy, buy up the old wheel-horse.

Soft soap in some shape pleases all, and generally speaking the more lye you put into it the better.

About one thousand cases of yellow fever have occurred in Natchez, Miss., this season, and there have been over one hundred deaths.

The Union states that it will require 1,589,680 acres of the public lands to satisfy the land warrants issued last month.—The total number of warrants issued is 48,158.

Thanksgiving day in Maine and Iowa, on the 22nd, and in New York on the 29th inst.

Hon. W. B. W. Dent, late member of Congress from Georgia is dead.

Geribaldi has entered the Sardinian navy as a captain, and is in great favor at Court.

Mr. Buchanan, it is said, was to leave London on the 6th inst. for New York.

During the present season 2700 New buildings, have been erected in Chicago.

125 workmen have been discharged from the Charlestown Navy Yard.

Peaches are selling in Cincinnati at 50 cents per bushel.

The prospects of the grape crop in Portugal, it is stated, are very discouraging.

Salt, of a superior quality is being made by solar evaporation, in the vicinity of Cozpus Christi.

There was an insurance on the life of the late Abott Lawrence, for 40,000.

An arduous named Elliott is shortly to make a balloon ascension on horseback at Richmond, Va.

At the late term of the Superior Court of Litchfield, Conn. 28 persons were divorced from each other.

The Emperor Alexander has conferred a variety of decorations, titles, &c., upon the clergy and officials of Poland.

Louis G. de Vidal and lady, the 1700th-in-law of Santa Anna, with a party of Mexicans were lately in Cincinnati.

The Church edifice of the Congregational Society at Newport, R. I., lately sold for \$500.

Always promise according to your hopes and perform according to your promises.

Merit the approbation of the wise and the good.

Good and bad habits formed in youth, generally cling to us through life.

A contented mind is an inexhaustible blessing.

It is a great blessing to have pious and virtuous parents.

It is well and proper to have the consciousness of having done well; but it is the height of vanity to wish to be informed of it, thus to place self love before self-denial, and good opinion above good deeds.

Our reputation, virtue and happiness, greatly depend upon our choice of companions.