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ING ELSEWHERE.

BY MY WINDOW.

BY JASPER LEE, HENNOT.

I am sitting by my window,
Where the gently-fading light
Casts its silent shadows,
Like the prophetic of night.
And I watch the flowers blooming,
With their myriad forms and hues,
And my vagrant thoughts go wand'ring
As I sit and dream and muse.

I am sitting by my window,
Where the shadows round me lie,
And I hear their gentle footsteps
As the moments pass me by.
When I ask them if their burdens,
Which they bear with patient tread
Are the sins or prayers of mortals—
But on pinions swift they're fled.

I am sitting by my window
As the twilight glides away,
And I kiss my lifted fingers
To the last departing ray.
And I ask the shadows 'round me,
With their waves in darkness rolled,
If there is a King Emmanuel
And a city paved with gold.

I am sitting by my window
And my thoughts diverge anew,
As the portals of life before me view,
And the day glides out from view.
And I ask the stars above me,
In their soft and mellow beams,
If there be a realm of bliss,
Beyond this vale of dreams.

I am sitting by my window
And the dew is on my hair,
And I feel the wings of moments
Flitting through the pulsing air.
And I ask the boundless future,
With its wide expanse of years,
If there be a realm of bliss,
To sooth my doubts and fears.

I am sitting by my window
In the solemn hush of night,
And the landscape clothed in beauty
Has faded from my sight.
And I ask my soul within me
Of the City of the Blest;
And the spirit voices answer:
"There's a land of peace and rest."

THE PRAIRIE FIRE.

A few evenings ago a party of
Northwestern cattlemen were group-
ed together in the rotunda of the
Merchant's Hotel, when one of them
told this incident which has romance
enough in it for the foundation for
a novel:

It was in '75 or '76, I don't re-
member which, I was in the cattle
business in the Indian Territory,
below Medicine Lodge. I had shipped
a drove of cattle to Kansas
City, driving them from the Terri-
tory to Wichita, Kansas, and de-
cided to continue on the main line
of the road to Hutchinson, from
which place I would take a horse
and ride down to the Territory.
The distance from Hutchinson to
Medicine Lodge was about ninety
miles which could be reached by a
hard day's ride. The aquatic animal
I seen to crawl on some substance
floating on the water a leaf or bit
of twig—give a twist or two, split
its covering, and in a short time
put out wings and float away. The
males, which may be distinguished
by their bushy horns or feelers in
front of their heads, do not bite.
It is the female who gives all the
trouble—singing and biting. No
poison gland has yet been found in
the mosquito's head, and it is gen-
erally thought that the inflamma-
tion and swelling following the bite
of mosquitoes are due to the irrita-
tion set up by their slightly barbed
jaws, and perhaps the saliva is
slightly acid. Under the micro-
scope the soft plastic foot of the
mosquito is seen to be freckled. It
may comfort those who suffer from
the attack of these insects to know
that mosquitoes have their personal
troubles also, as the microscope
shows vermin on them not unfre-
quently.

The Age of Birds.

The following table is from an
English source, and claims to be
measurably correct as to the ages of
birds mentioned: "Blackbird lives
12 years; blackcap, 15; canary, 24;
craun, 24; crow, 100; eagle, 100;
fowl, common, 10; goldfinch, 15;
goose, 50; heron, 50; lark, 13; lin-
net, 25; nightingale, 18; parrot, 60;
partridge, 15; peacock, 24; pelican,
50; pheasant, 15; pigeon, 20; raven,
100; robin, 12; skylark, 30; spar-
row hawk, 40; swan, 100; thrush,
10; wren, 3." The crow, the eagle
and the raven each attain to a hun-
dred years—the longest-lived birds
named in the list. Among other
animals, there are but a few that
span a century, and the turtle, the
slow, plodding tortoise, is among
the few. Henry M. Kepler, of
Middletown, Md., found a turtle on
his farm the other day, and on
the shell of the turtle was cut,
"C. S. 1761." Mr. Kepler looked
over some old records on the prem-
ises, and found that the letters and
date were cut on the turtle by
Casper Shoaf, who owned and oc-
cupied the farm at that time—126
years ago.

Give the Blackberry a Chance.

Winston Republican.

It is a wonder to us that some
enterprising gentleman has not
turned his attention to the black-
berry crop and engaged in the
wholesale manufacture of wine.
Of late years, as a dried commodity
of trade, the blackberry has mate-
rially declined. The crop never
fills, grows luxuriantly upon every
untilled field and as a wine pro-
ducer should be valuable, being
very pleasant to the taste and pos-
sessing excellent medicinal prop-
erties.

prairie fire. She told me her his-
tory very briefly, saying that she
was an orphan, had been married
but a short time, and came from
the east with her husband to make
a home. Her husband had left her
two days before, having gone to
the nearest town, and she had
expected him to return the evening
before. Having eaten what she
had prepared, we started in search
of the missing man.

The scene was a desolate one, as
far as the eye could reach being a
sea of ashes. We had gone a little
over a mile when I found the char-
red remains of the woman's hus-
band. I left her watching over
him while I hunted up a habita-
tion, and securing assistance we
buried him near where he died. I
hired a man to take me to my ranch
where I found my partner had ar-
rived all right. Shortly after that
I sold out and came North, but I
think I shall not forget that part
of the country soon.

Just as the narrator had ceased
speaking a bright little boy came
running up to him, saying:
"Papa, mamma wants to see
you."

"But what became of the young
woman?" was asked in unison by
the rest of the party as the gentle-
man arose.

"Well," said he, with a smile,
she has just sent our boy after me."

—[St. Paul Globe.

About the Mosquito.

[Baltimore Sun.]

The long cylindrical eggs of mos-
quitoes are laid in little pockets
which float on the surface of stand-
ing water. In four weeks after
hatching the insect passes through
its transformations and becomes an
enemy to man's comfort. The
young mosquito, in the larva state,
is aquatic, living like fish in ponds,
lakes and stagnant water. It is
fish-like in shape, with the head
and adjoining parts much enlarged,
and breathes by means of a bunch
of hairs radiating from a long tu-
bercle at the end of the body and
connecting with the internal respi-
ratory tubes. It remains most of
the time after coming from the egg
at the bottom, feeding upon decay-
ing matter, and is thus very benefi-
cial as a scavenger. Later it be-
comes very active, jerking up and
down in the water, aided by a pair
of broad caudal leaves. When ob-
served constantly about the surface
of the water, it is a sure sign that
it is about to assume the shape of a
mosquito. The aquatic animal is
seen to crawl on some substance
floating on the water a leaf or bit
of twig—give a twist or two, split
its covering, and in a short time
put out wings and float away. The
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NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOLS.

Interesting Facts Concerning
the Normal and Public Schools.

The Raleigh correspondent of the
Richmond Dispatch has furnished
that paper with the following:
Some interesting information in re-
gard to the schools was obtained at
the office of the Superintendent of
Public Instruction. There are
eight white normal schools. To
each of these the State makes an
annual appropriation of \$500. They
begin in nearly all cases after July
5th. There are five colored normal
schools. Four of these receive
\$1,500 annually. Their terms do
not begin until in September, and
they are maintained for over half
the year. The other colored nor-
mal school, which, strictly speak-
ing, is a university, is kept open
nine months in the year. All the
normal schools receive from \$85 to
\$150 yearly from the Peabody fund.

The public schools are, as a rule,
now closed. Many of them will
reopen in September. The returns
of attendance, etc., are made up to
November 30th of each year. Last
year about \$850,000 was expended
upon these schools, and a sum rat-
her in excess of that will this year
be expended. The increase in the
attendance at these schools is rapid.
It is said that a third of all the
children of school age (six to twenty
one) were in attendance this year.
The new system of taxing railways
will increase the school fund. Take
the county of Wake, for instance.
It will receive about \$5,000 addi-
tional from this source. All the
receipts from tax go to the counties,
and, while four-fifths go to the gen-
eral fund, one-fifth goes to the
school fund. The railways have
never before paid this tax. The
fact is that the act passed by the
last Legislature on this subject was
a compromise. The railways, ad-
mitting that before this their prop-
erty had not been listed and had
paid no tax in this way, agreed to
pay and stop litigation, for many
years had been instituted. So the
public schools share in the general
benefit.

A North Carolina Invention.

Durham Tobacco Plant.

The new bag machines invented
by Mr. Will H. Kerr are in place
and ready for work. They attend
to business in the most thorough-
going manner possible, and each
machine turns out from ten to fif-
teen thousand bags per day. We
are not machinists enough to ex-
plain the working of the bag ma-
chines so any one can understand
us, but we know that they make
bags faster than anything we ever
saw or dreamed of. The place for
the draw-string is hemmed, then
both sides of the bags are sewed at
the same time. The cloth unwinds
from an immense spool, the hem is
turned and stitched, a little knife
jumps out at the right time and
cuts the cloth the proper size; as
soon as this is done, a plate that
waits for the center of the cloth
catches it and puts it within reach
of the two needles that sew the
sides. One after another the little
bags roll out, so fast it almost
makes your head swim.

Mr. Kerr is a North Carolinian,
a son of the late W. C. Kerr, who
was for many years State geologist.
He has been in Lion, N. Y., more
than a year perfecting the machines
and superintending their construc-
tion, and now comes to his State to
make his fortune and enjoy his
triumph. "There is life in the old
land yet."

[The Raleigh News and Observer
states that Mr. Kerr has recently
refused \$100,000 for his invention.]

General R. B. Vance has pub-
lished a book of poems, "Heart
Throbs From the Mountains." It
contains much that is elevating and
refined. Some of the poems were
written while he was in prison at
Fort Delaware and with that warm
Southern sentiment we so much ad-
mire in the poems of Father Ryan.
Like Father Ryan, too, his poems
are filled with a religious fervor
and a trust in the Almighty as im-
plicit as a child's. The proceeds
from the sale of the book are to be
devoted to building a church, near
Gen'l Vance's home. It is issued
by the Southern Methodist Publish-
ing House, Nashville, Tenn., and
costs 75 cents. We venture to
quote two stanzas from "Never
take the oath."

"Soldier, friend and brother, too,
While our flag of Bonnie blue—
Emblem of the brave and true—
Kisses still the gale,
Gather up your manhood's might,
What though gloomy be the night,
'Tis not Northern can affront,
Heroes never quail!"

A grand jury in Gainesville, Ga.,
is related, had found, some years
ago, a bill of indictment against a
person for carrying concealed weap-
ons. One of the jurors arose and
said: "We have found a bill against
that man; now let us search the
grand jury for concealed weapons."
It was found that he, the foreman
and five other jurors had pistols in
their pockets. When they recovered
from the shock of this discov-
ery the indictment was torn up and
thrown away.

ITEMS OF NEWS.

A German newspaper devoted to
forestry says that for forest culture
in Germany there is a decided pref-
erence for American hickory.

A New York firm has bought
9,000 walnut trees in Lee, Scott
and Wise counties, in Virginia,
near the Kentucky line, for \$12
each, paying \$25,000 down.

No liquor seller will hereafter be
received into any Masonic lodge in
Dakota either by initiation or affil-
iation, the Grand Lodge at Huron
having adopted a resolution to that
effect.

News has just been received at
Manson, Iowa, that Rev. Dr. Reid,
who left last winter to become a
missionary in Central Africa, has
been killed and eaten by a tribe of
cannibals.

A Vermont boy learned to make
cider brandy in his mother's ke-
pot from the information concern-
ing the "physiological effects of
alcohol" contained in one of his
obligatory text books.

Gen. Miles is reported to express
the belief that the outbreak among
the Southwestern Apaches was due
to bad whiskey. That may be one
of the elements, but there are strong
opinions that the bad whiskey
would have done no harm if it had
not been mixed with bad Indians.

At Quebec, June 20th, a mob
attacked the Salvation Army while
the latter was parading the streets,
throwing stones and missiles at
them. Several of the "ladies" were
seriously injured and one, Miss
McHarge, was probably fatally so.
Three arrests were made.

The Adjutant-General has re-
ceived an original roster of the
First North Carolina regiment in
the Mexican war, also of a company
from this State in the United
States army in that war. There
were in all eleven companies from
North Carolina.

The Lynchburg Advance sent out
a large number of inquiries in re-
gard to the crops in Virginia, and
the total of the answers summed up
shows that wheat is very promising
and is now being harvested. Corn
is an average and of tobacco not
more than half a crop was planted
but what there is is doing well.

Albert Taborn, colored, was
hanged last Saturday in Oxford,
for the crime of burglary. He de-
clared he was innocent of the charge;
said his brother, now confined in
Oxford jail, was guilty of setting
that town on fire a few months ago.
Taborn's father was executed at the
same place many years ago. There
was a tremendous crowd to witness
the execution, but there was no dis-
order.

The unloaded pistol is one of the
most dangerous weapons known to
civilized man. The boomerang, on
account of the unexpectedness
of its approach, can alone compare
with the unloaded pistol, and even
the boomerang does not fill the
whole bill. A little son of Mr.
Billie Carter, janitor of the market
house, and a little negro boy on
Sunday evening were playing with
a pistol known to be empty. It is
empty now and the boy has a hole
in his hand.—Durham Plant.

Educational progress in North
Carolina is of a marked character,
and the school fund increases stead-
ily each year. In 1886 there were
547,308 children of the school age,
and of these 305,598 attended the
public schools. Of the \$670,672
receipts for 1886, \$254,261.49 were
derived from polls and \$258,799.86
from property. In 1886 there was
expended for tuition of white youth
\$366,037, and for colored youth
\$191,059. The State appropriates
\$6,000 a year for Teachers' Insti-
tutes which are held during vaca-
tions.

A good many years ago several
diamonds, small though quite pure,
were found in Rutherford county,
North Carolina. Some were found
later in one or two other counties.
One of these was placed by its own-
er in a bottle, and the bottle was
set upon a mantel-piece. A servant
saw the bottle "with a little piece
of rock in it." She threw both out
of the window. The diamond,
worth quite a sum, could never be
found again. Week before last a
diamond, canary-colored, was found
in McDowell county. It is worth
over \$1,000. A dozen diamonds
have been found at these same
mines.

Just eleven shallow Sounds
Slumber on our shore,
Albemarle and Pamlico,
Topsail, Stump and Core,
Currituck and Croatan,
Where the wild geese soar:
Wrightsville, Masonboro, Bogue,
Roanoke—and no more.

Typhoid, Scarlet and Yellow Fe-
vers, Measles, Diphtheria, Small
Pox, Cholera, etc.

Darby's Prophylactic Fluid will destroy
the infection of all fevers and contagious
and infectious diseases. Will keep the
atmosphere of any sick-room pure and
wholesome, absorbing and destroying un-
healthy effluvia and contagion. Will
neutralize any bad smell whatever, not by
disguising it, but by destroying it. Use
Darby's Prophylactic Fluid in every sick
room.

SALISBURY.

SITUATED in the very heart of
the business portion of North Car-
olina, at the junction of the West-
ern North Carolina and Richmond
& Danville Railroad, 800 feet above
the level of the sea, 250 miles in-
land, 100 miles east of Mount
Mitchell (the highest point in the
United States east of the Rocky
Mountains), in the center of the
richest mineral and granite belt of
the South, in the midst of a rich
tobacco, wheat, corn and cotton
zone, surrounded by magnificent
forests, and with a population of
4,000, Salisbury is fast becoming a
commercial and manufacturing
center. There are at present two
banks, eleven churches, five tobacco
factories, one cigar factory, three
tobacco exchanges (warehouses),
two tanneries, five machine shops,
three foundries, three hotels, three
newspapers, railroad machine, car
and locomotive shops, two steam
saw, door and blind factories, gas
works, water-works, about fifty
business houses, graded schools for
both white and colored, a grammar
school, several private schools, two
excellent music schools, Living-
stone College. The Building and
Loan Association is in splendid
working order. New enterprises
projected are a new railroad both
North and South, a \$50,000 cotton
factory, a woolen mill, two tobacco
factories and a Brush Electric
Light Plant. The opportunities
for investments are real estate, tim-
ber, manufacturing in general,
granite, sawing and mining. The
business men are reported to be the
safest dealers in the State.

The climate is delightful and ex-
ceedingly healthy.

The Virginia Senators.

It is probably not generally known
that the two Virginias—the old and
West Virginia will be represented
in the Senate of the Fiftieth Con-
gress by an aggregate of the young-
est members of that body in respect
to years ever recorded in any two
adjoining States. John W. Daniel,
who succeeds Mahone, is not yet
forty-four years old; his senior col-
league, Harrison Riddleberger, is a
year younger, while Camden's suc-
cessor from West Virginia, Charles
J. Faulkner, is but forty, and his
senior colleague, Kenna, is just
thirty-nine.

Senator Kenna is a great favorite
in Washington and is considered
by his friends to be quite as much
of a Washingtonian as a West Vir-
ginian. The Senator is nothing if
not original. Capt. Barritt is re-
sponsible for the story that he in-
troduced a novel feature into the
campaigning and canvassing busi-
ness a few years ago, that has ad-
ded immensely to his already well-
established popularity. Ever since
the right of suffrage was a prerogative
of the American people, the
violin, or, to speak more to the
point, the fiddle, has been a very
important factor in the hands of
candidates at cross-road meetings,
huskings and barbecues. Senator
Kenna is not only a good manipu-
lator of the bow, but is also one of
the cleverest amateur photographers
in the country, and he enters upon
his field of labor twice armed. It
is his custom, the captain says, to
carry with him while on his photo-
graphic apparatus. The latter has
proven a wonderful influential
adjunct. He will photograph an
entire family of his backward con-
stituency in group or detail and
present the surprised and delighted
aboriginals with the same, which to
them is more novel and acceptable
than a whole front row of seats in
a circus. It is estimated that
Kenna has, during the past three
years, photographed two-thirds of
the entire population of the rural
and mountain district of his State,
and has held thousands of discon-
tent voters safe to the party on
election day by the influence of his
cameras.

Pimples, Boils,

And Carbuncles result from a debilitated,
impoverished, or impure condition of the
blood. Ayer's Sarsaparilla prevents and
cures these eruptions and painful tumors,
by removing their cause; the only effec-
tual way of treating them.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla has prevented the
usual course of Boils, which have pained
and distressed me every season for several
years.—Geo. Scales, Plainville, Mich.

I was badly troubled with Pimples on
the face; also, with a disfiguration of the
skin, which showed itself in ugly dark
patches. No external treatment did more
than temporary good. Ayer's Sarsapa-
rilla effected a cure.

A Perfect Cure,
and I have not been troubled since.—
T. W. Bocky, River St., Lowell, Mass.

I was troubled with Boils, and my
health was much impaired. I began
using Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and in due
time the eruptions all disappeared, and
my health was completely restored.—
John H. Atkins, Editor Stanley Observer,
Albany, N. C.

I was troubled, for a long time, with a
humor which appeared on my face in ugly
Pimples and Itches. Ayer's Sarsapa-
rilla cured me. I consider it the best
blood purifier in the world.—Charles H.
Smith, North Craythbury, Va.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla
is sold by all druggists and dealers in medi-
cine. Ask for Ayer's Sarsaparilla,
and do not be persuaded to take any
other.

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