#### The Bird in the Shutter.

PAUL PASTNOR.

The rain upor the old church roof Came beating from the west, And, just outside, the leafless elms Tossed in their wild unrest.

Within, the house was dim and cold, And sad the pastor's theme; Not one sweet ray of Christian hope Let fall a cheering gleam.

The spoke of trouble and of death, Of doubts, and woes, and fears, While overhead the Autumn rain Fell like a flood of tears.

Our heads were bowed in sulfen grief, Our hearts were chilled with pain; The light of love seemed quenched fore'cr, By bitterness of rain.

Then suddenly a cheerful sound-A bird-note aweet and clear-Thing through the hushed and gloomy house, And startled every ear.

There, in the shutter, cold and wet, And ruffled by the storm, A.lonely little bird had crept, And nestled to get warm.

The storm beat close above its head, And shook its slender perch, But there it clung, and chirped and sung. Against the old grey church.

The pastor's voice grew soft and sweet, His kind eyes filled with tears, And, looking up, he spoke of Christ, And the eternal years. He spoke of heaven, our happy home,

On yonder shining shore. And still the little bird sang on, A soft, unconscious strain; It only knew that it was warm, And sheltered from the rain.

And loved ones gone before;

#### The Lick Telescopes

Mr. Field, who has been moulding the crown glass of the great telescope for the trustees of the James Lick bequest, writes: "Since the disk has been taken from the furnace I have been obliged to put it back again after cutting out some soda. This operation has been done successfully, and I hope to take it from the furnace in fifteen days, and it will take about fifteen days to polish it, and it is probable that I shall be able to send it to you in the first days of December." The flint glass of the great achromatic objective was successfully cast a long time ago, and has been for many months in the hands of the Clarks awaiting the receipt of the crown disk. The latter is much more difficult to cast, anneal and polish, owing solely, it is believed, to the inexperience of the manufacturers with such great masses of glass. Never was such a casting attempted until the Lick telescope was contracted for. It was at one time supposed that the limit of achromatic objectives had been reached when the Washington telescope, twentysix inches in diameter, was made. -- San Louncisco Morning Call.

### Fruit in England.

Some idea of the increased consumption of fruit in this country, says the London Stundard, may be gathered from a comparison of the quantities imported in 1871 and 1882 respectively. In the former year we received 1,128,568 bushels, and in the latter 4,055,692 bushels.

The principal countries from which this supply was obtained were France, Belguim, Holland, Germany, Spain, Portugal, the United States and Canada. In 1871, France supplied more than a fourth of the total; but in 1882 the United States sent us twice as much fruit as France, chiefly in the form of apples. As it is estimated that our home produce is only about 9,000,000 bushels, we import nearly half as much as we grow. In spite of this large importation, the value of which in 1882 was £1,718,907, the prices of fine fruit continue very high, the best sorts for dessert purposes being luxuries which the woulthy alone can command.

### Match Making.

Given the machinery, and the problem of match making is easily solved. With the aid of the apparatus which the Utica company has two or three men can turn out from 500 to 600 gross of sulphur matches per day. After the machinery has been set in motion, the first step is to place a block in the splint machine. With each movement of the knife twenty-five splints are cut, and at the same time stuck between two slats in the belt. They are then carried by the movement of the belt through the separator, and thence over heated pipe, to dry the timber sufficiently to allow the dipping mixture to penetrate.

About fifty feet from the starting point, the belt passes under a couple of rollers, which press it just enough to bring the ends of the splints in contact with the melted sulphur, which is contained in a pan or vat and kept in a liquid state by the heat from a small furnace sunk in the floor underneath.

A little further on the belt is again depressed, and the tips of the splints are drawn through a black mixture, which gives them the finishing coat. From this point the matches (they have by this time obtained that dignity) pass down the hall, still travelling as hitherto, at the height of about a foot and a half from the floor.

At a distance of two hundred feet from the starting point, the belt takes an upward turn, and after ascending four or five feet, the matches bean their return trip. Passing with the beit over the top of the iron framework, at the elevation of about seven feet, they conback over the splint machine, enter the room where the other machine is locat. ed, and are there knocked out, the heads all pointing in the same direction. As they fall they are caught by a leather belt, which moves slowly and carries them to a table, where they are taken off by a boy, placed in trays made for the purpose, and taken to the packing room. The belt completes a circuit suce in thirty minutes and during the

interval several enousand matches were finished. The match produced is superior in quality, and will light readily on being drawn across the window glass. This is claimed to be a crucial test, and inferior ones can not be ignited in this manner.

On arriving in the packing room the matches are first placed in small paper boxes, 100 in each box. The small packages are then packed in pasteboard boxes containing one-sixteenth or oneeighth gross .- Utica Herald.

#### Swinburne on Victor Hugo.

In an article in the Fortnightly Review on Victor Hugo's "Legend des Siecles," Mr. Swinburne says: "The temporary judge, self-elected to pass sentence on any supreme achievement of human power, must choose on which horn of an inevitable dilemma he may prefer to run the risk of impalement. If, recognizing in this new master-work an equal share of the highest qualities possible to man with that possessed and manifested by any previous writer of now unquestioned supremacy, he takes upon himself to admit, simply and honestly, that he does recognize this, and cannot choose but recognize it, he must know that his judgment will be received with no more tolerance or respect, with no less irritation or derision, than would have been, in Dante's time, the judgment of a oritio who should have ventured to rank Dante above Virgil, in Shakespeare's time of a critic who should have dared to set Shakespeare beside Homer. If, on the other hand, he should abstain with all due discretion from any utterance or any intimation of a truth so ridiculous and untimely, he runs the sure and certain risk of leaving behind him a name to be ranked, by those who remember it at all, with those which no man mentions without a smile of compassion or of scorn. according to the quality of error discernible in the critic's misjudgment; innocent and incurable as the confidence of a Johnson or a Jeffrey, venomous and malignant as the rancor of a Sainte-Beuve or Gifford. Of these two dangers I choose the former; and venture to admit, in each case with equal diffidence, that I do upon the whole prefer Dante to any Cino or Cecco, Shakespeare to all the Greenes and Peeles and Lillys, Victor Hugo to all or any of their respective imes."

#### Baron Tennyson.

Tennyson has been made a baron, and will probably retain his own name and be hereafter known as Lord Tennyson. His acceptance is not yet announced. The public offer of the title would hardly have been made if his readiness to accept had not been ascertained beforehand. How he will manage to keep up what is called the dignity of the peerage, or enable his eldest son to keep it up, who, it would seem, is to marry a young lady without fortune, does not clearly appear. In any event the goverment could hardly have made a better selection for the purpose of honoring literature in that kind of way. It may be that no poet should be made a peer, but if any poet is to be made a peer, Tennyson is the man.-N. Y. Sun.

## A Dog of Remarkable Piety.

A peculiar dog is reported on the plantation of R. W. Jones, of the Warnerville District, near Meriwether. When the freedmen assemble in their cabins and sing sacred songs the dog stands in the door and testifies his delight by approving whines. When secular songs are being sung the dog drops his head and runs under the house. Sacred hymns in the field bring forth joyful whines, but worldly songs cause the canine to tuck his caudal appendage and scamper off in silent disgust .- Sarannah News.

# Career of a Grandson of one of Na-

poleon's Great Marshals. There is at present sojourning in San Francisco an artisan, not blessed with much of this workl's pelf, but who claims an interest in the estate of Count Napoleon Ney, Prince de la Moskowas and son of Marshal Ney, who died in Paris on October 13, 1882. His name is Emil Hugo Ney, and he was born in Koenigsburg, Prussia, about thirty-six yer s ago. His father, a younger son of the Marshal, was Frederick William Alexander Ney, who died when Emil was but two years of age. His father having married against the old Marshal's will, an estrangement ensued and there was but little intercourse between the two families. Young Ney, tiring of study and restraint, ran away from home when very young, and served two years as cabin boy. He then devoted three years to learning the trade of ship carpenter. He visited every land and clime and afterwards settled in South America, wandering from State to State. For four years he worked with Harry Meiggs, who made him foreman of a large force of men, when constructing his railroad in Peru. In 1875 he came to San Francisco, and has since remained on the coast, engaged in various occupations and callings. On hearing of the death of his uncle, he engaged au attorney to ascertain whether or not he was entitled to a share of his estate, and finally ascertained, through Minister Morton and Baron de Vatry, one of the Count's nearest relatives, that the entire estate had been bequeathed to his widow, and that the sons of an elder brother would be entitled to a preference. In spite of this discouraging reply, young Ney is still sauguine, and intends leaving for Paris shortly to look after his interests, believing that his relatives are still antagonistic to him and his interest, and

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