

Poetry.

Woman's Laugh.

I've pondered over every sound
Whose echoes thrill the soul,
I've searched those melodies profound
Whose numbers round me roll;

Odds and Ends

To give pain is the tyranny, to make happy
The true empire of beauty.

A slowness to applaud betrays a cold
temper and an envious spirit.

The manners which are neglected as small
things are often those which decide men
for or against you.

When a man has no design but to speak
plain truth, he may say a great deal in a
very narrow compass.

Be deaf to the quarrelsome, blind to the
corner, and dumb to those who are mis-
chievously inquisitive.

As yet one may do a casual act of good
nature but a continuation of them shows it
a part of the temperament.

Every fool knows how often he has been
a rogue; but every rogue does not know
how often he has been a fool.

Nothing so adorns the face as cheerfulness;
when the heart is in flower, its bloom
and beauty pass to the features.

If you would be known, and not known,
vegetate in a village; if you would know,
and not be known, live in a city.

An hour's industry will do more to beget
cheerfulness, suppress evil humours, and
retrieve your affairs, than a month's moaning.

We should give as we receive—cheerfully,
quickly, and without hesitation, for there is
no grace in a benefit that sticks to the
fingers.

Harmless mirth is the best cordial against
the consumption of the spirits; therefore
jesting is not unlawful, if it trespasseth not
in quantity, quality or season.

One of the ancient fathers said:—"A man
should be prepared for death the day before
it, as he does not know when that day
is, he should always be prepared."

To tell your own secrets is generally
folly, but that folly is without guilt; to
communicate those which we are en-
trusted is always treachery and treachery
for the most part combined with folly.

Never attempt to do anything that is not
right. Just as sure as you do, you will get
into trouble. If you even suspect that any-
thing is wrong, do it not until you are
sure your suspicions are groundless.

When we believe nothing but what we
could perfectly comprehend, not only our
stock of knowledge in all the branches of
learning would be shrunk up to nothing, but
even the affairs of common life could not be
carried on.

We are often infinitely mistaken and take
the falsest measures, when we envy the hap-
piness of richer and great men. We know
not the inward causer that eats out all their
joy and delight, and makes them really
much more miserable than ourselves.

SPANISH PROVERBS.—An ass covered with
gold is more respected than a horse with a
pack-saddle. A word and a stone thrown
away do not return. One thief makes a
hundred suffer suspicion. A rich widow
cries with one eye and rejoices with the
other. Would you know the value of money,
go and borrow some.

To husband strength, mental and physical
—to husband and govern power, passion,
every impulse and every attribute of our
nature, so that there may ever be with us
the reserve strength for use and enjoyment—is
one of the chief secrets of happiness. Ex-
cess in pleasure or employment is the bane
of life. To ston a little short of the point
of repletion is the golden secret.

If you Can't Praise your Neighbor,
Don't Name Him at all.

In our judgment of others, we mortals are
prone
To talk of their faults without heeding our
own;

And this little rule should be treasured by
all:
"If you can't praise your neighbor, don't
name him at all."

Men's deeds are compounded of glory and
shame.
And surely 'tis sweeter to praise than to
blame—
Perfection has never been known since the
Fall—
"If you can't praise your neighbor, don't
name him at all."

Remember, ye critics, the note and the
beam—
Pause in your fault finding and ponder the
theme—
Who has the least charity, quietest will
fall—
"If you can't praise your neighbor, don't
name him at all."

If we would but endeavor our own fault to
mend,
We'd have all the work to which we could
attend,
Then let us be open to charity's call—
"If you can't praise your neighbor, don't
name him at all."

Agricultural.

Feeding Sheep in Winter

In regard to feeding sheep in winter
Burdett Loomis, the well-known grower
of Cotswolds, states in Moore's Rural,
that he aims to supply his breeding ewes
daily with what is equivalent to one pint
of corn and a quart of coarse bran. He
regards the bran as a substitute for hay
and thinks it serves about the same pur-
pose that turnips do. If the ewes are
strong he decreases the quantity, and if
his mows are very low gives more bran
which he regards as cheaper than hay.
He sometimes substitutes oats, beans,
and occasionally a little oilcake for the
corn, and if some of his ewes are unusu-
ally thin, he pats them by themselves and
gives them a little stronger feed. His
ram and ewe lambs get about the same
feed, with two quarts of turnips
daily. He regards oats, with a little oil-
cake and bran, as better for lambs than
corn, as with this diet they make more
bone and muscle, and it is important that
sheep of the size and heavy fleece of
Cotswolds have something out of which to
grow carcass and wool.

How to avoid Wet Cellars.

An excess of water, or too much
dampness in some instances, arises from
surface water, and in others, from spring
veins that crop out in the cellar. In
many instances, when the excavation is
being made for a cellar, in a heavy,
springy ground, water veins are cut off
two or three feet below the surface of
the ground. When such is the case, the
water in those veins will be discharged
behind the cellar wall, and will settle
down and pass along on the surface of
the cellar bottom. Sometimes, however,
the veins of water are not reached till
the excavation is about completed. Then
when the water veins, which pass through
the body of a living animal, are filled
with water, the bottom of the cellar will
often be covered with water, even when
a good underdrain has been provided to
convey it away as soon as it has accumu-
lated in sufficient quantities to flow out
through the underdrain.

Now for the remedy. The correct
way to avoid a wet cellar is to lay a tile
drain entirely around the outside of the
excavation, nearly a foot lower than the
bottom of the cellar, before the founda-
tion walls are laid. But after an edifice
has been erected, and water appears on
the cellar bottom, the most satisfactory
way to render the bottom dry is to sink
the channel nearly a foot deep entirely
around the cellar close to the wall, and
lay a course of drain tiles in the bottom,
which will cut off all water veins, and
thus render the cellar quite dry, by con-
ducting the water into the tiles before it
can work along toward the middle of
the cellar.

Storing Winter Apples

A correspondent of the Laws of Life,
who claims to have had extended experi-
ence, is "decidedly of the opinion" that
apples keep far better when put into
close boxes or barrels, and secluded as
much as possible from the air. When
thus stored, he says they will come out
in the spring full and plump as when
taken from the tree. Many varieties, as
the Talman Sweet, Spitzenburg, and
other kinds that are not considered as
long keepers and shrivel badly, will do
well treated in this way. I have, he
continues, found universally, that they
keep better if you let them lie without
pecking over. It is much better to pile
them into a large bin across the cellar,
say six or seven feet high and four or
five feet wide, and cover them up tight,
than to lay them on shelves. I once saw
such a bin that a man had kept through
the winter.—About the first of April he
thought he would open the windows on
the side of the cellar next to the bin to
let in the air, that they might keep bet-
ter. I was at his place and he called my
attention to the fact. Two windows
just over the bin were opened about ten
days or two weeks, and the apples exactly
opposite the windows, about one-third
rotted for as much as a foot in depth,
and the remaining part on either side
were not rotted at all. Another in-
stance: A neighbor of mine had about
five-hundred bushels in a pile in a cellar.
As they became a little specked he com-
menced picking them over; and when
about half done, got tired, and concluded
to let them go. When marketed about
six weeks after, he found that about one
third of those picked over were not fit
for market, when all but one twentieth
of the others were good. "This I have
seen in numerous instances. If you
wish to try the experiment, make a box
as tight as a carpenter can make it, and
when picking from the orchard, fill it
and make it fast. Let it lie in the
orchard till it is in danger of freezing;
than put it in the cellar.—Put the same
quantity on shelves for trial. I am
pretty sure one experiment will convince.

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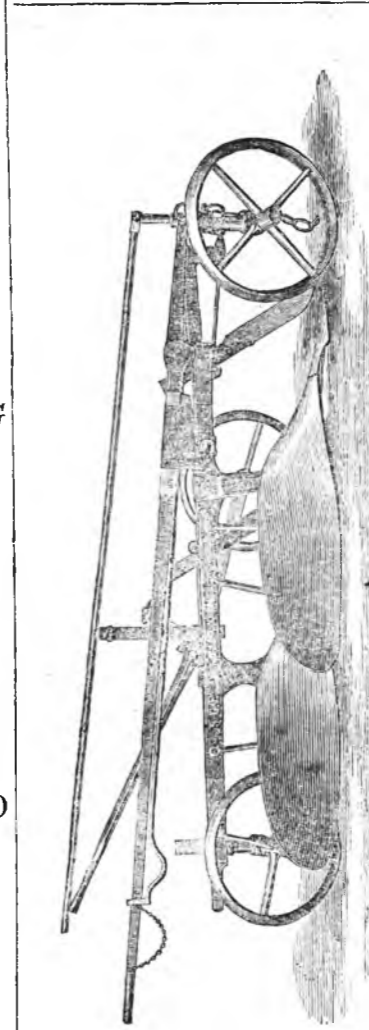
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