

ASPIRATION.

Day follows day, and night
to night is hung;
Year after year the sea-
sons madly roll,
Yet find me still no near-
er to my goal

Than when I roamed the flow-
ery hills among,
A free and happy child.
When I was young
Hope dwelt with me, and to
my yearning soul
Glad peans sung, now solemn
vespers toll
And Hope is dead, sweet Hope
to whom I clung.

Well for the slave who on-
ly asks for sleep,
The blessed sleep that is
too deep for dreams,
He nothing sees of sil-
ver ladders steep
Let down from heaven to
rivulets and streams.
And, seeing not, will nev-
er long to leap
Up to the light from which
the beacon gleams.

—Isabel Richey.

Millson—I understand that your hus-
band distinguished himself at the club
dinner last night.

Mrs. Stilson—Really? I marvel at
that, for, from all that I can gather, I
am sure he couldn't distinguish his
friends across the table after the fifth
course.

General Daniel E. Sickles, who was
one of several war generals who spoke
at the Lansing a few weeks ago, is an
object of constant interest to New
Yorkers. The papers never let him
alone. Town Topics says:

Frequenters of the Metropolitan opera
house and other halls of light have long
been familiar with the noble intellectual
beauty of Gen. Daniel E. Sickles, more
affectionately known as Dan'l of Posin'.
It would be impossible for the opera to
proceed without the presence and co-
operation of that illustrious warrior and
statesman. Few people care for the
opera. There is no admirer of beauty
and genius and true philosophic thought
who does not love to gaze upon the
shrinking but lovely form of Dan'l of
Posin'. Every heart jumps to the
mouth when the tap, tap of the hero's
crutches is heard, as he comes into the
show about fifteen minutes after it has
begun. He never comes in be-
fore for fear of attracting attention.
And between the acts how eagerly
are beautiful necks craned forward and
do beautiful eyes expand with interest
as the great ex-sheriff surveys and is
surveyed by the audience and hobbles
in and out as quiet as an earthquake.

Millbrook—Is it true that Highfly
girl has actually married a domine?

Max—She has gone herself one better
—she was a woman with a past and now
she is a woman with a pastor.

"Bess fell out with Arthur because he
kissed her."

"Are they friends now?"

"Yes, they kissed and made up."

Eve—Have another apple Adam.

Adam—No, thanks.

Eve—You might as well; we're in for
it anyway.

Father—That fellow that comes here
so often is a pretty cheap man.

Daughter—Then buy him for me
papa.

"I know a man who speaks eight lan-
guages."

"What a prize fighter he would
make!"

There may have been men of valor
who were content to prop themselves
up with a wooden leg, but I cannot but
think that they thereby innocently de-
frauded the public. A wooden leg is

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It is a proof of Dan'l
of Posin's thoughtful consideration for
the happiness of his countrymen that
he determined not to conceal from them
the evidences of his heroism. Those
who see him see a hero, and they know
him on sight. A single glimpse of him
is an education. Not all the charms of
the finest music sung by the heavenliest
and most expensive voices in the world
and illustrated by the choicest arts of
scenic decoration can equal in impres-
sive and elevating effect the sight of
Dan'l of Posin' coming triumphantly
into the opera house fifteen minutes
late, for the sake of avoiding notice. I
have been to the opera for many years
and my bosom ought to be steeled
against sentimental impressions, but I
can never hear or see that martial en-
trance without a quickening of the
pulse and a tear in the eye. There are
hundreds of thousands who, with me,
look forward to the opera season, not so
much from love of the music that is
heard from the stage and the orchestra,
as from their strong desire to hear and
see once more the ex-sheriff of New
York. He is music, both visible and
audible.



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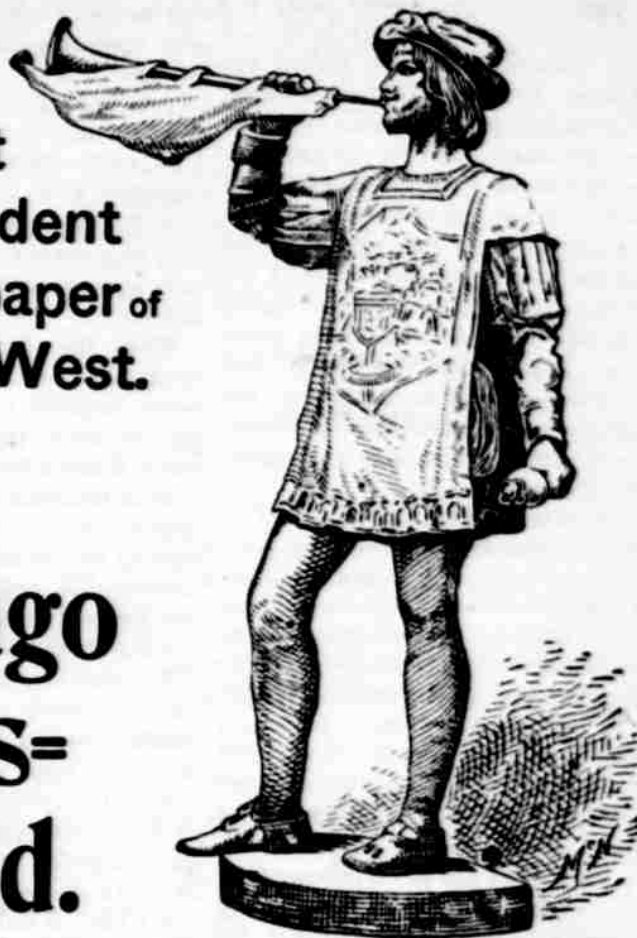
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