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SOUTHERN ORATORY.

Specimens of Flapdoodle and Gush over the "Lost Cause"—A Pernicious School-Book.

Chicago Times.

In one of Senator Blaine's last speeches in the Senate he made the assertion that the south had become so rabidly sectional that even her schoolbooks were specially prepared to keep up the anti-northern and anti-union feeling in the South. He hurriedly quoted from a book called "The Students' Hand-book of Selections and Oratory." This book was prepared by John G. James, superintendent of the Texas Military Institue at Austin. It is a book of 407 pages, and does not contain a selection from anything not written or spoken by a man of unquestioned Southern birth. Every author in the book is wholly unknown in literature. The only names that are known are where extracts are given from Southern congressmen's speeches. Nothing could show more clearly the intense narrowness and provincialism of the South than this collection of oratorical gush from nobodies, whose sole importance lies in the fact of their Southern birth. The fact that these same nobodies should be selected as literary model, when the great range of English classics is ignored, speaks volumes for the so-called Southern culture. The most objectionable feature of the book, however, aside from its setting false standards for style is the teaching that the war against the Union was a holy cause and one that may in the future have better hopes of success. Mr. Blaine in his hurried glance at the book passed over some of those precious teachings, the seed of future Southern sentiment. Here is one sample of this class of eloquence. It was uttered by John L. Girardeau upon the reinterment of the Carolina dead from Gettysburg. The following extract from what he said is handed down to Southern students for study:

The mournful office which has summoned us hither waits to be performed. Let us hasten to remove these relics of conquered patriots from a strange atmosphere less free than the air of a sepulchre. And if we abandon the last hope of maintaining their principles, if we are prepared to give up everything for which they died, let us discharge this office for them with the feelings of those who are interring their principles with their bones—of those who are solemnizing the funeral rites and burying the corpse of liberty. Let us place no emblems of hope above their heads, but, having in the silence of death stuck the last stroke of the spade upon their graves, retire from the scene as men withdraw from a field on which all has been lost. But if it be our determination that we will cease to cherish the sacred principles which these men consecrated with their blood only when we cease to live, then let us, comrades, with reverent mein and tender hands, consign all that remains of our brethern to the coveted resting-place in the bosom of their last sleep, let us bury with them every proposal to us to apostatize from their principles, every tendency even to compromise them, every desire to recover position, wealth or ease at the sacrifice of honor, virtue and truth. Let us lay them down in hope, and as each modest stone rears its head above them inscribe upon it a *resurgam*—the token of our faith that their principles now trodden into dust, will rise again, the symbol of our invincible resolution that these men shall not altogether have died in vain. Heroes of Gettysburg! champions of constitutional rights! martyrs for regulated liberty! once again farewell! * * * Rest ye here, soldiers of a defeated—God grant it may not be a wholly lost—cause! * * * * and hope kindling her torch at the fires that glow in your ashes will in its light look forward to a day when a people once more redeemed and enfranchised will confess your death was not in vain.

Robert Stiles, in a speech upon a Confederate decoration day, promises:

That we will teach our children and our children's children that these men fought and fell for the only principles upon which well regulated Christianity can ever be established.

William Prescot Johnson, in writing upon the subject of confederate dead, informs the youth of the South that:

They were the gayest and gallantest gentlemen that ever went down to battle, the stoutest soldiery that ever breasted the flood of death, and their cheer had a ring of victory in it that made the foemen's hearts to quail. * * * Woe to the enemy who urged too rashly their sullen retreat * * * * They met in the field the flower of the youth of every land, allured by the stipend of the North, and Celtic fire was quelled, Teutonic stubbornness was melted like wax and the well-knit phalanxes of the West were shattered by their blows * * * * They rank in history among the first for courage, endurance, discipline, cheerfulness, intelligence and humanity. This class of material runs throughout the book. It occasionally varied by gushing rhetorical flapdoodle, silly poetry, or absurd twaddle in the shape of unwholesome essays.

A Cure for Bronchitis and Consumption.

This receipe cured me of bronchitis and consumption two years ago. I was not able to sit up half a day, my cough being very severe, and my throat so raw I could not eat anything with salt in it. Twelve dollars worth cured me. I am perfectly well, do all of my housework, sewing, and take care of my children, weigh twenty-four pounds more than I did before I commenced using the medicine. It has not failed to cure any case if given a fair trial. Extract bloodgetti, three ounces; hypophosphites of lime and soda, one-half ounce; alantin (pura,) one dram; meconin (pura,) one-half scruple; extract cinchona, two drams; powdered sugar, one pound; pure port wine, one half pint; cold water, one quart. All of the powders and extracts should be thoroughly compounded and mixed well together; place in a bottle holding at least three pints; pour in half a pint of cold water; shake well; let stand five minutes; it will turn a bright red color; add the rest of cold water with sugar dissolved in it; last the wine, which must be pure; shake well; dose, four large tablespoonfuls a day, one before each meal and one before going to bed. The medicine must not be kept in a room where there is a fire. For asthma and bronchitis, crushed cubeb berries smoked in a pipe, swallowing a little of the smoke, effects great relief. I eat the unbrushed berries, swallowing the juice; it will help bronchitis in one day. Smoking the berries will cure the worst cases of catarrh. Cure for whooping-cough: One tablespoonful of clean pure tar, one pint of new milk; stir well; let stand two hours; pour off the milk; let the child drink it every hour; it will effect a cure in three days.—*Exchange.*

Oat-Meal.

Rural New-Yorker.

Mrs. J. B. P. asks to give some ways of cooking oat-meal.

Ans.—*For Mush*—To three quarts of boiling water allow a teaspoonful of salt and a quart of coarse meal; stir while the meal is poured in; let it stand where it will boil gently for 10 or 15 minutes, stirring frequently; then cover the kettle closely and set on the back of the stove to swell and steam for an hour, not stirring in that time. This may be eaten with salted milk, milk or cream and sugar, or fill a saucer nearly full of the mush and press into it ripe blackberries, peaches, pears, or any fruit, and eat with cream and sugar. This makes a very nice dessert.

OAT-MEAL PUFFS.

To a quart of sweet milk allow three well beaten eggs, two teacups and a half of oat-meal, one teacup and a half of Graham flour and a little salt; beat all thoroughly together and bake in hot gem irons.

OAT-MEAL CAKE.

To a pint of meal add enough water to make it stir like pancake batter, season with a little salt and bake in a shallow pan for 20 minutes in a hot oven.

OAT-MEAL JELLY.

Put half a pint of good oat-meal to soak over night in little less than a quart of water. In the morning drain through a sieve, pressing out all of the water, and to it add one pint and a half of hot water. Season with salt, boil up quickly, then set back to simmer ten or fifteen minutes. Pour into molds, and in half an hour it will be set sufficiently to turn out into saucers. Eat with cream and sugar. The success of this dish depends very much upon the quality of the meal.

OAT-MEAL PUDDING.

To a quart of milk allow four tablespoonfuls of Irish oat-meal, four teaspoonfuls of flour, and a little salt. Bring the milk to a boil—using a farina-kettle or a tin pail set into a kettle of boiling water—and stir in the meal and flour made smooth in cold milk. Stir constantly for fifteen or twenty minutes, then set back for fifteen minutes before turning out. Eat with cream and sugar.

We some days since quoted the remark of general Toombs to the effect that the United States Government was only a temporary concern at best. The interview in which Toombs made this remark receives the attention of the New Orleans *Times*, and Mr. Toombs is belabored with an energy that is pleasant to behold. Among the cuts and the thrusts is the following:

The remark of Mr. Toombs that the government of the Union "is only a temporary concern at best" only indicates that he has mistaken the beating of his own pulse for the throbbing of the heart of the American people. He says that he does "not like the General Government, and would not consent to serve it in any capacity." He therefore concludes that its dissolution is impending. He mistakes his own state of mind for the sentiment of his countrymen. His inconsequential reasoning and conclusion reminds us of the children's story of the young chick upon which the rose leaves fell. It ran to the hen crying: "The sky is falling!" "Why do you say so?" asked the elder. "Because, I saw it, I felt it, and a peice of it fell on my tail."

This is pretty good to come from a Democratic paper. But we remember that the *Times* was read out of the Democratic party last week.—*Inter Ocean.*

A Pueblo Indian considerably astonished the Inspector in San Ildefonso, N. M., by replying to his inquiry as to the crop prospects, "Ugh! muchee dam good crop, by God!"

A Woman Who Hid Her Diamonds.

The town of Stratford was thrown into a state of excitment on Saturday by the discovery that a case of diamonds were missing. It seems that Mrs. Gunther came from New York on Saturday to the house of Asa Curtis, her father, bringing with her a case containing a diamond ring and pin valued at $1,000. The jewels had been presented to her by her father-in-law, ex-mayor Gunther, of New York, and she was very careful of them. Upon retiring she placed the case in a bureau in her sleeping apartment, and when she looked for them next morning they were gone. A preliminary search of the house failed to discover the missing gems, and the theory of robbery was started. The police of Bridgeport were notified, and upon searching the house again the missing case and its contents were found in the covering of an old sofa. Mrs. Gunther is given to samnambulism, and in a fit of sleep walking Saturday night had taken the case from the bureau and thrust it into a hole in the sofa covering. She remembers nothing of the freak on awakening, of course, and was therefore as much mystified over the disappearance of the jewelry as any one. In a former fit of somnambulism some time ago she secreted a new silk dress in the attic, where it remained undiscovered for a year.—*New Haven Palladium.*

A lady furnishes the Kansas *Pilot* the following good conundrums:

Q. What two Letters express the most agreeable people in the world?

A. U and I.

Q. Why is the Letter "T" like matrimony?

A. It is the end of quie-t and the beginning of t-rouble.

Q. Why are Kisses like the Creation?

A. They are made of nothing and yet are very good.

Q. Why is a Weather Cock like Ambition?

A. It is a vane and glittering thing to a-spire.

Q. Who is the oldest Lunatic?

A. Time out of mind.

Q. What never asks questions, but requires frequent answers?

A. The front door Bell.

Q. What most frequently becomes a Woman?

A. A little Girl.

Q. Why is a Lawyer like a restless sleeper?

A. He lies first on one side, and then on the other.

Q. What is the difference between a Honey-Comb and a Honey-Moon?

A. One is composed of little Cells, the other is one Big Sell.

Q. Why is a Dog's Tail like a very old Person?

A. Because it is *In-firm.*

Q. A Boy said, "My Father has a Brother, but he is not my Uncle." How can you explain the contradiction?

A. The Boy Lied.

Q. What is the difference between Perseverance and Obstinacy?

A. One arises from a strong Will, and other from a strong Won't.

Q. Why is the Figure 9 like a Peacock?

A. It is Nothing (0) without its Tail.

Q. What is that which Adam never saw, and never possessed, and yet gave to each of his children?

A. Parents.

Q. Why do Women seek Husbands named William?

A. So they can have a Will of their own.

Q. What Rose is born to blush unseen?

A. Negroes.

Q. What is the difference between a Barber and a Mother?

A. One has Razors to Shave, and the other Shavers to Raise.

OLD HICKORY'S BLUFF WAY.—Long years after the capture of Stony Point, when Andrew Jackson was President, a visitor at the White House remarked that the Postmaster in his town (who "held over") was an enemy to the President—had even been heard to call him a "scoundrel"—and urged the removal of the ill mannered officer.

"What sort of a person is he?" inquired the President.

The visitor admitted that the Postmaster was an aged an honorable man, and incidentally remarked that he was one of the survivors of the battle of Stony Point.

"What" said the President, rising from his chair, "was he really with Anthony Wayne at Stony Point?"

"He certainly was," replied the visitor.

"Well. then," said Old Hickory, "by the Eternal! he has a perfect right to call me a scoundrel every day in the week, and to be Postmaster during his natural life."—*Hartford Post.*

A Baltimore inventor has a patent for a suit of flying clothes. By working the arms the man in the clothes mounts heavenward. Waterproof pantaloons and jacket are in one piece. To this is fastened a reservoir made of oiled silk, and stretching from shoulders to waist. To each arm is attached a wing made of silk, with steel ribs. After the mortal has essayed the flight of a bird and is high in the air, he hoists a sail. A mast four feet long is jointed with his back, and a triangular sail is set so as to be regulated by his feet. When the sail is raised the arms are motionless, and the gencleman in the air booms along like a centre-board yacht under a spanking breeze.

A contemporary asks: "How shall women carry their purses to frustrate the thieves?" Why, carry them empty. Nothing frustrates a thief more than to snatch a woman's purse, after following her a mile, and then find that it contains nothing but a recipe for spiced peaches and a faded photograph of her grandmother.

Holstein Cattle.

It may be as well to state the fact that our interest in the Holstein cow is purely on account of her superior excellence as a dairy animal, her economy as a feeder, her quality of readily fattening and making good beef, her docility, hardiness, and large size. We neither import, breed, nor deal in the breed. Believing in her superiority, we would have all dairymen believe in her too, for their own interest and the general benefit of the entire country. The Holstein excels the other breeds in quantity of product continued through a long time—often eleven months or more in the year.

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REMEDY FOR CANCER.—In preparing the remedy take equal parts of rosin, mutton-tallow and lard; melt and stir together; when partly cooled add a heaped teaspoonful of verdigris and stir well. Spread a plaster the size of the cancer with the salve, sprinkle on sulphate of zinc until the surface is about white, wash with castile soap and renew the plaster in from six to twelve hours. Continue until the cancer is killed or comes out, which will require from ten to twenty days. Then apply the salve without the zinc until the spot is healed.

This treatment kills the cancer and affects but slightly the sound flesh. None of the cancers so treated have appeared again, so far as I know, but all seem perfectly well.—*Cor. American Stockman.*

PURIFICATION.—A hater of tobacco asked an old negro woman, the fumes of whose pipe were annoying to him, if she thought she was a Christian.

"Yes, brudder; I specs I is."

"Do you believe in the Bible?"

"Yes, brudder."

"Do you know there is a passage in the Scripture which says that nothing unclean shall inherit the kingdom of heaven?"

"Yes, I've heard of it."

"Well, Chloe, you smoke, and you cannot enter the kingdom of heaven, because there is nothing so unclean as the breath of a smoker. What do you say to that?"

"Why, I specs to leave my breff behind when I go dar."

The parade made over the penitence and Christianity of Chastine Cox, and criminals of like character, is wholly disgusting. It is all right to attempt their reform, but boasting of results is nauseating. A clergyman who is writing up the new-found virtues in this murderer could be better employed. Christianity can gain no additional luster from this eleven-and-a-half-hour convert who moralizes behind jbars as he feels the hemp about his neck.—*Inter Ocean.*

HOLDING THE MIRROR UP TO HENDRICKS.—"No, no, no," stoutly ejaculated Mr. Hendricks, "I won't, I won't, I won't, and I won't, and there's and end of it. I will not do it, I won't accept, I shan't take the second place on anybody's ticket, I shan't do it, I won't, I won't, I won't. Say," he added coaxingly, after a resolute pause, "who's talking about me for the second place, anyhow? What do you reckon my chances are.—*Hawkeye.*

John Baker was indicted for murder in Guadalupe County, Texas, and released on bail. He employed his liberty in attending religious services, and became a real or pretended convert. He went to a Methodist camp meeting, and addressing the congregation, when a rifle ball penetrated his brain, and he fell dead. Some friend of his victim had fired from a distance with unerring aim.

Charles H. Stilly tramped into Reading, Pa., a few days ago, hungry, ragged and disconsolate. A year before, he had made the people of that city stare at his ways of squandering $20,000 that had been left him. On the latter visit he begged a meal at the hotel in which he had once occupied the finest apartments, and slept in a barn where he had previously kept his horses.

An inveterate old chicken thief in Alabama, who had a marvelous faculty of gliding out of a close corner, was at last caught in a close corner with a chicken in his hat. He denied the stealing of it, and on being asked how then it got into his hat, he solemnly said: "Dat, marster, is jes' what 'stonishes me; but fo' de Lord, I spec's it mus' hab crawled up my breeches leg!"

The superintendent addressed the Sunday school on obedience to the moral law, and urged the keeping and not breaking of the commandments, and to fasten the impression, asked: "Is anything better for being broken?" "Yes," said a little boy "a nag." The address proceeded no further.

A Maine political speaker mentioned somebody as a Shylock, and an auditor asked who Shylock was. "If you don't know," the orator scornfully replied, "you'd better go home and read your Bible."

A Utica sportsman returned from the Racquet river with a foot-stool, the legs of which are made from the legs of a deer with the hide on, the hoofs resting on the ground. When upholstered it will make a novel and pretty piece of furniture.

Just hold a bit, you Yankees, until we have kicked the dead and stinking carcass of Centralism back into the grave that was dug for it by the grand, old statesmen of 1783;

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Just hold a bit, and you will see our people closing the last free-school-house-door in sunny Southland;

Just hold a bit, and you will see more fun than a few.—*Okolona States.*

The old Cincinnati *Gazette*, not usually given to levity, abounds with mirthful paragraphs on the Conkling-Sprague affair.—*Pioneer-Press.*

Yes, it appears to have struck Deacon Smith and Wilbur Storey simultaneously in their weakest spot, and their great brains could not stand the pressure. Both are as frisky as young rams in early grass. They should hold a meeting and punch each other in the ribs. It is a case of revelry among the ancients.—*Inter Ocean.*

The real name of Miss Anna Oliver, the girl preacher of Brooklyn, is Anna Olivia Snowden. As her parents were opposed to her preaching she took the name of Anna Oliver, and after she had made a reputation under this name she would not abandon it, although her parents had then changed their minds.

"Have you tried electricity for your complaint, madam?" asked the minister as he took tea with the old lady. "Electricity!" said she. "Well, yes, I reckon I has. I was struck by lightning last summer and hove out of the window, but it didn't seem to do me no sort of good."

Gardening is regularly and practically taught in 20,000 primary schools in France. Every school house has its garden, and teachers must not only be good gardeners, but qualifid to teach horticulture, or they cannot pass examination.

The first speaker of the House of Representatives was also a Pennsylvania man. He was F. A. Muhlenberg, and he was speaker of the Third Congress also.

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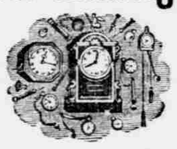

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