THE HERALD.

Three Portraits.

I.—A REFORMER.

With tangled beard and rolling eye,
He longs for something to defy.

To-night, in dictatorial state,
On marriage he will fulminate.

Next week, with oratoric hand,
He sweeps religion from the land.

But always his devotion hot
Befriends the workingman's low lot.

His little drudging, faded wife
Has clothed and fed him half his life.

And yet (ah, solve it, ye who can!)
His heart bleeds for the workingman!

II.—AN OLD BEAU.

How cracked and poor his laughter rings!
How dulled his eye, once flashing warm!
But still a courtly pathos clings
About his bent and withered form.

To-night, as mirthful music swells,
With wrinkled cheeks and locks of snow,
He meets the grandsons of the belles
He smiled on forty years ago!

We watch him here, and half believe
Our gaze may witness, while he prates,
Death, like a footman touch his sleeve,
And tell him that the carriage waits.

III.—A GRUMBLER.

For him no statesman thinks aright,
No painter charms; no poet glows;
The lily is a shade too white,
Inadequately red the rose;
And every scheme by which men live
Is valueless and tentative.

Such disapproval he reveals
Of all accepted laws and plans,
One almost fancies that he feels
Angry at fate's restricting bans,
Because he cannot rule alone
Some private planet of his own!

—Edgar Fawcett in the American.

A FAIR EXCHANGE.

BY F. G.

"Such heaps of them," said Phyllis, "and doing nobody any good!"

The golden summer sunshine was steeping all the uplands in yellow brightness, and the wild strawberries for which the Leigh woods are so famous came freighting the air with sweetness. Such strawberries too—great blooming masses of scarlet, outlined against their rank, green leaves, as if some enchanted hand had hung all the forest aisles with glittering pendants of amethyst.

"The jelly they would make!" pondered Phyllis, shading her large black eyes with one hand. "And the preserves. I really do think that when Hester took the cottage, we ought to have had the privilege of these woods into the bargain, more especially as Sir Edgar Leigh is abroad, and the fruit is doing nobody any good."

And pretty, wilful Phyllis drew a deep sigh, as the wind wafted a fresh gust of fragrance toward her—the sweet, indescribable aroma of ripening grapes in the crucible of sunshine.

She was a pleasant picture to gaze upon, fair as a lily, yet with laughing, sloe-black eyes, long-lashed and almond-shaped, a saucy, *retrousse* nose, and lips like a cleft rosebud. And as she stood there, with her dimpled hands interlaced above her eyes, a rebellious resolution formed itself in her heart.

"I will have them," she exclaimed with a determined air, "as well as the schoolboys and the sparrows. And if I were to ask that crusty old agent, I know he'd refuse, so I shall just omit the little ceremony."

And Phyllis went home to the little cottage on the edge of the wood, which had once been a porter's lodge to the Leigh estate, and told her sister what she had determined upon.

"Phyllis," said Hester Grant, who was ten years older than her sister, and a good many degrees graver, "pray don't think of such a thing."

"Why not?" said her sister.

"It would be stealing."

"No, it wouldn't," stoutly argued Phyllis. "There they grow, doing nobody any good; and it's a wicked, sinful shame! And Sir Edgar is in Paris, and that cross old crab of an agent sets up a cry, if one does but touch a sprig of leaves. No, Hester, it's no use arguing; the strawberries I want, and the strawberries I'll have!"

"I wouldn't," said Miss Grant.

"I would," said Phyllis.

And she took down a little wicker basket, with a twisted handle and a double lid, and tripped off.

"How are you going to get at them," said Hester.

"I shall climb over the hedge," said Phyllis.

"You?" cried Miss Grant.

"Yes, I!"

Whilst she was engaged gathering the scarlet spoils that grew ripe and tempting within her reach, there was a crackling of dry leaves under foot, and a tall young man, in a suit of dark-colored cloth and a Tyrolese hat, stepped lightly into the forest glade.

"It's the new curate," said Phyllis to herself. "To think that he should have blundered along at this very time of all others! But I may as well make the best of it."

And she turned round to greet the bewildered newcomer with a sweet smile and the utmost self-possession.

"Will you have some strawberries?" said she, holding out the twisted wicker basket.

"I—I beg your pardon!" stammered the stranger; "but I must have mistaken my way. I supposed these were the Leigh woods."

"So they are," said Phyllis; "and I am stealing the strawberries—because, you see, we—my sister and myself—have rented the little cottage yonder, and I really think the strawberries ought to go with the cottage—don't you?"

"Really," said the stranger—Phyllis had perceived by this time that he was tall and straight, with pleasant hazel eyes, and a long, silky moustache—"I know so little about the property here ——"

"Oh, of course not," said Phyllis, sitting down on a fallen tree, with her little apron full of ripe fruit. "But I can tell you. Sir Edgar Leigh is such a cross old judge that one can't ask for so much as a bunch of wild flowers—a regular crab, you know!" opening her bright eyes very wide, to emphasize the idea.

"How very disagreeable," said the stranger, who had taken a seat on the mossy log, beside Phyllis, and was eating strawberries as if it were the most natural thing in the world.

"So I just made up my mind to help myself," said Phyllis.

"So I perceive," said the hero of the silky moustache.

"Wouldn't you, if you were in my place?" said Phyllis.

"Certainly I would," said the gentleman, "and, if you will allow me, I will help you to help yourself."

"But you haven't time," objected Phyllis, dubiously.

"Oh, yes, I have," said the stranger, "plenty of time, I assure you. I was only crossing the woods to call on the new curate, and——"

The basket slid to the ground, as Phyllis started up in amazement and dismay.

"Oh, dear," cried she. "I thought you were the new curate."

The stranger laughed.

"Do I look so very clerical?" said he.

"Then you are the agent's son from London?" she said. "Oh, dear! oh, dear! And I've been calling your father a crab, and all sorts of names. Oh, dear! I beg your pardon, I am sure, but all the same he is a crab!"

"Pray don't distress yourself," soothed the stranger. "I am no relation at all to Sir Edgar's agent."

Phyllis brightened up a little at this.

"I'm thankful for that," said she. "And now, if you'll help me with the strawberries, we can get them all gathered before the agent comes this way on his afternoon walk. Can you pick them?"

"I should rather think I could," promptly answered the gentleman.

Phyllis clapped her plump little hands in delight, as the huge bunches rained into her apron.

"There," cried she, "that's enough!"

"Are you quite sure?"

"Oh, quite," answered Phyllis; "for jelly and preserves, and to send a lot to market to buy my new bonnet-strings."

"Then it's all right," said the stranger. "And we've out-generaled Sir Edgar Leigh and his cross old agent after all."

"Haven't we?" said Phyllis, with her black eyes dancing with mischief. "And now, if you'll come home with me, I'll give you a cup of tea and a slice of home-made cake."

"I shall be very happy to carry your basket for you," said the stranger, courteously.

"There he is now," said Phyllis, recoiling a little, as they neared the tiny cottage, with its drooping eaves and vine-covered porch.

"Who?" asked the gentleman.

"The agent."

"He can't hurt us," said the stranger.

And he walked boldly into the very presence of Mr. Macpherson, with the basket of plundered strawberries on his arm; while Phyllis followed, much marvelling at his valor.

But, instead of bursting out into invective, the agent sprang to his feet, and began bowing and scraping obsequiously.

"Really, Sir Edgar," said he, "this is a pleasure that I didn't expect."

"Sir Edgar!" stammered Phyllis, in affright.

"I beg a thousand pardons for not disclosing my identity before," said the handsome "incognito." "But you've no idea how I have enjoyed this little masquerade. Will you allow me to introduce myself formally at last?"

Phyllis turned crimson and pale.

"But I've been stealing your strawberries?" said she.

"Every fruit or flower on my estate is at your service," said the young heir, with a bow and a smile.

But, when he went away, Hester took her younger sister formally to task.

"Phyllis," said she, "aren't you ashamed?"

"Not a bit," said Phyllis, valiantly.

"Stealing fruit like a schoolboy, and romping like a child," remonstrated Hester.

"If Sir Edgar don't mind it," said Phyllis, "why should I? And we're going to the Haunted Spring to-morrow, and I shall show him the Rocky Glen. Oh, I can tell you, Hester, it's great fun!"

But, as time crept on, Miss Grant grew more uneasy still.

"Phyllis," said she, "you must leave off flirting with Sir Edgar Leigh."

"Why?" asked Phyllis.

"Because you are poor, and he is rich; and people are beginning to talk."

"Let 'em talk," said Phyllis. "We are to be married next month, and then we can set the whole world at defiance, and Hester—" hiding her face on the elder sister's shoulder.

"Well?"

"He says he fell in love with me that day he caught me stealing his strawberries."

"Humph!" said Hester. "Well, he's stolen your heart, it appears, so I don't see but that you're quits!"

The Prince of Wales' Cab.

The Prince of Wales, says the London World, has taken very much of late to a private hansom. He attended the last Sandown meeting in it both days; and while the Prince deserves credit, I think, for adopting a mode of conveyance so sensible and unostentatious, the cab itself is worthy of notice, for it is an embodiment of comfort and good taste. By a simple application of the lever principle the driver from his seat behind can shut and open the doors as required. In addition to large side-windows, two large windows in the back of the cab permit the occupant to cast a Parthian glance behind when need be; and a traveling clock, with a luminous dial-face in the center of the splash-board, prevents the necessity of unbuttoning the greatcoat to have recourse to a watch. I only hope his royal highness will pick up Sir Edmund Henderson one day, and show him what cabs might and should be. The Prince's cab is by no means expensive, and is strongly built, though light and handsome.

A Tip-Top Hotel.

The following notice is posted up in the hall of the "Desert House" hotel, Green River City, Wyoming Territory. —"This hotel has been built and arranged for the special comfort and convenience of summer boarders. On arrival, each guest will be asked how he likes the situation; and, if he says the hotel ought to have been placed up upon the knoll or further down towards the village, the location of the house will be immediately changed. Corner front rooms, up only one flight, for every guest. Baths, gas, hot and cold water, laundry, telegraph, restaurant, fire-alarm, bar-room, billiard-table, daily papers, coupe, sewing-machine, grand piano, and all other modern conveniences in every room. Meals every minute, if desired, and consequently no second table. English, French, and German dictionaries furnished every guest, to make up such a bill of fare as he may desire, without regard to the bill-affair afterwards at the office. Waiters of any nationality and color desired. Every waiter furnished with a libretto, button-hole bouquet, full-dress suits, ball-tablets, and his hair parted in the middle. Every guest will have the best seat in the dining-hall and the best waiter in the house. Any guest not getting his breakfast red-hot, or experiencing a delay of sixteen seconds after giving his order for dinner, will please mention the fact at the office, and the cooks and waiters will be blown from the mouth of the cannon in front of the hotel at once. Children will be welcomed with delight, and are requested to bring hoop-sticks and haw-keys to bang the carved rosewood furniture especially provided for that purpose, and peg-tops to spin on the velvet carpets; they will be allowed to bang on the piano at all hours, yell in the halls, slide down the banisters, fall down-stairs, carry away dessert enough for a small family in their pockets at dinner, and make themselves as disagreeable as the fondest mother can desire. Washing allowed in rooms, and ladies giving an order to 'Put me on a flat iron' will be put on one at any hour of the day or night. A discreet waiter, who belongs to the Masons, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, and who was never known to even tell the time of day, has been employed to carry milk-punches and hot toddies to ladies' rooms in the evening. Every lady will be considered the belle of the house. The office-clerk has been carefully selected to please every body, and can play draw-poker, match worsted at the village store, shake for the drinks at any hour, day or night, play billiards, good waltzer, and can dance the German, make a fourth at euchre, amuse children, is a good judge of horses, as a railway and steamboat reference is far superior to Appleton's or anybody else's guide, will flirt with any young lady, and not mind being cut dead when 'pa comes down;' can room forty people in the best room in the house when the hotel is full, attend to the annunciator, and answer questions in Hebrew, Greek, Choctaw, Irish, or any other polite language at the same moment without turning a hair. Dogs allowed in any room in the house, including the w(a)sh room. The proprietor will always be happy to hear that some other hotel is 'the best house in the country.' Special attention given to parties who can give information as to 'where those things are done in Yosemite.' The livery connected with the establishment is complete in all its details. Our horses, all ... trot to the wire in mile ... Fine ... furnished ... and ... with ... and harness ... of all descriptions ... to suit ... the most fastidious. Footmen and drivers uniformed and can converse on any subject, a classical education being made a condition of service. The proprietor will take it as a personal affront if any guest on leaving should fail to dispute his bill, tell him he is a swindler, the house a barn, the table wretched, the wines vile, and that he, the guest, will never be induced upon ... to ... his friends."

Legislative Doings.

EDUCATIONAL.

There are ten bills before the house, containing various reforms in our system of education and propositions for its enlargement. Two of these bills propose the erection of additional normal schools, one by Hon. Geo. W. Brown, which proposes the establishment of a normal school at Albion, Boone county, at a cost not to exceed $10,000 for building and $2,000 for the furniture; another, introduced by Hon. C. C. Wyatt, locates an additional normal school at Norfolk, Madison county, at a cost not to exceed $15,000. There is a bill by Mr. Windham authorizing school boards to admit non-resident pupils at a fixed rate of tuition, also authorizing owners of real estate adjoining the district in which they reside to send pupils to an adjoining district. There is a bill introduced by Mr. Slocumb, which provides for compulsory education and requires parents, guardians and other persons having control of children between the ages of eight and sixteen to cause such child to attend some public or private school at least twelve weeks in each year; six weeks, at least, shall be consecutive. This bill authorizes, in lieu of school attendance, sixteen weeks of home instruction. [If this clause is adopted the whole bill might as well be put in the waste-basket]. The penalty for violation of this compulsory school law is a fine of one dollar for each week in which the parent or guardian fails to comply with the conditions. There are bills, one by Mr. Mickey and the other by Mr. Whedon gotten up in the interest of parties who bought school bonds, which by these bills are to be legalized where any defect or irregularity exists. There is one bill by Mr. Hick, authorizing the officers of county, township and precinct school districts to compromise their indebtedness and issue new bonds.

QUACKERY AND BODY-SNATCHING.

Mr. Windham has introduced a bill that legalizes the dissection of all bodies of criminals executed by law and of all unclaimed paupers. These bodies may be turned to any medical school, physician or surgeon for the purpose of scientific investigation. Section four of this bill makes it unlawful for any person to disinter any corpse except on the order of a judge of the court of record, where said disinterment is demanded for the purpose of removing the remains to another burying ground, or in case of criminal prosecution, while suspicion of violence or poison exists. The penalty for violating this act is from one to three hundred dollars fine or confinement in county jail from three months to one year. [This penalty for body-snatchers is too light. It ought to be made a penitentiary offense.]

Mr. Correll's Equal Suffrage Bill.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Nebraska.

SEC. 1. That the following amendment to article VII, section 1, entitled "Rights of Suffrage," of the constitution of the state of Nebraska, shall be submitted to the electors of this state for their adoption or rejection in accordance with the provisions of article fifteen of the constitution of this state, viz.:

Article VII, rights of suffrage. SECTION 1. "Every person of the age of twenty-one years or upwards, belonging to either of the following classes who shall have resided in this state six months, and in the county, precinct, or ward, for the term provided by law shall be an elector.

First. Citizens of the United States.

Second. Persons of foreign birth who shall have declared their intention to become citizens conformably to the laws of the United States, on the subject of naturalization, at least thirty days prior to an election."

SEC. 2. The counting, canvassing, and return of the votes upon said proposed amendment shall be made by the same officers and in the same manner as now provided by law in the election of state officers.

SEC. 3. At said election the ballots shall be of the following form:

"For the proposition to amend the constitution relating to the rights of suffrage."

"Against the proposition to amend the constitution relating to the rights of suffrage."

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GOOD COMPANY,
NUMBER SEVENTEEN.

Good Company, (Springfield, Mass; $3.00 a year), Number Seventeen, contains an installment of *Rose and the Doctor*, the serial by Ellen W. Olney, which will be found of marked interest and in which the "ploy thickens." There is the usual full complement of fiction complete in the number. Two of the sketches are about the experience of an investor in Arizona mines, and Achmet, an Egyptian lady's maid. Mr. John Burroughs has a collection of brief papers on several topics.

The more substantial material includes the substance of a paper on the higher education of women which was read at Smith College by President D. C. Gilman of Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore; an article on *Ireland and Irishmen* by Rev. Dr. G. H. Hepworth, one of the committee for the distribution of the *New York Herald* relief fund in Ireland; a graphic summary of the career of the African explorer Henry M. Stanley; and a paper showing up some of the abuses connected with patents and the United States patent right laws.

Of special timeliness are *Winter* by E. S Gilbert and an article on George Eliot.

"Tell the Gentleman Yes."

A Louisville newspaper tells a curious story about a gentleman who proposed at a dinner party to the lady who is now his wife. He had been a lover for some time, but never quite persuaded himself up to the point of popping the question. During the eventful dinner he learned from the person sitting next him that a rival intended that evening to make an attack upon his Dulcinea's heart. She was sitting some distance from him at the table, and the rival was at her side. He was equal to the emergency, however, for, tearing a half-leaf from his note-book, he wrote upon it:

"Will you be my wife? Write your answer, yes or no, upon this paper, and return it to me."

Calling a waiter, the ingenious lover sent the missive to the lady in blue at the end of the table—to be very careful. The servant did as directed, but the lover in his anxiety forgot to send his pencil. The lady had presence of mind, however, and, tucking the note in her bosom, said to the waiter:

"Tell the gentleman yes."

A fox with a pack of hounds after it recently ran ... by the side of the ... of the Midland railway, England, and darted across the line at a point where ... The hounds were in hot pursuit, and at the moment of their crossing the rails an engine and ... at full speed approached. The ... was immediately reversed, but not before it had run among the pack killing one of the dogs and injuring others.

It is now proposed to grow fruit trees for timber, as there is great demand for some kinds. Cherry wood by the cabinet makers, pear by the millwrights, and apple wood by the makers of wooden ware and mallet heads, are the most used.

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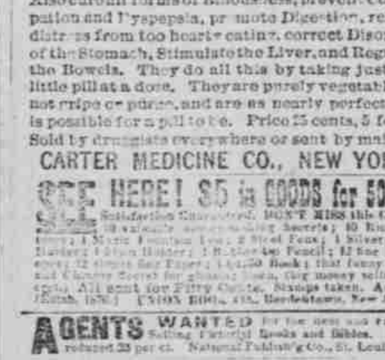

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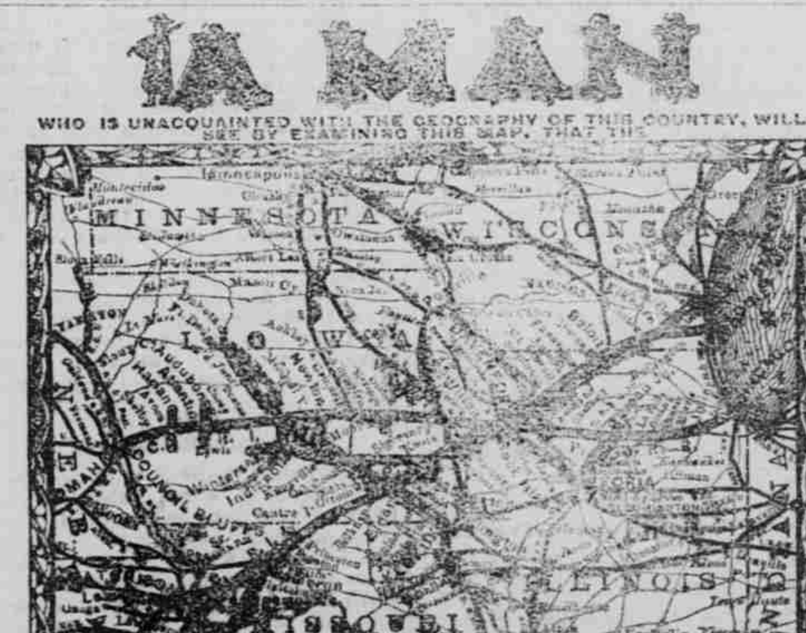

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