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WHOLE NO. 871.

JENNIE.

The war! my gang boots over head, An' kings may turn the yoman, Miers may a forget the greed, An' axes may the stormmen.

Her heart I won when it was new, An' her wee wee she led me, An' I manna say an' cheer'd me, An' I manna say an' cheer'd me.

It has been up'd a' our days, But she when could care sheared me My lass, w' her widdow way, Shoo'd by my side an' cheer'd me; An' I manna say an' cheer'd me, An' I manna say an' cheer'd me.

Some day, an' Death, the orn loon, Will grin in both our faces, But w' I ken he canna' droon My lass's modest graces, I'll waiger my soul an' cheer'd me, An' I manna say an' cheer'd me.

Bye, when we cross the Jordan's tide, An' I'll be there to greet ye, An' I'll be there to greet ye, An' I'll be there to greet ye.

A PERIPATETIC PHILOSOPHER.

A. Bronson Alcott's Early Life—One of the Most Unpleasant of Mortals.

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It has recently been shown that in parts of Chili where European trees and plants have been introduced the native flora is actually disappearing and the introduced vegetation is flourishing in its place.

There is a hairpin factory over on the hill in Brooklyn where hairpins are made by the barrel from one year's end to the other.

There are in Prussia 24,015 male and female convicts engaged in about twenty industries, among which are tobacco, bookbinding, shoemaking, carpentering, weaving, sailmaking, basketmaking and woodworking.

Experts in cryptography are no longer contented with much accounts in court cases. It is an avowed fact that two out of about every 100 people write so near alike that one hand is a forgery of the other.

Some one of a statistical turn of mind has figured out that it costs \$92,600 per hour to govern France to-day, or twice as much as under Napoleon III.

HOW EXPLORERS ARE SURPRISED.

Remarkable Discoveries that Some of Them Have Recently Made.

It happens now and then that an explorer makes a sensational and wholly unexpected discovery.

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