

POETRY OF THE TIMES.

Leap Year. Listen to the madman's sighs, Through the living day; How their weary, lingering sighs Wear the time away...

BILL BOWKER'S TRIUMPH.

THE BLESSED END OF A COLLIER'S COURSHIP.

William descended to the pump in the back yard, and had a wash in the half pint of 4 o'clock, and Selina got out of bed to look up peeps at him through her tears...

The sun that shined so bright above, Knows much about my night's rest; The bit that shines in Wigmore's lace, Brings nothing to my heart but pain...

William's nose is in the right. It is a very dismal thing to the wounded heart, grown egotistic through its pain; that nature should seem out of sympathy with it...

"Where is it?" "At the Strip-and-at-it," some familiar voice cried out as the struggling crowd swept by.

"What is it?" he cried again "Shaft on fire," cried another voice in answer; and in a second the street was clear.

He caught the little shriveled figure in his great arms as though the old woman had been a baby, and dashed on again. As he tore the roll of iron, there belched and volleys of rolling smoke. There were hundreds and hundreds of people already crowded upon the pit mound and about the shaft...

made for offices, and found there in a group a number of hand-shipped machines of metal, each having a small hose and a pumping apparatus attached to it.

An Amateur Skater. Should your sweetest show a movement That is odd, eccentric, queer, Should she describe a sudden curving, With a rapid "hook" to rear?

GEN. LEE'S SURRENDER.

The White Flag at Appomattox and How it Was Greeted by the Army of Northern Virginia.

Gen. Grant's Reception of Gen. Lee-The Armies Fraternizing.

Philadelphia Times. On the morning of April 2, 1865, it was obvious that something quite out of the ordinary routine had happened, and it was in the direction of General Lee's headquarters, which were at a house about a mile west of Petersburg.

I was very much struck with his calmness on this trying occasion, and have often remembered it since as a remarkable proof of the extraordinary fortitude and equanimity of his character. He was standing in the midst of a group of officers on the lawn of the house where he had his headquarters, looking through his field glass at a federal brigade or division advancing at a double-quick to charge a battery posted on a knoll about three hundred yards to the right of the house.

On the morning of what a rhetorical writer would be apt to call the "fatal day" I rode up to Appomattox Court-house, which is a village on a hill, with the natural curiosity to find what was going to take place. It was certain that the events of this forenoon would decide everything, as Appomattox was, in military phrase, the "defile" through which the confederate must pass to their safety or destruction. A heavy federal force, whether infantry or cavalry was not known, was in front, and the decisive moment had come.

"Never mind," I said to him, "there is no use looking for it now. The army is not surrendered. It is certainly never used the expression of his face or the tone of his voice when he replied to me." "Surrendered!" he exclaimed, looking at me with a sudden haggard expression in his eyes.

"I have fought through the war together. I have done my best for you. My heart is too full to say more." LEE AND MEARD. Afterward it is said that the troops

reached around and kicked his brains out. Follows are beginning already to think up good resolutions for the new year. Somewhere in this style might suit the occasion: Resolved, That I will make love to no girl whose parents keep a bull-dog.

The men of the Southern army went quietly home through the wasted fields, not crying over what was irremediable, or having the least intention of living in disorderly lives, becoming outlaws, or keeping up a hopeless conflict.

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The number of churches belonging to the Philadelphia Baptist association is 83, of which several are colored. There are 79 edifices with 29 chapels. The value of these houses is almost \$2,000,000. They are provided with 42,333 sittings.

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Eighteen years ago the first Protestant church of Brazil was organized in Rio Janeiro with two members. Since then more than 3000 persons have joined this church, and churches have been planted in different parts of the empire.

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By the summary of the growth of the Congregational churches presented at the annual meeting at St. Louis, it appears that 350 new Congregational churches have been organized, and 169 dropped from the roll, making the net gain 181, and the total number of churches in the country now 3674, with a membership in full of 389,920, and a gain in three years of 17,325.

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The late Congregational national council at St. Louis, Mo., the Rev. Joseph Ward, of Dakota, read a memorial from the missionaries of that territory protesting against the present Indian policy of the United States government, as farming out to the Roman Catholic and Episcopal churches all religious rights in Dakota, which enables those churches to practically take possession of all the work of the denominations which started missions many years ago.

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The Second Presbyterian church of Chicago has called the Rev. John MacIntosh, of Belfast, Ireland, at a salary of \$3,000 a year. The committee who chose him think it necessary to offer the following explanation: "We canvassed the country to find an American-born and American-educated minister to present as the candidate for the pastoral office of the church, and on whom the church could unite, but could not find the suitable person for the place who would or could be moved. Mr. MacIntosh, whom we recommend to you, is a native born American, of Scotch parentage and Irish education, and this means a thoroughness of education that qualifies him to fill any pulpit in the land."

PEPPERMINT DROPS.

Some men are called muffs because they are used to keep a firt's hand in.—[Buffalo Courier.]

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A new use for oleomargarine has been discovered. For making a girl's bang stick, it is far superior to genuine butter.

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The New Orleans Ployeune says: "Winking photographs are made to look so naturally that 'some of them are liable to be used for breach of promise.'" This is a joke, however.

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An Ohio man, ambitious to be president, has met with a sad misfortune. Encouraged by Garfield's success, he hired out as a sailor on a canal boat, and had just succeeded in getting the mules started when one of them

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It was in a San Francisco restaurant, the other night, that a waiter was apologizing to a guest for the dilapidated state of his apron. "Don't mention it," replied the customer, sadly, "I don't mind the holes in the apron, but the butter combing is always sure to be clean."

Those are cute fellows, those New York sharpers. One of them advertised that he could cure a turn-up nose, and would send directions to all who would forward a dollar. A lady sent this amount, and was told to reply to employ a blacksmith to hit her nose on the end with a sledge hammer.

THE ORIGINAL BRIGGS HOUSE I

Cor. Randolph St. & 5th Ave. CHICAGO ILL. The best way to procure a pot large enough to hold all the plants, and pitch 'em in, cover with dirt and set the pot in one corner of the yard until spring time comes again, gentle Annie. Every plant may be as dead as Julius Caesar; but this is better than to carry \$5 worth of plants in the garage in the fall and best of \$50 worth of labor and attention on them during the winter.—[Norristown Herald.]

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