

By ELIAS AKONNETTE.

I've looked in silence on the night.
Until my soul's glow with high and holy thoughts.

But when the dawn's light
I see the stars that shed their lambent rays around.

And but the dim reflex of a God that made
The dazzling radiance of whose brow
Not even the best of old
Could look upon and live.

The inspiration that spalled
By gazing on these heavenly lights
Were not the pure and gentle rays
So meet to rest upon a woman's brow.

Fame, that "calls itself a star,"
Revered held aloft,
Alluring me to grasp and grasp;
And, as I looked, I saw the glare and glitter
Of its maddening light,
Lighted up an spot alone,
And that the topmost rock.

That pointed upon a gliding steep.
To every inmate sense of what it meant with travelers
Some pressed on with proud exultant mien,
All conscious of the strength possessed,
While others walked with slow and laboring step,
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That first had urged them up the rugged height.

Some walked in paths befrenzed with blossoms sweet,
And these were paths that were not plucked.
The sweetest breeze that blew all day,
While wandering on their upward way.
Women were there, and most (not all, thank God)
Had put aside the graceful garb,
With flashing eyes and shameless fronts,
These mately mingled with the rushing throng,
Seeking to gain the wished for light.

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Then the wild bounding of my heart grew still,
And I knew with pain and brain inquietude.

Then I knew that loud hosannas hymned by myriad
In praise of fellow-men, would never fit a soul
To seek the presence of his God; for each,
When forced the path lead, were an anguished brow.

West maddly cursing, as the glory crown well grasped,
From hope's fruition quick away,
Some who had thought one struggle more
Should lift them to the long-sought rock,
Made wild appeals in passion's thrilling words,
To rest upon it ere they died.

Then with bitter pang, and the full-worn road,
Which called them while they still were fresh,
And while the breeze which fanned their brows,
Seemed waiting them to follow in its upward course.

Then in this building of my heart there rose,
Steadfast and strong its tenant soul,
Resolving while on earth it staid
To walk within the lonely winding trail of Duty.

And seat upon its throne the God that leads to God.

Shipwreck off Cape Horn.

From the New York Times of the 30th ult. we extract the following:

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THE FOURTH AT PASS CHRISTIAN.

A GREAT TIME AMONG THE MILITARY.

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THE TARGET SHOOTING.

At ten o'clock the companies reassembled, in fatigue dress, and marched out to the pine and oak grove, back of the hotel, to join in a friendly target contest for the prizes of the day; a beautiful silver-mounted musket, offered by Mr. John McDonnell (not as host of the hotel, but as an individual member of the Continental Guards) to the company doing the best average shooting. The musket was valuable, and so much for the silver upon it, as for its historical interest. It was borne through the bloodiest battles of the Mexican war, in the Palmetto Regiment; and its first owner dying honorably with it in his grasp, it passed through other hands, and finally became the property of Mr. McDonnell, who, at his own expense, had it richly and handsomely mounted in silver. Such a prize was worth contending for, and each of the three companies seemed animated by the highest desire to win it. A large concourse of spectators assembled to see the shooting, the ladies being present in strong force.

As the companies were unequal in number, it was a nice point to settle how the difference should be fairly adjusted, so as to allow every man on the ground a chance for the prize and the honor of his company. After consultation, it was agreed to leave the matter to a committee of six, two on the part of each company. The committee was composed as follows: List. Homer, of the Alabama Artillery, and G. W. Hinson, Esq., for the Washington Artillery; Col. Labazan, ex captain of the Continentals, and Lieut. James, of the Washington Artillery, for the Continental Guards; and Mayor Smith and Lieut. Merriam, of the Continentals, for the Alabama Artillery.

The committee reported the following arrangements, which were agreed to all round: The distance to be sixty yards; the bull's eye and ring of the Alabama target to be reduced to an exact equality with those of the other targets; the Washington Artillery, numbering 41 muskets, to fire three rounds, or 123 shots in all; the Continental Guards, numbering 28 muskets, to fire 10 of the number by lot, to fire each three shots more; the Alabama Artillery, numbering 37 muskets, to draw 7 of their number by lot, to fire each three shots more; all in order to give the less numerous companies an equal number of shots with the Washington Artillery. The drawing of both the short companies, for the extra shots, resulted in the election of some good and some bad marksmen. Which company, if either, had the advantage in the result of the drawing, we did not ascertain. The grove and target being ready, the three companies could not all shoot at once. By agreement, the Washington Artillery and the Continental Guards cracked away simultaneously at their targets, separate about a hundred and fifty yards; the Mobilis waiting in the shade of a break, and amusing themselves in all sorts of ways, to kill time. When the two first companies got through, the Mobilis took the ground and cracked away at their target; and the other companies accordingly waiting about the Washington Artillery and the Continental Guards cracked away simultaneously at their targets, separate about a hundred and fifty yards; the Mobilis waiting in the shade of a break, and amusing themselves in all sorts of ways, to kill time. When the two first companies got through, the Mobilis took the ground and cracked away at their target; and the other companies accordingly waiting about the Washington Artillery and the Continental Guards cracked away simultaneously at their targets, separate about a hundred and fifty yards; the Mobilis waiting in the shade of a break, and amusing themselves in all sorts of ways, to kill time.

We are not numerous enough to tell whether any particular advantage was derived by any company in their manner of loading the guns; but we noticed that each company loaded differently. The Washington Artillery loaded, each man his own gun, with the ordinary cartridges of the U. S. Army. The Continental Guards, by the captain, by the company man, an experienced gunner, who used powder, ball, and kid-skin packing. The Alabama Artillery loaded, each man his own gun, with powder, ball, and cotton-packing. The Alabamians had a black target with white markings, which some seemed to consider an advantage over the other targets, which were white with black markings; but we were unable to discover how that could be an advantage, the bull's eye being equally visible on all the targets. We are thus particular, because a high interest was taken in the shooting, and every possible point was taken up and discussed by the spectators on the ground and afterward. It was late in the afternoon when the Alabamians got through, and all fell in line and took up the march for quarters, to dress in full uniform, for dinner. The result of the shooting was reviewed by the judges, for announcement in the evening.

THE DINNER - A QUICK SALUTE.

The dinner was a sumptuous affair, and passed off as might have been expected with such a crowd of men in such a place as the Pass Christian Hotel, on such a day as the Fourth of July. At the close, the ordinary patriotic toasts were quaffed with the honors, and the compliments of the day flew thick and fast among the officers of the companies and their guests. Immediately after dinner, the captain of the Continental Guards, and the captain of the Mobilis, and the captain of the Alabama Artillery, were invited to the Pass Christian Hotel, to give a public display of fireworks in front of the hotel; the preparations of the Alabamians for departure; and the preparations at the hotel for the ball given by the proprietors.

DEPARTURE OF THE MOBILIS.

The Mobilis, having made arrangements not to stay over the Fourth, would not remain; and at ten o'clock they took up their line of march for the great boat, accompanied by a large escort of other companies, and landed their baggage and all necessary furniture of rockets and other fireworks. At the wharf the long talking was so cordial that a number of the Washington Artillery were carried off, and the boat had to return to the wharf with them; one was carried away after, but was sent back from Mobile, right side up, with care, in time to rejoin his comrades on their return home.

THE BALL, ETC.

The ball meantime was in progress at the hotel, and lasted a late hour; there being many beautiful ladies present, a glorious dance by the dancing part of the assembly, and a magnificent supper set out by the proprietors of the hotel. The enjoyment appeared to be high and universal. After the supper, we concluded we had had enough of the Fourth, glorious as it was, and went in search of "tired nature's sweet restorer, balmy sleep."

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Local Intelligence.

YESTERDAY was a cloudy day, though there was some sunshine and a strong east wind, which abated its heat. The crevasse-rotten lake was raised still higher heretofore by the wind. In the morning the waves were lashing over the railroad on the wharf at Milneburg, and some of the streets of the town were inundated. The lake was higher than it had been for a good many years.

It is estimated that not less than five thousand people visited Milneburg on Monday, for two days' rest, on the Fourth of July. The railroad trains were several times twice long-ramped, crammed and jammed with living freight. The lake was never before seen on the Pontchartrain canal.

THE SECOND DISTRICT SCHOOLS are now undergoing their annual examination. We acknowledge the receipt of polite invitations to be present, which we regret that we have been unable to do, but we will soon make up for lost time. Miss Cooper's girls' school, on Barracks street, is to be examined to-day.

THE LAST MEETING of the present First District School Board takes place this evening. The new Board, (which is mostly the old Board re-elected) is to meet and organize next week.

A CLUE has been obtained to the whereabouts of James Woods, who murdered one Louis by cutting his throat at a bawdy dance-house in the Second District on Monday night. The chief of Police received information that he had slipped over the sea on the ship Wildcat, just departed, and at once sent a dispatch to the Balise to intercept the ship and arrest the accused. No answer had been received to the dispatch when we last saw the Chief.

HOMICIDE.—The 27th of June last John Lynch and James Manning, two Irishmen, had a fight, in which both were badly stabbed. Manning died Tuesday night, and Lynch is yet lying badly wounded at the Charity Hospital.

THERE WERE 138 interments in the city cemeteries for the week ending Monday morning. No sign of yellow fever.

GLORIOUS FIRE COMPANY No. 9, by all accounts had a glorious time of it at Biloxi on the glorious Fourth. In the afternoon the day in a manner worthy of themselves, and the day they presented their forces in the shape of a beautiful and costly gold watch and chain, costing upwards of \$200. The watch had the proper inscriptions in its case, and at the end of the chain was a bunch of charms, consisting of a miniature fire-hat, trumpet, etc. The day was the anniversary of the company, and Mr. Didiot had been foreman seven consecutive years; so the spirit and feeling of the occasion may easily be imagined.

One of the guests of the company, Mr. Frank Adams, of Jackson Fire Company No. 18, after getting Mr. Didiot got his watch, went right off and got himself one of the most valuable and unapproachable kind of time-keepers; in other words, went and got married then and there, over in Biloxi. Though Mr. Didiot's watch is a splendid one, we think Mr. Adams' will prove the better time-keeper. A wife never runs down as fast as a watch, and we'll leave it to my married man of experience, if his better half can't tell when he comes home at night, true to the hour, even though there be no watch or clock within a hundred miles.

But of this no more. We congratulate Mr. Didiot upon the very handsome token of esteem presented to him by his brother firemen, and congratulate Mr. Adams upon the good taste and sense which prompted him to select the glorious Fourth as the day of his departure from the inhospitable state of "single-blessedness."

FREE IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT.—A fire which broke out about 8 o'clock yesterday morning on Peliccy road, destroyed a one-story frame bakery, belonging to Mr. Bidan, and his frame dwelling adjoining; also a two-story frame building, which was rented out to Irish laborers by the owner, Patrick McGinn. The loss was about \$7000—no insurance.

ANOTHER FIRE.—At 11 o'clock last night a fire started in the rear part of Stephen Keller's shoe-store on Gravier street, near the corner of Baronne. The firemen were on hand betimes, and but little damage was done.

INQUEST.—The Coroner concluded two inquests yesterday—one on the body of Manning, elsewhere noticed. The verdict articulated death to the hands of Lynch, against whom the Coroner accordingly made an affidavit, charging him with murder.

The other inquest was on the body of an old rag-picker, murdered so mysteriously, as reported last week. No clue to the murderer was ascertained, and a general verdict of death by unknown hands was rendered. His name was Emmanuel Sektis.

A third inquest was held yesterday on the body of Nicholas Yelan, found dead in a house on Conde street, between Damalano and St. Philip. Verdict: "Died of debility, caused by intemperance." Deceased was 40 years of age, and a native of Malta.

RECORDED SIMON'S COURT.—Pat. Kelly was arraigned yesterday and held for a hearing on a charge of having stolen a silver watch and chain from Valcour's bar.

FIRE WAS HELD to answer, the 9th inst., to a charge of having thrust with a knife at Nicholas Miriaman.

PETER KELLY, on complaint of his wife, was held to answer to a charge of being a vagrant, and refusing ever to aid in the support of his family.

RECORDED WILSON'S COURT.—Thomas Williams, of the name of the King, was arraigned yesterday, and held for examination on a charge of having threatened to kill Mrs. Dorsey, of Jefferson street. As an evidence of bad intentions, a brace of pistols was found on Williams.

RECORDED LANN'S COURT.—Mex. Case, for being a drunken man, accused Mandelotte and Greenstein, was yesterday sent to the Workhouse for three months.

Mrs. Golden was bound over for the comfort of Mrs. Margaret Robertson, whom she had been treating to treat to a premature funeral, at No. 324 Trebilcock street, where both live. Charles Nell, for similar exhibition of feeling towards Martin Ryan, was also bound over. So also were Pat Dinn and wife, for slapping the face of John Gault, corner of St. Ferdinand and Gravier.

The following parties, and some others, not named in the books for future duels with the Recorder:

John McLaughlin, charged with threatening the wife of Emma Lind and smashing open a window of his house on Casadeau street; John Gault, for slapping on a previous charge of having abused the barkeeper and smashed the furniture of Mrs. Wilson, in the same neighborhood.

August Comrad, charged with abusing Ferdinand Machere, on Goodchildren street, on the glorious Fourth.

Peter Kelly, charged with walloping Michael Crosby, in his own yard on Mandeville street, on the 21st.

L. V. Laplace, charged with lapping August Comrad, at the corner of St. Jean and Goodchildren streets, on the glorious Fourth.

Michael Ryan, charged with flapping his wife Bridget Ryan, corner of Casadeau and Baglin streets, on the 3d.

Dubin, charged with lapping Martin Gaffney, on Louisiana street, and knocking one of his teeth down the street, on the glorious Fourth.

Mrs. Golden, charged with bombarding Richard Calvary's house, corner of St. Ferdinand and Gravier streets, on the glorious Fourth.

The War in Europe.

EVENTS OCCURRING IN THE BATTLE OF MILEBORO. The following dispatches were, most of them, received by the French Government:

GRAND HEAD-QUARTERS, CAMBRO, June 13—5 P. M.—Yesterday, June 12, the Emperor received the news that the Prussian army, under the command of the King, had crossed the bridge of boats to be thrown over at the same time the bridges over by the enemy were repaired. The Prussian army, under the command of the King, had crossed the bridge of boats to be thrown over at the same time the bridges over by the enemy were repaired. The Prussian army, under the command of the King, had crossed the bridge of boats to be thrown over at the same time the bridges over by the enemy were repaired.

The Prussian army passed the river opposite Valenciennes, and the Emperor, who was in the front, and which he had endeavored to endure for some days past, the health of the army is satisfactory, and the soldier has lost none of his gaiety.

The weather is settling in Brix.

TURIN, Monday, June 13.—After the retreat of the Austrians from Bologna the Cardinal Legate took his departure, leaving to the municipality the government of the town. The municipality has accepted a commission, which immediately proclaimed Victor Emmanuel Dictator. The town is in a state of confusion. The Prussian army, under the command of the King, had crossed the bridge of boats to be thrown over at the same time the bridges over by the enemy were repaired.

VIENNA, Tuesday, June 14.—The Austrians are in full retreat in the direction of the river Oglio. The bridges over the Adige and other rivers have been destroyed by the Prussian army. The Prussian army, under the command of the King, had crossed the bridge of boats to be thrown over at the same time the bridges over by the enemy were repaired.

Bergamo and Lodi have proclaimed their union with Piedmont. The damage done by the Austrians to the fortifications of Piacenza is of little importance.

VIENNA, Tuesday, June 14.—The official Wiener Zeitung contains the following:

The Emperor has ordered the immediate command in chief, and has ordered a new position for the army, which will be taken up in the best manner possible.

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