

THE LYRE.



"He touched his harp, and nations heard, entranced."

From Bentley's Miscellany.

CALM BE HER SLEEP,

BY WILLIAM JONES.

Calm be her sleep, as the breast of the ocean,
When the sun stretching upon still wave;

She dreams not of life, nor its stormy commotion;

For the surges of trouble recede from her grave;

Calm be her sleep, as the winds that are sighing

Their last faint echo amid the green trees;

No mourns can reach her—unconscious living;

She needs not the tempest, she fears not the breeze;

Calm be her sleep, as the shadow that closes

Its mortal night's chilling graft;

She has folded her shroud, too, and sweetly repose;

Or! for be the sorrow that dimmed one so fair!

Calm be her sleep, as the whisper of even, (in prayer,
When the soul is hovering o'er the bed of creation)

She sleeps not in fear, nor in pain, nor in torment;

She has closed her eyes in the portal of heaven;

And round the affliction denied to her here!

Calm be her sleep, may the breathing of slumber

O'erwhelm not the pillow decked with our tears!

Away from her torn, may the wind-waves wander

That clothed her young spirit in darkness and fears!

Calm be her sleep, over the tall grasses wavy light;

Abus the mock hawk that bled us of song;

Like a bird, it has found out a region more brightly

To nestle its pinion—but glad us no more!

A CHILD'S PRAYER.

The following sweet and simple expression of early piety is from the pen of Isaac Pray, Jr., of Boston.

Father, now the day is past

On thy child thy blessing east,

New thy pillow hand in hand,

Keep thy guardian angel hand;

And the bright stars in the dark night

Bind me with a gentle light,

Let me rise at sun again,

Free from every thought of pain,

Pressing through life's thorny way,

Keep me, Father, day by day!

—A. C. P.

AVERAGE MORTALITY OF MAN-KIND.

The population of the whole earth has been variously estimated between eight hundred thousand and a million souls. According to the English Pocket Diary, if we fix upon an intermediate number, say 946,050,000, and assign 30 years for the continuance of each generation, we shall find that the "children of men" come into the world and go out of it at the following average:—

Every Moment 1

 " Minute 60

 " Hour 3,600

 " Day, 24 hours 86,100

 " Week, 7 days 604,800

 " Month, 30 days 2,502,000

 " Year, 365 days 32,566,000

 " Generation, 30 years 946,080,000

It thus appears that every stroke of a pen-dulum ushers a human being into existence, and heralds the departure of another to that vast bourne from whence no traveller returns. It would be well that all should ponder and consider the certainty of the latter great event, and set their house in order as becomes good members of society, having the interest of their parents, children or relatives at heart, by endeavoring, while they have the opportunity, to study their welfare by assuring their lives.—*Preacher.*

SIX REASONS FOR PLANTING AN ORCHARD.

1. Would you leave an inheritance to your children?—plant an orchard. No other investment of money and labor will in the long run, pay so well.

2. Would you make home pleasant—the abode of the social virtues?—plant an orchard. Nothing better promotes among our neighbors a feeling of kindness and goodwill, than a tract of good fruit often repeated.

3. Would you remove from your children the strongest temptation to steal?—plant an orchard. If children cannot obtain fruit at home, they are very apt to steal it; and when they have learned to steal fruit, they are in a fair way to learn to steal horses.

4. Would you cultivate a constant feel of thankfulness towards the great Giver of all good?—plant an orchard. By having constantly before you one of the greatest blessings given to man, you must be hardened indeed if you are not influenced by a spirit of humility and thankfulness.

5. Would you have your children love their home; respect their parents while living, and venerate their memory when dead; in all their wanderings look back upon the home of their youth as a sacred spot, an oasis in the great wilderness of the world?—then plant an orchard.

6. In short, if you wish to avail yourself of the blessings of a bountiful Providence, which are within your reach, you must plant an orchard. And when you do it see that you plant good fruit. Don't plant crab-apples, nor wild plums, nor Indian peaches. The best are the cheapest.

HINT TO YOUNG LADIES.—If young women waste their time in trivial amusements, the prime season for improvement, which is between the ages of 19 and 20, they will hereafter regret bitterly their loss, when they come to feel themselves inferior in knowledge to almost every one they converse with; and, above all, if they should ever be mothers, when they feel their inability to direct and assist the pursuits of their children, they will then find their ignorance, a severe mortification and a real evil. Let it animate their industry and let not a modest opinion of their capacities, be a discouragement to their endeavours after knowledge. A moderate undertaking, with diligence and well directed application, will go much further than a more lively genius, if attended with that impatience and inattention which too often accompany quick parts. It is not for want of capacity, that so many women are such trifling and insipid companions, so qualified for the friendship and conversation of a sensible man, or for the task of instructing or governing a family; it is often the neglect of exercising the talents they really have, and from omitting to cultivate a taste for intellectual improvement; by this neglect, they lose the sincerest pleasures, which would remain when almost every other forsakes them, of which neither fortune or age, could deprive them, and which would be a comfort and resource to them in almost every possible situation in life.—*Saturday Courier.*

NEW GOODS.

THE subscriber is now receiving his usual stock of DRY GOODS & GROCERIES.

Also, FLOUR, PORK, SALMON, MACKEREL, CON FISH, &c. &c., which will be sold as cheap as the cheapest.

June 1, 1843. 52¢ HORACE LANE.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT.

Vermont District.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

Notice to show cause against Petition of CAMPBELL, REMINGTON, of Huntington, for his Discharge and Certificate, as a Bankrupt, at the office of Samuel Prentiss, in Montpelier, in said District, on Wednesday, the 30th day of August, A. D. 1843.

ELIAS DOTY, of Huntington, for his Discharge and Certificate, as a Bankrupt, at the office of Samuel Prentiss, in Montpelier, in said District, on Wednesday, the 30th day of August, A. D. 1843, at 10 A. M.

1843.

FOR ALBURGH AND HIGGATE SPRINGS, AND MISSISSQUAY BAY.

The Steam-Boat

WASHINGTTON,

CAPTAIN A. TRUMAN.

Will leave Knights Landing, North Elbow, daily, about 10 A. M., bound for the Salmon River, and return to the Harbor and Arrive at Salmon River, about 4 P. M., and will easy passengers to Almond and Higgate Springs, and Mississquay Bay.

Arrives—Will leave Mississquay Bay at 7 o'clock, A. M., bound for the Harbor and Arrive at Salmon River, about 4 P. M., and will easy passengers to Almond and Higgate Springs, and Mississquay Bay.

Passenger leaves in the evenings, also all those disagreeable noises, like the buzzing of insects, falling of water, whizzing of stems, &c., &c., which are symptoms of approaching deafness, and also generally attended with vertigo.

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