

Social and Personal.

POEMS YOU OUGHT TO KNOW

Whatever your occupation may be, and however crowded your hours with affairs, do not fail to secure at least a few minutes every day for refreshment of your inner life with a bit of poetry.—Professor Charles Elliot Norton.

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A DITTY.

By SIR PHILIP SIDNEY.



Y true love hath my heart, and I have his, By just exchange one for another given; I hold his dear, and mine he cannot miss, There never was a better bargain given: My true love hath my heart and I have his.

His heart in me keeps him and me in one, My heart in him his thoughts and senses guides; He loves my heart, for once it was his own, I cherish his because in me it bides: My true love hath my heart and I have his.

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Love's Ways.

An instant only and her eyes Flashed lightning like the angry skies; As if her forehead, curving down, Fell dark the shadow of a crown.

Then backward, deep and stormy fair, She tossed the tress of her hair; Then of her lips full-rose dislaid, Made a pink-flooded bad again.

Then quicker than all utterance, All changed; and at a word, a glance, Her anger rained its tears, then passed, And she was in my arms at last;

The austere woman, doubly dear, And lovelier for each falling tear; But why we quarrelled, how it grew, I cannot tell, I never knew.

Perhaps 'twas love; he who with tears, Would show how fair a face appears; As, after the storm, the sky's more blue, A wild flower's fairer for the dew.

—Madison Cawein, in November Smart Set.

Horse Show Ball.

The Horse Show ball made a beautiful opening for the gayeties of Horse Show week.

It was danced from 9:30 to 12 last evening in the Masonic Temple, Mr. Adolphus Blair leading and Tillow's orchestra furnishing the programme.

The chorones of the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Adolphus Blair, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hayes, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Williams, Mrs. Thomas Leary, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. P. Mayo and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Potts.

These present were: Mrs. H. T. Burnley, in white mull, trimmed with lace; a pale blue giraffe and turquoise necklace.

Miss Mary Drake, in white organdy over white silk; white lace bertha and white ribbon giraffe.

Miss Louise Herbert, in white silk mull over yellow silk; yellow roses on corsage and in corsage.

Miss Betty Minor, of Albemarle county; white mull and white lace; white ribbons.

Miss Nellie Gordon, in blue crepe, with garniture of pink roses and a jangling of narrow blue satin ribbon; forget-me-nots in hair.

Miss Beatty, of Pittsburg, Pa.; in white embroidered net and white ribbons.

Miss Constance Tritton, in pink silk mull, white chiffon yoke, pink ribbons.

Miss Gertrude Lewis, in white organdy and lace; violets.

Miss Beatty, of Pittsburg; in blue and white silk mull; blue velvet giraffe.

Miss Laura Sherman, in red silk mull over silk, and red roses in her hair.

Miss Adelaide Hammond, of Washington, D. C.; in white crepe de chine, lace bertha; blue panne velvet giraffe.

Miss Lucy Sker, in white mull over pink silk; pink ribbons.

Miss Emma Clarke, in pink crepe de chine, white lace yoke and trimmings; crush giraffe of pink.

Miss Bessie Tompkins, in a charming white crepe inserted with lace; pink blue giraffe and American Beauty buds in her hair.

Miss Rose Morris, in violet crepe de chine; white lace yoke embroidered in lavender; lavender giraffe.

Miss Shingler, of Gloucester; in white tulle mull over silk; blue crush giraffe.

Miss John L. de Treville, in a Dresden silk of blue embroidered in pink roses; shirtings of white chiffon and a bertha of pink buds and lace.

Miss Courtney Crump, in accordance with crepe de chine; corsage trimming of roses; pink liberty satin sash.

Miss Nancy Waddill, in white silk mull, lace, and corsage trimming of flowers.

Miss Edna S. Wood, of Clarksville, the guest of Miss Flournoy; in pink silk mull over white; pink ribbons.

Miss Catchings, of New York; in yellow crepe de chine; white chiffon trimming.

Miss Adger, of Charleston, S. C.; in pink silk mull over white; necklace of rubies.

Miss Meredith, in white silk mull and blue giraffe; violets.

Miss May Grosby, in black net over red silk; red roses.

Miss Constance Evans, in white crepe de chine; garniture of pink roses and blue ribbons.

Miss Bessie Morris, in yellow silk mull with crush giraffe; yellow roses.

Miss Carrie Armistead, in white point d'esprit over white silk; red roses.

Miss Carrie Abbott, of Waynesboro; in embroidered crepe de chine ribbons.

Mrs. W. S. P. Mayo, in white tucked organdy over blue; blue ribbons.

Miss Smith, in white crepe de chine; point lace bertha and trimmings.

Miss Laura Macfarland, in white silk mull; white lace.

Miss Mary Moulton, in white China silk; white velvet giraffe.

Miss Margaret Watkins, in yellow liberty silk with point lace; yellow roses.

Miss Louise Seiden, of "Snowden," in white organdy; in white organdy and lace; blue ribbons.

Mrs. Adolphus Blair, in hand painted silk mull; white lace bertha and white liberty satin giraffe.

Miss Edith Seymour, in white crepe, white in giraffe, white roses.

Miss Grant, of Grantlands; in white silk mull, Valenciennes lace and white panne velvet giraffe.

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At the Woman's Club.

Miss Adelaide Mills was chairman at the Woman's Club last afternoon when Miss Constance Tinsley presented a delightful dramatic recital which included recita-

less as the royal fowler who stood beside them.

In the center of the dais were two very high chairs with dorselets, which arched forwards over the heads of the prince and princess, and were covered with light blue silk thickly powdered with golden stars.

On that to the right sat a very tall and well formed man with red hair, a livid face, and a cold eye, which had in it something peculiarly sinister and menacing.

He lounged back in a careless position and yawned repeatedly as though heartily weary of the proceedings, stooping from time to time to fondle a shaggy Spanish greyhound which lay stretched at his feet.

On the other throne there was perched bolt upright, with prim demeanor, as though he felt himself to be upon a good behavior, a little, round, plump person, who smiled and bobbed to every one whose eye he chanced to meet.

Between and a little in front of them, on a humble charette or stool, sat a slim, dark young man, whose quiet attire and modest bearing would scarcely proclaim him to be the most noted prince in Europe.

A junon of dark blue cloth, tagged with buckles and pendants of gold, seemed but a sombre and plain attire amidst the wealth of silk and ermine and gilt these knights and princesses wore.

He had his two hands clasped round his knees, his head slightly bent, and an expression of impatience and of trouble upon his clear, well-chiselled features.

Behind the thrones there stood two men in purple gowns, and a dozen other high shaven faces, and a dozen other high dignitaries, and office-holders of Aquitaine.

Below on either side of the steps were forty of fifty barons, knights, and courtiers, ranged in a triple row to the right and the left, with a clear passage in the centre.

"The prince," whispered Sir John Chandos, as they entered, "Ho on the right is Pedro, whom we are about to put upon the Spanish throne. The other is Don James, whom we purchase with the aid of God to help to his throne in Majorca."

"The prince," he said, "is a little short in his speech, for indeed his mind is full of many very weighty concerns."

"The prince," however, had already observed their entrance, springing to his feet, he had advanced with a winning smile and the best of welcome in his eyes.

"We do not need your good offices as herald here, Sir John," said he in a low but clear voice; "these valiant knights are very well known to me. Welcome to Aquitaine, Sir Nigel Loring and Sir Oliver Buttershott. Nay, kneel for a knee for the other hand."

"I would have your hands, my friends. We are like to give you some work to do ere you see the downs of Hampshire once more. Know you aught of Spain, Sir Oliver?"

"My sire," said Sir Oliver, "I have heard men say that there is a dish named an olla which is prepared there, though I have never been clear in my mind as to whether it was but a ragout such as is to be found in the south, or whether there is some seasonings such as found on the high hills peculiar to Spain."

"Your doubts," answered the prince, laughing heartily, "as did many of the barons who surrounded them. 'His majesty here will doubtless order that you have this dish to eat and when you are all safely in Castle.'"

"I will have a hotly seasoned dish for some folk I know of," answered Don Pedro with a cold smile.

"But my friend, Sir Oliver, can fight

right hardly without either bite or sup," remarked the prince. "Did I not see him at Palatino where for two days we had not more than a crust of bread and a cup of foul water, yet carrying himself most valiantly. With my own eyes I saw him in the rout sweep the head from a knight of Picardy with one blow of his sword."

"The rogue got between me and the nearest French victual wain," muttered Sir Oliver, amid a fresh titter from those who were near enough to catch his words.

"How many have you in your train?" asked the prince, assuming a graver mien.

"I have forty men-at-arms, sire," said Sir Oliver.

"And I have one hundred archers and a score of lancers, but there are two hundred men who wait for me on this side of the water upon the borders of Navarre."

"And who are they, Sir Nigel?"

"They are a free company, sire, and they are called the White Company."

To the astonishment of the knight, his answer provoked a burst of merriment from the barons round, in which the two kings and the prince were fain to join.

Sir Nigel blinked mildly from one to the other, until at last perceiving a stout black-bearded knight at his elbow, whose laugh rang somewhat louder than the rest, he touched him lightly upon the sleeve.

"Perchance, my fair sir," he whispered, "there is some small bow of which I may relieve you. Might we not have the honorable debate upon the matter. Your zeal to courtesy may perhaps grant me an exchange of thrusts."

"Nay, my Sir Nigel," cried the prince, "fatten not the offence upon Sir Robert Briston, for we are one and all bogged in the same mire. Truth to say, our own good company, Sir Oliver, would have been more ready to hang the man who held the rank of captain over it. I little thought to find him among the bravest of my own chosen chieftains. But the vow is no wrought, for, as you have never seen your company, it would be a fool's act to blame you for their doings."

"My liege," said Sir Nigel, "it is a very small matter that I should be changed, albeit the manner of death is somewhat more ignominious than I had hoped for. Of the other hand, it would have been a very grievous thing that you, the Prince of England and the flower of knighthood, should make a vow, whether in ignorance or no, and fail to bring it to fulfillment."

"Nay, my friend, you will find that I have not forgotten my vow. 'I would have a citizen from Montauban here this very day, who told us such a tale of sack and murder and pillage that it moved our blood; but our wrath was turned upon the man who was in authority over them.'"

"My dear and honored master," cried Nigel, in great anxiety, "I fear me much that in your gentleness of heart you are straining this vow which you have taken. If there be so much as a shadow of a doubt as to the form of it, it were a thousand times better that you should say 'Peace! peace!' cried the prince impatiently. 'I am very well able to look to my own vows and their performance. We hope to see you both in the banquet-hall anon. Many thanks you will find upon us with our train.' He bowed, and Chandos, plucking Sir Oliver by the sleeve, led them both away to the back of the press of courtiers."

(To be Continued To-morrow.)

Personal Mention.

Miss Louise McAdams will have her box seat at the Horse Show during the week ending October 23rd.

Miss Helen Morrison will occupy a seat in Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Meanley's box at the show this evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hazard have just returned to the city after about a five months spent at their summer home, Bay Head, New Jersey.

Miss Gertrude Camm is spending a month with Mr. and Mrs. Egna Hunter, Jr., at No. 8 East Franklin Street.

Miss Marianne Meade will be in Mr. Merrill Jones's box at the Horse Show on Wednesday night, and on Saturday night will be a member of Mr. Barton Grundy's party in Mr. Barton Grundy's box.

Miss Katherine Fontaine and Miss Betsy Minor, of Albemarle county.

One of the most charming box parties for to-night will be that of which Mr. C. B. Antrim will be host.

Mr. Harrison Casard, of Baltimore, is at the Jefferson for Horse Show week.

Mrs. C. Carrington McPhail and Mrs. James Welch will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George B. Johnston.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Gray, Jr., will be the box party for Thursday and Friday evenings.

Mrs. George Ben Johnston will have with her during the week Miss Mary Louise Bruce, of Rock Castle, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Harrison Spencer, of Marlinsville, Va., who will be at the Horse Show to-day will occupy box No. 29 at the Horse Show.

Miss Gertrude Camm has accepted a number of box invitations for the week.

Miss Alice E. Doyle has returned to school at Chestnut Hill, near Philadelphia.

Dr. Joseph Grice, of Portsmouth, Va., is at the Jefferson Hotel and will attend the Horse Show.

A large element in Richmond society is interested in the meeting of the State Medical Society to-day and in the arrival of the ladies who will attend it.

The Richmond committee of reception and entertainment includes Mrs. C. W. P. Brock, Mrs. O. F. Blankenship, Mrs. L. E. Edwards, Mrs. E. W. Geer, Mrs. A. L. Gray, Mrs. J. Allison Hedger, Mrs. M. D. Hope, Jr., Mrs. J. Shelton Horan, Mrs. F. W. M. Mercer, Mrs. George Ben Johnston, Mrs. W. F. Mercer, Mrs. Jacob Mechaux, Mrs. Clifton Miller, Mrs. C. R. Robins, Mrs. Hugh Taylor, Mrs. Christopher Tompkins, Mrs.

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Mrs. R. M. Gilbert, of New York, remembered by Richmond friends as Miss Annie Williams, is visiting her mother, Mrs. D. T. Williams, at No. 210 East Franklin Street, for the week.

The Kate Wheelock Whist Club will meet this week with Mrs. Charles Page, No. 30 East Franklin Street.

In Colonel Anderson's box to-night at the Horse Show will be Colonel and Mrs. Archer Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Williams, Miss Sally Archer Anderson and Mr. J. R. J. Anderson.

Mrs. George Bryan left yesterday for a ten days' visit to Harrisonburg.

Mr. Gardner Booth, of Alexandria, Va., and Judge A. C. Carson, formerly of Virginia, but who now exercises jurisdiction in the Philippine Islands, are at the Jefferson Hotel, and will attend the Richmond Horse Show.

The monthly meeting of the Masonic Home Auxiliary will be held in the Temple Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Edward Dillon and children, of Indian Rock, Va., who have been visiting Mrs. R. T. Hunter at No. 218 E. Franklin Street, left yesterday for a short visit to the family of Mrs. Dillon's uncle, Mr. C. K. Pendleton, of Ashland, Va.

The attendants at the wedding of Miss Meade Burwell and Mr. Edwin Laird, taking place next Wednesday evening, will go together to the Horse Show and the bride and groom have started on their wedding trip. The party will occupy several boxes.

Troop C, Seventh United States Cavalry, which will exhibit superb horsemanship every night at the Horse Show, is in good quarters at the Reserve Park under Captain Montgomery.

Lieutenant Charles M. Wesson was in that regiment while it was at Columbia Barracks in Cuba.

Troop C, Seventh United States Cavalry, men, who show soldierly bearing in every respect, the coaching of a refractory horse by First Sergeant Litterer has been noted as an induction lesson in discipline.

Miss Maria Blair, who is visiting friends in Lexington and Salem, Va., will return

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Rev. J. E. Cook, of Clifton Forge, a former pastor of Hope Memorial Church, is in Richmond visiting relatives, on his way to the Presbyterian Synod, to be held in Martinsburg, W. Va., beginning Thursday night, October 20th, at 7 P. M.

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