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DAYS OF YOUTH.

O for the trusting days of youth,
When the pure heart knew no guile—
When the soul was a liquid well of truth;
Lid by an Angel's smile!

O for the fearless days that looked
On the dimpled waves' calm flow,
Nor turned with dewy lids from the thought
Of the dead who slept below!

O for the dreams—the radiant dreams—
That came floating from above,
When Earth seemed a glorious Eden-land,
And my heart the throne of Love—
When the very breezes whose perfumed
breath

Toysed with the whispering leaves
Scented the cool sweep of Angel-wings
That came with dewy eyes!

O for the love—the holy love—
That came down like a dove to its nest,
And nestled down, with a low, sweet song,
And folded pinions, in my breast!
How could I dream that Prometheus-like,
I yielded a banquet rare.

That ever grew for the cruel claws
And sanguine beak to tear?

O for the faith—the earnest faith—
Of the soul that trusted in God!
The heart and brow were convulsed with
pain,

I lent low to His chastening rod,
O for the pure, unquestioning faith
That turned from the shadow of strife,
And lifted above the clouds of doubt
A life, unselfish life!

Youth and Love and Hope have passed
Beyond that mystic sea
That ever breaks with a voiceless wail
On the shores of Eternity!

And shadowy, vague and undefined
As clouds that incubate the West,
The tangled web of my life appears—
O for the glow of the cold rest!

—Chicago Tribune.

What Girls Think.

An English writer has made a study
of the mental operations of the minds
of unmarried women, and has reached
these conclusions:

At seventeen, the girl thinks often
of love; delights in songs; fancies Moore's
poems with pencil-marks; thinks Byron's
face beautiful; eats little in company.

At eighteen, still thinks a
great deal of love; would care nothing
for poverty, provided, she had a
sweetheart who adored her; indeed,
would rather be poor than rich, were
she not yet met. Still reads a great deal
of poetry and novels which deal
largely with love and the death of the
heroines; passionately fond of children;

At nineteen a little more critical;
finds some of the poetry that
pleased her last year a little weak;
looks about for staidier authors than
her old favorites; dances every dance
in a ball, and is not quite so particu-
lar as to men who are introduced to
her. At twenty, is not sure whether,
after all, it would not be best to be
an old man's darling. Nevertheless,
she fairs more uniformly; all her
shyness is gone; she enjoys her
food whether people are looking at
her or not. At twenty-one her belief
in old men is strong; she has lost pre-
judices in favor of poverty and out-
rages, yet she would not insist upon
money were her ideal to present itself.

At twenty-two, she thinks, her
youngest sister rather forward in her
manners, particularly with young
men; sometimes suggests to mamma
that the invitations which include the
youngest sister are merely acts of
politeness which people don't want to
be literally interpreted. At twenty-
three, is annoyed if any one says in
her presence that the pallor of half
the girls one meets comes from tight
lacing. At twenty-four, laces de-
liberately for a waist, and does not
much mind if he is known; finds the
company of old men much more
agreeable than that of young men,
and is flattered if boys pay her atten-
tion. At twenty-five, is found behind
bazaar stalls; imitates the style of the
fashionable beauty; frequently mixes
the character of her coiffure, and
uses a great many different kinds of
stuff for her hair. At twenty-six, de-
clares that she hates the idea of mar-
riage; wonders how girls can volun-
tarily enter a state of bondage; marks
all passages in novels in which men
are tyrants, and comments upon other
people's babies. At twenty-seven,
falls in love; about four months of
quiet anguish and despair; sits late
into the night alone in her bedroom;
is jilted; writes twenty letters, in all
conceivable styles—from the passion-
ately scornful to the mild, sacrificial.

Nearly every northern State is re-
presented in the Texas immigration
of the past few months. They are
Democrats, Republicans, Independ-
ents, Greenbackers, Prohibitionists,
Labor-leaguers, etc., and it is safe to
say Texas politics are becoming more
and more mixed, and the Democratic
party will soon have to trim its sails
more closely than heretofore, or a
combined opposition, aided by those
Democrats who have been becoming
more and more dissatisfied with the
party in the State for some years,
may overthrow the "proud old Demo-
cracy," notwithstanding its large
majority.

Prozner.—We find the following
"notice" in the Mincos Monitor:

I will fight any man in the county
for one thousand dollars, and will put
the money in bank.

Mike is no doubt "a broth of a
boy."

Larold has a building association.

The Earth's Age.

(From the St. Louis Republican.)

Professor William Denton, of San
Francisco, in recent lecture, made
some speculations upon the earth's
age, and drew fresh illustrations. He
explained that the great trees of Cali-
fornia, showing 2870 annual rings of
growth, were saplings when Ne-
buchadnezzar was born, and that the
fallen monarch of the California fore-
st was at least 4000 years old. The
lecturer claimed that in the tertiary
strata of California had been found
the earliest human remains ever dis-
covered, and these human beings ex-
isted when half New Jersey, other
third of Virginia, all of Florida, part
Texas and Great Britain were under
water; when the Mediterranean sea
was double its present size, and the
Gulf of Mexico extended to Ohio, when
a large part of California was under
the bed of the Pacific Ocean, which
dashed against the foot-hills of the
Sierra Nevada Mountains. Man was
on the earth before this, and this was
long before the glacial period, which
no geologist places at a less re-
mote period than 100,000 years ago.

Further back, and running still
farther back, the distant periods of chalk,
trassitic, red sandstone, silurian, lau-
rentian, and older than all, the bed-
rock granite that forms the backbone
of continents, and often curves up to
the surface from the earth's depths.
But Professor Denton didn't know,
and couldn't think, how old the world
is.

Proportion of the Sexes.

We would advise all young men who
intend to marry, and who can support
a wife, to take one presently ere
they are all pre-empted. A bulletin
just issued from the census bureau
shows that there are not enough
girls to go around now, and that they
are decreasing in number, compared
with men, every decade. To every
100,000 males in the country in 1870
there were 97,801 females, but in 1880
there were only 97,513; so that in
every hundred thousand men there
must be 4,887 bachelors whether they
like it or not. There are comparatively
few States in which this is not the case,
the females preponderating only in
the States along the Atlantic coast,
with the exception of Delaware, and
in Tennessee, Alabama and Louisiana,
while in all the other States and Ter-
ritories the males outnumber their
sisters to such a degree as to over-
balance this excess on the other side,
and to make the average above men-
tioned. Strange as it may sound to
those who imagine every inhabitant
of Utah a polygamist there are not
enough women in that territory to
furnish nine-tenths of a wife to each
man, which possibly in part, accounts
for the indignation of those who
have not even a fraction of one
against those who are hothead enough
to monopolize several. Arizona is
most badly off in this respect, having
but 43 women to 100 men or less,
and half a woman to each man, a
partial state of affairs, indeed, while
the District of Columbia suffers from
the other extreme; and compels each
man to resist as best he can the
clamors of 1-1/3 of the other sex.
Michigan has but 89,769 to each
100,000 men, or a trifle less than
nine-tenths of a woman for each of
us on a district, and as most of the
unmarried males have already pro-
vided themselves, the others should
be stirring if they do not desire to be
left standing forever upon the bleak
desert shore