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Evening.

Come evening once again, season of peace,
Return sweet eve, and continue long;
I think I see them in the streaky west
With mature step slow moving, while the night
Treads on thy weeping train, hand employed
In letting fall the curtain of repose.
On bird and beast, the other charge for man
With sweet oblivion of the cares of day.
Not sumptuously adorned, not needy aid
Like homely featured night of clustering gems;
A star or two, just twinkling on thy brow suffices thee: save that the moon is thine
No less than hers, not worn indeed on high
With ostentatious pageantry, but set
With modest grandeur in thy purple zone
Resplendent less, but of an ampler round.
Come then, and thou shalt find thy votary calm
Or make me so, composure is thy gift;
Or whether I devote thy gentle hours
To books, to music, or the peel's toil,
I alight thee not, but make thee welcome still.

The Grasshopper.

Happy songster, perched above
On the summit of the grove;
Whom a dew-drop cheers to sing
With the freedom of a king;
Foes thy perch survey the fields
Where prolific nature yields
Naught that, willingly as she
Man surrenders not to thee;
For hostility or hate
None thy pleasure can create;
Thee it satisfies to sing
Sweetly the return of spring;
Herald of the genial hours,
Marring neither herb nor flowers;
Therefore man thy voice attends,
Gladly thou and he are friends;
Nor thy never-ceasing strains
Phoebus, or the muse disdains,
As too simple, or too long
For themselves inspire the song;
Earth-born, bloodless, undecaying,
Ever singing, sporting, playing,
What has nature else to show
Godlike in its kind as thou?

The Happy Man.

He is the happy man whose life even now
Shows somewhat of that happier life to come,
Who, doomed to an obscure but tranquil state,
So pleased with it, and were he free to choose
Would make his fate his choice; whom peace the fruit
Of virtue, and whom virtue, fruit of faith,
Prepare for happiness; bespeak him one
Content indeed to sojourn while he must
Below the skies, but having there his home,
The world o'erlooks him in her busy search
Of objects, more illustrious in her view
And, occupied as earnestly as she
Though more soulfully, be o'erlooks the world;
She scorns his pleasures, for she knows them not;
He seeks not here, for he has proven them vain.
He cannot skim the ground like summer birds
Pursuing gilded flies; and such he deems
Her honors, her emoluments, her joys.
Therefore in contemplation is his bliss
Whose power is such that whom she lifts
From earth she makes familiar with a heaven unseen,
And shows him glories yet to be revealed;
Not slothful he, though seeming unemployed,
And censured off as useless. Silent streams
Of water fairest meadows, and the bird
That flutters least is longest on the wing.

Zimri.

BY JOHN DRYDEN.

[George Villiers, Duke of Buckingham 1682.]

Some of their chiefs were princes of the land,
In the first rank of these did Zimri stand;
A man so various that he seemed to be
Not one, but all mankind's epitome;
Stiff opinions, always in the wrong,
Was everything by starts and nothing long;
But in the course of one revolving moon
Was chymist, fiddler, statesman and buffoon;
Then for women, painting, rhyming, drinking,
Besides ten thousand freaks that died in thinking;
Blest madman who could every hour employ
With something new to wish for or enjoy;
Railing and praising were his usual themes,
And both to show his judgment in extremes;
So over violent, or over civil
That every man, with him was God or devil;
Squandering wealth was his peculiar art,
Nothing went unrewarded but desert;
Beggared of fools whom still he found too late
He had his jest, and they had his estate;
He laughed himself from court, then sought relief
By forming parties, but could ne'er be chief;
For spite of him the weight of business fell
On Absolom and wise Achitophel;
Thus, wicked but in will of means bereft,
He left no faction, but of that was left.

Couplets from Pope.

'Tis with our judgments, as our watches, none
Go just alike yet each believes his own
For wit and judgment often are at strife,
Though meant each other's aid like man and wife.

A little learning is a dangerous thing,
Drink deep, or taste not the Pierian spring
There shallow draughts intoxicate the brain
And drinking largely sobers it again.

Not to go backward is somewhat to advance,
Men must walk at least, before they dance.

Order is heaven's first law, and this confessed
Some are, and must be greater than the rest.

What, and how great, the virtue and the art,
To live on little with a cheerful heart.

What nothing earthly gives or can destroy,
The soul's calm sunshine, and the heartfelt joy.

God sends not ill if rightly understood
All partial evil's universal good.

Know then this truth (enough for man to know)
"Virtue alone is happiness below."

'Tis the first virtue vices to abhor,
And the first wisdom, to be fool no more.

Riches, like insects, when concealed they lie,
Wait but for wings, and in their season fly.

And what is fame? the meanest have their day,
The greatest can but blaze and pass away.

What future bliss He gives thee not to know,
But gives that hope to be thy blessing now.

On morning wings how active springs the mind
That leaves the load of yesterday behind.

Words are like leaves, where they most abound.
The fruit of sense is rarely to be found.

Authors, like coins grow dear as they grow old,
It is the rust we value, not the gold.

Who builds a church to God and not to fame,
Will never mark the marble with his name.

Reason's whole pleasure, all the joys of sense,
Lie in three words—Health, Peace and Competence.

Ladies, like variegated tulips show,
'Tis to their changes half their charms we owe.

And yet, believe me, good as well as ill,
Woman's at best, a contradiction still.

While an elder at Goliad, Texas, was leading a convert into the water to baptize him, a man who was looking on said: "Elder, I don't want to interfere in your business, but I want to say that this is an old sinner you have got hold of and that one dip won't do him any good. If you want to get the sin out of him you'll have to anchor him out in the deep water all night."

STATE DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM.

Following is the platform adopted by the democratic state convention, at Jefferson City, Wednesday, July 26.

Resolved, That we reaffirm the great principles held by the democratic party which are the foundation of a free government, among which are equal rights to all, special privileges to none, protection of the rights of man, the encroachments of the strong, equal taxation, free speech, free press, free schools and a free and incorruptible ballot.

That we demand reform of the civil service, and adequate national legislation to prohibit the assessment of persons holding office under the national administration for political purposes.

That we condemn the extravagance of the republican party in expenditures of the people's money which has characterized the legislation and conduct of that party.

That we are opposed to the present iniquitous protective tariff, and demand a reduction of all duties to a basis only necessary to secure public revenue, and denounce the evasive and illusory policy of the republican party in preventing this needed reform.

In accordance with the history and traditions of the democratic party we are opposed to any legislation regulating matters of mere individual conscience and we are in favor of the largest personal liberty consistent with the public welfare.

That stability in the value of money is a primary requirement of individual and commercial prosperity. This can only be secured by making both gold and silver the money of the country as provided by the constitution and subjecting the issue and regulation of paper money to established principles which prevent fluctuations in the value of currency.

We demand protection to all citizens of this country at home or abroad, and ask such strict enforcement of the laws in this respect as shall secure the same, and condemn the present national administration for negligence of this important duty.

We condemn the centralizing tendencies of the republican party, whereby corporate power, unjustly granted and fostered by the general government, is crowded to crystallize into monopolies which are oppressive to labor and the general interests of the country.

A New York correspondent says:—"In response to republican campaign committee circulars, all the government employes in New York have shelled out handsomely. The employes in the post-office, custom house and various departments of public works have responded to the tune of $34,000, while the Brooklyn navy yard and stores and postoffice have contributed about half as much. This sum is from the lesser employes. The contributions from the heads of departments cannot be estimated, but persons who should know say that men and women holding appointive offices in New York and Brooklyn will contribute over $225,000 to the campaign fund this season." Who will contend that these vast sums, which are but a moiety of the whole, are to be honestly used?

The Globe-Democrat, which can hardly be called democratic or rebel, admits the seriousness of the frauds in the arrears of pension business, and the necessity of taking action to check them, in the following paragraph:—"Unless a pension list is blackened by fraud it is considered an honor to be on it. To deserve a pension means that one has performed a service for his country and sustained a personal loss in so doing that entitles him as an individual to more than ordinary consideration. We presume that if the matter were investigated it would be found that the most strenuous opponents to the publication of the pension list were chiefly pension claim agents of dubious reputation, and of course, the dishonest pensioners themselves. The honest pensioners, we opine, understanding the circumstances, would vote by an overwhelming majority to have the list published. But it is too late to remedy the matter this year. The moral of the occasion is for senators to prepare themselves not to be shocked into silence next year when the subject comes up, by the awful exhibition of delicacy that has struck them dumb this."

A correspondent at Linn Grove, writes: "Everything is prospering finely in the way of crops. Thos. H. Powell has lately erected a large barn. Miss Alice Peschee, of Lexington's vicinity, has been visiting at Esquire S. W. Parker's recently. The monthly exercises in Linn Grove school, taught by Mr. G. o. S. Wallace, came off recently, the Shipley band furnishing music. Among those present we noticed Mr. and Mrs. Colman, Mesdames Hickam, Bowen, Laura Comstock Peddicord, Capt. Sumner, Z. Warner, A. Scott, Misses Suda Powell, Lizzie Sumner, Ella Allen, Alice Powell, Nannie Scott and Sophia Powell. The programme was as follows: "Waltz." Music by the band. "Greeting," by Miss Etta Powell. "Words of Wisdom," Declamation, by Mr. Milton Powell. "Nellie Gray," Music by the band. "Visions of Youth," Declamation, by Miss Ella Warner. "Don't put Off," Declamation, by Bertie Scott. "No One," Music by the band. Example in mathematics demonstrated by Mr. S. Barker. "The Pleasant Hours of Memory," Composition, by Miss Mattie Sumner. "Who is Your Intended," Declamation by Master Sammie Bowen "Schottische," Music by the band. "Life," Composition, by Miss Suda Sumner. "Dewdrop," Declamation, by Miss Flora Bowen. "Love Right," Composition, by Miss Laura Durbin "Day After day" Music by the band. "True Charity," Declamation, by Mr. Zac. Barker. "Little Sunbeams," Declamation, by Willie Bowen. "No. Two," Music by the band. Example in Mathematics demonstrated by Miss Ella Varner. "Child's Melody," Declamation, by Miss Suda Sumner. "No. Three," Music by the band. "Opportunity," Declamation, by Miss Etta Powell. "Strive Not," Declamation, by Stephen Barker. Example in Mathematics demonstrated by Mr. Joe Powell. "Wave After Wave," Music by the band. "A True Heaven," Declamation, by Miss Mattie Sumner. "My First Speech," Declamation, by Sammie Bowen. "Do Your Best," Declamation, by Alice Barker. Example in Mathematics, demonstrated by Miss Flora Bowen. "Girl I Left Behind Me," Music by the band. "Be Kind," Declamation, by Miss Sallie Scott. "Home," Composition, by Miss Ella Warner. Example in Mathematics, demonstrated by Miss Etta Powell. "The Dawing Light," Music by the band. "Little Fools and Great Ones," Declamation, by Mr. Joe Powell. "Emulation," Select Reading, by Mr. John Bradley. "Step by Step," Declamation, by Miss Leona Colman. "Lightly Tread," Music by the band. "Bird's Nests," Declamation, by Miss Flora Bowen. "To Children," Declamation, by Mr. Pearl Brooks. "Speak Gently," Declamation, by Miss Suda Sumner. "Mocking Bird," Music by the band. Example in Mathematics, demonstrated by Mr. Milton Powell. "Try, Try Again," Declamation, by Mr. Albert Pointer. Example in Mathematics, demonstrated by Miss Suda Sumner. "Politeness," Recitation, by Miss Emma Powell. "Cheerfulness," Composition, by Miss Cora Brooks. "Liverpool Hornpipe," Music by the band. "To the Young," Recitation, by Miss Flora Bowen. "The Flight of Time," Declamation, by Miss Ella Warner. "Washington's March," Music by the band. "Very Little Ones are We," Declamation, by Miss Alice Barker. Example in Mathematics, demonstrated by Miss Mattie Sumner. "Dear Robin," declamation, by Miss Flora Bowen. "Spanish Waltz," Music by the band. "Evening Hymn," Declamation, by Miss Jessie Warner. "People will Talk," Declamation, by Mr. Milton Powell. "Visions," Music by the band. "When to say No," Recitation, by Miss Suda Sumner. Select Music by the band. The exercises closed with a treat of candy by the teacher. We say to one and all of the pupils that the exercises were both interesting and instructive, and we hope to enjoy them again in the future."

LETTER FROM CALIFORNIA.

SAN DIEGO, July 27, 1882.

EDITOR INTELLIGENCER:—Perhaps a few lines from this far-away, out-of-the-way place may prove of some interest to your many readers. If so, the following is at your service.

Politically, the state is very quiet at this time, but the notes of preparation for the election in November are noticeable. The democrats have already nominated a state and congressional ticket, and in due time will have county tickets in the field in all the counties, whether they shall succeed or not.

Most people of all parties seem to agree that the democrats have been quite fortunate in the selection of their state ticket, and all admit it to be a ticket that will be hard to beat. General Stoneman is a strong man, and seems to be a trusted favorite with all Californians who fear and deprecate the outrages of the great railroad monopoly represented by the Central-Southern Pacific railroad, managed by that most astute but unprincipled railroad magnate, Leland Stanford. Of course, money will be lavishly used by the soulless corporations headed by that most unscrupulous magnate, if not the oldest in the Union, certainly the most daring and among the number of great men in the line. It is not General Stoneman for whom the party is to do battle, but for a principle which he leads off in representing—anti-monopoly. And that question goes into the very joints and marrow of all the states, so that, sooner or later, it will be a commanding question in them all, and one that will have to be met, not in a spirit that would work to the serious injury of railroads, but inaugurate reform that would be fair and healthful to all the people. In some sort, it is the old battle between capital and labor, in which the latter is usually worsted in the contest. Here, this battle has been too long delayed; and although the majority of the people may favor it, and even prefer Stoneman to most others, the appliances of the monopoly are many and very strong, for, you know, the money bags are in too many instances, successful over the right. Without knowing who is to be his opponent, at present it looks as though General Stoneman would be elected, but who knows?

The railroad building eastward from this place has been delayed on account of a want of rails, long delayed at sea. Fortunately that want is now supplied, and in a little while, and probably by the time you can give your readers the information, an outlet for the place will be effected to Colton, on the Southern Pacific, in San Bernardino county. For the present that road will be used, but ultimately it is expected that the California Southern will be completed to a connection with the Atlantic and Pacific railroad at the Needles, on the Colorado river, which would make a trans-continental road, and aid materially in building up Southern California, as well as in destroying the hydra-headed monopoly which is retarding trade between the east and the west, and grinding the people everywhere into the dry dust.

In an agricultural way San Diego county, the present season, may be said to be rated at half a crop, if so much. The grain will likely go to one-half, and not more. The honey crop will not reach so good a figure, for some reason, while the yield of wool may go over the estimated half. The fruit and vegetables are doing well.

Land in the county is yet quite cheap, ranging from $5 to $15, according to location and general facilities for business. Much of the land it is known, is mountainous or desert; but there is yet a good deal of land subject to occupancy in the several methods prescribed by the laws—pre-emption, homestead, for timber, &c.

Mail facilities only moderate. Society good, but church and school accommodations limited as in all new countries.

The town of San Diego has grown quite rapidly the last year, and the county is filling up well, the new railroad having proven an impetus to immigration, and brought much valuable land into market.

Mrs. M. Blackwell and her daughter, Miss Miriam, late of your city, reside here, and are in fair health, though Mrs. B. is well advanced in life. W. W. Benton and J. M. Julian and family are among the Lexingtonians of this county. All of them are in fair health and prosperity. Henry Bull, a son of Dr. John Bull, resides up at Sonoma, where is also located L. W. Smallwood. Wm. Hunter and his family reside in San Francisco. J.

The census bureau has issued a special bulletin showing the number and size of the farms in the United States in 1880, and the kind of tenure by which they were held. The number of farms was 4,008,907. Of these, 2,984,306 were occupied by the owners, 322,357 were rented at a fixed money rental, and 702,244 were rented for shares of the products. Of the total number of farms 4,352 were less than 3 acres in extent, 134,889 were above 3 acres and less than 10, 254,749 were between 10 and 20 acres, 781,474 were between 20 and 50 acres, 1,032,910 were between 50 and 100 acres, 1,695,983 were between 100 and 500 acres, 75,972 were between 500 and 1,000 acres, 28,578 were 1,000 acres in extent and upward.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

[From the Austin (Tex.,) Siftings.]

A young Austin doctor, who had just graduated, was asked the following question by an old practitioner:

"Suppose you were called in to see a wealthy patient and there was nothing the matter with him—what would you do?"

"I would suggest that he set up the wine to celebrate his narrow escape from having me treat him professionally."

"Young man, you have a heap to learn," was the reply of the old doctor.

CAN THE PEOPLE BE BRIBED WITH THEIR OWN MONEY?

[From the N. Y. World.]

The world has several times referred to the evident fact that the republicans rely for success in the coming elections to congress upon bribing the people with their own money. By this is not meant solely or even chiefly the direct buying of votes out of the enormous corruption fund secured by the republicans at this session. It is public opinion that is sought to be bribed by showing in every doubtful district how much of the "liberal appropriations" have been squandered in the