

POETRY.



[SELECTED.]

THE UPPER CRUST.

The woman who makes the contemptible blunder.
In getting up pies,
To shorten the upper crust more than the under.
Is very unwise:
Not only penurious, meagre and mean,
But call'd in the papers "decidedly green."
But look through this world, and you'll find that the upper
Are even more short,
More testy in temper, more stinted at supper.
More brief in retort—
Besides, in their relish for splendor and hash,
They often get short of health, credit and cash.
The man of deception is ever a lover,
Wherever he's found;
And life is a book in a fine showy cover,
Most splendidly bound;
Each leaf has an edging of gold, but within
It is dark with inscriptions of folly & sin.
If strangers you meet at a wedding or party,
Bestow not your trust,
Your confidence, frank, unsuspecting and hearty,
On short upper crust;
Or you'll learn that not pastry alone hath the sin
Of an outside much better than what is within.
You will find the same spirit pervading all classes,
The high and the mean;
Like a rich satin cloak it envelopes the masses.
Over ragged moreen;
As a spittle false bosom may horror enclose.
Or gaiter boots lace o'er detestable hose.
There's a counterfeit breeding in full circulation,
More brilliant than gold;
There's a counterfeit talent and false reputation,
Most fair to behold;
There's a counterfeit wealth, with its glittering dust,
All show without—like the rich upper crust.
But give me the friend that is frank for a wonder,
And trusty, though tough;
Whose upper crust proves very much like the under
And neither is tough;
Let us win what we can of the graces of art,
But pledge for them never the truth of the heart.

CLIPPINGS.

A Swindle.

We have to record an instance of swindling, which happened on the steam boat wharf, in Charleston, S. C. not of common occurrence in the South. As the boat was about leaving for this place a genteel looking man stepped up to one of the passengers, a young gentleman of this State, and telling him that he had been imprudent and unfortunate by losing all his money at the gambling table the preceding night, offered him a gold watch of the lapine make, at a great sacrifice as he said, say \$65. He declined the purchase, having already a good silver watch. At this juncture a third party stepped up and offered the seller the price for the watch, but his funds happened to be at the hotel—but if the party first named would pay the money, he would give him five dollars on his bargain when he arrived in Wilmington, as he belonged to a mercantile house in this place, and was coming on in the boat.
The young man believing it good opportunity to speculate offered the seller \$50, being within \$10 of all he had with him. After complaining of the additional sacrifice, the distressed seller consented, and the bargain was closed.
Through some mishap, the third party, the mercantile gentleman of Wilmington, did not come on in the boat, got left, we suppose.
On arriving in Wilmington, the hero of our story called at the store of Messrs Brown & Anderson, Watch Makers and Jewellers, on Market street, to obtain a key for his watch, and incidentally, as it were, asked the value of it. Mr. Anderson, who is a good judge of such matters, told him the watch was worth about five dollars, being a handsomely gaily-niced brass article.
The young gentleman who was swindled on this occasion belongs to the interior of our State, and this was his first appearance in the traveling circle. He

has paid a high price for "seeing the Elephant," and will, of course, approach that animal with caution hereafter. The chief object of this notice is to put others on their guard against these swindlers. It must be remembered that these robbers have the manners of gentlemen—being very amiable, polite and sentimental, and some of them are educated. We advise the reader to remember the adage, which is applicable to men, to manners, and to the material, viz: "All is not gold that glitters."
Wil. Commercial.

Yankee Inquisitiveness.

A correspondent relates the following anecdote, illustrative of the dominant passion of all Yankeeedom:

In one of my solitary piscatorial wanderings last summer, I passed through a meadow in which a couple of juveniles were making hay. One of them left his occupation and came toward the brook where I was fishing. The following remarkable conversation ensued, we being strangers to each other:

Boy.—Fishing, an't ye?
Snooks.—Ya a-a-s, something of that sort.
Boy.—Got many? (he lifts the lid of the basket,) oh, creation! what a lot! Where did ye get them all?
Snooks.—All up and down the lot.

Boy.—Guess ye know how! what kind of pole's that! powerful han'some one, an't it?—What is it made of?
Snooks.—Fishing he had awakened an inquisitor.) Very handsome, indeed—made of ashwood, twelve feet in length—in three pieces—mounted with brass—four inches round at bottom—tapers gradually to half an inch circumference at the top; seventeen ounces weight; cost five dollars, and cheap at that! bought of Martin L. Bradford, in Washington street, Boston, Massachusetts, United States of America, last spring; basket from him too; cost nine shillings; holds, when full, twelve and a half pounds of fish; when half full, or empty, can't say; got hooks and lines from him, too; lines linen and silk, various; hooks Limerick, and different sizes; hanged on gut; this straw hat cost me two dollars three years ago, this old coat twelve, about the same time, can't say what these ventilating pants cost, and have forgotten what the vest came to; boots made for fishing, and cost five dollars; got an old wallet in my pocket to keep spare hooks and lines in; have a jack-knife also in my pocket, and a purse with a half dollar, a shilling and two cents in it; there was once a half pint of good brandy in that bottle, paid two and sixpence for that pipe; got this tobacco at the store above, as part of a pound weight of very miserable stuff, that box I use to keep my bait in, which is generally earth-worms; that handkerchief I got I can't tell when, it is old enough to speak for itself; I live at the corner above; have been there two months; intend to be there two months longer, more about myself I shan't tell you; is there any thing more in particular you have to ask?

Rusticus, Junior, looked amazed the while I rattled off, with the volubility of a Caleb Quotem, the above inventory of facts and recollections; and, to my great surprise, seemed to take the hint that I would deem further inquiries superfluous. Happy in having furnished one individual at least with a quantum sufficient of information, I turned about to renew my sport.

Scarcely had I inserted my fishing line in the brook, when this vision was broken up by my fastid friend inquiring in an earnest tone:

"Say, stranger, where did ye dig yer bait?"

I felt completely flummoxed; and I did not leave myself time to reflect, and hardly felt myself secure from the infliction of another round of merciless interrogatories, until at least one fourth of a mile had been measured between me and the insatiable quicst.

Yankee Notion.

Mrs. Swishelm's Opinion.—Mrs. S. is well known as the editress of a popular paper at Pittsburg, and as a lady of great candor. In a recent number she says of Kossuth that, "be he angel or devil, saint or sinner, the press of this country has manufactured him into a terrible bore; and if its conductors would just go to Hungary, take all their papers for the last six weeks along with them, make them up into wads and fire them at the Austrian soldiers, they might easily kill the whole army without an ounce of lead."

Beauty.—Beauty, thou art twice blessed, thou blestest the gazer and the possessor; often at once the effect and the cause of goodness! A sweet disposition, a lovely soul, an affectionate nature, will speak in the eyes, the lips, the brow and become the cause of beauty. On the other hand, they who have a gift that commands love, a key that opens all hearts, are ordinarily inclined to look with happy eyes upon the world, to be cheerful and serene; to hope and

confide. There is more wisdom than the vulgar dreamt of in our admiration of a fair face.—Motherwell.

Some forty years ago, when a man's respectability depended much on his taking a newspaper, a certain shrewd old fellow, was one morning enjoying the luxury of perusing his paper (although he labored under great disadvantage of not knowing a single letter of the alphabet,) when a more knowing neighbor of his happening in—perhaps to borrow his paper, observed to him that he had his paper wrong end up. The old gentleman, drawing himself up in all the pomposity of affronted dignity, exclaimed—I would have you know, sir, that if I take a paper and pay for it, I have a right to read which end up I please.

Talking about women voting, Saxe, of the Burlington Sentinel, says:—Cradles are the ballot boxes for women—in which they should deposit not votes, but voters. That makes a Warwick of every mother of 'em."

Temptation is a little rill, which forms at first drop by drop—but follow its course, and it swells until it becomes a mountain torrent, which sweeps all before it. "Lead us not into temptation."

Am I not a little pale? inquired a lady who was rather short and corpulent, of a crusty old bachelor. "You are more like a big tub?" was the blunt reply.

The population of the world is estimated at nine hundred and sixty millions. The amount of the precious metals in circulation is four hundred millions sterling, being nearly two dollars to every man, woman and child.

Perfection.—That writer who aspires to immortality should imitate the sculptor, for he would make the labors of the pen as durable as those of the chisel. Like the sculptor, he should arrive at ultimate perfection, by what he takes away; otherwise, all his energy may be hidden in the superabundant mass of his matter, as the finished figure of an Apollo, in the unworked solidity of the block. A friend called on Michael Angelo, who was finishing a statue some time afterwards he called again, the sculptor was still at his work, in fact, looking at the figure, exclaimed, "You have been idle since I saw you last." "By no means," replied the sculptor; "I have retouched this part, and polished that; I have softened this feature, and brought out this muscle; I have given more expression to this lip, and more energy to this limb." "Well, well," said his friend, "but all these are trifles." "It may be so," replied Angelo; "but recollect that trifles make perfection, and that perfection is no trifle."

To love the little platoon we belong to in society is the germ of all public affections." True, most true! The innocent associations of childhood, the kind mother who taught us to whisper the first faint accents of prayer, and watched with anxious face over our slumbers, the ground on which our little feet first trod, the pew in which we first sat during public worship, the school in which our first rudiments were taught, the torn Virgil, the dog-eared Horace, the friends and companions of our young days, the authors who first told us the history of our country, the songs that first made our hearts throb with noble and generous emotions, the burying-place of our fathers, the cradles of our children, are surely the first objects which nature tells us to love. Philanthropy, like charity, must begin at home. From this centre our sympathy may extend in an ever-widening circle.—Farmer's Magazine.

People should not think of courtship repose till they have done courting the girls. Love is as much a stranger to contentment as murder.

"I feel," said an old lady, "that I've got about through with this world. I shan't enjoy much more trouble, nor suffer much more comfort."

Deal gently with those who stray. Draw back by love and persuasion. A kiss is worth a thousand kicks. A kind word is more valuable to the lost, than a mine of gold.

Wealth, honour, and favour, may come upon a man by chance; nay! they may be cast upon him without so much as looking after them; but virtue is the work of industry and labour; and certainly it is worth the while to purchase that good which brings all others along with it.—Seneca.

We see a true thing quoted from Voltaire. He defined a physician to be an unfortunate gentleman, expected every day to perform a miracle; namely, to reconcile health with intemperance."

A PROCLAMATION.

By his Excellency, DAVID S. REID, Governor of the State of North Carolina.

WHEREAS, three-fifths of the whole number of members of each House of the General Assembly did at the last session pass the following Act:

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION OF NORTH CAROLINA.

WHEREAS, the freehold qualification now required for the electors for members of the Senate conflict with the fundamental principles of liberty, therefore

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, three-fifths of the whole number of members of each House concurring, that the second clause of third section of the first Article of the amended Constitution ratified by the people of North Carolina on the second Monday of November, A. D. 1835, be amended by striking out the words "and possessed of a freehold within the same district of fifty acres of land for six months next before and at the day of election," so that the said clause of said section shall read as follows, "All free white men of the age of twenty-one years (except as is hereinafter declared) who have been inhabitants of any one district within the State twelve months immediately preceding the day of any election and shall have paid public taxes, shall be entitled to vote for a member of the Senate

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That the Governor of the State be, and he is hereby directed, to issue his Proclamation to the people of North Carolina, at least six months before the next election for members of the General Assembly, setting forth the purport of this Act and the amendment to the Constitution herein proposed, which Proclamation shall be accompanied by a true and perfect copy of the Act, authenticated by the certificate of the Secretary of State, and both the Proclamation and the copy of this Act, the Governor of the State shall cause to be published in all the newspapers of this State, and posted in the Court Houses of the respective Counties in this State, at least six months before the election of members to the next General Assembly.

Read three times and agreed to by three-fifths of the whole number of members of each House respectively, and ratified in General Assembly, this 21st day of January, 1851.

J. C. DOBBIN, S. H. C.
W. N. EDWARDS, S. S.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
Office of Secretary of State.

I, WILLIAM HILL, Secretary of State, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and perfect copy of the Act of the General Assembly of this State, drawn off from the original on file in this office, given under my hand, this 31st day of December, 1851.

W. H. HILL, Sec'y of State.

AND WHEREAS, the said Act provides for amending the Constitution of the State of North Carolina so as to confer on every qualified voter for the House of Commons the right to vote also for the Senate;

NOW, therefore, to the end that it may be made known that if the aforesaid amendment to the Constitution shall be agreed to by two thirds of the whole representation in each House of the next General Assembly, it will then be submitted to the people for ratification, I have issued this my Proclamation in conformity with the provisions of the above recited Act

In testimony whereof, DAVID S. REID, Governor of the State of North Carolina, hath hereunto set his hand and caused the Great Seal of said State to be affixed. Done at the City of Raleigh, on the thirty-first day of December, in the [18] year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, and in the 76th year of our Independence.

By the Governor, DAVID S. REID.
THOMAS SETTLE, Jr. Private Sec'y.

Persons into whose hands this Proclamation may fall, will please see that a copy of it is posted up in the Court Houses of their respective Counties.

FOR HIRE.

THE subscriber continues to keep horses and vehicles for hire on the following TERMS PER DAY:

For carriage, two horses, & driver, \$5 00
" carriage and harness, 2 00
" barouche, two horses, & driver, 4 00
" barouche and harness, 1 50
" carryall, two horses, and driver, 3 50
" carryall and harness, 1 00
" buggy and horse, 2 00
" buggy and harness, 0 75
" horse, saddle and bridle, 1 25
" horse, 1 00
" horse and cart, 1 25
" Cart and gear, 0 25
" Horse and plough, 1 00
" plough and gear, 0 25
" Wagon and dray, by contract.

The above charges are for an ordinary day's travel—longer or shorter distances, by contract. GEO. HOWARD.

NO. CAROLINA MANUFACTURE.

BATTLE & SON.

ARE still manufacturing at the Rocky Mount Mills, about

300,000 lbs Cotton Yarn per annum. (equal to the best Georgia yarns) which they will deliver to Merchants free of extra charge at New York prices. Orders addressed to Battle & Son, Rocky Mount, N. C., will receive prompt attention. Feb. 1852

s. R. Ford, WILMINGTON, N. C.

DEALER in Marble Monuments; Head and Foot Stones; Paint Stones; Imposing do; and in short, any article called for of either Italian, Egyptian, or American Marble; and work warranted to please or no sale; and if damaged before delivery it is at his expense.

Orders left with Geo. Howard, Tarboro', will be attended to forthwith.

Cotton Wanted, FOR which the highest market price will be paid. Apply to W. H. Willard, Washington, N. C. Jan. 2, '52.

Molasses, 25 hds French Island, very superior, 15 " Cuba, 25 " Sugar house, 12 bbls N. Orleans, for sale very low by W. H. Willard Jan. 2, '52.

NOTICE. THE subscriber being well prepared to do

A FORWARDING And Commission Business

IN THE TOWN OF WASHINGTON, Respectfully solicits the patronage of the public in Tarboro', its vicinity, and Edgecombe co. generally. He has ample and safe room for the storage of Naval Stores, Grain, and other produce; his charges are moderate and quick dispatch invariably given to all business entrusted to his direction.

REFERENCES. Macnair & Brother, Tarboro' N. C., William Bernard, Greenville, Eli Hoyt, Washington, N. C., Geo. H. Brown & Brother, Washington, B. J. Parmelee, Washington, N. C., Hon. Judge Manly, Newbern, N. C., L. A. Stantley, Wilmington, N. C., Wm Bruce & Co., New York, Bateman & Rudderow, do. Mallett & Paulmin, do.

L. J. LAGARDE, Washington, N. C., April 2

Don't you want to RIDE?

THE subscriber keeps constantly on hand, a large variety of vehicles comprising

Buggies, Barouches, &c.

of every style and finish.

He also manufactures to order any description of vehicles, from an ox cart to a fine carriage, in a style not surpassed in this country, and at prices as low as can be afforded any where.

He also carries on a large harness manufactory—sets of harness from \$12 to \$50.

Vehicles of every description repaired at short notice and on reasonable terms.

The subscriber will attend the Courts of Edgecombe, and be prepared to make contracts as above, on favorable terms.

JAMES NELSON, Greenville, Pitt Co. July 8.

Thomas L. Liddon, BRICKLAYER & PLASTERER.

INFORMS the citizens of Martin & the adjacent counties, that he has

Removed to Hamilton,

And is fully prepared to execute all jobs in his line of business, that may be entrusted to him. He has competent workmen in his employ, and can give satisfactory assurances, that all work entrusted to him will be executed expeditiously and in a workmanlike manner.

References. Jos. Waldo, Hamilton, Wm. Norfleet, Tarboro', Baker Station, Edgecombe Co., Gould Hoyt, Greenville. Hamilton, April 3.

NEW BOOKS.

Swain's Justice, Wiley's North Carolina Reader, Southern Harmony & Musical Companion, Baxter's Saints' Rest, Cyclopaedia of 6000 Practical Receipts, Dictionary of Poetical quotations, Arabian Night's Entertainments—illustrated, Dark Scenes in History, by James, Vicar of Wakefield, Baccus—Prize Essay on Intemperance, by Grindrod, Memoirs of Wm. Wirt, by Kennedy, Joseph H. Bowditch, Tarboro', Feb. 6.

\$5 Reward.

RANAWAY from the subscriber on the first of July, negro

JIM The said negro is about years old, of a light complexion, and about five feet five inches high. He is supposed to be in the vicinity of Tarboro'.

Who will give the above reward to a person or persons who will bring him to me, or lodge him in any jail, so I get him. All persons are hereby forbidden not to harbor or employ said negro under the penalty of the law. Cader Abrams, Hamilton, July 30.

NEW BOARDING HOUSE.

Mrs. E. A. FORD, WOULD respectfully inform the public, that she has taken the House lately occupied by Mrs. Swann, and having had it thoroughly repaired, and fitted with new and handsome furniture throughout, she will be enabled to accommodate a number of transient or permanent Boarders in the best manner. The House is as pleasantly situated as any

in Wilmington.

and a number of her best rooms will be reserved for the accommodation of transient visitors. She can confidently bespeak the patronage of those desirous of obtaining a Boarding House of the first class, as she flatters herself that her arrangements cannot be surpassed for comfort and convenience, and no exertion will be spared calculated to add to the happiness and contentment of her guests.

The House is now open for the reception of permanent or day boarders. For terms, apply to Mrs. Ford Nov. 7.

John H. Smith's Renovating Ointment and HORSE RENOVATING POWDERS.

THE author of our existence is caused to grow up spontaneously throughout the world, such vegetable properties as will at once cure when properly applied, all curable diseases. The proprietor of this truly valuable medicine might be a volume with Certificates and testimonials in favor of his article, but, considering such puffing useless, since they are so readily manufactured, and made use of to such an extent to palm off some worthless trash upon the public, I shall therefore, state at once, the various diseases that can be speedily cured by these Invaluable Horse Renovating Powders, viz:—Glanders, hidebound, and horse Distemper, and purifies the blood. It is also a safe and certain cure for the heat of the stomach and maw from bots, worms, &c. and again restore the stomach and bowels to healthy action.

Smith's Renovating Ointment is an invaluable remedy for horses in the cure of the following diseases: Fresh wounds, Galls, of all kinds, Sprains, Bruises, Ringbone, Poll Evil, windgalls, Spavins, Swellings, Fistula, Strains, Lameness, Fettered Feet, Cracks, and Scratches.

The above articles are to be had in most of the Cities and principal Villages throughout the United States, and the Canadas.

For sale, wholesale and retail, at John H. Smith's Depot, No. 125 Fulton street, 2d floor, New York.

Price, 25 cents per box for Ointment; 50 cts for the Horse Renovating Powders.

For sale by Geo. Howard