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**Choice Poetry.**



From Gleason's Pictorial.

**WHEN I AM GONE.**

BY HORACE G. BOGHEMAN.

When I am gone, the same blue sky  
Will hang as it hath hung, on high,  
And look as it hath looked, as bright,  
The same pale, modest moon, that now  
Sheds trembling rays o'er hill and lawn,  
Will wreath with light the mountain's brow,  
When I am gone—when I am gone.

When I am gone, the far-off sun,  
With many a golden, luminous ray,  
Will kiss the waves as it has done,  
And dazzle as it did to-day.  
Stars, gaily twinkling stars, will beam,  
And sweetly ring their courses on,  
And in night's speedy halls will gleam,  
When I am gone—when I am gone.

When I am gone, the waves will lash,  
With cresting foam, the lonely shore,  
The frail, lost bark the sea will dash,  
As seas have dashed frail boats before,  
The balmy breeze will float about,  
Fall off on many a floral bed,  
And bear the sweets of flower and song,  
When I am gone—when I am gone.

When I am gone, the busy bee,  
Will seek, as now, the honeyed flower,  
And birds will call, light and free,  
As long ago, in bush and bow.  
The positive wind will skip the hills,  
These grassy hills, with graceful tread,  
And listen to the whispering rills,  
When I am gone—when I am gone.

When I'm no more, proud vice will walk,  
And wear his bill, demonic suite,  
And poverty in rags will stalk,  
And Satan with his snare beguile.  
The banker still will count his "odds,"  
The miser still will treasure o'er  
The devotee will love his gods,  
When I'm no more—when I'm no more.

When I'm no more, the gay will laugh,  
The bigot never cease his sneer;  
The sot will yet his potion quaff,  
And party friends still drop a tear.  
The solemn funeral bell will toll,  
The murderer steep his blade in gore;  
But virtue still will find its goal,  
When I'm no more—when I'm no more.

**MORAL.**

**THE VALLEY OF MEMORY.**

BY MISS ELIZA WOODWORTH.

Far away in the shadowy land of the past,  
Sleeping in the quiet, uncertain light of  
remembrance, is a valley, wherein is hidden a  
temple solemn in its gloomy majesty, yet  
beautiful in the silent glory resting like the  
forewell smile of fading love upon fifty bat-  
tlements, and glimmering through dusky  
aisle, and there too, is a record kept by astral  
and faithful minister.

The pathway of life is shorn of its bloom  
and fragrance, and the eyes that are tracing  
its labyrinthine are dim with gathering tears.  
Black and terrible the grim clouds are dark-  
ening the quaking heavens, beautiful in their  
powerful slumbers, woful in their fading  
brightness, stern and awful in their rising  
wrath. Muttering voices of anger are stirring  
the storm-pail, wrapping the shuddering bo-  
som of the skies, and hearse and heavy the  
loud clarion of the maddened tempest falls  
upon the desolate spirit. Fearful of the Fu-  
ture—forgetful of the Present, the weary eye  
searches for the lost light of the Past. Oh!  
then, bright to the "pure in heart," is the  
valley and the temple—cheering the apostles  
pages kept by the hand of memory, and filled  
with the records of innocence. Low tones of  
melody are going up from the green earth, to  
the heavens bending above it, like a Father's  
love; and the wild shriek of the battling thun-  
der is heard afar off, as a vision; while dreams,  
bright as the sun-priest rain-drops dancing  
on the crystal bow of the Omnipotent, visit  
the heart, and gladden the dimness of the  
little valley, with a light of splendor and  
heavenly glory.

"Lord, keep my memory green!" Let not  
the sunny path of childhood be lost in the  
by-gone—let not the star of hope, shedding  
light on the bosom of youth, fade in the  
blackness of coming years!

Far away in that darkened valley, amid the  
hidden covert of the whispering forest, where  
the yew and the cypress throw a death gloom,  
grim as the garments of the daughter of sleep,  
there rolls a sluggish river, streaming with  
the pestilential breath of its poisonous waters.  
The man of sin turns back to look for the fa-  
red treasures of a distant, though still re-  
membered day. But heavy is the midnight

hovering over the blood-stained ruins of the  
temple of innocence; fearful and forbidding  
are the torn pages of memory as the stern re-  
corder points with tony finger to the annals  
of hellish crime, and tells with the hollow  
voice of unforgetting remorse, of the ruined  
childhood, withered by the storm-breath of  
sorrow, and the budding hope of youth, crush-  
ed in the grip of scorn!

Alas! alas! for the beauty that flees with the  
dawning brightness of life's early morning,  
while nought but the pale torch of remem-  
brance lights the gloom of maturity! But the  
spirit, though blighted in its aspirations, may  
yet remain pure and unsoiled. And the burn-  
ing lamp of heaven, lost for an hour in the  
blackness of the loving tempest, whose giant  
form soon sinks to the caverns of night, while  
its voice dies away in the lonely darkness of  
its far off home, shall shine with a brighter  
glory on the breast of the storm-shattered  
clouds.

Woe! woe! unto him the unclean hands,  
and the self-purged heart. In vain may he  
seek for the waters of Lethe, or sigh for the  
dreamless tide of oblivion. Forgetfulness  
visits not the chambers of darkness. Oblivion  
shall not wash away the black footprints of  
guilt. Not a voice of friendly cheer from the  
solemn land of the Future—not a breathing of  
melody to break the soundless gloom of the  
Present. "Wretched man that thou art," go  
thou to the dreary past—walk through the  
dismal of that once bright valley—gaze on the  
fallen pillars—look on the desolated shrine of  
affection and moral purity—bring up from the  
slimy waters of that sullen river the wrecks  
buried within it—deeds stamped with horror,  
and the wreck-living river, are thy momentary  
dark and sad the face of memory, chill and  
awful her warning voice!

Yet, thou, oh youth, with the eye of love  
and the voice of heaven, take heed lest thou  
contaminate the beautiful temple of virtue to moul-  
der by the slow decaying hand of vice, or to  
fall beneath the head of the tempest, shattered  
and broken forever. Father in heaven shield  
us in the trying hour, and break the giant  
spell of temptation and evil!

Albion, N. Y.

**BREAD CAST UPON THE WATERS.**

One evening, the curate of a small village  
in the north of England returned much fatigued  
to his humble dwelling. He had been visit-  
ing a poor family who were suffering from  
both want and sickness; and the worthy old  
man, besides administering the consolations  
of religion, had given them a few small coins,  
saved by rigid self-denial from his scanty in-  
come. He walked homeward, leaning on his  
stick, and thinking, with sorrow, how very  
small were the means he possessed of doing  
good and relieving misery.

As he entered the door, he heard an un-  
wanted clamor of tongues, the result of a re-  
fusal on the part of his housekeeper to pay  
what she thought an exorbitant charge for the  
transportation of a small, but heavy package.

It was extremely heavy and bore the stamp  
of San Francisco, in California, together with  
his own address. The curate paid the fifteen  
francs, which left him possessed of but a few  
sous, and dismissed the messenger.

He then opened the box, and displayed to  
the astonished eyes of his housekeeper an in-  
got of virgin gold, and a slip of paper, on  
which were written the following words:

"To Monsieur the Curate of B. A slight  
token of eternal gratitude in remembrance of  
August 28th, 1848. Charles F., formerly  
Sergeant Major the 1st Regiment, now a  
gold digger in California."

The circumstances were these: Three years  
before the curate was returning from visiting  
his poor and sick parishioners. Not far from  
his cottage he saw a young soldier, with a lag-  
gard countenance, and wild, bloodshot eyes,  
about to plunge himself into a river. The  
venerable priest stepped him, and spoke to  
him kindly.

At first the young man would not answer,  
and tried to break away from his questions;  
but the curate, fearing that he meditated sui-  
cide, would not be repulsed, and at length,  
with much difficulty, succeeded in leading him  
to his house. After some time, softened by  
the tender kindness of his host, the soldier  
confessed that he had spent in gambling a  
sum of money which had been entrusted to  
him as sergeant-major of his company.

The curate waited until the soldier had be-  
come more calm, and then addressed him in  
words of reproof and counsel, such a tender  
father might bestow on an erring son. He  
finished by giving him a bag containing one  
hundred and thirty francs, the amount of the  
sum unlawfully dissipated.

"It is nearly all I possess in the world,"  
said the old man, "but, by the grace of God,  
you will change your habits, and some day,  
my friend, you will return me this money,  
which, indeed, belongs more to the poor than  
to me."

It would be impossible to describe the sol-  
dier's joy and astonishment. He pressed con-  
vulsively his benefactor's hand, and, after a  
pause, said:

"Monsieur, in three months my military  
engagement will be ended. I solemnly pro-  
mise, that with the assistance of God, from  
that time I will work diligently." So he de-  
parted, bearing with him the money and the  
blessings of the good man.

Three years passed away, and the ingot,  
worth three thousand francs, proved to the  
poor curate a substantial means of support  
during life.

**DON'T INTRODUCE YOUR FRIENDS.**

Avoid trenchery. Those who enter a  
friend's house as visitors, should not remain  
in it as guests, or go away from it as trad-  
ucers. Don't be among those "busy bodies in  
other men's matters" who cannot or will not  
beholden to a friend's hospitality without  
returning evil for good, by making sport  
of that friend's peculiarities, or retelling petty  
scandals concerning himself or his family, or  
abusing his confidence to his injury. If you  
have "itching ears," and a nimble tongue,  
keep yourself to yourself; don't give yourself  
a chance of perpetrating mischief which  
after repentance will repair.

**AGRICULTURE.**

From the Working Farmer.  
**SEASONABLE ADVICE.**

The present is a month which may be de-  
voted to many of the requirements of the  
farm, for which time cannot be spared at an  
earlier date.

In many parts of the country, fall plowing  
may still be pursued, and in clayey soils,  
which are not sufficiently pulverulent, particu-  
larly those which have not been under-drain-  
ed, fall plowing may be pursued with great  
profit. This should be done by ridging and  
back-furrowing, so as to leave the surface in  
high ridges, with deep gullies between each.  
The frequent rains will pass down readily into  
the sub-soil, depositing their ammonia,  
and increasing the fertility of the soil to a  
greater depth. Clay soils thus treated, will  
be found pulverulent, and easily workable in  
the spring. We have only to mix these ridges  
with a two-way plow, and the field will be  
ready for cultivation.

Sandy soils should never be left ridged in  
winter, as it renders them too free and blowy  
in spring; but for clayey soils, such treatment  
is nearly or quite equal to a light dressing of  
manure.

This is also a proper season for under-drain-  
ing lands, digging and setting drains, &c.  
Soils under-drained in the fall will be found  
ready at an earlier date in spring for cultiva-  
tion.

Those who have muck or peat meadow should  
recollected that their ditch banks, by being ex-  
posed to the winter, will be rendered pulver-  
ulent by spring, and ready for preparation  
for composts, by the salt and lime mixture.

Warm stables are necessary, and the winter  
the keeping of farm stock during the winter.  
We should remember that open and exposed  
stables will cause animals to appropriate a  
very considerable portion of their food to sup-  
plying the necessary amount of warmth, in-  
stead of the formation of fat, muscle, milk,  
&c., and that in a properly warmed, and well  
ventilated stable, animals may be kept on one-  
third less food, than when exposed to cold-  
drafts, or too low an average temperature.

The winter management of manure is of  
importance. Those who have manure sheds  
with a cistern sunk at the lowest point, will  
find no difficulty in an economical manage-  
ment of their composts, during winter. The  
supply of muck, which should now be one  
year old, and properly treated with the salt  
and lime mixture, may be composted daily,  
with the manures from the stables, and the  
drainings of this compost be pumped into the  
cistern twice a week, or often, on top of the  
mass, and notwithstanding the severity of  
winter, this fluid continually moving through  
the heap, will secure the necessary amount of  
decomposition to produce heat, and equalize  
the quality of every part of the compost.

The soluble portions of each strata will be  
carried to the drainage cistern, and when  
pumped back again on top, will give heat and  
vigor to the inert portion of the mass, and  
rendering the whole of an even quality, and  
ready for spring use, while the cold atmos-  
phere surrounding the outside of the pile, will  
prevent the waste and escape of ammonia.

The urine from the stables should all be led  
to this cistern; and composts so made, in win-  
ter, will be found equal, if not superior, to  
summer products of a similar kind, and with  
less waste.

Leaves from the woods should be added  
freely to these composts. In many woods the  
decay of leaves forms a black crust of many  
inches thick, and in such cases farmers need  
not fear to remove a part for their compost  
heaps. The amount of inorganic matter  
brought up from great depths by the roots of  
trees, deposited in their leaves, and finally  
decomposed on the surface of the ground, is  
greater than the requirements necessary for  
the growing woods, while the amount of or-  
ganic matter forming the chief part of the fi-  
bre of those leaves, all being obtained from  
the atmosphere, accumulates in woods beyond  
the necessity of the growing trees, and if half  
be removed, and the more rapid decomposi-  
tion of the other half be assisted by light  
dressings of lime, both the woods and the  
farm will be improved by the exchange.

Fuel should now be cut to be burned twelve  
months hence. All who have set in front of  
a wood fire, made of unseasoned wood, must  
be practically aware that the insulating steam  
carries the heat of the water, contained in wood,  
becomes 1728 cubic inches of steam, and is  
capable of receiving and carrying away 1728  
times as much heat as when in the state of wa-  
ter, rendering the heat latent, and parting  
with it only at the chimney-top. One pound  
of well-dried wood will do more to heat a stove  
or the atmosphere of a room, than radiated  
from an open fire-place, than three pounds of  
unseasoned damp wood.

Those who have grape vines should remem-  
ber that Nov. 25th is the proper time to trim  
them. Many have supposed that this should  
be done in early spring, and have given an  
argument, that when out in November, the  
wood is killed by winter frosts. This mistake  
arises from inexperienced hands trimming  
instead of removing unripe wood in Novem-  
ber. These unripe branches would die in  
spring, whether trimmed or not, but of those  
kinds of grapes suited for out-door culture,  
the ripened wood is not injured by winter  
frosts.

We have once or twice had occasion to re-  
member that roots should be taken from the  
garden, before the severity of winter should  
render it impossible. It is true that many of  
the root crops will continue to grow after the  
ground has been frozen to the depth of an  
inch or more, but there is a proper limit, to  
which we can leave each of late growth.—  
When we find the leaves stiffen, it certainly  
is imprudent to wait for a more congenial  
time to dig our crops. See work to be done  
for the month, this number.—Ed.

**German Hot-Beds.**

At the present season of various agri-  
cultural subscribers we reprint from the Law-  
rence Courier of March 15, 1853, the follow-  
ing directions for making these cheap and ex-  
cellent hot beds.

"Take white cotton cloth of a coarse tex-  
ture, stretch and lay it on frames of any size  
you wish; take 2 oz. of lime water, 4 oz. of  
linseed oil, oz. of yolk of eggs, mix the oil and  
lime with very gentle heat, beat the eggs sep-  
arately, and mix with the former; spread this  
mixture with a paint brush over the cotton,  
plying another, until they become water-proof.  
The following are the advantages these shades  
possess over glass ones.

- 1st. The cost being hardly one-fourth.
- 2d. Repairs are easily and cheaply made.
- 3d. The light. They do not require water-  
ing; no matter how intense the heat of the  
sun, the plants are never struck down or burnt  
or checked in growth, neither do they  
grow up long, such as under glass; still  
there is abundance of light.
- 4th. The heat arising from below is more  
equable and temperate, which is a great ob-  
jection to the vapor rising from the manure and  
earth is condensed by the cool air passing  
over the surface of the shade, and hangs in  
drops upon the inside, and therefore the  
plants do not require so frequent watering.  
If the frames or stretch are made large, they  
should be intersected with cross bars, making  
about one foot square to support the cloth.  
These articles are just the things for bring-  
ing forward flower seeds in season for plant-  
ing.

**THE THIEFLESS FARMER.**

A contemporary draws the following excel-  
lent portrait:

The thiefless farmer provides no shelter  
for his cattle, during the inclemency of win-  
ter, but permits them to stand shivering by  
the fence, or to lie in the low snow as best  
they can.

He throws their fodder on the ground or in  
the mud, and not infrequently in the high-  
ways, by which a large portion of it, and all  
the nature is wasted.

He grazes his meadows in the fall and  
winter, by which they are gradually exhausted,  
and finally ruined.

His fences are old and poor—just such as  
to let his neighbor's cattle break into his  
fields, and teach his own to be unruly.

He neglects to keep the manure from  
around the silos of his barn—if he has one—  
by which they are prematurely rotted and de-  
stroyed.

He kills, or skims over the surface of the  
land, until it is exhausted; but never thinks  
it worth while to manure or clover it. For  
the first he has no time; and for the last "he  
is not able."

He has more stock than he has means to  
keep them.

He has a place for nothing, and nothing in  
its place. He, consequently, wants a hoe or a  
rake, a hammer or an auger, but knows not  
where to find it. He and his whole house-  
hold are in search of it, much time is lost.

He loiters away stormy days and evenings  
when he should be repairing utensils or im-  
proving his mind by reading the newspapers.

He spends much time in town, at the corner  
of the street, or in the "snack holes," and  
goes home in the evening, "pretty well tor-  
mented."

He plants a few fruit trees, and his cattle  
forthwith destroy them. He has "no luck in  
raising fruit."

One half of the little he raises, is destroyed  
by his own, or his neighbor's cattle.

He has no shed for his fire-wood—con-  
sequently his wife is out of humor, and his  
meats out of season, and always will be  
in the kitchen, drag, and other implements,  
he leaves all winter where last used, and just  
as he is getting in a hurry the next season his  
plough breaks, because it was not properly  
hoisted, and cared for.

Somebody's hogs break in and destroy his  
garden, because he had not stopped a hole in  
the fence, that he had intended to stop for  
a week.

He is often in a great hurry, but will stop  
and talk as long as he can find any one to talk  
with.

He has, of course, little money; and when  
he must raise some to pay his taxes, &c., he  
raises it at a great sacrifice, in some way or  
other, either by paying a great "shave," or  
by selling his scanty crops when prices are low.

He is a year behind, instead of being a year  
ahead of his business, and always will be  
in an execution; consequently, his credit is at low  
ebb.

He buys entirely on credit, and merchants  
and others with whom he deals, charge him  
twice or thrice the profit they charge prompt  
payers, and unwilling to sell him goods at  
that. He has to beg and promise, and prom-  
ise, and promise and beg, to get them on any  
terms. The merchant dreads to see his wife  
come into his store, and the woman feels de-  
graded and humiliated.

The smoke gets to come out of his chim-  
ney late of a winter's morning, while his poor  
cattle are suffering for their morning's food.

Mature lies in heaps in his stable, his  
horses are rough and uncurried, and his har-  
ness rot and under their feet.

His bars and gates are broken, his build-  
ings unpainted, and the yards and shingles  
falling off—he has no time to replace them—  
his glass is out of the window, and the holes  
showed with rags and old hats.

He is a great borrower of his thrifty neigh-  
bor's implements, but never returns the bor-  
rowed articles; and when it is sent for, cannot  
be found.

His children are late at school—this is, if  
they go to school—their faces unwashed,  
their clothes ragged, and their hair uncombed,  
and their books torn and dirty.

He is, in person, a great sloven, and never  
attempts public worship—or if he does occa-  
sionally do so he comes sneaking in when ser-  
vice is half over.

New Telegraphic Map of the United States,  
the Canada and Nova Scotia, accompanied  
with complete tariff of rates from Philadelphia  
to all parts of the country. Every business  
man should have a copy for reference. For  
sale at the National Telegraph office, No. 101  
Chesnut street.

From the Scientific American.

Plan for Building the Pacific Railroad.

There are two subjects which will doubtless  
occupy a prominent position in the legislation  
of Congress at its next session,—the Pacific  
Railroad and the disposal of the surplus funds  
of the Treasury. The former of these  
has been long before the people, and the dis-  
covery of gold in California, which has drawn  
adventurers thither from almost every town,  
village, and hamlet in our land, has made it a  
matter of personal interest to hundreds of  
thousands who have now a relative or friend  
in that far off portion of our Republic. This  
subject, joined with the knowledge that the com-  
munity of the Orient is a productive mine, that  
the nation possessing it is commercially and  
often politically mistress of the world; that  
the Pacific Railroad, when built, will form  
the shortest, and for many of these commodi-  
ties, the cheapest route of transportation—has  
rendered it a matter of necessity that the road  
be speedily built. The question now arises,  
how can this be done?

A well-known individual proposed, a few  
years ago, to build this road and cede it to the  
government, provided the government, in re-  
turn, would cede him a strip of land sixty  
miles in width; adjacent to the road. This  
was received with little favor by the public,  
on the ground of its being, as it certainly was,  
a gigantic land speculation. It has also been  
proposed to build the road by individual en-  
terprise, but this has never been done, partly  
from the difficulty of procuring the necessary  
amount of subscription, and partly from the  
fear of its becoming a powerful monopoly—  
so powerful, indeed, as to endanger the purity  
of our republican institutions. A company  
for this purpose is now organized in this city,  
and although the requisite amount of stock  
has been subscribed upon their books, yet the  
public are strongly inclined to believe that  
much of this is fictitious, and that the con-  
tractors, for the benefit of the corporation  
subscribed largely above their capital; and  
these facts, together with the present and pro-  
spective pressure in the money market render  
it highly improbable that this company will  
be able to carry out their designs.

It has also been proposed that the road  
should be built and controlled entirely by  
government, but the well-known fact that any  
public work, executed by the government, cost  
far more than when executed by private  
enterprise, together with the corruption which  
so frequently attends any extensive contracts  
of this kind, has prevented, and will doubt-  
less prevent this from being done. Were it  
not for these considerations, it is very likely  
the public would demand that the surplus  
funds now in the Treasury should be expend-  
ed in this work; and it is highly probable that  
the company already referred to will solicit  
Congress to give a large portion of these  
funds to enable them to build the road; nay,  
it is almost certain that a proposition of this  
kind has already been considered. But we  
think the public will be opposed to this, as  
the time will come when this money will be  
needed to liquidate the debts now outstanding  
against the Treasury, and we shall not en-  
deavor to present the outlines of a plan which  
will free from all the objections we have  
considered, and against which we think that  
no other objections of equal weight can be  
urged.

A company to be called the "Mississippi  
and Pacific Railroad Company," shall be or-  
ganized, by the appointment, by the President  
of the United States, of three individuals,  
with three others, to be selected by the  
company, to form a Board of Directors of the  
company, having the powers usually apper-  
taining to such officers.

The Board of Directors shall, as soon as  
possible after their appointment, complete  
their organization and cause any surveys to  
be made which may be necessary, in addition  
to those authorized by the Government, from  
which they shall select the route judged best,  
which most suitable, and shall cause the work  
upon each route to be immediately com-  
menced.

All persons employed by the company at  
the rate of not more than one dollar per day  
shall be paid two-thirds in money; all persons  
receiving more than one dollar per day shall  
be paid one-half in money; the remainder shall  
be paid by an order on the government for the  
present price, but not in any other quantity  
than in equal multiples of twenty cents.

As often as any person shall be engaged  
by the Company in money and lands, a sum  
equal to one hundred dollars, he shall receive  
a certificate which shall entitle him to one  
share in the capital stock of the company,  
which certificate, and also the land warrants,  
shall not be transferable, except to employees  
of the company, until a cash dividend shall  
have been declared upon the capital stock;  
nor shall any person, until that time, be en-  
titled to hold more than ten times the amount  
of land warrants, or stock, which he shall  
have received for his own services. The per-  
son holding these certificates shall be the sole  
stockholders of the company, and shall, in  
any meeting for the election of officers, be al-  
lowed one vote for every share held by them.

In one year from the time when the Board  
shall have completed its organization, and an-  
nually thereafter, such elections shall be held  
at the principal office of the Company, and  
shall be taken by government upon the road  
and the rolling stock thereof, for the full a-  
mount loaned the company, which mortgage  
shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent  
per annum, until it shall be paid, and all the  
proceeds of the road, above what is needed for  
necessary expenses and repairs, shall be ap-  
propriated to the liquidation of this debt.

This, as we have already said, is but an out-  
line of the plan, presiding only its leading  
and essential features. Should it be received  
in favor by the press, and the public gen-  
erally, we will, before the meeting of Congress,

draw up a complete statement of it, embracing  
several details necessary to prevent all at-  
tempts at speculation or corruption, and pre-  
sent it in the form of a memorial to that body.  
We invite the attention of the press to this  
subject.

**PRESERVATION OF THE EYES.**

We copy a portion of a well-written article  
from the Scalpel, a N. Y. medical monthly,  
on the eyes. The eye is the most delicate  
organ of the human body, and also one of the  
most indispensable, and its preservation is,  
therefore, of great interest and importance.

We submit the article to the perusal of our  
readers:

There is a tradition, at least as old as the  
Talmud, that the eyes are strengthened by  
drawing the fingers across the eyelids in a  
horizontal direction. Ex-President Adams,  
who was affected with an obstruction of the  
tear-passage, used this method to get rid of  
the accumulating fluid, and the usual prac-  
tice was brought into greater notice by the  
example of the illustrious statesman. The  
obscure theory, that the anterior surface of  
the eye-ball becomes flattened as age advances  
was again revived, and it became a business  
to advertise instructions for kneading the or-  
gan into shape with the fingers!

It cannot be expected that operations found-  
ed on a false theory can be safe in practice.  
It is untrue that the outer surface of the eye  
becomes flatter with advancing age; and there-  
fore, manipulations to restore what is not  
wanting, in an organ so delicate in structure  
that a rude push may be followed by perma-  
nent darkness, should be avoided.

The principal lens of the eye is situated be-  
hind the pupil, and kept in proper position  
by membranes finer than the finest gold-beat-  
ing skin. These delicate membranes are li-  
able to be ruptured by blows, falls, or other  
causes, and the lens, which is naturally clear  
as crystal, becomes white and opaque. Opac-  
ity of the lens, or what is called cataract, may  
be produced without laceration of the mem-  
branes, by merely interfering with the circula-  
tion of the vessels which supply it.

The writer was lately called to visit an aged female  
who had been suffering acutely for months,  
after submitting, while in health, to the ma-  
nipulations of rejuvenating humors. The  
lens was dislocated and pressed on the sensi-  
tive nerves at the margin of the pupil. The  
pain occasioned by pressure of this kind may  
be compared to that produced by pressing the  
exposed nerve of a tooth with a tooth-pick;  
but in the former case the pain is continuous,  
and not so easily removed as in the latter—

Other cases of injury attributed to manipu-  
lation, such as cross-eyes, double-vision, &c.,  
have come under the writer's notice. Last  
month in presence of the editor, he operated  
for cataract in the case of the lady whose vi-  
sion, with the aid of spectacles, was perfect  
until she was induced by plausible advertise-  
ments to pay for a course of lessons. After  
the third lesson vision became indistinct, and  
blindness ultimately followed. Beer was called  
to examine a gentleman who had always  
enjoyed excellent sight, until it was lost in  
a moment. The patient had been at a party of  
friends, when a person stepped suddenly be-  
hind and, covering both eyes with the hands,  
wished him to guess who it was. The former  
without speaking a word, endeavored to es-  
cape from the pressure, and when the eyelids  
were opened, he was entirely bereft of sight.

Although there was not the least appearance  
of injury, the sufferer remained hopelessly  
blind. From this melancholy example, Beer  
concludes that the eyes are liable to injury  
even from moderate pressure.

There is a popular notion, sanctioned by  
medical men who ought to know better, that  
the eyes are preserved by opening them every  
morning in a basin of cold water. Some of  
the worst cases of pteridium of film on the  
surface of the eye have been witnessed in  
those who boasted of this practice.

It is very important that the cleanliness  
of the eye be maintained; yet this may be  
accomplished in the usual manner, without  
opening the lubricating surfaces. When the  
secretion is vitiated by cold or other causes,  
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POULTRY EXHIBITION.

The establishment of Agricultural Societies with annual exhibitions, has proved a greater stimulus to the improvement of the various kinds of stock, than almost any other single event of the day.

With the increase of Railroad facilities, it was confidently predicted that farm produce would diminish in value.

Since the introduction of Shanghai and other improved breeds of fowls in the country, quite an interest has been awakened in the subject; and we have now really some very fine specimens in different parts of the county.

REMEDY FOR COLD FEET.—At this season of the year, when coughs and colds are so often contracted, it becomes of the highest importance to protect the feet.

A PUBLIC LECTURE ROOM.—Several events during the recent canvass have suggested more strongly than ever the necessity of having some public place, to hold lectures.

To build, equip and keep in condition a suitable building for public uses would cost but a very small sum individually when divided among the different tax payers of the town.

To erect a suitable building and meet the necessary expenditures from the receipts would probably hardly be a paying investment unless a large sum was first expended.

What we more particularly need at the present time is such an institution as will afford all classes a free and ready access to it.

On Thursday last the Bridgeton Chronicle was sold at public sale. Harris B. Mattison of this town was the purchaser.

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The Election in this county on Tuesday resulted in the complete and unexpected success of the entire Temperance Ticket.

Below we give a statement of the result which though not official is believed to be nearly correct.

The Democratic coroners are elected there being but little opposition.

The Returns have been received from but a few counties in the State and not enough to indicate the strength of the Temperance party.

Both branches of the Legislature are strongly Democratic, and Price has been elected Governor by four to five thousand majority.

Table with 2 columns: County, Returns. Lists Cumberland, Haywood, and other counties with their respective returns.

Majorities.—Governor, Haywood 33,666. Senate, Howell 50. Assembly, 1st district Harris 66. 2d. district, Mills 33.

Maryland.—The Democrats have elected their whole ticket for State officers and the Whigs have carried both branches of the Legislature.

New York Election.—Owing to the Democratic split, the Whigs have carried their State ticket and a majority of the Legislature.

Poultry Show.—The State Poultry Society intend to give the annual exhibitions of chickens, at the Chinese Museum, on Tuesday, November 22d, and the succeeding Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Philadelphia and St. Louis.—The railroad between Union and Chicago, is now completed, and in good running order, so that we have now an uninterrupted railroad and steamboat communication between Philadelphia and St. Louis.

Thrilling Scene at Cape May.—A had named Edridge, was the one who captured the boat, and was the only one who was not killed.

Terrible Accident.—About ten o'clock, Tuesday morning, while one of the ferry boats was lying at the foot of Federal street,

A daring robbery was committed in New York on Monday afternoon, at the Bank of the State of New York.

New York Tapping Pennsylvania.—New York is making the greatest exertions to obtain highways to the lakes and the West through the State of Pennsylvania.

The Assumed Holland Debt.—The Secretary of the Treasury has reduced the Holland debt contracted by the cities of Georgetown and Washington, in 1827, and assumed by the government in 1836.

Charleston, Nov. 4.—The British ship Liverpool, from Shields, with coal for New York, was lost at sea.

Suspicious.—On Saturday afternoon, says the Philadelphia Sun, a man took dinner at the Girard House, who made himself familiar with a number of gentlemen.

Small Change.—It is stated that in order to relieve the sorely oppressed, the Secretary of the Treasury has set apart two hundred thousand dollars of the new silver coin.

LATER FROM CALIFORNIA.

Arrival of the Great Steamer at New Orleans.—The steamer New Orleans, Nov. 3, arrived at New Orleans at 10 o'clock.

The steamer Daniel Webster of the N. O. line, arrived here at 10 o'clock.

John Mitchell, the Irish patriot, who escaped from the penal colony at Van Dieman's land, has already been reported, arrived at San Francisco on the 12th ult.

The improvements in and about the city of San Francisco are progressing at a most wonderful rate.

The papers contain important intelligence from the Sandwich Islands.

California News.—Late from Texas.—Important from New Mexico.

PHILADELPHIA MARKETS.—Wheat is not plenty, and the receipts find ready sale at \$1.50 for good Red.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY.—One Hundred hands to make Coats, Pants and Vests.

WANTED.—FIFTEEN or Twenty Cord Wood Cutters, to whom Twenty-Five cents per cord, in cash, will be paid.

APPLES.—A assortment of New York Apples, by the barrel or bushel.

PUBLIC SALE.

Will be sold at Public Sale, on Saturday, the 19th day of November, 1853.

THE HOUSE is 40x25 feet, stories high with Shed attached, a Cellar, and good water at the door, all in good repair.

JUST received a new supply of Books and tracts, published by the American Tract Society of New York.

THE Miss Whitaker's OF CEDARVILLE, would like to see the public in general, that they have on hand, a handsome and varied assortment of

FALL and Winter Millinery Goods, comprising Velvets, Silks, Satins, Tuffed Silks, Feathered and French and American Flowers, &c.

THE BRIDGE, BRIDGETON, is for sale by SAMUEL WILLS, Agent for Edwin A. Compton.

FASHIONABLE MILLINERY.—Mrs. Hannah B. White, WOULD respectfully inform her friends and the public generally, that she still continues to keep on hand a large assortment of

FRUIT TREES.—THE subscriber offers for sale at his nursery, Roundtown, Cumberland Co., Pa., several thousand Fruit trees of the following kinds.

Wanted.—BY the subscribers, two Accommodating Tailors to whom the best of work will be given by McOWAN & BORDEN.

HEAR! HEAR!! ALL persons owing me previous to the first day of April, 1853, are earnestly requested to call and pay me without delay.

A Great and Important Change!

CHANGES of all kinds are of such very common occurrence at the present day, that little or no notice is taken of them, unless they are of a very extraordinary nature.

SAMUEL R. FITHIAN, Had taken the Old Stand, at the N. East corner of Laurel and Water streets.

FASHIONABLE MILLINERY.—MRS. KIRKBRIDE begs leave to announce to her friends and the public generally, that she has now on hand a new and complete assortment of

CABINETWARE.—ELLI SAYRE would inform his numerous customers, that he has enlarged his Stock of Cabinetware, that he has now on hand, both of his own manufacture and imported from the best of the City, which he will sell for city prices.

GREEN AND BLACK IMPRINT TEAS.—A STRATTON confidently invites the attention of his customers to his wholesale beverage of a superior kind, imported from the best of the City, which he will sell for city prices.

SHAWLS! SHAWLS! A STRATTON would invite the attention of his numerous customers, to his Stock of Shawls, Blue, green, white and white center—Plain Shawls with deep rich borders, small patterned Shawls, plain shawls, heavy blanket shawls, brocade shawls, and square shawls of every color and price, for sale cheap at the Blue Store.

GILLING THREAD.—SAMUEL R. FITHIAN has now on hand and offers for sale at very low prices, about 200 lbs. of superior 2 and 3 cord Gilling Thread. Fishermen and others are invited to call and examine it whether they purchase or not.

WANTED.—ALL the Ladies to know that I have just received the largest and best assortment of Ribbons, Trimmings, and all the latest styles of Millinery, which I will sell for city prices.

KEEP OUT THE COLD.—FURNISHINGS.—My stock of Furnishings is very large—red, white and yellow, real Turkey, brocade, and all the latest styles of Millinery, which I will sell for city prices.

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1853. Fall and Winter Goods.

J. B. POTTER & CO. ARE now receiving their Stock of Goods for Fall and Winter, comprising the newest and most desirable styles of Foreign, French and Domestic Goods...

DELAINES. Rich styles light and dark do. plain, plain and grey styles, from 12 1/2 to 25 cents, comprising a very extensive assortment...

EMBROIDERIES. French worked collars, cuffs and necks, all colors, collarettes, sleeves, bonings, edgings, and insertings.

GLOVES. White, black, and fancy colored kid gloves, in the manufacture of Porcelain thread, Lisle thread, & Filloise gloves.

FLANNELS. French worked collars, cuffs and necks, all colors, collarettes, sleeves, bonings, edgings, and insertings.

FOR THE LADIES: Fall and Winter Fashion. INFLUENCED by the prevailing law of Fashion, the subscriber continues as heretofore...

Ladies, Misses and childrens Gaiters and other work, always on hand. THOMAS P. WILLIAMS. Bridgeton, Sept. 17, 1853.

Lafayette Classical Academy, EASTON, PENNSYLVANIA. W. H. Woods & A. M. Woods, Associate Principals, in the different departments by experienced teachers.

Fall Millinery Goods. JOHN STONE & SONS, No. 45, South Second Street, Philadelphia. Are now opening for the Fall Trade, a large and well selected assortment...

Apple Trees & Co. FOR SALE. With a general assortment of fine Fruit and Ornamental Trees, Shrubs, &c.

Mrs. Sarah S. Husted. WOULD respectfully announce to the citizens of Bridgeton and vicinity, that she will attend at funerals and prepare the dead for burial, at the shortest notice and on reasonable terms.

CLOCKS. The largest and best assortment of Clocks in this county may be seen at G. H. LEEDS' Clock and Watch Store, Commerce Street East of the Bridge, March 12, 1853.

WINDOW SHADES. A good assortment of Oil colored Window Shades, Paper Shades &c. Table Oil Cloth, Best Quality, &c. at F. FITHIAN'S Cheap Dry Goods Store.

ANVILS. A lot of very superior Anvils on hand and for sale at the Bridgeton Iron Store, in Laurel Street, near Commerce.

POTATOES. Dr. J. M. MURPHY & BROS. are now receiving their Stock of Goods for Fall and Winter, comprising the newest and most desirable styles of Foreign, French and Domestic Goods...

RE-OPENED.

Snyder's Combined Side and Skylight-Draghter, Rogers, Freeman's Hall, Bridgeton, N. J. J. M. SNYDER. Takes pleasure in announcing to the citizens of Bridgeton and vicinity, that he is prepared to take LIKENESSES.

Having been extensively engaged in the manufacture of Porcelain thread, Lisle thread, & Filloise gloves, in the manufacture of Porcelain thread, Lisle thread, & Filloise gloves...

DECEASED TEETH FILLED WITH GOLD OR SILVER. The subscriber has been engaged in the manufacture of Porcelain thread, Lisle thread, & Filloise gloves...

NEW CHEAP GOODS. THE subscriber would respectfully announce to the public that he has just received a large and well selected assortment of Goods for Fall and Winter...

DRY GOODS AND GROCERIES. The Ladies are particularly invited to call and examine his new stock of superior fashionable figured deines, paranna cloth, madonna, alpaca, &c.

JUST RECEIVED. BY PACKET from Philadelphia, some new styles Chall DeGees, Drapes DeLaines and Lawns. ALSO, some very pretty styles of prints in tan colored grounds, for 12c. Great bargains in plain white Barges, at MAUL & BROS'S.

NEW Spring Goods. ISAAC A. SHEPPARD, has just opened, a Fresh supply of Spring Goods, which will be sold for Cash, at a small advance upon cost price.

HAIRNESS? HAIRNESS?? The public are assured that there is nothing in West Jersey like it. For example, we take a side of leather and put it into the machinery, and in a few hours we can produce the most beautiful silver plated Harness all neatly stitched and varnished, ready to put on the horse.

DEFIANCE TO ALL COMPETITION!! THE subscribers beg leave to offer their sincere thanks to the citizens of Bridgeton and vicinity, for the very kind and generous patronage which has been bestowed upon them...

READY MADE CLOTHING. THE subscribers have on hand and for sale a large and well selected assortment of Goods for Fall and Winter, comprising the newest and most desirable styles of Foreign, French and Domestic Goods...

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Nim's Patent Window.

Full size of window seen at the South side of A. F. BRIDGEMAN, in Bridgeton, N. J. The subscriber would call the attention of his friends and the public to the fact that he is offering a fresh stock of DRUGS, consisting of all the articles usually kept, together with Potash for making soap, and many other articles in the line.

Watches, Jewelry & Silver Ware. No. 58, Market St., above Second Street, South side, PHILADELPHIA. THE subscribers L. C. VOYR & J. R. GROFF, successors to S. C. VOYR & Co., would call the attention of their friends, Salem and Cape May County friends and acquaintances to their well selected stock of Gold and Silver Ware...

PAINT YOUR HOUSES. JUST received a large supply of fresh, pure white and colored Paints, of the best quality, Lead, both of which are pronounced by the Painters in Bridgeton, the best article they have ever used...

ROBERT J. FITHIAN, Corner of Broad and Franklin Streets, West Bridgeton, March 19, 1853. QUENSWAIRE. JUST received, a general assortment of Queensware, including White Granite Dining Sets, white and colored Tea Sets, &c. Also, a great variety of Glass Ware.

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FRANKLIN DARE. Has a lot of CLOTHING on hand, such as Dress, & frock coats, &c. which he will sell for half price, for the sake of closing out the lot. Call and see and learn the reason.

Pennington Female Institute. THIS INSTITUTE, located in the village of Pennington, Mercer County, N. J. (directly opposite the Conference Seminary) will close its present Session on the 12th day of JULY next. The next session will commence on the FIRST DAY OF SEPTEMBER following.

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CONTINUED to effect insurances upon property of various kinds, as heretofore, upon the strictly mutual principle, and offer a perfectly safe Insurance, at a moderate rate, to any person desiring to insure. The Company's business is conducted in the most judicious manner, and they have now outstanding 2528 policies. Insuring the amount of \$2,613,000. Premium Notes deposited \$25,400.00. Cash funds \$5,400.00.

THE Public Good Demands That Citizens of the same community patronize each other. THE Great and increasing demand for our Goods, the cheapness of our Prices, and the great numerous advantages derived by their use, convince us at once of the fact that all who seek comfort and convenience, will not only try the plan we recommend, but will also be induced to purchase the penetrating and purifying rays of a German Candle. This is related and closely connected with the necessity of keeping cool, and to keep cool we must invariably keep steady, and to do this we have only to recommend you to call at once upon the undersigned and order through him a sufficient number of those Handmade superior made VERTIAN INSIDE BLINDS.

THE citizens of this place and the surrounding country are already acquainted with and fully understand the quality and style of the article furnished by him, having been engaged in the sale of the same for the past three years, upon such principle as will enable him to sell from ten to twenty per cent less than those who reside in Philadelphia, who are compelled to sell high in order to meet their competitors.

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