

#### A Wintry Jeu d'Esprit.

The following pungent and very spicy reminiscence of December, in "ye olden time," is altogether too refreshing to be lost, notwithstanding the number of its euphonious-defective rhymes. It was written long ago—we know not by whom—and is entitled:

#### DECEMBER, &c., ETC.

Sweet Suse Brown! my pretty one!  
I'm sure you must remember—  
If not for love at least for fun—  
The sleigh ride in December;  
When all the bells and all the beans,  
In spite of frost would go forth,  
And squeeze them with the bullocks,  
Each other's hands, &c.

How brightly streamed the Northern lights  
Above the snowy ridges!  
How pleasant were the winter nights  
Observed from country bridges!  
Where "toll" is sought with such address  
"Mid laughter, fun and bawdry;  
And loves feel beneath the press,  
Each other's hearts, etc.

"Tis very singular and queer,  
Of all the mad devices,  
Love's flame should burn so bright and clear,  
Our fuel formed of bees;

And yet we know it's flame, indeed,  
Most brilliantly will show forth,  
When flames behind a flying seed,  
Hid under furs, &c.

I'm sure you mind the village inn,  
The supper and the revel;  
How in the general dice and din,  
Love shot his arrows level;

And don't forget how Henry Kidd  
Embraced you in the buttery;  
You kissed his lips—you know you did—  
And he kissed yours, etc.

And when the forfeits all were paid,  
How one mad result,  
Until the younger ladies said,  
A pride they all defeated.

"Desist!" she cried—the ancient Anna—  
Her modesty to show forth,

"I'll never yield to any man

My virgin lips," &c.

The wintry winds, the homeward way,  
Blew chilly in our faces;

But underneath the furs we lay,

All snugly in our places;

One girl upon the forward seat—

The pretty Nelly Scatterer—

Dedicated Jack Frost had pinched her cheek,

And City Frost, etc.

Another, underneath her robe,  
(The bullocks, not her dresses);

Fair Fairies, with attendant Jollies—

Detected in earnest—

Sprang up angry, blushing face,

Hi! Innocence to show forth,

But showed her ends were out of place,

Hercolene gone, &c.

And then the parting at the door!

Its tender, mutual blisses!

Sweet lips, from their abundant store,

Give to the poor in kisses!

The parting word—the long embrace—

Cupid's most dangerous矢石;

Brought fire to many a boyish face,

And raised sweet hopes, etc.

Dear Susie Brown, save you and I,

Of all that load of merriment;

No other pair are left to try

Love's latest, best experiment.

And when the evening sun shall spread,

Our mutual hopes shall glow forth,

May Hymen bless our nuptial bed,

Increase our joys, &c.

Atheists—"A little philosophy inclineth man's mind to atheism, but depth in philosophy bringeth men's minds about to religion; for while the mind of man looketh upon second causes scattered, it may sometimes rest in them and go no farther, but when it behoileth the chain of the theme confederate and linked together, it must needs fly to Providence and Deity."

—Lord Bacon.

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MARBLE MONUMENTS,

Tombstones, Obelisks, and Spires,

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Counter Tops, Fire Fenders, Grates,

Hearth-stones, and Steps,

—ALSO—

BUILDING STONE, OF ALL DES-

SCRIPTIONS,

PORTLAND, OREGON.

Shop on Front st., 1st floor above the "Bridge" (39)

JAMS, preserved fruits, branded fruits, etc., at

CHARMAN & MCKINNEY'S.

#### Removal! Removal! New Gold Mines!

#### Removal!

#### N. BROWN

TAKES this method of informing his friends

and the public generally that he

#### HAS REMOVED

to a house nearly

Opposite his old Stand,  
where he has commenced business with his bro-

ther under the style of

#### Brown & Brother,

who will always be happy to wait on their old

friends and customers in the way of showing them

Goods of the Very Best Quality,

which, having been bought low in San Francisco,

they are able to sell as cheap as can be sold in

Portland. We will also constantly receive

#### Goods by Every Steamer.

Their stock consists of

#### ALL KINDS OF

#### DRY GOODS,

French, English, American, & furniture calicoes,

gingham of all colors,

all wool and silk cloths,

French, English, & American merinoes,

alpacas, silk worsteds, all colors,

all wool and silk wool plaid,

all wool and worsted shawls, &c. &c. &c.

Perry's style of dress goods,

cambrics, velvets, flannels,

brown & bleached sheeting,

jackets, Irish linens,

silks, cambrics,

edging, ribbons, buckles, gloves,

holsey, needles, pins, hooks, eyes,

perfumery, hair oil,

boots, shoes, rubbers,

hats, caps,

GENTLEMEN'S

CLOTHING,

OF EVERY DESCRIPTION,

such as

sack & frock coats,

ranglets, tailors, jackets,

vests, pants, cravats,

blue shirts, collars,

drawers, under shirts,

sashes, overalls,

and all kinds of India-rubber clothing,

accordions,

JEWELRY,

BRAZELETS,

Cigars, Tobacco, Pipes,

besides a variety of other articles too numerous

to mention in an advertisement of reasonable length.

Our main object by this notice is to inform

the public that we are bound to sell goods

as low as we can get in Portland, and no

mistake. If this is doubted, we have only to say

call and examine our goods, and sell it cheap.

I solicit patronage,

and I hope you will be pleased with us.

—MAKING AND REPAIRING—

will still be done to order, and on the shortest notice.

Water-proof Paste Blocking kept on hand.

Oregon City, Nov. 6, 1859.

J. MOONEY.

AND HARNESS-MAKING,

OREGON CITY.

I AM now carrying on a Saddler's and Har-

nass maker's shop in this city, and have con-

stantly on hand the best of

Ready-made harness, saddles, bri-

des, halters, martingals,

and everything in my line. I am also ready to