Another year! Aye, better luck another year! We'll have her smile instead of speer-A thousand smiles for every tear, With home made glad and goodly cheer, And better tuck another year— Another year!

The damsel Fortune still denies The plea that yets delights her ear;
'Tis but our manhood that she tries—
She's ony to those who doubt and fear—
She'il grant the suit another year!
Another year!

Here's "Better luck another year!" She now denies the golden prize; But, spite of scorn and frown and sneer, Be firm, and we will win and wear, ith home made glad and goodly cheer. In better luck another year! Another year | Another year!

TAKING BOARDERS.

"It was a scandal," the neighbors said, "that Miss Delia should be obliged to through; and heaven knows boarders didn't help a body to work out her salvation. And so much money in the family, too, taking it by small and large. Was her uncle Eben, over at Dover, wellto-do, and not a chick of his own to care for, except the boy he had adopted, who was no credit to him? It was odd, now, that a man with poor relations should take to a stranger, when his own flesh and blood was needy; but sometimes it did seem as if folks had more feeling for worth a pin to Delia; and there was her uncle's wife. great uncle John's widow a-larking on the continent, a gambling at Baden-Ba- you. den and trying the waters of every mineral spring in the three kingdoms, for no were too rich already, and probably she it to her." would endow some hospital with her sure, she had never seen her great aunt since she was a child, when her uncle John had brought her into their simple which won the heart of her little namesake. Since then Uncle John's widow always young and beautiful; for, though Delia had received little gifts from time years, she had neither seen nor heard anything of the being who had inspired uncertain if such a person as Mrs. Joha thought for the morrow. gerson was in the land of the living. no material difference in Delia's hum- debt to you," she began, one night. drum life. After having nursed her faon the nigh road to the poor-house, un- such company for mother and me. less they should bestir themselves. As she advertised for summer boarders:

Large chambers, broad plannas, fine views, betrees and new milk. One mile from the station. Address DELIA ROGERSON, Crof-sborough, Maine. "Cheap enough!" commented an

elderly lady who happened upon it. "Delia Rogerson. An old maid, I suppose, obliged to look out for herself. I've a good mind to try her broad piazzas and new milk. If I don't like them there'll

And so Delia's first boarder arrivedan old lady, with a false front of hair, brown, wrinkled skin, faded eyes, black slapaca gown and a hair trunk. Delia made her as welcome as if she had been a Duchess; lighted a wood fire in Mrs. Clement's room, as the night was damp. and brought out her daintiest cup and saucer, with the fadeless old roses wreathing them. "Wonderfully kind," reflected Mrs. Clement, as she combed out her wisp of gray hair and confided the false front to a box. "Wonderful new to the trade. She'll know better. Human nature doesn't change with latitudes. She'll find it doesn't pay to conold creature." But in spite of her worldly wisdom, Mrs. Clement was forced to confess that Delia had begun as she meant to hold out, though other boarders came to demand her attention, to multiply cares. The fret and jar of conflicting temperaments under her roof was Rogerson. a new experience to Delia. When Miss Gresome complained of the mosquitoes, with an air as if Miss Rogerson were responsible for their new creation; of the s, as if they were new acquaintances; of want of appetite. as though Delia had agreed to supply it, along with berries and new milk; of the weather, as if she had pledged herself there should be no sudden changes to annoy her boarders; of the shabby house and its antiquated furniture, "too old for comfort, and not old enough for fashion"-then Delia doubted if taking boarders was her "What makes you keep us, my seemed to go wrong.

iare say? "Yes, a long time ago." "Tell me about him-it?" There isn't much to tell. He asked told you so!" me to marry him. He was going to Australia. I couldn't leave father and Australia. mother, you know (they were both feeble) and he couldn't stay here. That was all."

"And you-you-" "Now all men besides are to me like

"And you have never heard of him

"Yes. He wrote, but where was the use? It could never come to anything. It was better for him to forget me and marry. I was a mill-stone about his I didn't answer his last letter.' "And, supposing he should return last week."

some day, would you marry him?" neighbors laugh ever so wisely. I've ought of it sometimes sitting alone, when the world was barren and commonplace. One must have a recreation of

requires a little comance, a little poetry. to flavor every-day thinking and doing. I'm afraid you'll think me a silly old maid, Mrs. Clement." "No. The heart never grows old. The skin shrivels, the color departs, the eyes fade, the features grow pinched: but the soul is heir of eternal youth—is as

beautiful at four-score as at 'sweet and twenty.' Time makes amends for the Perhaps you'd rather not." "His name was Stephen Langdon. Prescott, in Independent. es Captain Seymour runs against

though I never, never ask, and Stephen never asks for me, that I can hear.'

Delia's summer boarders were not a success, to be sure. If they took no money out of her pocket, they put none in. She was obliged to eke out her support with copying for Lawyer Dunmore and embroidering for Mrs. Judge Dorr. One by one her boarders dropped away like the autumn leaves; all but old Mrs. Clement. "I believe I'll stay on," often. Perhaps you take winter boarders | can tell. at reduced rates. Eh?"

"Do you think my terms high?" "By no means. But when one's purse is low-

"Yes, I know. Do stay at your own price. I can't spare you." She had grown such a fondness for the old lady that to refuse her at her own terms would have seemed like turning her own mother out of doors; besides, one mouth more would not signify. But she found it hard to make both ends meet, and often went hungry to bed that her mother and Mrs. Clement might en by enough without there appearing to be "just a pattern." At Christmas, however, came a ray of sunshine for Delia in take boarders, after all she had been the shape of a hundred-dollar bill from an unknown friend. "It can't be meant for me," she cried.

"It's directed to Delia Rogerson," said her mother, "and there's nobody else of that name, now your Aunt Delia's dead. "We're not sure she's dead," objected Delia.

"Horrors! Don't you know whether your own aunt's dead or alive?" asked Mrs. Clement, in a shocked tone.

"It isn't our fault. She is rich and lives abroad. I was named for her. I others than for their own kith and kin. used to look in the glass and try to be-Then there were consins in the city fore- lieve I'd inherited her beauty with the handed and fashionable, who were never name, though she was only our great-She ought to be doing something for

"How can she, if she's dead? I don't blame her, anyway. Her money is her disease under the sun but old age. She'd own to use according to her pleasure. been known to say that her own folks Uncle John made it himself and left

"But if she should come back to you, property." Plainly wealthy relatives having run through with it, you'd divide were of no value to Miss Delia. To be your last crust with her, I'll be bound." "I suppose I should," said Delia.

The winter wore away, as winters will, John had brought her into their simple and the miracles of spring began in fields life for a month's visit with her French and wayside, and Delia's boarders remaid and dresses, her jewels and fallals, turned with the June roses and dropped again away with the falling leaves, and still Mrs. Clement stait on and on. Just had become a sort of gilded creature, now she had been for some weeks in arrears with her reduced board. No money had been forthcoming for some time, to time across the seas for the last fifteen and she was growing more feeble daily, needed the luxuries of an invalid and the attentions of a nurse, both of which her youthful imagination, and was quite Delia bestowed upon her, without

I must hear from my man-of-business Dead or alive she seemed to have made to-morrow, Delia. I'm knee-deep in "Don't mention it?" cried Delia.

ther through a long illness, Delia found rather never see a cent of it than have that he had left a heavy mortgage on the you take it to heart. You're welcome to homestead, and her mother and herself stay and share pot-luck with us; you're

"Thank you, my dear. I've grown as her mother was already bedridden, the fond of you as if you were my own flesh stirring naturally fell upon Delia, and and blood. There, turn down the light, please. Draw the curtain, dear, and put GOOD BOARD IN THE COUNTRY, BY another stick in the fire, please. It the riverside, at seven dollars a week. grows chilly, doesn't it? You might kiss me, just once, if you wouldn't mind. It's a hundred years or so since any one kissed me.

> And the next morning when Delia carried up Mrs. Clement's breakfast, her boarder lay cold and still upon the pil-

The first shock over, Delia wrote directly to the lawyer of whom she had heard Mrs. Clement speak as having charge of her affairs, begging him to no tify that lady's relatives, if she had any. In reply, Mr. Wills wrote: "The late Mrs. Clement appears to have no near relatives. Some distant cousins, who, having abundance of this world's goods, yet served her shabbily when she tested their generosity, as she has tried yours, are all that remain of her family. In the meantime, I enclose you a copy of her last will and testament, to peruse at your leisure.

"What interest does he think I take in kindness for seven dollars a week! She's Mrs. Clement's will," thought Delia; but read nevertheless:

"Being of sound mind, this 16th day of June, 18-, I, Delia Rogerson Clemsider the comfort of a poverty stricken ent, do hereby leave \$100 to each of my cousins; and I bequeath the residue of my property, viz., \$30,000 invested in the Ingot Mining Company, \$50,000 in United States bonds, \$20,000 in Fortune Flannel Mills, and my jewels, to the be-loved niece of my first husband, John DELIA ROGERSON,

Of Croftsborough, Maine. For I was a stranger, and ye took me in; hungry, and ye fed me; sick, and ye ministered unto me."

"Goodness alive!" cried the neighbors, when the facts reached their ears. "What a profitable thing it is to take boarders! Everybody in town will be trying it. Of course Steve Langdon will come home and marry her, if she were forty old maids. You may stick a pin in there'

Delia did not open her house boarders the next season. She found enough to do in looking after her money dear?" asked Mrs. Clement, after a day and spending it; in replying to letters when everything and everybody had from indignant people, who seemed to "Why didn't increase alarmingly: in receiving old you ever marry? You had a lover, I friends, who suddenly found time to remember her existence. And, sure enough, among the rest appeared Steve Langdon, and all the village said: "I

> "It's not my fault that you and I are single yet, Delia," he said. "And we are too old to think of change now, Steve."

mend. I'm not rich, Delia; but I've enough for two and to spare. "I wouldn't be contented not to drive in my carriage and have servants under me now," laughed Delia.

"Indeed?" Then perhaps you have a better match in view. Captain Seymour asked me, by the way, if I had come to interfere with Squire Jones' interest." "Yes? Squire Jones proposed to me

"Now, see here, Delia. Have I come "I dare say," laughed Delia gently, as all the way from Melbourne on a fool's the idea were familiar, "let the errand? There I was, growing used to my misery and ioneliness, when the mail brings me in a letter in a strange hand, which tells me that my dear love, Delia Rogerson, loves and dreams of me still; kind, you know. Everybody is poor and alone, and needs me-me And the letter is signed by her aunt, Mrs. Clement, who ought to know. I

packed my household goods and came-"I'm glad you did." "In order that I may congratulate Squire Jones.

I've refused him-because-" "Because you will marry your old love, like the lass in the song, Delia!" ravages of the body by developing the spirit. You didn't tell me your lover's tired of telling how a woman made In Croftsborough people are not yet money by taking boarders,-Mary N.

Sheridan's Ride.

A splendid lyric which has been universally pronounced one of the most fervently patriotic that ever enriched any language or land was composed in Cincinnati on the morning of October 31, 1864. A somewhat minor trifling circumstance which cannot be generally known was the cause of its production at that time. How its author might have she said. "I'm getting too old to move sung later its theme of glory, no mortal

Cyrus Garrett, brother-in-law of Buchanan Read, with whom the artist and his family sometimes reside on West Eighth street, that morning discovered in Hurper's Weekly a spirited drawing by Thomas Nast, representing General Philip Henry Sheridan mounted and "tearing madly along the road far ahead of his escort," to join his troops twenty miles away.

While at his breakfast "he did not dream of the horrible rout and disaster hovering that moment over his army," but as he rode out of Winchester the vibrations of the ground, under heavy discharges of artillery in the distance, gave him the first intimation of danger. Five anxious hours the desperate struggle at he neared it, some of his retreating soldiers, he swung his cap over his head and shouted: "Face the other way, boys! face the other way!" As he galloped to the front, under his quick commands. the broken ranks were reformed, and for had eaten nothing since the night previpresence, and that wonderful victory followed. The first pictured illustration of that famous ride Mr. Garrett held before Mr. Read's eves.

write one! The poet's dark eyes centered on the There are moments which pacture. time itself never measures. Perhaps with a swell of enthusiasm, a more than poetic inflatus, the blood of a patriot already dashing in his veins, "faster and faster," he thus replied to Mr. Garrett: a minute, nor as easily as you can order a new coat at Sprague's!"

George Gilfilan has declared that the secret of Thomas Campbell's success as a of shoddy per day of ten hours, and poet was that of enthusiasm subdued; a not less than 100,000 pounds when requirement for success that is not often running overtime to as great an exunderstood, as the critic adds. If in tent as many of them have been of Campbell's case, the same must be true late. All of these mills produce of many personal experiences and ex-

ploits. Notwithstanding his prompt allusion to the tailor, which, by any other theory than subdued enthusiasm, would be anomalous, Mr. Read was at the moment inspired, and as though Mr. Nast s drawing had been a camera reflecting the whole twenty miles of that dashing ride in a moveless mystery of the poetry of motion. The witty caricaturist probably has never fancied himself to have been the "medium" of immortal verse which converted the victor's wild olive leaves on Phil. Sheridan's brow to flowers of amaranth.

Mr. Reed retired and wrote the noem Emerging two or three hours later from his laboratory of thought he read "Sheridan's Ride" to a delighted family circle.

and Mr. Davis, war correspondent of Harper's, both chanced to be present. Then to Mrs. Read was assigned the pleasant task of copying the poem in might readily memorize it for that evening's programme at Pike's opera house, the older structure which a twelvemonth shower of burning flakes on the streets of Cincinnati. Leaving Mr. Murdoch vigorously committing the lines with appropriate gesticulation, Mr. Read and the oven!

Naturally, from the appreciative confidant, suitable inquiries and congratulations followed, with a confession of pleased cariosity.

A grand ovation to Mr. Murdoch, whose devotion to his country had been evinced by many labors of love, occurred that very evening. The occasion was illuminated with the intellect of Cincinnati's favorites and the splendor of her fashion. Mayor Lent Harris advanced to the footlights with Mr. Murdoch and read a tasteful introductory address. Mr. Murdoch's response expressed deep gratitude for the honor conferred upon iim, and he opened his recitations with Byron's impassioned lament over Greece, followed it by Read's poem, "Drifting, thus casting a dreamy and sensuous spell over the audience. The great tragedian then requested permission to read a poem which on that morning's dawn was uncreated. Then "Sheridan's Ride," in Mr. Murdoch's grand tones, thrilled the throng of listeners. The crowning feaof a flag to the hero of Lookout Moundar Creek, which it is declared was due Sheridan alone, who by that desperate turn them back, we can accord to T. Buchanan Read's genius the power of prophetic light .- Cincinnati Gazette.

A CURE FOR ASTREA. - Professor Germain See has recently read a paper before the Paris Academy of Medicine, in "Nonsense! It's never too late to which he expresses himself very enthusiastically concerning the efficacy of iodide of potassium and iodide of ethyle in the treatment of asthma. He dissolves ten grammes of iodide of potassium in two hundred of wine or water, and gives before each meal twice a day, a dessertspoonful (eight or nine grammes), so that the patient takes daily sixteen or eighteen grammes of the solution, or 1.8 grammes of the iodide. After some days, this quantity is gradually doubled. The same doses may be taken in syrup of orange peel. If the patient becomes diswith the taste he may take the iodide in wafers. There is no definite time for the duration of the treatment, but generally at the end of two or three weeks, when the attacks are mitigated or abolished, the dose may be diminished to a gramme and a half per diem. From time to time the treatment may be interrupted for a day, but a longer interrup-tion may be followed by a relapse. In one case, a patient, who had been cured for a year, having given up the iodide "But I haven't accepted him. In fact for four days, was again attacked. Any accompanying cough may be relieved by

Franklin, Mass., received its present name in honor of the great Dr. Franklin, and that its learned and philosophic godfather, being advised Fine dark hair and skin signify strength by a friend to present it with a bell, of character along with purity and goodsent it a gift of books instead, saying that he knew such a people would a coarse, strong, straightforward characprefer sense to sound, are historical facts of such general acceptance as to need no further repetition. But two facts which are not so well known, and which will doubtless hair indicates powerf il passions, togethprove equally interesting to the prace er with a corresponding strength of chartical readers of the Bulletin, are that the first shoddy-picker ever put in operation in the United States was set up in this town in 1848 by Joseph G. Ray, and that the first beet sugar factory in Massachusetts will probably be erected here during the present year. It will doubtless cause some sur-

prise to many of the thousands now engaged in the great woolen rag and shoddy interest of the country to And we may add that, besides all these Cedar Creek went on before Sheridan ar- know that when Joseph Ray, who qualities, there are chemical properties rived upon the field. Encountering, as | was then eighteen years of age, set up his first rude picker in Unionville, in the town of Franklin, he was able to buy soft woolen rags at twenty dollars a ton, or at about a cent a pound. How great has been the subtwo hours more the tired soldiers, who sequent influence of the industry thus begun, in utilizing and giving ous, obeyed the inspiration of his value to a hitherto waste material, is apparent at a glance to those who are aware that the same class of soft woolen rags commands as high as twenty-three to twenty-four cents person could give a shrewd gness at the "Look at this, my boy. Isn't there a poem in it? There's a chance for you - a pound from the shoddy manufacturers of to day. The increased util. ization of shoddies, therefore, besides diminishing the cost of clothing in a large ratio, has enhanced the value of woolen rags by more than 2300

The State of Massachusetts alone "Ay, but a poem is not to be written in now contains over forty shoddy milis, with upwards of 100 pickers, capable of producing at least 60,000 pounds shoddies for the market-that is, to be sold to any woolen manufacturers who may be desirous of purchasing them. But there are also numerous woolen mills in this and other States which contain shoddy pickers as a portion of their equipment, and make shoddies only for their own use. The maximum capacity of the forty-two or forty-three shoddy mills of Massachusetts is from 25,000,000 to 30,000,

000 pounds per annum. The manufacture of pickers and other shoddy machinery is itself an industry of no mean importance. There is one good sized shop in Franklin which finds about enough to do in making and repairing the It appears that James E. Murdoch, a machinery of shoddy manufacturers frequent guest at Mr. Garratt's house, in various parts of the State, and there are other shops of the same kind in Lowell and elsewhere. A shoddy picker is not an intricate arge text in order that the tragedian piece of mechanism, and its cost is seldom above \$250. It contains a cylinder whose surface is covered with sharp steel pins, and when the later, like a fairy fabric, disappeared in a picker is in operation the cylinder revolves with great velocity -at the rate of 600 revolutions or more per minute. The rags or other material Mr. Davis sauntered forth to call on va. to be shoddled are fed into one end of rious friends. To one of them, as they the picker and are caught between entered, the poet with a radiant face, two steel-bound rolls, which hold exclaimed, "Well, —, I struck off a them in position against the teeth of new poem this morning! It's fresh from the revolving cylinder. The teeth tear the rage apart and resolve them IWE DO NOT KEEP OLD ONES into the original wool again, in which form they are blown out of the opposite end of the picker and fall upon under any others you have had quoted the floor ready to be carded and and our goods baled up for market and taken into the woolen mill and made into new cloth.-Boston Bulletin.

GREAT TELESCOPES. -- In Europe one of the strongest refracting telescopes in the world is one recently constructed in England, having an object glass 25 inches in diameter. If used when the air is pure it bears a power of 3,000 on the moon; in other words, the moon seen through it appears as it would were it 3,000 times nearer to us, or at a distance of 80 miles instead of 240,000. At the Pulkowa Observatory, in Russia, the telescope has 15 inches aperture—this being the famous instrument used by Struve. The largest reflecting telescope in the world is one constructed by Lord ture of the evening was the presentation | Rosse at Louth, Ireland. Its mirror is six feet in diameter, and weighs four tain, who, on receiving it, pressed the tons. The tube at the bottom of which margin reverently to his lips, and made it is placed is fifty-two feet long and a graceful response. In considering the seven feet across. It is computed that first meagre reports of the victory of Ce- when this instrument is used 250,000 times as much light from a heavenly to the personal presence of General body is collected as reaches the naked eve. At Malta, Lassel's instrument has ride met the billows of war in time to an aperture of four feet. There is also a huge telescope in Australia, at Melbourne, and another at Cordova, in the Argentine Republic, the latter having an aperture of 4% feet. At the Imperial Observatory, Paris, the telescope is of 12% inches aperture, and at Munich 11 inches. There are also scores of other telescopes of less aperture in Europe, yet of no small service in the great field of investigation to which they are devoted .- Troy Times.

A Conscientious Man.

The San Francisco Post has the following instance of the consciousness of duty performed:

The other day, over at the Almeda baths, a timid and retiring looking man waited until the superintendent was disengaged and then said to him: "I do hate to give any one trouble, but have you a long stick or pole of any kind you could lend me?"

"No, sir! I told you so ten minutes "So you did," replied the man; "but I thought I'd just ask once more. I guess thought I'd just ask once more. snapped the over-driven official. now I've done my duty in the matter. Don't you think so?" "What matter? What on earth are

you talking about?" "Why, you see, my mother-in-law dived off down there at the deep end, the addition of a little extract of opinm about half an hour ago, and as she hasn't or syrup of poppies; while, when there come up yet I thought I'd like to tell my is not much cough or catarrh, two or three grammes of chloral given in the evening assist in diminishing the pysynosa; the general result is that a cure takes place in almost all cases, even when the patients are placed attaid at the companion of the bottom for awhile, anyway, but if I can't, why I suppose I cant, that's all."

And pensively writing be address on a tag, to be tied to the old bely when she is the patients are placed attaid attemphoric him in Melbourne, and brings me word how he looks and what he is doing, don't show that way on a note.

The days are growing longer, but they the patients are placed smid atmospheric came up, the constitutions that are habitually injurious.

Hair as an Index to Temperament.

Viewed naturally, the hair is as great an index of temperament and disposition as the features. Coarse dark hair and skin signify great power of character. ness. Straight, stiff black hair indicates combination of exquisite sensibility with great strength of character. Flat, clinging, straight hair, a melancholy, but extremely constant character. Course red acter. Auburn hair, with florid countenance, denotes the highest order of sentiments, intensity of feeling and purity of character, with the highest capacity for enjoyment or suffering. Straight, even, smoothe and glossy hair denotes strength, harmony and evenness of character, hearty affections, a clear head and superior talents. Fine, silky, suple hair, is a mark of delicate and sensitive temperament, and speaks in favor of the mind and character. White hair denotes a lymphatic and indolent constitution. residing in the coloring matter, which undoubtedly have some effect upon the disposition. Thus, red-headed people are notoriously passionate. Now, red-hair is proved by analysis to contain a large amount of sulphur, while very black hair is colored with almost pure carbon. The presence of these matters in the blood points to qualities of temperament and feeling which are almost universally associated with them. The very way in which the hair flows is strongly indicative of the ruling passions and inclinations, and perhaps, a clever manner of a man or woman's disposition by only seeing the back of their hair.

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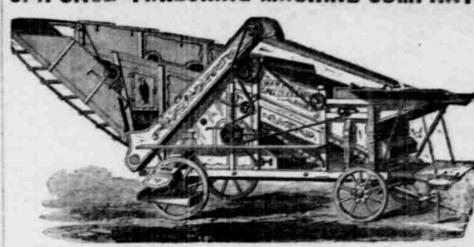


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