

BEADED WINE.

BY UNKNOWN.

O heads of the wine, ye are fabulous fine, Like a morn in its rosiest hours;

And I bathe my hot lips in the amber that dips, To a mouth duly studded with pearl;

O sweet, nectar sweet, and I drink and repeat 'Tis a draught that I duly prefer;

FROM "LITTLE RHODY."

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To THE EDITOR OF THE NEW NORTHWEST:

Providence is still lively, though without sarcasm it can be said truly that for some time past everything and everybody has seemed to stand in uncertain positions. Even impecunious reporters, with little to lose except their footing in society

We suppose that some one must have told one of our manufacturers to "hire a hall." Leastways he did, and with a train of liveried servants, and an excellent banquet, and the aid of several hundred of the representatives of wealth, the clash of music and the tripping of the "light fantastic toe,"

The women of Rhode Island seem thoroughly awakened, but the fine "ladies" sleep on quietly. The "Kitchen-Garden" is doing wonderfully well, and there really is a hope that in the future one may find a servant that knows how to sweep a floor, make a bed, set a table or answer the door-bell properly without constant supervision.

The "Woman's Exchange," or, more strictly termed, "The Rhode Island Exchange for Woman's Work," is something new under the sun, to us, at least. A "consignor's ticket" costs three dollars (or three tickets for five dollars), and entitles each holder thereof to the privilege of taking any work there and placing it on sale, subject to a percentage when sold.

The women are also "looking alive" about the suffrage cause. Our local society holds frequent meetings in the afternoon, and has a social picnic tea at six o'clock. I doubt not that many of the best things are said at that cozy table.

EDUCATED APES.—Bisset, the animal trainer of Perth, taught an orang to wait on the table and to perform other household duties belonging to servants. A chimpanzee has been trained to feed and attend a baker's oven-fire on board ship.

The Prince of Wales won't give his autograph away, and, as it sells for \$200, a man can make a fat thing of lending his Royal Highness \$100 every few days and taking his note for it, and then sell the note for a curiosity.

HARMONIAL HODGE-PODGE.

PRETTY FEET.

In all my life I never beheld such pretty feet, So delicately fashioned,

I wonder who is listening For their dainty little beat? I ween he thinks her music

NAUGHTY.

Somebody's lips were close to mine; 'Twas tempt'd, I couldn't resist;

Smiling, the little maid answered, As I knelt there at her feet: "They must be a little bit naughty,

PRAYING AND SPANKING.

Though years have fled, I mind it yet— I and my lawyer brother Would badger, bother, tire and fret

With inward threat and outward pout, I and my legal brother Agreed that heaven had dealt us out,

Since then, as on life's billows tossed, With sin's old chains a-clanking, I find those teachings were not lost,

'Mid smiles and tears, 'mid hopes and fears, And creeds that long have bound me, This is the last song of my years,

We need some secret power aloft, To rule, direct and love us, And need our restless spirits oft

WHAT SHE SAID.

She said, "I will be there." A rose had strayed Out of the constant sunshine of her hair,

She said, "I will be there." So roses fade And words are blown into the empty air,

She said, "He will be there!" It's too absurd! The dew will take the crimps out of my hair,

TOO OFTEN THE CASE.

To gain her passing fancy 'twas I swore, In language set in tender vows and sighs, I loved her more than man e'er loved before;

Although she loved me not, her heart was stirred With pity for my wild, unthinking woe; And never in my love-life have I heard

What had I done had she not answered No? Why, married her, of course! 'Tis nothing queer; One sees false-hearted lovers marry so

A BOY'S REMONSTRANCE.

I am feeling very badly; everything is going to smash; All the things I have believed in are going with a crash;

Used to shake a fellow's faith in his best-beloved stories, The fables have been scattered, and the genii they have gone;

Aladdin never lived, and the dear Scheherazade, Though very entertaining, was a much-mistaken lady.

Of course, I see through Santa Claus; I had to, long ago; And Christmas will be going, the next thing that I know,

Who believed a single minute in that story of the hatchet, They've given a rap at Crusoe and dear old Friday. Why, We'll all believe in Friday, we boys will, till we die!

That there never was a genuine, a real, live William Tell; That he was just a myth, or what we boys would call a sell;

That he didn't shoot the apple, nor Gester, not a bit— That all the other nations have a legend just like it, I think it's little business for a college man to fight

Resolved, that there was a William Tell; That by his bow and arrow the tyrant Gester fell;

Resolved, that he was not a myth, whatever that may be, But that he shot the apple, and Switzerland was free.

Resolved, that Crusoe lived, and Friday and the goat, Resolved, that little Georgy his father's fruit-tree smote,

In the parties we have mentioned; and we do hereby make known The fact that we boys feel that we have some rights of our own—

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