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The Poem.

AT PARTING.

I. Beside the mystic river At holy even fall...

Chorus: Touch hands with love, Touch lips with tears...

II. The brow of Alma Mater Ne'er assume with such a light...

Chorus: The stars march on—the gleaming Of every diamond crest...

IV. The last word must be spoken, The last song must be sung...

Chorus: Touch hands with love, Touch lips with tears...

The Story.

A Sad Experience.

EDITOR TIDINGS:—Seeing the letter of "Traveler" in your last issue, my old longing desire to see myself in print...

off my horse, and made signs to a man to feed and groom him and went on to the hotel, where by opening and shutting my mouth and squeezing my stomach, I gave 'em to understand I wanted my supper...

THE SILVER QUESTION.

Secretary Sherman gives his views on the silver question as follows: The silver question gives me no uneasiness. There are two extremes of opinion upon it, equally threatening, and as usual each supported by honest conviction and plausible reasoning...

A mother and her daughter married brothers in Tuscaloosa, Ala., and the mother got the younger husband.

BAD SPELLING.

Our educators, as a rule, do not pay sufficient attention to the study of orthography. There are a great many school teachers in this country whose spelling is bad enough to bring a blush to the face of a ten-year-old boy...

BUSINESS.

The Oregonian thus sums up the condition of trade and finance in this State: There is a very reasonable amount of activity in business circles observable, with but few important changes to note either in the drift of trade or the general tendency of rates, terms or prices...

P. S. B. PINCHBACK.

The story of the life of Pinchback, of Louisiana, who has been so unsuccessful in his attempts to sit in the Council of Wise men at Washington is a romantic one. His mother was a beautiful colored girl, said to have been more Indian than negro. His father was a Major Holmes, well known in the South as an extensive planter, deep drinker and good liver...

THE EARTHQUAKE SINKING SHIPS.

Capt. Chas. MacLeoon of the ship Geneva, sunk at Huanillos in the great earthquake on the Pacific coast on the 9th ult., has arrived at New York. He says his ship became entangled with others near as they tossed wildly about, crushing against each other, sinking almost immediately in 15 fathoms of water...

Buena Vista, Polk county, has a whisky saloon, the license being obtained by a technicality over a remonstrance of about 20 majority. The technicality was occasioned by there being no name mentioned in the remonstrance as being remonstrated against...

The Attorney General has called upon accounting officers of the Treasury for a copy of the accounts of Brigham Young, Mormon leader, filed in the Treasury some twenty years ago, when he was Indian agent, appointed by the government. These accounts are called for at the request of Howard, U. S. attorney for Utah, who will examine them carefully in connection with the Attorney General. It is intimated that they will furnish important testimony against Brigham Young, and upon them a prosecution will be based for various illegal acts committed by while acting as Indian Agent.

THE SIMPLICITY OF OUR FATHERS.

They say that President Hayes will introduce into the White House the simplicity of our fathers. A reform of that kind would be something ambiguous. In looking over some old books the other day, the sketches of the social events of that period indicated that the simplicity of our fathers was the simplicity of big wigs. There was a Jenkins in those days as now: "Miss Peggy Harding appeared, lovely and radiant as a cloud touched with soft sunset light, in a white mantua silk fringed with gold, a petticoat of pale blue brocade, blue satin shoes with court heels, and white silk hose clocked with gold. This sumptuous lady's handkerchief was also wrought with gold, and said to have cost not less than thirty dollars. A head-dress of ostrich plumes, blue, white and pale yellow, hair profusely powdered, gloves of white kid, buttoned to the elbow and wrought with gold, fan of curious workmanship, prodigiously admired." ... "Of the distinguished gentleman present the most conspicuous was perhaps Mr. Thomas Jefferson, in a long-waisted white cloth coat the height of the ton, scarlet vest, black satin breeches highly polished tinted shoes, with silver buckles, with white silk hose. As he entered the court of Terpsichore he peeped from a slightly powdered wig a peaked cocked hat of the latest fashion. Fastened to the lappel of the hat was a nosegay of sweet-smelling posies." ... "Mr. John Handcock also attracted much admiration, especially from the fair sex. He wore a coat of fine scarlet cloth, blue silk breeches, with white silk hose, a full powdered wig—a la Louis Leize—with frizzled side locks and a cocked hat with a black cockade. His ruffles were of the finest French lace and his shoe buckles brilliant paste." ... "Our respected fellow-citizen, James Harrison, wore an entire suit of drab cloth, richly trimmed with silk lace."

A correspondent writing from Alturas to the Bismell Herald, under date of May 30th, has this to say about crickets:

For the last ten days the waters of Pitt river have been carrying crickets from our midst and still they come, there seems to be a band on each side of the river a few hundred yards above town that have met and concluded to take passage. We would be glad if they would have taken through tickets to Sacramento or some other place, but instead of that they are all out again, before they get half a mile below town, as yet they haven't destroyed much with exception of G. F. Harris' garden, very unluckily there was a rill at that point in the river that carried them to the bank a great many of them getting out. They destroyed the most of his Onions, Cabbage, and other vegetables eating them to the ground. Harris said he could tell the ones that eat the onions for he could smell their breath. They were the ones that suffered. He also had great room for experiments and has made use of it. Among others he tied a rock to the leg of one and placed it under the water for twenty-four hours when he took it out, he said it lay still for a few moments and then got up and ran off with the rock still tied to its leg, this shows how tenacious of life they are.

Dalles Mountaineer: Two families from California with their wagons, arrived in town on Tuesday morning by way of the east side of the Sierra and Cascade mountains, en route for Seattle. They crossed the river here and intended to cross the mountains at the Snoqualmie pass. As these people had left a parched-up country, their great desire seemed to be to get to some place where it rained. They will find it a Seattle.

A report from San Francisco says: Crop and weather reports from all principal points in the State show no material variation from previous reports. Harvesting has commenced in many localities in the northern portion of the State. The recent spell of hot weather has occasioned but trifling damage. A slight shrinkage reported in some localities, and in some places the north wind which prevailed shattered the grain a little, but the main effect of the heat seems to have been to hasten ripening a week or more. The extreme heated term is now over, though it is still very warm in many interior valleys.