THE POET'S SONG.

A bird of richest song flew out
And piped his carol full of cheer,
And long he winged his way about,
But few would wait his song to hear. With sorrow, in his lonely nest, He hid his sweet song in his breast.

But some had heard that song of joy; It came and southed the pangs of pain, Gave hope where doubt rose to destroy; Despuiring souls tried once again. It lifted hearts all tempest tossed— That song, though stilled, was never lost.

A poet, no one knew him then,

Sang out his carol full of cheer, Of hope and faith and love for men

But few would wait his song to hear.
The poet? He is dead! But yet
The songs he sang no hearts forges.

-George Birdseye in Boston Globe.

#### AT FOUR O'CLOCK.

For more than a month there had been growing among the men of Town- dise Alley. send's set a suspicion that he was going to the bad. Once he had been seen Chadwick. coming out of a house which seemed to have a composing influence upon the Kentucky. the eyes of Chadwick, who met him, old woman. The incessant swaying of to conceal possibilities of faro. To be her body ceased. Only the nervous alertly. sure, it was found afterward that hands beat continual time with the Townsend had been to visit his toothbrush against the teacup. "goody's" husband, who was laid up

woman of somewhat flamboyant architecture, and although it was proved beyond a peradventure that she was the very respectable person who did his mending, yet there were many who believed that Townsend was "mashed."

Unexplained, however, was his disappearance from his usual haunts at 4 o'clock every afternoon. There were rumors of his having been seen in dingy streets in the port by men who were walking out from Boston and were taking a short cut through that region.

Such being the state of public opinion, no one was surprised to have Townsend throw down his hand one day as the clock struck 4. although the last jack pot had been unusually exciting. "I'm not coming in," he said. "In fact. I'm going out"—an attempt at wit that was greeted with derision.

With the shutting of the door every hand was tossed upon the table as if by common consent.

"He's doing this every day to my personal knowledge," said Chadwick, "and I'm going to see it out this after-

"L'll go with you!" cried Morton. The rest had no theories, but went from curiosity-all except Allen, who was a senior and who knew Townsend's mother and was in love with his sister. and bence felt it incumbent upon him to take the interest of an elder brother in his welfare.

For 20 minutes be led them at a smart pace through the better part of Cambridgeport, and then turned aside into a short bystreet that extended toward

the river. There was no electric light in this winter afternoon concealed the group of spies in its fast deepening shadows. Townsend passed the tenements and went up the steps of a cottage, the only detached house on the street. It was at the end-beyond it a tin can strewn vacant lot, extending to the marsh.

Allen looked grave as he saw Townsend knock as if to warn the inmates of his coming and then take a latchkey from his pocket and enter before the door could be opened from within.

With one accord the eavesdroppers moved toward the vacant lot, where a shaft of light streamed from a side window. Once around the corner they did not see a woman who left the house almost as soon as Townsend had enter-

What they did see as they pressed to the window, whose partly raised curtain allowed them a good view of the room and its occupants, was of a nature to surprise every one of them.

Before the fire sat an old woman whom the novels of 50 years ago would have described as a "beldam." eyes indicative of a disordered mind blazed in a face crowned by a mass of unkempt white hair. Her thin figure ever swayed to the promptings of an inper restlessness, and her nervous hands clutched incessantly at her dress or at the air.

The onlookers were in time to see Townsend greet her. She responded to souls."—Mabel Shippen Clarke in Na- while the borough of Brooklyn adds a his salutation by a blow of her cane. which the young man dodged with a

coolness born of experience, Seemingly unruffled by this reception, Townsend went to a closet in the room, and taking from it a chafing dish and eggs and milk and butter he set about the preparation of an omelet. "Well. I'H-be-hanged!" said Chad-

wick, slow in his amazement. "By Jove!" exclaimed Morton. "That's the silver dish his mother sent him on his birthday. I thought he'd

put it in hock. Allen said nothing, but he felt a twinge of remorse, for he had thought

It required some skill to serve the

meal once it was cooked. Townsend placed a small table before the old lady. She promptly kicked it over. When at last she was induced to hold

the plate, she first threw a bit of the omelet to the cat ("A libation to Felis," whispered Grimston, who had taken bonors in classics and antiquities), and then flung her fork into the fire. Townsend rescued it and substituted a spoon. which seemed more to his patient's

To air the overheated room Townsend opened the window directly over their ads as they squatted on the ground. He lifted the curtain higher and looked ,out blindly into the darkness. Allen shought that he heard him sigh. So did Morton. Morton was a just little man when once he was convinced.

"I say, fellows." he whispered excitcorrectle that threatened to put out the chins. - Atchison Globe.

fire in the grate-"I say, fellows, I don't HE HAD A BAD HABIT. believe he likes doing it after all.

Townsend had lifted the kettle from And It Made Him a Poor Insurance the fire and was making tea in a brown teapot with a broken spout. While it The manager of a life insurance comwas steeping he picked up the pieces of pany had the floor. the shattered plate from the hearth where the old woman had tossed it saying, "are as particular about the when she had finished her omelet.

today ?"

which Townsend was seen by his watch- sonal risks in dangerous pursuits or by ful friends to make a grimace. "I'm ready; go on." they heard her

cay, and Townsend, seated on the ta- occurred once while I was living in ble's edge. in proximity to his cooking New England. One of our \$10,000 men appurtenances, swung his legs idly and had a way of calling a mana liar in the began to sing "The Sunshine of Para- most careless and indiscriminate man-

"I went through a pork establishwith a broken leg; but the impression ment the other day," said Townsend, resting his elbow on his knee and his Then Morton saw him one day on chin on his hand, "and there I learned would stop in and see me." the street in conversation with a young | the intimate connection between the rendering of pig products and the ren- horse for you?' dering of a song. I stored the information in my memory to tell you."

The old woman showed some interest. "In rendering pork, you know, you about it? Isn't it all right?" try the fat. and in rendering a song illustrate the rendering of a song," he tucky we'll have to advance the rate went on hastily, seeing that his patient until you come back.' was growing restless in her effort to "'Well, what in ---, began the his continuous residence upon and cultivation understand his nonsense.

He was singing "Ben Bolt" in a interrupted him. highly sentimental manner and tears were running down his hearer's with-ered cheeks when a step in the entry and the rate is satisfactory to us; but, caused an instant change in her de- by Jove, we can't give you the same meanor. Springing to her feet, she flung rate and let you go to Kentucky and her teacup straight at the door. Town- call men liars like you do in this secsend sprang from the table and caught tion. Not much! We haven't got \$10,it neatly on the fly.

"How has she been?" the newcomer asked, with no trace of surprise at the warmth of her reception. She was a

woman of 40, tall and angular, and her features showed her kinship to the insane woman, her mother. "About as usual," returned Townsend. "I saved the cup today, you see.

but I was too late for the plate." indicating the fragments on the table. The listeners beneath the window now thought it wise to make good their escape-all except Allen. He walked along slowly after his friends, who were ranning in pursuit of an electric car out to place him on the throne." that had flashed by the end of the alley. He let Townsend come up with him.

ing here?" with all my heart.'

"Oh, that's all right," said Townsend: much embarrassed. "They're just itable to Prince Napoleon as it is hontwo old women I found out about. The orable to a French artist. daughter makes neckties, and she has to deliver them at a shop in the square every day at 5 o'clock, so if I can stay keep her 'job.' you see. Then it saves her some trouble if the old woman has her same trouble if the old woman has her supper while she's gone. It amuses

me. too," he added rather shamefacedly. Allen never told Townsend who had been his companions in the reconnoitering expedition, but it was not hard to guess at some of them. Chadwick came sent out for a "private view," the Oregon. to Townsend the next day with-

'I say! I've got some money here that I got the other night-no matter how-and I don't like to keep it. Do you know any poor people that it would

And Morton, who had cut several recitations for the purpose of going into Boston to make some purchases, brought him a big bundle of silks, saying:

"Old man, Allen tells me that you know a woman who makes neckties. Will you get her to make me up some New York may in a favorable season out of these? Pretty, aren't they?" he do a business of more than \$250,600 added sheepishly.

And Grimston, who was fond of antional Magazine.

How Byron Proposed.

Byron's proposal to his wife, Miss and unsettled his mind and prospects were, strenuously advised him to mar-

place, she has no fortune now, and you son in Scribner's. want money immediately In the next place, you want a person who will have great admiration for your genius; she has too great an admiration for ber-

"Well," said Byron, "as you please. And, sitting down, he wrote a letter to the lady recommended by Lady Melbourne. He received a refusal.

"Now, you see," said he, "Miss Milbanke is to be the person after all. I will write to her."

As soon as he had fluished his friend, still remonstrating, read the note and

Well, really, this is a very pretty letter. It is a pity it should not go. Then it shall go, "exclaimed Byron, and, so saying, he scaled and sent the flat of his unhappy fate.

Speaking Of-

Some actors imagine that the only so his duties by a boiling over of the comedian is to put whiskers under their

Risk In Kentucky.

"Life insurance companies," he was people they already have on their lists "Here's your tea." came distinctly as they are about getting them on in through the open window a few minutes later. "What will you stir it with but they are no more anxious to take

in a man who will die of disease within He turned to a motley collection of the first year or two than they are to articles on a shelf at the old woman's take in a perfectly healthy man and She selected a toothbrush, at have him hazard his life by taking pertravel in unhealthy countries. "I remember a funny instance that

ner and with only the merest or no "Well, I'll - be - hanged!" said provocation. One day he was in our office and casually mentioned the fact The tea and the music seemed to that he was going to make a trip to

" 'When ?' inquired the manager

" 'Next week.'

" 'On business or pleasure?'

" 'Going to buy a pair of horses.' ager. 'Before you start I wish you ... What for? Want me to buy a

policy.'
"'What do you want to arrange " 'Yes, as long as you stay in this you try the audience. See? I will now country. But if you go down to Ken- SE 1/4 SW 1/4, see 20; E 1/4 NW 1/4, NE 1/4 SW 1/4, see

policy holder botly, when the manager of said land, viz:

000 policies to give away like that, and "Out!" cried Grimston under his you oughtn't to expect it.' "-Washington Star.

AN HONEST ARTIST.

He Would Not Paint a Lie Even For

a Napoleon. Emperor Louis Napoleon and his cousin, S W 1/4, Lots 3, 4, 5, sec 19, T 19 S, R 11 W and Prince Napoleon, whom the Parisians NE 1/4 SE 1/4, sec 24, T 19 S, E 12 W. called "Plon Plon." The prince used to make abusive speeches against the emperor, which people were only too ready to repeat to him. "Let him alone," of Lake Precinct, Oregon, Geo Gibbs, Louis Nancley would be a supplied to the continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: s J Shrum, of Lake Precinct, Oregon, Geo Gibbs, of Control or Geo Gibb to repeat to him. "Let him alone," of Lake Precinct, Oregon, W T Carl, of Lake Precinct, Oregon, C M Severy, of Lake Precinct, Oregon, C M Severy, of Lake Precinct, too well known. No one would turn me Oregon.

The emperor was correct, for no one said a good word about "Plon Plon." "Hello, old man! What are you do- He was commonly believed to have shown the white feather in the Crimea ple free. Add. Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or N. Y. "Spying on you," returned Allen and never exposed himself where the scure alley and the early dusk of the frankly, and then made his confession. ding with, "And I beg your pardon in her young days mingled with Fre society, tells in her "Foreign Courts and Foreign Homes" a story as discred-

> While the artist was painting the historical picture of the battle of the that said proof will be made before C. H. Holden Alma, which the emperor had ordered, U. S. Land Commissioner at Florence, Oregon, Prince Napoleon called at the painter's on April 28, 1900. viz: Edward H. Anderson, on On leaving he said he wished the prom- 6 & Lot 1 Sec 7; T. 19 S R 11 W. mounted on his white charger. He sent the horse to the artist so that he could paint its exact pertrait. When the picture was finished and invitations were Acme, Oregon, G. C. Cumpton, of Florence, white charger was seen, a prominent figure in the battle, but without a rider.

On hearing of this terrible omission the prince sent an aid-de-camp to ask the reason. The honest artist said the horse should remain if the prince wished, but no rider would be on it. "Tell the prince I have never yet painted a The hint was taken. The prince ordered the horse to be rubbed out.

The Business of a Theater.

A prosperous theater in the city of and keep in employment 150 persons. There are \$7 theaters, including the vatiquities, implored him whenever they riety houses, in active operation in the met to "render a song to try men's boroughs of Manhattan and the Bronx, score or more. Everything which affects business in general affects the theater

immediately. A man will reduce his expenditures Milbanke, was made after sordid dis- for tickets to places of amusement long cussion and study and lacked all im before he thinks of cutting down his pulse. Lady Melbourne, who stood in supply of cigars, for the cigar belongs his confidence, observing how cheerless to that class of luxuries which subtly become necessaries, while the theater habit, as any observant manager will ry. She suggested a certain lady, but tell you, requires constant cultivation. Lord Byron fancied the idea of marry- The management of a theater is therefore an occupation requiring business "No," said Lady Melbourne; "Miss sagacity in a greater degree than it calls for artistic taste.—W. J. Hender-

> Villager's Idea of Hotel Business. A young lawyer in one of the leading lake cities recently passed a few days at the home of his childhood, a rural hamlet in an adjoining county. While there he ran across one of the characters of the place, a quaint old man whom he had known ever since he could remem-

"How's bizness in town?" inquired the aged man.

"Pretty good," replied the lawyer. "What ye doin now?"

"Practicing law. "What's your brother Jim doin?" "Jim is running a hotel," and he named one of the largest public houses in the city.

"Is Jim married yet?"

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