As sweet as heaven designed it; Nor need we roam to bring it home, Though few there be who find it! We seek too high for things close by, And lose what nature found us; For life bath here no charms so dear. As home and friends around us!

We oft destroy the present joy For future hopes-and praise them ; While flowers as sweet bloom at our feet, If we but stoop to raise them ; For things afar still sweetest are When youth's bright hopes has bound us, But soon we're taught that Earth hath naught Like home and friends around us.

The friends that speed, in time of need, When hope's last reed is shaken, That show us still, that come what will, We are not quite forsaken-Though all were night; if but the light Of friendship's altar crowned us, 'Twould prove the bliss of earth were this -Our home and friends home around us!

## THE BRIDE'S DEPARTURE.

The bride of an hour stood smiling; Her mother in tears near by, For the "pet of her life, so beguiling," Was soon to bid her good-bye.

Fond friends tried vainly to cheer her, To stop the tears that fell, And she clasped her daughter still nearer, And in agony uttered farewell!

The groom with his bride has departed, To journey far off in strange lands, And the mother cries out broken-hearted. "Well, I'm glad that gal's off my hands."

This is the latest style of talk by young candidates for matrimony :

I'd offer thee this hand of mine, If thou but hadst the dimes; But purses short and slim as thine Won't do for these hard times. I leave thee in thy wretchedness, As one too poor to mate :

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## THE LOVED WIFE.

For love, you know, can only bless,

Here is the best tribute to woman we ever read:

Only let woman be sure she is precares and love are noticed, appreciated, zette. and returned; let her opinion be asked, her approval sought and her judment respected in any matter of which she is cognizant; in short let her only be beloved, honored and cherished in the fulfillment of her marriage vow, and to take Miss Brownlow (another im- the beach every morning. she will be to her husband, children and provement) to the opera. He had been society, a well-spring of happiness. on terms of intimacy with the family She will bear toil and anxiety, for her tor about eight years, but " never spoke husband's love is to her a tower of love;" on the contrary he had fre and fortress. Shielded and sheltered quently declared his intention of leadtherein, adversity will have lost its ing a bachelor's life. One morning he sting. She may suffer, but sympathy called and was admitted. will dull the edge of sorrow. A house with love in it-and by love I mean "where have you kept yourself so love expressed by words and looks and long ?" deeds, for I have not one spark of faith | That took Smithson a little aback. Perry, the chaplain. in love that never crops out-is to a for he had spent the preceding evening as tidy as any other, but the latter has about him. Summoning all his cour- rather go up hill than down, any time." a spring of beauty about her, a pene- age, he said, "I have come to ask trating kindness to which the former is | youan entire stranger. The deep happiness of her heart shines out in her face. | oh !" It is airy and graceful, warm and welcoming with her presence; she is full you are not engaged-" of devices and plots and sweet surprises for her husband and family. She has never done with the poetry and romance of life. She herself is a lyric poem, setting herself to all pure and graceful melodies. Humble household ways and duties have for her golden significance. The prize makes her calling high, and the end sanctifies the means. Love is heaven and heaven is

ADVANTAGES OF CONVERSATION .-Conversation calls to light what has been lodged in all the recesses and seeret chambers of the soul. By occasional hints and incidents it brings old, useful notions into remembrance; it unfolds and displays the hidden treasure of knowledge, with which reading, observation and study have before furnished the mind. By mutual discourse the soul is awakened and allured to bring forth its hoards of knowledge, and it learns how to render them most trees in the beginning of autumn," useful to mankind. A man of vast says Warwich, "just such, thinks I is must have an aim it

her and you; stay at home with her. friend." instead of spending your evenings in expensive fooleries from home, where you would be ashamed to be found by your wife or children, or any other virtuous friend. If you are in debt, be industrions, persevering, frugal, plain, seek contentment and happiness in God, stay at home with your wife and children, and you will soon get out of debt. If you are in embarrassing circumstances they will soon become easy; no matter who is editor, or what is the price of flour, you will have money to pay for a good newspaper and some left for other nes\_ary purposes; and some to put out at interest or invest in real estate.

Danced Themselves to Death.

A few evenings since a ball was held at one of the halls in this city, at which a large number of young folks were in attendance. Among the attractions of the evening was a prize, a gold ring, offered to the lady who should out waltz all other competitors. At twelve o'clock the band struck up "Il Baccio," and a dozen competitors took their places on the floor, entering for the contest. At the expiration of twenty minutes four of the contestants gave every night." way and took their seats, leaving the rest twirling and whirling in the giddy on the floor, and the dance went on un- body." til after another hour had passed, when from sheer exhaustation another couple gave out, leaving the floor to the remaining pair of terpsichorean devotees. The band played and played and played, and the four fast-failing dancers danced and danced and danced, till even those who looked upon them grew dizzy. At the end of the fourth hour the musicians grew feeble, and from the finger ends of the violinists the blood trickled to the floor, but still they supplied the

the fifth hour of the dance came on, and there were those present who persisted in putting an end to the merry, though reckless, quartette suicide. But no interference was permitted, and the prize dance, over the jaws of death, went on. After five hours and three minutes had elapsed, one of the ladies fainted, and her partner quickly followed her example, and, amid cheers, the prize was awarded to the other couple, who kept the floor. Then came a summing up of damages. The two to their homes-together with their partners, who were as badly used upin carriages, and all have since been in a precarious condition and under medical treatment. The girls had to have their shoes cut from their feet, and their | but the head," he replied limbs were swollen next day to an enorcious to her hasband-not useful, not mous size. The young men will hardly convenient, simply, but lovely and recover, and the musicians suffered ter- in the rich curls of her dark hair." loved; let her be the recipient of his ribly, and will never again play at a A critic, commenting on this passage,

moving power to keep the dancers ago-

The Way Smithson Got Married.

Mr. Smithson (an improvement on

"Oh, James," exclaimed Mis Jane.

"Not here, James -- now -- now-

"That is," stammered Smithson, "

"Oh, oh, water, quick !" "What's that?" inquired her father.

"Who says she's engaged?" "I didn't mean \_\_\_\_," said Smithson,

"Of course, not," continued Mr Brownlow; "you've always been our fragrant smell. Such is humility.

Smithson's hand, he said : "Take her : she is a good girl, and loves you to dis. home the man. traction. May you both be happy as the day is long.

Thereupon, father, mother and chil dren crowded around Smithson, and wished him much joy; and company coming in at the moment, the affair was told to them as a perfect secret. Smithson got a wife without popping the question, almost before he knew it himself. But we cannot help thinking he was hurried into matrimony.

When I see leaves drop from the reading without conversation, is like a the friendship of the world. While the days of maintenance last my friends swarm in abundance; but in the winter Good Advice.-If your coat is com. of my need they leave me naked. He fortable, wear it a little longer, no mat- is a happy man who hath a true friend ter if the gloss is off. If you have no at his need; but he is a more truly wife, get one; if you have, God bless happy man who hath no need of his

> CHERISH a love for justice, truth, self-control and benevolence. Swerve not from the right for any present advantage. In all circumstances show thyself a man of unflinching rectitude. letter Y? Beca

beauty. A beautiful woman is like a great | The bachelor truth or a great happiness, and has no number one, the more right to cover herself with a ber two. green veil, or any similar abomination, than the sun has to wear spectacles. old maid's love

Susan B. Anthony says she " can have Susan B. Anthony on her tomb. and not reliet of some fool of a man." A Weoden Wedding-marrying a An Iowa editor says she can for all The softer t

Humorous Sayings and Doings.

A cynical journalist says the reason such a number of marriages occur immediately after a great war is that bachelors become so accustomed to strife that they learn to like it.

An inebriated man walking along the streets at night, regarded the moon with sovereign contempt : " You needn't be so proud ole feller, you're only full once a month, and I am full (hic) Dry Goods.

An editor out West, who has served four days as juryman, says . " I am so and intoxicating dance. One hour full of law that it is with great diffimore and there were but three couples culty I refrain from cheating some-

> An Irishman's definition of meta. physics: "Two men are talking together, and one of them is trying to explain something he doesn't know anything about, and the other can't understand him."

Mr. Joshwa Billings says: "One of the fussiest seens I ever sea, was 2 ole mades watin on wun sick widoer.' Why is matrimony like a besie ged

city? Because those who are in want to get out, and those who are out want ing. The excitement grew intense as to get in. When a young lady offers to hen a

cambric handkerchief for a rich back telor, she means to sow as well as rea p "Am I not a little pale?" inquired a lady who was rather short and corp ulent, of a crusty old bachelor. "You look more like a big tub!" was the

A three year old youngster saw a drunken man 'tacking' through the street. "Mother," said he, "did Go 1 make that man?" She replied in the contesting girls had to be conveyed affirmative. The little fellow reflected for a moment, and then exclaimed : " wouldn't have done it."

Curran was once asked by one of his BY OVERLAND ROUTE brother Judges: " Do you see anything ridiculous in this wig?" " Nothing

A writer of a love tale, in describing his heroine, says: "Innocence dwells hearty attention; let her feel that her terpsichorean contest .- [Pittsburg Ga- says: "Sorry to hear it; we think it stands a perilous chance of being comb-

> An old lady who imagined that the sea must be very dirty, because so many people bathed in it, was consoled the celebrated name of Smith) wished by being informed that it washed upon

The first day a little boy went to school the teacher asked him if he could spell. "Yes, sir." "Well, how do you spell boy?" "Oh, just the same as other folks do."

A Western paper, describing a funeral procession, said: "The procession was very fine, and nearly two miles in length, as was also the prayer by Dr.

A foppish fellow advised a friend not house without love as a person to a ma- with the family. Before he could and to marry a poor girl, as he would find chine; one is life, the other mechanism. swer, however, Jane's brothers and matrimony with poverty "up hill" The unloved woman has a house just sisters, ten in number, had gathered work. "Good," said his friend, "I'd

Napoleon defined a battle as two great bodies of men trying to seare each other; the one which gets seared first is beaten.

The greatest mistake w e make in our human relations is in terfering; too much with each other's freedom. are apt to think our way the only way The violet grows low, and co vers it-

self with its leaves; a nd yet of all flowers yields the mos t delicious and A good many men are in the best Then advancing and taking poor health when they are or it of spirits. The wife makes the home, and the

> Clothes and manner s do not make a man, but when he is me .de they i mprove

> Outside shadows mi vy be purchased. but real happiness is ; of home manufacture. The tongue is con imonly conspelled

to use more soft soap Every day is a whole life is but a de The richest man, vhatever his lot, is he who is content wi

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