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THE SOUTH WIND.

Art thou a prodigal gone astray? Where is thy home and thy kin, today Do you seek a lover, whose mean deceit has fired with patience your tireless feet? Or dost thou scatter from out thy hand Breaths of joy from a better land?

"I come as an angel of comfort, sent
To temper the ills that time hath sown;
To warm the heat of the form that's bent
And to gladden the brow where furrows
have grown;

To send green grasses, where feeble feet
Step by step up the hill-slopes climb;
To touch faint hearts with a music sweet,
And to drown Life's woes in a gleeful
chime."

Welcome, thou bearer of peace, today,

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Rest a bit from thy rugged way.

Are the joys you scatter abroad as you fly,

Flucked where the roses never die?

Is there not a land by the southern sea

From all Life's ills and its aching, free?

Do the silver threads steal into the hair

In the home of thy birth, where the sky

is fair?

Do feet grow feeble, and eyes grow dim Where the summer seas sing an endless hymn? Pray is there a balm that will kill Life's

pains
And send Youth's blood through the aged

"Through many a clime my wings have swept, In spring and summer and sun and snow And men in every land have wept
And asked me the same, but I answe

There is no land where the roses bloom From spring to spring, as you think they

My home o'er the sea, like thine, has gloom
And storm-clouds sweep through the
azure blue.
There is no balm that thy bosom yearns,

To take from our load one destined part, But the better man holds peace and learns That Life's first grace is a patient heart."

From our onward tramp, with tottering

No balm that will cast to the winds Life's pains; No hand that can help to sever its chains;

No youth to regain—ne paths to retrace— No thus to freshen the furrowed face; Then tell me, messenger, did you see
My ships as they homeward sail to me? What fate is theirs, which I sent afar? Can they live o'er the stormy seas that

are?
They are freighted with Hope, but the winds

Will waft them seaward many a year. "Where the billows foam, and the mad-

caps leap,
I saw a ship as it reeled and died—
The broken masts sank down to sleep,
But the freight is lashed by the foaming

tide;
Tis vain to hope for uncouth things—
Aim low; it will wound thee less to fall!

The sudden wreck of a high hope brings
The sharpest misery, after all."

—B. W. HUFFMAN.

The Benefit of Newspaper Training.

I believe I have done everything which an editor or publisher ever has to do, from directing wrappers up to writing the biography of a president within an hour after his death. This means, if the training be continued through many years of life, and if one be under a good chief, that one gains, of necessity, the ready use, at least, of his own language. We newspaper men may write English very ill, but we write easily and quickly. So that to us, who have been in this business, there is something amazing to hear a clergyman say that he occupied a week in composing a sermon, which was, at the outside, thirty-five hundred words in length. One can understand absolute inability to do it all; but no newspaper man understands how a man, who can do it, can spend thirty-six hours in doing it. If you have to send "copy" upstairs, hour after hour, with the boy taking slips from you, one by one, as they are written, and you know that you are never to see what you write until you read next day in the paper, your copy will be punctuated carefully, written carefully, and will be easily read. That is one thing. Another thing goes with it. You will form the habit of determining what you mean to say before you say it, how far you want to go, and where you want so stop. And this will bring you to a valuable habit of life-to stand by what has been decided. Napoleon gave the same advice when he said, "If you set out to have succeeded in getting the pension take Vienna, take Vienna." For these committees of the House to decide reasons I am apt to recommend young that no special pension legislation men to write for the press early in life, being well aware that the habit of doing this has been of benefit to me.

-Edward Everett Hale.

WASHINGTON.

News of the Week as Noted by Our Regmlar Correspondent.

Washington, D. C. Dec. 12, 1890. EDITOR OREGON SCOUT:-

Forcing the Force bill, against the real sentiments of a respectable minority of its own party, has gotten the republicans of the Senate into an ugly predicament, and were it not for the imminent danger of a financial panic, which was so strikingly set forth by Senator Gorman in a twenty minute speech this week, that is threatening our country there would be no sympathy for them. They sowed the wind and as a natural consequence are reaping the whirlwind. There is a serious revolt in their ranks, and unless the Force bill can be crowded through at once it will never go through.

Senator Plumb, who showed by his vote against the McKinley bill that he considered the interests of his constituents to be of more importance than the wishes of the republican leaders, has given formal notice that if the Force bill is not speedily disposed of he intends to move that it be laid aside and that bills for free coinage and other financial relief of the people be taken up; Senator Teller has gone on record as opposing the bill; Senator Washburn has stated privately that he would not vote for it, and most significent of all, Senator Quay, who has been paired on this measure with Sentor Faulkner, has released Mr. Faulkner from the "pair" and gone home. The republican senators held a caucus Wednesday night to try to reconcile the differences of opinion and find some hole to crawl out, but they did not succeed; and the whole thing Force bill and financial matter, was postponed to another caucus to be held Monday. In the meantime they are meets at ten o'clock and has a daily night session.

The fact that the republicans of the House Census committee have determined to go ahead with the apportionment bill which they have agreed to, on a basis of 365 members of the House without making any provision for the additional members that New York would be entitled to if a recount was made of the population of Brooklyn and New York city, is taken to mean that the republican bosses have decided that no recount should be had.

Mr. Harrison is moving Heaven and Earth, so to speak, to prevent the passage of a free coinage bill by Congress, and fearing that Speaker Reed might not succeed in stopping it in the House, of prominent republicans in order to discover semething that might satisfy the cravings of the appetite of the silver whale, and it is believed that it has about been decided to offer the project of the immediate purchase by the Government of all the silver bullion now in this country for that purpose, but the silver men say that nothing short of free and unlimited silver coinage will satisfy them.

Ex-Speaker Keifer is daily to be seen on the floor of the House, and it is said, and generally believed here, that he is there lobbying for the notorious ship subsidy bills, which Mr. Harrison has shown so much interest in, and which contains one of the largest "jobs"

ever brought before Congress. Secretaries Windom and Noble have become so alarmed over the pension payments, which bid fair to create such a big Treasury deficit in the near future, that they have laid the matter before Mr. Harrison, in the hope that some feasible method of reducing these payments by revising the pension rolls, would be reported at the present ses-

Commissioner Raum still hangs on

and the investigating committee, which | JOS. KEILBERT, has been afraid to submit its whitewashing report, has refused to allow Representative Cooper to submit proofs of his charges of the improper actions of Raum in his (Cooper's) district durthe recent campaign.

It is hoped that Mr. J. W. Hathaway of Montana, who has just been elected Postmaster of the house of Representatives, to succeed Wheat, bounced for crookedness at the fag end of the last session, may enjoy the honor of being the last Republican official ever elected by that body.

The New York Representatives succeeded in defeating in the House the Plumb resolution for the removal of the remains of Gen. Grant to Arlington cemetery.

Notwithstanding the fact that four of the regular appropriation bills have been reported to the House, and one of them passed, the belief is growing that an extra session will have to be held early in the spring.

It is generally believed that Mr. Harrison has finaly determined to put Attorney General Miller on the bench of the Supreme court, and his nomination has been daily expected this week. If made, this nomination will create much dissatisfaction among the republicans.

The Blaine men say that Gen. Alger has agreed to take second place on the ticket with Blaine. But nobody has agreed to take second place on the ticket with poor Harrison.

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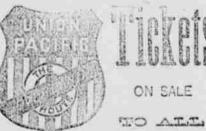
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