

Selected Poetry.

TWILIGHT.

CHILD, go and pray—for see! the night is here!
Through cloudy rifts the golden lights appear.
The hills' faint outline trembles in the mist;
Scarcely is heard a distant chariot—'tis! The world's at rest; the tree beside the way
Gives to the evening wind the dust of day.

Twilight unlocks the hiding-place of stars;
They gleam and glow behind night's shadowy bars.
The fringe of carmine narrows in the west.
The moonlit water lies in shining rest;
Furrow and foot path melt and disappear;
The anxious traveller doubts the far and near.

It is the hour when angels stoop to earth
To bless our babes and our careless mirth.
The little ones, with eyes upraised in prayer,
With tiny, folded hands and white feet bare,
Ask at this twilight hour a blessing dear
Of Him who loves his little ones so dear.

Then, while they sleep, a cloud of golden dreams,
Born in the calm of day's declining beams,
Waiting in shadow till the hour of night;
Fly to each couch and scatter visions bright.
As joyous bees seek honey-laden flowers,
Dreams hover near in slumber's peaceful hours.

O cradled sleep! O prayers of childhood blest!
O baby-voice, speaking a loving breast!
Thy happy prayer the darkness maketh light,
Turneth to song the solemn sounds of night.
As 'neath his wing the birdie hides his head,
Thou shelterest by thy prayer thy cradled bed.

—[From Appleton's Journal for Dec.

AT THE GATE.

A corpulent old lady who had the fat of fifty summers on her ribs was at the Detroit & Milwaukee Depot yesterday to go West on a train. She had a big satchel and a small one, and was crowding through the gate to reach the car, when the guard called out:—"Ticket, ma'am! Can't pass here till I see your ticket!"
"I hain't time," she replied.
"Can't pass—can't pass."
"I will pass."
"Can't, madam. The rules are very strict."
"You'll make me miss the train!" she shouted.
"Plenty of time, madam—train does not go for fifteen minutes yet."
She backed out, put down her satchels, and after a long hunt she found the key and opened the big one. Article after article was taken out and laid aside but she could not find the ticket. The smaller satchel was submitted to the same treatment, the woman all the while growling to herself, and when ten minutes had slipped away she looked up and inquired:—"What ticket do you want?"
"Your railroad ticket, of course," he replied.
"Why, I had that in my hand all the time, you impudent fellow!" she exclaimed, as she hustled the things into the satchels.
"Then why didn't you show it, madam," he asked.
"Then why didn't you say railroad ticket, sir! You want to understand that there are a hundred different kinds of tickets, sir, and if you ever stop me again I'll go to the head man of the road at once!"—*Detroit Free Press.*

SHE DIDN'T WANT IT MENTIONED.

There has been an unpleasant scandal up in the neighborhood of Tenth Avenue and the Park. About a year and a half ago a young man, a drummer for a commercial house, made his appearance in New York, coming from Chicago, became acquainted with a pretty young woman, paid court to her and married her. They lived together happily till last May, one child being born to them; then the husband, under the plea of business which would occupy him all summer, set out for Atlanta, Georgia. Some little time after the wife received news from Chicago concerning her absent lord which startled her. She made inquiries, and was not long in finding out that he had left a wife and child in Chicago when he came out East and married her, and that previous to that he had deserted at least one wife in Iowa. Further search showed that he had married a fourth wife, with whom he was living in the honeymoon. A World reporter, hearing of the complication, sought out the betrayed New York wife and inquired when she proposed taking action to unmask and punish the deceiver, and was somewhat surprised to learn that she intended to take no action whatever.
"Oh," said the reporter in astonishment, "the old love—with all his faults you love him still—that is, you shrink from the publicity."
"Not at all," said the betrayed woman, calmly, "but another gentleman is paying attentions to me, and thinks I am a widow, and—and you will oblige me by publishing nothing about the matter."—*N. Y. World*

The friends of Richard Cobden, John Stuart Mill and Daniel O'Connell are beginning to think it about time the statues to their memories, subscribed for by public money, were erected. It is about twelve years since Cobden died, and about six years since an experimental cast in plaster on a wooden pedestal was exhibited, yet no further progress has been made. It is four years since the money for Mill's statue was subscribed, and nobody seems to know what has become of the money. And now the people of Dublin are wondering what has become of the money subscribed for the statue to O'Connell.

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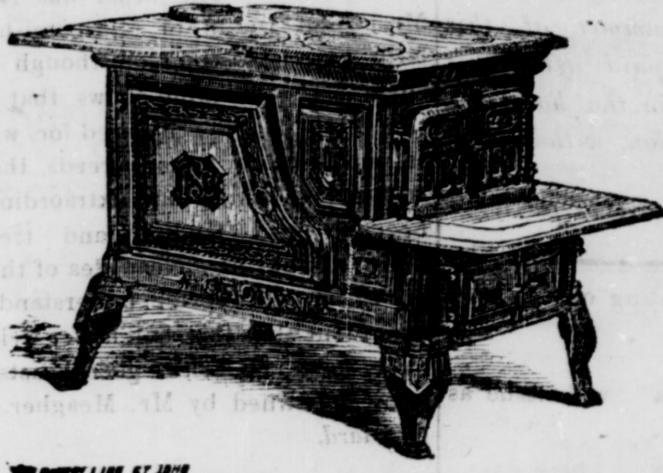
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