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MOON'S CHANGES.
Last Quarter 7th day, 10.5, 58.3m., p.m., N.
W. (below horizon.)
New Moon 14th day, 9.0a., p. m., West.
First Quarter 22nd day, 2a., 47.7m., a. m.,
N.W. (be ow horizon.)
Full Moon 30th day, 4h., 1.5m., a. m., S.W.

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THE PIRATE.

By Sir Walter Scott.

CHAPTER XXI.

Both lost to me, for ever lost those joys,
Which reason scatters, and which time destroys.
No more the midnight fair I'll view,
All in the merry midnight tapping dew,
Even in the last lingering fiction of the brain.
The churchyard and ghost is now at work again.

The Library.

The moral bard, from whom we borrow the motto of this chapter, has touched a theme with which most readers have some feelings that vibrate unconsciously. Superstition, when not arrayed in her full horrors, but laying a gentle hand only on her suppliant's head, had charms which we fail not to regret, even in those stages of society from which her influence is well-nigh banished by the light of reason and general education. At least, in more ignorant periods, her system of ideal theories had something in them interesting to minds which had few means of excitement. This is more especially true of those lighter modifications of superstitions feelings and practices which mingle in the amusements of the ruder ages, and are, like the auguries of Hallow-e'en in Scotland, considered partly as matter of merriment, partly as sad and prophetic earnest. And, with similar feelings, people of even tolerable education have, in our times, sought the cell of a fortune-teller, upon a frolic, as it is termed, and yet not always in a disposition absolutely sceptical towards the responses they receive.

When the sisters of Burgh-Westra arrived in the apartment destined for a breakfast, as ample as that which we have described on the preceding morning, and had undergone a jocular rebuke from the Udaller for their late attendance, they found the company, most of whom had already breakfasted, engaged in an ancient Norwegian custom, of the character which we have just described.

It seems to have been borrowed from those poems of the Scalds, in which champions and heroines are so often represented as seeking to know their destiny from some sorceress or prophetess, who, as in the legend called by Gray the Descent of Odin, awakens by the force of Runic rhyme the unwilling revealer of the doom of fate, and compels from her answers, often of dubious import, but which were then believed to express some shadow of the events of futurity.

An old sibyl, Euphane Fea, the housekeeper we have already mentioned, was installed in the recess of a large window, studiously darkened by bear-skins and other miscellaneous drapery, so as to give it something the appearance of a Laplander's hut, and accommodated, like a confessional chair, with an aperture, which permitted the person within to hear with ease whatever questions should be put, though not to see the querist. Here seated, the volupsa, or sibyl, was to listen to the rhythmic inquiries which should be made to her, and return an extemporaneous answer. The drapery was supposed to prevent her from seeing by what individuals she was consulted, and the intended or accidental reference which the answer given under such circumstances bore to the situation of the person by whom the question was asked, often furnished food for laughter, and sometimes, as it happened, for more serious reflection. The sibyl was usually chosen from her possessing the talent of improvisation in the Norse poetry; no unusual accomplishment where the minds of many were stored with old verses, and where the rules of metrical composition are uncommonly simple. The questions were also put in verse; but as this power of extemporaneous composition, though common, could not be supposed universal, the medium of an interpreter might be used by any querist, which interpreter, holding the consulter of the oracle by the hand, and standing by the place from which the oracles were issued, had the task of rendering into verse the subject of inquiry.

On the present occasion, Claud Halero was summoned, by the universal voice, to perform the part of interpreter; and, after shaking his head, and muttering some apology for decay of memory and poetical powers, contradicted at once by his own consoling smile of confidence and by the general shout of the company, the light-hearted old man came forward to play his part in the proposed entertainment. But just as it was about to commence, the arrangement of parts was singularly altered. Norma of the Fiftal-head, whom every one excepting the two sisters believed to be at the distance of many miles, suddenly, and without greeting, entered the apartment, walked majestically up to the bearskin tabernacle, and signed to the female who was there seated to abdicate her sanctuary. The old woman came forth, shaking her head, and looking like one overwhelmed with fear; nor, indeed, were there any in the company who saw with absolute composure the sudden appearance of a person so well known, and so generally dreaded as Norma.

She paused a moment at the entrance of the tent; and, as she raised the skin which formed the entrance, she looked up to the north, as if imploring from that quarter a train of inspiration; then signing to the surprised guests that they might approach in succession the shrine in which she was about to install herself, she entered the tent, and was shrouded from their sight.

But this was a dilettent sport from what the company had meditated, and to most of them seemed to present so much more of earnest than of game, that there was no alacrity shown to consult the oracle. The character and pretensions of Norma seemed, to almost all present, too serious for the part she had assumed; the men whispered to each other, and the women, according to Claud Halero, realized the description of glorious John Dryden,—

"With horror shuddering, on a heap they ran."
The pause was interrupted by the loud, manly voice of the Udaller. "Why does the game stand still, my masters? Are you afraid because my kinswoman is to play our volupsa. It is kindly done in her, to do for us what none in the isles can do so well; and we will not balk our sport for it, but rather go on the merrier."

(To be continued.)

RUBBERS! RUBBERS!—Wearing without tearing, light elastic and durable, pure gum, give perfect satisfaction. The Glove Brand and Coasting Rubbers had at Goff Bros.

Grain Harvesting Now and Years Ago.

Within the memory of persons now living the grain grown in every section of this country was cut with the sickle, one person being able to cut ready for the binder perhaps a quarter of an acre of grain daily. This was slow work. The wide scythe, with its snath and five larger fingers of wood attached to the snath and immediately above it, called a cradle, came into general use a few years later. When ten or fifteen men, each with a swinging cradle in hand, went circling; one after another, around the field of golden grain, each gathered and cut grain and laid it in a swath, ready for the raker to rake it into bundles ready for the binder.

The sickle and the cradle have been quite generally retired as relics of the past, and harvesters, binders, reapers and separators have each been made to do the work of a large number of men. The labor saving, especially on all large farms of improved, stumps, level land, must be very large; but just how much this saving is there are not sufficient data to determine.

Although there are many large farms in the west of 3,000 acres or more, most of the farms in this country have a much smaller area, perhaps one-quarter to one-half a section (of 640 acres) in extent. The cost of harvesting on these smaller plots of land is proportionally larger than on the very large farms—like the Dalrymple farm in Minnesota and others.

A correspondent of the Los Angeles (California) Express recently gave an account of widow Crow's wheat farm of 3,000 acres, from which she harvested this year an average of nine sacks of wheat per acre, weighing about 2,000 tons. She owns one combined harvester which will cut, thresh and sack thirty acres of wheat per day. When her wheat crop was matured and ready to harvest she started her own harvester and hired four more, and the five were driven at her golden fields with 20 men and 120 horses, cutting, threshing and sacking 180 acres of wheat each day. This kept five of the men busy sewing up the sacks of grain as they came from the separator; five drove each a twenty-five-horse team, five tended each a sickle, and the other five tended each a separator. In about a minute the standing grain was in the sack and ready for transportation. The widow sold her wheat at \$31 per ton and banked \$80,000 for her crop.

The diminished cost of grain harvesting, in connection with the diminished cost of transportation from what it was twenty years ago (the latter being from Chicago to Liverpool 37c. per sixty pounds less now) undoubtedly augments largely the power of the American farmer to compete with his rivals in the markets of the world.

Local Notices.

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Summerside Exports.

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Shipped per steamer Princess of Wales, Cameron, master, for Point du Chene:

1 horse	\$ 100
25 cases eggs	138
1 box poultry	5
300 sheep	400
2167 bush oats	653
450 lbs oatmeal	11
296 brls oysters	515
60 lbs wool	15
360 lbs butter	65
95 brls potatoes	67
200 lbs hides	12
39 brls and 54,000 lbs pork	3975
	\$ 5956

By same str. on 1st Dec:—

40 horses	\$4239
22 cases eggs	132
1 brl feathers	10
3 brls poultry	22
1630 bush oats	486
200 lbs butter	36
180 lbs wool	45
360 lbs leather	144
0000 lbs pork	365
27 brls oysters	68
200 lbs hides	12
1 brl mackerel	8
5 brls potatoes	4
	\$ 5374

"Pa," said little Johnny, "here's a piece in the paper about parasites, what are they?" "Parasites, my boy, are people who live in Paris. I think you ought to know that, and you in the third reader."