

Gold.

Man's evil passions gave to gold  
The mighty charm it claims to hold;

Saints and sinners fight and pray,  
The price is gold—gold away;  
They ask a blessing from above,  
And yet they make their God of love,  
Pave the streets of his abode  
With sordid, vile, accursed gold.

Gold that crowds the church's aisles,  
Gold that builds sin's stately piles,  
Gold for love, gold for hate,  
Gold for pride, gold for state,  
Gold for sickness, gold for health,  
Gold for life, gold for death!

Gold that fires the murderer's brain,  
Gold that breaks the captive's chain,  
Gold that turns young hearts to stone,  
Gold that blights where 'tis known,  
Gold to barter, gold to sell,  
Gold for Heaven, gold for hell!

—J. H. Hollins, in Detroit Free Press.

Beloved.

Mortal, if you art beloved,  
Life's offences are removed;  
And the fateful things that checked thee  
Grow heaven, heaven, and protect thee.  
How't thou mellow? What is age?  
Tinction life's illumined page,  
Where the purple letters glow  
Deeper, painted long ago.  
What is sorrow? Comfort's prime,  
Love's choice Indian summer clime.  
Sickness? thou wilt pay it worse  
For such blessed balmy nurse.  
And for death! when thou art dying  
'Twill be Love beside thee lying  
Death is loneliness? Oh how brave  
Shows the foot-frequented grave!  
Heaven itself is but the casket  
For love's treasure, ere he ask it—  
Piercing through corruption's hollow;  
If thou art beloved, oh then,  
Fear no grief of mortal men.

—Contemporary Review.

British Shipbuilding in 1885.

The past year proved very unfavorable to the ship-building trade of the United Kingdom, and a large decrease from last year's production is reported. The total number of vessels built in 1885, according to the Glasgow Herald, was 614, with a total tonnage of 540,282. As a proof of the great depression which has existed in the trade this year, it is stated that the falling off since last year has been 710,000 tons, while the decrease, compared with 1883, has been 710,000 tons. The relative position of the British ports in this industry is shown by the following table giving last year's production:

Table with 3 columns: Name port, No of vessels, Gross tons. Lists various ports like Clyde, Tyne, Wear, etc.

The effects of the depression was perhaps most felt on the Clyde, where the tonnage launched was the smallest since 1879. The charter of some of the work done this year showed a change from that of previous years, as the tonnage of cargo-carrying steamers was much smaller than in those years. The sailing vessels' tonnage built was of a fair amount. A large increase in the use of steel for vessels was also noted. The worst of the depression in shipbuilding, however, is now thought to be over, and hopes are expressed of a distinct increase the coming year.

Ice Boating.

The residence of James G. Blaine is only 100 yards from the Kennebec and the Maine statesman in one of the most persistent of ice-yachters. Clad in a big fur overcoat and a fur cap, he always insists upon steering the yacht himself, and his ice-boat, the Kennebec, is one of the fleetest crafts on the river.

The Pope will create no British or American cardinals at the coming consistory.

Louis Kossuth is in failing health. He has arrived at Sorrento, where he will pass the winter.

The expenses of the funeral of Gen. Grant, which were assumed by the government, have not been paid. They amount only to \$14,153.75.

The Montreal council has granted the right of suffrage to the female taxpayers in that city, subject of course to the approval of the legislature.

A Polish journal states that a ukase has been issued which threatens the expulsion from Russia of all Prussians who have not been nationalized.

The Prince Altieri, Salvati and Partizi will go to Berlin to invest Prince Bismark with the decoration of the order of Christ which was recently conferred to him by the Pope.

WELLAND CANAL ENLARGEMENT

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for the Welland Canal," will be received at this office until the arrival of the Eastern and Western mails on MONDAY, the 25th day of JANUARY next (1886), for raising the walls of the locks, weirs, &c., and increasing the height of the banks of that part of the Welland Canal between Port Dalhousie and Thorold; and for deepening the Summit Level between Thorold and Raucay's Bend, near Humberston.

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Contractors are requested to bear in mind that tenders will not be considered unless made strictly in accordance with the printed forms, and, in the case of firms, except there are attached the actual signatures, the nature of the occupation and place of residence of each member of the same; and further, an accepted bank cheque for the sum of Two Thousand Dollars or more—according to the extent of the work on the sections—must accompany the respective tenders, which sum shall be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the works, at the rates stated in the offer submitted. The amount required in each case will be stated on the form of tender.

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A. P. BRADLEY, Secretary, Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, 9th December, 1885.

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