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THE BEAUTIFUL SNOW.

The *Omaha Republican* gives the following history of this production, which the *London Spectator* pronounced to be the finest poem ever written in America:

The early part of the war, on a stormy Saturday night, in the dead of winter, three died at the Commercial Hospital, in the city of Cincinnati, a young woman over whose head

"Go to the hospital, then."
"I am hungry—I am cold."
"I can't help that. What does it matter to my master? It goes as quickly as possible."
But the old man murmured mutely. "Lead me to your master, he will not refuse me a morsel of bread."
"You are a pining old man. Come, go or I'll make you."
The old man made a dash or two toward the door and fell seemingly lifeless on the threshold.
The foreman went and told his master what had happened and asked if he should take the poor old man in; but Hans of the Soudy

OUR ROADS.

[Written for the Sentinel.]
Extracts from the "Maryland Free Press."
Maryland shows unmistakable signs of preparing for the place amongst her sister States to which she is entitled by her central position upon the Atlantic seaboard, her climate, her water power, her mineral products, and her diversified soil. Baltimore is rapidly becoming a great commercial city, stretching its arms of iron in every direction, while Washington, the seat of Federal power, is growing with magical rapidity, both giving an impetus to the devel-

opment, they indirectly repay the county largely for its expenditures.
"Under the operations of the present system I do not think the roads in Washington county cost our people one dollar, except during years of extraordinary frochels."
"The system, as I have said, is very popular, and new companies are forming every year, and new roads projected and carried out in all directions."
"I am satisfied that we have more good Maryland roads in Washington county than in any other part of the State."
"The present Constitutional provision, requiring the action of two successive legislatures before becoming a law, operates only to