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A Thought on the Dutles of Man.

[The following poem was written in Irethe year 1785. Some weeks since we published a poem by the same writer, " supposed to be spoken by Hannibal when lookpure and clevated:]

youth.

heaven?

Pleasure his darling, and his only aim,
Shall he lose reason in the guilty dame?
No! there's a nobler purpose to pursue,
Joys pure, and lasting, to be gain'd, in view:
Life is a bubble of uncertain date,
Yet on this bubble hangs eternal fate;
Aday once lost we proce can regain. A day once lost we never can regain, And life's a stage we are to tread with pain; Each fleeting moment bears a warning on, And bids its brother tell how soon 'twas

"Let the covivial bowl pass freely round And in gay pleasures wisdom's voice be drowned,
Live while you can, be happy while you witting a love letter. "I'll not detain you We should like to have seen Comte's let-

May,
And trust to fortune for a future day." Thus speaks the youth that smiling vice allures, Who freights his bark, but 'gainst no storm

insures.
Unconscious, verging to an unknown coast,
'Till, wrecked by death, his all with time

is lost.
How small a space there is 'tween youth

heart, Is my soul ready from the world to part? Do faith and works my lamp with oil supply? Perhaps the call, I must obey, is nigh.

fernaps the call, I must obey, is nigh.
If we reflect, a weighty task is ours,
Hightly to value and improve our powers;
Early to learn improving virtues love,
Amend our lives, and steer for heaven's calm shore,
Peace dwells alone, where conscience reigns confest, The rule of action in the good man's

Who, fixing all his serious thoughts on heaven, Passing through life, fulfills the task that's given; G-th did thus his virtuous soul prepare.

With graces fitted for its genial sphere; From every van and wayward passion free, He was whate'er mankind should strive to Sons of the world, the glorious track pur-

And his example, as a bright one view; So shall you live, belov'd, lamented, die, And leave the world with guardian angels nigh.

LOVE LETTERS OF EMINENT PERSONS.

In one of his celebrated essays, Lord Macaulay discusses the love letters of Sir William Temple. He says that he would very willingly exchange tons of State papers for a very moderate amount of these love letters. The letters of William Temple to his Dorothy are certainly interesting enough, and, at this time of the year especially, may be associated with wider and cially, may be associated with wider and deeper sympathies than the Triple Allis was than the Triple Allis was that the world very Wasselvey says that the world very woods, by the sides of rotten logs, among woods, by the sides of rotten logs, among the woods, by the sides of rotten logs, among woods, by the sides of rotten logs, among the woods, and the woods were world where we would be world where we would were world where we would we would were world where we would were well as a world where we would were world where we would were well as a world where we would we would were well as a world where we would were well as a world where we would were well as a world where we will be well as a world where we were well as a world where we will be well as ance. Macaulay says that he would very has produced in his novels. Was there has produced in his novels. ness a young lady would be permitted to give her lover. We should for our own parts have thought that this was a danger ous and distracting subject for historica investigation, fraught with decided peril to the historic mind. The first idea is that the manners and customs of lovers do not Scott, that I should get very fond of writgreatly vary in any age. This, however, would perhaps be a mistake. In the dialogues of Erasmus the young lady refuses to give her betrothed a single kiss, classically observing, "Ut me totam illibatamque tibi tradam." In some shades of society caresses have been strictly inhibited, and it is interesting to see that Lord Macaulay had directed his powerful mind towards the elucidation of the subject. In the opinion of another great writer, with whom Macaulay's mind had much in sym-love, and those sort of pretty things, Charlotte. pathy, we mean Alexander Pope, love letters lie at the foundation of all literature. He describes how they "speed the soft

htercourse from soul to soul:"-Peaven first taught letters for some wretch's aidme bantshed lover, or some captite maid;

cy live, they speak, they breathe what love inspire
orn from the soil, and faithful to its fires;
virgins, with, without her ferrs, impart,
use the \$\frac{1}{2}\$ linch, and results.

Most of his know by heart Mr. Tennyson's pretty, poem about "The Letters," how "she gave my letters back to me," which the young lover refused to receive.

"She told me all her friends had said, "She told me air retrients and sair,
I regel against the public har:
She spoke as if her love were dead,
But in my words were seek of fire,
I spoke with heat, and strength, and force;
I shook her break with vague alarms,
Like to rrent from a mountain's source,
We rushed into each other's arms."

Love letters always form part of the choicest machinery of the poet and the that if he knew himself he was quite free novelist. Pope's own letters, whether to from the giddy passion which the world Lady Mary Wortley Montague, or to Erinna, or to Martha Blount, are probably love were not at all unlike Racine. He married letters and we watch with much interest because his confessor recommended him to woes a countess for fifteen years, and then their elucidation by Mr. Whitwell Elwin. marry, and thought that, in this way, he One of our most popular lady novelists dis- would best overcome his unfortunate pro- ing. It is to be wished that we knew cusses with much force the great value of clivity for making verses. "When he was these letters, and how men who are unable resolved to marry," says his son, "neither The knowledge would explain the lives, by word of mouth to do themselves justice love nor interest had anything to do with can nevertheless thoroughly reveal their his choice; and in so serious an affair he whole nature in their love letters. This is consulted reason only." His wife did not ceive possible. Now and then we obtain probably very true. Many men get on know the difference between poetry and the glimpses of love letters, but as a rule, much better in paper work than in a rica prose, and never read a line of her hus-we seed on obtain access to those deeper band's tragedies, except, perhaps, the founts of feeling and far concealed springs must be very puzzling to many young titles. One of the briefest theological love of action.-From London Society. ladies of the present day to have highly stories relates to the marriage of Robert intellectual letters from their lovers. They Hall. He made up his mind that he would must be greatly puzzled when gentlemen marry his servant. So he went into the of a speculative tone of mind, or some kitchen, and said, "Betty, do you love the sucking young "lion" of the press of the Lord?" "Yes, sir," said Betty. "Betty future, sets forth his whole nature for do you love me?" he next asked. "I dore Stewart, then at his home in New Amanda or Amata. As a rule, the letters hope so, master," she answered; and they Jersey. When he reached the Commoof any genius with a gift of utterance must cause decided wonderment to the finance, who will probably mainly rely upon the endearing expressions at the beginning and end, or any wax kisses that the letters which Jack Scott wrote to Miss may be discovered on the envelope. We Surtees, or which that famous jurist, Judge have heard it suggested that young ladies Buller, wrote to the lassie whom he marin such difficulties had better apply for ried when he was only eighteen. When help to their brothers at college. That the Charles Yorke, afterwards Chancellor subject of love may not lose its power over Hardwick, asked a Worcestershire squire the minds of young men, I observe that for the hand of his daughter, the old genthe sepient authorities of the University tleman politely asked him about his rent-

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a gold medal this year,-" Hominum Divumque voluptas

generally letters written before they be- about his estates, the young pleader showed come eminent. A great author will not confine his intellectual efforts to the penny post when a publisher will handsomely remunerate him for revealing them to the of their effusions might, without much straining, be brought within the category of love letters. But then other "emiof love letters. But then other "emiof their effusions might, without much straining, be brought within the category of love letters. But then other "emiof love letters. But then other "emiof their effusions might, without much straining to respect old age always no fences to interfer owith the fox chases and when she afterward, he took his departure, much and foot races the beys used to indulge in the preaches uttered loud and hearty of me category of moist sugar quite overpowers the deliof love letters. But then other "emiof their effusions might, without much writes to his wife, and there is at least one After promising to respect old age always no fences to interfer which Abbut wrote afterward, he took his departure, much she his team hitched up and was going direct very sweet love letter which Abbut wrote afterward, he took his departure, much she she has team hitched up and was going direct very sweet love letter which Abbut wrote afterward, he took his departure, much she she has team hitched up and was going direct very sweet love letter which Abbut wrote afterward, he took his departure, much she she has team hitched up and was going direct very sweet love letter which Abbut wrote afterward, he took his departure, much she has team hitched up and was going direct very sweet love letter which Abbut wrote afterward, he took his departure, much she has team hitched up and was going direct very sweet love letter which Abbut wrote afterward to the consensuation of microstation and heavy of microsta nences" mostly write their love letters poetry in it. We have one excellent ex- came,

THE CECIL WHIG.

ELKTON, MARYLAND, SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 1874.

Our Schools-Past and Present.

before they achieve greatness or have ample, a love letter, which Macaulay greatness forced upon them. This is a would probably accept as an historical docgreat consolation for the lawyer that can ument, written by that noble character, get no briefs, the doctor that can get no the first Lord Cowper, to his sweetheart practice, the young politician who cannot when a young Templar. It is in statelier get a seat, and the young writer who has phrase than the present familiar style, his articles rejected. They can take it out beginning "Dearest madam," and ending in their love letters. I am sorry for any "your very humble and affectionate serland by Mrs. Brasseya Allen, previous to eminent man who has to engage in this vant." He tells her, "I wish my thoughts, description of correspondence. According that are so often with you when I am not, to the old joke the lawyer might tie up were not invisible; then you might save his letters with red tape, and the physcian yourself the trouble of reading such-like ing on the body of Marcellus." The ver- may make a muddle in his prescription. notes, and see at one view how discontentsification is very smooth and the sentiment Love letters must take it out of a man, ed and vexed they are when I cannot wait and, in point of fact, love making requires on you. You would see how forward and an amount of time and concentration of impatient they grow under any other busi-Was man superior to the brutes design'd, only to show the diff rence by his kind? Shall he no masters, but his passions own? And madly chasing conscience from her And madly chasing conscience from her colors and a man in full work cannot afford absence for their very looks." This is sional pursuits. Eminence generally means ogy, would excuse me, and forgive my effort, and a man in full work cannot afford absence for their very looks." This is throne,
Pervert' each gift a bounteous God has time for such ludibria lunce. They form certainly very prettily expressed by the Among the more remarkable love letters he defended and practised polygamy .is the celebrated volume of "Foster's Es- Cowper's letters to his wife, and the jour-

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says." We believe that all these remarka- nals he kept for her, show him to have ble essays were originally love letters writ- been a most excellent husband. So far as ble essays were originally love letters written to the lady to whom he was engaged, we are acquainted with legal biography, it
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long," he observed; "I never give the ters to his Clotilde, but, as a rule, it is ill letter a year or two before; he had now too tells his mother, "I am the happiest of much work on hand. There is a glorious men in the hope of a union with a woman old poet, Thomson, the author of the equally distinguished for virtue, talents, romance in his verses to Amanda. He his brother, "Mrs. Apprece has consentand age,
Our mem'ry shews in her instructive page; knew he was too poor to marry her—and when the event takes to was soon to marry away from him—place, I shall not envy kings, princes, or the was soon to marry away from him—place, I shall not envy kings, princes, or about and lying abed. Yet for a poet he the sensation which Mrs. Appreceo made had wonderfully sensible ideas of matri- in Edinburgh society, when even a regius mony. When his sister was engaged he professor went down on his knees in the wrote to her, "I must chiefly recommend street to fasten her shoe. Nevertheless, to you to cultivate by every method that the marriage turned out to be altogether union of hearts, that agreement and sym- unsuitable and unfortunate. Count Rumpathy of tempers, in which consists the ford, a philosopher, if ever there was one, true happiness of the marriage state. The married Madam Lavoisier, a philosopher ily is a woman's natural province, and from Almost the first passage in a youthful notebook was, "Love is a noble passion of the

and his biographers have spun a very

autobiographical:-" When one loves a

lady of unequal rank, ambition may ac-

company the beginning of love; but in a

he will be alone; all the passions must

bend and obey him. * * * Man by

himself is an imperfect thing, to be happy

es for this in a condition of life equal to

his own, because the liberty and oppor

tunity of declaring himself are there most

easily to be met with. Nevertheless, we

sometimes look far above ourselves and

feel the fire increase, although we dare not

a high friendship fills the heart of man

much more completely than a common or

equal one." So l'ascal seems to have felt:

"The desire of the moth to the star,

It is something not uncommon in the

history of eminent men. An Addison

discovers that she was not worth the woo-

more of the love affairs of our great men.

and would explain history to a greater ex-

tent than even Lord Macaulay could con-

NOT THE MAN HE THOUGHT.

Some years ago a young naval officer

"Helloa, old fellow! Is the Commo-

lor. Soon perceiving the same person pass-

"Well, old man, how soon will the Com-

"In a very short time, now," quickly

answered the person addressed.
Presently the very same "old fellow" entered the room and aurounced to the

"I am the

was dispatched with a message to Commo-

he approached and sung out:

dore at home?"

modore be here?"

Of the day to the morrow;

The devotion to something afar From the sphere of our sorrow.

confess it to her who is its cause * *

he needs to find a second. He often search

to say, and finish without knowing what this is the way in which he wrote about much the way of love letters in general, if to be married to one of the most imperi-

that arises her best praise."

Hence the wives of literary men are not, and, indeed, speak very kindly of her ing charge of that particular department, as a rule, very interesting people. We memory. M. Guizot's own marriage was "The Paddle" mostly said "IN." have heard people laugh at Lady Scott under sufficiently remarkable circum-Walter to write some more of his rubbish writing anonymous articles in a periodical ever a more graceful love letter than this we strongly think the author of "Provinabout fixing the day? I quote it, as I cial Letters" must have written the best in the efficacy of the magical couplet: owe some amends to the wives of literary love letters of all. But it is interesting to

"If I could but really believe that my ing, merely for the pleasure to indulge you—that is saying a great deal. I hope you are sensible of the compliment I pay you; I don't expect I shall always be so pretty behaved. You may depend on me, my dear friend, for fixing as early a day as I ossibly can; and if it happens to be not lively romance out of the discovery of this possibly can; and if it happens to be not quite as soon as you wish, you must not be angry with me. It is very unlucky you are such a bad house-keeper, as I am no better. I shall try. I hope to have very soon the pleasure of seeing you, and to tell you how much I love you; but I wish the you how much I love you; but I wish the you how much I love you; but I wish the you how much I love you; but I wish the you how much I love you; but I wish the you how much I love you; but I wish the you have you will be not be not quite as soon as you must be not be not quite as soon as you wish, you must not be not quite as soon as you wish, you must not be not quite as soon as you wish, you must not be not quite as soon as you wish, you must not be not quite as soon as you wish, you must not be not quite as soon as you wish, you must not be not quite as soon as you wish, you must not be not quite as soon as you must not be not quite as soon as you must not be not quite you must not prove you must not prove you must not prove you must not prove you must not you must not prove you must not pr irst fortnight was over. With all my

"P. S. Etudiez votre Francais. Remember, you are to teach me Italian in return, but I shall be but a stupid scholar.

Hie is a tyrant who endures no compassion; he will be alone; all the passions must

Let us take a glance at the love letters of some men eminent in the professions .-And first of all of our divines. Chalmers says, In his diary, just before he was married "Dismissing all anticipations of Heaven upon earth, may I betake myself soberly and determinedly to the duties of married state." We hope the good wife felt flattered by this expression of Christian resignation. He was very different to another Scotch divine of almost equal eminence, who, during his honeymoon, so far anticipated events as to date his letters from "Heaven." The love letters of

Whitefield are curious. He said in them calls love. These eminent theologians

were happily married.

The lawyers are people who, as a class, seem to have turned out very well in their love affairs. We should like to have seen of Cambrigo have given as the subject of roll. The young lawyer replied that his ing the window, he again asked: estate consisted of "a perch of ground in

Westminster Hall." Similarly, when Chas. Abbott, afterwards Lord Chief Justice The love letters of eminent persons are Tenterden, was asked by a Kentish squire

EXTRACT FROM AN ESSAY READ BEFORE THE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION, ON

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27th,

BY MR. WATTS. Twenty-eight years ago, in what is now known as the Eighth Election District, there were but two schools, the Rowlandsabout 7} feet to the joice. The "Log was 16x22 and about 7 feet to the joice. Right good houses were they at that time and held a fabulous number of pupils.

to that school there were from thirty to sixty pupils in attendance each (term) given, the glorious privilege of leisure and of groung Templar. This is the chancellor of Grasp at vain shadows, and relinguish the glorious privilege of leisure and of whom Voltaire used absurdly to say that The desks were nailed to the walls all whom Voltaire used absurdly to say that was on the ground except where the door opened. On was devoted on the Sabbath to church go lewis came, however, and in two days was on the ground, and it was intensely

The books used were Bonsal's Edition of the Sequel to the English Reader, Pike's and Rose's Arithmetics-on an average one writing a love letter. "I'll not detain you We should like to have seen Comte's let- book of each kind to three pupils. A reading class extended nearly around the woman more than a 'short notice.'" The for a man of science to fall in love with a room and was composed of pupils ranging young reviewer ought to have written his woman of science. Sir Humphrey Davy from twelve years of age to twenty, from four feet high to six. A fee of them stood remarkably erect, some propped themselves against the desks, some sat on top of the Seasons," who shows a sad gleam of and accomplishments." He joyously tells desks, some stood on one foot with the other foot on the bench, a few held the book in one hand the other hand jammed she was soon to marry away from him- place, I shall not envy kings, princes, or to the elbow in the pantaloon's pocket. and so he frittered away his life sauntering potentates." Sir Henry Holland describes Others held the book firmly, with both hands clamping the tops of the pages from the under side as though that book weighed forty pounds and was liable to break read through their noses, and some of them read way down in their throat, some read loud enough to be heard a quarter of a mile, none could be understood a quarter economy and gentle management of a fam. herself, and the widow of a philosopher. of a yard. While this splendidly organized class was reciting, the teacher-with one

foot upon the floor, the other planted on Rousseau's saying was a true one, that mind." He was four years in courting the the top of a three legged stool, three feet his desk. But the moment the sun reached to write a good love letter you ought clever French woman. We do not know in height, -was solving and explaining the meridian mark, and the word was givto begin without knowing what you mean what he wrote to her before marriage, but problems in arithmetic; with from three to en dismissing the school, away the whole six pupils, in as many different attitudes, you have written, This is certainly very her afterwards. "I have the misfortune grouped around him, apparently absorbed in his demonstrations. Of the remainder we may judge them from the proceedings ous, tyrannical, unfeeling women that ever of the school a few were studying lessons, rels, which perched on every stump called of the Nisi Prius courts. The love letters existed, and whose perseverance is pursu- some were crawling about on the floor of the men and women of genius, consid- ing an object is equal to her profound cun- under the desks, eight or ten were out in ered as compositions, are generally the ning and wickedness in framing it." He the woods playing tockee up against a big best. As a rule, men of genius write explains one of his troubles:-" She goes white oak tree, and two had gone for water. much better letters than they receive .- and pours boiling water on my beautiful "The Paddle" hung suspended to a nail The man of genius generally exalts some slowers," which, we admit, was, at least, on the door. On one side of "The Padwoman into a divinity, and the creature of eccentric conduct on the part of the lady. dle" was the word "IN" in large letters, the stagnant ponds, played ball, ran, leaphis imagination whom he marries turns out to be very human indeed.

Yet two very eminent living men, M. on the other side was the word "OUT."

Guizot and Sir Henry Holland, knew her, The boy who sat nearest to the door hav-

The popular amusements at that time because she said that she must get Sir stances. He gained his wife's heart by were "Corner ball," "Towns ball," "Shinney on your own side," and "Antny over." to get a new carpet. Yet his Charlotte for her, when she was laid up, and these The little boys hunted "Boozy bugs" and woods, by the sides of rotten logs, among equality," which has grown to such a bug made to catch ants. We had implicit faith

> find that this incomparable logician and philosopher had given the subject his most serious consideration. M. Nictor Consird

"Boozy bug, Boozy bug, come out your

discovered among the MSS, of the Abbey blew the dirt all off of them and lifted them fruit in time an hundred fold. out, then they ran backward to the next hole. The Lizards we found in the run gings in those old schools. The Irish manuscrip. But unless it was the sister of any other run in America. Pascal has just one remark which looks

The first blackboard in the Eighth Disblackboard.

in school apparatus.

the schools for colored children and do not out of breath, the brute would rest and much as the whole District could boast of mained of each but a short handle.

about a mile east of the Lancaster and a term in prison. Port Deposit road, on the northern edge of George Gillespie's farm, and near the spot old school house which is still standing, dren. But we fear the present loose sysor daubing for this work was prepared in a clay hole near the building, by working up dore's country seat, he saw an old man hauling manure from the barn-yard. Sup- mortar was compounded, which was laid posing him to be one of the hired hands, on with paddles till the chinks were closed, and the house made comparatively tight and warm. The patrons of the school who owned farms supplied the fuel in Winter, "Yes," responded the bare-footed, shabeach one hauling a load or two of wood bily dressed man; "just walk up to the which the "big boys" chopped and split

up into stove wood. The boards which The officer strutted pompously up to the answered in place of desks, were nailed to house, and was quickly seated in the par- the walls of the cabin at a proper hight, and with the necessary inclination to accommodate those scholars who were pursuing the flowery path of knowledge in tracing zigzag lines, interspersed with "pot hooks and hangers." The other accommodations of the school room were similar to those described by Mr. Watts.

This rustic school house was, however, delightfully situated on the southern border of an oak woods, which stretched away over gently rolling hills, covering hundreds Just back of the school house a rivulet ing bean who holds them for her.

meandered, mingling its never ceasing cadence with the murmur of the urchins who were urged on the tardy and too often irk. THE FOLLOWING ESSAY WAS READ BEFORE some path of knowledge, by frequent applications of the birch and ferule.

This was a popular school in its day and

pupils. There were many pedagogues stone State, stood an old stone school reigned in this old school house within our house, about 20x21 feet, with low caves, The house at Rowlandsville was 22x24 and The first we had any knowl- which a not very tall man might touch with edge of was named M'Donald, a native of his upstretched hand. John Hall, held sway there a number of the turnpike. The old school house had a most prominent and influential men in the signal of victory over a whisky-seller. I attended. During the four years I went years, who was a vicious, ill-tempered man, low ceiling and six small windows, which place advised the women not to begin the different specimen, who went by the cog- light to enable the pupils to pursue their cach side of the store near the middle of over met. Like Ichabod he indulged in the short to short the sho folks. All the benches were made of psalmody, and in the Winter evenings for the pupils of the day school. round oak slabs, flat side up, with legs like fact his singing schools became famous taught the lads and lasses to sing. In trestles; they were about 21 feet high and in the neighborhood. He had that peculiar

terians and Friends being the two leading Comly's Spelling Book, the Introduction denominations of Christians in the neighto the English Reader, the English Reader, borhood at that day, M'Kindley professed to be a strict member of the former Church, at his advent into the neighborhood; but in the course of time he began to take occasional sprees and sometimes got gloriously drunk. He was harsh and indulgent to the scholars by turns. A stock of splendid wattles was always kept on hand, cut from the red ozier bushes and hazels which grew in the meadow hard by. These were splendid switches, long, tough and slender, and when handled with that expertness acquired by long practice, would on the back of an urchin. We have often seen the stout homespun cut through

and through, and the skin laid open. The door of the school house faced t Bose and run away at any moment. Many the south, and the boys had a noon mark cut in the floor. How slowly the sun crept toward that notch in the floor on a long Summer day, when the lesson from the few books had been heard, and the teacher giving way to the enervating influence of the season, grew careless of his charge, and the long switches reposed on the shelf above school bounded for a two hours' play .-Through that glorious old woods they bounded and played, hunted ground squirchip, chip, chip, as if to tantelize the bbys, ready to flee into their holes at the approach of danger, fished for minnows in trees in the marsh, pelted frogs with stones when they showed their green heads above ed and shouted, giew strong and healthy; and though perhaps not many graduated with astonishing attainments from that old school house, scores of healthy boys and with good strong arms and stout hearts.

Many colored children attended school with the whites, played and studied togethed children we recall the names of Berry, Butter, Body and others. The majority of those grew up to be industrious, thrifty and If you don't we will burn you as black as a good citizens; so that the simple training in the rudiments of reading, writing and This we invariably repeated, with due ciphering in the old log school house by olemnity, over each "Boozy bug's hole," the green wood side, was of incalculable but the bugs came not out till we got down, benefit to the recipients, bringing forth We have witnessed some terrible flog-

and pinched off their tails accordingly .- teachers who kept most of the schools in Why we thought it necessary to curtail those days, were very severe, and often those lizards I never knew: I do know that brutally cruel. The most revolting piece there were more "bob tail" lizards and of brutality we ever witnessed, was perpefewer long tail lizards in that run than in trated at the old Rowlandsville school by an Irish teacher named John White. This man was an accomplished scholar, but a rict was made for the "Log Cabin" natural brute, and added to the flend withschool by Mr. Wm. J. Gillespie, about in him, the love of strong drink. He seventeen years ago. It was about 3x5 knew of no means to impart instruction feet; no room in that house for a larger but that of driving the pupil forward with a goad. The boy he so unmercifully flog-There are at the present time six school ged on this occasion was named McElwee houses in the Eighth District, (four for a stout, lively, rough mannered urchin black children), capable of accommodating about twelve or thirteen years old. His three hundred white children and one hun- offence merited a moderate castigation, not dred black children, four of these houses being a very beinous one. But this brute are well supplied with outbuildings, all supplied himself with three heavy white but one are good houses and well furnished oak withs, the branches of which he as to desks, stoves, etc., but still deficient toughened and plaited, and stripping the boy of his shirt, fell on him with these I have not had an opportunity of visiting goads. When completely exhausted and know how they are furnished. The four renew the flogging till the three tough alluded to contain about 450 square feet of white oak goads with their plaited prongs, blackboard surface-about thirty times as were shivered and worn till nothing refifteen years ago. Education, society, and screams of the boy brought Joseph Roman affairs in general, have advanced in the and one or two other men up from the vilsame ratio, in that tri-angular District. lage. A repremand and a threat to dis-An ever advancing moral standard renders charge the brute was all that came of it. this progress less perceptible, but does If such a flend perpetrated a similar outnot otherwise, unfavorably, affect the fact. rage at the present day, the whole county Another and still more primative school would rise against him, and if he was not

house in the Eight District, was located shot in his tracks, he would certainly have The old system of driving the pupils to study by the dint of hard flogging was a where the three farms Gillespies, Rawling's wretched practice. It made school and and at present Way's farms, meet. This all study irksome and distasteful to chilwas built of logs, one story, about 14 by 16 tem of moral sausion is as far on the other feet, chinked with billets of logs, stones, extreme. Corporeal punishment cannot etc., and daubed with mud. At the ap be wholly dispensed with in schools of chilproach of Winter, the "master" with the dren of all ages from six to twelve years if larger boys, cemented the chinks, which the school is kept in proper discipline, but got opened through the Summer by the it should be governed by strict rules and boys picking out the plaster. The plaster no child punished on the spur of the moment. The child is entitled to a fair hearing, and if guilty, let sentence be passed a quantity of clay and straw till a tough and the penalty named, but not inflicted till some hours after. When a teacher punishes in a passion it is revenge and not justice that prompts the castigation; so the culprit thinks and a spirit of counter enmity is aroused in the youthful breast.

-Mr. II- resides in Fourth street New York. His wife, who is an economi cal body, had sent a costly silk gown to a French dyer. The dyer himself brought ome the silk dress, and unluckily, as it happened, met the husband of the lady at the door. "Is madam within?" asked the Frenchman. "And suppose she is, what do you want with her?" "I am dyeing for her Sare." "You dying for my wife! Get out of my house, you scoundrel !" and he had just raised his foot to kick the honest artisan into the street as the lady made her appearance, and set the matter right.

A REMINISCENCE.

THE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION, SATURDAY, 28th of February, 1874, by

MR. QUIGLEY. In a certain locality, situated in what is the house was generally well filled with familiarly styled the Garden of the Key-

the "old country," we suppose from his The old school house stood directly in nomen of M'Knidley. He had many traits studies. The school grounds comprised in common with Ichabod Crane, in fact about one-fourth of an acre, and surround-

Adjoining the school yard, and forming its southern boundary, was a grave yard, at the foot of which ran the pellucid l'oquea creek, a famous skating rink in Winter, though at the time of which I write, the pedagogue of Sleepy Hollow. Presby- skating rinks were not known by that

There was famous coasting ground near held around the stone walls of the school only five have not surrendered. crack like a stage whip when brought down lute sway in their little kingdom, only by the the physique of a trained prize fighter, were dismissed with a simple reprimand.

ruled absolutely for twenty five successive years, in the old school house, by kindness trine, that teachers exhausted their useful nesss, in the course of a year or two, and must remove to another locality, was not then in vegue; nor would the people of the run, built mossy seats under the beech that day have put their faith in such a frequent under the regime of this teacher. and the scholars were seldom punished corporally, but when the occasion arose for its use the rod was not withheld. A single awe the rebellious offender into submission, girls went out from it to fight life's battles and the smaller pupils were treated with much of the success of this teacher was due to the fact that parental instruction, and home training co-operated with, and his labors in his profession in the public schools, and his labors were for the benefit of many of that community. Even durmany of his pupils occupying positions, eminent among their fellows. place is now filled by others and he has to take something in the way of cold

gone to reap his reward. There was one exception, however, to the uniform success of this teacher in governing and training his pupils. One boy was rebellious and refused to succumb to the reasonable demands of his preceptor. Reproof and remonstrance were alike unavailing, and the dernier resort,-corporal punishment-proved ineffectual. Then in a feeling address, expressive of the sorrow which filled his kind heart, he reluctantly expelled the rebel from the school, and he dropped out of our world. That boy was

always bad. Those old days are gone not to return, fast. "Because it's prayer hour," was and those old-fashioned teachers and their the reply; "every day between 9 and 10 methods would not be in favor now. Then, o'clock everybody goes to prayer meeting." children were taught to obey; now, they are too often allowed to rule. But one old-fashioned mode of governing is always new, and always in vogue; that is, the influence of kindness. Another old-fashioned mode of governing is going sadly into disuse, both in family and school; that mode contained in the Proverbs of the Wise Man. Prominent among which streets, or elsewhere.

There was, perhaps, a necessity to refine nany of the customs in vogue at that time, but refinement is not, necessarily, license. Children, generally, were kept by rigorous discipline in a cramped condition, and, till freed from those trammels, their minds became non elastic. They simply received impressions, as the graver carves lines upon his block. They, too often, were recipients, not originators; memorizers, not thinkers. There was a necessity to change all this, and provide an education for the masses that they shall be able to build upon throughout their lives. That those of us who are not able to pay for collegiate instruction, shall become able to think for ourselves. But refinements are apt to be pushed to needless extremes, and when children are not obedient and respectful to lawful authority at home, they are likely to exhibit the result of such training in school.

remunerate min for revealing them to the wife, and I want to sign the pledge." The fore-world. In the case of poets, a large part wind of a love letter is that which a man answered, "No, sir; but if he had of their effusions might, without much of the pledge." The thoughtless forgot they who is so indolent that she does nothing a boundless, magnificent play ground, with his team hitched up and was going direct. no fences to interfere with the fox chases but sit and hold her hands, and when she his team hitched up and was going direct- were in the house of God, and stamped the

The Story of a Successful Campaign.

TWENTY-THREE LIQUOR STORES CLOSED IN TWELVE DAYS-TALK WITH A REFORMED RUMSELLER-A TOWN WHERE ALL THE STORES ARE CLOSED AT NINE O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING FOR PRAYER-A NIGHT ATTACK ON A SALOON.

with the liquor dealers. When I visited it have been aroused. This bell-ringing is a name, but then we were too young to know the rear of a stone church and was hid by less than two weeks ago, I found twenty. favorite feature of the movement, and has much of his peculiarities. Another named the church from the view of passers by on eight places where liquor was sold. The become in nearly every town a well-known after whom came another and altogether on a cloudy day scarcely admitted sufficient movement, believing that failure was certain, and that failure in Mount Vernon The men agreed to sustain the women, sincerity by closing their places of busiprayer. The enemy took fright at once. that old school house in those days, and first gave way; others followed in rapid cording to law, and I intend to keep within right merrily did those boys and girls enjoy the pleasure. And high carnival was the 28 liquor stores here twelve days ago praying band, while the others gathered

not; for those youths were taught not to liquor sellers thought of the movement descerate the graves of their friends and and its effects, I went to a billiard room neighbors. I well remember many of the which, when I was here before, was the teachers who ruled in that house, and tried most popular drinking place in the town, to guide the intellect of the youth commit- being crowded every night with young ted to their charge. Rude brawny men, men who rank high in Mount Vernon socisome of them were, who exercised abso- ety. The proprietor, an Irishman, with application of brute force. Woe to the luck- had told me that "the thing would never less urchin who transgressed the bloody, | work in Mount Vernon" and that "they" number who escaped their kind attentions. | quil state of mind as he stood dispensing But the vindictive brutality of the punish- lemonade and soda to old topers, who have ments, and the modes of inflicting them now to be content with such mild substireply. "I don't know anything about There was one teacher, however, that getting religion, but a fellow who has just been converted must feel something like I I was his pupil during the last few years joy going to church. Somehow or other

of his administration. The latter day doc. everything looks brighter. The best day's work I ever did was hanging out the white flag on my saloon." "But you will go into the old business again when this excitement dies out?" "Not if I know myself. I wouldn't be able to hold my head up if I did: I couldn't look a lady straight in the face. No, Sir, I don't know what's come over me, but whisky selling don't appear to me now as it used to. Besides everybody seems to look on me so different glance of his penetrating gray eye would now. The very men that used to drink at my bar think more of me; and as to the ladies-why, sir, some of the best ladies in this town have been in my dining-room with their husbands to dinner since I closed out, and one or two looked on the other day at a game of billiards." "Has and home training co-operated with, and supplemented the teacher's labors. Pub-your business suffered by your stopping Wiant declined to tell, lest the enemy supplemented the teacher's labors. Public schools were not organized when this the sale of liquor?" "Not a bit of it so lic schools were not organized when this the sale of liquor?" "Not a bit of it so shools were not organized when this the sale of liquor?" "Not a bit of it so shools were not organized when the movement. The main teacher companyed his reign, but he ended far; won't you have a cigar or a glass of lemonade? I can't offer you anything stronger." I could hardly realize that I was talking to the man who a few days ing his life he could point with pride, to ago had, with angry tone and defiant eye, ago had, with angry tone and defiant eye. by the commander of the column. Meanwished the ladies to "try it on," and who while Mrs. Wiant and three other ladies But his over this same counter tried to induce me quietly walked down Main street, and quietly walked down Main street, and to take something in the way of cold entered Irvine's saloon without opposition,

weather alcoholic drinks. PRAYER MEETINGS DURING BUSINESS HOURS. At the hotel I found the landlord actual. ly bragging that he had been the first man to surrender, while his wife was putting on her bonnet and shawl to attend the daily prayer-meeting. A commercial traveler was about leaving the hotel, with a bundle of samples under his arm, when the landlord exclaimed, "You need not go out at this time a day, sir,. You won't find a respectable store in town open now. Why ?" asked the astonished drummer. who had just finished a nine o'clock break-

Surprised, myself, I went on the street and found that the stores and shops were indeed closed at this hour, when merchants mechanics, and housekeepers, in country towns, are generally busiest. There must be earnestness in the movement when the pocket nerve, so hard to kill, is thus dead-

From the hotel I went to the Episcopal stands this: "Train up a child in the way church. Few places of amusement are he should go, and when he is old, he will ever more crowded. Every seat was filled, not depart from it." The modern practice and men and women stood in the aisless homely Western expression, seemed to "run itself." Nobody presided. A man arose to speak: his message, was the story of what had been accomplished in another town. A woman said, "Let us pray," and the congregation followed her with devout air in an impassioned appeal to the throne of grace. As they arose from their knees some one began to sing, and all joined in singing words with which all seemed now to have a new meaning: "Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the

Lord;
He is transping out the vintage where the grapes of His wrath are stored.
His wrath are stored to the stored on, Golory, glory, hall-lujah, our Gol is marching on."

AN UNEXPECTED VICTORY. One verse and the chorns were sung,

and immediately another woman spoke. She begged that none might "ascribe the The old stone school house has given place to a superb brick structure, surround, and the house is supplied with all the modern appliances for instruction, and comfort. No teacher now remains twenty-five years in the new house, instructing two generations of youth. No one having a sufficient variety of programmes to last so long.

Well, I must lay down my pen and prepare for another weary pilgrimage.

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The old stone school house has given place to a superb brick structure, surround. His name, and he will carry it through. Oh! that He had put it into the heats of the heat so this people to begin this movement years ago." She could say no more, but the earnestness of the last exclamation, and tructure and comfort. No teacher now remains twenty-five years in the new house, instructing two generations of youth. No one having a sufficient variety of programmes to last so long.

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Strong aromatic cup of collee may be pourtested the attention of the congregation by an excited gesture, "Ladies," he said, should not be too finely ground recommended, are an ounce to a pint, or pint and a half of water.

The milk used with coffee should always take you there for nothing?" The fore- sell any more liquor, and I want to sign be boiled and used as hot as possible; th

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ology which everybody can sing:

Before the echo died away the sexton was in the tower of the church, and the bell pealed forth the news of the surrender. The bells of other churches took up THE PRAYING BANDS ON THE STREET. The prayer-meeting over, the women

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'amens!" and almost by one impulse the

ongregation arose and sang the only dox-

sallied out of the church and dividing into would greatly retard the progress of the two sections, each under an appointed Temperance Reform in Northern Ohio, leader, visited the few liquor stores still where it was just being introduced. Dio holding out. Snow several inches deep duty. The first place visited by the prinand did so with their whole hearts. A cipal division was a grocery where liquor thorough organization was effected in the is retailed. It was not their first visit, nor usual manner. The women then went on yet their second, nor their third, and the the streets, while the men showed their proprietor was on the look-out. He met them at the door and began to remonstrate, ness, and repairing to the churches for as he had done before. "Ladies," said he, "it ain't worth while for you to come The saloons considered most formidable here any more. I will sell liquor only acabout the door, "can we not persuade you yard, and among the trees and shrubbery A TALS WITH A REFORMED LIQUOR SELLER. to stop? You would make us all so hapof the graveyard, where the graves were With some curiosity as to what the late py, and it would be so pleasing to God." 'No, ma'am, you cannot," was the decisive reply. "I claim to be as religious as anybody, I'm no heathen. You can't come your Paris Communes over me! I believe in a God, in a God of righteousness and justice-" "And mercy," said one of the ladies. "Well, yes, and mercy, and why should I be sung and prayed over in this way; why don't you go and pray down in the billiard saloons iron clad code of those tyrannical mas- (meaning the ladies) "had better not try that are keeping your young men out until ters. Luckily, I was one of the fortunate it on." I now found him in a more tran- 12 o'clock every night long after my store is shut up and I'm gone to bed?" He talked so fast and loud, that the ladies decided not to argue with him. The leadwere oftentimes calculated to arouse anger tutes for the old-fashioned toddies and er said, "Ladies, let us sing." A hymn both in the recipient and in the spectator. punches. "How do you feel after your was begun, the proprietor went in and And the severest stripes were laid on the surrender?" I asked. "Never better- locked his door, and a prayer-meeting of the smaller pupils, while the larger ones never so well-in my life," was the prompt half an hour's duration was held on the sidewalk. Meanwhile it was so cold that most of the men, who had followed the women from the church as spectators, left have felt for the last week. I actually en. to seek more comfortable quarters in their well-heated stores, shops, and offices. The women went to each of the other liquor stores remaining open, and had the usual devotional exercises in front of each, but accomplished nothing more that day.

A NIGHT ATTACK. At night another union prayer-meeting was held; but, while the brethren were praying and singing, the sisters had a private meeting in another place. Mrs. Wiant, wife of a clergyman, arose in this private meeting and called for volunteers for special duty. If there were 25 ladies who would follow her, she proposed making a night attack upon a saloon that had been barred against their entrance during the day .-Thirty ladies promptly arose and expressed their willingness to go anywhere their courageous leader might direct. Some inry street to Front, down Front to Main, and up Main to a certain point, and there await a signal which would be understood and to the great surprise of the proprietor and a company of mortifled tipplers. A few minutes later the main column entered nearly filling the room. A prayer-meeting was held for the benefit of Irvine and his guests, and the ladies then shook hands with the saloon-keeper and bade him a kind good by. Irvine made no pledges, but says he has locked his doors against the ladies for the last time. They can

come in and pray whenever they are so disposed. COFFEE AND ITS PREPARATION.

It is not our intention to go into detailed history of the cultivation of the coffee plant, which is not likely to be of great interest to our scaders. Practically it is sufficient for us to know that coffee is largely cultivated in many of the tropical regions of the globe, as the West Indies and America, Arabia, Ceylon, India, Bourbon, Java, etc. The Arabian, or Mocha bean is very small, round, and dark yellow in color: East Indian kinds are larger; and the Ceylon, West Indian and Brazilian kinds are of a bluish or greenish-gray tint, and the largest in size. When coffeeberries are roasted, they suffer some remarkable changes, losing considerably in weight, but increasing to nearly double their original size; during the roasting the seems to be to avoid all training, save such and thronged the vestibule. The inclo- aromatic flavor is developed, but the exact as may be accidentally picked up about the sure within the altar-rail was occupied by nature of the changes undergone is not clergymen, every denomination appearing to be represented. The meeting, to use a containing a peculiar substance call-

coffee as a beverage depends.

Roasted coffee when ground is much adulterated with chicory; this fraud is easily detected by dropping some of the suspected coffee in a wineglass with cold water. If the coffee is pure, it swims on the surface, and scarcely colors the water; if it contains chicory, the latter sinks to the bottom and stains the water of a deep

red tint.

Coffee is a wholesome and nutritive bevjoined in singing words with which all crage; it diminishes the disposition to had long been familiar, but which to them sleep, and hence it is used by those who require to keep awake for study or other purposes. Medicinally it is found, like tea, useful in some forms of headache, where there is not any determination of blood to the head; and it is also especially useful in some cases of spasmodic

when taken strong.

The making of good coffee is a very rare thing in this country. Most persons boil it, so making a decoction instead of an infusion; this effectually gets rid of the She begged that none might "ascribe the glory of this good work to anybody but the good Lord. It is His work; blessed be The following particulars will be found