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Bayard Taylor—One of His Earlier Poems.

With a sudden gleam of joy, The golden light came streaming in, and all upon them looked together.

BACHELOR BIBBS.

BY FANNIE FAIRIE.

"The rooms are good—very good!" said Mr. Bibbs, poking the springs of the sofa with his gold-headed cane, and fixing his eye critically upon an ink-spot on the table-cover.

"You—you won't be troubled by one here, sir," said the landlady, faintly.

"Glad to hear it—glad to hear it! Believe you are, ma'am; house looks quiet. Send up my trunks, this book-case, writing-desk and pictures—"

sweet, girlish face, pinched and blue with the cold.

She carried a heavy basket—far too heavy for such little, slender, ill-gloved hands to lift.

What did he think, indeed? What could he think, of the sweet, shy, frightened face, half hidden from his gaze, the golden hair falling loosened about neck and shoulders, the low, sweet voice faltering out confession and excuse?

"It was wrong, I—I know, but—but we wanted to rent the rooms so much, Mr. Bibbs, and mamma said you wouldn't take them if—if you knew we had a—a baby; and Charlie has always been so quiet and good until now.

Moffitt Bell Punch for North Carolina.

Capt. W. S. Harris, Senator from Franklin, and a Baptist, has introduced into the Legislature a bill with the provisions of the Moffitt Punch-Bell, which has been adopted in Virginia, Louisiana, and perhaps other States.

Pleasant Paragraphs.

—Slight of hand—refusing a marriage proposal. —What is more beautiful and poetic than the child's idea of ice—"water gone to sleep."

Consisting of all Goods usually kept by Dealers in General Merchandise.

All of which have just been bought LOW FOR CASH and will be sold at Correspondingly Low Prices.

Her worn, shabby shawl fluttered in the wind; her widow's veil was blown backward, and showed the

"What will Mr. Bibbs say? What will he think of us, Charlie?"

"Helen's Babies." This work is so well known to be the best selling article in our bookstores.

—A woman on West Washington street, who has several marriageable daughters, calls them "waiting maids" because she says they are "waiting for husbands."

Common sense. For all cases of Coughs, Colds, Sore Throat, etc., use Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.



MONROE ENQUIRER.

Monroe, N. C., Saturday, Feb. 1, 1879.

LOCAL.

Hurrygraphs.

A lodge of colored Masons has been organized in this place. Over 1,200 bales of cotton was shipped from Monroe last week. Mr. Horn, of the firm of Ingram & Horn, of Lenoirville, is now a cotton buyer in Monroe.

Two Important Events.

A young legislator representing a county in this section of the State, wrote to a friend in this place on the day of Gov. Vance's election to the Senate, saying: "Gov. Vance is elected to the Senate, and I am the happy father of a newly born boy. Rejoice with us."

Knotty Questions.

The scientific portion of the population of Monroe have been muddling their brains for the past few days over these questions: "Does the top part of a wagon wheel really move faster than the bottom?" "Does a fly-wheel at the end of a shaft ten feet long require more force to turn it by a crank at the other end, than if the shaft were only five feet, and if so, why?"

Married.

At the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Sarah Marsh, in Lane's Creek Township, on the 23d inst., by Rev. J. L. Bennett, Mr. THOMAS C. BIVENS and Miss MARY D. MANSU.

Our New Press.

That long-talked-of paper press has been received and the Enquirer for this week has been printed off on it. We are sure our readers will notice a marked improvement in our print.

Postal Matters.

Mr. E. J. Bivens, former postmaster at Richardson's Creek, having resigned some weeks ago, on the petition of those interested Mr. W. B. Simpson has been appointed in his stead.

Land Sales for Taxes.

In the Enquirer will be found a long list of lands advertised for sale by ex-Sheriff Griffin, for taxes due thereon.

Deserted His Wife.

Mr. Bordeaux was a bad representative of the "art preservative"—and a "sansage grinder" of Wilmington, N. C., where he has been engaged, for the past four months in this latter occupation, but without amassing any great amount of wealth.

Monroe Produce Market.

(Reported Weekly by A. H. Crowell & Son, dealers in General Merchandise and Country Produce.) January 31, 1879.—Flour from wagons, market quiet at \$2.75-\$2.85; Corn in demand at 55a60 cts; Meal in demand at 55a60 cts; Peas market quiet at 50a55 cts; Oats in demand at 38a40 cts; Irish Potatoes but few offering at 40a50 cts; Sweet Potatoes quiet at 25 to 30 cts; Western Bacon from stores, market excited at 5 1/2a6 1/2 cts; Country Bacon and Lard none offering; Lard from stores 10c; Fresh Beef from wagons 34 cts; Fat quarter; Fresh pork from wagons 43a cts by the hog; Butter, no demand at 10 cts; Chickens, ready sale at 10a 12 1/2 cts; Eggs in demand at 10a 12 1/2 cts; Bees Wax in demand at 20 to 21 cts; Tallow dull at 6 1/2 cts; Feathers, live Geese, prime, at 35 cts; Dried Apples peeled, 2 1/2a3 cts; Dried Peaches, 3 1/2a4 cts; Dry Hides, 9 cts; Green Hides 4 1/2 cts; Wool, tub washed, 30 cts; Wool, unwashed, 20 cts.

New Milk Wagon.

Mr. W. J. Willoughby informs us that he will very soon start a milk wagon, probably by the 10th or 11th instant. We have no doubt that both wagons will sell all they bring. As Spring advances the prices will be lower and more will be consumed.

In Memoriam.

On the 28th of January, 1879, in the Village of Monroe, at her late residence, in the 23d year of her age, the spirit of Mrs. BEATRICE M. WILKINSON, departed this life.

New Advertisements.

Everybody Should Buy Wolfe's Confectionery. ONION SETTS. TEN BUSHELS

State of North Carolina, Union County, In the Superior Court.

Amos Cook, Plaintiff, against Willis Moore et al., Defendants. ORDER FOR SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION.

New Advertisements.

CALL AT WOLFE'S, and get a few pounds of that "ICE" STRAINED HONEY.

USE THIS BRAND!! CHURCH & CO'S BAKING SODA. BEST IN THE WORLD!!

Better Than Any Saleratus. One teaspoonful of this Soda, used with four milk equals four teaspoonfuls of the best Baking Powder.

NOTICE! THERE WILL BE A MEETING OF THE STOCK HOLDERS OF THE MONROE HIGH SCHOOL CORPORATION at 10 o'clock A. M., FEB. 10th, 1879, held in the Court House.

NEW GOODS. JUST RECEIVED, WOLFE'S CONFECTIONERY!!

FANCY CANDIES!! CHOCOLATE AND VANILLA CREAMS, BON BON, BRANDY AND WINE DROPS, GUM DROPS, AND CANDIED PEACHES, COCOA NUT CANDIES OF SEVERAL KINDS.

ORANGES, Lemons, Apples, Figs, Raisins, Prunes, PICKLES, In Kegs and Bottles.

STRAINED HONEY. Fresh lot of CANNED PEACHES, CORN, TOMATOES, CUCUMBERS, &c., just received.

State of North Carolina, Union County, In the Superior Court.

E. W. Liles and Wife, June, against D. J. Moore and others. ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

IT APPEARS TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE COURT that the Defendants, D. J. Moore, et al., are non-residents of this State.

State of North Carolina, Union County, In the Superior Court.

W. H. Simpson, Administrator of L. G. Collins, against Noah Collins, W. H. Collins and others, Defendants. ORDER FOR PUBLICATION.

Miscellaneous.

MORTGAGE SALE! By virtue of a mortgage loan granted by C. D. Higgins, on the 26th day of April, 1878, and duly registered, I will sell at the Court-house door in Monroe, N. C.

Monday, 3rd day March, at Two Hundred and Eighteen Acres of Land lying in Union County, and adjoining the lands of J. L. Harrison, James A. Fincher and others, Terms Cash.

THE MONROE HIGH SCHOOL. SPRING SESSION OPENS ON THE 1st Monday in January. Board, \$8 Per Month.

TRUSTEE'S SALE. WE WILL SELL AT THE COURT HOUSE in Monroe, Union County, N. C., on the second Monday of February next, at auction to the highest bidder, 140 acres of land.

\$15.00 REWARD! I WILL PAY A REWARD OF \$15.00 FOR the apprehension of a negro who goes by the name of Ed Johnson, height five feet six inches.

State of North Carolina, Union County, Superior Court. J. O. Griffin, Administrator of C. Deese, deceased, against B. W. Deese, K. M. Deese et al. ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

IT APPEARS TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE COURT that the Defendants, Edward Deese, et al., are non-residents of this State.

MONROE TOWNSHIP. Name. Acre. Year. Val. T. N. Lewis, 100 1877 5.94 C. N. Higgins, 191 " 4.35 A. G. Mitchell, 317 " 8.00 J. T. Hunter, 395 1875 1.99 C. D. Higgins, 218 " 7.72 V. T. Strimes, 110 " 11.58 W. M. Chapman, 104 1878 4.48 Julia McMurray, 450 " 30.81 James Moore, 550 " 20.31 J. M. Lisle, 250 " 18.76 J. N. Lyle, 100 " 4.81 Wesley Pylor, 39 " 1.14 W. H. Crump, 360 " 17.85

LANES' CREEK TOWNSHIP. T. B. Craig & R. T. McCall, 184 1877 4.95 T. B. Craig & G. W. McCain, 158 " 5.15 John King's Estate, 143 " 3.10 Wm. Walker's land, 123 " 6.20 Geo. King's Estate, 100 " 3.30 Sarah McCall's land, 103 " 4.00 Sarah Nesbitt's land, 130 " 4.84

LIVER PILLS. This important organ weighs but about three pounds, and all the blood in a living person (about three gallons) passes through it at least once every hour.

LUNGS PILLS. The faculty of Consumption or Throat and Lung disease is the most fatal and distressing one of all.

WATERBURY'S BLOOD PURIFIER. Grave mistakes are made in the treatment of all diseases that arise from impurities in the blood.

Legal.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, UNION COUNTY. IN THE SUPERIOR COURT. L. M. Little, Administrator T. G. Curlee, vs. C. N. Curlee et al.—Order of Publication.

**HOME-MADE FERTILIZERS.**

The most successful farmer is the one who avails himself of every means to enrich his land from home resources, and allows nothing to go to waste which can be utilized for plant food. If success comes when refuse material is only partially utilized, how much greater the success when this refuse is so manipulated as to secure all its fertilizing properties in the most available form, and in a condition best suited to the needs of the crop?

**FERTILIZERS FROM BONES** are those most frequently attempted by farmers because of their known value for the majority of crops. Well made commercial superphosphates are found to be very efficient fertilizers, and farmers often seek to imitate them, but with indifferent success, always with inconvenience, and often with injury to person or implement, on account of lack of skill in the use of sulphuric acid employed to "cut" the bones with. Bones are composed of phosphate, and some carbonate of lime, and organic matter, the latter containing the valuable ingredient nitrogen. The phosphate of lime of bones consists mostly of one part of phosphoric acid united with three parts of lime, being insoluble in water, is not available to plants. But this phosphoric acid is the most valuable of constituent of bones, and to make it available in the cheapest manner is the one problem of both manufacturer and farmer. The manufacturer does this by treating one hundred pounds of finely crushed bones with about fifty pounds of sulphuric acid. This acid combines chemically with a portion of the lime of the phosphate, leaving the phosphoric acid united in the proportion of one part, to one and two parts of lime, either of which is available to plants. Now, it is found that when bones—not treated with acid—are reduced to a fine powder, they are more available as plant-food than when in coarse lumps; and the finer they are, the better and quicker acting fertilizer they make. If a fertilizer, nearly or quite as valuable as the commercial article, can be made at home, without acid, it is certainly desirable.

**HOW SHALL IT BE DONE?** By putting bones, coarse or fine, even whole ones, into a compost heap of stable manure or muck, the decomposing action of the organic matter will work upon the bones, and in three to six months' time thoroughly reduce them to a fine mechanical condition. The acids set free in the decomposition also act in a similar manner to the sulphuric acid of the manufacturer—uniting with a portion of the lime, and thus bringing the phosphoric acid into a more available form, as well as converting the organic portion of the bones—rather the nitrogen—into the proper condition for plant food. The operation as successfully practiced by the writer, and others is to take all the bones obtainable or it is thought best to use, either whole or ground, and place them in layers with three or four times as much stable manure—first a layer of manure then one of bone, and so on. The whole is thoroughly mixed by shoveling, covered with a few inches of fine soil to absorb any ammonia that may possibly be set free, and moistened occasionally with water, or best with liquid manure. In from six weeks to liquid manure. From six weeks to six months an excellent fertilizer will result, similar in all essential particulars to commercial superphosphate, with the addition of the dung, and may be used with like effect, and on the same crops—reckoning, of course on the quantity of bone put in the combination, not on the amount of the compost itself. The time occupied by the operation depends on the fineness of the material used—ranging from "ground bone" to a whole skeleton of an ox or horse—and on the care taken in its management. The heap should be forked over often enough to prevent undue heating or "fire-fencing," while the moistening keeps up a rapid decomposition. The cost of this will be the price paid for the bones, if anything, added to the labor, in all, not more than one-half or two-thirds the cost of the purchased superphosphates. And in the home-made product we have the surety of a pure article. Of course this method cannot replace entirely the use of the phosphate of the market; but for the saving of the waste bones, dead animals, &c., about the farm, is worthy of trial by the economical husbandman. As it is usually desirable to have this home compost in a condition to apply to the land as soon as possible, if the bones can be cheaply broken into small pieces, they are to be preferred to whole ones. Many farmers know how difficult a job it is by the ordinary means of maul and stone. The following plan is suggested as any means for pounding up bones: A large flat stone is sunk about a foot or so in the

ground, and a half barrel, with the head knocked out inverted upon it, and the earth is then solidly packed around the barrel. This will serve as a mortar; the pestle may be any convenient heavy piece of iron, fastened to a stout rod, the upper end of which is to be attached by a strap to a spring pole, which is secured to two posts at the proper height. By this simple contrivance, which is a modification of the druggist's mortar and pestle, the labor is greatly facilitated, and the spring helps to lift the weight, and is but a slight obstruction to its descent. will serve to effectually smash up the bones, and prevent waste from the pieces flying about.—*Agriculturist.*

**REPLY TO FARMER'S WIFE.**

Mr. Morris—I see in last week's *Home* an article headed "Complaint of a Farmer's Wife." The "complaint" is really a very reasonable one; the piece well written and in a good spirit. Being the daughter and wife of a farmer myself, I have a great sympathy for the "moods" of farmers' wives, and know that it is over-exertion which produces those feelings; and it has often been a matter of astonishment to me, to see how little many farmers appreciate the toils of their wives, or attempt to lighten their labors. For instance: at "hog-killing time," a farmer has hands engaged to assist him; or he gets some of his neighbors to help him, but he frequently never even thinks that his wife's labors will be multiplied more than his own. He knows that the lard that his family uses during the whole year has to be rendered. That the process of drying out lard requires great care and cannot be hurried without injury to the taste and color of the lard. He knows that the sausage has to be ground or beaten up; yet ten to one whether he has a sausage grinder. If he has, he probably does not think that it requires one to feed and another to turn the mill, therefore employs no extra help for his wife. Now what we women think every man should do, so far as his means will admit of doing, is to have a nice stove house and a good cooking stove in it; a good well of water adjoining, and under the same roof, and a shed filled with wood and kindling, for stove and fire-places. If the stove house had two large closets, one in which to keep the sugar, lard, flour, and extras, and the other to hold the tubs, washboard and utensils not in immediate use, it would be a great addition to the comfort of a housekeeper. A good washing machine, also, no woman will regret having, or a clothes' wringer. All these, and many more comforts, the men of the North provide for their wives, and the consequences is that their wives retain their health, their bloom, and their elasticity of spirit for a much longer time than do the Southern women. But we Southern people have heretofore looked too little to comfort and convenience in our domestic arrangements; because for the most part, the drudgery has been performed by servants who did not care for those things, and who had so much labor saving knowledge that they seldom tired themselves much. Now, however, the case is different. Many men who would gladly furnish servants to relieve their wives, cannot afford to do so, or cannot get the servant to hire. In that event, the work which had formerly been divided between probably two or three strong colored women, generally falls to one white woman, weaker and more delicate than any of them, and I can add nothing to the eloquent language in which your correspondent describes this state of affairs. But to have all this never-ending toil, the ceaseless monotony of work, with no recreation, no amusement, no congenial associates, no time to spare for a visit to a neighbor, no nice new books to read, one becomes discouraged and disheartened. You may say men work too. So they do. But they work for the most part in the open air, and the free breath of heaven is a great tonic and invigorator. A man's vision, as he roams over his fields and forests, is not bounded to an enclosure of four walls, within which frequently is an ailing fretful child. A man goes on business to court; he goes to town to sell his produce; he sees old friends, and meets new faces; he goes home cheered and with a fine appetite, to meet his wife who has seen no one, who is discouraged and probably sick. He to rest; she to rise and cook his supper, wash and put the children to bed, wash dishes, &c.

I ask any man, with the feelings of a man, is this right? Is it just that after taking a woman from her home and friends and promising in the presence of Almighty God, to love and cherish her, that her life should be deprived of joy and gladness. That the free breath of heaven should nev-

er, except on Sunday when she goes to church, blow on her fevered cheek. That her life should be spent in washing, sweeping, scouring, cooking, dusting, mending, darning and knitting, or some wearing indoor toil? "These things ought not so to be." A man and his wife are fellow mortals, journeying through life together. She is the weaker, he is the stronger being. His place, it is, to lighten, and to share all her toils; to pity her weaknesses, to think of and provide for her comfort. To give her a pleasant surprise sometimes, by giving her without solicitation a little trip. To get her a pleasant new book, and read aloud to her in the long winter evenings, as she sews or knits for him, or his children. An affectionate woman would be so cheered by those little thoughtful marks of kindly regard that she would feel strengthened for further endurance.

I fear I am trespassing on your space, will therefore stop at this time, but want to talk some more soon. Until then, I am the friend of the farmers and their wives, and in no sense "a woman's rights" woman.—*R. in Southern Home.*

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**Miscellaneous.**

**NOTICE TO FARMERS AND STOCK OWNERS!**

I WOULD REMIND THE PEOPLE OF this Union and surrounding counties that I am fully prepared to treat

**ANY DISEASE OF HORSES, MULES OR CATTLE;**

or to perform any SURGICAL OPERATION required. Having devoted a great deal of time in the study of these diseases, I

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I make, and keep for sale, at my house and in the Drug Stores in Monroe, and the country stores, THREE DIFFERENT KINDS OF LINIMENT, which I recommend to be excellent for the cure of such diseases as they are prepared for. First, a LINIMENT EXCLUSIVELY FOR STOCK, and it will

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