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SELECT POETRY.

PRIDE.

J. G. SAXE.

'Tis a curious fact as ever was known
In human nature, but often shown
Alike in castle and cottage,
That pride, like pigs of a certain breed,
Will manage to live and thrive on "feed"
As poor as a paupers pottage.

Of all the notable things on earth,
The queerest one is pride of birth,
Among our "fierce democracy!"
A bridge across a hundred years,
Without a prop to save it from sneers—
Not even a couple of rotten Peers—
A thing for laughter, sneers, and jeers,
Is American aristocracy!

Depend upon it, my snobbish friend,
Your family thread you can't ascend,
Without good reason to apprehend,
You may find it waxed at the further end
By some plebeian vocation!
Or, worse than that, your boasted line
May end in a loop of stronger twine
That plagued a worthy relation!

Because you flourish in worldly affairs,
Don't be haughty and put on airs,
With insolent pride of station!
Don't be proud and turn up your nose,
At poorer people in plainer clothes,
But learn, for the sake of your mind's repose,
That wealth's a bubble that comes—and goes!
And that all proud flesh, wherever it grows,
Is subject to irritation.

THE FEELING IN ENGLAND.—Rev. M. D. Conway, writes from London to the Commonwealth, that the English people honestly mean to hold their Government to its neutrality, and they are watching their rulers with sleepless eyes. Meetings are already arranged whose motto is, "No war with America," which will plainly inform the Government that the people will not submit to taxation for any war into which they may be borne by the rascality of pro-slavery men in England.

THE MASSACHUSETTS COLORED REGIMENT.—On the payment of the State bounty of fifty dollars to each enlisted man (rank and file) four hundred and eight out of nine hundred and sixty six men composing the fifty fourth Massachusetts regiment, signed their names in a good and clear hand. This is more than can be said of many a rebel regiment.

Items of Interest.

IOWA SOLDIERS.—At the meeting of the Home Missionary Society in Boston, some days since, it was stated that in Iowa one fifth of the church members are in the army. The gallant regiments of that State, it is asserted, were foremost in the battles and victories of Gen. Grant near Vicksburg.

A letter from Louisiana, Missouri, to the St. Louis Democrat, says: "Northeast Missouri is in a wretched condition. Guerrilla bands roving almost at pleasure, ravaging and plundering every Union man who has anything to lose. In this county they have roamed at pleasure for nearly a month."

Governor Kirkwood and Adjutant General Baker, of Iowa, left Davenport on Thursday, on a tour of visitation to all the Iowa regiments in the field.

A Hartford lady some days since found a quarter eagle gold piece and a plated ring in a shawl she was dressing.

It is reported that another rebel pirate cruiser is ready to leave the Clyde, under the command of Capt. Bullock.

THE REBEL LOAN.—Late reports from this country caused a heavy fall in the rebel loan in London. At one moment it had gone down to four per cent discount. It subsequently closed at from three and a half to three discount, expecting a rise of three per cent.

Another great battle has taken place at Puebla, and again the Mexicans have proven themselves more than a match for the invading French. General Ortega sends word to Comonfort that on the night of the 24th of April the French exploded a mine on the block called Stenimo, occupied by Mexican troops. A number of Mexicans were buried in the ruins; but the balance resisted the French all night, fighting furiously. On the morning the 25th both parties were reinforced, and continued the fight with the greatest determination and ferocity. The Mexicans, at its close, holding their original position. During the contest the French exploded another mine in the Santa Jesu, and another fight ensued there, lasting seven hours, the Mexicans remaining masters of the field, and capturing one hundred and thirty prisoners from the first regiment of French Zouaves. The French left four hundred dead on the field, and it is reported that the French have abandoned the siege and are in full retreat.

The seventeen-year locusts have promptly appeared in Zanesville, Ohio. In a single night they came out of their "holes," and the trees and bushes were literally black with them.

A corporal in the 20th New York regiment lately gave birth to an infant. It was not until quite recently that the sex of the corporal was discovered. Her husband is a sergeant in the regiment. She enlisted as a private, and was promoted for good conduct.

A colporteur going with tracts to a log house of a dweller in Ohio, asked the woman if they had the gospel there. She said, "No but they have it dreadful bad about four miles below."

An old maid, who has her eyes a little sideways on matrimony, says: "The curse of this war is, that it will make so many widows, that will be so fierce to get married, and who know how to do it, that the modest girls will stand no chance at all."

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