## Selected Poetru.

BY EDWARD HOPPER.

Mighty the farmer in the days of old, Who cleared the forest for a glorious State; And laid foundations better far than gold, To make her temple strong and duly great; One that the people love, and tyrants hate.

He cleft the woods, to let the sunshine in; He cleft the earth to let the gold flow out; And riches, science, art, have ever been The fair dependents on his labor stout, Whom spangled drones regard an awkward

The founders of old Rome, twin brothers they, Were suckled by an old she wolf or bear; Pizarro sucked a sow in his young day; And many others who true honor wear Most with their honor some dishonor share.

But crowns of Evergreen be on their brow
Who rear a nation while they till the earth!
More honored they than jewelled idler now,
And even more; for that their toil gives birth
To corn, and oil and wine, and harvest mirth.

Stop we their work and all the world grows pale; The factories hush their busy noise and din, Ranks tumble down, Trade stops her bartering

The wings of Commerce droop; and pale and Gaunt Famine cats the land outside and in.

The ruler of the subject, good or bad, The banker, doctor, lawyer, parson,
And layman, painter, poet, sane or mad—
All the way down from greatest to the least,—
Gnawing a bone or stuffing at a feast!

The wise, the fool, the poor, the rich, the gay,
The low, the high, the short boys and the tail;
Profane or pious, howsoe'er they pray;
In Church and State, the great men and the Must feed on farmers, or not feed at all.

All honor to the farmers and their wives! Long may they live, and long may they abound;

Prolific be their labors and their lives; May all their crops be full, and plump, and

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