

SWEET HOME.

The place of my birth is dear to me yet, The scenes of my youth I can never forget; From that long cherished spot I have no wish to roam;

'Twas there my young footsteps in infancy roved, In youth's sunny morning with those whom I loved; Of pleasure's sweet cup we then quaffed the bright foam;

The friends of my youth, could I meet them once more, And mingle our songs as in bright days of yore; 'Twould a solace impart, a rich feast to my soul;

When life's closing scene, or adversity's blast Pale sorrow and anguish around us shall cast, Let union and home be our watchword and song, And that strain ever sweet let us strive to prolong.

Centreville, Nov. 27th, 1870.

CURIOUS ADVENTURE OF A MICHIGAN.—The Louisiana Savings Bank is building a large vault. Admission to it is gained through large wrought iron doors, to which are affixed large patent locks. These locks were put in order yesterday by a locksmith named Tympe. After arranging the fastenings he lit a candle and proceeded inside the vault to see how they fitted. Closing the door after him the eccentric catch of the lock fell, locking him inside. Those upon the outside could render him no assistance, since it was a combination lock, and he one knew the number in which it was set. In this narrow cell, shut in by the four walls of the vault, and the large iron door, the man felt as if he was in a furnace. The only means by which he could obtain air or drink was through a small hole in the door, not the twentieth of an inch in diameter. The atmosphere of the cell-like place was foggy and noxious, and the man felt as though he would suffocate. Fortunately he had carried with him into the vault a hammer and chisel, and with them the only instrument he had, he proceeded to cut his way out. The work was slow and tedious, and required two hours and a half of incessant labor. He succeeded at last, however, and was taken more dead than alive from the vault. After Orleans, Fla.

MAN AND HORSE.—Julius Von Wicke, the noted German military writer, describes the following scene which occurred after the capitulation at Sedan: "It was a touching scene," says he, to see a fine looking officer of the Chasseurs d'Afrique take leave of a splendid bay horse, and a black mare, a fine full-blooded Arabian. He literally embraced the noble steed, patted its back and caressed it, giving all sorts of affectionate names. The intelligent animal seemed to comprehend his master, and pressed its head against his breast in a caressing manner, as Oriental horses are wont to do. Suddenly the officer stepped back, and a terrible struggle seemed to take place in his breast. He held his hands to his eyes, and then he tore his sword from his scabbard, and plunged it into the breast of his noble charger, piercing its heart. He had signed well for the faithful horse, fell dead without a struggle. Now the officer turned away, sobbing like a child, without bestowing a look on the strapping, and joined his companions who were being led off to the railway station, which had become the place of captivity."

ABOUT BILIOUSNESS.—A clergyman comes to see his doctor twice a year about his biliousness. Biliousness is a common malady. I know a great many people who are bilious. They have no dyspepsia, they never had a symptom of dyspepsia in their lives; they are only bilious.

Reader, are you bilious? (Rather a hard question—see the above word.) Let me prescribe for you. If you follow my prescriptions, and don't get well, write me, and in the next edition I will announce your name. First, on getting up and going to bed drink plenty of cold water. Eat for breakfast, until the bilious attack passes, a little stale bread, say one slice, and a piece as large as your hand of boiled fish, or of mutton. If the weather is warm, take instead a little cracked wheat or oatmeal porridge. For dinner take about the same thing. Go without your supper.

Excite freely in the open air, producing perspiration, once or twice a day. In a few days your biliousness is all gone. This result will come, even though the biliousness is one of the Spring sort, and one with which you have, from year to year, been much afflicted. Herb drinks, bitter drinks, lager beer, ale, whisky and a dozen other Spring medicines, are simply barbarous.—Dio Lewis—Talks about People's Stomachs.

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