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MISCELLANY.

WORK, NOT WAIT.

BY GEORGE HOOPER.

Wait a little longer.—STREET SONGS. Full long the promise has gone forth, Of better times and brighter days...

To wait is good, to wait is brave; To wait, it is the hero's part; Not waiting never freed one slave...

The Bachelor and the Lace Veil.

Not many days since, a gentleman in New Orleans, who had lost a bet with a lady, and who had heard her say that she had lost a veil...

It must be stated, for a proper understanding of what followed, that the gentleman was a bachelor of long standing, and a man of little information touching the world of 'fancy goods'...

He accordingly stepped into a fashionable milliner's establishment and asked to see a lace veil—of fine quality.

Here is one, monsieur, said the amiable priestess of the temple. 'How much is it?' 'It is one fifty, said.'

'What! only fifty? Dear me! I thought these things were exceedingly dear. If that is all they cost I don't wonder at the ladies being fond of wearing such flimsy knicknacks.'

The priestess started; the bachelor remained perfectly cool. Here was a goddess! a man who wanted something better—dearer. More veils—lace ones—were displayed.

'Dis! exclaimed the milliner with an astonished look. 'That! said the bachelor, more smilingly than ever, preparing to put the veil in his pocket.

'Ah, mon Dieu! de man fou—crack-a-brain! I tell you, monsieur, that article de most dear in dee citee!

the losses of heat occasioned by the unavoidable radiation of the heated parts of the machine. The obvious advantages of this great improvement are the great saving of fuel and of labor in the management of the engine...

But the great advantage of this important improvement, and that which, in the absence of other advantages, would commend it to adoption, is the entire safety of the engine...

When we consider the amount of human mutilations, suffering and loss which will be prevented for a century to come, when this invention shall be passed into general use...

The machinery is more than half completed. I saw three out of the four working cylinders, the paddle-wheels, all the valves and valve chests, the main links and connecting rods, the bed plates, and main pillar blocks...

Almost every man who takes up the pen, in these days, advocates deep plowing. However, it is unquestionably true that there are two sides to this, as well as to every other question...

Well, I am of the opinion that the unqualified advocacy of deep plowing may prove very discouraging to more or less of them. They have been employed, perhaps, where they have seen the plow put down deep into the soil...

Let them go on to a piece of ground which has been skimmed over, to the depth of perhaps four inches, ten years before, and then cropped until the active soil is not more than two inches deep, and beneath that, all is cold as death and poor as poverty...

The difficulties of the case are real difficulties. If the farmer has only manure enough for putting in a good state eight inches deep of tolerably good soil, and he has only two inches in depth of such soil, then as his cold subsoil will require three times as much to prepare it for the active support of vegetation as the surface soil requires...

It is easily understood, that when the manure for an acre of ground is no more than one-half an acre really needs, the prospect of a profitable crop runs down below zero.

of an acre, on which there is but four inches of good, active soil. Indiscriminate deep plowing is, in my opinion, indiscriminate folly. I would, however, desire to put down the plow as deep as circumstances will warrant...

Another reason why I would warn every man against plunging the plow to the utmost depth at once, is that the subsoil so often contains properties which are highly injurious to the life and growth of plants.

Some subsoils are very sour. Until the acid is overcome, they will prove injurious to plants which do not feed upon acids. If such subsoils are to be brought to the surface, we may inquire, would it not be important to throw them up in the autumn, and let the winter frosts have an effect upon them?

It should be a settled and an established rule of action never to make the soil less productive. Everything should be directed to the great object of making the soil more productive.

The importance of a deep soil is great, where that soil can be composed of proper substances to give support to vegetation. All the reasons I have ever heard or read in favor of deep soils, have, in my opinion, possessed weight.

There is no great difficulty in accomplishing anything that we desire to, if we only know how.—[Cor. N. E. Farmer.]

A Ride with the Reader—Continued. Now give us the reins. Your imagination must be tired of driving at this slow pace. This is Fayette, and there is the scythe factory.

The first hammer, you see, only draws out to a certain length a piece of iron heavy enough for a scythe. It is heated in that fire, that resembles, with its fixtures, a lady's work stand—only not quite so small and neat.

The next hammer takes the same piece, with the addition of a bit of steel for the edge, and advances it another step in the process of elongation. Just watch it as it goes on from one hammer to another, passing from one hand to another, till it begins to assume the shape of a scythe.

Now we pass to another department. Here we see the process of grinding and polishing. If you are troubled with 'a flea in your ear,' this noise will drive it out.

but pass to the room where the scythes are submitted to the varnishing process. This is a great country for varnish! With a little varnish, slavers are made to look 'e'en a maist as gude' as freedom; and with a less quantity many of our politicians pass themselves for real patriots.

Here they spin the straw rope, in which the scythes are enveloped by the dozen, to be transported to market. The machine and process are simply those of spinning flax on the 'little wheel' from a distaff, just as our mothers used to do before the introduction of pianos and other fiddle-faddles.

But time is precious—and we hope for a rainy day to-morrow. Here is our hand for Mr. Emerson; and with hearty thanks for the kind Yankee manner in which he has shown us over the establishment, and answered our questions, we must be off to North Wayne.

There—whoo! Now look down upon that valley! If Johnson had stood here, Russell as had been a better book. Where was the 'Happy Valley,' if this be not it?

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East. The other side reads, 'Victoria D. G. Brit. Reg. F. D.—Albertus Princeps Conjug'—in other words, 'Victoria defends the faith, while Prince Albert takes care of the works.'

It is a beautiful thing; and though the metal that composes it would hardly pay for grinding a scythe, it is worth more than the Barbary horses sent by the Sultan to Gen. Jackson.

At the village church. What a crowd!—and how tasteful the decorations! Wreaths, mottoes, inscriptions—the wives and daughters of the scythe makers are responsible for all this; and whose wives and daughters could do better? Mr. Taylor presides.

This library, here at your right hand, was a present from Mr. Dunn, when he retired from the control of the works in '48. He appropriated \$1000 to this object; and on payment of a trifling sum, for the purpose of repairs and additions, it is accessible to the entire village.

There has been no rain in this vicinity, of any consequence, during the entire month of May. Winter wheat has suffered exceedingly, and in many cases fatally.

On both sides of the river, just above this village, destructive fires are spreading in the woods. An extensive fire, in a north-westerly direction, is perceptible in the night.

The Virginia Senate has rejected the House resolutions relative to the Wheeling Bridge, and adopted one simply requesting their Senators and Representatives in Congress to use their exertions for a speedy adjustment of the controversy...

SAVE YOUR TAXES.—Any person who will construct, maintain and keep in good repair a watering-trough beside the highway, and well supplied with water, the surface of which shall be at least two feet and a half above the ground, and made easily accessible for horses and carriages, will be allowed three dollars out of his highway tax for each year he shall furnish the same.

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A Plain Talk, and a New Plan. We are about closing the Fifth Volume of the Mail. In looking at our books we find it necessary to have a new understanding with a portion of our subscribers...

To urge a full and complete settlement of all accounts to the close of the present volume; and hereafter to insist STRICTLY upon our published terms, of \$1.50 within the year, and \$2.00 after its close.

Mr. Obed Wilson, of Benton, has had our paper long enough for nothing, and hereby has 'notice to quit.' Mr. H. Morrill, of Pittsfield, has gone to California without settling his paper bill.

BATH MIRROR.—This spicy little sheet has lately been enlarged, and brother Haines has not only hoisted the Whig flag, but, as he says, 'nailed it up and unrove the halcyons.'

ROBBERY OF A MAINE MAN.—We learn from the Boston Journal of Wednesday, that on Tuesday evening, in Commercial street, Mr. S. S. Gerrish, of Troy, was knocked down and robbed of \$590 in bank bills, and \$100 in specie.

ALTERED BILLS.—Look out for Ones on the Exchange Bank, Boston, altered to 5's.—The alteration is very poorly executed, as the operation was effected partly by means of a pen and ink, and can be easily detected by close scrutiny.

WHEELING BRIDGE CASE.—Baltimore, May 28.—The Supreme Court has decided that the decree heretofore rendered in the Wheeling Bridge case shall be recorded, and unless the obstruction to navigation be removed or adequately remedied on or before the first of next February, the bridge shall be abated.

FATHER TAYLOR. In the Seamen's chapel in Boston, Father Taylor was speaking of the great facilities of Massachusetts; the opportunities for social and moral improvement and happiness, which she presented.

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MAY SNOW STORM IN LONDON.—Snow fell in London on the 29th of May, much to the cooks' surprise, who never 'd' heard of such an occurrence so late in the season. The mercury in the thermometer stood at 49.

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IRISH MELODY.

A LOVER'S LAMENT. Oh, don't be beguiled! my heart has you will, You've tried that same trick far too often before...

THE FINEST BIRD OF INDIGNANT ELOQUENCE that fell from the lips of Kossuth, during his stay in Massachusetts...

THE WILLIAMS HOUSE, AND GENERAL STAGE OFFICE. BY WILLIAMS & FREEMAN, WATERVILLE, ME.

THE SUMMER TERM of this Institution will begin on Monday, May 24th, under the charge of J. H. HANSON, A. M., Principal...

Portland Advertisements.

TEA, COFFEE, SUGAR, &c. CHEFSTER and Boxes Oolong, Ningyong, Fanchong and Young Hoang Tea.

ANDROSOGGIN & KENNEBEC R.R. Summer Arrangement. TWO TRAINS FOR BOSTON DAILY.

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DOOR, SHED AND BLIND FACTORY. THIS subscriber having recently fitted up machinery of the most modern and improved...

WATTS' NERVOUS ANTIDOTE, AND GRAND RESTORATIVE. The Medical Worth of the Age, being the Greatest Discovery of the Age...

Piano Fortes. THIS subscriber has constantly on hand superior PIANO FORTES, of Boston manufacture...

MARBLE FACTORY. THE subscriber keeps constantly on hand at his shops at WATERVILLE AND SKOWHEGAN...

THE NEW JERSEY ZINC COMPANY. ARE prepared to supply their Zinc Plates at the following prices:

DR. PETTIT'S AMERICAN EYE SALVE. SUPERIOR TO ANY OTHER. FOR DISINFECTION OF THE EYES.

THE ONE PRICE SHOE STORE. Two Doors North of J. P. Caffery's Furniture Rooms.

WATERVILLE MACHINE SHOP. THE subscriber, respectfully informs the public, that he has removed and refitted his Machine Shop in WEBBER & HAVILAND'S BUILDING...

SMUT MACHINE. He is prepared to furnish this excellent article at about half the price usually paid for machine in general use...

PUMPS—PUMPS! THE subscriber, in duty bound, tender his acknowledgments to the liberal patronage they have received...

VALUABLE REAL ESTATE FOR SALE. THIS subscriber has for sale at low prices the following parcels of land...

REMOVAL. WM. L. MAXWELL, who has removed his former place to the one in the center of the village, with good buildings, regular cars, &c.

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