

SELECTED POETRY,
CHILDHOOD AND ITS VIRTUES.

BY R. L. BELWER.

Once on a time, when sunny May,
Was kissing up the April showers,
I saw fair Childhood hard at play
Before a bank of blushing flowers,
Happy—he knew not whence or how,
And smiling—who could choose but love him!
For a dear gay then Childhood's brow,
Was the gay heaven that laugh'd above him.

Old Time came hobbling in his wrath,
And that green valley's calm invaded;
The brooks grew dry beneath his path,
The birds were mute, the lilles faded;
A grizzled tough stood full in sight,
And that Old Time began to batter,
But Childhood watch'd his paper-hine,
Nor heeded his one word the master.

With curling lip, and eye askance,
Guilt gaz'd upon the scene a minute;
But Childhood's archly simple glance
Had such a holy spell within it,
That the dark demon of the air
Again spread forth his baffled poison,
And hid his envy and despair,
Self-protected in his own dominion.

Then stepped a gloomy phantom up,
Pale cypress crown'd, night's woful daughter,
And proffered him a fearful cup,
Full to the brim of bitter water;
Said Childhood—Madam, what's your name?
And when the beldame muttered "Sorrow,"
Then cried, "Don't interrupt my game;
I prithee, call again to-morrow.

The muse of Pindar bither came,
And woe him with the softest maulers,
That ever scattered wealth and fame
Upon a youthful poet's slumbers;
Though sweet the lyre and sweet the lay,
To Childhood it was all a riddle—
Good gracious! cried he, "Send away
That noisy women with a fiddle!"

Then Wisdom stole his hat and bill,
And taught him with most sage endeavor,
Why bubbles rise, and acorns fall,
And why no toy may last for ever;
She talk'd of all the wondrous laws,
Which Nature's open book discloses;
But Childhood, when she made a pause,
Was fast asleep among the roses.

Sleep on, sleep on! pale manhood's dreams
Are all of earthly pain or pleasure;
Or glory's toils, ambition's schemes,
Of cherish'd love, or hoarded treasure;
But to the couch where Childhood lies,
A pure unmingled trance is given,
Lit up by rays from seraph eyes,
And glimpses of remembered heaven.

LIFE, DEATH, AND ETERNITY.
A shadow moving by one's side,
That would substance seem,
That is, yet is not—though deserved
Like skies beneath the stream;
A tree that's ever in the bloom,
Whose fruit is never ripe;
A wish for joys that never come—
Such are the hopes of Life.

A dark inevitable night,
A blank that will remain—
A waiting for the morning light,
Where waiting is in vain!
A gulf where pathway never led
To show the depth beneath;
A thing we know not, yet we dread—
That dreaded thing is Death!

The vaulted void of purple sky
That every where extends,
That stretches from the dazzled eye,
In space that never ends;
A morning where uprisen sun
No setting e'er shall see;
A day that comes without a noon—
Such is Eternity!

SONG.

Oh wherefore lingering like the light
Of summer flowers delay'd!
In vain in fragrant beauty bright,
I've call'd the rosy leaf to night,
And twined with it the lily white,
Around my brow to braid!

And vain I snatched the silvery wire,
And strung to notes of glee!
In sullen strains my notes expire,
Warm'd by no spirit's mingling fire—
For oh the music of my lyre
Is only caught from thee!

WHAT I HATE.

I hate long stories and short ears of corn,
A costly farm house, and a shabby barn—
More ears than pigs, no books, but many guns,
Bore toes, tight boots, and paper duns.

I hate tight lacing, and loose conversation,
Abundant gab, and little information—
The fool who sits in bed, and snores in meating,
Who laughs while talking, and who talks while
eating.

AN IRISH RHYME.

When we are rich we ride in chaises,
When we are poor we walk by blaises.

A person dined one day with a dull preacher,
Dinner was scarcely over when the man
fell asleep; he was awakened by the parson,
And invited to hear him preach. "I can sleep
very well where I am," he replied.

GREAT SALE OF LOTS In VEVAY.

The subscriber, at the solicitation of many of the citizens of Vevay, and others, who believe that the improvement of said town would be greatly promoted thereby, has laid off, into building lots, that part of the **BOTTOM** between the built part of said town and the Ohio river, through which Ferry-street, (being the principal business street,) runs, situated immediately opposite the main steam boat landing; for the disposal of which, and also of sundry other lots in said town, a **PUBLIC SALE**, will be held on the premises, to begin on

Monday, September 19,

And continue from day to day, for three or four days, unless sooner closed.

TERMS—One fourth part of the purchase money, will be required in hand; or, a note with approved security, payable in sixty days, with interest—the remaining three-fourths, in three semi-annual installments, with interest from date, until paid. To

The town of Vevay, the seat of justice of Switzerland county, in the state of Indiana, is handsomely situated; commodiously and liberally laid out on the Ohio river, half way by water between Cincinnati and Louisville, and on the most direct route from Lexington, Ky. to Indianapolis, Ia.

A company to construct a M'Adamized road from Georgetown, Ky., to Ghent, on the Ohio river opposite Vevay, was incorporated by the Legislature of Kentucky at their last session—the state to take part of the stock. The Legislature of Indiana at their last session, likewise incorporated a company to construct a similar road from Vevay to Napoleon, where it will intersect the Michigan road, and the Rail Road from Lawrenceburg to Indianapolis; which roads when completed will be a connecting link between the great line of roads now under construction in Kentucky and those about to be commenced in our own state—necessarily rendering Vevay a most important point on the Ohio river. The daily line of mail boats, plying between Cincinnati and Louisville, regularly touch at the Vevay landing to exchange mails, to receive and put out passengers and goods. Besides the water mails from Louisville and Cincinnati, Vevay has the advantages of sundry land mails from the east and the west, and from the north and the south; some of which are tri-weekly.

The bridges across Indian creek below and Plumb creek above, to which the legislature has appropriated some money, have been commenced; which, when completed will render Vevay easily accessible to all times from all parts of the county, without ferrying, and will tend largely to increase the trade.

Owing to its advantages, Vevay was selected by the commission-

ers appointed by the legislature as the most suitable place for the county seat; and accordingly did establish the seat of justice of said county of Switzerland, to be and remain permanently fixed on the public square of said town, where the court house now stands. Lately, the commissioners similarly appointed to select a site for the county Seminary of said county, have located the same on a beautiful eminence adjoining said town, commanding a beautiful view of the same, and of the romantic scenery around. On which site a building has been erected, and is expected, will be ready for the reception of students next spring.

The vicinity is admired for its neat farms, extensive orchards, and the celebrated vineyards which afford an agreeable, wholesome and cheap wine, to the use of which, the nonappearance of the *cholera*, and the unrivalled health of Vevay for the last fifteen years may in some degree be justly attributed.

Materials for building can be obtained here, as cheap as at any other place on the Ohio river. The country back, abounds with a great variety of the best timber, and many saw mills are in operation on Plumb and Indian creeks, from two to eight miles from town; in addition to which, there is in said town in full operation, one of the best Steam Saw-mills in the western country, owned by Capt. John Sheets and Vincent Dufour; all of which will no doubt soon attract the attention of boat builders, as the Island above town affords a good shelter for steam and other boats, in time of ice.

Stone for building and paving are abundant and convenient as well as clay of the best quality for making brick.

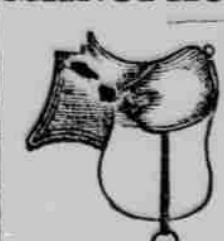
Possessing so many advantages, Vevay must at no very remote period become, if not a city, at least one among the best towns on the great Ohio river.

Tradesmen, Mechanics and Laborers

of all kinds, of steady and industrious habits, are much wanted; and such who are not settled for life, are invited to come and examine the premises, and secure a spot at a small expense upon which they may easily in a short time, make for themselves a home, where they may literally enjoy the blessings of life "under their own vine and fig [peach] tree."

JOHN F. DUFOUR.

**SADDLE & HARNESS
MANUFACTORY—VEVAY, Ia.**



The undersigned continue to manufacture, keep on hand, and make to order, **Saddles, Bridles, Martingals, Harness, Whips, Trunks, &c.** He returns thanks for past favors, and hopes to merit a continuance of the same.

GEORGE KESLER.

Vevay, May 14, 1836.

LAW NOTICE.

JOSEPH G. MARSHAL & ASAPH BUCK

Have associated themselves in the practice of law, in the counties of Dearborn and Switzerland, in the circuit courts of said counties. Mr. Marshall resides in Madison—and Mr. Buck keeps his office at the Rising Sun, where he may be found. Business confided to them, will receive the joint attention of both.

March 23.

Window Glass.

200 boxes 8 by 10 Window Glass. 20
do do 10 by 12 for sale by
F. G. SHEETS & CO.

SHOES.

400 pair kid brogans for sale by
F. G. SHEETS & CO.

Vevay May 20.

**5000 BUSHELS
OF WHEAT.**

WANTED immediately five thousand bushels of WHEAT, delivered at our ware house in Vevay; for which the highest market price, will be given.

F. G. SHEETS & CO.

Vevay, July 27.

Robert Drummond,

Attorney and Counsellor at Law,

Vevay Indiana.

KEEPS his office on Ferry street, immediately opposite the Post Office. Business submitted to his care will be faithfully and punctually attended to.

His JUSTICES' Office is kept at the same place, where he also attends to all conveyancing business.

Flour.

A few barrels flour just received
and for sale by

CLARKSON & DUFOUR.

Vevay, May 2, 1836.

White Lead.

BY the keg, just received and for sale by

CLARKSON & DUFOUR.

Vevay, May 2, 1836.

Leather.

A fine lot of Spanish and Country sole, calf
and kid skins, and upper leather for sole by

CLARKSON & DUFOUR.

Vevay, April 1, 1836.

Cross cut saws.

JUST received and for sale by

CLARKSON & DUFOUR.

Vevay, May 2, 1836.