

For the Crutch.
Epitaph on an Egg.

Here lies an egg, from errors free
As any egg you'll often see;
It only aimed to be a chick,
To crow, or scratch, and gently pick
Such contrabanded goods and things,
As fall to birds, with bills and wings;
But,—as it chanced, one fatal day,
I grew ambitious for display,—
And lo! there was no peace or quiet,
'Till I was booked for "Special diet."
The cook, in cares and haste embroiled,
Straight had me "dropped," instead of boiled!
A sad mistake! The doctors rose
En masse!—and, added to my woes—
Each one pronounced me in disgrace,
And bade me never show my face,
Lest the whole feathered tribe should feel
The ire, they strove not to conceal!
So, here I lie, unfried, unshelled,
Uncrowed, uncockled, and unknelled;
Some say,—no doubt, I lived too long,
Others,—I piped a farewell song;
No matter,—eggs are oft belied,
Whether they'er poached, or dropped, or fried.
For my dear kindred's name and sake,
I have this one appeal to make:—
Believe me lost, *undone*, cracked, mad!—
But,—I am not bad! I am not bad!!!

The Friends of Washington.

It is evident from the following story that the politicians in the early days of our republic did not materially differ from those of the present day in what Miss Jenny Wren could call "their tricks and their manners."

At the time of the first election of General Washington to the presidency, there was a party in Virginia, called the "John Jones party." Now the said John Jones was a man of talent, and a plotting, shrewd fellow, possessing all the requisites of a politician, except personal popularity. To overcome this deficiency, in a contest with a more popular candidate for Congress, John early avowed himself as the peculiar and devoted friend of Washington, and upon this point endeavored to place his rival in opposition.

To carry out this object, he called a meeting of — county, friendly to the election of General Washington. On motion of a friend, he was made chairman of the meeting.

He opened the proceedings by a high eulogium upon the life and services of Washington, but taking care only to speak of himself as his early patron and most devoted friend, and concluded by a proposition to form a party to be called "The true and only Sons of the Father of his Country," and for that object he submitted to the consideration of the meeting the following resolution:—

Resolved, "That we are the friends of George Washington, Esq., and will sustain him in the coming election for President, against all other candidates."

"Gentlemen," said Mr. Jones, "the Chair is now about to put the question. The Chair hopes that every man will declare his sentiments for and against,—all those in favor of the resolution will say, 'aye.'"

The response was like the shout of many voices.
"Now for the opposition," said Mr. Jones, "all of the contrary mind say 'no.'"

Not a voice was heard. The dead silence seemed to confuse Mr. Jones a little, and he said, "gentlemen, do vote."

"The Chair can't decide a disputed question, when nobody votes on t'other side, so that the country may know who are the true friends of Washington."

Upon this appeal one of the audience arose and said he perceived the dilemma in which the Chair was placed, and in order to relieve him from such a quandary, he proposed to amend the resolution by adding after the name of Washington, "and John Jones for Congress."

"I accept the amendment," said Mr. Jones, "and the Chair will now put the question as amended."

"All those who are in favor of General George Washington for President, and John Jones for Congress, will please say 'aye.'"

"Aye—aye," said Jones and his brother Sam.

"The Chair hesitated, like—"put the contrary," said a hundred voices.

"All op—op—opposed say 'no.'"

"No!" thundered the congregated multitude.
"Gentlemen," said Mr. Jones, "the Chair perceives that there are folks in this meeting what don't belong to our party; they have come here to agitate. I therefore adjourn this meeting." Upon which he left the Chair, amidst shouts and huzzas for Washington, and curses for Jones.

A teacher in a western county in Canada, while making his first visit to his "constituents," came into conversation with an ancient "Vermont" lady, who had taken up her residence in the "backwoods." Of course, the school and former teachers came in for criticism; and the old lady in speaking of his predecessor, asked:—"Wa'al, master, what do you think he larnt the schollards?" "Couldn't say, ma'am. Pray what did he teach?" "Wa'al, he told 'em that this 'ere airth was reound, and went around; and all that sort o' thing. Now, master, what do you think about such stuff? Don't you think he was an ignorant feller?" Unwilling to come under the category of the ignorami, the teacher evasively remarked: "It really did seem strange, but still there are many learned men who teach these things?" "Wa'al," says she, "if the airth is reound, and goes reound, what holds it up?" "O, these learned men say it goes round the sun, and that the sun holds it up by virtue of the law of attraction." The old lady lowered her "specs," and by way of climax, responded: "Wa'al, if these high larn't men sez the sun holds up the airth, I should like to know what holds the earth up when the sun goes down!"

DISSOLVING GENEROSITY.—Here is the last illustration given by Mons. Alphonse Karr, the celebrated French writer:—"I have for my neighbour, in the country, a man who recently was seized with congestion of the brain. His old servant became alarmed, and had scarcely time to scream for help, when she fainted. A workman named Norman went by, he leaped into the window, lifted up the two dying people from the floor, restored the woman to her senses, jumped on a horse, galloped to town and brought back a physician. My neighbour's life was saved. The workman returned to his task. I said to my neighbor:—"But for Norman you would have been a dead man. I hope you intend to reward him liberally?" "Yes indeed, I intend to give him 40f." I met my neighbor a few days afterward, and said to him, "Well, have you rewarded Norman?" "No, not yet, but he will lose nothing by waiting. I said I would give him ten francs, and when I say a thing it is as good as done." A week passed away. "Have you seen Norman?" "Norman—ah! Norman! No, I haven't met him yet; but I am fattening a rabbit—a first rate rabbit. Oh! I'm not a man to forget a service." A fortnight passed away. "Well, is your rabbit fat?" "As fat as a partridge. I ate it yesterday, and I tell you it has been a long while since I had such a tit-bit in my mouth."

When you find a person a little better than his word, more liberal than his promise, a little more than borne out in his statement by his facts, a little larger in deed than in speech, you recognize a kind of eloquence in that person's utterance, not laid down in Blair or Campbell.

BE FIRM.—If the waves threaten to engulf you, don't add by your tears to the amount of water.

To Correspondents.

"THE VOLUNTEER."—Shall appear next week; we welcome the contributor to our columns.

"THE SOLDIERS' CRUTCH."—Accepted, with thanks.

"C."—We shall always be happy to hear from this author.

"E."—A continuance of your contributions is respectfully solicited.

Report of Changes in Division No. 1, and Officers' Hospital.

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