





THE BACHELOR'S REVERIE.

Three locks of hair in my hand I hold
As I sit in the twilight's glow...

JERRY'S BALD HEAD.

The Old Settler Tells of Sugar Swamp's Strange Freak.

Big Whiskers, an Equally Handsome
Red, Two Tame Crows and a Dis-

covered Lover Woven into a Pre-
tentious Romance by the Major.

"I suppose the baldheadedest man that
ever lived, squires, were Jerry Bil-

linger, of Sugar Swamp," said the old
settler; "and 'wot so't me to thinkin'

about him were them durn crows—a-
wain' an' an' squawkin' down yonder in

the woods. Eggs ha'n't often ketcher in
a wain' much hair, but I wouldn't be

afraid to bet a farm, b'gosh, that if
anybody'd ha' shaved Jerry Bil-

linger's head an' then shaved an egg
he'd ha' scraped more hair offen the

head 'n' wot would Jerry's head be
if he were uncommon bald, Jerry were!"

"'Twasn't asked the squire. 'Wain't he
wholesome in his 'lary days, or did he

marry 'n' wot would Jerry," said the
old settler. "Jerry were born bald

'n' never got over it. He had jist ez
much hair 'n' on were ten minutes

old ez he did 'n' were twenty year
old. I mean ez to his head, for a cur-

ious thing about Jerry Bilingier were
that though he didn't hev no hair on his

head, he begun to sprout 'wiskers' fore
he'd cut his second teeth, and by the

time he were old enough to drop corn
he had a bald longer 'n' a billy goat's.

It was a durn funny thing to see that
amazin' youngster plantin' corn, with

A BULLET FOR BOULANGER.

It is Fired by His Own Hand, and the
Notes Frenchman Falls and the
Drag Him to Asia.

BRUSSELS, Oct. 1.—Gen. Boulanger
committed suicide about noon
Wednesday on the tomb of Mna.

Gen. Boulanger was born at Rennes, April
29, 1832. His father came from an old family
of Brittany, while his mother was English.

He was educated at the College of Nantes,
and on January 19, 1854, before he was 18, entered
the army.

He belonged to different branches of
the army, he fought in the Italian campaign
and was wounded full in the breast at Turigo;

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MANY KILLED.

Eight Lives Lost and Ten or a Dozen
Injured by the Explosion of a
Tug-Boat at Chicago.

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—Bad water, which
was drawn from the Chicago river,
caused the boiler of the tugboat

Charles W. Parker to explode Sat-
urday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, killing
eight persons and severely wounding

others. The Parker, with three
other tugs, were trying to extricate the
propeller H. S. Pickands, of De-

troit, which had become wedged
in the draw of the Archer
avenue bridge. When the Parker ran

out of water the captain ordered that
the boiler be supplied from the river,
as there wasn't time enough for the

river to get after clear water. The
tug at Archer avenue is thick and
filled with the refuse of the district

through which it runs. To the use of
this water is the dreadful calamity
attributed.

The putting of the tugs, the open
bridge and the hapless steamer soon
drew a large crowd to the scene.

Fully 1,500 people were gathered
on the two approaches of the
bridge and lined along the rails,

watching the maneuvers of the boats.
Capt. James B. Carter, master of the
Parker, was standing on the top of the

cabin when the explosion took place,
issuing orders to his men. That was
the last seen of him. Harbor Master

Deer is of the opinion that his body
was blown to atoms, as he stood di-
rectly above the boiler. The force

of the explosion seemed to go
directly upwards. John C. Moore, the
engineer, was in the engine room and

it is supposed that he was scalded to
death by the escaping steam before he
had a chance to escape, and that his

body was carried down with the wreck
of the tugboat.
Samuel Armstrong, the steward, was
in the cabin of the boat and was car-

ried down with the wreck. A small boy
about 15 years old had clambered from
the bridge to the tug and was sitting

in the bow, the object and envy
of the smaller boys. No one
connected with the vessel knew what

he was doing, but it is thought that he
was Charles Boyke of No. 3037 Locke, street,
who was seen on the bridge a short time

before the explosion, and of whom nothing
has since been seen.
A large piece of the furnace door was
shot out of the wreck and crashed

MILITARY MATTERS.

The lords of the admiralty have de-
cided upon extra pay for officers qual-
ified to act as interpreters.

Two-thirds of the applicants for ad-
mission to West Point and Annapolis
are rejected because of the cigarette

habit and its results.
The searchlights now in use by the
United States navy are of French man-
ufacture, being of the Mangin pattern.

They are of 23,700 candle-power.
The new German rifle carries but 233
grains and has an initial velocity nearly
twice as great as ours. The bullet is

of lead 1.06 inch in length and the
casing of German silver.
Formerly it was impossible for re-
cruiting agents to find farmers' sons

willing to join the army. Now the
reverse is true. The present depression
in the agricultural industry is doubtless
the cause.

A new steel cuirass, impenetrable to
the bullet of a rifle and covering the
breast only, will be introduced into the

Austrian army, and perhaps throughout
the armies of the triple alliance. It
can be folded up and packed in an ordi-
nary knapsack.

ONE of the first indications that a
woman is in love is that she will begin
to deny any suggestion that she ever

cared for anyone before.—Athenian
Globe.
EYES, MALE AND FEMALE.—Miss No-
chick—"So you've been married a year.

Has your husband found out about your
dread hair, false teeth or glass eye yet?"
Mrs. Wellate—"No, indeed; he's been

too busy concealing the same defects in
himself.
DORIS MENTION IT.—"It's strange
how marriage changes a man. You

remember how mildly was always com-
plaining of his deafness before his mar-
riage?" "Yes." "I notice he never

seems to think it's an affliction at all."
Philadelphia Times.
THE PEDESTRIAN.—Sympathizing
Dame (to tramp who has been living on

gum and cucumbers for a month)—
"so you could have robbed our orchard
yesterday, and you didn't do it. You

were hindered by conscientious scrup-
les?"—Tramp—"Consensus screw
pells? Well, dat's de queerest name for
a dawg I ever struck."—Brooklyn

Eagle.
SOCIETY'S LATEST.
"THAT is a wide-awake baby of yours,
Bronson!" "Yes," replied Bronson,
with a yawn. "Particularly at night."

INDIVIDUALISTIC walking sticks, as
well as custom-made neckwear, are
among the latest penchants of the ad-
vanced swell.

The latest fad in men's jewelry is a
scarf-pin of silver, the design being in
miniature, in the form of the bow of a
self-tied cravat.

It is the fad now to pass a large bowl
of rose-water round the dinner table
as soon as the real business of dinner is
over. Into this the guests dip their

THE MARKETS.

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