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## POETRY.

### THE GOBBLE-UN GETS HIM.

Bout onct a year jim Riley writes a book  
o' verse ter sell,  
An' the folks 'at buys it reads it, and 'ey  
likes it mighty well;  
His pomes are plain 'nd common, like the  
folks 'emselves, I guess.  
with a dreamin' music in 'em 'nd a sort  
es tenderness  
At creeps into the heart 'nd makes it  
somehow beat in time.  
With the fancy of the poet 'nd the ripple  
of his rhyme;  
So you who like the potery you c'n read  
'nd think about  
Will be glad to hear 'at Riley's got

a  
new  
book  
out.

There's a heap o' verse gits written in this  
keutry nowadays,  
But it's mostly ca'culated to be used to  
make a blaze;  
its aimed above the people's heads instid  
of at their hearts,  
Its message is Philosophy's its beauty all  
is Art's,  
And the poets, them as writes it, I suppose  
they wonder why  
When they print their high-flown verses  
there ain't nobody ter buy;  
But onct a year go in the shops 'nd hear  
the book-folks shout

To the poetry people: 'Riley's got  
a  
new  
book  
out'.

And in "Green Fields and Running Brooks"  
he Warbles like a bird  
What knows the message of the dawn, the  
wind's and water's word,  
Here's songs of love and natur' and joy and  
grief and jst.  
All genuine 'nd warrented, none printed but  
the best.  
Of course we like some other poets besides  
this Moosier jim,  
But ther ain't no other one of 'em 'at zactly  
matches him.  
Some says they ain't no poets now, but I ain,  
got, no doubt,  
Why I can hear 'at Riley's got  
a  
new

book  
out.

### A NIGHT IN JUNE.

"What so rare as a day in June?"  
O poet sure thou ne'er hast known  
A night in balmy rose-breathed June!  
High over all a broad full moon,  
Gray, broken clouds that sink and swoon  
In floods of light,  
Which down the southern steepness pour  
A dumb Niagara! Hushed its roar,  
Sound drowned in sight!

And serenades the midnight moon,  
The beetle's drum—the frogs bassoon  
While mingling with these loud and shrill  
The Piccolo of a whippoorwill  
Played in the beech' just on yon hill  
Now moon-gold crowned.  
When tinkling notes of a light guitar  
With voices softened from afar  
Sight touched in sound!

### MISSIONARY WORK BORTH INSTITUTE

How many are self appointed  
missionaries for the Institute? How  
many are doing all they can to in-  
crease the attendance for next  
year? Are you praying, toiling  
earnestly that the Institution may  
accomplish the great work of its  
design—The building of a stronger  
intellectual world and industrial  
people?

Have you only words of praise,  
when others only censure?

Do you or will you point out the  
many inducements which we offer  
to young men and young women?

Do these questions apply to you?

We have asked them; the an-  
swer is with you.

So says the Owllet

### BE SENSIBLE.

Do not be above your business  
He who turns up his nose at  
work quarrels with bread and  
butter.

He is a poor smith who is afraid  
of his on sparks; there's some  
discomfort in all trade's except  
chimney sweeping.

If sailors give up going to sea  
because of the wet; if bakers left  
off baking bread because it is hard  
work; if ploughmen would not  
plough because of cold and tailors  
would not make our clothes for

fear of pricking their fingers,  
whata pass we would come to  
Nonsense, my fine fellow,  
there's no shame a bout any hon-  
est calling; don't be afraid of soil-  
ing your hands; there's plenty  
of soap to be had.

All trades are good to good tradrs  
Lucifer matches pay well if you sell  
enough of them. You cannot get  
honey if you are frightened at bees  
nor plant corn if you are afraid of  
getting mud on your boots. When  
bars of iron melt under the South  
wind, when you can dig the fields  
with toothpicks, blow ships' alone  
with fans, manure the course with  
lavender water and grow plum cakes  
in flower pots, there will be a fine  
time for dandies; but until the mil-  
lennium comes we shall all have a  
deal to put up with. Let us put up  
with it like men—Episcopal Recor-  
der.

### THE ANNIVERSARY.

The West Virginia Colored In-  
stitute Celebrated its first annivers-  
ary with great eclat.

The weather was not at all fa-  
vorable in unfavorable contrast  
with the good conduct of "Old  
Probs" at the opening a year ago.

Yet despite the threatening ap-  
pearance of the sky a large crowd  
from Coal valley, Cannelton Charles-  
ton' Spring Hill, St. Albans, Pomeroy  
and the immediate vicinity were in  
attendance to congratulate the  
great big \$30,000 Baby (the In-  
stitute) on its remarkable growth  
and healthy condition generally.

The speech made by state Sup-  
erintendent Lewis attracted a great  
deal of enthunsiasitic comments.

The speech made by the new  
President of the Board of Regents  
met with hearty cheers.

The music class clothed them-  
selves with glory.

The visitors saw the papers  
and recitations were such that any  
intelligent refined audience could  
appreciate and the audience filling  
the Institute chapel gave every in-



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**LOCALS.**

Col. S. R. Hanen Sect. of the board of Regents promised the one who stands best examination two pots of flowers.

Examinations are over and the poor tortured down trodden, abused student who has undergone the torture of the Spanish Inquisition breathes a sigh of relief.

The Owlet has seventy subscribers, and by the opening in Sept. she hopes to have two hundred.

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The plans for the dormitories are in the hands of architect. The buildings alone will cost \$6,000. The boys will do the work under the supervision of Prof. Canty.

Melomelton came to make the mountain come to him but Campbell's mountain came to the Institute twice last month. Hail! Prof. Prillerman.

The boys under supervision of Prof. Canty have made shelves for the library.

The Institute is in a very prosperous condition, summer is coming and so are students.

Mr. Allen Topson of Winifred brought us ten cash subscribers for the Owlet. Many thanks to Mr. Topson.

Six students have registered since the last issue of the Owlet. Mr. C. D. Fortner from Clermont, Mr. Allen Topson, Misses Julia and Virginia Rotan from Winifred, Mr. C. H. Bundy from Alderson, and I. C. Cabell from Charleston.

Mrs. J. M. Canty and little girl came from their former home, Marietta Ga., May 5th; to make their future home with husband and father, Prof. J. M. Canty jr. They are living in the Hurt property.

Cabell, one of the Institute post offices, has been discontinued. Leaving Farm our most convenient office.

Prof. J. Edwin Campbell, our principal had the degree of Ph. B. conferred upon him by Shaw University at its last commencement.

Miss Louisiana Johnson of St. Albans sent the Owlet a club of ten subscribers and Mr. J. A. Brown of Raymond a club of five.

These are true friends.

Job work is coming in rapidly and we hope to be able to purchase a paper cutter in the Fall

**THE W. L. SOCIETY.**

The Whittier Literary Society elected the following officers at the last election; R. W. Chiles, President Miss Goldie G. Brown, Vice Pres., Miss Lottie Friend, Sec'y, Miss Gwendoline Brooks, Treas. Mr. Commentry Medows, Sargent Arms

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Paul Lawrence Dunbar, the young poet whose verses have been attracting so much attention recently has accepted the editorial chair of a Chicago journal.

Senator John P. Green of Ohio is making a tour of Central and Southern Europe. His letters about men and places seen by him as published in the Cleveland Gazette are quite interesting.

The Owlet wishes to acknowledge invitations to attend the commencements of Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C., Pomeroy Academy, Pomeroy, Ohio, Lincoln High School, Gallipolis Ohio, Langston School Point Pleasant, W. Va., Douglass High School Huntington, W. Va. and the State Normal School Montgomery Ala.

Prof. B. Prillerhan has been invited to address the Alumni Association of Knoxville College his Alma Mater.

The Principal will attend the State Convention at Clarkburg June 1-5 to present the claims of the Institute.

State Peabody Institute convenes at The West Virginia Colored Institute, July 3rd, 1893. Every Effort will be made to make it a success.

The registration should be at least fifty. Are you going to attend?

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