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Written for the Placerville Herald:
Look not upon Wine.

Air—*Kinloch of Kinloch.*

"Look not upon wine," hath a Solomon sung,
For 'tis red with the blood-drops from broken hearts wrung!
How it lures but to mock thee, the strong man may tell,
And genius bows down to the Circean spell.
O! turn from the Siren! list not to the song
That wiles with its melody pleasure's gay throng;
Her chalice is mingled—yet drink it not up,
Or thou'lt find that a serpent hath coiled in the cup.
Away, then—there's danger—there's death in the bowl;
It maddens the senses—it murders the soul!
Yea, of souls to this Moloch is sacrifice made!

though by "keeping cool" thou hadst saved his
life and thy conscience.

VII.—Thou shalt not grow discouraged, and
think of going home before thou hast made thy
"pile," because thou hast not "struck a lead," nor
found a "rich crevice," nor sunk a hole upon a
"pocket," lest in going home, thou shalt leave four
dollars a day, and go to work, ashamed, at fifty
cents, and serve the right; for here, by staying,
thou mightest strike a lead and fifty dollars a day,
and thy manly self-respect, and then go home with
enough to make thyself and others happy.

VIII.—Thou shalt not pick out specimens from

Popocatepetl—its Ascent—The Crater.

The *Trait d'Union* of Mexico contains a letter,
describing the celebrated volcano, Popocatepetl, af-
ter the writer had made the ascent and taken
sketches of scenery at the summit. The ascent has
but seldom been made, and the crater has, probably,
never been so well described as in this letter. We
translate the important parts of the letter, which
was written, partly, in reply to a previous and in-
correct notice of his ascent. The description in the
original is worthy of being placed side by side with
the best description of Vesuvius, Etna and Kilauca,
to which Popocatepetl is in no wise inferior, for the
contemplation of the artist or natural philosopher.
The great Mexican Volcano lies so near the city of
Mexico, and the great road from Acapulco to

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