BY FINLEY JOHNSON.

Within a poor and humble cot There dwelt in peace and joy, A widow'd mother and her son, A bright-eyed, happy boy; And though to them the power of wealth, Its joys did not impart, Yet their's was peace which dwelleth in Each humble contrite heart.

But alas! disease did enter in And lay the mother low; Yet not a murmur was breath'd forth Against their weight of woe; But when a stranger enter'd in, The scene which he saw there, Was that young child upon his knees Breathing forth a prayer.

The mother spoke-I feel indeed, I'm on the grave's dread brink; But yet my soul doth know no fear, Nor from the dangers shrink; But joyfully I'll stem the waves And reach bright Canaan's shore, Where pain and sickness cannot come And death is known no more.

And though I leave my boy behind, Yet from the realms above, I'll guard his every earthly step And shield him with my love; And when the portals of the grave Shall shut him from my sight, We'll dwell forever in the skies And live in eternal light.

Her voice grew weak-she could not tell How fill'd she was with joy; But gazing calmly round the room, She call'd upon her boy; Her feeble arms she 'round him folded And clasped him to her breast: And with her lips clung fast to his, That mother found her rest.

> From the Charleston Evening News. To R. H. G.

WITH A FIPE OF MY OWN MANUFACTURE.

That emblem of good-will so rare-Though the bright buds of promise may wither. A wreath-cloud to friendship we'll rear.

A pipe, oh a pipe, bring me hither,

As high curl the blue wreaths above us, So let our good wishes arise, With a puff, for those beings who love us, And a puff for the friendship we prize.

Though dark be the dawn of our morrow, Let us puff away trouble and care; Or if sunshine should chase away sorrow, Let a pipe, let a pipe, lend its cheer.

Then a pipe, oh a pipe, bring me hither, That emblem of good-will so rare, Though the bright buds of promise may

- A wreath-cloud to friendship we'll rear.

## Wit and Bumur.

### Good Joke on a Widower.

A gentleman at Holy Springs, Miss., of this sort, men sometimes adopt every tells the following and vouches for its idea they see advanced, with too much five millions of agriculturists acutually

It appears that a widower in that town them to ridicule. I see that some of your of a somewhat gallant disposition, had contributors prefer to deal in generalities, been accustomed to visit the residence of and others delight to descend to things in the widow M., whether to see the amia- particular. This seems to be all right; ble widow herself, or her lively daughters, they will prove beneficial to each other; our informant did not know. One even- and only keep a sufficient number on each these plain and simple queston? Of course ing he found the family hard at work on side to balance the preponderance. Then we intend that whatever nutriment the some garments of cloth. The girls were with an occasional real "Broomsedge" sewing and the widow was pressing out broom to sweep over and out, the kinds the seams. The widower "hung up his of hasty communications, we shall have hat," as usual, and took a seat by the fire. fair sailings, and enjoy a true farmer's Just at that moment it happened that the widow had done with the pressing iron, vulgo a tailor's goose. She set it down on the hearth, and called to the negro man in a loud voice, "Jake! Jake! come and take out this goose!"

The widower started up in astonishment not knowing what to make of this abrupt

"Jake! do you hear me?" again exclaimed the widow.

"I beg your pardon, Mrs. M.," said the widower, with visible agitation, "but pray don't call Jake. If you wish me to leave Now double the depth of the soil and the flesh of mules and horses, cattle, sheep vour house I will go at once, without the interference of servants."

The ladies roared with laughter; and it took some moments to explain to the cha- stead of 6, will now pay all the annual grined widower his mistake. He has not expenses, and leave a profit not of 2, but land that now supports one animal, keep

INDIAN AND YANKEE.—The water at Mackinaw is very clear and cold, so cold power to offer anything to the public; as to be almost unendurable. A gentle- but I think it right that each one of us fully developed? It is true that most of 1000 BOOK AGENTS man lately amused himself by throwing a should give to all the benefit of his exthese resources are hidden, like the phossmall coin in twenty feet of water, and perience, more particularly when he can phate of lime that forms the bones of a giving it to any Indian who would bring make nothing by keeping it to himself calf; but the existence of bone in a calf's it up. Down they plunged, but after de- and getting out a patent right. I saw in lig is not more certain, than that of the scending ten or twelve feet they came up some agricultural work, perhaps your own, necessity of bone earth in the soil. Every so chilled that after several attempts they gave it up. A Yankee, standing by, ob- been boiled, if applied to cows, &c., would and colts, pigs and lambs, out of his subserved that "if he would give it him for kill lice upon them. I tried it several soil, and realize a handsome profit in the getting it, he'd swing it up quicker than times with signal success, and a few days lightning," to which he consented, when ago, ordered my boy to try it upon my raw material of our great staples can be Jonathan, instead of plunging in as was cows, which, at this time of the year, gene obtained as cheaply as by the keeping of expected, quietly took up a setting pole, rally are full of ticks; the result of which and dipping the end in a tar barrel, reachis, hat they have all taken their departies be limed, seeded, and harrowed it down to the coin and brought it up, ture. Please publish this for the benefit ed; and let all bushes, briars and weeds, and slipping it into his pocket, walked off, of all the commons going cows of the vi- be cut, and carried upon the galled places, and to the no small chagrin of the donor. eternal thanks.—Southern Planter. a virgin mould.

# Agricultural.

Agriculture.

From the Farmer and Planter.

I have been taking and reading your paper, with varied interest, for some time, and profess myself benefitted by the same, in noticing the plans and experiments of others engaged in similar pursuits with myself, especially by these portions of agricultural chemistry, which illustrate philosophically the laws of nature acting upon soil, the atmosphere, light, and the plants in their growth and maturity.-Here is surely a wide range presented for agricultural thought and investigation. And whilst all the communications possess something of interest, yet it is not to be expected, that the interest of all would be equal to all. Diversity must necessarily be the ruling character of all papers-inuch more so of

one of an agricultural character. We are

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live in the low-country, some in the mid-

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deep will produce 14 bushels of wheat,

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Lice on Cattle.

It is not often that I have it in my

as well as extravagant and servile followers of such regulators of planting and farming pursuits. Both parties I regard as occupying extreme positions, and consequently fall into occasional error and disappointment. There exists a corrective for all this, by taking a middle course, in reading and using these productions, as a whole or in part, with a proper discrimination and judgment, guided by careful observation and experience. In them we are furnished with the plan of management, based upon assumed theoretical principles; the experiments of individuals, with such suggestions as their judgment

will greatly oblige, Yours, very truly, J. E. L.

Little Rock, Ark., June 15, 1852.

matter of course, some of the operators Remarks.—The same perfect manure that will form corn, cotton, wheat or todle and some in the up-country and near bacco, on clay or loam bottoms, will act the mountains. Again, some in the East, likewise on porous, sandy uplands. What we mean by perfect manure, is any compound that contains all the elements of must be regarded as only indicating genethe crop to be grown. Stable manure, ral principles, the different branches of particularly in case the animals stabled husbandry by their labors. Some of these consume grain, is a fertilizer of this charapproach a standard of perfection, and acter. Bottom lands often abound in the stand the test of time and change of cirelements of crops, but in a condition not cumstances. Others are found capable of available as the food of plants, and therefurther development. The North cannot fore wholly werthless to the owner, as a develop a complete system for the South, source of income. Indeed, all soils connor the South for the North. Neither can tain latent resources, that can only be the low-country for the mountain regions. brought out by the assistance of more And why not? Because, the diversity of knowledge than is usually taught in Amersoil, of climate, of seasons, of the staple ican colleges.

plants, &c., creates a local agriculture, and Good cane brake land ought to spare render a change necessary in the details the things that make corn, oats, peas and of the modes of operation. Indeed, after grass, which, being consumed by horses, the Agriculturist, be he a planter or farmules, neat stock, hogs and sheep, should mer, or a mixer of operations, has obtainbe mostly applied to enrich poor lands, if ed for himself a code of principles, from you cultivate the latter at all. Beware comparative husbandry and chemical anathat you do not waste manure, labor and lysis, he is only then well prepared to money, in working too much of the latter study his own locality, and adopt and perkind of eart' fect a system of operations, to suit his own

After looking over the United States for nany years, and carefully studying the culture. For the want of discrimination popular systems of tillage and husbandry, we came to the conclusion that the four or sional men in the country.

cost? Who will undertake to answer soil parts with in forming a crop, shall be fully restored again from the atmosphere or some other source.

But we do not quite meet the inquiries of our correspondent. If salt is cheap, mix it with your manure and leached ashes, and apply both fertilizers to all the As a general thing the soil must a land that you plow, if it needs improvedeepened before it can be perfectly im- ment, Can you not make your oat-fields proved. One acre of soil 12 inches deep or common range for stock, yield more is worth more to make money from, by and better pasturage than it now does; so depth. Thus, admit that a soil 6 inches may draw from these distant fields or comand that 12 bushels will pay all expenses that form cheap cotton and grain? The and give 2 profit. Four acres of this land things that make bushes and the leaves crop, making the latter 28 bushels, in- and hogs, just as easily and about as been known to visit the widow M. since of 13 bushels per acre—Family Visitor. two, five, or ten, as nine planters out of plantation, or of many small ones, are that the water in which Irish patatoes had farmer should know how to dig fat calves stock. Let the plow go over fewer acres, to the amazement of the Indian divers, cinity of our city, and you will have their and sterile patches, there to rot, and yield

D. LEE.

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