Is it a Sin to Love Thee?

Is it a sin to love thee? Then my heart is deeply dyed, For the life-blood as it gushes, Takes its crimson from love's tide; And I feel the waves roll o'er me, And the blushes mount my brow, And my pulses quicken wildly, As my love-dreams come and go. I feel my spirits weakness, I know my spirit's power, I feel my proud heart struggle In temptation's trying hour, But amid the din of conflict To thee still my thoughts incline, Fielding all, my soul has murmured-I am thine, forever thine!

Is it a sin to love thee? What were existence worth, Bereft of all of Heaven That lingers still on earth ?

Friendship's smile, like beams of sunshine, Sheds its gilding o'er the heart, But the soul still cries for something more Than friendship can impart; Frozen hearts like ice-bound Eric, That no summer day can melt, Vainly boast their power to conquer What their hearts have never felt; But I envy not their glory, 'Mid the raptures that are mine, When with carnest soul I tell thee, I am thine, forever thine!

Is it a sin to love thee? Gentle voices o'er me fall, Though I press warm hearts around me, I have given thee my all; What though rigid fate divide us, And our hands and hearts be riven, If, on earth we love each other, Twould a foretaste be of heaven; And in some impulsive moments When our dark eyes flashing meet, When I feel thy form so near me, Hear thy heart's quick pulses beat; When I feel-may God forgive me-I could every thing resign, All I have on earth to hope for, To be thine, forever thine!

Farm and Garden.

"Agriculture is the General Pursuit of man: It is the Basis of all others, and therefore, the

Cotton and Corn.

A correspondent of the Southern Cultivator, writing from Sumter County.,

"Cotton seed should be well rubbed in plaster, ashes or dirt, as it enables the sower to distribute the seed more uniformly, besides possessing other advantages. The "barrel roller" is a most excellent invention for rolling cotton seed. No doubt many will exclaim that three bushels to the acre is a waste of seed. A smaller quantity often causes a greater loss, not only of seed but of lint also. I have been putting about that quantity ever since I have been planting, and have never yet had any reason to regret it, always regarding a good stand "a A R C H I T E C T matter of the very first importance;" have never used a cotton planter of any patent-always hire a sufficient number of hands to make the crop and find that number quite sufficient to plant it in the manner described; besides that, it is common some sensors to hear of bad stands resulting from the use of cotton planters, and consequent replanting which in my humble opinion is the poorest business a farmer can set about doing. The first ploughing of cotton should be done as soon as possible after a stand of cotton has been secured, with a three inch bulltongue shovel or scooter, which is run very close to the cotton, two furrows to the row, completely choking up all the young grass, which can be done very easily when the stand of cotton is very

To secure a good stand of corn, be sure that the seed selected is unexceptionably good, and put at least two grains to the hill, covering shallow if planted early, and deep if late in the season. My experience has taught me that it is safest never to put the seed in direct contact with manure of any kind. The thicker corn is planted and the more highly it is manured the greater the number of grains that should be put to the hill. Replanting highly manured corn is simply a waste ofseed, time and labor. The older corn moves off so rapidly, the replant is soon shaded and never has any showing Fancy Dress goods, at all,-It is better to put peas in the missing places.-Would hardly recommend drilled corn except in low bottom land where it will be exposed to the ravages of the bud worm."

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Dedication of Aiken Lodge of Abstinence, A No. 1 (Colored.)

Last evening a large and enthusiastic meeting of the friends of temperance convened in the new Hall, (built by Mr. C. D. Hayne), the occasion being the dedication of the lodge room of the Aiken Lodge of Abstinence, A No. 1. The ceremony, which is highly symbolic in its teaching and calculated to impress the mind most solemnly, was performed by the Rev. George J. Griffiths, acting Surpreme Sachem, assisted by the officers of the Lodge Mr. S. P. T. Fields acting as Supreme Usher. The portion of the ceremory which seemed to strike us as most impressive was that representing the "world being called into being."-The room was artficially darkened and at the words "and Jehovah said let there be light," the room was lighted in an instant, which produced a most dazzling effect. Then followed the words of dedication, "I dedicate this Lodge to Innocence." Response: "And may innocence attend the lives of all its members."-"I dedicate this Lodge to Truth." Response, "And may Truth surround the lives of all its members." "I dedicate this Lodge to Benevolence." Response, "And may Benevolence attend the action of all its members." "I dedicate this Lodge to Innocence, Benevolence and Truth, and name it the Aiken Lodge of Abstinence, A No 1." At the words Innocence," "Benevolence," and "Truth" the Supreme Sachem dipped a branch of hyssop in a chalice of water and sprinkled the floor three times.

The officers then formed in procession to their stations and the audience listened to a most eloquent address from Rev. Mr. Beard, which was interrupted by applause. The address concluded. the choir sang "A charge to keep I have." the audience rising and joining in the doxology. The Supreme Sachem then closed the public ceremony in the usual ledge formula, and the Sachem made the following announcement. "Hear ye! Hear ye! all you whom duty calls to this lodge of Abstinence! take timely warning! and all who are not entitled, by initiation, to a seat in our sanctuary please retire forthwith." And so we forthwithed-[Aiken Journal,

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It also appeared, inasmuch as the rates so established were as near as could possibly be determined fair rates, and not in excess of what Insurunce has previously, cost the policy-holders in Matual Companies, that any profits arising from prudent management justly and properly belonged to the stockholders of the Company, for the risk incurred by them in undertaking the

Experience has shown that there are sources of profit in the practice of the business which theory will not admit of being considered as elements in the calculation of the premiums. These result from a saving in the mortality of the members of a Company owing to the medical selection of good lives, a gain in interest on the investments of the Company over that assumed in the calculation of its premiums, the profits derivable from the lapsing and surrender of Policies

the calculation of its premiums, the profits derivable from the lapsing and surrender of Policies by the members, and from other minor sources.

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