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"We will cling to the Pillars of the Temple of our Liberties, and if it must fall, we will perish amidst the Ruins."

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Original Poetry.

For the Advertiser.
VERSES.
By JENNY WOODS.

Still, and cold, and pale she lieth
On her couch of snow;
Hushed the heart's tumultuous throbbing,
Hushed to earthly woe—
Nevermore that pulseless bosom
Bitter grief shall know.

While the sun is setting calmly
To you cold, cap'd West,
Fold the lily hands so gently
On the silent breast—
Tenderly, and kindly, leave her
To her last sweet rest.

Cloze those waxen eyelids softly
O'er the midnight eyes,
From those lips all cold and voiceless,
Come no sweet replies;
Love the last fond word spoken—
Still, and pale, she lies.

Strew the summer-blossoms gently
On the shroud's white fold—
Clip one soft and silken ringlet
From the forehead cold;
For the graveyard now is claiming
All these threads of gold.

Lilies white, and violets purple,
Place upon her brow,
Like them she was fair and fragile,
Strew them o'er her now;
Then beside her couch so snowy,
Lowly, humbly bow.

Bitter was her young life's morning
But the grief is past;
And upon the fair pale forehead
Death's dark shade is cast—
Push aside her ringlets gently
Take one kiss—*thy last!*

Never more with sigh of anguish
Shall those cold lips part;
Never more from those closed eyelids
Bitter tears-drops start;
Nevermore shall blame, or sorrow
Nestle on her heart.

Nevermore shall arrows piercing
Reach her bosom fair;
Nor upon those chiselled features
Linger shades of care—
On her couch of snow she lieth,
Angels guard her there!

When with tears of bitter weeping
He shall come again,
Tell him its remorseful error,
Now, is all in vain;
Tell him she is sweetly sleeping,
Free from grief and pain.

Tell him that in death she blessed him,
Though he dealt the blow;
Which, in all her youth and beauty,
Laid out darling love;
Laid her a faded blossom
On her couch of snow.

And when in the restless midnight
Memories arise;
And the watchful stars are peeping
From the silent skies;
Well I know he will be haunted
By her earnest eyes.

Open the window-shutters softly,
Do not wildly weep—
Let the stars of heaven above her
Lonesome vigils keep—
Draw the drapery around her
Let her sweetly sleep.

On the morrow gently bear her
Towards the setting sun;
And when all the lamps of evening
Twinkle one by one,
Lay her in the grand old forest,
For her life is done.

From the Montgomery Mail.

"ANOTHER HAT-FULL, JOEL."

A short yarn was spun to us last evening, of a kind concerning the *apocryphal* meeting of a couple of friends of ours, now or lately sojourning for health and pleasure at the Tallahassee Springs. It is unnecessary to give the names of these gentlemen, but for convenience we will call them, respectfully, John and Joel. They, it may be remarked, have great similarity of tastes, and among other pursuits, are very fond of fishing; and every body knows that the vicinity of Tallahassee Springs offers fine opportunity to the skillful knight of the fly.

Thus, John and Joel—there being no religious services at the Springs that day—went out Sunday forenoon, to the mill of Mr. P., a mile or two down the creek, with a line of small trout and bream. With them went their invited guest, "let her rip!" "let her rip!" "I tell you I didn't!" screamed I; "I know what's enough and what's too much, without asking you, and if you don't leave off snickering I'll spile yer face."

"He cottoned right down, and said he didn't mean any hurt, and asked me if I hadn't better take some gin," I told him I would. So I took a party good horn, and left the shop. "Arter I got out," continued Ethan, "I fink better for a mite or so, but I hadn't gone fur afore the gripes took me agin; so I went into another shop and took some more gin; then I set down on the State House steps, and there I sat, and so, but didn't feel a mite better. I began to think I was goin' to hit the bunk, and then I thought of father and mother and of old Spanker—that's father's boss—and when I thought that I should never see 'em agin, I fairly blabbered. But then I happened to look up and see a dozen boys grinnin' and larfin' at me. I tell yer what, it riz my dander—that had got down to *nerve*—I sprang up like a wild cat, holleer' out I'd shake their tar'nal gizzards out, and the way the little devils scampered was a caution to nobody. But after the scimitar or the lance was over, I felt was agin, and I could n't help groanin' as I screech in 't went along."

"At last I thought I'd go to the theatre, but afore I got there, the gripes got so strong that I had to go behind a tavern house and lay down and holleer. Arter awhile, I got up and went into a shop and cut a half dollar's worth of billed isers with four pickled cucumbers, and wound up with a glass of brandy. Then I went into the theatre and saw the plays, but I felt so bad that I could not see any fun in 'em, for I don't think the isers and the cucumbers done me any good. I set down, laid down, and stood up, but still it went agin, gripes, gripes. I grew all the time, and once in a while I was obliged to screech kindey say. Every body started at me, and somebody called out, 'turn him out!' once or twice. But, at last, just as the nigger Othello was goin' to put the piller on his wife's face to smother her, there cum such a twinge through me, that I really thought I was burstin' up, and I yelled out—'Oh scizzors!' so loud that the old man scare run agin. Such a cough you never seed, the nigger dropped the piller, and Deuteronomy—or what you call her—there his wife, jumped off the bed and run, while everybody in the theatre was all up in a mass, some larfin' some swearin'. The upshot of it was, the perfice carried me out of the theatre, and told me to make myself scarce."

"Wall, as I said, I went into a shop and cut a whole dollar's worth of brandy; arter swallowin' it, I went hum to the tavern. I set down by the window, and tried to think I felt better, but 'twas no go; that blasted old gin was still wallerin' away inside; so I went out and cut a quarter's worth of isers and a piece of mince pie. Then I went back and told the tavern keeper I felt kinder sick, and he told me to take some Custar pie, a morsel of cold meat, and a strong glass of whiskey punch, and then go to bed. He got the fixin's, which I took and went to bed."

"But, I tell yer what, I had a rather poor night. Sometimes I was awake groanin', and when I was asleep I'd better bin awake, for I had such powerful dreams. Sometimes I thought I was skinnin' a bear, and then by some heeppens 'twould all change to her side, and the tavern critter would be a skinnin' me."

"Then, agin, I'd dream that I was rollin' logs with the boys, and just as I'd be a shoutin' out—'now then—here she goes!' every thing would get reversed agin—I was a log, and the boys were tryin' me up with their handspikes. Then I'd wake up and stretch and get up and then I'd go to sleep agin—no dream that Spanker had run away with me, or that father was whippin' me or some other plaguey thing, till mornin'."

"When I got up, I hadn't any appetite for breakfast, and the tavern keeper told me that I was goin' to carry on screechin' and groanin' as I had the night afore, my room was better than my company."

"Wall, I said Mr. Spike, in conclusion 'I hadn't bin to Portland since, but if I live to be as old as Methusalem, I shall never forget that all-fired Ice Cream."

THE NEWS OF THE W.—Bank all along the line of the Road. Stockholders and depositors flocking into the Bank, making the panic, inquiring, 'What's the matter?' 'Is the Bank broke?' A little inquiry by the officers showed that the trouble originated in the rejecting of the bills by the railroad. The President seized his hat and rushed down to the Quaker's office, and came bursting in with the inquiry,

"Mr. K. have you directed the refusal of our currency by your agents?"
"Yes, it was the quiet reply."
"Why is this?" It will run us."
"Well, friends, there could not renew a little paper for us this morning."
"It is needless to say, Mr. L.—renewed all the Quaker's paper and enlarged his line of discount with the magic wires carried all along the road to every town the sedative message: 'The W.—Bank is all right. They may take its currency.'"

WHAT THEY DON'T BELIEVE.

He don't believe that a man is any wiser for havin' a S. S. or any other letters, attached to his name.
He don't believe a lawyer is any keener because he wears a pair of spectacles.
He don't believe that schoolmasters, physicians, and ministers, like to be contradicted a whit better than other folks.
He don't believe that all lawyers are rogues, any more than he believes an eel is a snake.
He don't believe that the most industrious man likes to work except when he can't help it.
He don't believe that two young lovers like to be caught with their arms around one another's waists.
He don't believe that a young lady ought to be married before she is twenty-one at least.
He don't believe that young gentlemen should marry before they are able to support a wife.
He don't believe in getting up early in the morning without going to bed early at night.
He don't believe a man a fool because he can't make a speech.
He don't believe that because both wise and windy begin with W, that they end in the same thing.
He don't believe that a lady is much the worse for wearin' a bustle, though he decidedly prefers coffee bags.
In fact he don't believe in a great many things that others believe in, and the result is that he is voted an oddity and a bore.

A FACT.

Some newspaper, in speaking of the light literature of the present day, says—"You may read the New York Ledger for a year and scarcely find a fact which will make you wiser or less ignorant than when you first began to read." "In fact he don't believe in a great many things that others believe in, and the result is that he is voted an oddity and a bore."

GET INTO THE WOODS.—Here is good advice from the North-Western Christian Advocate:

Get into the woods. Go on purpose, ye hot, crowded, dusty city dwellers of the city. Come out of your piles of brick and mortar and breathe pure air, see the green grass, sit down under the shade of the oak or the foliage of the beautiful maple. Go where the roses bloom or the blue-bells, and in one of God's primitive temples, worship the All-Father. Take your children. If you belong to a city Sabbath school, gather it up into a circle and sing. Send the sweet strains of Corith, Duke Street, Dundee, and even the plaintive sounds of China, up through the arch above you; then, altogether, sing *Oh! Hallelujah to the Doxology*—while the birds sing their anthems, and the trees clap their hands, let all voices sing:
"Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below."

SPRINKLE KINDLY TO YOUR MOTHER.—Young men, speak kindly to your mother, and courteously, tenderly to her. But little time, and you shall see her no more forever. Her eyes are dim, her hair is bent, and her shadow falls toward the grave. Others may love you fondly; but never again will time be yours, shall any one's love be to you as that of your old, trembling, weakened mother has been.

WE'RE THANK T'AT.—Some years ago as Capt. B., of the steamer Water-Witch, was passing down the Arkansas River, they had pressing need of an axe, and not having one on board, at the first landing the boat rounded to, the Captain dispatched an Irishman to the shore in quest of one. Pretty soon Patrick returned with an axe; but when, after having used it, the Captain ordered him to return it, he refused point-blank.

"But what is the reason?" urged Captain B.
"Sure then an' I'll tell you. When I went up cabin I saw a white woman, an' I fixed her out to ax her husband in the corn-field. So, yer honor, I went up to the corn-field, and I saw a big black nigger a standin' there, and I see his leg, sez I 'an' where's yer master?' See he, 'I'm the master,' an' sez I, 'I'm after havin' the loan of an ax for a few minutes.' See he, 'go down to the house and get it.' Well, I got the axe, Captain, an' I went to the corn-field, sez I to myself, 'bejehers but I'll give her a small bit of my mind.' So I poked my head in the door, and sez I, 'aint ye ashamed of yerself to be havin' a black nigger for a husband?' An' sez she, 'Law, no! I had a sither done worse than that,' an' sez I 'what was that shure?' An' sez she, 'She married an Irishman.' An' he said, 'I'll be after speakin' no more to the black nigger, bejehers ye honor's pardon.' So the Captain laughingly excused him from so unpleasant a duty."

A QUAKER JOKE.—A correspondent sends the Buffalo Express the following good thing for the hot weather:

"The Quaker President of a Pennsylvania Rail Road, during the confusion and panic last fall, called upon the W.—, with which the Road had kept a large, regular account, and asked for an extension of a part of its paper falling due in a few days. The Bank President declined rather abruptly, saying, in a tone common with that fraternity:
"Mr. K., your paper must be paid at maturity."
"Very well," our Quaker replied, and left the Bank. But he did not let the matter drop. On leaving the Bank, he walked quietly over to the depot and telegraphed all the agents and conductors on the Road, to reject the bills on the W.—Bank. In a few hours the trains began to arrive, full of the panic, and bringing

POLITICAL MATTERS.

Mr. Editor:—By publishing the following extracts from the SENATE KANSAS BILL, AS IT PASSED THE SENATE FEBRUARY 25th, 1858.

Whereas, the people of the Territory of Kansas did, by a convention of delegates, called and assembled at Leecompton, on the 4th day of September, 1857, for that purpose, form for themselves a constitution and State government, which said constitution is republican, and said convention having asked the admission of said Territory into the Union as a State on an equal footing with the original States:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the State of Kansas shall be, and is hereby declared to be, one of the United States of America, and admitted into the Union on an equal footing with the original States, in all respects whatever. And the said State shall consist of all the territory included within the following boundaries, to wit: beginning at a point on the western boundary of the State of Missouri, where the thirty-seventh parallel of latitude crosses the same; thence west on said parallel to the eastern boundary of New Mexico; thence north on said boundary to latitude thirty-eight; thence following said boundary westward to the eastern boundary of the Territory of Utah, on the summit of the Rocky Mountains; thence northward on said summit to the fortieth parallel of latitude; thence east on said parallel to the western boundary of the State of Missouri; thence south with the western boundary of said State to the place of beginning: Provided, that nothing herein contained respecting the boundary of said State shall be construed to impair the right to any property or property now pertaining to the Indians in said territory, so long as such rights shall remain unextinguished by treaty between the United States and such Indians, or to include any territory which, by treaty with such Indian tribe, is not within the consent of such tribe to be included within the territorial limits of jurisdiction of any State or Territory; but all such territory shall be accepted only on the part of the State of Kansas, which shall signify its assent to the President of the United States to be included within said State, or to affect the authority of the government of the United States to make any regulations respecting such Indians, their lands, property, or other rights, by treaty, law, or otherwise, which it would have been competent to make if this act had not been passed.

Be it further enacted, That the State of Kansas be admitted into the Union upon the express condition that said State shall never interfere with the primary disposal of the public lands, or with any regulations which Congress may find necessary for securing the title in said lands to the bona fide purchasers and grantees thereof, or to impose any tax, assessment, or imposition of any kind upon the lands, or the sale of any lands within the limits of said State, and that nothing in this act shall be construed to abridge or infringe any right of the people asserted in the constitution of Kansas at all times to alter, reform, or abolish their form of government in such manner as they may think proper, Congress hereby declaring any authority to interfere or declare the constitution of any State void, or to alter, reform, or abolish the same, to be in conflict with the Constitution of the United States; and nothing in this act shall be construed as an assent by Congress to all or to any of the propositions or claims contained in the ordinance annexed to the said constitution of the people of Kansas, nor to deprive the said State of Kansas of the same grants, if hereafter made, which were contained in the said ordinance, and which are heretofore to be held for the purpose, and as soon as an assent shall be given, and duly made known (by a majority of the commissioners herein appointed) to the President of the United States, he shall announce the same by proclamation; and thereafter, and without any further proceedings on the part of Congress, the admission of the said State of Kansas into the Union upon an equal footing with the original States, in all respects whatever, shall be complete and absolute. At the said election (the vote) shall be by ballot, and by endorsing on his ballot, as each voter may please, "for the constitution," or "against the constitution." Should the said constitution be rejected at the said election by a majority of voters, the inhabitants of said Territory are hereby authorized and empowered to form themselves a constitution and State government by the name of the State of Kansas, according to the Federal Constitution, and to that end may elect delegates to a convention as hereinafter provided.

Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 pertain to the elections under this bill, &c.

FROM THE CRITTENDEN MONTGOMERY AMENDMENT AS SUBSTITUTED FOR THE SENATE BILL BY THE HOUSE, 1ST APRIL '58.

That the State of Kansas be, and is hereby, admitted into the Union on an equal footing with the original States, in all respects whatever; but, inasmuch as it is greatly disputed whether the constitution of the people of Kansas, as framed by the Convention, and adopted at the seat of government, under the direction of the legislature thereof, Fourth, that all salt springs within said State, not exceeding twelve in number, with six sections of land adjoining or as contiguous as may be to each, shall be granted to said State for its use, the same to be selected by the governor thereof, within one year after the admission of said State, and which are to be used or disposed of on such terms, conditions, and regulations, as the legislature may direct: Provided, That no salt spring or land, the right whereof is now vested in any individual or individuals, or which may hereafter be confirmed or adjudged to any individual or individuals, shall, by this article, be granted to said State. Fifth, the five per centum proceeds of sales of all public lands lying within said State, which shall be sold by Congress after the admission of said State into the Union, after deducting all the expenses incident to the same, shall be paid to said State for the purpose of making public roads and internal improvements, as the legislature shall direct: Provided, That the foregoing provisions, herein before offered, on the condition that the people of Kansas shall provide by an ordinance, irrevocable without the consent of the United States, that said State shall never interfere with the primary disposal of the soil within the same by the United States, or with any regulations Congress may find necessary for securing the title in said soil to bona fide purchasers thereof; and that no tax shall be imposed on lands belonging to the United States, and that in no case shall non-resident proprietors be taxed higher than residents. Sixth, and that said State shall never tax the lands or property of the United States in that State.

At the said election the voting shall be by ballot, and by endorsing on his ballot, as each voter may please, proposition accepted, or proposition rejected. Should a majority of the votes cast be for proposition accepted, the President of the United States, as soon as the fact is duly made known to him, shall announce the same by proclamation; and thereafter, and without any further proceedings on the part of Congress, the admission of the said State into the Union upon an equal footing with the original States, in all respects whatever, shall be complete and absolute, and said State shall be entitled to one member in the House of Representatives in the Congress of the United States, until the next census be taken by the federal government. But should a majority of the votes cast be for proposition rejected, it shall be deemed and held that the people of Kansas do not desire admission into the Union with said constitution under the conditions set forth in said proposition; and in that event the people of said Territory are hereby authorized and empowered to form for themselves a constitution and State government, by the name of the

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