

"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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An Original Story

TWICE WEDDED.

BY RUTH.

ALL was confusion, hurry and bustle in the elegant mansion of Philip Douglass. Servants ran hither and thither on all imaginable errands...

ter's hand, bound in white morocco, with gold clasps, on which was inscribed, 'Estell Douglass, from her Mother.' And with a fervent 'God bless you,' left the room.

ly, and they who stood beside him thought that he had ceased to breathe. 'Is he dead?' gasped Estell. 'O, tell me that he still lives—live to har me promise to be a mother, a true, fond, faithful mother to his babe.'

Hiram came home at day break the next morning, bringing the intelligence that Dr. Allston had rested better than he had for several nights previous, though it was the opinion of Dr. Osborn that he could not live through the day.

of the road, these regiments were marching in fighting order. The advance guard was small, and some distance ahead of the body of the command.

CIVILIZED INDIANS. The negroes of the South have adopted the habits and customs of civilized white men, and become very respectable Indians.

High Priced Negroes, and Cotton. The influx of negroes into the sugar producing States the present has been enormous.

Select Poetry.

SOFTLY INTO HEAVEN SHE FADED.

Softly into heaven she faded, As the star when morn appears, While we stood in silence round her, Gazing at her through our tears.

It is the old story, told ten hundred thousand times, still always new. Light feet tread noiselessly over the thickly carpeted floor, lights are shaded, drawers opened and closed carefully.

The solemn ceremony over, the certificate was duly drawn up and signed by Dr. Osborn and Hiram Douglass. There was no smile—no word of gaiety—no congratulation for the bride.

GEN. HOGAN BEFORE THE PALMETTO ASSOCIATION. Mr. Editor: We notice in the last issue of your paper, an article which originally appeared in the Edgefield Advertiser, reviewing the first Anniversary Address delivered before the Palmetto Association, in May, 1857.

WOOD CUTTING AND SPLITTING MACHINE. The Baltimore Patriot thus describes a machine for the above purpose, patented by George Page, of Washington:

FREE NEGROES IN ARKANSAS.—A bill has been introduced into the Legislature of Arkansas, which is in substance, that all free negroes now in the State may become slaves, by choosing their own masters or own mistresses, who shall never sell them to third parties, and that they shall not be liable to seizure for the debts of their masters or mistresses.

THRILLING SCENE IN A CHURCH.—At the Madeleine, in Paris, on Christmas eve, the well-known Adde Bautain preached in the evening, and as he is one of the most eloquent preachers of our age, as well as one of the most learned theologians of France, a very large congregation assembled to hear him.

THE WIDOWED.

BY RUTH.

I saw Estell quite frequently during her widowhood, as there were a large family of my relatives residing in Windham. Cousin Ellen Sanders and myself corresponded regularly, and as I never failed to inquire after the lovely young widow, I was kept duly informed of the events as they transpired.

Dr. Allston is dying? "Eustice Allston is dying! His Physicians say he cannot possibly live more than twenty-four hours at the farthest." Such were the exclamations that rang through the streets of Windham, spreading con-
fusion through the quiet town. For very few knew of the Doctor's illness, and the few who knew of his being sick did not suppose him dangerous. And now he was dying! not yet twenty-five years of age, and about to pass away from earth! Two years before, he had married a lovely girl, little more than a child in years, and almost ethereal in her frail loveliness. "Too pure for earth," many said, and so it proved. One year had passed—only short, blissful year, since Amy Calvert, the lone, homeless orphan, had become the happy, cherished wife of Eustice Allston. And now, bright blissful hopes were blossoming in that frail young bosom; hopes to be realized for a few short months only.

How strangely it sounded to Estell to be called "wife" by the dying man, and he comparatively speaking to a stranger. True, she had known him all her life, though they had never been on terms of intimacy. But then she had gained a priceless jewel. Alice was hers—they would bear the same name; through life they would be all in all to each other. O, how she longed to go home, that she might place her treasure in her mother's arms and weep for very joy. This child, though not her own, would call her mother; and she felt that she had now nothing left to wish for.

It was decided that she should return home taking Alice and her nurse with her. Hiram would remain with Eustice and send word of his condition every half hour. Dr. Osborn would also remain through the night, and should any particular change take place, Estell was to be sent for.

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ALABAMA PORK.—Many of the planters of Alabama begin to raise their own pork. In Cherokee county, a lot of nine was killed, a few days since, which averaged 410 pounds each. The leaf fat taken from one weighed 70 pounds.