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Select Poetry.

SILENCE IS CRIME.

BY JOHN G. WHITTIER.

Wait, for my fellows! where? where is the spirit
Of the true Patriot and the unpalsied heart?
Scars of old treasons, do we but insult
Their manes about
Be the old Fifteen spirit quenched within us?
Stamp the proud manhood of our souls to bye
That Monsters I never yet? Shall we, can we
To silence now?

Silence is crime!
Who are hard to turn Africa's brink is empty
In God's name, let us speak while there is time!
Now, when the pulsbeat be our lips are trying,
Shame or silence!

What! shall we heartbreak humbly sick, as Rome,
Rights all curses? Is the Nation's life at stake?
Nor
For truth-lovers pause, the concern Nation gave
Us,
God and our charter!
Shall the offenders seek the free to fetter?
How! Lyeth low light the heated iron on Right
Arch, in the Church, thy! proud and skilled
shelter
Make truth a lie!

Torture the pages of a fellow's Bible,
To mention crime, and robbery, and blood;
And, in oppression's hard service, bind
Both men and God!

Shall our New England stand on its pages
But stamp in chains upon her dominant wrongs,
Thicker to gather on her limbs, and strength
Thy after day?

O no! methinks from all her hill, gives mention
Forth
From valleys where her slumbering fathers lie—
From her blue rivers and her rocky mountains,
And wide, cold skies—
From her tough wood, and lakes, which hungry
Gives
Gusts with his surges—from the fisher's solitude,
With wh ich still sweeping, the hilltop's nestled
Round rock and cliff—
From the free firesides of her outlaugh in mows—
From her brilliant and free town and hamlet
From the beauty smile bed, where, beneath the
Hoopers,
Rings the red sheen—
From each a shell, of God hath set freedom
Our lot, is, of a free land, or a free clime,
Lend us the summer thunderbolt shall wake
A Patriot's voice!

Startling and alone! the Northern winds shall
hear it
Over the waves in St Mary's cave;
And hoarse Freedom shall awake to hear it
Within Mount Calvary!

O, that voice go fly! Let the Southern pining
By slavery's sore, in Freedom's Hall
Shall feel the hope, within his bosom dying,
Revive again.

Let it go forth! The sufferer who were groaning
Sadly upon a free and stiff soil,
And were bid down thanksgiving, raising
Also on the cold,

O, for your ancient freedom, pure and holy!
For the deliverance of a groaning earth,
For the wrongs of captive bondage, and poor
lowly,
Let it go forth!

Sons of the best of fathers! will ye falter
With all they left yet perilled and at stake?
Hail! ye, sons, or free men's lofty altar
The free awake!

Perpetuate sharpened for the trial, come together,
Pal ed in the breast for the social fight,
And, with the blessing of your ancestry Father
Manifest the Right!

Choice Miscellany.

From Harper's Weekly.

THE DEACON'S DILEMMA, OR THE USE OF THE BEAUTIFUL.

Deacon Tilden had the squarest, neatest white house that ever showed its face sunlight from the dark shades of old lilac bushes. In front of it stood, on each side of the door way, two thrifty young trees, which looked liained such every season. Excepting the aforementioned lilac trees, there was not a single shade tree within half a mile. Besides the Deacon thought rated the house, and the hoopyards which his wife tried to make over the patch of sun down when the grass grew round, and on the whole, the Deacon said, what was the use of putting it up so long as it did not last lasting?

By the side of the house was a thrifty, well kept garden, with plenty of current bushes, gooseberry bushes and quince trees—and the beets and carrots and onions were the pride of the Deacon's heart, but, as he generally said, "everything was for me"—there was nothing fancy about it. He rode pat in timeously sure enough for a fancy horse—Mr. Jenkyns had given her a pacaiss, and Mrs. Simpkins had brought her a packing of flower seeds from New York—and so it had laid out. But the thrifty Deacon soon found that the reading of it took time that Mr. Tilden might give to her days, or to making shirts and knitting stockings, and as it truly troubled his conscience. The best plan he turned it into a cornfield; and when his wife mildly intimated her disappointment, said plaintily, "Father dear, I was a thing of me, and took time"—and Mrs. Tilden, being a good woman, and one of the kind of women who always suppose themselves miserable persons, specially confused her sin of being inwardly vexed about the incident in her prayers that night, and prayed that her eyes might be turned off from beholding vanity, and that she might be quickened in the way of minding her work.

The front parlor of the Deacon's house was the most frigid sphere of neatness that ever discouraged the eyes and heart of a visitor. The front door was kept the golden of stay engaging or painting, or of any adornment but an ordinary wall paper and a framed copy of the Declaration of Independence. On each of the three sides stood four chairs—under the looking glass was a shining antique table, with a big Bible and an almanac on it—and a pair of cold, glittering brass andirons flanked the fireplace. The Deacon had a hobbit above his door of bright brass candle-sticks with a pair of snuffers between them, and was, all, The Deacon liked to—was plain and simple—no nonsense about it—everything for use and nothing for show, he used to say. He was a plain man, right and looks present, and when the was wrong, so he the wanted something, and then rung to the good old yankee proverb,

"Pray-tinty hers all my—
Let be—forbid things
Of counterfeit-nine
Within this heart of mine."

The extract design in which this columbine minum had been brought had been the gift of those of a girl of fifteen or fifteen years, when beauty had struck to her heart, when she was young and had thought of the right to be loving etc—but nothing herself in time, she had resolutely shut her eyes to the above, and had spent the money profitably in buying her sugar.

For it is to be remarked that the Deacon was a man of good, and grateful sense on the business of his office's table. For one man knew how to make a pound of butter—and the country bread, golden butter, clear preserves and jellies, were themes of admiration at all the tea tables in town. The Deacon had a mind to live easte in a round room for a hour then, and would now and then bring in a friend to dinner, and then, the table was well dressed. These were exceptions, he said—one must stretch a point for the comfort of a friend.

The Deacon must not be mistaken for a miserly man, or a miserable husband. He has grinded pret his wife's flower patch into his cornfield, he thought he had done her a service by saying, "he did not approve of the things that took time and made trouble, and were of no use; and she, dear soul, was a hard working woman, and should make her hand enough to let him know she had one. He brought home a new bonnet, and she was delighted, knowing nothing or that making at these times the had been want to give to her dollars, and, when she was sick, he was kind to her, and, when she was poorly, he was good to her, and, when she was crabbed, he was patient with her, and, when she was crabbed, he was patient with her, and, when she was crabbed, he was patient with

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"Right On!"

B. CATLIN, Editor & Publisher.

ERIE, PA.

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THE RIGHT OF THE NORTHWEST TO THE SENATORSHIP.

In choosing a successor to Wm. Bigler in the U. S. Senate, we think the Keystone will consider the claims the north western part of the State have, in reference to its locality.

This point would be of small importance had not the Senatorial representation, hitherto, been so much greater situated distant to other parts of the State. Since the organization of the Federal government there have been 23 senatorial terms, and during all that time the entire West has been represented only by Gallatin and Shugerts from Fayette, Ayres from Butler, Lawrence from Beaver, and Ross, William and Marks from Allegheny, and in these few exceptions the extreme Eastern representation, the selections have been made from the Districts adjacent or near to "Philadelphia; thus giving the Senators coming from Allegheny county alone.

In view of the great political weight of north-western Pennsylvania, we think it would be neglect and injustice to her claims in the representation of the interests of the Commonwealth, is without a parallel.

In consideration of the campaign of 1860 where we indisputably held the balance of power, and where we have labored so earnestly, powerfully and efficiently in the Heaven-appointed work of restoring our Land Ministers and Statesmen from Democratic thralldom and miasma, we respectfully and earnestly submit that our claims for a just recognition in the allotment of high official positions ought not to be under estimated or disregarded. If, then, we are absolutely entitled, on the ground of locality, to this Senatorship; and if, at the same time, we unduly present a candidate who, as a candidate, is confessedly second to none in the State, it is certain that there must be a full concurrence of public sentiment in our favor. The point is a fair one and we warm it. In, but as we are not, it seems to us impossible.

Of Mr. Walker's eminent fitness for a seat in the Senate, it seems futile for us again to speak. He is no less a public man than a private citizen. His biography is engraved on the public records and the journals of legislation. As a lawyer, he is firm clear; as a philosopher, he has the rare faculty of being guided by experience; as a debater, he is argumentative, candid and forcible; as a politician, he will be faithful to his party so long as his party is faithful to principle; as a Pennsylvanian, he is jealous and watchful of the Commonwealth, his great and peculiar interests; as a Man, he is independent, fearless, magnanimous and true. He has a distinct, well-defined, and, we believe, sound opinion on the question of great political and social importance, and he, unflinchingly, maintains them, but he does not, we believe, pretend to accord with popular tests but because they are the legitimate offspring of the Constitution, the right and bread construction. Such is Jesse H. Walker of Erie.

Legislators, a word in confession of this matter. One week from to-day you will reach the limit of choosing from among the good men with which our State, is so full, one to be associated in conjunction with their true Senator, Simon Cameron, in representing the interests of Pennsylvania in the Senate of the United States Federal Congress. The duty is one of great moment, and involves great responsibilities. You will undertake it not wisely, but considerately in the discharge of your trust—Many of the candidates, have written to us, inform you are worthy and honorable men. Whether your choice shall fall upon Walker or Curvin, Mitchell or McCleur, Bonham or Pollock, Beaver or McClure, you will have selected a man of whom the people will not be ashamed. Some of the above named gentlemen, and would honor their, love on the floor of the U. S. Senate. But we must repeat fully and earnestly, that the Ex. Mr. Walker while fully equal to any of his competitors, on the score of moral worth, mental capacity, experience in party, legislation efficiency and fidelity to cardinal Republican tenets, has great and unequivocal claims on the score of locality. Concerning the former premise, we ask you to give due consideration to the letter. This being, we believe the result, in correctness, to your direction and integrity.

☞ The Abbeville Sentinel has the following in relation to Buchanan and his Fast.

The miserable old dissolute, to use a classic term, who is President of President, has appointed a day of humiliation and fasting, in view of the British conflict in the Southern States. He has ruined the country, caused the treasure, forced traitors, and supplied to the traitors the means of success against the country, and refused to lift a hand for the defence of the nationality till things are past praying for, when he coolly wipes his old hypocritical mouth, and appoints a day of humiliation and prayer! Such prayers are an abomination, and such fasts to be avoided as of direst curse. We hope to notice will be taken of the Proclamation. All good men will pray out any for the country, without being told to, by the rich traitor himself.

ASTOUNDING ROBBERY AT WASHINGTON.

Intense excitement was created in Washington on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 22nd, 23rd, by the capture of an immense robbery in the Indian Bureau of the Interior Department, by one of the clerks named Godard Huber, formerly of Alabama, but now of South Carolina. The robbery consisted in stealing from the safe of the department, State stocks and bonds, held as the fund for paying annuities to Indian tribes, and the value is stated to be $870,000. There are various rumors concerning the method and circumstances attending this immense robbery. But by "hook or crook" the thief was amazing in all to some three million. It is stated that he took them away to be pledged for money, and failing to valuate accomplices, the chief of whom is a New York broker; that the crime has been in progress of partial consummation for some months, and that on account of the panic the New York broker failed, and was therefore unable to dispose of the bonds. Rumors also implicate various persons in Washington, New York and other cities, in the robbery including even a Cabinet officer. The police are said to be on the track of the respected parties.

The first information of the robbery was given by Bailey Sheriff in a letter to Secretary Thompson, dated Nashville, Dec. 22, which was absent on his illegitimate mission to the South. The Secretary hastened his return to Washington, arriving at 11 P. M. on Saturday, and immediately with other government officers instituted a search, and at 2 o'clock on Sunday arrest of last accused, but he will probably betaken and make a full confession.

Whether this robbery has any connection with the political movements of the crisis, we know not. But, if it should prove so, it is another item in the heavy list of frauds to be charged to the laxity, humanity and treachery of the Buchanan Administration. Godard Bailey, the defaulting clerk, was a special favorite of Secretary Thompson, and was in his office on some common pretext. Thompson acknowledged unsuccessfully at the beginning of the investigation, that Bailey was appointed by government as Commissioner of Indian Affairs. He is a well appearing young man, a native of Alabama, and, in one of the Department clerks who has given evidence of their determination not to see or hear anything, if it be to the detriment of South. His style of living of late has excited notice, so extravagant for men of his salary.

Dallas and Major Russell, his accomplice, are now enjoying the pleasures of the Dutch Gap Canal. Officials are being made to practice half for Russell.

CONCESSION.

The Nashville (N.) Union has the following. It is a tolerable illustration of the absurdity of the Southern concession.

P. and W. cost or Main street the other day, just after a fresh coat of "Yankee paint." Some of the boys said to it:

"I have been studying hard to think what you have done to offend the South, more than we have already made. We have offered to compromise with you, and everything imaginable. We have granted all they have asked, and yet they still call us to make more promises, we have sent their preachers to lay down our rights, we have given them a slave bing—we have given them Abolitionist to preach to our people, and yet they still kick! I don't know what we could do for them that we have not done, unless we give them a slave."

"But I have thought of one more concession, and I think it will satisfy them, at least."

"And what is that?" anxiously demanded the boys.

"You observe the fact in this morning's paper, that they learned to make Minnie rifles in Massachusetts, and that the Mississippi river the other day?"

"Yes, sir."

"Well, I think we could consider the compromise—Don't you think we ought to make a concession to the South, and give vent to fraternal pacific feelings—furnish them the barrels?"

☞ Colonel Hickory, the editor of the Erie Gazette, is a good man, we can ask out Dog in paper, then needed:

"We go with the South. This line of cold water Republicans, who have so long controlled would cannot to go with the colder division. We go with the more northerly climate, and we go with the South, and we go for the Union, and we go for the Constitution, and we go for the Rights of the South, and we go for the Rights of the North, and we go for the Rights of the Union and

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Local, Literary and Miscellaneous.

ERIE, PA., TUESDAY, JAN. 1, 1861.

☞ Subscribers to Hall's Journal of Health received in this office, One Dollar a year. A good thing.

☞ The winter term of the Erie Academy will commence on Monday the 7th of January instead of the 3d, as heretofore announced.

☞ Dr. Hallock did not give his lecture last evening, owing to some misunderstanding in regard to a Hall. The lecture stands postponed.

☞ HALL, HALL! We enter upon a New Year today. May it be a happy year, and yet the last concer delivering present relation from past experience!

☞ A man named Wells has been arrested and committed to jail in this city, on suspicion of being guilty of the recent burglary at Erskine Corners.

☞ The man who was shot dead while attempting to escape from an insane asylum, has recovered. He was not a member of Congress as he would never have claimed.

☞ The Lakeshore Express has inaugurated a new mail car. The establishment has been sold to W. H. A. H. E. Clark, who will operate it on Three Rivers, Mich., and then establish a Republican paper.

☞ Our State Legislature convenes on the Capital today. Hence Hon. Thos. Ross, Representative of Erie County, left for the seat of legislation on Wednesday last.

☞ A young "duck," some days, is extremely unprovoked; it has been known to lie down upon an ice thin, slide on his hands, and so big-legged and stupid that it can't stop or even and is hooked upon by his dog duck as soon as any man.

☞ John D. Strunsbies, Esq., of Lebanon, will our sincere and hearty thanks for that editorial Christmas present he sent us. We appreciate these tangible evidences of kind remembrance daily. We say only that we hold country friends to reserve for any little favors they may bestow like generosities.

☞ *The Atlantic Monthly* for January is on hand. A periodical for which each man is Whitier, Lowell, Holmes, Longfellow, Emerson, Higginson are stated contributors, must be above a critic, yet we may say, in truthfulness, as exactly Satisfactory of "opinion" as the "Times" will insinuate, "yet we think it is a contemplated work." We say that it is contemplated to give a second similar entertainment during this month.

☞ Rev. Mr. Hutchison of our city has been lecturing and preaching in Warren. The *Mail* says of him:

The Rev. W. M. Hutchison, delivered his lecture on "The Study Proper for Gentlemen" in the Presbyterian church last night. The audience was approximating one, and all delighted with the feast, although the lecture was somewhat lengthy. Mr. Hutchison's style of composition follows carefully prepared manuscript to his hand, but wanders from it sufficiently to keep the thought unencumbered by the trammels of the manuscript. The lecture was a very creditable production, and quite a feast of good graduation. Some guess the speaker could be "taking" Beecher for another, but we think great temperament cause though, in his lecture he did not, as Beecher, lose himself in the "Sunday" Beecher, and the Baptist and Methodist Churches with great acceptance. The pulpit is eminently his natural element, where he is truly eloquent and entertaining.

☞ We, who get only shallow coughs into our toes with, their use and effects, have no right to lose sight of, contempt or indifference upon the poor, indolent subject, when the respectable gulf between our and our neighbors' effectuations, and his, renders it utterly impossible for us to make him see from the standpoint of his entire or actions. We never see any display of contempt or indifference towards the effects that we are not reminded of him, who, looking up to the mental heights from the throughout his own house, exclaimed, "Why, my house is just in the middle of the world!" Our humanity appear to be, to us, but as our spread, when our erring neighbor, for lack of a good, visiting, we are for a moment spread, and we social as our selves and others, so God sees, yet we might only be accepted but to be visited, we might be, by the afflicting be all of a common family.

☞ We invite special attention to the editorial department in today's paper, under the head of "Domestic Property for Sale." We have every knowledge we are able to say that the property is eminently desirable. It is located in the pleasantest, easiest and accessible town in Warren County, and in the finest of a place so early usual that it is called Sugar Grove. It is not to much to say that Sugar Grove is the land of Warren County, and of the State—a place

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PERSONS WANTING.

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ELIAS B. HEARTWELL, Pres't.

May 3, 1858.

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By order of the Building Committee.

Dec. 16, 1858. Secretary Board of Trustees.

LIVERY & SALE STABLE.—"2-46" The undersigned having purchased and fitted up the Stable in the rear of the Bridge House, Elmira, N. Y., is now prepared to furnish "Horses and Rigs" to the public, on the most reasonable terms. Horses will be kept at livery by the day or week, and will be sold, or exchanged, at the option of the owner. Horses will be taken to board, and carefully cared for, at the following rates: Single horse, 25 cents per day; Pair, 50 cents per day; Single horse, $1 per week; Pair, $2 per week. Horses will be taken to board by the month, at the following rates: Single horse, $4 per month; Pair, $8 per month