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can be given.

### A KISS AT THE DOOR.

BY AMINIDAB STIGGINS.

The clock struck ten: I seized my hat  
And bade good night to all,  
Except the lass I courted, who  
Came with me through the hall.

She stood within the portal,  
And I gazed upon her charms,  
And, oh! I longed that moment  
To clasp her in my arms.

She spoke about the moon and stars,  
How dear and bright they shone;  
I said I thought the crops would fail,  
Unless we had rain soon.

Then I edged a little closer,  
Put my arms around her waist,  
And gazed upon those rosy lips,  
I longed so much to taste.

Said I, "my dearest Suzy,  
I'll never rest contented—  
If I leave to-night without a kiss,  
I'll surely grow demented."

Then up she turned her rosy mouth,  
And everything was handy;  
Quick from her lips I seized a kiss—  
Oh, Yankee Doodle Dandy!

Then off for home I started,  
I could no longer stay;  
With a light heart and breeches thir,  
I whistled all the way.

Hence learn this truth, ye bashful youths,  
Who seek for wedded bliss,  
No lass will love until you move  
Her feelings with a kiss.

Sleep falls sweetly upon the virtuous.  
The young man who flew into a passion  
has had his wings clipped.

In what ship have the greatest number  
of men been wrecked?—Courtship!

Lightning rods take the mischief out of  
the clouds—en-lightening rods take it out  
of bad boys.

The young widow who lately recovered  
heavy damages from a rich gentleman  
who hugged her some what rudely,  
should take good care of her money, for  
she made it by tight squeeze.'

RICHES.—There is, too often, a burden  
of care in getting them, a burden of anxiety  
in keeping them, a burden of temptation  
in using them, a burden of guilt in  
abusing them, a burden of sorrow in losing  
them, a burden of account at last to be  
given up for possessing and either improving  
or misimproving them.

ANOTHER COINCIDENCE.—A correspondent of the Wheeling Intelligencer,  
brings to mind a fact that on the 4th of August 1492, Columbus bade adieu to  
the shores of the Old World to search for continent in the western hemisphere,  
and remarks the coincidence that on the 4th of August 1858, the continent discovered  
by Columbus, was united with the Old World by a telegraphic cable.

Governor Corwin seems bent on mischievous, or at least to annoy seriously the  
"rugged issue," branch of his supporters. In his speech accepting the nomination, he contradicts the assertions of slavery  
encroached upon the North, which is constantly made in the Black Republican  
Journals. He says:

If the North only exercised the confidence which belonged to power magnanimity which belonged to conquest, there would be no danger to the country. For, notwithstanding all that we had heard of the encroachments upon the North, freedom had encroached upon slavery. After that great barrier between freedom and slavery had been broken down, freedom had rushed in and taken possession of a portion of the Louisiana Purchase. So it would always be with freedom and slavery.

### THE POOR PRINTER.

A True Tale.

BY CAPT. HAWKESLEY.

"No, sir, I was raised in Virginia, and resided there till shortly after my marriage," she answered.

"Did you not at one time reside in the village of M—?"

"I resided there several years, said the lady, as she scrutinized the features of the lawyer.

"I suppose you were acquainted with the citizens generally, were you not?"

"Yes, I was partially acquainted with most of the inhabitants," said she.

"Were you acquainted with a young man by the name of W—, who published a paper there?"

"I was very well acquainted with him, as we were engaged to be married, but upon the intercession of my mother, and some others, it did not take place."

"Of course I will, uncle, for I always like to hear of printers."

The judge seemed wrapped in study for some moments, and then began:

"I once knew a young man," said he, "who lived in a little town in the western part of Virginia. He was of respectable family, but not very wealthy, and the youth, for a youth he was at the time our narrative commences, expressed a desire to learn the printing business. His parents having no objections to it, he entered an office in the town of W—, which was carried on by a young man of the name of M—. He continued in the office some two years, at the expiration of which time the office was sold out to another firm. The former proprietors of the establishment immediately purchased another office in the interior of the State, and the young man, wishing to finish his trade with those he had commenced with, immediately left home and joined his old employers. Time rolled on, and his apprenticeship was finished, when he returned home. There he meets his old friends and former associates, and particularly a young lady to whom he was very much attached. His visits were very often, and in less than a year they were engaged to be married."

"He succeeded in getting the divorce for her, and they passed many happy hours together, but they were not numerous, for the next spring she fell a victim to that terrible disease, yellow fever. The lawyer ever proving a friend, took the young boy and adopted him as his own; as he was never married, he had none."

"I have finished this story, all but one thing," said the judge.

"What is that?" asked his niece.

"It is simply this, that the printer of whom I have been speaking, is none other than your uncle. It is myself that was the hero of this story, and the child I spoke of, you know, he is in my office, and bids fair to become a good lawyer."

"This a very nice story, uncle."

"Yes, dear, it is you can profit by. Do not treat a person coldly because they happen to be a mechanic, least in the end he should turn out to be greater than you."

"Pettit's Position.

We are permitted to publish the following extract from a private letter, which shows the course Pettit is taking on the stump.—*Huntington Dem.*

NOBLESVILLE, Aug. 16, 1858.

"Pettit was in this County last Saturday and spoke in this place and Westfield. He took strong ground in favor of the Philadelphia Platform, and consequently pleased the Abolitionists very well. He also charged the Democratic party with intending to bring forward the Lecompton Constitution next winter, and admitted Kansas under it, notwithstanding the people have rejected it. What arrant humbuggy! He also contended that there was no difference between the last Republican State Platform and the one adopted at Philadelphia. This was news to some of our Republicans—the

"Years rolled on and we find the young printer a successful lawyer, residing in the city of New Orleans. He had there gained a name that will ever stand, not only as being an influential member of the bar, but a respectable and honored citizen of the 'Crescent City.'

"As the young lawyer was sitting in his office one afternoon, reading, he was interrupted by a gentle rap at the door. The lawyer answered the knock with his pleasant 'come in.' The door opened, and the figure of a female entered. She seemed about thirty years of age; she had been one of the most handsome of her sex, although time had cast its shadow over the freshness of her features.

"Are you not a lawyer?" she inquired, in a sweet musical voice.

"I have the honor to belong to that profession," replied he.

"I have a case I would be happy to have you attend to, if you will do so, she added, blushing.

"What is the tenor of it?"

"It is a divorce case. My husband, shortly after our marriage, took to drinking very hard, and having squandered his means, has now abandoned me altogether, and I am forced to take in sewing to support myself and child."

"I will do what I can for you, madam, and I think there will be no difficulty in obtaining one."

"The lady gave him her name as Mrs. Young, and said she was boarding with a friend at number—Chestnut street, and then left the office.

"After she had gone, the thought occurred to him that he had seen the face before, and the more he thought of it, the more he was convinced that such was the case, and to satisfy his curiosity, he resolved to visit her the following day.

The next afternoon he called at—Chestnut street, and there found the person he was in search of, sitting in a nicely furnished apartment, with a sweet, rosy-cheeked boy by her.

"After talking on the different topics of the day, he ventured to ask her if she was a native of the State.

An editor in Iowa has been fined two hundred dollars for hugging a young girl in church.—*Daily Argus.*

Cheap enough! We once hugged a girl in church, some ten years ago, and the scrape has cost us a thousand a year ever since.—*Chicago American.*

When you go to drown yourself, always put off your cloths, they may fit your wife's second husband.

### Foreign News by the Cable.

TRINITY BAY, Aug. 25.

The following news has just been received from Valentia, and from its general interest, I forward it to the press for publication.

Signed, DE SAUNTY.

VALENTIA, Aug. 25.—Later and highly important intelligence has been received from China. A treaty of peace has been concluded with China, by which England and France obtain all their demands, including the establishment of Embassies at Pekin, and Indemnifications or the expense of the war.

LATER.—Indian news is at hand. The dates from Bombay are to July 19th.—The accounts represent the mutiny was being rapidly quelled.

To-day London papers have a long and interesting report, by Mr. Bright, the Atlantic Telegraph Companies English.

The R. M. Steamship Asia, with the mails for Halifax and Boston, is to be despatched from Liverpool on Saturday next.

The above despatch was received at Trinity Bay at about 9 o'clock last night, and would have been here in ample time for publication in the morning papers, had the lines in Nova Scotia not closed at 9 o'clock.

We understand, that after the Cable is opened for business, all the land lines will remain open night and day, and the speed of laying of a cable from Placentia Bay, N. F., to Sidney, N. S., or Portland. We will obviate much of the delay and uncertainty to transact business between New York and Trinity Bay.

Signed, REPORTER.

LONDON, ENGLAND, Aug. 27.—The Emperor of France returned to Paris on Saturday.

The King of Prussia was too ill to visit Queen Victoria at Potsdam.

Her Majesty will return to England on the 30th of August.

The news of the settlement of the Chinese question was received at St. Petersburg on the 21st inst. Under the terms of the Treaty of Peace the Chinese Empire is open to the trade of all foreign powers. The Christian religion is allowed in all parts of the country. Foreign diplomatic agents are admitted, and ample indemnity is to be given England and France.

It was amusing to see the peculiar expression of the editor, as he followed the farmer down to the wagon. I could hardly keep my risibles down.

When at the wagon, the farmer commenced handing over to the editor the products of the hen, which, on being counted, amounted to eighteen pullets, worth a shilling each, and a number of dozen eggs, making, in the aggregate, at the least calculation, \$2.50—more than the price of the paper.

"No need," said he, "of men not taking a family newspaper, and paying for it too. I don't miss this from my roost, yet I have paid for a year's subscription, and over. All folly, sir; there is no man, but can take a newspaper; it's charity, you know, commences at home."

"But," resumed the editor, "I will pay for what is over the subscription. I did not intend this as a means of profit, but rather to convince you. I will pay for—

"Not a bit of it, sir; a bargain is a bargain, and I am already paid, sir, sir—doubtfully paid, sir. And whenever a neighbor makes the complaint I did, I will relate to him the hen story. Good day, gentleman."

A Good ANSWER.—The lady who is the heroine of the following anecdote was a countess de Rechteren of whom the Duke de Lauzun became enamored at Spa in 1737: "She was," says Madame de Genlis, "a young Spanish lady, uniting beauty and great wit with much simplicity of manner, and married to a man who might have been her father, but whom she truly loved. As it was very difficult to approach her, the duke took up his stand behind her, among the gentlemen who had the courtesy to wait upon the ladies, and one morning, at breakfast, made her, in a low, rapid tone, a very open and explicit declaration of love.—Madame de Rechteren heard him out very quietly and then replied: 'Monsieur le Duc, I understand French but indifferently; mon ami, (she designated her husband thus) is much better versed in it, however, and if you will repeat to him all the pretty things you have just said, he will explain them to me clearly.'

EMPLOYMENT.—Daniel Webster well says:

I say it is employment that makes people happy. This great truth ought never to be forgotten, it ought to be placed upon the title page of every book on political economy intended for America, and such countries as America. It ought to head the columns of every farmer's magazine and mechanic's magazine. It should be proclaimed everywhere,—notwithstanding the usefulness of cheap food— notwithstanding that the great truth should be proclaimed should be made into a proverb, if it could, that where there is work for hands of men there will be work for their teeth. Where there is employment there will be bread; and in a country like our own, above all others will this truth hold good; in a country like ours where with a great deal of spirit and activity among the masses, if they can find employment, there is great willingness for labor. If they can obtain a fair compensation for their labor, they will have good houses, good clothing good food, and the means of educating their children from their labor; that labor will be cheerful, and they will be a contented and happy people.

The mission of the Democratic party is to administer the Government so as to compel obedience to the will of the people at home and to cause it to be respected abroad. The factions who dispute its supremacy, limits their patriotism and statesmanship to a corrupt and unprincipled combination, to the control the patronage of the Government. It is the partnership of Bifield and Black George. They are simply preachers.—*Cin. Eng.*

Yours, &c., M.

Method of DETECTING DECAY in TIMBER.—We learn from the *Cosmos* that a simple method has been adopted in the shipyards of Venice, from time immemorial for testing the soundness of the timber. A person applies his ear to the middle of one of the ends of the timber, while another strikes upon the opposite end. If the wood is sound and of good quality, the blow is very distinctly heard however long the beam may be. If the wood was disengaged by decay or otherwise, the sound would be for the most part destroyed.

At Quebec, there is an exhibition of a human child which has four legs, two bodies and three arms. Apart from the small extra or twin body and limbs proceeding from it, and which is connection with the child from above the right hip, the infant is well formed, and has, besides, a most pleasant face. It is seven weeks old.

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