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## FRIENDSHIP.

We have been friends together,  
In sunshine and in shade;  
Since first beneath the chestnut trees  
In infancy we played.  
But coldness awls within thy heart,  
A clog is on thy brow;  
We have been friends together—  
Shall a slight word part us now?  
We have been friends together;  
We have laughed at little jests,  
For the fount of hope was gushing  
Warm and joyous in our breasts.  
But laughter now hath fled thy lip,  
And sultry glooms thy brow;  
We have been gay together—  
Shall a slight word part us now?  
We have been sad together;  
We have wept with bitter tears,  
Over grass grown graves, where slumbered  
The hopes of early years.  
The voices which were silent there  
Would bid the clear thy brows;  
We have been sad together—  
Did what shall part us now?

## HART RENDING MURDERS.

CINCINNATI OCTOBER, 12.

It becomes our painful duty to record three of the most horrible and soul-sickening murders we have ever known to blacken the annals of wickedness and crime.

On Saturday morning last, about nine o'clock, a man by the name of JOHN COWAN, a cabinet-maker, by trade, residing on Walnut street, near Columbia, in this city, butchered his wife and two children, in the most shocking manner, with an axe, and, (so far as we have been able to learn,) with the most fiendish and deliberate purpose. His wife had just returned from market, when some alteration occurring between them concerning some change, he assailed her with a broad axe, (which it is believed he had previously taken home for the purpose,) and inflicted upon her arms, face and head, numerous cruel and fatal gashes, of which she survived only about an hour. She was also stabbed with a knife in the body in several places. Finding he had accomplished the destruction of his wife, he turned upon his two little children, one about five, and the other about two years of age, and with the same desperate weapons, despatched the little innocents with the most ferocious cruelty, cutting their necks and heads, both before and behind, in the most appalling manner. The heads of both the children, were nearly severed from their bodies. A few moments after these tragical occurrences, we were on the spot and witnessed the horrible scene; and O! God! how can we portray the emotions which thrilled through every fibre of our heart! Words are totally inadequate to picture the harrowing horrors. The three victims lay stretched upon the floor, gashed, mangled, and weltering in their blood—the wife not yet quite dead, and breathing with convulsive agony! Our soul grows sick in the sanguinary recital, and we forbear.

There was another family which occupied the room above, all females, who heard the massacre going on, but dare not venture below. At length the shrieks of the sufferers, brought some of the neighbors to the spot, and as one of them forced open the window in front, (the door being fastened,) the murderer made his escape through the back door. As the neighbor entered the house, the wife had barely power to articulate that the atrocities were committed by her husband.

"It was he," was her dying remark. The excitement which immediately ensued among the citizens, may easily be imagined, and hundreds were flying in every direction in pursuit of the fugitive. For an hour he succeeded in evading detection, but was at length overtaken walking leisurely, on the river road, about two miles below the city. He was arrested by Mr. John McCarty and Mr. S. Lippencott, who deserve great credit for their promptness and energy. They had, however, scarcely caught hold of him, before messengers from Madison and Brooks, and several other determined offices and citizens, were also on the ground. He at first made a show of resistance, by pulling from his pocket a dirk knife,

but being instantly caught by the collar by Mr. McCarty, and a club raised over his head by Mr. Lippencott, he immediately handed the knife, unopened to the latter gentleman. He had also a razor in his pocket, which he likewise gave up.

He was then tied and placed on a horse behind one of the constables, and escorted to town by a large concourse of citizens, who by this time had joined the pursuing party. As he was conducted through the streets to the jail, (where he was lodged,) numerous citizens were clamorous to have him instantly put to death, or Lynched; but better counsel prevailed, and our city yet preserves its character for order and a due observance to the laws. The excitement, however, was nevertheless intensely great, and we understand that nearly a thousand persons at one time had collected about the jail.

Immediately on being arrested, he voluntarily observed, "I committed the deed, but I had just cause!" We are told, that he alleges his wife to have been false to him, and that after he had murdered her, he slew his children to save them from the reproach of the crime.

We understand, however, that he has long treated his wife and family with great cruelty, and has repeatedly before threatened her with death. She is represented as having been a very industrious and deserving woman, and the chief stay and support of the family. On the other hand, he is represented as being a malignant, quarrelsome and desperate wretch. He still justifies the deed!—*Whig.*

*Bank arrogance and dishonesty.*—We see it stated in the Albany Evening Journal, on the authority of the N. York Evening post, that all but five of the New York city banks have resolved to disregard the law of the last session of the legislature, requiring them to publish their unclaimed dividends and deposits. If this be so, we cannot but consider it very disreputable in the banks. If a person finds a sum of money, or a piece of property of any kind, which has been lost, belonging to another, it is the settled decision of morality that common honesty requires he should return it to the right owner, or at least notify him where it can be had. The case of dividends and deposits unclaimed, is quite as strong, to say the least; and the board of directors, or any officers of a bank, who should refuse to let the rightful owner know that they had in their possession property of his, which he was not aware of, and thus seek to derive a pecuniary profit from a concealment of the fact, would, in our opinion, be guilty of a very vile piece of knavery—so vile that we cannot but think there must be, if all the facts were disclosed, some circumstances to qualify the case as above stated.

We trust, for the reputation of the banks concerned, that there are such circumstances, but whether there are, or not, to illustrate the refusal, or omission, of a bank to publish the unclaimed deposits, or dividends, in its possession, we will mention a case, as we understood it at the time, and which came to light, during the last session of the Legislature, in consequence of the very law in question. The case was this: The brave and patriotic gen. Pike, a little before he met his death, at York in upper Canada, made a deposit in one of the Albany banks to his own credit. He was killed in battle, and left his widow in very strong impression on his mind by this pleasing view of the extensive, level and fertile country which surrounds Louisville, he would put forward on the Vincennes trace, through a country high, broken and hilly—passing thro' much of the rich lands of Kentucky and its garden spot, Beargrass, as he approached Louisville. 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