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> THE BEST ESTATE. BY CHARLES SWAIN.

The Heart it has its own estate-The Mind it hath its wealth untold : It needs not fortune to be great,

While there's a coin surpassing gold.

No matter which way fortune leans, Wealth makes not happiness scoure ; A little mind has little means-

A narrow heart is always poor.

Stem Fate the greatest still enthrals, And Misery hath its high compects ; For Sorrow enters palace halls,

And queens are not exempt from tears. The princely robe and beggar's cout.

The scythe and sword, the plame and plough, Are in the grave of equal note-Mea liceCut in the eternal "Now !"

Still disappointment tracks the proud, The bravest beath defeat may fall ;

The high, the rich, the courtly crowd Find there's calamity for all. Tis not the house that honor makes-

True honor is a thing divine ; It is the mind precedence takes-

It is the spirit makes the shrine ! So keep thou yet a generous licart, A steadfast and contented mind :

And not till death consent to part With that, which friend to friend doth bind. What's uttered from the life within

Is heard not by the life without ; There's always something to begin "Twist life in fuith and life in doubt.

But grasp thou Truth-though black appears The rugged path her steps have trod She'll be thy friend in other spheres; Companion in the world of God.

Difficulties in Kausas.

[Telegraph to the St. Louis Evening News.] JEFFERSON CITY, Nov. 20, 1855. The Inquirer this morning publishes disOregon Argus

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the law. The "Law and order people of the Ter ritory," which means the Pro-Slavery men. are rallying to the aid of Jones, who hasout to Shawnen Mission for a wagon-load of ammunition, and for caupon. Jones has Lawrence, and will proched to execute it, we presume, as soon as he is satisfied of the sufficiency of his force to the task. Then

the conflict will come, unless modernty counsels and reason prevail, and we may have to chronicle the slaughter of American citizens by those who should be their brothers. The people of Lawrence refuse Coleman.

of Leavenworth and other towns are going uable lives will be lost. to Lawrence to side with the prople of that place, in the fight. The sky at the West looks lurid, and we tremble every moment lest we may hear the clush of resounding arms and s e the smoke of civil strife curling over the fresh fields of Kansas .- St. Louis Evening News. Dec. 1st.

Secret Slavery Society in Missourt. [From the St. Louis In elligencer.]

It has long Leen known that a secret League is in existence in Missouri, the sworn purpose of which is to plant Slavery in Kansas. It was formed long before any one ever heard of the Free State Lengue, which was lately exposed in the West, and resulted in the death of Laughlin, one of the leaders of the Free State League.-Both these Leagues were wrong in spirit, but the Miscouri League the less d. f. nsible, because it was formed to operate in territory foreign to our own soil.

A despatch sent from St. Louis to the Louisville Courier, in regard to the Kansas "Civil War," lets out a little more than had been allowed to come out here. It reads thus in the Courier :

"THE VERY LATEST. "The Excitement Increasing-Missourians going to Kansas by Hundreds. WESTON, Mo., Nov. 30-p. m.

The greatest excitement continues to ex-

A secret letter from Secretary Woodson

ed to be well prepared to resist and defa | better men in Lawrence say they are willing | the assistance of the officers. o give up all concerned in the affair, if the legally authorized persons seek it ; other- one feature of this case only. We shall atwise they will resist to desperation. Gov, tempt no surmise as to the full truth of the Shannon, in re-pouse said : "Why not deliver them to the Sheriff or to the United States Marshal, who has already demanded sides to a story ; and one will do very well. a warrant for the arrest of forty-two men at them !" Trouble will no doubt result from till the other comes. it, as much excitement exists on both sider. A meeting is now being held in Kan-as to see if some measures cannot be adopted to terminate the matter pend-ably if possi- lence and bloodshed that have just dis-

ble, but foreithy if necessary. On Saturday, Gov. Shannon applied to President Pierce, by telegraph, for assistance from the United States troops at Fts. to deliver up the offenders, defy the law, Riley and Leavenworth ; and, until such and declare that they will hang Jones and aid is granted, nothing will be done, usless ou is this : The first news of the affair that the excitement of the parties concerned will As we said vesterday, the Free State men bring on the crisis before. If so, many val- Levislature is in session, was by a despatch

The Very Latest-+Lane Bids Deflance !

INDEPENDENCE, Dec. 3-p. m. There is great excitement all through this country, and overwhelming numbers friends are pouring from every direction in the Territory to sustain the laws.

Gen. Lane is entrenching himself and throwing up breastworks He is also burning beacon lights, which can be seen twenty-fi e niles from Lawrence, and bids definter.

Second Dispatch.

Sr. Louis, Welnesday, Dec. 5, 1855. The Kansas Free-State papers give the allowing account of the difficulties in the

Now, we have a few remarks to offer on story as it comes to us. There are, however, it is well to remember, always two

But we will take it for granted, for the present, that we have reevixed the full, and, veracious account of the origin of the viogeneed the soil of Kensas, and that will. from the poculiar state of the public feeling

at this time, sead a thrill of appreh asion and horror throughout the country. The feature of the case that we wish to comment reached Jefferson City, where the Missouri from Mr. Boone, a citizen of Jackson County, Missouri, to Mr. McCarty, a member of the Missouri Legislature. That dis

patch contained this sentence : "We want help. Communicate this to the

Now, in the devil's name, who is it that wants help !" And what do they want that "help" for & Do the citizens of Missouri want "help ?" Who or what is putting the citizens of Missouri in peril so great that the legislators and "the friends" at Jefferson must "help."

Is it not the Government of Kansas that wants help f If so, let them call on Presideut Pierce for assistance. Kansas is un-Territory : A young man named Dow, 22 Missouri has no daty to perform in the pre- and injured in their property by the failure years of age, while at a blacksmith-shop miacs. If the National Government can- of certain States to comply with the terms where several border ruffians had congrega not take care of its own pets and appointees, of the Fugitive Slave law, provides that ted, was deliberately shot by one Coleman. its Reeders and Wilson Shannons, why let whenever a slave shall escape from fervice. An attempt was made to arrest the murde- Pierce resign and a new Government come or be carried into another State, and upon rer, but through the assistance of his abet- in. The people of Missouri are not the ones demand being made for the rendition of tors he escaped to Missouri. A meeting of to be called on to back up the miserable po- such slave upon the Governor of said State citizens held on the spot where the affair oc- litical puppets that Frank Pierce shall send by the owner of said fugitive, his agent or curred to inquire into the case, pronounced out from the Eastern States to play the attorney, in fact, the slave shall not have the act a cold-blooded murder on the part fool and introduce bloodshed and anarchy been delivered up at the expiration of the of Coleman, and charged four men, named in Kansas. If the poor imbecile of the thirty days next following the making of Hagus, Bulkley, Moody, and Wagner with White House had po-sessed the good sense such demand (said demand to contain a debeing accessories. A series of resolutions or the justice to put over Kansas, at the be- scription of the slave and his estimated valwas passed, and a Committee appointed to ginning, a Western man of high character, ue certified to on outh) then each and every investigate still further, to search out the courage and experience, there never would citizen and body corporate of said State, to ist in Kan as. The officers have been re-sisted by the moberats, and the interposi-tion of the militua has been called for.

at whose house Dow lived, for the purpose State. But, instead of that, we had Reeder to the lowner of such slave to the full to Gen. Eastin has been written, in which of having him give security to keep the and his Free Soilism, then Shannon and amount of said slave's value. the writer r quests Gen. E to call for the peace, but while proceeding to Lecompton, his Pro Slaveryism-all wretched, time-Riffe Company at Platte City, Mo., so as Bronson was rescued by a party of his serving place-seeking demagogues, who happening of these contingencies, and upon neighbors. Jones sent to Pawnee, Missouri, have played out their reckless games for the non-appearance of the fugitive within political aggrandizement and drawn upon the time specified, the owner may appear whom he had left a young and blooming for aid, declaring that the Governor of Missouri had assured him the assistance of poor Kaisas the curse of lawlessness and blued!

tained permission to publish the following dispatches :

SUBSCRIPTION. Pive Bollars a Year.

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WESTPORT, (Mo.) Dec. 1, 1855. I desire authority to call on the United States forces at Leavenworth to preserve States to count of this Territory, to protect the for manufactured goods as are the citizens of Sheriff of Douglas County, and enable him that State dependent upon Georgia for the If the laws are not executed, civil war is inevitable. An armed force of 1,000 men. with all the implements of war, it is said, any law which would render uncertain the are at Lawrence. They have rescued a prisoner from the Sheriff, burned houses. and threatened the lives of citizens. Im mediate assistance is desired. This is the only means to save bloodshed. Partienlars the two Suites, and this destruction would

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3, 1855. the receipt of your letter the preliminary

IMPORTANT FROM GEORGIA. Acasures of Relatiation against the North --Heizure of Northern Property for Fu-gitive Siaves. [From the Columbia Times]

GEORGIA RETALIATORY SCHEME .--- A bill entitled "A bill to provide for garnishment in certain cases, and for other purposes," and intended as a measure of retaliation on abolition States, has just been introduced into the Georgia House of Representatives. The bill, after premising that the citizens of der the care of the Fed ral Government, the State of Georgia have been wronged

by one nation at war or about to engage in war with another nation, for the ostensible purpose of crippling the commerce and curtailing the resources of that nation .-They do quite as much harm to those whom they are intended to benefit, as to those whom they are designed to injure .--They have a reflex influence equal to their direct influence, if not greater.

It may be assumed that the trade, in which the citizens of Georgia became the debtors of citizens of the non-slaveholding States, is quite as important to the former as the latter. The people of Georgia, in the present state of commercial intercourse, are just as dependent upon Massachusetts raw material of cotton. In this state of mutual dependence, it were fully to enact a collection of debts due by citizens of one State to citizens of the other. The effect would be to destroy all commerce between injure the citizens of Georgia as much as it.

would injure those of Massachusette. At any rate, there would be no debts allowed. All the commerce would be based upon the cash principle. There would be no oredit, for there would be no means of compelling measures necessary to be taken before call-ing out troops will be promptly executed, and you will then be fully advised. FRANKLIN PIERCE. operate. It is needless to add that in such an event the people of Georgia will suffer as much detriment as the people of Massachusetterniti and appart after Manual a

A Unshand and Father Turned ap after Tuirty Years' Absence.

We have head the particulars of one of these strange episodes in life in which the old adage of "truth is stranger than fetion," was fully illustrated. About six years since, a lady named Mrs. Martha Wood, accompanied by her son, his wife, and a couple of children, arrived in this city from New Bedford, Mass. She stated that she was a widow of twenty-four years' standing, her husband having been mate of a whaler, which had been lost at sea. The family have resided for the greater part of the time on Liberty st., Mr. Wood, the son, working at his trade, which is that of a cooper. Yesterday morning, a gray headed and toil-worn man called at the residence of the family, and seeing Mr. Wood, inquired for the widow, who, being called into the room; while gazing intently at the stranger, whose eyes were fixed mournfully upon her. requested to know his business. The tale is soon told. The ship in which he had made his last voyage from New Bedford was cast away in the South Sea Islands, and he was one of the few who escaped a watery grave. After enduring almost unheard of privations, he succeeded, after thirty years' absence, in reaching his native city, From a brother of his wife he learned their present location, and arrived to find her bride, far advanced in the evening of life ; while the infant upon whose lips when last he saw him he had imprinted a father's kiss, and who could then scarcely lisp his name. was now a stalwart man and the head of a family. How many hopes and fears must have agitated the old mariner as he again set foot, after his long pilgrimage, upon his native soil .- Cincinnati Enquirer, Nov. 2. RESIGNATION OF THE UNITED STATES SECRETARY OF LEGATION AT LONDON .- Mr. Appleton of Maine, late United States Seoretary of Legation at London, has resigned. With the letters of recall sont by the Government to Mr. Buckanan, at that gentleman's request there was sent, we hear, an appointment for Mr. Appleton as United States Charge d'Affaires, ad interim, which that gentleman declined, preferring to return to the United States, where his private business demands his presence. He has thus elected not to pursue a diplomatic enreer. This election will be very generally regretted, for there is no more competent man in the country for the furtherance of our interest abroad than Mr. Appleton .-We have every reason to believe that his declension to remain abroad as a diplomatist after the return of Mr. Buchanan, has greatly disappointed the President and Secretary of State. We presume that Mr Buchanan will not leave London now, until his successor may be on the spot to relieve him .-Washington Star, Dec. 4.

mail. WILSON SHANNON. To his Excellency FRANKLIN PIERCE. by mail.

Your dispatch received. All the power ested in the Executive will be exerted to preserve order and enforce the laws. On

To WILSON SHANNON, Guy. K. T.

Kapsas. The substance is as follows : INDEPENDENCE, Nov. 29, 1855.

Near Hickory Point, on the Santa Fe road, three Abolitionists with Sharp's rifles K.T. St. Joseph and Weston, Mo., are re-Slavery man, and ordered him to leave or ho would be shot. He left for a short time, but returned well armed. He met with one of the three men, who renewed his threats and attempted to 'shoot Coleman, but his gun missed fire. Coleman then shot his assailant, who died immediately. Coleman gave himself up for trial: A mob of Ab elitionista, nrmed with Sharn's rifles, repaired to Coleman's house, driving his wife burned their houses.

compromise Gov, Shannon. Four hundred men from Jackson county Mo, are now en route for Doughas counte

went to the claim of Mr. Col-man, a Pro- quested each to furnish the same number of men. The people of Rausas are to be subjugated at all hazards."

We have just received reliable intelli gence from Kausas which increased the high excitement already existing here.-You have been apprised of the origin of the difficulty-that of the rescue of a prisoner and children off, burned his house, and or- in the hunds of the Sheriff by a party of dered other Pro-Slavery men to leave, and life en to twenty of the citizens of Law. rence and its vicinity, and the refusal to de-

Deputy Marshal Jones arrested the lead- liver any of the parties concerned in the er of the mob, and obtained the names of mob and outrages up to any officers of the twenty others, 'Jones is now at Lecompton Territory, unless it be the Governori of to with two prisoners and fifteen or twenty as- those of the General Government. This sistants. The Abolitionists are gathering determination is strengthened by the course ulad, at Lecompton, demanding the release of pursued by Gen. Lane, and also by the edtheir comrades and the surrender of-Cole- itor of the paper at Lawrence, and a few man. The Gov has issued a proclamation other men of similar stripe, who are contincalling the militia to the assistance of the ually making harangues to the populace, officers. Last night and this morning and urging them to make preparations for many persons from this city and county a fight. started to Lecompton for the purpose of On Saturday night Gan. Lane delivered placing their services at the disposal of the a speech of this character, which was re- house named Coleman, who is a Pro-Slavery A letter from one of the editors of ceived with the greatest demonstrations of man, and ordered him off. They were Gor. The Western Despatch, dated at Shawpee enthusiasm. Gov. Shannon, seeing such a Mission to-day, states that the writer has state of things existing, very properly or- to leave. He left for a short time, but re learned that a number of citizens are miss- dered out the militia of the Territory, who ing at Hickory Point, and that sixteen or did not respond very cordially to his wishes. more houses had been burned. The Gov, Many of the citizens of the Western borcalls on law-abiding citizens to suppress the der counties in Missouri, willing to aid in outbreak. Despatches from Weston and quelling the disturbance, offered their assis-St. Joseph last night state that large meet- tance, and are now in readiness to go to the ings of the citizens have been held, and scene of the difficulty at a moment's warning. Many have already gone from Lafavcompanies formed to go to Kansas. ette and the adjoining counties well prepar-

A despatch from Independence, dated ed for the emergency. Nor. 30, states that Jones, the Sheriff of The Governor's party, from 250 to 300 Douglas county, Kansas, and acting men, are at Franklin, a few miles distant, rested the leader of the mob, and obtained U.S. Deputy Marshal, is still at Lecomp- awaiting a greater force. equipped to aid in enforcing the laws and 1,000 men in Lawrence, organized and or twenty assistants. The Abolitionists are of the troops of the United States in the to recite some of those objections. suppressing the insurrectionary movements ready for resistance, an armed with sump a the release of their comrades and the surganzee and, and draming for action. They serves as rapidly as mey possibly of an we are going to get joily drank, for have five pieces of cannon, and are report. From another source we learn that the sued a proclamation calling the militia to exactly what has transpired, we have ob- bargo laws, which are sometimes resorted to nover drink more than they want."

Gen. Lane Leading the Mebels. [From the Lemisv Le Courier, December 4] INDEPENDENCE, Dec. 3, 1855.

10,000 men if required. Sr. Louis, Thursday, Dec. 6, 1855. The latest accounts from Kansas represent that eight hundred mon, armed with Sharpe's rifles, were assembled at Lawrence.

They declared that they were willing the sheriff should peaceably search for the osaped prisoners, and that they would not ommence hostilities, but would act on the defensive to the last. Pomeroy, who esaned from his captors, is now in Lawrence. It is said the Pro-Slavery party have three hundred men in Franklin and two hundred in Locompton and Douglas. If resistance is offered to the execution of the write, the sheriff d clares his intention to await the further orders of the Governor. It is thought a fight will ensue before the matter is set-

Outbreak in Kansas.

From the St. Louis Intelligencer, Dec. 1. It appears fron. our despatches that we are having a hot political stew in Kansaat last. The story, as it comes to us, is this That three Free Soilers went to a settler's armed, and gave the man only 10 minutes turned well armed. He met one of the three men, who renewed his threats and attempted to shoot Coleman, but his gun missed fire. Coleman then shot his assuilant, who died immediately. Coleman gave himself up for trial. A mob of Abolitionists, armed with Sharpe's rifles, repaired to Coleman's house, driving his wife and children off, burned his bouse, and ordered other Pro-Slavery men to leave and burned their houses. Deputy Marshal Jones ar-

imbeeility. Let not the people of Missouri, by any urgent appeal or dunning device, be drawn into the internal feuds of Kansas. It looks very much as if there were a preconcerted effort to do this very thing. Our have already proceeded from Independence panies formed to go to Kansas."

There it is! Now, is not this conduct most fled. fatal to Missouri interests and honor t In

to be laughed at ? And now, forsooth, the United States

Joseph, state that large meetings of the sue for the amount admitted to be due. citizens have been held and companies formcountry from the "paupers and hirelings" Emigrant Aid Societies. It does seem to us that one of the devil's claim of their rightful owners,

own choicest humbugs is exploding in this call on Missouri for "help."

Shannon and the Excutive.

the names of 20 others. Jones is now at the Washington Union, to the effect that the The subject has been mooted at various to his guests, as the ladies left the room. Lecompton with two prisoners and fifices President has authorized the employment times, in this State, and it may not be amiss "let us understand each other ; are we to gathering at Lecompton, and demanding Territory of Kamas to aid the local author. We will mention only one of those ob- guests, somewhat indignant, exclaimed. render of Coleman. The Governor has is authority has been given. In order to show their operations and effects similar to em- "we are going to get jolly drunk, for brutes

and make affidavit accordingly before any

officer authorized by law to administer Now, let Pierce reap the fruits of his oaths (said affidavit also to contain a description of the slave, his value and the value of his services ; that thereupon the affi davit shall be filed and a summons issued to any person, persons, or bodies corporate mentioned in the affidavit, to appear at the dispatches from the West say, that parties next session of the Suprema Court from which the summons shall have emanated, into Kansas, and that "meetings have been to answer in what sums they may be indebtheld at Weston and St. Joseph, and com- ed to any person or body corporate residing in the State to which such slave shall have

Section third, after providing pains and heaven's name, let Pierce and his political penalties for the non-appearance of said garpets-his Kansas officials-take care of nisher within twenty days after citation by themselves. Have we not been told, time the Sheriff, provided that upon acknowl and again, that she Pro-Slavery party were edgment of such indebtedness on the part the people of Kansas-that four fifths of the of the garmshee, a jury of twelve men shall actual settlers of Kansas were supporters of be empanueled, who shall assess the value the Territorial officers and the Territorial of the slave, and that thereupon the court Legislature, and that the Free Soilers were shall render a judgment against said garnian insignificant squad out about Lawrence, shee for the amount so assessed ; provided who were devoid of course, and fit only said amount does not exceed the amount of indebtedness admitted in the answer.

Section fourth provides that in case the officials in Kunsas, and the all-prevailing garnishee shall deny said indebtedness, or Pro-Slavery people of Kansas are in deadly not admit a sufficient amount to cover the peril, and "dispatches from Weston and St. value of the slave, then execution shall is-In plain words, the bill proposes to confised to go to Kansas." All to protect that cate, for the benefit of owners of fugitive slaves, the debts due by citizens of Georgia lately shipped to Kansas, like so many cat- to citizens of the State to which the slaves tle, we were informed, at the expense of may have escaped, if the authorities of that

On a former occasion we expressed our objections to all such retaliatory measures as the one proposed in the Legislature of Judge. . Georgia. The objections to them are Rumors have passed into circulation, says | many and weighty ; are in fact insuperable,

THE TABLE TURNED .- No sooner was State refuse to deliver up the slaves upon Passmore Williamson out of Moyamensing. than he justituted a suit against Judge Kane for false imprisonment. It would be a joke if Passmore should be able to cage the

> IT "Now, gentlemen," said a nobleman drink like men or like brutes !" The