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Reflections in Illness. My late's last ones floating hence, And it doth broken lie, Oh, let me catch the soft low strains, Ere on the breeze they die.

Singular and Thrilling Romance in Real Life.

From the Clinton (Ill.) Transcript. Many of our readers will doubtless recollect a young man named John N. Fenwick, who resided in this place during the year 1859, and who, at different times, was employed by the editor of this paper.

The facts in the case, which we have since learned from undisputed authority, are about as follows: Some time in the year 1837, Sir John N. Fenwick, the father of the lad alluded to, while engaged in a shooting expedition on the Cumberland Hills, was thrown by his horse, and conveyed to the humble cottage of a poor clergyman near by, with a shattered ankle.

With many a vow and beaded forehead, Their parting was full tender, And pledging off to meet again, They tore themselves asunder.

The marriage was simple and unostentatious—the ceremony being performed in private by a young curate, in order to escape the ridicule of the bridegroom's haughty relatives—and Clara Seymour became the bride of Sir John North Fenwick of Fenwick Hall.

Suddenly, one day, these female fiends threw off the mask and in presence of Sir John accused her of the most horrible crimes, and alleged that his wife confessed that her son was the fruit of an illicit amour between herself and a certain French Count, to whom she was introduced by her husband, whilst they were sojourning in Venice during the honeymoon.

Of course, the unfeeling sisters were not long in executing their brother's command. She and her son were immediately driven forth, although suffering from delirium, and were conveyed by the servants to the nearest inn.

ber term of the Circuit Court, he stated his case to Hon. Abraham Lincoln, who immediately wrote to the British Consul at Chicago.

Two days afterwards, the British Consul, Hon. Mr. Wilkins, arrived in this place. After listening to Fenwick's story, and having a long consultation with Messrs. Lincoln and Stansbury, he took him to Chicago, and employed him in his office.

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After a short and prosperous voyage, our young hero arrived in the Empire City, where he immediately took passage in a steamer bound for Galveston, Texas.

Our young friend is now in Fenwick Hall, (as the following letter sent to us will testify), living in ease and affluence, receiving all the care and kindness lavished upon him by a now affectionate father.

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From Washington. WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 13, 1861. Friend Argus: The war debt has been made the special order for Thursday of next week, the 21st inst. It will be a hard matter to prevent Stanton's Third Auditor amendment from being adopted, if the debt should be finally disposed of.

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