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POETICAL.

LABOR.

There's never-dying chorus
Breaking on the human ear,
In the busy town before us
Voices loud, and deep, and clear,
This is labor's endless-ditty;
This is toil's prophetic voice,
Sounding through the town and city
Bidding human hearts rejoice.

Sweeter than the poet's singing
Is that anthem of the free;
Blither is the anvil's ringing
Than the song of bird or bee.
There's a glory in the rattle
Of the wheels 'mid factory gloom,
Richer than e're snatched from battle
Are the trophies of the loom.

See the skillfull mason rising
Gracefully yon towering pile;
Round the forge and furnace blazing
Stand the noble men of toil.
They are heroes of the people,
Who the wealth of nations raise;
Every dome, and spire, and steeple
Rear their heads in labor's praise.

Glorious men of truth and labor,
Shepherds of the human fold,
That shall lay the brand and sabre
With the barbarous things of old,
Priest and prophets of creation,
Bloodless heroes in the fight,
Saviors of the world's salvation,
Messengers of peace and light.

Speed the plow and speed the harrow
Peace and plenty send abroad;
Better far the spade and barrow
Than the cannon or the sword;
Each improvement,
Renders [illegible] oppression's rod;
Every sigh and every movement
Brings us nearer truth and God.

Miscellaneous.

Wendell Phillips.

Somebody [illegible] a story a few years ago, that Wendell Phillips, the professional philanthropist and reformer, notwithstanding his high-toned morality of principle and speech and avowed as he is with a [illegible] pretency, is a man of [illegible] artlessness in the [illegible] wealth. That he is a very [illegible] true; but the gorgeous trappings of wealth, described by this scribbler [illegible] the every-day wear of [illegible] ation of their graphic portrayer; [illegible] it there is a man in America who, with the culture, refinement and kind [illegible] manners of Wendell Phillips, yet [illegible] in style so unostentatious and [illegible] assuming, I don't happen to remember hearing of him. Any body who has ever seen the Boston Abolitionist at home in his little one-eyed house, No. Essex street, Boston, will bear me out in the assertion that very few men of his means would be content to crib themselves within limits and surroundings so modest and mediocre. The only prominent characteristic of the Reformer's city house is the big, [illegible] ive way in, which he has had the name of "Phillips" painted on his front door, and this, too, throughout many a long year in the past when that name was a by-word and the accepted synonym of maniacal ultraism.

No slavemonger's mob ever needed to look long for the house of the man they hoped to hang or wished to lynch, for the filmiest eyes could read from across the street those bold, black letters which stood for a beacon to the brave and a defiance to his master.—But Mr. Phillips is by no means the [illegible] arry dispenser of his money this [illegible] city-teller would have people think him. He has never withheld from those who were its fit recipients, and [illegible] when the record of this world's generous deeds is finally made up there will be a good many miserly ingrates, [illegible] thless stewards, who would gladly trade the very respectable character made for them by their conservatism for the benisons which hundreds and thousands of beneficiaries will forever heap upon the name and memory of Wendell Phillips. We have many names of note upon the roll of generous givers among Americans, but it is [illegible] indispensable that Phillips should have his name included there to make room for him a clear title to the character of a liberal, conscientious almoner.

SEPARATING A MOTHER AND CHILD.—In the Circuit Court in Morgantown, Va., recently, a deeply affecting scene took place. It occurred in the matter of the *habeas corpus*, granted at the instance of Clerk Everly against [illegible] wife for the rendition of the body of a child born to the parties prior to their separation. After a full hearing, the Court gave judgment that the mother should deliver the child to the father. The Morgantown *Post* says: It was then that a scene occurred that beggars description. The mother pressed her infant to her breast and clung with all the tenacity of life to the object of her fond hopes. Her wild sobs and agonizing shrieks sent such a thrill of sorrow to the hearts of the bystanders as only the voice of women in distress can impart. The husband endeavored to wrest it from her arms, but could not do it, when the sheriff stepped forward to carry out the order of the Court, and succeeded in obtaining the child. The loud cries of the mother thus doubly widowed, were heard for several squares from the court house, as she was led away supported by her father and brother."

Biographical Sketch of the Life of General Scott.

We give below a biographical sketch of the life of Lieutenant General Scott, who died at West Point, on the 28th ult, in the eightieth year of his age:

Gen. Winfield Scott was born in 1786, June 13th, at Petersburg, in Virginia, and his family was most respectable, though it was not one of "the first families" of the Old Dominion. He received the usual education, and became a lawyer, but in 1808, he was appointed a Captain of artillery in the American army, and stationed in Louisiana. He had no employment of importance until the breaking out of the war of 1812. He was made Lieutenant-Colonel of the 2d Artillery in July of that year, and ordered to the Canadian frontier. His first active service in the war was to take part in the capture of two British vessels, October 9. He was present [illegible] battle of Queenstown Heights, [illegible] ber 14, and though the [illegible] action was unfortunate [illegible] the men who crossed th[illegible] into the hands of the enemy [illegible] duct was alleged to have [illegible] soldier-like. [illegible] he been [illegible] properly, the earl[illegible] success of the day won under his le[illegible] had have matured into compl[illegible]ory. After his exchange, Scott [illegible] employed, in 1813, under the command of Dearborn, and then of Wilkinson, in Canada and had a leading place at the capture of Fort George, May 27. He was then a Colonel and Dearborn's Adjutant-General, but resigned the latter post when appointed to the command of a double-regiment [illegible] In the expedition of Gen. Chauncey against Burlington Heights and [illegible] as [illegible] When, toward the close of the year, it was resolved to descend the St. Lawrence and attack Montreal, Col. Scott commanded the advance; but the expedition came to a sudden and inglorious end, because of quarrels between the American generals [illegible] ton and [illegible]

Two good Generals are said [illegible] are than one in a generation; but [illegible] in that time [illegible] had G[illegible] by the brace, [illegible] never [illegible] pretended that [illegible] once [illegible] by their [illegible] cation. During the early part of [illegible] Scott [illegible] ed in making [illegible] attached to General Brown's army.

Gen. Scott established a camp of instruction at Buffalo, in which his own brigade and that of Gen. Ripley were thoroughly drilled, together with a body of volunteers under command of Gen. Porter, and an artillery force. He introduced the French system into the army, and the good effects of his rigid discipline and patient instruction were seen as soon as the force took the field. Crossing the Niagara on the 3d of July, and taking Fort Erie and engaging in very lively skirmishing, these new American soldiers were found equal to all the demands of war.

The battle of Chippewa was fought July 5, and in that action Scott showed that he was as capable of handling and leading men in action as he was of instructing them in camp. The battle of Lundy's Lane was fought on the 25th, in which Gen. Scott received two wounds, and had two horses killed under him. It was supposed that his wounds were mortal, but he so far recovered by the close of September as to be able to comply with the Government's request that he would take command of the troops that were prepared for the defence of Baltimore and Philadelphia; and in October he took charge of the 10th military district, with his headquarters at Washington.

After the restoration of peace President Madison would have made him Secretary of War, but he would not accept the office. In 1815 he went to Europe, partly for the improvement of his health, but more with the view of studying his profession on the great scale that then was offered by the existence of the mighty armies created by the wars that had proceeded from the French Revolution. He was entrusted with a secret mission by his government, which feared the designs of England toward Cuba, and was anxious to know the purpose of Spain with respect to her American Colonies, then in a state of revolt in many places. He discharged his diplomatic duties so well that President Madison was highly pleased and caused him to be specially thanked.

On his return home he was assigned command of the seaboard, with his headquarters at New York. The condition of the country, fortunately, did not require much active employment on his part for many years. He acted against the Indians on several occasions in the Northwest the South and the Southwest. In 1832, at the time of the nullification troubles, he was sent to South Carolina, where his firm but conciliatory course commanded the approval of President Jackson, and his subsequent superintendence of the removal of the Cherokees was much commended.

When the revolutionary movements in Canada began, much excitement was created in the adjoining territory of the United States, many Americans "sympathizing" with and aiding the revolutionists. War would have followed between England and America, but for the discreet conduct of Gen. Scott, who was sent to the Northern frontier. Equally useful was his action at the time of the troubles concerning the Northeastern boundary. He shone as conspicuously as a pacificator as he had in the character of a soldier a quarter of a century earlier.

After the breaking out of the Mexican war in 1846, our Government resolved to attack Mexico from the Gulf, and General Scott was placed at the head of the expedition, he having been Commander-in-Chief of the army since the early months of 1841. He landed 12,000 men near Vera Cruz, March 9, 1847. Operations were conducted with great promptness, and before the close of the month Vera Cruz and the castle of San Juan were taken, and 5000 prisoners. He [illegible] moved into the interior, and [illegible] 18th of A[illegible]ated Santa An[illegible] Cerro [illegible] of the most m[illegible] icent [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] arrived [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]