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Poetry.

From the West Branch Bulletin.

"The Democratic party has always been friends to the soldier."

Lip it not, ye mongrel traitors,

You have been the soldier's friend,

Ye the soldier's abettors,

All that treason doth portend.

When the rebels at Fort Sumter,

Trampled on our glorious flag,

Compelled us to give up our arms,

Toasted the traitors' gain.

When the news of Bull Run battle

Filled each loyal breast with woe,

Whose was the prophetic pride?

"The South will win, I told you so."

"When the 'hero,' George McClellan,

Played 'cat's paw' to Robby Lee,

Then you gave your bright new shillings

To the War Democracy.

When we placed them here to combat

They in turn were forced to flee;

The country's confidence to gain,

"Says poor old Mrs. Smith, says she,"

When your names the wheel had palmed

For the draft the records say,

It was found you had skeddaddled,

To see your friends in Canada.

When we made secession tremble

With Grant, Sherman and Sheridan,

How ye wriggled, how ye dissembled,

The country's confidence to gain,

We were tyrants, teachers, slaves,

Killing off our noble friends;

They were honorable heroes

Starving in a slaughter pen.

When they killed our noble Lincoln,

Then your foul-mouthed traitor press

Fell in love with Andy Johnson,

Did they know him—answer ye,

Then you held a great convention,

Made secession grants and wishes;

The rebel allied coalition,

Shaking hands across the lines.

Lip it not, ye mongrel traitors,

You have been the soldier's friend,

Ye the soldier's abettors,

All that treason doth portend.

Go ye hence in cloth and ashes,

Give us back our false comrades,

Then we'll call you friends again.

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Miscellaneous.

LETTER FROM PETER COOPER TO HORATIO SEYMOUR.

NEW YORK, August 13th, 1868.

To the Hon. HORATIO SEYMOUR:

My Dear Sir,—In the last letter I had

the honor to address to you, I had the pleasure

to thank you for the prompt answer

to a former letter, and for the assurance I

received that "we agreed in the end to be

realized, namely, the restoration of the Union

and the preservation of the Constitution."

You will recollect that I then stated that

I was so deeply impressed with the absolute

necessity of maintaining the Union and

the Constitution, that I desired to see all

the powers that God and nature had given

to us brought into requisition to save our

country from being dismembered and made

the sport of foreign and domestic Saracens.