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## POETRY.

### THE REAPER AND THE FLOWERS.

BY HON. J. JACKSON.

There is a Reaper, whose name is Death,  
And, with his sickle keen,  
He reaps the wretched grain that grows,  
And the flowers that grow between.

"Should I have thought that 'twas he?" said he,  
"How nigh to the wretched grain?"  
"The breath of these flowers is sweet to me,  
I will give them all back again."

He gazed at the flowers with tearful eyes,  
He kissed their drooping leaves;  
It was for the Lord of Paradise,  
He bound them in his sheaves.

"My Lord has need of these flowers gay,"  
The Reaper said, and smiled;  
"Dear tokens of the earth are they,  
Where he was once a child."

They shall all bloom in fields of light,  
Transplanted by his care,  
And sown upon their garden white,  
These sacred blossoms rare.

And the mother gave, in tears and pain,  
The flowers that she loved so well,  
She knew she could find them all again  
In the fields of light above.

Oh, not in earth, not in wrath,  
The Reaper came that day;  
'Twas an angel visited the green earth,  
And took the flowers away.

## POLITICAL.

### THE DESERTER QUESTION.

SPEECH OF HON. GEORGE D. JACKSON.

Of Sullivan, on the 2d of March, 1867, in the House of Representatives, on the bill for the relief of Jesse R. McCarty, Joshua R. McCarty and Charles Morton, from the Court of Quarter Sessions of Sullivan County, to the Court of Quarter Sessions of Bradford County.

Mr. JACKSON. Mr. Speaker, I am opposed to the passage of the bill now under consideration of the Senate, because it is unnecessary, unjust, and unequal for all alike to come, are to be treated with his being a deserter. That sir, was one of the things that I objected to, from the stump, in the County of Sullivan. If that is a defense of the right of deserters to vote, then make the most of it.

The petition asserts "that the Democratic sheriff and commissioners have placed a large majority of their partisans in the jury-wheel, including a number of voters, so that deserters and their sympathizing friends are certain to be a majority of every jury. Now, sir, I wish to say right here, that the sheriff and commissioners of Sullivan county are men of high standing, and they have no objection to putting the names into the jury-box; they are as free from partisan feelings as any men in the State. The jury is selected without regard to politics, and I think I can establish that before I am through. I hold in my hand lists of the juries drawn in the year 1866, and for February court, 1867, certified by the prothonotary and commissioners of Sullivan county.

By a special Assembly but two jury courts are held each year; but a third or a fourth can be, if deemed necessary by the court.

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William Gildwell, grand, February, 1866.

Joseph Rogers, grand, February, 1866.

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Jesse Moynaux, traverse, February, 1866.

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of John Dickerson, who was sworn into the office of provost marshal of Troy, wounded in the battle of the Wilderness, and died in Libby prison; and yet he is here branded as a deserter. I can show you the name of Ralph M. Wheeler, upon those records, as having deserted from the army; and yet he is here branded as a provost marshal, and enlisted there. He went into the service and came home with his honorable discharge, and was met at the election board and branded as a deserter, with his honorable discharge in his pocket.

I could give many other cases, sir, but will not take up the time of the Senate. You say there are cases that are hard. Indeed, there are, sir, and in your zeal to procure votes, and carry your partisan ends, you passed that act, and whilst you provided that, if a man should come before the election board, and prove that he was not a deserter, and had a right to vote, he should have his name put in the list, and his name struck from the list—you left his name there, and compelled him at every election to make the same name, and when he dies, his family, for all that to come, are to be treated with his being a deserter. That sir, was one of the things that I objected to, from the stump, in the County of Sullivan. If that is a defense of the right of deserters to vote, then make the most of it.

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Joseph McCarty, traverse, December, 1866.

And, sir, further than that, four more names were drawn on the jury for Feb. 1867, and before some of them this trial will take place, if not removed to Bradford county. I refer to the names of David Moynaux, Jonas Bradford, Joseph Whiteley and J. E. Bird. And yet these gentlemen have the audacity to come here and complain of the manner of drawing the jury in the County of Sullivan. I ask any gentleman here to set aside some sixteen, whom I have been informed are the names of the balance of the names in that petition and go into any county in the Commonwealth, and see if he can pick out one hundred names in that county and in that one hundred find as many persons who have been drawn on juries as there are in this instance.

But I am not done with that petition yet. I will ask the Senator from Bradford (Mr. Landon) to read the two first names on that petition, Henry Norton and John Norton, two very loyal men, who come here and ask for justice, and for protection from the deserters, and who, I have been credibly informed, were two of the very first men that skulked from the draft in the County of Sullivan. They showed their loyalty, sir, in going to Canada, and hiding in the woods; and they come here to complain that Democrats want to give deserters the right to vote.

Go further, sir. I hold in my hand the certificate of the non-reporting drafted men, from the very list which you sent into Sullivan county in 1866. I find on that list the name of Abel McCarty—another very loyal man whose name is attached to that petition, in this list as a deserter—a pretty man to preach loyalty to the Democratic party of Sullivan county, and say that we sympathize with deserters. Now, let me tell you another thing. This petition starts with the assertion that those election officers of the Elkland district, of Sullivan county, have been indicted by the grand jury of said county, for refusing the vote of John U. Warburton, a well known deserter. Now, Warburton is a well known deserter, or is he ever deserted?

It is true, Mr. Speaker, that the vote of John U. Warburton was refused. But his name is not found on the certified list, nor on the records sent to Sullivan county. It was only the wickedness of the hearts of those men, or their partisan feelings, that caused this difficulty. There was no evidence, I am informed, before the election board that this man was a deserter. You cannot find any evidence on the record that he was a deserter; and now they come here and make the assertion that he was a well known deserter. The gentleman from Bradford county, in the House, Mr. Kinney, referred to the very "patriotic class of citizens who fought Lee in Canada," etc. I would advise the gentleman not to be so very hard upon his Republican friends of Sullivan county. He thought the stamp speeches he used in Bradford County would do to use in the hall of the House of Representatives, and thought they would apply to the Democratic party, when, unfortunately, they applied to the Democratic party. Communications have been sent to the papers of Bradford and Sullivan counties, by some person claiming to be an outsider, but who, I believe, is a member of the party under whose impression he said that circulars had been issued, signed by myself and others, in which it was agreed to defray the expenses of deserters, provided we could have their votes. For my part, I never signed or signed a circular of that kind. The only position I ever took, I took openly, before the people of Sullivan, in my speeches. I do not wish to say that he misstated the case knowingly; but I think now he acknowledges he was wrong.

Now, sir, this change will put the costs on Sullivan county unjustly. That bill proposes that all the costs and expenses of the change of venue of every county of Sullivan, I do not know the intentions of those who drafted the bill. I think, for my part, that it should be put in a different shape, and left for the costs to follow suit.

Now, sir, I wish to say further, that this petition wishes Judge Elwell, Judge Elwell has charged