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ABOLITION TREASON.

EXTRACT FROM THE SPEECH OF
SENATOR POWELL, of Ky.

Delivered in the U. S. Senate, April 8, 1864, on the Bill to amend the United States Constitution, to destroy Slavery Property.

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Portrait.

SONG.

BY EDWARD J. HOWE.

Come, dearest, the moonbeams are playing
O'er valley and meadow and plain;
Come, dearest, my sorrow allaying,
We'll wander together again.

Can you still doubt my affection,
Still refuse to dispel my anxiety?
Tears and my heart's deepest dejection
With bliss and indulging joy?

I think of thee, dear, when I awake,
The sun's silver sheen doth illumine;
When comes evening, and I do not see thee,
And the heavens are darkened with gloom.

How dear, how dear, my fondly
Thou art to me, my heart's delight;
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Oh, that your love were but mine!

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STEELE COVANT'S COURTSHIP.

Once called on my friend, Steele Covant, and while there the conversation turned on courtship; at my request, the old gentleman told me an incident in his own love affairs, which I give in his own words.

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Wall, for about two months I felt as near as I could in new clothes. I courted Nancy every Sunday night, and I was determined before another week to pop the question, and I hadn't a bit of doubt but what Nancy would be overjoyed at becoming my bosom companion.

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"Nancy, let's go to bed, for we must be up bright and airy to have them ere logs to the fire."

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