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Original Poetry.

MY SISTER HAS LEFT ME. BY W. W. WARBURNE.

Where are you, my sister? Oh! pray then tell, Where dost thou own pure spirit dwell?

Oh! you, my dear sister, have gone from my sight, You, with whom 'twas my fondest delight.

It seems but a moment—time speeds along— Since Death snatch'd thee from life's busy throng;

And thou canst not return on a calm summer day.

The flowers of summer have faded and gone, And the sweet birds from our bowers have flown.

All fair things had faded when you sunk to your rest— When you flew to your God—to your home with the blest;

When your soul took its flight to Heaven away, Where it shines in its glory on a calm summer day.

There rest my loved sister, thy soul be content; Thy days of terrestrial trial are spent.

On the hillside your body was placed to decay; Its tomb I can visit on a calm summer day.

GLEN HORN, JULY 25th, 1864.

LETTER FROM A CONSCRIPT.

DANVILLE, PA., Aug. 6, 1864. Mr. Brother: I send a letter to the

De loyal lodery came of to-day ad Wil hamport, dis State. I drew a hi brice—a

I am opposed to gambling; therefore, I will give my valuable brize to de Methodist

Kopertidism is on de increase here, Leroy says he "likes to preach in favor of

Eredropper is going into de substitute himself—if he can turn an onest penny or

De President of our loyal leeg ish able bodied. Lingon drafted him. He got no

Just before de New York ryot de trater Saimore sent agents to government ad

From Kanady I will go to Solt river, to make dings in order, for you no on de 4th

Goot by til de war ish over, and de niggers free. Your enemy, DETRICK EXLINE.

DAWNING REASON.—Dr. O. A. Brownson was one of the distinguished speakers at the

"Now I am ready to support any man who will defeat Abraham Lincoln. [His

NEGROES! LOANS!! TAXES!!!

Such is the work of a long session of the American Congress. Not a single

PEACE, ADJUSTMENT, RE-UNION.

But all to elevate the Negro, impoverish the country, and grind down the people.

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CONGRESSIONAL ADDRESS.

You have not, as good Patriots should do, studied the public good, but your particular ends;

AN ADDRESS To the People of the United States, and particularly to the people of the States which adhere to the Federal Government.

[Concluded.] RECONSTRUCTION.

The propositions which should obtain in the reconstruction of the Union are not difficult of statement, and when contrasted

The first is, that the States shall stand as before the war, except as to changes which may be agreed upon between or

The second is, that the Constitution of the United States is the rightful and only

The third is, that the States which have seceded from the Union, and are now in rebellion

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whole mass of Federal appointments are poised every four years upon a presidential election, intensifying and debasing the

Another proposition pertaining to reconstruction is, that as individuals there shall be amnesty except for particular

It may be added that clear justice requires that Unionists who have fled from the

We have thus taken notice of several questions connected with the subject of Reconstruction and indicated our views

The American States required a compact of union to go through the war of the

The Constitution should provide against the uncontrolled domination of sectional

The present address, as exhibiting the grounds upon which this most important proposition

There are but two classes of men in this country who may rejoice in the existing

There should also be a judicious limitation upon the distribution of Federal patronage.

The prodigious growth and present extent of that patronage in official

appointments, constitute a fertile source of corruption and danger. Nearly the

ment under favor of which they nestle in power and gratify their unholy greed and their detestable passions, be thrown out

Short-sighted and passionate men rush on to accomplish an immediate object, unable to perceive the consequences which

Vain delusion! Such expectations are proved to be false by a thousand examples in history.

Such is the law which abolishes commutation, and provides a plan by which certain

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plans, to recruit volunteers under any call under the provision of this act, who shall be credited to the State, and to the respective subdivisions

The sixth section provides, that in drafts one hundred per centum of names more than the quota shall be drawn.

The eighth section reads as follows: "Sec. 8. That all persons in the naval service of the United States who have entered said

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PARTICULARS OF THE DESTRUCTION OF CHAMBERSBURG.

HARRISBURG, JULY 31, 1864.

Gen. McCausland was in command of the rebel troops when they burned Chambersburg. He is a desperate, ferocious,

and untamed freebooter, ready at any time to violate the usages of honorable warfare, in order to gratify his dark and

malignant passions. After he had taken formal possession of the town he made

proclamation demanding one hundred thousand dollars in gold. It was of course

impossible to comply with such a demand, made, no doubt, in full confidence of its

failure, and sure of its affording a pretext to execute the premeditated plan for

destroying Chambersburg. The fact that the most valuable portion of the merchandise

had been removed previously added to the rage and disappointment of the rebels,

and when they were thus inspired the order was issued to fire the court-house,

town hall and bark building. A strong breeze communicated the flames to the

surrounding buildings. Parties of soldiers having sacked the several drug and chemical

stores, manufactured turpentine balls, which they threw in all directions, creating

as many different flames in different localities, which soon united in one general

conflagration. Speedily the scene became heart-rending and appalling. The

cracking and roaring of the flames as they leaped from house to house, the shrieks

of terrified women, panic-stricken and suffering children, and the pitiful appeals

of the old and helpless, formed an indescribable scene of horror. The citizens,

without protest, had submitted to plunder, and had even appealed to the mercy

of the rebels, but nothing could appease the butcher and incendiary, McCausland.

Two hundred and sixty-five of the most valuable and elegant public and private

buildings were destroyed. The town was fired at about 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

The rebels remained just long enough to see the flames spread and get under proper

headway, when the alarm was given that Averill was approaching the town.

Instantly every freebooter was in his saddle and hurriedly took to the St. Thomas

road with Averill in pursuit.

The Horrors of War in Virginia. We have before us a history, sad and heart-rending, which we are sure will serve to convince any humane spirit that the