

# The Independent Republican.

"FREEDOM AND RIGHT AGAINST SLAVERY AND WRONG."

CHARLES F. READ & H. H. FRAZIER, EDITORS.

MONROSE, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1855.

{ FRAZIER & SMITH, PUBLISHERS—VOL. I. NO. 40.

## Poe's Corner.

### THE OLD, OLD HOME

When I long for sainted memories,  
Like aged troops they come,  
If I fold my arms to ponder  
On the old, old home,  
The heart has many passages,  
Through which poor feelings roam,  
But its middle aisle is sacred,  
To thoughts of old, old home.

Where infancy was sheltered,  
Like rose-buds from the blast,  
Where boyhood's brief elysium,  
In joyousness was past;  
To that sweet spot forever,  
As to some hallowed dome,  
Life's path leads to his vision,  
To his old, old home.

A father set how proudly  
By that dear hearth-stone's rays,  
And told his children stories  
Of his early manhood's days,  
And one soft eye was beaming,  
From child to child "I would roam;  
That a mother's arms be treasures  
In the old, old home.

The bridal gifts and festivals,  
The blushed respect-hymn,  
Some dear one who are swelling it,  
Are with the Semphum,  
The good "good nights" at bed time,  
How quiet sleep would come,  
And hold us altogether,  
In the old, old home.

Like a wreath of scented flowers,  
Close intertwined each heart,  
But time and change in concert  
Have blown the wreath apart;  
But sainted, sainted memories,  
Like angels ever come,  
If I fold my arms to ponder  
On the old, old home.

### EVENING

Dr. O. Wendell Holmes has thus clearly conjectured  
of a stiller, possibly given, might say of the  
beauties that cluster about the closing day.  
"My barn put on his jacket, and around  
his burning bosom button it with stars.  
Here will lay me on the velvet grass,  
That is like padding to earth's meagre ribs,  
And hold communion with the things about me.  
Ah me! how lowly is the golden bird,  
That binds the skirts of night's descending robe!  
The thin leaves quivering on their silken threads  
Do make a music like to falling satin.  
As the light breeze smooth their downy raps.

"Ha! what is this that rises to my touch,  
So like a question? Can it be a cabbage?  
It is! It is that deeply injured flower,  
Which bears so faintly, but yet I love there.  
Thus plain rose, wrapped in green surcoat,  
Doubtless in Eden thus did blush as bright  
As these thy puny brothers; and the breath  
Fascinated the fragrance of their spicy aid,  
But now thou seemest like a bankrupt bean  
Stripped of his gaudy hues and essences,  
And growing poorly in his sober garments.

"Is this a swan which rides upon the water?  
Oh no! it is that other gentle bird,  
Which is the patron of the noble calling.  
I will remember, in my early years,  
That I have seen thee in the garden,  
Which chronicles the hour of young ambition,  
My father was a tailor, and his father  
Lays here her shady bosom; I can feel  
And find an ancient poem—all of them were  
From some remote tailor of our race.  
I remember the fragrance of their spicy aid,  
But now thou seemest like a bankrupt bean  
Stripped of his gaudy hues and essences,  
And growing poorly in his sober garments.

"Is this a swan which rides upon the water?  
Oh no! it is that other gentle bird,  
Which is the patron of the noble calling.  
I will remember, in my early years,  
That I have seen thee in the garden,  
Which chronicles the hour of young ambition,  
My father was a tailor, and his father  
Lays here her shady bosom; I can feel  
And find an ancient poem—all of them were  
From some remote tailor of our race.  
I remember the fragrance of their spicy aid,  
But now thou seemest like a bankrupt bean  
Stripped of his gaudy hues and essences,  
And growing poorly in his sober garments.

## Correspondence.

### Extract from a Private Letter from Syria.

AT ZEBELIA, Mount Lebanon, August 5, 1855.

My Dear Brother: Your late kind letter  
truly welcome; you will not know how  
welcome, until you yourself shall receive letters  
from Syria from your far off home.

I am now quietly settled in my summer  
residence in the mountains. This moving  
back and forth every year is a great incon-  
venience to the missionaries, but there is no  
alternative for those stationed on the sea  
coast, the heat on the plain being, during the  
summer months, almost insufferable. The  
expense of moving is, however, small. In  
transporting to this place such of my effects  
as were necessary for the summer, I employed  
four men, four mules, and two donkeys,  
the whole expense amounting to ten dollars.  
The distance, moreover, was not far, it is twenty-  
five miles, all the way ascending, and over  
a road rougher and rockier than you can  
form any clear conception of.

It would be difficult for me, in the space  
of three or four pages, to convey to you any  
very distinct idea of the novel scenes and  
circumstances amid which we are placed.—  
We have taken up our abode in the centre  
of a rude mountain village, where, with no  
society but the Arabs, we hope not only to  
make advancement in the study of the lan-  
guage, but to accomplish some good. We  
are situated further in the mountains than  
any of the other missionaries, being ten miles  
from Bhamdoun, the nearest missionary sta-  
tion. The people around us are a mixture  
of Druses and Greek Catholics. They are  
exceedingly hospitable, social, and polite, but  
are very ignorant, and in matters of religion,  
bigoted and superstitious. There is one na-  
tive brother residing here, a member of the  
Mission Church in Beirut. He teaches a  
small school, and we also employ him a part  
of each day in Arabic. He is a man of  
good mind and of exemplary Christian de-  
portment. His leaving the Greek Catholic  
Church subjected him to much persecution;  
his mulberry trees were cut down and his  
plants destroyed, &c. Our coming here,  
however, seems to have inspired him with  
new strength and courage. Every evening  
some of the people come into our house, and

he reads to them a chapter in the New Testa-  
ment, makes some comments and offers  
prayer. There are sometimes twenty per-  
sons present at these exercises, and scarcely  
ever less than ten. We have religious exer-  
cises every Sabbath. These are conducted  
by our native brother, except when we are  
favoured by a visit from some one of the mis-  
sionaries. Dr. Smith spent last Sabbath  
with us. O, how I long to proclaim to this  
people the unsearchable riches of Christ! It  
is very trying to be placed amid those who  
are perishing for lack of light and knowledge,  
and yet be unable to communicate to them  
the truth, or to communicate it in language  
so broken and incoherent as hardly to be un-  
derstood. This is the missionary's first great  
trial.

There is more encouragement for mission-  
ary labor in Mt. Lebanon than there has  
been before since the establishment of the  
mission. Very many of the villages in the  
mountains are asking for missionaries and  
mission schools. This was not so a few  
years since. Last Tuesday I visited Deir  
El Komar, a large town fifteen miles distant  
from which, ten years ago, some of our mis-  
sionaries were violently driven amid volleys  
of stones. This same people are now ear-  
nestly pleading for a missionary, but alas,  
we have none to give them. The mission has  
two schools there, which, on account of my  
proximity to the town, have been placed un-  
der my supervision. This makes it necessary  
for me to visit the place once a month, at  
least. Deir El Komar has a population of  
five thousand inhabitants, and as the country  
in the immediate vicinity is thickly settled,  
it is a centre of great trade and influence. It  
is one of the most important points in Syria,  
and the mission is exceedingly anxious to oc-  
cupy it. It has been proposed to send me  
there in the fall with a native brother, the  
better to conduct religious services under my  
direction, until I shall have acquired some  
degree of fluency in the language. But this  
would weaken the Beirut station where I  
have been stationed for the year for the pur-  
pose of aiding in sustaining the English  
preaching. The English preaching is kept  
up from October till June. It is considered  
a very important service; but the other mis-  
sionaries at Beirut, Dr. Smith and Mr. Whit-  
ting, are unable to give much time to it.—  
The former being engaged in translating and  
the latter being in rather feeble health, con-  
sequently unable to do much more than to  
give the English services, and to act as  
much as they can will attend to, and more  
formerly they had the assistance of Dr. De  
Forest; last year Mr. Eddy was with them,  
and now they have no one to aid them but  
myself. My assistance, small as it is, they  
can ill afford to spare; yet, considering the  
pressing need of Deir El Komar, they may  
conclude to struggle through the winter  
alone. If Dr. De Forest should return soon,  
the difficulty would be removed, or if you,  
my dear brother, could come here this fall,  
instead of delaying your departure until win-  
ter, I could go to Deir El Komar and you  
could render the needed assistance at Beirut.  
This would be but temporary, for at the an-  
nual meeting in April the whole matter will  
come up for re-arrangement. Why cannot  
you leave in October, instead of waiting till  
December? How rejoiced shall I be to wel-  
come you here, not only because you will  
bring new strength to our weakened forces,  
but because you will bring me a whole year's  
fresh intelligence from the home and friends  
I love. Come, filled with the spirit, with  
strong faith in the God of Missions, and with  
earnest love for perishing souls. Our field  
is a discouraging one in some respects.—  
While it presents much to encourage our  
hearts, it also has many difficulties. But  
our work is God's work; in Him is our con-  
fidence and hope.

Ac. 9th. I will add two or three para-  
graphs, and send this by messenger to Bham-  
doun, that it may go in the next mail.  
The four months that I spent in Beirut  
was a very busy period for me. The mis-  
sionaries set me to work the first day I land-  
ed, in preaching in English. I preached fre-  
quently afterwards, at one time four Sab-  
baths in succession. I used mostly written  
sermons, though I found that well prepared  
extemporaneous discourses were quite ac-  
ceptable. For a month or more the whole  
weight of the Mission Postoffice department  
rested upon me. In May the mission schools  
were placed under my supervision. All  
these various duties seriously interrupted my  
progress in Arabic, yet they were very use-  
ful in enabling me to get acquainted with the  
people. At the meeting of the Mission in  
April, several of the Arabs, having heard  
Mrs. L. and myself sing, and having seen  
our melodeon, sent in a petition that we be  
retained at Beirut for the purpose of giving  
them instruction in music. After it had  
been decided (without, of course, any particu-  
lar reference to this petition) that we should  
remain at Beirut, I attempted to teach a class  
of Arab young men in singing. I made  
bravely working of it, but fortunately they  
understood me better than I did them, and  
we became much interested. Before I left  
Beirut I led the singing in Arabic on the  
Sabbath. My music was up about better  
than my pronunciation; with the Arabs it  
was vice versa. Their singing somewhat re-  
sembles that at the Alps House on Black-  
well's Island, of which you and I have a  
vivid recollection. The Arabs are, how-  
ever, exceedingly fond of music. Bring a  
melodeon with you, by all means, and allow  
me to suggest that you practice occasionally

in singing *trés*. The Arabs know nothing  
of harmony, and when a person sings less  
they think he does not know the tune.  
Had I time I would like to give an account  
of our celebration of the Fourth of July at  
Bhamdoun, in which four missionary families  
participated, twenty persons in all. I would  
like to speak of an unexpected and pleasant  
visit which we had at Beirut from Dr. Duff  
and son, and a son of Sir Richard Agnew. I  
would like also to communicate to you many  
interesting particulars concerning our mis-  
sion, our operations and prospects, &c. &c.  
In regard to these points, however, you will  
become informed in due time.

The climate is most delightful here in the  
mountains, four thousand feet above the sea.  
My thermometer has ranged from 69 to 84  
degrees in the house. In Beirut the tempera-  
ture of course is higher, but it could be  
borne were it not for the fact that there the  
heat continues through day and night the same.  
All the missionaries are now in the moun-  
tains, and as far as I know, their families are  
well. Dr. El Smith, who is engaged in  
translating the Scriptures, is much improved  
in health, and is prosecuting the work with  
his accustomed vigor. Having finished the  
Pentateuch, the minor Prophets and the New  
Testament, he is now engaged upon Isaiah.  
He has given me, from time to time, many  
interesting details respecting the history and  
progress of his translation. Dr. Smith is not  
only the greatest living Arabic scholar, but  
a devoted, active missionary. How great  
a matter of rejoicing to find so much learn-  
ing devoted to the highest, noblest cause that  
can enlist the sympathies of a man. Indeed,  
all the missionaries with whom I have be-  
come acquainted in this field, are men of fine  
talents and fervent piety, a noble band of la-  
borers.

The war in the Crimea produces no effect  
upon this part of the Turkish Empire, except  
to raise the price of provisions. Some troops  
have gone from Syria, but the people as a  
mass seem rather indifferent to the whole  
matter.  
Kind regards to all friends at home.  
Yours in Christian love,  
J. LORENZO LYONS.

## Tales and Sketches.

### A KINNEY-BUTTER RESUME IN SAN JUAN.

[From the Correspondence of the N. Y. Post.]

SAN JUAN, DEZ. NO. 9, 1855.

Among the various contributions of  
Col. Kinney's arrival in this country was a  
sermon preached last Sunday, by Rev. Benj.  
Smith, a colored Methodist clergyman, for-  
merly of New Orleans, who combines, with  
his ecclesiastical functions, the office of a pub-  
lican. His Boarding-house, which is adver-  
tised in the *Central American* as "the elegant,  
spacious and well-ventilated Central Amer-  
ican Hotel," where "every delicacy is furnish-  
ed in its season," is, in the absence of other  
accommodations, as the church of his  
minimizations. On the occasion referred to,  
the room, which is provided with a few chairs  
and an unpainted pine table, and  
or, technically speaking, a "California" par-  
tition, was crowded with seventy-five or more  
people. It had been given out that Mr. S.  
had discovered a parallel between the expedi-  
tion of Col. Kinney to the rich lands of  
Nicaragua and the expedition of Moses and  
the children of Israel to Canaan, and that he  
was quite a rush of the following of the  
subject to hear him. Among the auditors, who  
by the way, were of all colors, might have  
been seen Gov. Kinney, Mr. Nelson, Col.  
Young, Mr. Fabens and Capt. J. R. Swift,  
two of the last mentioned having arrived from  
Aspinwall on the 2d inst.

To give an idea of the spirit of the occasion,  
I subjoin a few stanzas from the intem-  
perate hymn which was sung. You will  
observe the allusions in it to Col. Kinney's  
marching and grazing districts on the shore of  
Lake Nicaragua. If not, they will be made  
clearer by substituting in the first verse,  
though at a slight metrical sacrifice, the word  
*Chontales* for "Canaan."

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand,  
And cast a wistful eye  
To Canaan's fair and happy land,  
Where my possessions lie.  
O'er the transporting, rapturous scene  
That rises to my sight,  
Sweet fields arrayed in living green  
And rivers of delight.  
There generous fruit that never fails  
On trees immortal grow—  
There rocks and hills and brooks and valleys  
With milk and honey flow.

No chilling winds, no poisonous breath,  
Can reach that peaceful shore;  
Sickness and sorrow, pain and death,  
Are felt and feared no more.  
There, on that high and flowery plain,  
Our spirits ne'er shall roam,  
But in perpetual, joyful strains,  
Redeeming love adore.

Then followed the discourse, which, as I  
have before intimated, I was deprived of the  
pleasure of hearing. For the outlines of it,  
consequently, I am indebted to the reports  
of those more fortunate.  
The preacher announced his text to be  
Numbers xiii, 30.—"And Caleb shall call the  
land of Canaan, &c." Let us see what  
he made of it. First came the introductory  
exercises. Moses and the Israelites, observed  
the preacher, were near the borders of Canaan,  
the land which the Lord had promised  
them.

By the latter's direction, the great Israel-  
ite chieftain selected twelve men, one from  
each tribe, commanding them to go forth and  
spy out the land of Canaan, "to see  
whether it be good or bad, and whether the  
land be strong or weak." The spies accordingly went  
and found an exceedingly rich country, and  
it being grape season, cut down, near the  
brook Eshcol, a cluster of grapes that re-  
quired two men to carry it on a stick. They al-  
so brought figs and pomegranates.

"My brethren," remarked the preacher,  
"there has been much discussion among the  
learned as to the precise weight of these  
some grapes. The sacred writings, however,  
leave us in the dark on this point, and it does  
not suit my purpose to make a digression to  
determine it. We consequently enter into  
the question, in regard to both of which Mo-  
ses has left us no information; first, the  
strength of the two men who were employed  
to carry the bunch of grapes, and second, the  
distance which the grapes were carried; for  
it may be presumed that no one would attempt  
to shoulder a weight for a hundred miles  
which might be easily borne one hundred  
yards. Assuming, therefore, that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay down as a fact, preferring  
to confine myself to the positive declaration  
of Scripture, which states that two men were  
employed to carry it, and that the spies of  
Israel travelled one hundred miles, and that  
were men of ordinary strength, we may safely  
attribute to the two grape-carriers the ability  
to carry between them a burden of two  
hundred pounds, the possible weight of the  
cluster of grapes. This, however, I would  
by no means lay