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In the seventeenth chapter of "Kenllworth," Lord Leicester is made to turn away from Edmund Spencer, the poet, with the words, "Ha! Will Shakspeare! wild Will! thou hast given my nephew, Philip Sidney, love powder; he cannot sleep without thy Venus and Adonis under his pillow!" And it is added, "The player bowed, and the Earl nodded and passed on—so that age would have told the tale; in ours, perhaps, we might say the immortal had done homage to the mortal."

At that time (1575) Sir Philip Sidney, who had just attained his majority, had returned from his foreign tour, and we might say, all most to a certainty, had never exchanged a word with little Willy Shakspeare, the schoolboy. "Venus and Adonis," without which In the seventeenth chapter of "Kenilboy. "Venus and Adonis," without which under his pillow, in 1876, Sidney could not sleep, was not published until 1898, seven years after Sidney's death, on the battle-field of Zutphen; and Shakspeare did not go upon the stage until 1886, eleven years after Scott shows him as a well-known man, whose writings were familiar to and prized by Queen Elizabeth and her courtiers." Without comment on the other provide station, it is quite apparent that the station, whoever he may be, at the ingeniously interfere with the executive state of the provided against those who "violently and the stage until 1886, eleven years after Scott shows him as a well-known man, whose writings were familiar to and prized by Queen Elizabeth and her courtiers. Elizabeth and her courtiers. Elizabeth and her courtiers.

The scene on the Queen's barge, already mentioned, where she speaks of Will Shakspeare, and where Sussex calls him "a stout man at quarter-staff and single falchion, though a halting fellow," is equally out of date. And so, especially, a few pages farther on, when at the Queen's command, young on, when at the Queen's command, young it is a great that can restout the compression of the staff of of the staff

on, when at the Queen's command, young at they are opposed to compromises—that Walter Raleigh repeats "with accent and agonism between freedom and slavery may as nner, when even added to their exquisite delicacy of tact and beauty of description, the celebrated vision of Oberon: That very time I saw, (but thou couldst not.)
Flying between the cold moon and the earth,
Cupid, all arm'd: a cortsin aim he too.
At a fair vestal, throned by the West;
And loosed his love-shaft smartly from his bow,

At a lair vestal, throned by the West; And loosed his love-shaft smertly from his bow As it should proce a hundred thousand hearts: But I might see young Cupid's fierr shaft Quanch'd in the ohaste beams of the watery mon and the imperial vol'ress passed on, In maidon meditation, fanoy free!"

mibitions of one Will Stakspeare, (whom I think, my lords, we have all heard something of), the manly amusement of hear-baiting is falling into comparative neglect; since men will rather throng to see these roguish players if alling into comparative neglect; since men will rather throng to see these roguish players is falling into comparative neglect; since men will rather throng to see these roguish players acrifice to produce such a brilliant effect as falling into comparative neglect; since men will rather throng to see these roguish players acrifice to produce such a brilliant effect as falling into comparative neglect; since men will rather throng to see these roguish players as a solution, and heart of the constitution, proposed in the arc curious, as showing how much he would sarrifect as falling into comparative neglect since men will rather throng to see these roguish players in an Elizabethan romance. Curious, too, that—as far as on:

In the Earl of Sussex, who favors the bear-fighting, qualifies his opinion by adding, "and yet, by my faith, I wish Will Shakspeare in an Elizabethan romance. Curious, too, that—as far as on:

In oharm. He is a stout man at quarter-staff, and single falchion, though, as I am told, a halting fellow; and he stood, they, say, a tough fight with the rangers of old Sir Thomas Charlecot, when he broke his deer-park and kissed the keeper's daughter." In the words which we have here italticzed, we have sire with the constitution of such its forever from the halls of Congress the Irribation of Savery, and submit it in good firmly to the principle—which he himself vio. It to the people directly interested in it. Then, the words which we have here italticzed, we have sire with the least of the principle and with regard to slavery, it will not be against the dividual of the principle and with regard to slavery, it will not be against the dividual of the principle and with regard to slavery, it will not be against the dividual of the principle and with regard to slavery, it will not

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Thore naturally exists among the people an anxious desire to learn what oourse will be pursued by those whom they have placed in positions of trust, and I know that my own course is watched by thom with deep interest. They have a right to be informed on the subject, and, sithough I have in several published lettors indicated my views, I yield now to the requests of many of my fellow-citizens, and address you this frank statement, calmly and trathfully, in my plain way, representing the actual condition of the question as I believe it to be, and giving my own convictions of what is required of me in this crisis.

From the ideation of the National Capital within our limits, and our peculiar geographical position, Maryland would inevitably become the ohoson hattle-ground of the soctions in the event of viril war Her long line of exposed frontier would be topen to attack from every quarter, and her peaceful waters would soon become the theatre of this horrid contest. It, needs no argument to convince a reflecting mind that each a war, would bring upon us more than the usual accompaniments of war—loss of life, destruction of all domestic peace, oppressive taxatism, rainous depreciation of property, and almost universal bank-ruptey. 'As a boader thresholding State she would especially suffer in the fitter destruction of a cherished domestic institution with which all our sympathies are firmly united. 'A brave people, forced into a necessary war, would partially estimate oven these great evils, and Maryland never has been and never will be found hookward in such a future if it could be avoided with honor.

I firmly believe that the division of this Government would inovitably produce over will be cover we men a would be avoided with honor. to courbone a refecting mind that such a way.

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