

At the late Fair held at Boston for the benefit of the Sanitary Commission, the proceeds of which, after paying its expenses, amounted to a hundred and forty thousand dollars, the following touching lines by Mrs. Anna C. L. Waterson were laid on the counters and purchased by the visitors as a memento of the occasion:

**Our Work.**

On the wide battle-field,  
Or close to its edge,  
Stand we with tent-cloth,  
Cordage and wedge;  
Lift up the canvas;  
Shake out the straw;  
Have ready the cordals;  
Cooling drafts draw.  
  
Bear in the wounded;  
Bending gently down:  
(Some mother's sons they are—  
This day our own.)  
Woman with soft touch  
Bathes this young brow;  
You with the strong arm  
Raise that soldier now.  
  
A cup of cold water  
For him wounded sore;  
He asks if a brother  
Needs it not more.  
Look! on this dark skin  
Grim slave-scars are found  
Where blood rushes red  
From the Freedman's deep wound.

Few words are spoken—  
We bandage and feed  
Our soldiers and prisoners  
In perilous need.  
Comfort and light throw  
Over Death's passage,  
And for beloved ones  
Receive the last message.  
  
Pale lips have uttered  
Thanks for our care;  
Sobdom a groan is heard;  
Oft whispered prayer;  
God and man did us  
In work to be done,  
Till, through the struggle,  
Freedom is won.

**The War Problem.**

After a lapse of time, some one has been found competent to set forth the problem of the rebel dilemma. We find it in twenty propositions, which are based upon the leading opinions of North and South, and brought into phalanx by an enterprising contemporary. Each proposition establishes a quandary; and though the rebellion may be a powerful fact, it is at least a logical impossibility:

- If they increase their army they can not feed it.
- Unless they increase their army they are whipped.
- Unless the press speaks out their liberties are gone.
- If the press speaks out their Government will be gone.
- Unless they draft the whole population they must surrender.
- If they draft the whole population they must starve.
- Unless they recover East Tennessee they can get no salt-petre.
- If they undertake to recover East Tennessee they will get more salt-petre than they want.
- Unless they free the negroes they've nothing left to fight with.
- If they free the negroes they've nothing left to fight for.
- Ever since the rebellion began negroes have been falling.
- Nevertheless, their great fear now is, lest the negroes should rise.
- Unless Jeff. Davis repudiates his present debts he can't borrow from anybody.
- If he repudiates, nobody will lend to him.
- If he impresses food he turns the land into a desert.
- Unless he impresses food he turns his men into deserters.
- They can't succeed in the war until they have got the means of building railroads.
- They can't get the means of building railroads.
- If they fight they lose the day.
- Unless they fight they lose every day.

The following anecdote is related by a Washington correspondent of the New York Evening Post, to show how the Secretary of War deals with a refractory railroad President:

The town is laughing at an amusing story of a recent interview between the Secretary of War and the President of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad. It is too good to be lost, and I give it as I find it afloat: "The draft has fallen with great severity upon the employees of our company." If something is not done to relieve us, it is hard to foresee the consequence." "Let them pay the commutation." "Impossible! the men can't stand such a tax." "They have a rich company at their back, and that's more than other people have." "They ought to be exempted, because they are necessary to the working of the road for the Government." "That can't be." "Then I will stop the road." "If you do, I will take it up and carry it on." The discussion is said to have been dropped at this point, and the worthy President is still working the road as successfully as ever.

Josh Billings, in the *Pickapee* gives the following "recipe" for making "barley-sarsaparilla": "Take an eel skin and stuff it with ground cat; se sin it with scab scuff and persimmon tea; lay it on a hog pen to dry, and then hang it by the tail in a grocery for eight months; for the flies to give it the trade marks, then it is ready for use, and can be cut into rite lengths and sold for police clubs."

A woman applied for a free ride on the railroad near Troy, New York, on the ground that she had three husbands in the army.

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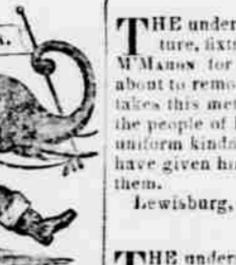
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