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Are these the ancient, holy hills, Where angels walked of old? Is this the land our story fills With glory not yet cold! For I have passed by many a shrine, O'er many a land and sea, But still, oh! promised Palestine, My dreams have been of thee.

I see thy mountain cedars green. Thy valleys fresh and fair, With summers bright as they have been When Israel's home was there; Though o'er thee sword and time have passed, And cross and cressent shone, And heavily the chair hath pressed, Yet still thou art our own!

Thine are the wandering race that go Unbless'd through every land, Whose blood hath stained the polar snow, And quenched the desert sand; And thine the homeless hearts that turn From all earth's shrines to thee, With their lone faith for ages borne In sleepless memory.

For thrones are fallen and nations gone Before the march of time, And where the ocean rolled alone Are forests in their prime; Since Gentile ploughshares marred the brow Of Zion's holy hill-

Where are the Reman eagles now? Yet Judah wanders still.

And hath she wandered thus in vain A pilgrim of the past ? No! long deferred her hope hath been, But it shall come at last; For in her wastes a voice I hear,

As from some prophet's urn, It bids the nations build not there, For Jacob shall return. Oh! lost and loved Jerusalem!

Thy pilgrim may not stay To see the glad earth's harvest home In thy redeeming day; But now resigned in faith and trust, I seek a nameless tomb; At least beneath thy hallowed dust-

Oh! give the wanderer room!

one of 1785 need none for 1842.

amount of \$12,650 against the Sheriff of Wor- work and undersell our democracy, and consemany vatuable articles of stock when attaching trade that some folks talk about-and calling the property of a house, and conducting the themselves democrats, too. sale in such a manner that a fair auction price I hope our democracy are too well schooled could not be obtained for the property sold .- to be gulled by this doctrine; that they will tell could not be obtained for the property sold.— to be gulled by this doctrine; that they will tell horse, High Olmypus." "Yes, massa—don't The damages were laid at \$30,000. The jary their Congressmen, who represent them, to look know so much 'bout de hio, but he's limpus

We have not prefaced lately, the excellent snap remarks of our friend the Major, but we on this occasion beg our readers to reflect well on the concise reflections embraced in the letter we the subject is full of interest, and calls for the

From the New York Express.

MAJOR DOWNING.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12, 1841.

ted a spell ago. 10 10 there was no mistake in my notion about Capt. to disturb the public peace. There were cries 20 Tyler's Message, for it is about as complete a issuing from your house as if you had been thing as ever went from the White House to committing murder.' Congress, since Gineral Washington's first message, which no man has ever beat yet-and same thing.' 30 now comes the tussle. Some folks in Congress In all cases where money is remitted for say they can get along with everything except who were crying out as if you were being flay-"Clubbing," the most liberal allowances will be the currency and tariff pint on't, and that Con- ed? made. The money, in all cases, to be positive- gress has no right by the Constitution to furiy received before a number is sent. No letters nish a currency, or to put on a tariff for protec- general laughter)—he has cut me horribly." will be taken from the post office unless the tion. These things are the only two pints of postage on them is paid. Unless positive or- any consequence that are going to "fire up" paring, expressly for the Lady's Book, numerous ders are given at the time of subscribing, the Congress to a pritty considerable high pressure work will be continued after the first year, and on the safety valves-and these are the two laughter.) I certainly did not mean to cut so mittens or without mittens, with the biggest

Congressman in both Houses. I say, that the folks who drew up the Conon't read jist as plain as a title deed, so that be below his business.' folks who ain't a lawyer or a pettifogging twisfyer, could understand every word on't, and why?" any "construction" that was in doubt, that we, the people, should take that doubt into our own Merlon is not to be trusted as he does not pay

law under the Constitution, to coin money and had twelve he used to say that he had only fix the value thereof, and that, that money shall six, so that I lost both my razors, my soap, be gold and silver as a legal tender, and no other and my time; at last I devised a mode of keeppower to do this exists, for these United States, ing a reckoning not to be disputed.' but in Congress.

The Constitution also says that Congress good and prosperity of the People.

Now, how does the North stand? It is found the neighborhood." that in regulating foreign commerce, Congress passes a law saying that no vessel shall enter condemned to pay the full penalty, and the into the coasting trade, even if they carry cot- President advised him to renounce, in future, ton from New Orleans to New York, and hay his new system of keeping accounts. and merchandize from New York to New Orleans for nothing.

The Constitution don't say this -- but Congress says it is necessary and right for the protection of our citizens, and I say Congress is right.

Now I say, and so says a considerable number of millions of my fellow citizens that to protect the gold and silver coined by order of Congress, we must have a good paper currency, and a good protective Tariff, or else there is no use of going to the expense of coining gold and silver, if we can't keep it. Now is there any use you buy them for ?" of opening Iron and Coal mines, or building workshops, or making tools for the use of me-

There is no use in our coining gold and silver, unless we can keep it-and there is no way to keep it, unless we have the means to earn it, and out-work other folks who want to get it from us. We want then a good and the best currency to aid us at home in every branch of industry; and then we want a protection in our foreign trade. And what is that protection? Some folks say (and they call themselvs democrats, too) that democracy wants "free of six! I think the man's demented-two thoutrade." Now I don't know what the democracy of other nations is. For my part, I want like freemen, and enjoy a share of the comforts | pigth !" and good things of the world, and be well rewarded for their industry, and be able to school their children. I have no notion of compelling our democracy to go down into the mines, and live like woodchucks and groundhogs, or drive them into the factories and workshops, and make them work--men, women, and children--A correspondent of the Ledger notices, as a in ignorance, like slaves, for a mere living on matter of interest as well as of curiosity, the bread and water; just as the democracy of Eufact that the almanac for 1842 is like the whole rope live and work. I want them to earn somethe days of the month fall again on the same and be able to school their children. But undays of the weeks, also the moveable feasts, less they are protected, they must work and &c., &c., so that those who have yet an old live as the democracy of Europe work and live; or the mines, the factories, the workshops, and schools of the United State, must all close-Heavy Damages against a Sheriff. for the miserable, half-fed, unschooled, slavish

to their duty. This, then, is the upshot of my notion. We A MONSTER .-- A man in Huntingdon county want a good currency to aid our domestic trade, "What time is it, Tom?" "Just time to pay Pa., has a pig with five heads and twenty legs and we want a good protective Tarriff to keep that little account you owe me." "Oh, indeed! the basis of that good currency in our posses- well, I didn't think it was half so late."

sion; and if we neglect those, we become a colony, and our Independence ain't worth a

Your friend, and oh'd't serv't, JACK DOWNING, Major, &c. &c.

this day offer them. According to our notion, Strange System of Meeping Accounts.

A barber, named Linion, was brought before reflection of every patriotic and true Ameri- a London Police Court charged with having customers in his house after midnight.

The bather-'It is the fault of this person, To the Editors of the New York Express-the Merlon, who is in the Court. As he has not same paper my old friend, Mr. Dwight, prin- time to be shaved during the day, he will come to be shaved late at night.'

Mr. Editors-I guess you will say now that The President---You ought not, at all events,

Merlon-He was shaving; that's almost the

The President--'Was it you, then, Merlon,

Merlon-'Yes, in fact, he was flaying me (a The barber-'It is true, but I made a mistake.'

Merlon--- Did you not mean then to cut me ? The barber -- 'I did not say that. (Prolonged

The President--'Did you, then, cut him on

The barber--- Indeed, I did, in the spirit of stitution took good care to make every article my order; you understand one does not like to

The President and Merlon together 'And

The barber --- 'The whole affair is this: M. keeping, till it was shown that it was no doubt. ready money, he used to cheat me in the num-Now, I say that Congress has the right by ber of shaves for which he owed me; when he

The President--- How was that?"

The barber --- 'Every time that I shave him I has the right to regulate the foreign commerce, make a notch in his cheek; (general laughter;) and commerce between the States; and to pass when we counted up, I look at his cheek, and all laws to carry these plans into effect. Here as many notches so many shaves; (renewed then is a law and gospel, and Congress is the laughter) but the other day the razor turning in People, and the Constitution is made for the my hands, I made the figure too large and it was this which made him cry out and disturb

Amidst the general laughter, the barber was

A Slight Difference.

"Mitheth Y., I come to athk you if you kin ind me your pig pen for a few dayth?" "My pig pen? why, Mr. Fisher, what can

you want with my pig pen?" " I have jutht been purchathin thome thwine -two thowth and pigth at conthableth thale,

and want to put them in your pen." "Why, Mr. Fisher, my pen won't hold so many pigs as you have! What on airth did

"I bought them for my own family uthe, madam; and I'm thertain your pen will be thuffithienfly largth for them."

"My pen will only hold twenty-five commonsized ones!" "Well, if it will hold twenty-five hogth, it

will thursly hold two thowth and pigth!" "Two thousand pigs! why, it won't hold the twentieth part of them!"

"Understand me, medam! I don't thay two thouthand pigth , but two thowth and pigth!" "I hear you! two thousand pigs for a family

sand pigs in that pen! he's certainly crazy!" "Mitheth Y.! I tell you again, I mean not the democracy of this nation to be able to live two thouthand pigth, but two thowth and two

> "Oh-oh-Mr. Fisher, is that what you mean? My pig pon is at your service, sir?" "I thank you, thintherely, madam!" lisped the relieved Fisher, as he started for the pig pen, in which he soon deposited his "two thowth and pigth!"-Pitisburgh Chronicle.

An English gentleman, in his return of property to the assessors, for taxation, wrote under the head of "Wheel Carriges"-"One barrow with one wheel, drawn by myzelf in the garof the almanac for the year 1785; that is to say, thing more, and live more like rational men, den." The assessors returned the paper with this remark : "Asses and one-wheeled carriages are exempt from duty."

Egg Plants .-- "Say, Uncle Ben, what sort of animals are them'ere punkins that are all over black a most blue and a little reddish ?" A jury in Boston has given damages to the and ignorant democracy of Europe will under- "Them, Jonathan, are called egg plantsvegetable eggs." "Eggs! Well, I swan, I cester, for the neglect of his deputy in omitting quently rain their industry. This is the free should like to see one on'em hatched, to see what sort o'-critters a wegetable am."

> "Cuffy, go to the meadow and catch my nuff, dat's sartin."