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WE have heard a young mother, who had buried on only and infant son, at the age of two years, affirm, that aside from the consolations of religion, nothing ever so touched her heart, or afforded her and beautiful extract from a poem which appeared in Blackwood's Magazine nearly thirty years ago:

"Thou weepest, childless mother!

Ay, weep-'twill ease thine heart : He was the first-born son, Thy first, thy only one-"Tis hard from him to part! "Tis hard to lay thy darling Deep in the damp, cold earth-His empty crib to see, His silent nursery,

One vocal with his mirth. "To meet again in slumber His small mouth's rosy kiss-Then waking with a start, By thine own throbbing heart, His twining arms to miss!

"To feel, half conscious, why, A dull, heart-sinking weight Till mem'ry on thy soul Flashes the painful whole, That thou art desolate !

"And there to lie and weep, And think the live-long night, Feeding thine own address, With acurate greediness, Of every past delight.

His pretty, playful smiles; His joy at sight of thee, His tricks, mimicry, And all his little wiles.

"Oh! these are recollections Round mother's hearts that cling, That mingle with the tears And smiles of after-years, With oft-awakening.

"But thou wilt then, fond mother! In after years look back, (Time brings such wondrous easing), With sadness not unpleasing, Even of that gloomy track.

"Thou'lt say, 'My first-born blessing, It almost broke my heart When thou wert forced to go, And yet, for thee I know 'Twas better to depart.

"Gop took thee in His mercy, A lamb, untasked, untried; Ha fought the fight for thee, HE won the victory, And thou art satisfied.

" I look around and see The evil ways of men, And oh! beloved child! I'm more then "reconciled" To thy departure then.

" 'The little hands that clasped me, The innocent lips that prest, Would they have been as pure Till now, as when of yore

" 'Now (like a dew-drop shrined Within a crystal stone), Thou'rt safe in Heaven, my dove ! Safe with the Source of Love-The EVERLASTING ONE!

I lulled thee on my breast!

" 'And when the hour arrives, From flesh that sets me free, Thy spirit may await, The first at Heaven's gate, To meet and welcome me !" "

Miscellaneous.

Character of General Jackson.

BY THOMAS H. BENTON.

at Nachville, Tennessee, in 1760—he was on the son had his passions and his violence, they were myself, and made the speeches at the general Territory, and of a wide circle of acquaintances, above him, on the river-bank: bench, a judge of the then Supreme Court, and for men and enemies-those who stood up a- musters, which helped to raise two others, as- in Europe and America. I s youth of seventeen, back in the crowd .- gainst him-and not for women and children, or sisted by a small band of friends-all feeling con- "He is a practical teacher of morals and reli-He was then a remarkable man, and had his as- the weak and helpless; for all of whom his feel- fident that if we could conquer the difficulty- gion; a promoter of general education; and at cendant over all who approached him, not the ings were those of protection and support. His master the first step-and get him upon the present occupies an honorable scat in the Legiseffect of his high judicial station, nor of the sen- hospitality was active as well as cordial, embrac- theatre of action, he would do the rest himself. | lative Council of the Territory. storial rank which he had held and resigned; ing the worthy in every walk of life, and seeking This is the way he got into the regular army, "Now, as to visiting my kindred in New nor of military exploits, for he had not then out deserving objects to receive it, no matter but only unselected by the wisdom of govern- Hampshire, I would be pleased to do so, were it been to war; but the effect of personal qualities, how obscure. Of this, I learned a characteristic ment, but rejected by it-a stone rejected by the the will of God. But first, the laws of that cordial and graceful manners, hospitable temper, instance in relation to the son of the famous master builders—and worked in by an unseen State must be so modified by enlightened legislaelevation of mind, undaunted spirit, generosity, Daniel Boone. The young man had come to hand, to become the corner stone of the temple. tion, and the customs and consciences of the inand perfect integrity. In charging the jury in Nashville on his father's business, to be detained The aged men of Tennessee well remember all habitants, and of my kindred, so altered, that my the impending case, he committed a slight soli- some weeks, and had his lodgings at a small this, and it is time that history should learn it. husband can accompany me with all his wives cism in language which grated on my ear, and tavern, towards the lower part of the town .- But to return to the private life and personal and children, and be so much respected and honlodged on my memory, without derogating in General Jackson heard of it; sought him out; characteristics of this extraordinary man. the least from the respect which he inspired; found him; took him home to remain as long as There was an mnate, unvarying, self-acting calling, worthy patriarch Jacob, would have and without awaking the slightest suspicion that his business detained him in the country, say- delicacy in his intercourse with the female sex, been respected, had he, with his wives and chilwas ever to be engaged in smoothing his directing, "Your father's dog should not stay in a including womankind: and on that point my dren, paid a visit to his kindred. Goo. The first time I spoke with him was some tavern where I have a house." This was heart! personal observation (and my opportunities for . "As my husband is still in my youth, as well years after, at a (then) frontier town in Tennes- and I had it from the young man himself, long observation were both large and various,) enables as myself, I fondly hope we shall live to see that

8 05 different kind. He smiled and we began a con- with Jackson; and of these he gave constant could exceed his kindness and affection to Mrs. others company. 80 00 ging young men in their laudable pursuits. Get- made any sacrifice to get out of those meurred attacks upon her. I knew her well, and that a letter, or a copy thereof; and that they will con- which they had been drafted, to their homes, on so much consolation as the following touching tude, where the oldest and ablest counsel ap- ished the British officers as much as their de gether or made a house more attractive to visitors.

timacy begun.

house; and as an instance, had opportunities to | would have been a puritan. know his domestic life, and at the period when The character of his mind was that of judgit was least understood and most misrepresented. | ment, with a rapid and almost intuitive percep-He had resigned his place on the bench of the tion, followed by an instant and decisive action. Supreme Court, as he had previously resigned It was that which made him a General, and a his place in the Senate of the United States, and | President for the time in which he served. He lived on a superb estate of some thousand acres, had vigorous thoughts, but not the faculty of twelve miles from Nashville, then hardly known arranging them in a regular composition, either by its subsequent famous name of Hermitage-a written or spoken; and in formal papers he name chosen for its perfect accord with his feel- usually gave his draft to an aid, or friend, or a ing; for he had then actually withdrawn from Secretary, to be written over-often to the loss the stage of public life, and from a state of feel- of vigor. But the thoughts were his own vigoring well known to belong to great talent when ously expressed; and without effort, writing and heir, taking his own name, and now the re-He was a careful farmer, overlooking everything as Carlyle says of Cromwell, hitting the nail uphimself, seeing that the fields and fences were in on the head as he went. I have slaves comfortably provided for. His house was the seat of hospitality, the resort of friends and or interlineations anywhere. His conversation or interlineations anywhere. His conversation of the seat of hospitality and of all of all of the resort of friends and or interlineations anywhere. His conversation of the seat of hospitality and of all of all of the resort of friends and or interlineations anywhere. His conversation of the seat of hospitality and of all of all of the resort of friends and or interlineations anywhere. His conversation of the seat of hospitality and the passengers, except the new one, sidential mansion was presided over during his made their way to the captain's office, and paid our part, and we trust that there is good sense, and the passengers, except the new one, sidential mansion was presided over during his made their way to the captain's office, and paid our part, and we trust that there is good sense, acquaintances, and of all strangers visiting the was like his writing, a vigorous flowing current, lasting remembrances of one he had held so dear.

State—and the more agreeable to all from the apparently without the trouble of thinking, and perfect conformity of Mrt. Jackson's character to always impressive. His conclusions were rapid.

which a farming life can afford, and found it, for to his friends. And no man yielded quicker when has addressed to her sister, Mrs. Lydia Kimball, atlon, as it would aid him in 'making up his cd by congress and the country.—War at any some years, in the animating sports of the turf | he was convinced; perfectly illustrating the dif- of Nabraska, N. H., a letter in which she defends | book; introding his question also as a gentle hint | time, except in defence of national honor or nato the State, and for large sums. That is the I spoke with more confidence when I felt my- these people are laboring : nearest to gaming that I ever know him to come. self strongly to be in the right. Cards and the cock-pit bave been imputed to He had a bad to carry all his life, resulting you, and dear as you are to me, I can never come of the clerk, not being much the wiser for this him, but most erroneously. I never saw him from a temper which refused compromises and to these terms. I feel as though the Gospel had answer, again politely asked the stranger: engaged in either. Duels were usual in that bargaining, and went for a clean victory or a introduced me into the right family, into the time, and he had his share of them, with on- clean defeat, in every case. Hence every step he right lineage, and into good company. And, bepleasant concomitants, but they pas-cl away took was a contest; and it may be added, every sides all these considerations, should I ever be- right, though. with all their animosities, and he has often been contest was a victory I have already said that come so beclouded with unbelief of the scriptures seen zealously pressing the advancement of those he was elected a Major General in Tennessee- and heavenly institutions as to agree with my the captain, who at once lost his wonted goodagainst whom he had but lately been arrayed in an election on which so much afterwards depen- kindred in New Hampshire in theory, still my humor as the clerk related the result of his inter- thentic, and the scene is Illinois: deadly hostility.

sage of friendship, dictated when life was depart- event of his administration.

of some of the Indian tribes. In pulling off his nated me for the United States Senate, at my sociate, the late Judge Overton of Tennessee, tored-while "Mystery Babyles," with all her overcoat, I perceived on the white lining of the first election, in 1820; an act of hereditary The Roman General won an immortality of honor institutions, awaits her overthrow, turning down sleeve, a dark speek, which had friendship, as our fathers had been early friends. by one ast of continence : what praise is due to "Till this is the case in New Hampshire, my him. The concentrated bitterness of the people,

heel of my shoe upon it-little thinking that I like of banks, and love of hard money-love of peat, if he had been born in the time of Crom- here to see me. On the other hand, we will be poured forth on the man to whom they intrusted was ever to brush away from him game of a very justice and love of country, were ruling passions well, he would have been a puritan. Nothing mutually compelled to forego the pleasure of each all, and who betrayed them. I give one instance, versation in which he very quickly revealed a evidence in all the relations of his life. Of pri- Jackson, always increasing in proportion as his leading trait of his character—that of encoura- vate debts he contracted none of his own, and elevation and culminating fortunes, drew cruel my kindred and old acquaintances to see this were returning from the regiment in Italy, in ting my name and parentage, and learning my for others. Of this he gave a signal instance more exemplary woman in all the relations of sider it as if written to themselves. I love them furlough. They had just money enough to be intended profession, he manifested a regard for not long before the war of 1812-selling the im- life, wife, friend, neighbor, relative, mistress of dearly, and greatly desire and pray for their sal- lable to reach Klagenfurt; and there, were utterly me, said he had received hospitality at my fath- proved part of his estate, with the best buildings slaves -never lived, and never presented a more vation, and that we may all meet with Abraham, er's house in North Carolina, gave me kind in- of the country upon it, to pay a debt incurred quiet, cheerful and admirable management of Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdem of God. vitations to visit him, and expressed a belief that in a mercantile adventure to assist a young re- her household. She had not education, but she "Dear sister, do not let your prejudices nor raising money. Though it sorely offended their I would do well at the bar-generous words lative, and going into log-houses in the forest to had a heart, and a good one; and that was always traditions here you from believing the Bible; which had the effect of promoting what they un- begin a new home and farm. He was living in leading her to do kind things in the kindest nor the pride, sharme, or love for the world, keep One said that he could not begin, and the other dertook to foretell. Soon after, he had further these rude tenements when he vanquished the manner. She had the General's own warm heart, you from your seat in the kingdom of offered to commence, by trying in a coffeeopportunity to show his generous feelings. I British at New Orleans: and, probably, a view frank manners and hospitable temper; and no heaven, among the royal family of polygamists. was employed in a criminal case of great magni- of their conqueror's domicile would have aston- two persons could have been more happily, topeared-Grundy, Whiteside, and the trial of feathad done. He was attached to his friends, She had the faculty-a rare one-of retaining which General Jackson attended through con- and to his country, and never believed any re- names and titles in a throng of visitors, addrescern for the fate of a friend. As junior counsel port to the discredit of either, until compelled sing each one appropriately, and dispensing hos-I had to precede my elders, and did my best : by proof. He would not believe in the first re- pitality to all with a cordiality which exhaused and, it being on the side of his feelings, he found ports of the surrender of General Hull, and be- its value. No bashful youth, or plain old man, my effort to be better than it was. He compli- came sad and oppressed when forced to believe whose modesty sat them down at the lower end mented me greatly, and from that time our in- it. He never gave up a friend in a doubtful of the table, could escape her cordial attention. case, or from policy, or calculation. He was a any more than the title gentleman on her right I soon after became his aid, he being a Major firm believer in the goodness of a superintending or left. Koung persons were her delight, and she General in the Tennessee militia—made so by a Providence, and in the eventful right judgment majority of one vote. How much often depends and justice of the people. I have seen him at young women and clover young men-all calling upon one vote! New Orleans, the Creek cam- most desperate parts of his fertunes, and never paign, and all their consequences, date from that saw him waver in the belief that all would come one vote—and after that I was habitually at his right in the end. In the times of Cromwell he

and unmovable, when he was under strong con-

ded-by one vote. His appointment in the Uni- practical circumstances are different, and would, view with his delinquent customer. His temper was placable as well as iraseible, ted States regular army was a conquest from the I fear, continue to separate us by a wide and aland his reconciliations were cordial and sincere. administration, which had twice refused to ap- most impassable gulf. Of that, my own case was a signal instance .- point him a Brigadier, and once disbanded him | "For instance, I have (as you are, in all good) said: After a deadly fend, I became his confidential as a volunteer general, and only yielded to his conscience, founded on the word of God) formed favor, and received from his dying bed a mes- a victory over politicians-as was every leading dear to me and which I can never being my feel- right, captain.

divine worship, respect for the ministers of the to the illustration of government mistakes, and sides this, my husband has seven other living fuses to pay his fare, or to give a good reason for gospel, their hospitable reception in his house, the elucination of mdividual merit surrounding wives, and one who has departed to a better not paying, we put him ashore immediately." and constant encouragement of all the pious ten- obstacles, to tell how it was. Twice passed by world. He has in all upwards of twenty-five "W-a-II, captain, I s'pose his your custom: dencies of Mrs. Jackson. And when they both to give preference to others in the west (General children. All these mothers and children are co- but it's all right. afterwards became members of a church, it was Harrison and General Winehester.) once disban- deared to me by kindred ties-by mutual affect the captain's patience gave out. He rethe natural and regular result of their early cher- ded and omitted in all the lists of military nomiished feelings. He was gentle in his house and nations, how did he get at last to be appointed mothers in particular by mutual and long con- ingly he enlered the pilot to land, and the delinalive to the tenderest emotions; and of this I Major General? It was thus :- Congress had tinued exercises of toil, patience, long sufferings count to make ready to go ashore; to which the can give an instance greatly in contrast with his passed an act authorizing the President to ac- and sisterly kindness. We all have our maperice- latter replied : supposed character, and worth more than a long cept organized corgs of volunteers. I proposed to tions in this life; but I know that here are good discourse in showing what that character really General Jackson to raise a corps under the act, and worthy women, and that my husband is a . The beat landed ; the plank was put out ; the was. I arrived at his house one wet, chilly even- and hold it ready for service. He did so; and good and worthy man; one who keeps the com- pas enger teld to walk; to which, with a pecuing in February, and came upon him in the twi- with this corps and some militia he defcated the mandments of Jesus Christ, and presides in his ling smile on his face, he readily assented; saying, light, sitting alone before the fire, with a lamb | Crook Indians, and gained the reputation which | family like an Abraham. He seeks to provide | as he stepped upon the plank : and a child between his knees. He started a forced his appointment in the regular army. I for them with all diligence; he loves them all. little, called a servant to remove the two inno- drew up the address which he made to his divi- and seeks to comfort them and make them happy. cents to another room, and explained to me how sion at the time, and when I carried it to him in He teaches them the ten commandments of Jesus him a shore blessing, for giving him the trouble it was. The child had cried because the lamb the evening, I found the child and the lamb be- Christ, and gathers them about him in the fami- to land, and threatened him with a 'top-dressing' was out in the cold, and begged him to bring it tween his knees. He had not thought of this ly circle to call upon his God both morning and if he ever saw him again. in-which he had done to please the child, his resource, had caught at it instantly, adopted the evening. adopted son, then not two years old. The fero- address, with two slight alterations, and pub- "He and his family have the confidence, es-The first time that I saw General Jackson was cious man does not do that ! and though Jack- lished it to his division. I raised a regiment teem, good will and fellowship, of this entire

which brought him through the towns and camps | ral Assembly of Missouri, and, as such, nomi- | sed by his earliest friend and most intimate as- | cendancy, the house of Israel is about to be reslife and motion. I brushed it off, and put the Abberrence of debt, public and private, dis- Jackson, whose whole life was continent? I re- kindred will be under the necessity of coming tredden into the very ground by the oppressor, is always had her house filled with them-lever the heart of the President. His regard for her months since : relatives. A nephew of her was his adopted son the river not long ago, several way-passengers nephew, Andrew Jackson Denelson, Esq., was who soon became the subject of curiosity, wonder life, civilization and prosperity as it must involve

But he needed some excitement beyond that victions; the ugh often yielding, on minor points a distinguished member of the Utah Legislature, ner asked the Kentuckian to give him his destin-He loved fine horses-racers of speed and bot- ference between firmness and obstinacy. Of all polygamy, and sustains her course of life. It is to him to pay his fare. tom-owned several, and confested the four mile the Presidents who have done me the honor to very long, but we make the following extract, ... The stout gentleman roused himself from kis heats with the best that could be bred, or brought | listen to my spinions, there was no one to whom to show the strength of the delusion under which | lethnegy, and replied :

"Now, dear friends, much as I long to see | right, Mr. Clerk."

ings to consent to dissolve.

ored in his family organization, and in his holy

see, when he was returning from a Southern visit, after, when he was a State Senator of the Gene- me to join in the declaration of the belief expres- day. For already the star of Jacob is in the as-

"Write often and freely.

"MALINDA MARDEN PRATT. Mes. Lydea Kenballi, Nashan, N: H. " P. S. My kind love to your husband, and all

inquiring friends." Tunnal seemed to be no end to the tricks that used to be played upon the captains of our North River steam boats, by shirking, swindling perstations." A common swindle was to pretend to be going to Albany, the end of the route, without money, and to be set on shore about midway, with great indignation, by the captain ; but landing, in the mean while, at the very place where they wanted to go to!

"At what point do you expect to land, Sir?" " Den't land at no point, Mr. Clerk: it's all

"Here the clerk left him, and went to consult

"The captain proceeded fortwith to bring the

" It's all right, captain !"

"'It's all right, captain." "After getting on terra firms the captain gave

"To which the importurbable old Jeremy Diddler respended again, with an indescribable air of triumph, pointing to a handsome cottage, just

"'At's all right, captain !- that's my house, captain !- It's all right !"

There can be little doubt that this is the same steam-beat traveler, who was observed by the cantain of a Mississippi steamer smoking a huge nehes long, and nine for a cent") in his left hand. | ter," "Den't you see that notice?" said the captain,

pointing to a tin affiche nailed up in sight-"No centleman permitted to smoke on the after-

"It's all right, captain," said he, puffing into his face a full blast of tobacco-smoke, "it's all right. Bless your soul. I'm no GENTLEMAN, but the way I like to smoke is a caution !"

The excuse seemed so valid, that the captain with a half-laugh, turned on his heel, and left the smoker "alone in his glory."

PINE. -The weather.

Gorgey, the Traiter.

To say that it is hated in Hungary, is to express feebly the feelings of the nation towards in an occurrence which happened this spring in "New dear sister, I must close. I wish all Klagenfurt. Two honveds-common soldiersat a loss what to do : in a strange town, stripped of everything, and without any means of Hungarian pride, they at last resolved to beg. house, near by. The very first gentleman whoth he asked gave him several silver zwanzigers. Bur-** With sentiments of the deepest affection and prised at such overflowing generosity, he went kindred feeling. I remain, dear sister, your affec- out and showed his gains to his comrade, and told him to go in and try, for if he had as good luck, their begging would be at an end. The other went in, and came out soon, joyfully, with his zwanzigers. They were counting their gains, when a waiter happened to step out, asked them if they knew who had been so generous to them. "No," they said. "That is Gorgey, the Hungarian general." Both the soldiers rose up, strode into the coffee-house, dashed the money on the table before Gorgey. "Scoundrel! we rather die thing This was when the beats touched at most of hunger than take a kreutzer from you!" and of the prominent towns on the river, to land such | then left the coffee-house. The affair was soon passengers as might desire to disembark at "way- noised about in the hotel, and a handsome purse was made up for the two beggared soldiers.

Shall we have War?

Nearly all the accounts from Washington represent our affairs with Spain as critical. We are told in Washington letters published in differ-We are reminded of this state of things, in the ent quarters, that a war message is expected from early history of steam-navigation on the Hudson , the President. We trust that this may not be River, by the following taughable and well-teld so-and yet it is hardly possible that the rumors sketch of a similar scene on the Mississippi, some are entirely without foundation. At this time, all the great interests of the country point to "Is the fleet steamer R -- was coming up peace, and humanity demands it, if war can be avoided on honorable terms. What grievances son; and all his conduct bespoke affectionate and their fare to their several places of destination. humanity and patriotism enough in congress to the delinquent passenger, who had taken no berth, | believe that the President will recommend any but passed the greater part of his time in sleeping such measure; but should be do so, without Mrs. Malinda Pratt, one of the eight wives of in his chair, and with his usual urbanity of man-showing stronger cause than we believe to exist, tional independence is a great evil; but at this time, and under existing circumstances, it would be a curse too serious to be encountered ; blasting "I am going up the river a piece; it's all our commercial prospects, piling up a debt of untold millions, and filling the lands with widows and orphans. Let us hope that the evil may be averted, and that our triumphs, for centuries to come, may be those of peace, -Harrisburg Union.

The title of " Biblical Reputation" is profixed to the subjoined scrap, which we find in "The Drawer." The fact is declared to be an-

"As our correspondent was passing a small but by the road-side, he noticed a shaggy-headed matter to a figure. Accosting the stranger, he boy of about eighteen years of age, with large eyes and no hat, dressed in a worn-out pair of "How far are you going with us, my friend?" his father's trowsers, trying to balance himself adviser; was offered the highest marks of his militia victories. His election as President was family and kindred ties, which are inexpressibly ... Oh, I'm going up a piece with you; it's all on the splinterey top of a hickory stump, and apparently sunning himself.

" More for the purpose of breaking the monoting, and when he would have to pause for breath. I have said that his appointment in the regu-There was a deep seated vein of piety in him, lar army was a victory over the administration, I love. We have four little children, which are destination; and you are old enough to know the gain information, (Mr. Lord the name of the unaffectedly showing itself in his reverence for and it belongs to the inside view of history, and mutually and inexpressibly dear to us. And he custom of steambest-men, that when a man refence, and asked:

> " My little lad, can you tell me how far it is to Sangamon Bottoms ?" " 'Bout six miles, I reckon.'

> . . Do you enjoy yourself out here in the woods ?! " Yes-a heap."

" What ails your pantaloons ?"

" Tor'd 'em !' was the Inconic but sufficient " Finding that he had got hold of a genius that

couldn't be pumped, Mr. Lord turned his horse's head to depart; but he, in turn, was builed by

" What mought your name be \$"

" Lord,' was the reply,

"The boy laughed all over, even to the wrinkles in his father's old trowsers. " You seem pleased,' said Mr. Ford; 'per-

hans you never heard the name before?" "Yes I have, too,' said the boy; 'I've heard I" Pap" read about you!" "The traveler put spurs to his horse, and says

that even the sacred thoughts to which the incident gave rise, were hardly sufficient to keep him from laughing to himself throughout the rest of

We must say for ourselves, however, that ignorance so profound, an intellect of an american igar on the after-deck, with three others ("nine | boy so benighted, is far from a "laughing mat-

Advices from Valparaiso of the 12th of April, mention, with reference to the force of the Russians in the Pacific, that they have one 60 gun frigate at that port, and are daily expecting three more of the same class, as well as an 80 gun line-of-battle-ship, each with two hundred troops on board. "The Russian officers," it is added, say that there are 14 vessels of war at Kamscatka, and boast of their superior force in these was, and also the mischief they will do to the homeward bound gold ships from Australia.