

MY STORY, MARM?

My story, marm? Well, really, now, I have not much to say; But if you'd called a year ago and then again to-day, No need of words to tell you, marm, for your own eyes could see How much the Temperance Cause has done for my dear John and me.

A year ago we hadn't flour to make a batch of bread, And many a night these little ones went supperless to bed; Now look into the larder, marm,—there's sugar, flour, and tea; And that is what the Temperance Cause has done for John and me.

The pail that holds the butter, John used to fill with beer; But he hasn't spent a cent for drink for two months and a year; He pays his debts, is strong and well as any man can be; And that is what the Temperance Cause has done for John and me.

He used to sneak along the streets, feeling so mean and low, And he didn't like to meet the folks he used to know; But now he looks them in the face, and steps off bold and free; And this is what the Temperance Cause has done for John and me.

A year ago these little boys went strolling through the streets, With scarcely clothing on their backs, and nothing on their feet; But now they've shoes and stockings and garments as you see; And that is what the Temperance Cause has done for John and me.

The children were afraid of him—his coming stopped their play; But now when supper time is o'er, and the table cleared away, The boys all frolic around his chair, the baby climbs his knee; And this is what the Temperance Cause has done for John and me.

Ah, those sad days are o'er of sorrow and of pain; The children have their father back, and I my John again! I pray excuse my weeping, marm—they're tears of joys, to see How much the Temperance Cause has done for my dear John and me.

Each morning, when he goes to work, I upward look and say: "Oh, Heavenly Father, help dear John to keep his pledge to-day?" And every night, before I sleep, thank God on bended knee For what the Temperance Cause has done for my dear John and me.

JOHN HOWARD PAYNE.

THE AUTHOR OF "HOME SWEET HOME" A JILTED LOVER—HIS LOVE LETTER.

"Madame—Idid for a long time indulge in the fallacious hope that fortune would have favored and placed me in a more suitable situation for making this communication to you. I have unfortunately been disappointed and have endeavored to calm my feelings and submit to my fate, yet the more I have striven to do so the more have I been convinced that it would be useless for me to any longer attempt to struggle with the sentiments I feel toward you. I am conscious of my own unworthiness of the boon I desire from you, and cannot, dare not, ask you to give a decisive answer in my favor now, only permit me to hope that at some future time I may have the happiness of believing my affection returned but at the same time I conjure you to remember in making up your decision that it is in your power to render me happy or miserable. Having frequently through the kind permission of your honored parents the pleasure of your society, I every day find it more necessary to come to some conclusion to my future conduct, for when I was obliged to leave you, it was only to renew the agitated state of my mind and to contemplate the image of one too dear to me to resign forever, without making an effort I was unequalled to when in your presence. You will perhaps tell me this is presumption on my part, and true it is. I have nothing to offer you but a devoted heart and hand; however, be assured, madame, whatever your decision may be, present wishes for your happiness and welfare shall be the first of heart. I have felt it essential to my peace of mind that I should inform you of the state of my feelings, satisfied that and your amiableness of heart will plead my excuse. I entreat you to reply to this letter if but one word; indeed, I am sure if you know how anxious I shall await your answer, compassion alone would induce you to send me an early answer. Allow me, madame, to subscribe myself your very humble and devoted admirer.

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DEATH OF PRESIDENTS.

CAUSES OF THE DECEASE OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVES OF THE UNITED STATES.

George Washington—His death was the result of a severe cold contracted while riding around his farm in a rain and sleet storm Dec. 10, 1799. The cold increased and was followed by a chill, which brought on acute laryngitis. His death occurred December 14, 1799. He was 68 years of age.

John Adams—He died from old age, having reached his 91st milestone. Though active mentally, he was nearly blind, and unable to hold a pen steadily enough to write. He passed away without pain July 4, 1826.

Thomas Jefferson—He died at the age of 83, a few hours before Adams, July 4, 1826. His disease was chronic diarrhoea, superinduced by old age, and, his physician said, the too free use of the waters of the White Sulphur Springs.

James Madison—He, too, died of old age, and peacefully, July 28th, 1836. His faculties were undimmed to the last. He was 85.

James Monroe—At the time of his death, which occurred in the 73rd year of his age, July 4, 1831, it was assigned to no other cause than enfeebled health.

John Quincy Adams—He was stricken with paralysis Feb. 21, 1848, while addressing the Speaker of the House of Representatives, being at the time a member of Congress. He died in the rotunda of the Capitol. He was 81 years of age.

Andrew Jackson—He died June 8, 1845, 78 years old. He suffered from consumption, and finally dropsy which made its appearance about six months before his death.

Martin Van Buren—He died July 24, 1862, from a violent attack of asthma, followed by catarrhal affection of the throat and lungs. He was 80 years of age.

William Henry Harrison—The cause of his death was pleurisy, the result of a cold which he caught on the day of his inauguration. This was accompanied with severe diarrhoea, which would not yield to medical treatment. His death occurred April 4, 1841, a month after his inauguration. He was 68 years of age.

John Tyler—He died January 17, 1862, at the age of 72. I have been unable to ascertain the cause of his death.

James K. Polk—In the spring of 1849 he was stricken with a slight case of cholera while on a boat going up the Mississippi river. Though temporarily relieved, he had a relapse on his return home and died June 15, 1849, aged 54 years.

Zachary Taylor—He was the second President to die in office. He is said to have partaken immoderately of ice water and iced milk, and then later of a large quantity of cherries. The result was an attack of cholera morbus. Another authority attributes his death to a severe cold. The former seems to be the more likely. He was 66 years old.

Millard Fillmore—He died from a stroke of paralysis March 8, 1874, in his 74th year.

Franklin Pierce—His death was due to abdominal dropsy, and occurred October, 8, 1869, in the 65th year of his age.

James Buchanan—His death occurred June 1, 1868, and was caused by rheumatic gout. He was 77 years of age.

Abraham Lincoln—He was shot by J. Wilkes Booth at Ford's theater, Washington, April 14, 1865, and died the following day, aged 56.

Andrew Johnson—He died from a stroke of paralysis July 31, 1875, aged 67.

The deaths of Grant, Garfield and Arthur are recent enough to be remembered by all.

SHE DIDN'T KNOW.

Little Girl (looking over advertising page)—"Mamma, why do all these boarding houses object to children?"

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