



FOR THE YEAR  
How lost is every thought refined!  
Or how deluded must be that mind!  
Which follows not the changes  
A name that will the subject fire,  
The house inhabitant sits longing  
And makes no onward move.

A soft whickerer left feels one know,  
While virtue only can last,  
And virtue only ever  
In most hope for freedom where  
Laziness still reigns the air,  
Each man to vice a slave.

Where gold above death more gives,  
Where gold all hellish dust receives,  
And gold from earth no steves—  
Where power is the only sin,  
To rule supreme, the only time,  
Unnatural of the means.

These freedom, are thy greatest bane,  
That leaves thee only but in name;  
While custom rules the hour.

Two birds subdued the hardy Greeks,  
These our own downfall plain bespeak,  
Beneath the hand of power.

O! it is yet while freedom lives,  
See on the blushing which she gives.  
To former paths return;

Let us no more to fortune turn,  
Like *ignis fatuus* in the dark,  
A taper side we burn.

C. C. F. R.

From the Boston Recorder.

*ABISALM*—A PRIZE POEM.  
The waters sleep. Night's silver bough hung low  
On Jordan's bosom, and the golden orb  
There never rings so merrily—like the mill  
Whirls round the sun's pale pole.

The winds beat down the stream—the willow  
Leaves.

With a full check upon the falling tide  
Forgot the rising winds, and the long stems  
Where flowers like a gentle nurse  
Bear on its bosom, quately gave way.

And turned in gaudy attitudes to meet  
The sun—where the scene of nature tells,

In its light hand of human suffering!

That it was fashioned for a happier world!

King David's limbs were weary. He had fed

From Jerusalem, and now he stood

With his faint people for a little rest.

Upon the shore of Jordan. The wind

Of morn was stirring, and he bore his bough

To its resounding call, for he had worn

The mourners' covering, and he had not felt

That he could see his people until now.

They gathered around him on the fresh green

banks.

And spoke their kindly word, and there they

Rose up in Heaven, he kindling them there,

And bowed his head upon his hands to pray.

Oh when the heart is full—when bitter thoughts

Come crowding thickly up for answer,

And the poor tongue words of courtesy

Are such a mimic—how much

The bursting heart may pour itself in prayer!

He prayed for Israel; and his voice went up

Strongly and fervently—he prayed for those

Whose love had been his shield; and his deep

tones.

Grew tremulous—but oh for Absalom—

For his estranged, misguided Absalom—

The proud, bright being, who had burst away

From his earthly home to defy

The heart that cherished him—for he had pained

Strongly, and forgive him there

Before his God, for his deep sinfulness.

The pall was settled. He who slept beneath

Was straightened for the grave; and as the folds

Sank to the still proportions, they betrayed

The matchless symmetry of Absalom.

His hair was yet unshorn, and silken curls

Were floating round the tassels as they swayed

To the admitted ear, as glows now

As when in hours ofonic dalliance bathing

The snowy fingers of Judah's girl.

His helm was at his feet—his banner, soiled

With trailing through Jerusalem, was laid

Retired beside him—and the jewelled hill,

Whose diamonds lit the passage of his blade,

Resting like mockery on his covered brow.

The soldiers of the king trod to and fro,

On the rank of battle, and their chief

The mighty Judea, stood beside his bier,

And gazed upon the dark pall steadfast.

As he feared the lumbering might die,

A slow step started him. He propped his blade

As if a trumpet rang; but he gave command

In a low tone to his few followers.

He left him with his dead. The king stood still

Till the last gasp died, then, shivering off

The shroud from his brow, and laying back

The pall from the still features of his child.

He bowed his head upon him, and broke forth

In the relentless eloquence of woe.

Alas, my noble boy—that thou shouldst die!

Them, who wert made so beautifully fair!

That Death should seth in thy glorious eye,

And leave his wilderness in this clustering hair!

How could he mark thee for the silent tomb,

My proud boy, Absalom?

"Lord is thy braw, my soul—and I am ill!

As in my bosom I have tried to press thee—

How was I wont to feel my pulse thrill,

Like a rich harp-string, yearning to press thee!

And hear thy sweet "My Father" from thy dream!

And cold lips, Absalom!

"The grave bathes twice—I shall hear the gush

Of minute, and the voices of the young—

And like will pass me in the misty blush—

And like no more with thy sweet voice shall come

To meet me, Absalom!

"And oh! when I am stricken—and my heart

Like a brained reed is waiting to be broken—

How will its love for thee as I depart,

You can no more drink its last deep token,

May God have called thee like a wanderer home,

My erring Absalom!"

He covered up his face, and bowed himself

A moment on his child—then giving him

A look of melting tenderness, as clasped his

Hands convulsively as if in prayer,

As if a strength were given him of God,

He rose up calmly, and composed the pall

Firmly and decently, and left him there,

As his rest had been a breathing sleep. ROY.

*Boney, a cure for the Creval.*—About 27 years ago, said a correspondent, I was much afflicted with the gravel, and twice in serious danger, from small stones lodging in the passage. I met with a gentleman who had been in my situation, and had put rid of that severe disorder, by sweetening his tea with half honey and half sugar. I adopted this remedy and found it effectual.

After being fully clear of my disease, about 10 years I fell sick again, and in about three months, I had a violent fit of my old complaint, I then renewed my practice of taking honey in tea, and am now more than three years and ten, and have not, for the last 17 years, had the smallest symptom of the gravel. I have recommended my prescription to many of my acquaintance, and have never known it to fail.

*London paper.*

*Remedy for Burns.*—A little spirit of turpentine applied to recent burns, will mitigate the pain, if not wholly remove it.

*State of North-Carolina,*  
*Haywood County,*  
*Superior Court of Law and Equity—Spring Term, 1827.*  
Nancy Howard, Petitioner for Divorce.  
Richard N. Tilmon, Respondent.

It appears to the satisfaction of the Court, that the defendant is beyond the limits of this State, and the ordinary process of law cannot be served on her, on motion of the plaintiff, by his Attorney, H. M. Stukes, Esq. It is ordered by the Court, that publication be made six weeks in the Raleigh Star, and New-Carolina State Gazette, unless her appearance at the next Court to be held for the county of Haywood, at the Court-House in Waynesville, on the second Wednesday after the fourth Monday of September next, and there to plead, answer or demur to the plaintiff's bill, or otherwise, give cause for the same to be filed.

The defendant is a citizen of this State, and has resided here, and from the facts which have come to my knowledge, I have no reason to doubt the truth of the plaintiff's statement.

The defendant, who has been a citizen of this State, and has resided here, and from the facts which have come to my knowledge, I have no reason to doubt the truth of the plaintiff's statement.

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