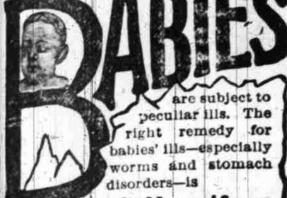


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Life is real! Life is earnest! And the grave is not its goal. Dust thou art, to dust returnest," Was not spoken of the soul.

Not enjoyment and not sorrow Is our destined end or way, But to act that each tomorrow Finds us farther than today.

Art is long, and time is fleeting, And our hearts, though stout and Still, like muffled drums, are beating Funeral marches to the grave.

In the world's broad field of battle, In the bivouac of life. Be not like dumb, driven cattle; Be a hero in the strife!

Trust no future, howe'er pleasant! Let the dead past bury its dead! act—act in the living present! Heart within and God o'erhead!

ives of great men all remind us We can make our lives sublime, And, departing, leave behind us Footprints on the sands of time-

Footprints that perhaps another, Sailing o'er life's solemn main A forlorn and shipwrecked brother, Seeing, shall take heart again.

Let us, then, be up and doing, With a heart for any fate. Still achieving, still pursuing, Learn to labor and to wait. -HENRY WADSWORTH LONGFELLOW.

"The Confederate Wagon."

A friend in Rockingham county sends us the following lines with the request that we publish them for the benefit of the rising generation. This is one of the songs that inspired the boys of '61 when warmen were preparing to march against their friends the enemy:

Come all ye sons of freedom and join our Southern band, We are going to fight the Yankees and drive them from our land;

our guide, So jump into the wagon and we'll al take a ride.

Wait for the wagon, the dissolution wagon; The South is the wagon, and we'll all take a ride.

Secession is our watchword, our rights we all demand: To defend our homes and firesides we east. pledge our hearts and hands; Jeff Davis is our president, with Stephens by his side,

join us in the ride. The invading tribe called Yankees, with Lincoln for their guide,

in the ride, she heeded not their entreaties, she has come into the ring, She wouldn't fight for a government where cotton wasn't king.

Old Lincoln and his congressmen, with Seward by his side,

take a ride; McDowell was the driver; to cross Bull Run he tried, But there he left the wagon for Beauregard to ride.

Manassas was the battle ground, th field was fair and wide; out and on to Richmond ride, their danger they espied; They wheeled about for Washington

and didn't want to ride, Brave Beauregard, God bless him, saflegions in his stead, While Johnson seized the colors and the "great bear," but it goes to bed waved them o'er his head. To rising generations with pleasure we will tell,

How bravely our Fisher and gallant Johnson fell.

A Rural Court Scene.

A couple applied to a rural Justice of the Peace for total diverce. The Justice called the baliff aside and asked in a whisper:

"What's the law on that p'int?" "You can't do it," replied the baliff, "it don't come under yer jur-

isdiction." "We're willin' to pay cash fer it," replied the husband, not understanding the nature of the consultation. "I've got the money in

this here stockin'." The Justice looked grave. Then, adjusting his spectacles and addressing the man, said:

"You knowed 'fore you come here that 'twarn't fer me ter separate husband an' wife, an' yet, you not only take up the time o' this here valuable court with yer talkin', but ackehully perpose ter bribe me with money! Now, how much

has you got in that stockin'?" ver honor."

for bribery an' a dollar an' a half said: fer takin' up my time with a case what my jurisdiction is out of, an' may the Lord have mercy on yer soul!"

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dom is a fool.

Queer Legal Proceeding.

A legal proceeding lately occurred in Vance township that deserves to go down in the books, and we hereby fork it over to posterity as a valuable precedent. A man moved out of a neighborhood, leaving his dog in the possession. of a neighbor. The canine made it a business to disturb the peace of the community, whereupon some one indicted the neighbor for keeping a nuisance. In the trial before the magistrate, it appearing that the dog did not actually belong to the man who was keeping it, the court discharged the man and issued a warrant against the dog, setting a day for trial and notifying the owner to be present and defend his dog. The day set for trial came around all right, and all the parties to the case were on hand. The court, as prosecutor, told of the bad things the dog was charged with doing, and in his defense, his owner stated that while the dog would bite, he always staid at home and attended to his own business and only bit when he was bothered. This not appearing to the court a sufficient defense the following judgment was entered: "That the prisoner at the bar, the dog, be required to give a bond in the sum of \$250, to keep the peace and that the owner of the said prisoner be required to furnish the said bond for the said prisoner, failing in which the said owner shall be sent to jail." The owner, in behalf of the prisoner and himself asked for suspension of judgment until counsel could be obtained, and now says he will pay no more attention to the court .-Monroe Journal.

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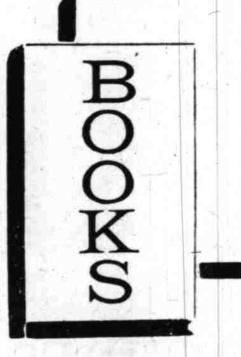
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