A NOBLE WOMAN.

[Nashville Bulletin, July 31.]

"She is a saint, she is a heroine! This exclamation was made respecting a lady —a Mrs.——, resident in Nashville, during the gloomy days of June, when large numbers of persons a little way beyound her residence was sick and dying of cholera.

This woman, moved by the goodness and sustaining by the heroism of her noble heart, devoted her days and nights to the sick, the dying and the dead. She went in the darkness of the night, in the rain and mud when the air was loaded with pestilence, to the houses of the sick. And she went not only to speak words of cheer but to do with her own hands whatever could be done to stay the progress of the disease, to relieve the distressed and to prepare the dead for decent interment.

When told that she ought not to leave her comfortable home and family and expose health, especially in going into the hovels of the poor, her reply was, "I think it would be wrong to neglect the sick and dead at such a time as this."

On the night after the day when so many deaths occurred in this city we saw this heroic woman at midnight preparing a corpse for burial. She washed and dressed the dead, carried out the infected bedding and clothing, disinfected the room, and quieted the bereaved children.

Heroism like this deserves the highest eulogium. The world lauds the courage of brave men who risk their lives on the battlefield, but do not those Nashville ladies, who like the one to whom we now refer, braved the perils of the pestilence in the performance, of duties to the sick, dying, and dead, deserve even a higher meed of praise?

GALLOWS PIETY.

It would seem that the surest way to heaven is by the gallows. The moment a murderer is condemned to be hung he becomes an object of interest to the good Christians, who remembering the case of the thief upon the cross, flock around him to snatch him as a brand from the burning. It is astonishing in how short a time the most hardened criminals are transformed into devout and model Christians. When they come to the gallows they talk like saints, and are so condescending as to forgive all who have injured them. They make addresses full of penitence, piety and good advice, and oftentimes are so confident of "going to glory," that they are disposed to hurry up the hangman.—The two men, Nicholson and Hollohan, who were executed in Baltimore last Friday for the brutal murder of an old lady, seventy years of age, were shining examples of sudden reformation. Both of them made speeches full of piety and advice, and declared that they "died in the faith of Jesus Christ."—*Richmond Whig.*

JUVENILE FEROCITY.

[Fulton (N. Y.) Times.]

Three boys were playing in a grove Monday, and two of them became angry at the third and determined to hang him. They selected a convenient limb and strung their unhappy victim mercilessly in mid-air, and then sat down to see him die. But the victim did not intend giving up the ghost so rapidly, for he clung to the rope tenaciously and struggled violently to free himself. At length one of the tormentors became impatient. The victim did not die quick enough to suit him; so instead of waiting the gradual approach of the grim monster he determined to expedite matters, and started to a house near by to borrow an axe with which to cut off the victim's head. The neighbor learning what the axe was wanted for alarmed the neighborhood, and among them the victim's mother, and they all rushed to the grove and cut down the yet struggling boy.

CONFESSION.

A somewhat quaint story is told in the *Church Herald*, published in London, of a Baptist grocer who called upon Monsignor Capel to complain that his daughter, having surreptitiously attended a service at the Cathedral, had renounced her misbelief. Monsignor Capel listened with demure urbanity, and ended by inquiring in what way he could assist his visitor. "Well, the fact is," exclaimed the grocer, "my daughter used to help me in the shop, and I want to know whether she will be obliged to inform her confessor, who has long been a customer of mine, of the little tricks we are obliged to use in our trade!" The Monsignor replied that, if the Baptist's daughter were a good girl she would be bound to disclose all that lay on her conscience. "Ah, well, if that's the case," cried the grocer, "I'll just join your church too; for I should like to give him my own account of the matter."

SERVANT LADYISM.

Let servant girls read and beware! An unhappy family in California having been driven by the exigencies to the kitchen to find a cook at an inteligence office did tremblingly engage a lady of apparently excellent qualifications. After arranging her piano, her sewing-machine, oil-paintings etc., to the best advantage, she proceeded to get breakfast. All went calmly and merrily until she was discovered putting the cucumbers on the range to boil, whereupon the frightened master of the house instantly had her arrested on a charge of insanity. And this is a republic! If poor exiles are going to be treated in this manner they might much better stay in the home of tyranny. It is that infatuated being who is insane that fondly believes a cook should know her business.

BATTLE BETWEEN A HEN AND A SNAKE.—A fight took place the other day, on the premises of a farmer in Pelham, between a hen with a brood of chickens and a large striped snake, which evidently was on business. The matronly hen made a loud outcry, and at the approach of the reptile flew at it with ruffled feathers and threatening beak, which its adversary evaded as best it could, but finally, after repeated efforts to secure a chicken and as many rebuffs by biddy, it crawled off into a wall, and the frightened and enraged bird clucked a retreat and got away without loss of a single member of her family.—*Concord (N. H.) Patriot.*

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