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THE LAW OF NEWSPAPERS. 1. All authors, who do not give EXPRESS NOTICE to the contrary, are considered as willing to continue their subscriptions.

MISCELLANEOUS. THE HEIR OF LINN.—BY W. J. SKELLING. The Laird of Linn in Galway, was one of the richest land proprietors in Scotland. Besides his lands and dwellings, he had docks and herds and a good store of gold.

He looked up and read these words: "Ah graceless wretch and wanton fool. You are ruined forever. This is the only relief for those who waste their patrimony as you have done. Be bold, then, put the rope round your neck, jump from the stool, and save your family from the disgrace of ending in a beggar."

"Very excellent counsel," said the Heir of Linn; and as I must either hang or starve, I think I'll even take my father's advice, and hang. It is the shorter death of the two."

So he mounted, fastened the halter round his neck, and kicked the stool from under him. But the Heir of Linn was not to die so. The board in which the book was written, gave way with the weight, and he fell to the floor with a shower of gold coin rattling about his ears.

THE TEST OF TRUE FRIENDSHIP.

A Short but True Story. "The hand that wiped away the tear of want, The hand that melted at another's woe, That hand and heart, my friend, are true."

There was neither more nor bound to his benevolence except inability. And happy were any men who had a title of the prayers that were offered up for the welfare of my friend, by the unfortunate and wretched whom his hand had relieved.

David was paying his attention to an excellent young lady of his native city. She was wealthy, beautiful and accomplished, and consequently had many suitors. Among them were richer and nobler (in extension of means) and handsomer men than David Wrenworth, but it appeared, there was a kind of frank-heartedness about my friend, that could not fail to bring him somewhere near the heart of his mistress, even if an emperor had been his rival.

TERRITORIAL QUESTION.

EXTRACT FROM MR. HILLIARD'S SPEECH. The following is an extract from the speech of Mr. Hilliard, delivered in the House of Representatives on the 14th February, 1850.

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ANECDOTE OF WASHINGTON.

When the American troops were quartered at Newburg at the close of the revolutionary war, the soldiers were stirred up to rebellion against the government, against the laws of the country, and in support of the wisdom and patriotism of Congress.

Mr. B. then recited the following anecdote: One day a Major in the Army, Gen. Armstrong, convened the officers for the purpose of addressing them on the subject, and calming the tumult that was raging in their bosoms. He held a paper in his hands on which the remarks he intended to make were written.

WHAT CAN I DO?

"I do not see what I can do," "A little now, and a little then," "Upon this meadow, and in that wood," "Averting to spread."

LADIES' DEPARTMENT.

HOME.

It has been said of Americans, that they manifest less attachment to the place of their birth, and less regard for their friends of other days, than any people in the civilized world.

STRAUSS AND DEATH.

Strauss was a man of remarkable genius, and not only developed the powers of the German dance in an unprecedented degree, but influenced the whole of modern music.

BE READY.

When you lie down at night, compose your spirits as if you were not to wake till the morning, consider that new day as your last, and live accordingly. Surely that night cometh, of which you will never see the morning, or that morning of which you will never see the night, but which of your mornings or nights will be such, you know not.

THE HEIR OF LINN.

The Laird of Linn in Galway, was one of the richest land proprietors in Scotland. Besides his lands and dwellings, he had docks and herds and a good store of gold. More over he was a man of frugal and parsimonious disposition, so that the gentlemen of Galway avoided his company, and the whole country side cried shame on him.

One day he was sitting in his study, when he received a letter from his father. It was a summons to return to his native land, as he was dying and wished to see his family one last time.

With these words, the old man fell back on his pillow and expired. The heir of Linn did not grieve long for his parent. His room then opened his house to all comers.

John counted down the good yellow gold and a hard bargain his master had of it. For every pound that John agreed, the land was worth three.

The last money went like the first, and the Heir of Linn was a beggar. He first went to the house that had once been his own, but now belonged to John of the Seales to seek some relief.

John went to go to the friends he had spent his money upon foolishly. He did so, but it did no good. Some of them pretended not to know him, and not one would lead him a farthing or offer him a dinner.

CONGRESSIONAL.

Washington, Feb. 18, 1850.

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He said he believed the line of policy pursued by the President of the United States in regard to California, had induced the people of that State to exclude slavery themselves. He favored the Missouri compromise line in the settlement of the questions of free and slave territory—but, without concluding generally for the adjournment.

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