

Good-by. There is hardly a greater perversion of the meaning of a phrase in the English language, than is contained in the term "good-by" used in parting with friends, "good-by" words which, in themselves, have no meaning whatever. In olden times it was customary among young people, when parting from those they loved or respected to commend them to the protection of God. The phrase in French was "a Dieu," to God. Anglicized, "adieu" and now used by thousands without a knowledge of its meaning. The old English form of expression, "God be with you" — most beautiful expression when taking leave of a friend — is superseded by the corruption, "good-by." Good-by is a phrase not without meaning. It is from the Saxon, signifies *going or passing*; hence the meaning, a good passage on your journey. — *Solo.*

Good Friday. A resolution at the last session of the U. S. Senate, all the Committees were authorized to employ clerks who were paid a per diem for the whole session. At the present session, Mr. Jones of Iowa, (Dem.), offered a resolution to authorize the Committees to employ clerks again during this session, when Mr. Fish of N. Y., stated that during the last long session, one of these committees had met once, and he had heard of others that did not hold a single meeting. Of course there was no use for a clerk to such committees. The object evidently was to provide salaries for some hungry office hunting loafers, who are doubtless employed their time in idleness for Buchanan. The pay, we believe, is \$4 a day, or more than \$1000 for the last session. Mr. Jones's resolution was referred to the committee on Retrenchment.

The Pansy Flower. — In Class 13th, Order 5th. — This wild flower is known by us all as the May Pop. I hope the following interpretation of this justly celebrated and much admired flower will not be found uninteresting to your readers, especially to the devotees of flowers. The passions of our Saviour's death and resurrection are most solemnly presented to us by every part of this flower. The leaves resemble the spear that pierced our Saviour's side — the tendril, the cord that bound his hands, or the whips that scourged him — the ten petals, the ten Apostles — Judas having betrayed and Peter deserted — the pillar in the centre, the cross or tree — the stamens, the hammer, the style, the nails — the inner circle around the centre pillar, the crown of thorns — the radiance, the glory — the white in the flower, the emblem of purity and the blue, the type of Heaven. On the species — the passion alone — even drops of blood are seen upon the cross. The flower continues three days open, and then disappears — thus denoting the resurrection of the Saviour.

HOW TO COOK OLD BIRDS.
Some of the Cultivator family circle may find it desirable to use a venerable Turkey, Goose, or Shanghai for their Christmas dinner, in which case we recommend a practice like that used by country sportsmen, for cooking old birds. Let the birds be kept as long as possible, hung up where there is a free circulation of air; and, when picked and prepared for dressing, cover the bottom of a saucepan with slices of good fresh bacon, upon which lay the birds; then add a pint of good strong well-seasoned gravy, place the saucepan upon a slow fire, the cover being on, and let the contents simmer for an hour and a half or two hours, turning the birds occasionally, and supplying more gravy, if necessary; when done, let the contents be put away in a dish to cool, to be eaten when cold. Birds dressed in this manner are good food, but they are far better when cold. Snipes and woodcocks are excellent when cooked in this manner, but require much less time than other birds. The principal thing to be attended to is the fire, that it be not too ardent or too quick, as the desired result with old tough birds can only be attained by a slow, gradual process. In roasting game, the principal thing to be attended to is a continuous basting, in which case the fire cannot be too ardent.

Fire Hunting. — We notice that there is a bill before the Legislature to repeal the law against fire hunting. We regard it as an ill-considered measure. The assembly is largely Democratic, and the passage of such an act would contribute to the business of sheep-stealing more than anything else that could be done. Repeal the law against fire hunting, and Democracy will not be without mission as long as a sheep can be found in the land. — *Fry.*

Disband Cotton Packing. — The Liverpool American Chamber of Commerce, and the Cotton Brokers' Association, have addressed to all concerned in the cotton trade a circular in which it is stated that the raising of questions as to falsified documents passing the press, all to such an extent as to cause serious loss to the manufacturers of cotton goods, merchants, &c. The New Orleans receipts and deliveries this season are adding. The false packing of cotton has been known for years. We have heard of logs and staves being packed in cotton bales, together with other contrivances to increase their weight, all of which were discovered by using cotton planters, merchants, and factors who disrepute, and to the great confidence which is the basis of a legitimate commercial transaction.

High Prices for Yarns. — On Monday last, at Warrenton, Va., many no-goods were sold at public auction, and brought extremely high prices. A boy about 15 years of age sold for \$1,245, and another boy not over ten, for \$700. A little negro girl sold for \$700. All of these sales were considered unusually high. At a recent sale of the estate of Zeph. Turner, deceased, of Haysville, Kan., eight negro slaves, ranging from the age of twelve to thirty-seven years, averaged the sum of \$1,115 50 each.

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