

### THE IDEAL

The steel bends the counter—  
The day will never forget  
She thought the mouth clearer  
Than any she'd seen yet.  
He wanted her playful fingers  
To kiss and taste her—  
The clock looked quite unary,  
And nodded to the hour.

Show me some velvet robes;  
Her love and satin tucks—  
She said, "I want to purchase,"  
Then gave the goods a jerk.  
The clock was all abedone—  
He traced it on his shape—  
At length, with hesitation,  
She bought a yard of tape!

### PRODUCERS vs. CONSUMERS.

We have always thought that there should be an honorable discrimination in favor of producers as consumers, and we find the matter thus clearly set forth in an exchange paper:

When a dollar's worth of powder is placed in a gunpow and burned, the only products arising are smoke and flame; and these have no commercial value—they are not wealth—the consumption of the value that was in the powder is unproductive consumption. If a man's house, worth \$100,000, is torn down, the amount of wealth consumed, without any corresponding reproduction, and the wealth, not only of the owner, but of the community and of the world, is diminished to this extent. While an industrious man is wearing out a pair of boots, he is engaged in producing as much wealth, either, in the same or some other form; but while an idle spendthrift is wearing out a pair of boots he is not producing a corresponding amount of value, and he is consequently diminishing the wealth of the country. A man, however, who is living in idleness on the interest of his money, is necessarily impoverishing the community. On examination, it will be found that what is called money at interest really exists in the form of manufacturers or machinery or stocks of goods, of flocks, or pines; or some other form of property, which, in the hands of active men, is aiding in the production of wealth. The men who accumulated it, and have loaned it to these business men, are not living on the community, when he is living on his interest. By means of the tools which he has made the community is producing an increased amount of wealth greater than the quantity which he consumes. But the spendthrift, who is living on his capital is impoverishing the community. He is consuming wealth without any corresponding reproduction. This is the case also with gamblers and thieves, and all who do not earn a honest living, either by their exertions or by their capital. When a man is producing more wealth than he consumes, in other words, living within his income, he is adding to the wealth of the world; and when a man is consuming more wealth than he produces, in other words living beyond his income, he is diminishing the wealth of the world.

"A very Dose in Dixie."—Yesterday afternoon the steamer Adrienne, Capt. Cannon, left this port for Norfolk, having on board one hundred and ten young men for the regular army of the Confederate States, which is the second regular shipment from this port, making in all about seven hundred recruits. Some weeks ago several parties left here for the South, and were regularly received by the State authorities of South Carolina, but these added to those previously alighted will not amount to more than three hundred and fifty able-bodied men. The parties who first enlisted were composed principally of Germans and Americans, and who, utterly unable to obtain employment at their respective trades, determined to seek their fortunes down South, and were shipped by an agent who resides in N. York. Those, however, who more recently left here for the Southern Confederacy were recruited by Robert E. Haskell and Thomas J. Goodrich, agents, on Concord street, who contend that, under the circumstances of the case, they are not violating either a National or State law. Haskell accompanied the party which left here yesterday afternoon, who, as soon as they reach Norfolk, will proceed direct to Charleston by the Seaboard and Atlantic Railroad Company. They were in high humor, and before the boat left the wharf gave sandy cheers for South Carolina, the Southern Confederacy, and their good friends whom they left behind in Baltimore. Three or four of the recruits were married men, and were accompanied to the boats by their wives, who evidenced their regret at parting by copious tears and fond embraces. It is the general opinion that they leave here for their own benefit, and the strict discipline of the soldier cannot fail to improve their habits and insure them to industry and hard work. Some of them were young boys from eighteen to twenty years of age, who had been seduced from parental authority. Several dispatches were sent to Norfolk last evening by distressed fathers and mothers to secure the arrest and detention of their children.—*Balt. Amer.*

*Designs of the Texans in Mexico.*—The following passage from a Mexican letter in the New Orleans Crescent is significant:

"The most serious danger at present impending over Mexico, and which more nearly touches us than any other, is the threatened irruption into this section of the legions which Texas seems to be collecting on the Rio Grande. We could easily observe the approach of ten thousand United States soldiers; for they are under hands to keep the peace of nations; and besides, they are men who have no thinking and plotting to do for themselves; but one thousand Texans are a far different matter. They are all thinkers, and most of them take the liberty of acting for themselves. They all consider their destiny to conquer Mexico, and whenever they are near this border they are certain to be planning expeditions to extend the area of freedom. We are fully aware of this trait in the Texan character, and the authorities here are not only alarmed at the approach of the Texas forces, but they are making active efforts to provide against the danger. The Governor of Tamaulipas has asked the President of the Republic for plazas to be occupied off this frontier as an army of observation, and we are looking for the arrival of considerable detachments of militia to meet the emergency."

Children, what is it that you can never catch, even if you were to chase after it, as quickly as possible, with the swiftest horse in the world?—You can never catch the word that has once gone out of your lips."

"Once spoken, it is out of your power, do your best, you can never recall it."

Therefore, take care what you say, for, in the mouths of words there cannot not be, but to be, that which is true, i. e., *wise*.—Pope, p. 19: 16.

The last number of the Warrenon News is filled with wholesome advice; and it is rich in thought, and presents so striking a contrast with the other secession papers in the State, that we must be allowed to make another extract or two from its columns. Now the following, no doubt, was penned in view of the "undue excitement" which was attempted by the meeting in Goldsboro on Friday and Saturday last. Mr. Walsh, with the veneration of years apparent about his looks, counsels his secession associates in the following fatherly strain, for which he certainly merits the thanks of his fellow citizens—but well, we have no doubt, draw upon his head the curse of the secession leaders—because, the *News*, has adopted the "Watch and Wait" policy inaugurated—yes, inaugurated in the City of Lehigh, i. e., W. W. House's! Hear the *News*, how it pleads *fortime*:

"Let there be no undue excitement, or strive to force public opinion. The uncontrollable logic of events will convince our people that it was unwise to reject a Convention; and, once convinced of this fact, the demand for the reconsideration of the Legislature will be all out unanimous throughout the State, and that before long. The feeling in favor of secession is steadily increasing; one month ago, the Convention would be voted down by fifteen thousand majority; we are now seven; before the lapse of a month, the secessionists will be in a decided majority, and many of the so-called Union men will be converts to the necessity of immediate secession, *if the acceded States will not come back*."

The *italics* in the extract are the *News'* own—*we* have made no alteration—neither the crossing of a t or the dotting of a u. The *News* there are full of meaning.—*Ad Valorem Banner.*

The *Ad Valorem Banner*, DAILY AND WEEKLY,

A short time since I issued a prospectus for a weekly newspaper, to be called the AD VALOREM BANNER, to be published in the City of Raleigh, N.C. The encouragement I have received, for extending my magazine hopes, induces me to issue this prospect, the object of which is to inform the public that I will on the 1st of January, 1861, commence the publication of the BANNER, not early WEEKLY.

For the *Banner* takes sides with political parties, it will be Democratic; but with regard to Internal Improvement, a change in our system of Taxation, and the preservation of a Constitutional Union, it will have no party, but will be a strong advocate of all those upholding secret causes, (where the spirit of the Constitution is violated,) packed and partial Conventions, and the scheming of world to political demagogues and tricksters. I shall be just and fair.

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