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THE SOLDIER'S GOOD-BYE TO HIS SWEETHEART.

The golden sun was setting beyond the mountains grey. When two lovers stood alone their last farewell to say...

A Singular Story.

The Philadelphia Bulletin says here is a story, every word of which is true, which is about as strange as anything ever evolved from fiction.

The Wonderful Lamp.

A little ragged errand boy was busy one day in the city of London with a piece of chalk in his hand, trying to write on a wooden gate this verse from the Bible: "Thy words is a lamp to my feet."

off his ragged cap, "I'll mind." One thing for which David used the Bible was—light.—Ex.

A Cat and Rooster Partnership.

A wonderful specimen of the feathered tribe in the vicinity of Macon, Georgia, says the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, is a big red rooster, owned by Willie Johnson, of Macon.

Last week was a sad one in the family of our townsman Mr. James A. Watt, for within five days, the Angel of Death claimed three of its members including the father of the family.

The following timely and pointed truth is copied from an exchange: "A man who pays nothing for his preaching cannot be greatly benefited by the preaching he hears."

The State Prohibition Convention will meet in Greensboro on the 10th and 11th of December.

Woman Suffrage.

The spirit and determination of the woman suffrage in this country indicates that sooner or later this question will become a prominent one in American politics.

Important Period of a Man's Life.

From the age of forty to that of sixty a man may be considered in the prime of life. His mature strength of constitution renders him almost impervious to the highest attacks of disease.

Having gone a year or two past sixty, however, he arrives at the critical point of existence. The river of death flows before him, and he remains at a standstill.

er to a prolonged walk or into the grave. The system and power having their utmost expansion now begin either to close like the flower at sunset, or break down at once.

A Perfectly Reliable Fish Story.

Speaking of carp, says the Washington correspondent of the Atlanta Constitution, at least one specimen of this remarkable fish has attained considerable fame.

TO OUR READERS.

We cannot too strongly urge upon our readers the necessity of subscribing for a family, weekly newspaper of the first-class—such, for instance, as the Independent, of New York.

Kisses on Interest.

A father talking to his careless daughter, said: "I want to speak to you of your mother. It may be that you have noticed a care-worn look upon her face lately.

The Senatorial contest in Virginia will be between Jno. S. Barbour and Jno. W. Daniel. Either of these gentlemen will satisfy the good people of Virginia, and the improvement on Mahone will be so great that comparisons will be odious.

On Saturday last, Gov. Scales appointed E. T. Boykin, Esq., of Clinton, to the Judgeship made vacant by the death of Judge McKoy.

The gossipers are now busy trying to locate who will be the next couple in the city to launch out on the sea of matrimony.

Gen. Mahone, it is said, will become general manager of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad.

Labor to keep alive in your breast that little spark of celestial fire called conscience.

The wife and son of ex-Secretary Lincoln are both in very poor health.

The Baptist State Convention will meet next year in Wilmington.