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BY CELIA THAYER.

Thou little child, with tender, clinging arms,
Drop thy sweet head, my darling, down
and rest.

Upon my shoulder, rest with all thy strains;
Be soothed and comforted, be loved and
blessed.

As I rest thy slumber, honey-colored hair,
Thou a loving cheek, a mute caress;

Close, close I gather thee and kiss thy fair,
White curls, of so softly doth oppress.

Dearest, do head, that lies in calm content
In eye, a human shadow, where he meant
Some glad, glad head for comfort should be laid.

Most like a heavy-lidded rose thou art,
In summer's soft repose, warm and still.

Dream thy sweet dreams, upon my quiet
heart;

I wait thy waking, that I may greet thee
ill.

—Inter-Ocean.

OLD JOHN BROWN.

HIS ADDRESS TO THE COURT JUST BEFORE
RECEIVING SENTENCE OF DEATH.

John Brown's attempt to free the
slaves of Virginia, made at Harper's
Ferry in the autumn of 1859, was
speedily suppressed, and he was
put on trial for his life on the
charge of treason, conspiracy to
produce an insurrection, and mur-
der. He appeared in the court-
room for the last time on the 21st
of November, and just before being
sentenced, on being asked if he had
anything to say, made the follow-
ing characteristic speech:

"I have may it please the court,
a few words to say. In the first
place I deny everything but what I
have all along admitted, of a design
on my part to free slaves. I intend-
ed, certainly, to have made a clear
thing of that matter, as I did last
winter when I went into Missouri,
and there took slaves; without the
snapping of a gun on either side,
moving them through the country,
and finally leaving them in Canada.
I designed to have done the same
thing again on a larger scale. That
was all I intended. I never did
intend murder or treason, or the
destruction of property, or to excite
or incite slaves to rebellion, or to
make insurrection. I have another
objection, that is, that it is unjust,
that I should suffer such a penalty.
Had I interfered in the manner in
which I admit, and which I admit
has been fairly proved, for I admire
the truthfulness and candor of the
greater portion of the witnesses
who have testified in this case—had
I so interfered in behalf of the rich
the powerful, the intelligent, the so-
called great; or in behalf of any of
their friends, either father, mother,
brother, sister, wife or children, or
any of that class, and suffered and
sacrificed what I have in this inter-
ference, it would have been all
right, every man in this court would
have deemed it an act worthy of
reward rather than punishment.
This court acknowledges, even as I
suppose, the validity of the law of
God. I see a book here, which I
suppose, to be the Bible, or at least
the New Testament, which teaches
me that all things whatsoever I
will, that men should do unto me,
I should do even so to them. It
teaches me, further, to remember
them that are in bonds as bound
with them. I endeavored to act
up to that inspiration, I say I am
yet too young to understand that
God is any respecter of persons.
I believe that to have interfered
as I have done, as I have always
freely admitted I have done, is be-
half of His despised poor is not
wrong, but right. Now, if it is
deemed necessary that I should for-
feit my life for the furtherance of
the ends of justice, and mingle my
blood further with the blood of
my children and with the blood of
millions in the slave country, whose
rights are disregarded by wicked,
cruel and unjust enactments, I say
let it be done.

"Let me say one word further,
I feel entirely satisfied with the
treatment I have received on my
trial. Considering all the circum-

stances it has been more generous
than I expected; but I feel no con-
sciousness of guilt. I have stated
from the first what was my inten-
tion, and what was not. I never
had any design against the liberty
of any person, nor any disposition
to commit treason or incite slaves
to rebel or make any general in-
surrection. I never encouraged any
man to do so, but always discour-
aged any idea of that kind.

"Let me say, also, in regard to
the statements made by some of
those who were connected with
me, I hear it has been stated by
some of them that I have induced
them to join me, but the contrary
is true. I do not say this to injure
them, but as regretting their weak-
ness. Not one joined me but of
his own accord, and the greater
part at their own expense. A num-
ber of them I never saw and never
had a word of conversation with
till the day they came to me, and
then was for the purpose I have
stated. Now I have done."

"FOR HIS SOUL IS MARCHING ON."

They call thee hot-brain'd, craz'd, and
mad,

But every word that falls
Goes straight and true, and hits the mark—
More sure than cannon balls;

Through spectral forms of boys, as law,
It cuts its way complete;

At God's great judgment seat,
Old man, farewell, they'll take thy life;

For dangerous enough,
In these our sweetly-pippin' times,
Are men of thine stuff.

We should tread soft above the fire;
That underneath us lie;

You'll crack the crust of compromise,
And set them spouting high!

Where Henry's c. for "Liberty"
Once sent its shivering thrill,
There's only room six feet by two
For heroes now to fill.

And o'er the spot the years will roll,
As spring's verdure weaves,
And autumn o'er the felon's grave
Shakes down its yellow leaves.

But not the spot see fit by two
Will hold a man like thee;
John Brown will sweep the shaking earth
From this false age to the sea.

Till the story sing'd of our day,
And ages each draw upon its tail,
Aid God's great Charter holds and waves
O'er all his humble soil.

And then the humble poor will come,
In that far distant day,
And sign the felon's nameless grave
They'll brush the leaves away;

And gray old men will point the spot
Beneath the pine-tree shade,
As children, with streaming eyes,
Weave old John Brown's name.

—Monthly Religious, Nov., Dec. 1859.

Genius and brains are ever un-
appreciated by the Bourbon Demo-
cracy. Carl Schurz whose services
for that party should have been
recognized generous reward, has been
laid on the shelf, and an ex-Confed-
erate General Cookerell, will repre-
sent Missouri in the United States
Senate after the 4th of March next.
Defeated in the house of those
whom he has conjured into power,
poor Schurz is receiving hard
knocks from all sides for his polit-
ical shortcomings. Commenting on
"Political Prognosticators" the
Washington correspondent of the
Boston Commonwealth says:

"I suppose you have noticed that
Bowles and Watterson have been
here to spy out the political land,
and let folks know what is to be
done in the way of preemption.
From the tops of the letters they
sent to their papers, I judge they
did not find things so rosy as they
wished, and their advice was not in
first-rate demand. Watterson writes
to his Louisville paper that to run
the Democratic party brains are
indispensable, and in Missouri they
have the offer of brains, in Carl
Schurz, but decline them; and pre-
fer to be represented by almost any
old played-out Confederate. Schurz,
he contends, is the man who has
given the power to the Democrats
in Missouri, and has the brains,
and yet they don't want him because
he don't run with the machine."
We like the frankness of the con-

cession, and it has the merit of
truthfulness, in part, at least.
Schurz has brains, and he did play
into the hands of the Democratic
party; but just how I imagine that
he and Watterson begin to see that
brains were never put to much
poorer use than when they helped
the Missouri Democrats back into
power. What is the use of brains
to a fellow who foolishly plays into
the hands of the old Bourbon of
Democracy, I should like to know?
He had better not have brains if
that is what comes of them. They
don't want brains, and they do
want men to run with the machine,
and in these two vital points Schurz
made his mistake. Schurz and his
friend Watterson proposed to re-
form this political by bringing
back the Bourbon machine, with
the "Liberal" brains to guide and
direct; but it don't work. Bowles
in his letter says it don't work, and
that they are building upon the
mistakes and incapacities of their
opponents rather than upon their
own virtue, which is also very good.

"The virtue of the Democratic
party is much too slight a base for
a political building, and deficient
as they are in brains, they evidently
are not in danger of attempting to
make a raise on any such founda-
tion. The brains of Bowles, Wat-
terson and Schurz are beginning to
see this, but the idea of bragging
over brains that couldn't see until
Carl was kicked down the back-
stairs by the "Missour" Democrats
jackasses, with his brains nearly
dashed out, is the most ludicrous
thing of the day. Carl Schurz, in
his proper place, can be a power in
this country, but as an ally of Bour-
bonism he is not in his proper
place. If his recent experience has
not satisfied him of this, he will be
of little account anywhere. The
Democratic party needed assistance
to get into power, and they found
it in the "Liberal" movement; but
they are so limited in the quantity of
virtue that they are not going to
permit the Liberals to draw pay for
their services, preferring to take
them at their word as having been
rotated solely by motives of pa-
triotism, which is a high honor, but
not satisfactory to the recipients,
who delight in fighting one's theo-
ry, but prefer to leave the practical
to others."

PROF. W. A. DOUGLASS AND
FACER—I was once a member of
cool underground saloon at Levee
while without, people were ready
to die from the heat when a new
guest entered and took a seat op-
posite me. The sweat rolled in
great drops down his face, and he
was kept busy with his handker-
chief, till at length he found relief
in the exclamation, "Farefully hot!"
I watched him attentively as he
called for a cool drink in the
expected every moment that he
would fall from his chair in a fit
of apoplexy. The man must have
noticed that I was observing him,
for he turned toward me suddenly,
saying, "I am curious sort of a
person am I not?" "Why," I asked,
"because I perspire only on the
right side." And so it was; the
right cheek and the right half of
his forehead were as hot as fire while
the left side of his face bore not a
trace of perspiration. I had never
seen the like, and in my astonish-
ment was about to enter into con-
versation with him regarding the
physiological curiosity, when his
neighbor on the left broke in with
the remark, "Then we are the op-
posites and counterparts of each