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Though these initials have before appeared in our collection, this poet is not the other poet. C. S. has published a little book. His poems have illuminated newspapers, shining resplendently among advertisements. Patriotic subjects have a great charm for him.

AMERICA'S BATTLE SONG.

BY C. S.

"Arm for the Texan battle,
Sons of the brave and free!
Away, and win a soldier's grave,
Or a glorious victory;
Cries of your murdered brothers,
On the red Alamo slain,
Are pealing in your hearts for aid,
And shall they call in vain?
Then arm for the Texan battle."
[*Texan Battle Song.*

Arm for the mighty battle,
Whatever boys ye be!
Wherever born, ye're brothers now,
And lo! your Mother's Me!
The tyrant rules too many lands—
We'll break his rod and chain!
The world is crying out for help—
And shall she cry in vain?
Then arm for the mighty battle!

In our destiny is writ:
"Ye shall possess the world!"
From shore to shore our stars and stripes
Unconquered be unfurled!
The Eagle bears our flag,
The Eagle, bird of Jove:
Let's on, wherever Earth is green,
And blue the skies above!
Then arm for the mighty battle!

Shout "Yankee Doodle! March!"
And imitate your sires!
Subdue creation, open schools,
Light Independence fires;
Set all the heavens ablaze
With rockets, as ye run,
And pile a monument of thrones
To honor Washing—ton!
Then arm for the mighty battle!

ONE VACANT CHAIR.

We were talking a few days since with an esteemed friend of ours, who was reared after the good old New England fashion, and with whom "Thanksgiving," as a matter of course, is an institution, a day of family reunion, of domestic and social rejoicing. He is a man of noble sympathies and a big heart. In speaking of the coming Thanksgiving day, a cloud passed over his features, and a tear gathered in his eye. "I have," said he, "for many years, gathered my family around me on that day. All my children have sat with me at my annual feast, and it never occurred to me that it could ever be otherwise. We ate, drank, and were merry, without thinking that a change must one day come. But that change has already come. At our annual banquet this year there will be *one vacant chair.*"

It was a sad, sad thought. Sorrowful memories come clustering around the heart at the mention of that "one vacant chair." The pleasant features, the happy smiles, the cheerful voice of the loved and the lost, come like a vision of sweetness from the sorrowful past. The pale still face, the marble brow, decked with the garlands of the grave, follow, and the eye dims with tears as the vision vanishes away, and the palpable presence only is left of that "one vacant chair."

And so it is, and so it will be always. Year by year those that we love drop from around us. Some are snatched away by death, going down in the bloom of their beauty to the city of the dead. Some swing out into the great world, and are borne by the currents of life far away from us. The day of annual reunion comes: we gather around the yearly banquet, we look for the cherished faces, we listen for the loved voices; but the heart swells, and the big tear trembles on the eyelids; for there in the midst of that cherished circle in the very place where one who nestled fondly in your affections used to sit, is "one vacant chair."

We who sit at the head of these family feasts should never forget that one day we shall be absent from the banquet. The time will surely come when we shall cease to occupy a place there. We know not when the vacancy may occur, but as surely as time rolls on, as surely as human destiny is sweeping onward and onward, always towards eternity, so surely will the day of our departure come; and struggle as we may, resist as we may, as all the aggregated energies of nature may, we must pass from among the living, and leave behind us for the next gathering "one vacant chair."—*Albany Register.*

A BLACKHEARTED VILLAIN.—A man (!) named Hall, attempted to commit a foul outrage upon a poor innocent young girl at the "Johnson House," on Friday night, under the following circumstances. He alighted from the omnibus with the girl, and registered his name —— Hall and lady, and ordered a private room Thinking them man and wife, the gentlemanly landlord complied with his wishes. The girl was shown to the room—her ostensible husband took the key and told the landlord he would retire shortly. At a late hour the house was alarmed by the cries of the young girl, who, unconscious of the deep and damning plot that had been laid by the villain for her ruin, was quietly sleeping in the room she thought exclusively her own. At the opening of the door she awoke, and at the sight of the intruder, she shrank from his view. He approached the bed, and attempted by force to accomplish his hellish purpose. With all her strength she resisted him, and at last, with a wild shriek of piercing despair, brought aid to her assistance, and she was rescued from the hand of her assailant. He fled from the house and left the city on the first train. We learn that the police are after him. It is to be hoped he will be brought to justice.

The young girl's story is simple. She was travelling from the East by herself, to the home of her parents in Warren county. Being alone, she attracted the attention of Hall, who represented himself as a book merchant, *en route* for Cleveland, and offered to be her protector, which proposition she accepted. Arriving at the hotel, he told her he had procured her a room and conducted her to it, she little dreamed of the fate he had in store for her, and from which she was so providentially rescued.

She departed for her childhood's home on Saturday.—*Forest City Democrat, December 20.*

ARREST OF SPIRITUAL MEDIUMS.—The New York *Evening Post* states that on Wednesday police officers arrested two men, charged with swindling, by pretending to commune with the spiritual world. They were taken before Justice Wood, of the Essex Market Police Court, when Mrs. Mooney, of Brooklyn, exposed the ingenious fraud practised upon her.

A colored man, calling himself Dr. Wm. H. Harris, residing in First street, professed to be a medium in spiritualism, and declared he could at any moment commune with spirits upon any subject; also, that he was in possession of a bottle containing holy water, which he could touch, and, with the announcement of *presto change*, would give to his applicants certain lottery numbers, which would draw prizes varying from $300, $500, $1,000, and occasionally a $100,000 prize turns up. In connection with this black fellow was associated a man named David G. Gomperts, residing in Watts street, and also a colored woman in Thompson street, named Cole.

Mrs. Mooney stated in her affidavit, that on or about the 5th of November last, she was induced, by some means or other, to pay a visit to the African doctor, at his house in the upper part of our city, and being infatuated with the idea of making a speedy fortune, another meeting was agreed upon. In the course of a few days, the doctor called at the residence of the lady, in company with a white man, (Gomperts,) whom the doctor introduced to her as a southern gentleman, largely engaged in the lotteries of New Jersey, Maryland, and other States, and further stated that he (the white man) could give the lady certain lottery numbers "that would draw any amount of money."

The associate medium, Gomperts, induced Mrs. Mooney to advance him one hundred dollars, promising to give her the lucky numbers alluded to in ten days. Nothing of the kind, however, was forthcoming at the appointed time, and Mrs. Mooney concluded that she had been deceived, and made the complaint which led to the arrest of Dr. Harris and Gomperts.

This case will receive a further hearing from Justice Wood. Gomperts, in the meantime, was locked up. It is said that many other married ladies in this city have been swindled by these spiritual mediums.

THE HIGHWAYMAN'S HORSE.

Between the years 1750 and 1760, a Scottish lawyer of eminence made a journey to London. At that period such journeys were usually performed on horseback, and the traveller might either ride post, or if willing to travel economically, he bought a horse and sold him at the end of the journey. The gentleman above alluded to, who was a good judge of horses, as well as an excellent horseman, had chosen the latter mode of travelling, and had sold the steed on which he rode from Scotland, as soon as he arrived in London. With a view to his return, he went to Smithfield to purchase a horse. About dusk a handsome one was offered to him at so cheap a rate, that he was led to suspect the animal was unsound, but as he could discover no blemish, he became the purchaser.

Next morning he set out on his journey; his horse had excellent paces, and the first few miles, while the road was well frequented, our traveler spent in congratulating himself on his good fortune, in having made so good a bargain. On Finchley Common, and at a place where the road ran down a slight ascent, and up another, the traveler met a clergyman driving a one-horse chaise. There was nobody in sight, and the horse by his manœuvre plainly intimated what had been the profession of his former owner. Instead of passing the chaise, he ran close up to it, and stopped it, having no doubt his rider would embrace so fair an opportunity to exercise his vocation.—The clergyman never doubted the identity of the equestrian, produced his purse unasked, and assured the astonished lawyer that it was quite unnecessary to draw a pistol, as he did not intend to offer any resistance. The traveler rallied his steed, and with many apologies to the gentleman he had so innocently and unwillingly affrighted, pursued his journey.

The horse next made the same suspicious approach to a coach, from the windows of which a blunderbluss was levelled, with denunciations of death and destruction to the rider, though sackless. as he used to express it, of all offence in word and deed. In short, after his life had been once or twice endangered by the suspicions to which the conduct of his horse gave rise, and his liberty as often threatened by peace-officers, who were disposed to apprehend him as the notorious highwayman who had formerly ridden him, he found himself obliged to part with the inauspicious animal for a mere trifle, and to purchase at a dear rate, one less showy and of inferior action, but of better moral habits.

AN OVERHEARD CONVERSATION.—"Joe, when you grow up, do you mean to be a lawyer, or keep a confectionery store?"

"I havn't made up my mind, Tom, but ma wants me to be a minister."

"Oh, don't be a minister, Joe, for you can't go to circuses, then."

"I know that, Tom, but a minister, ma says, is the best profession. You know how Mrs. Lovegrew adores Mr. Prettyface, and