

WASHINGTON, D. C.

For the National Era.

WHY IS IT?

BY MARY CLEMMER AILES.

Why is it that the hero of joy, is slain?

Is darkened with the shadow of despair?

As when the summer heavens are bathed in light?

And the green earth puts on her loveliest air?

The tempest cloud rises with sudden gloom,

And make the world as dreary as a tomb.

Why is it, when we think that anger sleeps,

No more to waken in the peaceful breast?

One bitter tear will stir its fiery deep?

One keen reproach will raise it from its rest?

And though we dream that we were near to heaven,

We still must weep and pray to be forgiven.

Why is it, when we think that never will betray,

We have loved and trusted in that one—

Why must we find our love all thrown away?

Learn, though, that true friends are few?

The bitter lesson, that true friends are few?

Why is it, O how often I have asked,

Myself this question, when with meek control,

To peaceful resignation, I have been led?

My lonely, weeping, and despairing soul,

And heavenly angels, who my deep distress,

And rebuked my anguish of its bitterness.

Why is it, O, these griefs are sent to wean

Our hearts from joys which they would love too well?

Do they not point us to a world serene,

Whose earth's impurities are all weaned?

And raise our hearts to all human strife?

Unto a pure and a happier life?

ABOLITION OF MEXICO.

An intelligent friend has been kind enough

to translate for the Era a passage from a work

entitled *Travels in Mexico*, by Carl Heller,

a finely-educated young German, who went out

to that country for scientific purposes. While

there, he made many curious observations

on the aborigines of Mexico, to whom the

author has wrought by oppression among a

people once distinguished for their civilization.

The religion taught them by the Spaniards

was so accommodated to their pagan ideas,

that they merely exchanged one form of

idolatry for another. The great object was

to break their spirit to submission and bond-

age, and this was effectually done by the

machinery of Slavery. Oral instruction was

allowed to them as slaves, but to teach them

to read and write was forbidden, on pain of

death. But in the year 1820, a German

settler named Don Juan, a German

CONGRESS.

THIRTY-THIRD CONGRESS—FIRST SESSION.

House of Representatives.

After our report closed on Monday,

Mr. Smith, of New York, submitted the following

preamble and resolutions:

Resolved, That the members of the human

race, notwithstanding the contrary enactments

and arrangements, have, at all times and

in all circumstances, as equal a right to

the soil as the light and the air, because as

equal natural need of the same as others,

and whereas this inalienable right to the soil

leaves no room to buy, or sell, or give it

away:

Resolved, therefore, That no bill or proposition

should hold force in any way with Congress,

which implies the right of Congress to dispose

of the public lands, or any part of them, either

by sale or gift.

Resolved, That the duty of civil govern-

ment in regard to public lands, and indeed to

all lands; is but to regulate the occupation of

them; and that this regulation should ever

proceed upon the principle that the right of

the people to the soil is as equal, as inherent,

and as sacred, as the right to life itself.

Resolved, That Government will have

good title to the soil, until it shall have made

the validity of every claim to land, both the

fact that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

After our report closed on Monday,

Mr. Smith, of New York, submitted the following

preamble and resolutions:

Resolved, That the members of the human

race, notwithstanding the contrary enactments

and arrangements, have, at all times and

in all circumstances, as equal a right to

the soil as the light and the air, because as

equal natural need of the same as others,

and whereas this inalienable right to the soil

leaves no room to buy, or sell, or give it

away:

Resolved, therefore, That no bill or proposition

should hold force in any way with Congress,

which implies the right of Congress to dispose

of the public lands, or any part of them, either

by sale or gift.

Resolved, That the duty of civil govern-

ment in regard to public lands, and indeed to

all lands; is but to regulate the occupation of

them; and that this regulation should ever

proceed upon the principle that the right of

the people to the soil is as equal, as inherent,

and as sacred, as the right to life itself.

Resolved, That Government will have

good title to the soil, until it shall have made

the validity of every claim to land, both the

fact that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

that it is actually possessed, and the fact

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

After our report closed on Monday,

Mr. Smith, of New York, submitted the following

preamble and resolutions:

Resolved, That the members of the human

race, notwithstanding the contrary enactments

and arrangements, have, at all times and

in all circumstances, as equal a right to

the soil as the light and the air, because as

equal natural need of the same as others,

and whereas this inalienable right to the soil

leaves no room to buy, or sell, or give it

away:

Resolved, therefore, That no bill or proposition

should hold force in any way with Congress,

which implies the right of Congress to dispose