

# THE COLUMBIA PHOENIX.

[Original.]

## Shadows—III.

They come o'er wastes of ocean blue,  
Through midnight's silent depths they come;  
Not as of old, in innocent bloom,  
With love in look, & joy rise to view;

With icy lips and sunken eye,  
Sad—streaming like mine own with tears—  
The mournful ghosts of happy years,  
They wave wild hands and wander by.

A pallid brow and mournful glance,  
As if each dread regret were doom,  
Each rises from his lonely tomb,  
And walks as in a wildered trance.

I cry the words of better days—  
I speak in sobs each blessed name,  
My heart achill, my brain a flame,  
And madness in my staring gaze.

I stretch fond arms to make arrest,  
Of each once loved and cherished form;  
Forget the death, the grave, the worms,  
And clasp a shadow to my breast.

And feel the cold with new dismay—  
The cold in silence, and that chill,  
That follows fast the nameless thrill,  
That makes the past a present sway.

Oh! sorrow! late such bliss, and mine!  
Oh! shadow, late such bloom and bright;  
I know thee still though all the blight,  
That tells of all that once was there.

The subtle instinct, swift to feel,  
Still trains the ignorant sense and eye,  
Uplinking, piercing through the sky,  
With challenge ever to reveal.

By all the joys I could not lose,  
Which yet are lost, forever lost,  
Thy sad attendance, mournful ghost,  
I would not, if I could, refuse.

No living bloom so dear can be,  
As that which still for memory glows,  
And rather I triumph in the woes,  
That bring thee still, in meek, to me—

Than cherish aught of hope to cheer,  
The burden of the lonesome day;  
To me there cannot shine a ray,  
So blessing as this midnight tear.

The grief to know that joy is gone,  
Hath still no hope so fond, to find  
One promise of a bliss so kind,  
To make the Memory less alone.

What though she drinks her own blue vein,  
Self-sacrificed her hope forsakes,  
Dying in every draught she takes,  
And brought again to life by pain;

Yet rather she craves the pain, and prays,  
The shadowy sorrow to her side;  
More bless'd than if a loving bride,  
Rose warm and wooing on her gaze.

## Egeria, the Muse of Counsel.

### IV. APOTHEGMS.

The apothegm is the most portable form of Truth. Though stern of law, invariable in assertion, and inflexible in essentials, she is yet so flexible of form, that she accommodates herself to any compass. She may be compared to that Afrite, among the oriental genii, sealed up by Solomon, who could be compressed into a quart bottle, yet, escaping, could expand into a column reaching to the skies. The apothegm strikes home to the conviction, when the argument fails to reach the ear; the pro-

verb teaches when the sermon halts, as a well charged pistol will do more execution than a whole barrel of gunpowder exploded idly in the air.

### V. APPLICATION OF THE PROPER MORALS.

You can only reach the proposed result by an adaptation of the proper moral to the special object. You apply to the subject the only argument which will reach him. Words to the deaf are impertinent; colors to the blind are a mock; and the odor of flowers to him who has lost his olfactories might as well be assafoetida. The moral of the steed lies in the spur of the rider; of the slave in the eye and will of his master; of the woman in the sense of her weakness and dependence, to which all education should address itself.

### VI. CONSERVATISM.

With the weak and vulgar mind, Conservatism implies nothing more than to keep things as they are, no matter how wanting in propriety and susceptible of improvement—a condition agreeable only to the timid, and to those in power. But this sort of Conservatism is, in fact, destructiveness—and has been probably the true but secret cause of the overthrow of societies and commonwealths. The true law of the race is progress and development. Whenever civilization pauses in the march of conquest, it is overthrown by the barbarian. The people that cease to advance, in the notion that their mission is ended, and their development complete, from that moment begins to decline, and must go rapidly to decay. The Conservatism which hopes to retard a legitimate progress, will inevitably be crushed in its march. All such efforts may be likened to that of the feeble old man who attempts to arrest the speed of the locomotive, by thrusting his gold-headed crutch between its wheels. True Conservatism is rather the bold spirit which leaps into the car of progress, and, seizing upon the reins, directs its movements with a firm hand, and an eye that sees the proper goal for which the race should aim.

### VII. PATRIOTISM.

He who labors for mankind without a care for himself, has already begun his immortality. He who begins his work with self-sacrifice, calls God's special sanction upon his life, and is the certain object of his special care. We gain from society only as we give. To accumulate, without giving out, is to suffocate the human in our nature. In this respect we are like the fountain, which, unless it be drawn from freely, will choke with its own accumulations, and stagnate in its volume, though it may be pure in its spring. Doing, alone, is blessing, and to do for a people, is a service directly rendered to God.

### For Sale or Rent.

COTTAGE HOUSE containing five rooms and necessary out-buildings, with sixty acres of land attached, two miles and a half from the city. Inquire at this office. April 17

### For Rent,

A LARGE and COMMODIOUS RESIDENCE on Senate street, between Sumner and Marion streets. The house contains eight rooms; the servants' houses are ample. Apply to  
A. R. PHILLIPS,  
At Dr. Geiger's.

April 18 '66

### Headquarters,

COLUMBIA, S. C., APRIL 19, 1865.

NOTICE is hereby given that no PASSES will be granted at these headquarters, to any one, for the purpose of entering the enemy's lines. PASSES for such purpose must be obtained from the Secretary of War.  
By order A. F. RUDLER, Col. Com'dg.  
W. J. MEALING, A. A. G. April 20

### Headquarters, Gen. Johnston's Army. GENERAL ORDERS NO. 14.

It is announced to the army that a suspension of arms has been agreed upon, pending negotiations between the two Governments. During its continuance, the two armies are to occupy their present positions.

By command General JOHNSTON.  
ASCHER ANDERSON, Lieut. Col. and A. A. G.  
April 22

### Headquarters.

COLUMBIA, S. C., APRIL 8, 1865.

### CIRCULAR.

ALL Officers on Post Duty at this place will make a report to these Headquarters of all men attached to their respective departments, who are entitled to draw rations at this post.

All provision returns must be made out at the departments and approved at these Headquarters. By order

A. F. RUDLER, Col. Com'dg.  
W. J. MEALING, A. A. G. April 19

### Headquarters,

NEAR SMITHFIELD, N. C., APRIL 7, 1865.  
SPECIAL ORDER NO. 28—Extract.

MAJ. GEN. MANSFIELD LOVELL is assigned to command in the State of South Carolina.

By command of Gen. J. E. JOHNSTON.  
KINLOCK FALCONER, A. A. G.

HEADQ'RS DIST. OF SOUTH CAROLINA;  
APRIL 12, 1865.

### ORDER NO. 1.

In compliance with the above orders, the undersigned hereby assumes command in this State. Until the names of the staff are announced, official communications to these headquarters will be addressed to Lieut. J. M. B. LOVELL, Acting A. A. G. at Columbia.  
April 14 M. LOVELL, Major-General, &c.

### Headquarters:

COLUMBIA, S. C., MARCH 31, 1865.  
SPECIAL ORDER NO. — Copy.

JOHN CARSTEN is hereby appointed Acting Provost Marshal of this city until further orders. He will be obeyed and respected accordingly. By order

A. F. RUDLER, Col. Com'dg.  
W. J. MEALING, A. A. G. April 4

Headquarters Mil. Div. of the West,  
AUGUSTA, MARCH 4, 1865.  
SPECIAL FIELD ORDERS NO. 18.

COE A. F. RUDLER is hereby assigned as Commandant of the Post at Columbia, S. C.

By command Gen. BEAUREGARD.  
Official Geo. W. BAKER, Col. and A. A. G.

HEADQUARTERS, COLUMBIA, S. C.,  
March 15, 1865.

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 1.  
In obedience to the above order, I hereby assume command of this Post.

By order of A. F. RUDLER,  
Colonel Commanding.  
W. J. MEALING, A. A. G. March 21