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Give us the eye to see
The honest tear of feeling,
That shall not dim for the world's dread from
Green and gold's great dealing.

Give us the hand of power,
And the power in the dying hour
To help a suffering brother.

Give us the clear, cool brain
That is never asleep or dozing;
But springing ever, with bold endeavor,
Wakes the world from its proslugging.

Ab, give us the nerve of steel,
And the hand of fearless might,
And the strength of a will that is ready still,
To look for the right.

For the form is now afloat,
And the earth is filled with crime;
Let it be our prayer to God,
Oh, give us the men for the times.

Historical Sketch.

HOW WILKES BOOTH

CROSSED THE POTOMAC.

By GEORGE ALFRED TOWNSEND.

When the rebel mail had been put ashore, Jones would sometimes get it by slipping down through some of the wooded gullies cutting the bluff.

The Federal patrol walked on the top of the bluff, and as the night grew dark would be apt to avoid these places, from which a shot might be fired, or an assassin spring.

Jones sometimes ran risks getting down the bluff which was almost perpendicular, and after a time he constructed a sort of stairs or steps down one portion of it.

His brother Cox, who was more noisy and expressive, had contrived early in the war a sort of post-office for the deposit of the mail as it came up from the river, in stumps, etc.

One of the post-rides was pointed out to me where the railroad now goes through a cutting below Cox's Station.

The Maryland neighbors, however, became so careless about sending their letters through these stump post-offices, that when Jones made his agreement with the Confederate Government, he dispensed with that system altogether, and upon more ordinary means.

His plan for the purpose was to go to the depot, and to work to the business of pulling a boat down Port Tobacco river to Virginia.

Among the persons who occasionally crossed the river was John H. Surratt, a country boy of respectable aspirations until some time after the breaking out of the war, when he, too, was caught in the meshes of the contraband trade, and, possessing but little mind and too much wit, was carried away with his importunate.

Jones went to Richmond once or twice toward the close of the war, and on one of these occasions Surratt and a woman under his care crossed in the same boat. Sometimes these boats would go so heavily laden that a gale on the river would almost capsize them.

One portion of Jones's business was to put the New York and Northern newspapers every day into Richmond. These newspapers would go to Bryantown post office, or sometimes to Charlotte Hall post office, and would generally reach the Potomac near dusk, and being conveyed all night by the Confederate mail carriers, by way of Port Royal, would be in the hands of the rebel Cabinet at Washington, twenty-four hours only after the people in New York were reading them; and Jones says that there was hardly a failure one day in the year to take them through.

The Federal authorities never had a tithe of the thoroughness of suspicion and violation of personal liberty which the Confederates always exercised. Hence the doom of Abraham Lincoln was slow coming, onward through these little country side beginnings, starting without origin and ending in appalling calamity.

About the third year of the war, Jones understood that a very important act had been agreed upon, namely, to seize the President of the United States in the city of Washington, and by relays and forced marches take him to the west side of Port Tobacco Creek, about four miles below the town of that name, and dispatch him across the Potomac a prisoner of war. I possess the names of the two persons on Port Tobacco Creek who, with their sons, were prominent in this scheme; but the frankness with which the information was given to me persuaded me not to print them.

A person already named in Washington, was in the conspiracy; and it was given out that "the big actor, Booth," was also "in it." Jones heard of this about December, 1864. It was not designed that he should take any part in the scheme, though he regarded it as a proper undertaking in time of war.

From the time this scheme was projected until the very end of the war, the bateau which was to carry Mr. Lincoln off was kept ready, and the actors and men were ever near at hand, to dispatch the illustrious captive.

That winter was unusually mild and therefore the roads were particularly hard in this region of clay and marsh, and did not harden with the frost until the very end of the war.

The Watsons below Mr. Thomas Stone had a place just above him, across Poe's Creek, on a high hill called "Ellenborough," the mansion of which was one of the largest brick buildings in this region.

Next above Stone's, on Port Tobacco River, was George Dent, who also had an interesting mansion. The third farm, to the north was Brentfield, and back of it Huckleberry, from which Booth departed.

Mr. Jones himself is a man of hardly medium height, slim and wiry, with one of those thin, marly faces common to tidewater Maryland, with high

cheek bones, gray-blue eyes, no great height or breadth of forehead, and thick, strong hair. The tone of his mind and intercourse is slow and mournful, somewhat complaining, as if the summer heats had been a nervous tone to his views, which are generally instinctive and kind.

Judge Frederick Stone told me that he once crossed the river with Jones, when a Federal vessel suddenly loomed up, apparently right above them, and in the twinkling of an eye, the passenger, he could see the interior of the Old Capitol prison for himself and all his companions; but at that moment Jones was as cool as if he had not noticed the vessel at all, and extricated them in an instant from the danger.

Jones's education is small. He does not swear, does not smoke, and does not drink. When he was exposed on the river, he says, he sometimes took a little spirits to drive away the cold and wet; but he has few needs, and probably has not changed any of his habits since early life.

Born poor, somewhat of the overseer class, struggling toward independence without great endeavor, he was eminently made to obey instructions and to keep faith. His neighbor Cox was more subtle and influential and although he was rough and domineering, seldom failed to bring any man to his view by magnetism or persuasion.

Jones's judgment often differed from Cox's, and in the end his courage was altogether superior; but still, from early habits, the humble farmer and fisherman always yielded at last to what Cox insisted upon.

Mr. Jones was not alone in his operations during the war, but he was the only trusted man in Maryland with whom the Confederate Government had an official relation.

His very humility was his protection against the Federal officers, and Union men generally as a man of rather slow wits, of an indolent mind, with but little intelligence or interest in what was going on around him.

Yet a cunning which had no expression but a devotion which never asked to be appreciated, and perseverance to this day remarkable, where his. Some of his neighbors were running boats across the river for hire, and in the little village of Port Tobacco most of the mechanics and loungers had become demoralized by this traffic, and among these was George A. Atzrott, a coach-maker, but little moral or physical stamina; who was afterward hanged among the conspirators.

This man led the work of the boat, and took to the business of pulling a boat down Port Tobacco river to Virginia.

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