

The instrument of a sudden cutting off,
Of a fellow creature from this temporal life,
His earthly strife, his sorrows and his joys as well.

J. McM.

Take not so gravely, this matter to thy heart,
The prisoner is but committed, to await
His trial, and his trial hath not yet begun.
Do thou therefore abide in peace thy soul,
Until thou hearest the sentence of the court
Pronounced upon the prisoner, as perchance
The evidence adduced against him, may
Not be sufficient to convict, and then
Him, the court and jury must acquit.
Then the part thou darest be not required
Of thee ; and thus a respite for some time
Indefinite, be then vouchsafed to thee.

Exeunt Omnes.

SCENE V.

Enter Sheriff Dickson, John McMahon, Walter G.
Tench and Donald Green.

S. D.

Oh ! Now hast come to pass, that which I so long
Have dreaded. The trial over, and the prisoner
Hath been condemned, to execution on the gallows.
The empannelled jurors upon the trial, found
The prisoner guilty ; such was their verdict.
And the Lord Chief Justice, presiding on the bench,