

of revenge should have been blessed with such happy results, is more than I deserve."

The professor turned over the slip of paper, and there read, in words too solemn to be here set down, a vow, that the writer would toil without intermission till he had made an independence by his own exertions, and attained a rank and reputation to entitle him to demand satisfaction for the injury he had received. Such is a veritable account of the remarkable history of Dr. Black.

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## EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT.

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### LOVE OF COUNTRY.

**L**OVE of one's country is alike lawful and commendable. By cherishing and evincing this, in suitable forms, the rights of none are invaded; and it is commendable, because it is proof of a just sense of obligation, and, of the existence of that patriotism which should be found among the people of every nation, especially of greatly enlightened and christian nations. Love of country is always strongest in the breasts of those persons who are natives of an old and long established nation, provided the government and institutions, of such nation, be of a character to secure and perpetuate the approval of the populace. When one can look upon his native land as the birthplace of his sire and matron, and as having been the home of his ancestors, his breast will instinctively glow with love for it. Long established systems and institutions beget for themselves a reverence, by their increase of years, so that they become subjects of admiration for their antiquity, if for nothing more.

To look at the battle fields, where one's countrymen have fought, bled, and died, in defence of cherished institutions and to save the nation from the grasp of an invading foe; to enter the halls of science and learning, which have stood for hundreds of years; to count the spires which for more than an age have been pointing upward, to Heaven, above the massive walls of the sacred edifices, dedicated to the worship of the living God; and to read upon the page of history the names of distinguished statesmen, scholars, and divines, who, in succession for ages past, have blessed the nation and blessed the world; are circumstances every way calculated to awaken feelings of patriotism, and to inspire one with warm emotions of veneration for his country.

We have more than intimated that there is a property of human nature that prompts to the love of country, to which we should add; that education and refinement, and religion, combine to strengthen, and perpetuate, genuine and enlightened patriotism.—In all the nations where the gospel is faithfully preached and generally received; where education and science are diffused; and where the laws and institutions, are founded in equity and justice, the people are faithful, and true, to the general interests, and labor to advance their countries weal. The man who has no love for his country; and who will not strive to advance its interests, is unworthy to share in the privileges and blessings of civilization and refinement—Where true patriotism exists, it will be evinced, by corresponding efforts for the diffusion of correct principles, and the