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Not at all.

The initiation was accepted. As cotton was being over, and the family retired, — Well sir, said the man of the house, now to your business. Pray let me know how I can have a thousand pounds.

"Well sir, I hear, you have a daughter in the pose of in marriage." —

"I have sir."

"And you intend to particular with this Scotch girl?"

"Yes, sir."

"Well, then, sir, let me have her, and I will cheer with fifty thousand."

The master of the house rose in passion and kicked him out of doors.

A TROUBADOUR.—The Newbriarport Water-tower, contains the following beautiful thought:

It has been our lot in life to meet, with some vicious and to witness some strange

ments. We have struggled with the storm-spirit on the sea; have inhaled the breath of the pestilence and have had the pistol of the madman pointed at our breast—yet the "angers we have passed" have only served to impress this lesson on our soul. There is no earthly object worth thy fear, except thyself. And who will say when he surveys the wondrous working of his soul, the love of wealth, the longing after fame, the strong desire of ease, the envy, pride, lust, selfishness and other evil passions lurking there—who shall say in the view of these strange impulses within—that he is not himself his own fearful enemy? Who does not see that most of his sorrows, conflicts, sufferings, "pains and penitence" come from within? Aye, my friend, if thy peace be broken, if thy brow be marked with care, if thy eye be dimmed with sorrow and thy cheek be pale with fear, lo! I pray thee, for the cause thereof within. Here shalt thou find the focus of thy tranquillity—here the hostile array against which you are to take up arms. To conquer here is to gain a victory, a triumph over and annihilate the inorganic, the material and the finite that array.

Let us then beseech you to set a clock watch over your own soul, for out of it are the issues of life and death. Keep thy soul "restrained in living virtue" and "no rage of element," nor wrath of man, shall do thee ought of harm or cause thy heart to fear!

FOUGHT MARRED PEOPLE TO SLEEP TOGETHER? Hall's Journal of Health, which

claims to be high authority in medical science has taken a stand against married people sleeping together, but thinks they had better sleep in adjoining rooms. It says Kings and Queens do not sleep together, and why should other people? To which the Athenian Post adds:

"Think of the idea of separating a newly married couple, on a cold winter's night, because Hall's Journal of Health says so."

"You can go to grass, Mr. Hall."

FLORENCE AT A PRIMER.—"May I please the Court," said a Yankee lawyer before a Dutch Judge, the other day, "this is a case of the greatest importance, while the American eagle, whose bloodless eye watches over the welfare of this mighty republic, and whose wings extend from the Alleghanies to the rocky chain of the West, was rejoicing in his pride of place."

"Sit down! are I shure, I say; vat has nismit to do mit cages? It has nothing to do mit de wild bird; it is von sheep," exclaimed the Justice.

"True your Honor, but my client has vested rights."

Your client has no right to de eagle.

Of course not, but the laws of lanu is permit."

Understand the laws of de State, and dat is enough for me. Confine your talk to de case.

Well, then, my client, the defendant is charged with stealing a sheep, and—

Dat will do! dat will do! Your client is charged mit stealing a sheep, shat his shuffins. De court will adjourn.

A travelling Yankee lawyer put up at a country inn, where a number of farmers were assembled, telling stories. After sitting some time, and attentively listening

they fairly he suddenly turned and asked them not much they supposed he had been interested in the dog which he had with him. They all stared, and curiosity was on their faces to know. One guessed five or six, another ten, another either, until they had exhausted their patience, when one of them, who was asked how much he had been offered, said, "Not a damn cent," he replied.

Did you ever intend to marry? asked a tall and thin young man of his "intended," to whom he was to be married not "for the question."

"I married," said that all man! she at once replied, blushing.

