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POETRY.

RANSOMED.

BY REQUEST.

The following lines were very graciously sent to me by Mrs. John Walter...

Am I not his ransomed one.

A "burning brand" from Satan won't.

Here I a grief he does not share.

A pain he leaves me yet to bear!

I know Immanuel God's my friend.

His loving arms support my head;

Like John, I lean upon his breast,

And find in Him a perfect rest.

Then welcome, sickness, welcome pain,

Since Jesus thus my soul sustains!

He will receive my parting breath,

And guide me through the vale of death.

Jesus, my Lord, my righteousness,

No other wedding robe need I—

In it; in it, I'm fit to die.

This robe alone can safely give,

When death's appalling hour draws nigh!

If it is Christ for me to live,

'Tis gain indeed for me to die.

When the widow Joe married Jason...

Jason Carter brought him no money...

at all; only a small, stony farm...

in Nippon, that had been his father's...

and two wild boys of ten and twelve...

years' growth.

Jack and Dan were hardy fellows...

for a stepfather to rule, and Jason...

Carter found his hands full. Naturally...

he was a quiet, gentle, persistent man;

in his youth he can carry a load, and...

for fifteen years he had been a common...

sailor, which had pretty well knocked...

the quiet out of him, and the persistence...

into him. In this time he had learned to...

sweat, as a matter of course, though he...

had been strictly brought up, and went...

tain thrill of emotion shook him when...

his baby daughter came that had never...

troubled that worn old heart in any...

emergency of Jack and Dan. But then...

Celia was a girl; of course that made...

it different.

Jason, when compared with his prede-

cessor, was as mild and pleasant...

round the house as a spring day after a...

stormy winter. He became a useful...

and prominent member in the Nippon...

church, and never was heard to utter a...

profane or impudent word. Jack and...

Dan loved him as healthy boys love...

anything but mischief and meanness, and...

Peebs was entirely happy.

True, they were poor; Jason had a...

few hundred dollars laid by, but the...

Nippon farm was too sterile to produce...

crops enough to support the family, so...

he laid out his little capital, or part of...

it, in a good breed of sheep, which...

found abundant living among meadows,

hedgeback, and huckleberry bushes, and...

proved in due time a profitable invest-

ment.

For in those days, dogs, the curse of...

New England, were by no means com-

mon in the country; there was no rea-

son for keeping them, and farmers had...

money and mutton instead of hydro-

phobia and horrors.

The wool sold well always, and kept...

the family in rags, for Jason's wife...

could spin and knit with wonderful ra-

pidity; the lambs he had not room to...

raise were sent to Hartford and sold to...

the butchers, and now and then a fat...

old wether went to the meat man's cart...

in the shape of juicy quarters.

pirate; I've heard ye say so!"

"The boys were shocked into momen-

tary silence, but recovered themselves...

soon.

"And if he ever did he don't now,"

added reasonable Jack. "He's awfu-

good; he's a professor; he prays in...

meat'n' and he don't ever scold nor...

swear, nor nothin'. Scarce ever he licks...

a fellow; he did give Dan and me one...

whallop, but he oughter have, that's a...

fact. Dan he told a thunders'n' lie and...

I backed him up. I tell ye I was so...

sore for one spell, after he found it...

out."

"Well, I know he used to swear on...

board ship. I've heard ye tell stories...

about him. They call him 'Gill Jase';

to be sure, but when he got riled the...

fur flew. I'll bet my jack knife I...

can make him swear inside of next...

week.

"I'll bet my head you can't!" re-

plied Dan.

"I don't know as I want your head...

for anything, but I'll bet you my knife...

against that cake of maple sugar you...

have got in the closet that I'll bet Uncle...

Jason a swearing before next week's...

over."

The boys were so sure that nothing...

could make daddy swear, and so pleased...

with their first bet of any importance,

that they accepted the terms at once,

and Jason began to cudgel his brains...

for means of tripping up Jason Carter's...

tongue.

One day he slyly let down the bars...

into a field of clover, getting up before...

light to do it; the two cows, turned...

before they could speak their father...

was on his knees again, pouring out...

such earnest, humble confession of the...

in he had committed, such heartfelt...

petition for pardon, such heartfelt con-

dition for a lapse that seemed to him...

treacherous, after many long years of...

struggle and struggle, that hard and bad...

as Jason Wires was, he could not...

be it; it was the turning point in...

the boy's life; he got up from his knees...

and confessed the whole thing to his...

uncle and asked his forgiveness; and...

the other boys cried loudly.

Jason Carter never forgot that day;

it was remembered with humility and...

thankfulness both; for, Jason told...

himself after, that he learned to respect...

religion, then and there, and that is the...

first step toward desiring and obtaining...

it.

Jason never claimed his bet, but...

when he went home gave Dan his knife...

for a remembrance; and years after,

when Deacon Jason Carter was dead...

and gone, his stepsons recalled with...

reverence and amusement an incident...

angled, the only one they ever heard...

him speak, and how it was brought...

about by Jason's bet.

The Value of "Esq."

A young man whose money didn't...

hold out as long as the Provincial Fair,

dropped into the telegraph office yester-

day, and sent a dispatch to his father...

in the interior to forward him cash to...

reach home with. When the receiving...

clerk saw that the dispatch read, "To...

John Blank, Esq.," he suggested that...

a saving could be effected by sending...

the "Esq."

"Well, you may think so, but I...

don't," replied the sender. "When I...

was at home I call him 'dad' all day...

long, but when it comes down to black...

and white you've got to "esquire" him...

right up to the mines or walk home by...

the dirt road. Don't you dare leave...

that off—not with the roads as wuddy as...

they are now!"

It is about an hour the following...

answer was received:

"John Blank, Esq.; forwards you...

\$10, and you can have more if you...

want it."

JOHN BLANK, Esq.

"Didn't I tell ye' chuckled the...

young man as he read it. "Dad's com-

mon enough when we're all at home...

and rushed to get fall wheat in, but...

the minute his luck goes rested and a...

stranger comes along, he weighs more...

to the ton than any "esq." on legs, I...

tell ye you don't know a man till ye...