

Transcription

"Proud spirited" ladies

The following comes to us "from the Ladies of Dry River:"

"We have formed a resolution to live and die old maids unless our brave volunteer boys return again. We have also pledged ourselves to take care of the few cowards that are still left."

Good! We hope the proud spirited girls of Dry River will adhere to their purpose. A shabby fellow who doesn't obey the earnest and pressing call of his bleeding country now ought not to be entitled to the companionship of a good woman. Let it be understood that "cowards" and recreants are to be "kicked," "snuffed," and "sacked" by the women, and it may be that they will be driven to the discharge of their duty to their country.

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