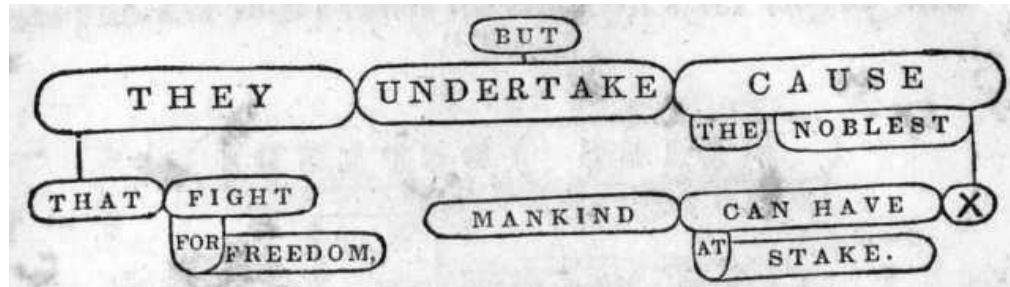


GREAT MOMENTS IN THE HISTORY OF SYNTAX:
The Invention of the Trace (1847)



*“But they that fight for freedom, undertake
 The noblest cause mankind can have at stake”*

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