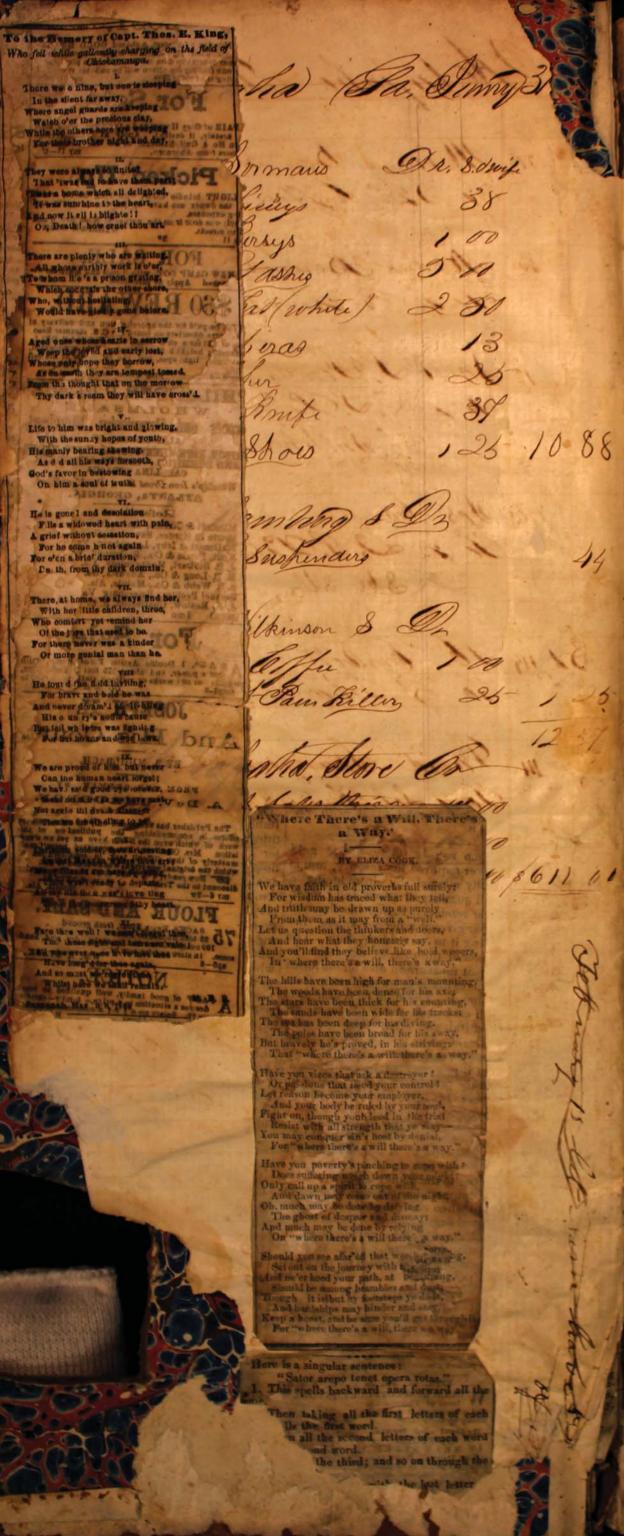
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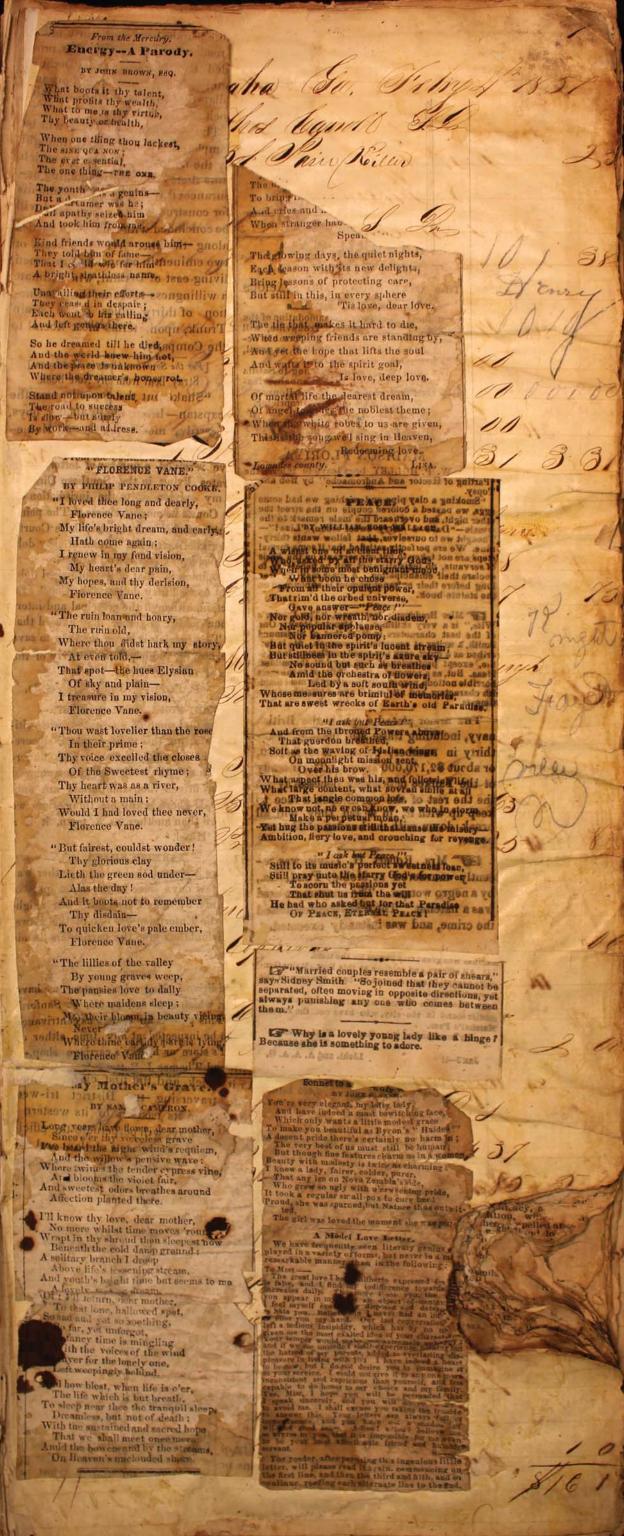
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THE SPIRIT-BIRD. BY M. A. RICE. A CHILD lay meaning on its mother's knee, Its soft cheek wasted through excess of pain; Its deep blue eyes were gazing mournfully, Or closed, as though they ne'er might close again; And then the mother mused—Can I give up This last fair blossom of my summer's day— This drop of sweetness in the trembling cup Of mortal love, oh, must it pass away? Sweet babes of mine are sleeping 'neath the sod-Grant me this latest darling, O my God! wing, upon common principles of part tactics, will vote the Union ticket in these free States where there is no hope of bene fiting their party otherwise than by aiding to defeat the Republican candidate. In this way, and in this worst aspect of results, the election may be thrown before the House of Representatives, where the candidate of the most central and conserv tive party must succeed.

The prospect is bright and cheering for breaking up these two pernicious sectional parties, whose interminable wrangles over mere abstractions about slavery brought a in 56 to the very verge of civil war, an whose best ultimate result would be peaceful severance of the Union. Muc She Understood It. A droll fellow was asked by an old lady to read the newspaper, and depends upon the elections in Kentnek and Tennessee. Victory is before us the Union-laving men in those States wi taking it, began as follows: "Last night, yesterday morning about two in the afternoon before breakfast, a hungry boy exert themselves as patriots should whe about forty years old bought a big custard for their country is in danger. a levy, and threw it through a brick wall nine feet thick, and jumping over it, broke his right From the American Union. ankle off above his left knee, fell into a dry Nor in that summer acratic Convention. pond and was drowned. About thirty years The form or plumage of that mystic bird, after that, on the same day, an old cat had Or seen it spread the wing, nor had it been twenty turkey goblers; a high wind blew Yan-In its deep tone line any she had heard. The mother rose, har household ways she trod, kee Doodle on a frying-pan, and knocked the old Dutch Church down, and killed a live sow Saying, A spirit called the child-bless God. and two dead pigs at Boston, where a deaf and dumb man was talking French to his Aunt Pe-From the orran parts carries "Homeward Bound." The old lady, taking a long breath, gazed BY ANNIE ARTON, over her spectacles at the reader, and exclaimne eve, when all was hushed and still, he eve, when an was hashed and early musing leaner ofer my window si'l, then mine ear caught up a distant sound, he burden of which seemed "Homeward bound." "Du tell !" Courses or istened, listened, but all in vain, o catch some word of the low, sweet strain; could only hear borne along with the sound hejoyons refrain, we,re "Homeward bound." (611/11/11/11/11 e're homeward bound! we're homeward bound ! where shall words dear as these be found Summis 1 In at the heart of the mariner far at sea, a polongs with the lov'd ro the hand to be? the re homeward bound! To see using saint, en his eye grows dim and his pulse grows faint, nw dear are these words for he soon will rest In the saints above on Immanuel's breast Fre I meward bound! to the child who Toaxroll S. In the grass-grown grave where a mother sleeps, ory doubly sweet must be the sound in he joyful words, we're "Homeward bound rehomeward bound! what words of cheer the weary, the sad and the suffering here; ey seem to say when earth's ties are riven ere's rest and a home for the weary in Carter Saugh DO THEY MISS ME AT HOME. Do they miss me at home, do mey miss 'Twould be an assurance most dear, To know that this moment some loved one, Were saying I wish he were here; To feet that the group at the freside.
Were thinking of me as I roam,
O: yes 'twould be joy beyond measure
To know that they miss me at home. When twilight approaches, the season
That ever is sacred te song,
Does some one repeat my name over,
And sigh that I tarry so long!
And is there a chord in the music
That's missed when my voice is away
And a chord in each heart that awaketh
Regret at my wearlsome stay: Simans Do they set me a chair at the table,
When evening's home pleasures are night
When the candles are lit in the p. 322
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And will be them cover to any the property
Do they think if the absent and waft me
A whispered good night wallst they weep. lab Chiano Do they miss me at home—to they miss me
At unaming, at noon or at pight.
And lineers one gloomy shade round them
Laterly my presence can light.
Are joys less invitingly welcome
And pleasure; less hale than before;
Because one is missed from the circle,
Because I am with them no more? Connered Him .- What has brought you here ?" said a lone woman who was quite "flustrated," the other morning, by an early call from a bachelor neighbor who lived opposite, and who she regarded with peculiar favor. "I came to borrow matches."
"Matches! that's a likely story!
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apaka Das Jaichtone Son To 1 Bet Vain Reilin Ire Pas. Ch. Farsey & To 1881 pain hilling 301 Jas & Bamburg In Plice Water Ilm. M. Konich For the Wire Grass Reporter Good Bye. How soon affection's tendpils twine Around sweet triendship's sunny shrine! Two weeks ago with Madling Chair dorA I staged up through the chill night air, Pessee J. Vi And was a stranger in your town,-I knew no Smith, nor Jones nor Brown; But soon kind friends around me came, Do Julls. Sati And cheered me much, though I was lame, And could not join in all their fun, For I could neither leap nor run, But when for tengues there was a need, I chattered on at right good speed, 1 pldo Jine And sometimes laughed a round ha! had At what I heard or what I saw .-God bless the sixty smiling boys I hoto fla I saw at school, and may their joys Be full and free for many a year, Their eyes undicar ed by sorrow's tear; And oh! these eachty binsning 'dears'.
I hope in blue will glide their yearson? And hope they'll sometimes think of me. 263 The Source Sure, when I leave this world of ones, With all its fragrant, levely bowers;" " And reasons will through other worlds. And regime at love the little garls !!!! "ROAMING INVALID. homasville, March 11, 1861) (1717) 46 Pelis Jan "ONLY A YEAR." BY MRS. STOWE. [These bander and beautiful lines, from the pen of Mrs. Stowe, refer, we presume, to the melancholy death by drowning, about a year since, of her son, a young stu-BY AGNES HOWARD. dent of fine character and promise.] [From the Independent, July 22.] One year ago-a ringing voice, A clear blue eye,
And clustering curls of sunny bair, Too fair to die. NST TOBACCO. Only a year-no voice, ne smile, No glance of eye, No clustering curls of golden hair. Fair but to die! ming till night, One year ago—what loves, what schemes Far into life! ght, all his might s delight What joyous hopes, what high resolves, What generous strife! The silent picture on the wall,
The burial stone—
Of all that beauty, life and joy,
Remain alone! goes out, om his throat, stream affoat, One year—one year—one little year,
And so much gene!
And yet the even flow of life
Moves calmiy on, he dog, The grave grows green, the flowers bloom fair, majog, Above that brad;
Ne sortowing that of heaf or spray
Sava he is dead that sigh ? be mine ?" No pause or hush of merry birds. That sing above, Tells us how coldiy sleeps below The form we leve. Where hast thou been this year, beloved? What hast thou seen 2 - What wisions fair, what glorious life, Where thou hast been ? The well! the well! so thin, so strong! Twint us and those the mystic veil: when shall it fall. That we may see? Not dend, not skepling, not even gone; But present still, and waiting for the coming hour Of God's awest will. ed of the living and the dead, lay in alience at thy feet his sad, and year! an, July 0, 1809.



For the Telegraph and Confederate, A REAUTIPUL PORM. NO LETTER. The following beautiful Poem was written on the occasion of the burial of the gallaut Kentuckians, who gloriously fell at Buena Vista, in the Cemeta-'Ne letter!' poor mother! oh well might thou weep ry at Frankfort, Ky. The author, Col. Theodore O Hara, gailant as a soldier as he is gifted as a wri-For thy noble and manly first-born is now sleeping peacefully death's dreamless sleep; ter, is now in our city. At our earnest solicitation he has consented to its publication in our columns He shall never again see the moru. The most addrum's sad roll has beat The soldiers' last tattoo!

No more on life's parade shall meet That brave and fallen few!

On Fame's eternal camping ground No letter!' and yet from his pocket they took, When they scarched there to find out his name A missive unfinished in his Holy Book, All hopeful of glory and fame. In battle to day our flag I'll uphold Their sitent tents are spread And defend, though I loose my right arm; I am young, I have strength, and with courage am, And Glory guards with solemn round The bivouse of the dead. With my life I will shield it from harm. No rumors of the foes advance Now swells upon the wind : No troubled thought at midnight haunts i must go, dear mother! I hear the drums call, And I will write more on the morrow.

Alas! ere that day closed, the enemy's ball

To that mother bequeathed ceaseless sorrow Of loved ones left behind. No vision of the morrow's strife The warrier's dream alarms Nor braying horn, nor screaming fife At dawn hall call to arms. 'No letter!' and sadly the wife turned away, And crush'd in her heart the great pain, As God gave her patience—which day after day She sought for the letter in vain. Their shivered swords are red with rust, Their plumed heads are bowed; Their haughty banner, trailed in dust, No letter!' your children are fatherless now; Is now their martial shroud. Bow in meckness to God's stern decree, And plenteous funeral tears have washed Your husband, with laurel wreaths twin'd round his The red stains from each brow, And the proud forms by battle gashed brow Is at rest in the land of the free. Are free from anguish now. No letter!' sweet maiden your lover so brave, The neighing troop, the flashing blade, To his heart clasped your image and fell; The bugle's stirring blast, Baid he gloried to fill a poor soldier's grave For the country he loved so well. The charge, the dreadful cannonade, The din and shout are past. Nor war's wild note, nor glory's peal Shall thrill with fierce delight, To leave you alone was his only regret, In this sad world of sorrow and sin ; Those breasts that never more may feel The rapture of the fight. But your grief he was hopeful you soon would for-And sighing for what might have been. Like the fleroe Northern hurricane That sweeps his broad plateau. 'No letter! dear sister, your brother is dead ; Flushed with the triumph yet to gain Alas! he was shot in the battle Came down the serried foe. No sister's hand near to hold his cold head, Who heard the thunder of the fray Break o'er the field beneath, With no ene to hear the death rattle. Knew well the watchword of that day Was victory or death. Only those who have writhed 'neath the heartcrushing thought, Long had the doubtful conflict raged And who live upon hope's brittle thread, O'er all that stricken plain, Can know the sad trials with which life is fraught For never flerebr fight had waged Brings the longing to be with the dead. The vengeful blood of Spain. And still the storm of battle blew-Still swelled the gory tide-For the Telegraph and Confederate, Not long, our stout old Chieftain knew, Such odds his strength could bide. "On my way to the relief of a younded friend "On my way to the relief of a younded friend, while the battle was raging at its utmost fur, I passed a little group around the form of a very, young officer—a really beautiful boy, and no doubt the pride of some fond moders heart, who had just been mortally wounded. As I linguised a moment, attracted by his splendid face, I fearned that he was the son of an old army officer, who fell in Mexico, and heart him say to his friends, "Let me Twas in that hour his stern command Called to a martyr's grave The flower of his own loved land The nation's flig to save. By rivers of their father's gore, His first-born laurels grew And well he deemed the sous would pour Their lives for glory too. die on the feet Full many a Norther's breath has swept Feel: I am dying my friends, life's tide is fast flow-O'er Angostura's plain And long the pitying sky hath wept I feel that my sou will its pinions soon try Above its mouldered slain My life, which has passed like a dream in its going Is passing swiftly away, and too shon I must die. Yet, think not, I fear the "grim monster's " nems, The raven's scream, or eagle's flight, Or shaphard's pensive lay, Alone awakes each aullen height Orthombia to give up this lift for another; My greatest regret in that I can't die again That frowned o'er that dead fray. In desence of my country—for Mary and mother. Sons of the Dark and Bloody Ground! Ye must not slumber there,3 Take my aword to my mother, twas and father's Where stranger steps and tongues resound bright blade, Along the beedless air. Who midst the clashing of steel in Mexico's sands que own proud land's herole soil Received his devth-wound, and dying he prayed That his sword might be borne to and placed to my Shall be your litter grave, se claims from War, his richest spoil, bands;
With the message that I, when my country should The ashes of her brave So meath their parent turf they To Far from the gory field, () 86711 5 cm; to a Spartan mother a bapasta Would By to her rescue, with buckfer and shield; And were I, is defending her, fated to fall, bloody shield. To die like a soldier-Let me die on the field i my comrades - Let me die on the Logales for commutation to die such a deathman pray for my nountry as I yield my fast Delegate and South and I be all the dis theath this Middl those who havefallen, my life would I yield Where my fast closing eyes our flag can still see, As it hasts in the breege—Let me die on the field! Midst the smoke of the battle, and the chanen's Sar Founded by those who for freedom were dying , Minut the rattle of musk set and the sabre's bright a vanished age bath flows On a field start the bravest of brave men were all det the a histin of balls and the bursting of shall. Midslike trampling of studes, on the spot where

Hacon, January 30, 1ets.

C. FULTON ve fade CHAPLAIN. I Mar Commit Young PART TO MENON TO SE COMMUNICATED. CHARLES P H. B. Jones, D. McDonald My friend-Thou hast listened to the lesson of thy The Branswick and Florala Rail Ro mortality. As to thy last end, question thine own inteernded to within a few miles of the Satilla River, 5 miles of the track lai rior spirit of its hopes beyond the grave. und a tocomotive purchased with som Of all things, Wisdom is profitable to man; - that open care, when H. S. Welles & Co. a wisdom which cometh from above, first pure, then Mr. H. S. Welles agreed with his Ger peaceable, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of Wisdom, gia friends that he and his New You friends would finish the road across th Tribulation and anguish shall come upon every son of man that doeth evil-but glory, and honor, and peace, Satilla. The question I wish to proto every man that worketh good. pound to the head of this company as Go not in the way of evil men, for it is as darkness; the contractors, is this and swant the they eat the bread of wickedness, and drink the wine to cypher it out-viz: If H. S. Well of violence; but the way of the just is as a shining & Co. lad paid the money in on stock to carry the read to the west Bar light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day. of the Satilla-then there would a Therefore, be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil have been a debt of \$300,000 upon t with good. If thine enemy hunger, feed him-if he ltond !- How much better would ha thirst, give him drink. been the credit of the company? Ar Be diligent in business. In the morning sow thy how much more would the bands of the seed, and in the evening withhold not thy hand. company have been worth? And the vide things honest in the sight of all men. Relieve the answer-as no stock has been paid i oppressed-comfort the widow-minister to the fatheryou much less will be the value of a less. stock worked out by the contractors of this account? Again, if H. S. Welles Every good and perfect gift cometh down from our Co. take the book of the company, soil them too lersat from 60 to 80 cen Father in heaven. We invoke thy blessing, O God, upon our services. in the dollar and leave, them outstanding to be paid at par value, or retire the Impart wisdom, courage, strength and every needed be before the persons who work out it grace-and may this our friend be true and faithful to the vows about to be assumed, even unto death! stock will realize manying for it? pose \$1000 of bomboo be sold at and the bonds costing this sum be May the blessing of heaven rest upon our brother, tired ofto stock of \$1000, and upon our Order, forever! of stock will have cost soon, and m who labers and gets redit for soon, get who laber and gook. Is this just am Response.—Love is the fulfilling of the law! right? Wheir market value, say for bondie dollar, and let them be re Response.—Blessed are the pure in heart! Ince centrate stock at full value, givin Response .- Be ye faithful unto death! fear what is [From the Montgomery Advertiser.] To Gen. N. B. Forrest. For the Telegraph and Confederate. ONCE MORE. Once more, once more bid the trampet sound, BY ROSALIE; With the signal of the free; Br.ve Forrest like a storm-kin sweeps
O'er the vile invader's path,
In thunders of vengeance that echo afar;
and he flashes like Freedom's orient star,
Or Heaven's lightning of wrath! Let the watchword pass like a vigil round, From the mountains to the sea: To arms! is the only way to peace-To arms! let the mandate rise; And woe to the foe,
When he d-ais the blow,
For his heart is nerved anow,
By the memory of those,
Who in death repose—
The faithful sons of sires true! The host of the brave in the field increase, As the stars in the midnight skies. Once more let the roll of the drum be heard, Rekindle the smouldering fire, Noble Forcest like a lion springs On prowling Goths who come this demon hands and hearts so black; To are, pointic and ruthless sack— Desolate our hearths and homes! Be the soul to the depth of its slumber stirred, With the spell of a burning lyre: Come forth! ye sons of the hill and plain, Wby tarry ye longer there, With vengeful sting
He's "on the wing."
As a torrent he sweeps along;
And his warriors brave,
L ke old; cear's wave,
Surge over the Hessian throng! When the cry, to arms, is abroad again. In each breath of the startled air ? Once more, from where the Potomac flows, Away to the Hio Grande, Brave Forcest, like a comet flash, Darts through the chacks of eve, And his paraway you may trace By the focuser's 17:0 acc, Who shuff his coming in the bree The war shout raise as it first arose, With a thrill in our native land A slave is he that would now retrace The past, in the right begun Then swear that never a night of disgr O, twine his name
With the lau els of fame,
Carve in letters unisaling and brightEmbelli-hed with glory,
Each thread of the stary,
That eye may read and hy recite Shall obscure our Southern sun. Go, join the roll of the true and brave Pour forth to the battle array Far better were each asleep in his gra-Noble Forcest like an eagle sweeps
Down on the vandal prey,
With glittering sword in noon-day's blaz-;
At dewy eve, 'neath moonight rays,
Our 'wagragie'' .eaus the way! Than the fee should win the day Once more bid the spell of the sluggar For the night will soon be gone, When in the East,
The man of Peace
Brasks o'er our sunny land—
Mid the baroes brave,
And banners that wave,
May we greet him and his patriot band?
Montgomery, Ala., July, 1864. When the east and the west like a golden Shall be tinged with Freedom's dawn carne To Moses G. Sulton 8 de 1 Remant col-Bogging

PATERNAL DUTY.—The father who plunges into business so deeply that he has no leisure for domestic duties and pleasures, and whose only intercourse with his children consists in a brief word of authority, or a surly lamentation over their intolerable expensiveness, is equally to be pitied and to be blamed. What right has he to devote to other pursuits the time which God has allotted to his children?—Nor is it any excuse to say that he cannot support his family in their present style of living without this effort. I ask by what right can his family demand to live in a manner which requires him to neglect the most important duties? Is it any advantage to them to be relieved from the necessity of labor? Beside, is money the only desirable bequest which a father can leave to his children? Surely, well cultivated intellects, hearts sensible to domestic affection; the love of parents, and brethren and sisters; a taste for home pleasures; habits of order, regularity and industry; a hatred of vice and vicious men, and a lively sensibility to the excellence of virtue; are as valuable a legacy as an inheritance of property,—simple property purchased by the loss of every habit which could render that property a blessing.—Selected.

PLEASURES OF CONTENTMENT.—I have a rich neighbor who is always so busy that he has no leisure to laugh; the whole business of his life is to get money, more money, that he may still get more and more money. He is still drudging on, saying what Solomon says: "The diligent hand maketh rich." And it is true, indeed; but he considers not that it is not in the power of riches to make a man happy; for it was wisely said, by a man of great observation, "That there be as many miseries beyond riches as on this side of them." And yet Heaven deliver us from pinching poverty, and grant that, having a competency, we may be content and thankful. Let us not repine, or so much as think that the gifts of God are unequally dealt, if we see another abound with riches, when, as God knows, the cares that are the keys that keep those riches hang often so heavily at the rich man's girdle that they clog him with weary days and restless nights, even when others sleep quietly. We see but the outside of the rich man's happiness; few consider him to be like the silk worm, that, when she seems to pay, is at the same time spinning her own bowels, and consuming herself. And this many rich men do, loading themselves with corroding cares to keep what they have already got. Let us, therefore, be thankful for health and competence, and, above all, for a quiet consequence.

Habits.—There are habits, not only of drinking, swearing and lying, and of some other things which are commonly acknowledged to be habits, but of every modification of action, speech and thought. Man is a bundle of habits. There are habits of industry, attention, vigilance, advertency; of a prompt obedience to the judgment occurring, or of yielding to the first impulse of passion; of extending our views to the future, or of resting upon the present; of apprehending, methodizing, reasoning; of indolence, dilatoriness; of vanity, self-conceit, melancholy, partiality; of fretfulness, suspicion, captiousness, censoriousness; of pride, ambition, covetousness; of overreaching, intriguing, projecting. In a word, there is not a quality or function, either of body or mind, which does not feel the influence of this great law of animated nature.

A SOLD ER'S DEATH.

BY W. L. B., SIGNAL CORPS.

I am dying, comrader, dying—
Life's tide is ebbling fast;
My wound doth ache, my eyes grow dim,
This breath may be my last.

Comrades, I have no mother dear To soothe my dying pillow, But bury me in a soldier's grave, Beneath you weeping willow.

Patriots gather round and swear,
By you radiant setting sun,
You'll cleave the last armed vandal down,
Until victory shall be won.

Do this, comrades, and I'll bless you will on last and dying breath; or country's cause,

riling mother or the sod; and gentle word; love my. God.

inoth 1 die, its to earth was riven; eaght how soon we'd meet Jesus in His Hipven.

God of Heaven, look deavn on me,
And take me to Thy breast;
I wish to go where I can find
Eome elernal abode of rest.

Hark, comrades, back I methinks I hear.
The vanda's battle ory.
Go drive the cursed invador back.
And leave me alone—to die.

I have fought for my country's cause — With my baca to the for I fell;
In the celestial region we is thest—
Comrades, friends, farewell I

PHANTOM DAYS.

Sweet-heart, when the year turns bock, And over her summer track Goes trailing in robes of mist, And holding her poor pale lips, Chill with their half eclipse, Up to the sun to be kissed—

Then over the parting line
The dead days glimmering shine,
With pitiful faces fair.
They are periect, all but breath,
And I mind me of their death
By the chill that is in the air.

Yet at the sight I yearn;
And O, that they would return
With the love that I forego!
And I murmur, ah! how long?
And sorrow takes up her song—
"Till the rose blooms in the snow."

So all the story is told
Cease, for the heart's a-cold,
And the winter claims its own.
In the first night o' the frost
Beauty and bloom were lost,
And what is the stalk alone?

O, when will the rough winds blow,
And when will the blank white snow
Cover the dead from sight?
For, like the haze on the hill,
Lieth on thought and will
The spell of a past delight.

So, over the yellow leaves,
And the empty place of sheaves,
I follow my aimless feet.
Oh! love that is lost to me,
Are their ghosts that walked with thee
In this time o' the bitter-sweet?

Oh! what but the heart's desire Can you have seen in the fire Of the autumn woods ablaze! And what but an ended tale In the ashes few and pale Of these Indian Summer days!

"The Happy Man.—He who is strong, and does a man's work; he who in going out to his daily toil leaves at home a beloved creature who loves and thinks of him alone, is by that very fact inspired with cheerfulness, and is happy all the day.

A blessed thing it is to have by your hearth-stole a trustworthy and loving we man, to whom you can open your heart, with whom you can suffer. She will prevent you from either dreaming or forgetting."

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A LOCK OF HAIR.

I HAVE a little lock of hair I 've kept for long, long years—
I may not say how oft I 've dimmed
Its lustre with my tears;
Yet hear it lies before me now,
All glittering in the light,
For slender threads of burnished gold
Are not so fair to sight.

I see him now-his loving eyes Are fondly bent on me,
As light he clasps those hands of his,
And laughs so heartily; And laughts so hearthy,
But dust is on that fairy brow,
And darkened are those eyes,
Where dwelt in stainless purity
The splender of the skies!

And laid within Lake Eric deep, His form unconscious sleeps, While mem'ry o'er that sinless dust A aleepless vigil keeps Within the windings of his tomb I see the sea-worm glide: Yet care not, if the spirit live, What doth the clay betide !

I 'ye stood beside the boundless lake That fo us his resting-place, And called to mind his winning ways, His beauty and his grace; And glancing upward to the skies, That glowed in summer sheen, I marked the blue and boundless space That rolled our souls between !

My gentle husband! when I gaze Upon thy brother's brow, I strive to think how thou wouldst look Wert thou but living now! But oh! the waves of mem'ry rush In darkness o'er my soul, And if I chide the gushing tears, They spurn my weak control!

This shining look of silken hair To me more lovely seems Than all the gorgeous images That crowd the cloud of dreams! Were every little thread a pulse, That might respond to mine, It could to me no plainer speak It would no brighter shine.

THE WINTER NIGHT.

BY COROLLA H. CRISWELL.

STARS in heaven's blue are glowing With a brilliant light; Luna on the earth is throwing Rays serene and bright. White clouds through the sky are moving, Broken here and there; And I see a meteor roving Through the "ambient air."

Coldiy now the winds are blowing-Wildly shrick they now; Trees beside our cottage growing, Creak in every bough.

Prests upon the window gather—

Easten on the pane:

Soon, too soon, came wintry weather Back to us again.

On the hearth the fire is glowing Cheerfully and bright, While its flames around are throwing Warmth and dreamy light. Pleasantly the hours flit o'er me, As I sit alone Dreaming of the days before me, And of moments gone.

While without cold winds are blowing, All is warm within; And this heart, with peace o'erflowing, Wishes but to win God's approval—His rare blessing— His protection still; And, these precious boons possessing,

I shall fear no ill.

OTHER DAYS.

BY ANANIAS W. SAWYER.

Отиги days—their guileless pleasures Steal like shadows o'er my mind. Come their memories Whispering melodies, Telling sweet of life's lost treasures, Golden ruins strewn behind.

Memory wakes all recollections, Slumbering voices of the past;
And they tell me,
Slowly tell me
Of my friends, their love and actions,
Sleeping now of sleeps the last.

Childish forms with radiant faces

Glide before and gaze in mine; Smiling sadly,

And yet gladly, Bringing back their withered graces Bringing back the olden time. Then within me starts a syren,

Chanting low of childhood's years; Breathing fire Through her lyre, Which soon opes a fount of iron, Setting free its 'prisoned tears,

Gathered there for those now sleeping Dreamless slumbers of the dead, In the churchyard, 'Neath the greensward, Hearts once sunny, warm, and leaping, Cold and throbless as their bed.

Other days-their friends and pleasures Steal like shadows o'er my mind. Come their memories Whispering melodies, Telling sweet of life's lost treasures, Golden ruins strewn behind.

TIME.

BY SIR WALTER SCOTT.

Friend of the wretch oppressed with grief, Whose lenient hand, though slow, supplies
The balm that lends to care relief,
That wipes her tears—that checks her
sighs!

'Tis thine the wounded soul to heal That hopeless bleeds for sorrow's smart; From stern misfortune's shaft to steal The barb that rankles in the heart.

What though the roses with thee fly, And jocuad youth's gay reign is o'er; Though dimmed the lustre of the eye. And hope's vain dreams enchant no more;

Yet in thy train comes soft-eyed peace. Indifference with her heart of show; At her cold touch, lo! sorrows cease, No thorns beneath her roses grow.

Oh, haste to grant the suppliant's prayer, To me thy torpid calm impart; Rend from my brow youth's garland fair, But take the thorn that's in my heart.

Ah, why do fabling poets tell
That thy fleet wings outstrip the wind?
Why feign thy course of joy the knell,
And call thy slowest pace unkind?

To me thy feeble, tedious pace Comes laden with the weight of years-With sighs I view morn's blushing face, And hail mild evening with my tears.

From the Home Journal.

"TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW."

A rosebud blossomed in my bower,
A bird sang in my garden:
The rosebud was its fairest flower,
The bird its gentlest warden;
And a child beside the linden tree
Sang, "Think no more of sorrow;
But let us smile and sing to-day,
For we must ween to morrow." For we must weep to-morrow

I asked the bird, "Oh, didst thou hear
The song that she would sing thee?
And can it be that thou shouldst fear
What the next more may bring thee?
He answered with triumphant strain,
Saying, "I know not sorrow;
But I must sing my best to-day,
For I may die to-morrow!"

I asked the rose, "Oh, tell me, sweet, In thy first beauty's dawning, Thou canst not fear, from this retreat. The coming of the morning?" She flung her fragrant leaves apart, The lovelier for her sorrow, Saying, "Yet I must bloom to-day, For I may droop to-morrow."

I said, "The bloom upon my cheek
Is fleeting as the roses;
My voice no more shall sing or speak.
When dust in dust rep
And from the soulless m

One lesson I may borro That we should smile and For we may weep to-my to

PRIDE.—In beginning the world, if you don't wish to every turn, fold your pride carefully, put it under lock and to out to air on grand occasions. Pride is a garment, all stiff rouse side, all grating sackcloth on the side next to the skin. Even kings wear the dalmaticum except at coronations.—Bulwer.

Love.—It is a singular fact that two of the most vigorous writers of the English language appear to be in total ignorance of all the feelings which take their rise from the passion of love. We know of no single line that has fallen from the pen of Swift, or from that of Macaulay, which indicates any sympathy with that passion which, in the greatest number of minds, alfords the most powerful of all motives.—Blackbion.

FAREWELL TO HOME.

FAREWELL, ye blest scopes, with peace ever smilling! Ye scenes of my pleasure—a lasting farewell! Comforters of grief! e'en to mis'ry beguiling, No more in your shades I am destin'd to dwell.

Far, far I must wander, and, Oh! perhaps never May be by kind heaven blest with a return; Yet, yet, from my heart, no distance shall sever The scenes I so love, and for ever must mourn!

Here every charm of tender affection, Strikes fresh my fond bosom and tortures my breast; Those sighings of sorrow—tears of recollection— Speak a heart the most tender by anguish oppress'd.

Here love first began-by friendship united-And joys without number o'erflowed my soul; But friendship is blasted-affection is blighted-And hateful remembrance now fills up the whole.

How oft have I sighed, (when musingly straying, While flow'd the smooth river between the green trees, And while the young lambs on its rivages playing, Added grandeur to nature and pleasure to peace)-

"Oh! scenes of delight! how can I e'er leave you? Oh! how from these pleasures can I ever part? When the hand of compulsion of me shall bereave you, 'Twill snatch the desire most dear to my heart!

" Should war's dread alarum e'er call me to wander, Or should fate destine me far from you to roam, On those joyful remembrances oft will I ponder, And sigh the fled pleasures once tasted at home."

And now I must go, and forsake all these blisses, (What thought had predicted too soon has come true) Must go-where no friendship shall tender its wishes-Must go-where no lover shall bid me adieu!

SCOURGE of mankind! whose all-destroying hand Has robb'd of bliss a plenteous smiling land, Say, to what fiend thou owest thy hated birth; Who sent thee forth to desolate the earth?

The blast thou art, that nips ere manhood blooms, Consigning noble hearts to early tombs. While shrinking nature daily, shuddering, reads Of some brave victim that for glory bleeds; Glory! misnam'd, 'tis madness, nearer far, Impels thy votaries Oh! destructive War! Mercy must ever tremble at thy name, And wish oblivion rather than thy fame! To sing the horrors of thy dread array, Demands a bolder pen, an abler lay; My feeble efforts can but half reveal The pangs the widow and the orphan feel!

Woe to the land to War's dread power a prey; Its hand of desolation sweeps away Each home-felt joy fair industry doth yield; Destroys the produce of the waving field; And sends the hand, that rais'd the food of life, To slaughter brethren in the field of strife! The hand, embrown'd with honest useful toil, To deal destruction, and to live on speil!

ON SEEING A WITHERED ROSE-BUD.

Poor flow'ret! scarce had refreshing heav'n shed (When softly peeping from thy calix green) Its pearly moisture on thy scarlet head, Ere from thy stem dissever'd, thou wast seen A rose-bad faint, and weak, and withered.

Emblem of her whose virgin-spirit's flown On aerial wings to realms unfeign'd; Where, in t' splendour of th' eternal throne, that her soul contain'd,

Beautiful?

he maiden, the mother. gnant beauty of its own, an mar. Never yet was steady athe orightest day, unless the orightest day, unless the orightest day, unless the od them, to purify and exalt, making twice wious that which scemed all loviness before. Religion is very beautiful—in health or in sink.

saints, a rose unblown!

Religion is very beautiful—in health or in sick-ness, in wealth or poverty. We can never enter the sick chamber of the good, but soft music seems to float on the air, and the burden of the song is "LoJ peace is here."

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Could we look into thousands of families to-day, where discontent fights sullenly with life, we should find the chief cause of unhappiness, want of relig-

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And in felons' cells—in places of crimes, misery,
destruction, ignorance—we should behold in all its
terrible deformity, the fruit of irreligion in woman.

Oh, Religion! benignant mystery, high on thy
throne thou sittest, glorious and exalted. Not
above the clouds, for earth-clouds come never between thee and truly pious souls; not beneath the
clouds, for above these is heaven, opening through
a oroad vista of exceeding beauty.

Why do we call them lost, read? God's unseen angel o'er que pathway

The Loved and Lost.

Looked on us all; and loving them the most

Straightway relieved them from life's weary load.

They are not lost; they are within the door.
That shuts out loss and every hurtful thing— With angels bright and loved ones gone before.

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In their Redeemer's presence evermore And God Himself, their Lord and Judge

and King.

And this we call a "less f" O, spiffsh sorrow

Of selfitsh hearts! O, we of little faith!—

Let us look remain, some argument to d id 4-Why we in patience should await the

morrow y That surely much succeed this night of

d death. g

Ay, look upon this dreary desert path, The thorne and thisties wheresoe'er we What trials and what tears, what wrongs 8.

F and wrath, What struggles and what strife the Journey

They have escaped from these; and lo! rt B

sk the poor spilor, when the wreck is r done, Who with his treasures strove the shore

to reach: While with the raging waves he battled on,

Was it not joy, where every joy seemed

To see his loved ones landed on the beach?

A poor wayfarer, leading by the hand A little child, had halted by the well, "To-wash from off his feet the clinging

And tell the tired boy of that bright land Where, this long journey past, they hoped to dwell—

When lo! the Lord who many mansions had

Drew near, and looked upon the suffering twain; Then, pitying spake, "Give me the little

lad: In strength renewed and glorious beauty

clad, I'll bring him with me when I come again.

Did she make answer, selfishly and wrong Nay, but the wees I feel, he too mast

, rather bursting into grateful song, She went her way rejoicing, and made strong

To struggle on, since he was freed from

We will do likewise. Death hath made no breach

In love and sympathy, in hope and trust; No outward sound or sign our ears may reach,

But there's an inward, spiritual speech That greets us still, tho' mortal tongues

It bids us do the work that they laid down— Take up the song where they broke off the strain;

So journeying till we reach the heavenly town Where are laid up our treasures and our

And our loved lost ones will be found

Night and Day.

BY HELEN KEITH.

what a beautiful thought is embodied in those words of Holy Writ, "and the evening and the morning were the first day," "and the evening and the morning were the second day." Morning has, and ever shall, follow the evening; and though our? whole life may seem like one continued night, it shall be succeeded by the brightness of eternal

day. In we reckon that day commences at twelve o'clock, and thus we have both its extremes shrouded in darkness. A similar idea have we of life, of morning's childhood and evening's old age. But it need not be thus with the Christian's life, for the evening time may be brightened with the radiance of our Heavenly Father's countenance; so that which seems to us like a beautiful sunset scene, is, really like a second, is, really, but a single ray from the sun which ushers in the glorious resurrection morning. We read of those in ancient time who died, be-

We read of those in ancient time who died, being "old and full of days," yet how many have died, being old and full of nights. Evil thoughts and deeds, unthankfulness and complaint, are such as make up our nights. Our days are made up of pure thoughts and righteous deeds, sorrows patiently borne, words of loving sympathy to the poor, becaved one, little acts and looks of kindness which bring ba k the glad sunshine to some weary sonl, and are as halm to the wounded spirit.

weary soul, and are as balm to the wounded spirit. They are the bright, precious gems, whose radiance sparkles throughout all time, and by whose clear light we can behold the highway cast up for the ransomed of the Lord. Then can we look beyond to the "River of Life" and that city which hath no need of the sun nor of the moon.

And thus may life in this world be as the blessed dawning of eternal day.



Mas. Lorry keeps a carriage, She has dappled grays to draw it, None have L She's no prouder of her coachman Than am I, With my blue-eyed laughing baby Trundling by. I hid his face, lest she should see The cherub boy, and envy me.

Her fine husband has white fingers,
Mine has not; He can give his bride a palace,

Mine a cot!

Her's comes home beneath the starlight;
Ne'er cares she.

Mine comes in the purple twilight, Kisses me, And prays that He who turns life's sands Will hold His loved ones in His hands.

Mrs. Lofty has her jewels, She wears hers upon her bosom, Inside I. She will leave hers at Death's portals,
By and by.

I shall bear the treasures with me When I die; For I have love, and she has gold— She counts her wealth, mine can't be told.

She has those who love her station, None have I; But I've one true heart beside me, Glad am I. I'd not change it for a kingdom, No, net I; No, net I;
God will weigh it in the balance
By and by.
And then the difference He'll define
"Twixt Mrs. Lofty's wealth and mine.

"NEVER MIND."

Wmax's the use of alway fretting
At the trials we shall find
E-/er strewn along our pathway?
Travel on, and "never mind." Travel onward; working, hoping, Cast no lingering glance behind At the trials once encountered, Look ahead, and "never mind."

What is past is past forever; Let all the freeting be resigned; It will never help the matter— Do your best, and "never mind."

And if those who might befriend you, Whom the ties of nature bind, Should refuse to do their duty, Look to Heaven, and "never mind."

Friendly words are often spoken
When the feelings are unkind;
Take them for their real value,
Pass them by, and "never mind." Fate may threaten, clouds may lower, Enemies may be combined; If your trust in God is steadfast, He will help you, "never mind."

Poetry.

Evening Prayer.

Now the soft, warm gleam uncertain In the little chamber stays, On the spotless falling curtain,
By the bedside where she prays:
From the shadow round her kneeling
Slender hands are raised appealing.

Down below the shadow resteth, O'er blush-alabaster feet, Simple robe of white investeth Up to where bows, child-like sweet, Gentle head in hands half hidden, Whence the shadow falls forbidden.

From our dusk her hands are lifting,
And the light, in answer bland,
Down her sleek brown tresses drifting,
Seems to smooth them with a hand;
Solemn hand from forth the splendor,
Where this child hath those that tend her!

These love-tears may cloud my vision;
Yet about this humble room
Do not faces dim, Elyslan,
Yearn down o'er her through the gloom?
Even the shades were glory colder,
Warming softer as they told her!

Spirit music, souls of flowers,
Here luxuriate to shape,
Charming far the baleful powers:
Blessed moment, wherefore scape?
Hold her young, so griefless praying,
Hold these tranced eyes from straying!

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DEATH.

Out of the sorrows of sadness, Into the sunshine of gladness, Into the light of the blest; Out of a land ever dreary, Out of the world of the weary, Into the rapture of rest.

Out of to-day's sin and sorrow, Into a blissful to morrow,
Into a day without gloom;
Out of a land filled with sighingLand of the dead and the dying—
Into a land without tomb

Out of a life of commotion, Tempest-swept oft as the ocean,
Dark with the wreck dritting o'erInto a land cam and quiet;
Never a storm cometh nigh it—
Never a wreck on its shore.

Out of the land in whose bowers
Perish and fade all the flowers—
Out of the land of decay—
Into the Eden where fairest
Of flowers, and sweetest and rarest,
Never shall wither away.

Out of the world of the ailing,
Thronged with the anguished and walling,
Out of the world of the sad;
Into the world that rejoices,
World of bright visions and voices,
Into the world of the glad.

Out of a life ever lornful,
Out of a land ever mournful,
Where in bleak exile we roam—
Into a joy-land above us,
Where there's a Father to love us—
Into "Our Home, Sweet Home."

For the La Crosse Democrat.

The Dying Wife to Her Husband.

BY MRS. H. A. MANVILLE.

Respectfully inscribed to Mr. JAMES H. LAMBERT.

Softly the shadows round me gather, My sight, beloved, grows strangely dim; Christ, knowing all our joys together, Beel ons me gently out to Him.

Ere long your loving hand will scatte Sweet wild-wood blossoms o'er my breast; But oh, my darling, will it matter To her who takes her dreamless rest,

Whether they shine with dewy so or sparkle with your bound of the will it matter attended in the will be will be the will be will be the w

That bend in And you will lis with sad and labouth.

For, as her footsteps As though loth e'en i You'll think, I know, of Over whose breast will face the flow

Over whose form the winter kindly Will fling his mantle as a pall; And as through tears you're looking blindly Will hade the grave and grasses all.

What will it matter, lonely weeper?
Unless with faith your heart is strong
You will wot joy that she still sleeps—
Has passed the realms of endless song.

Perhaps from out the great Eternal I shall come back to meet you there; Shall trend across the pastures vernal, And linger near you like a prayer.

Oh, when in sorrow you are grieving, And life seems all so dark and drear, May you find comfort in believing Though dead, yet am I ever near.

La Crosse, Wis.

BY RUTH RANSOM.

Margaret struck the soft prelude, and then her voice drifted into the low melody, and lingered dreamily over the tender refrain—

"Dream on! Dream on!
"Nor breathe a single sigh.
To waft the gentle zeplyyrs
Which ian the starilt sky."

"I wish we might 'dream on," said Landis, as she rose. "This happy summer has been like a beantiful dream to me, Margaret, and I wish we might never waken. I don't want to hear any one sing that song, dearest, until I hear you again."

They strolled out on the verandah again, and we will not interrupt the last moments which those who were so dear to each other might spend together.

For on the morrow, with sad but brave hearts, they parted—Margaret, to return to her Philadeliphia home, and Landis, to seek a distant city in the South, where he meant to contest for the golden prize of Fortune, and win the wealth which should fill Margaret's life with luxury.

"Blessed be the man that invented sleep," said the immortal Sancho Panza. Lovers should y." Blessed be the man that invented letters," for what would be the dreary days of absence and separation to them without the consolation of saying, through the magic of the pen, what they have said so often by word of mouth—of repeating, over and over, the old story, which is ever new—the story of faithful love.

Margaret and Landis kept these little winged messengers flying busily at first. But, alax, and alas! Love, which is the essence of woman's life, is often but an episode in the existence of men—a brief page to be read, and then thrown carelessly aside for a new one.

Landis McGregor loved Margaret sincerely, but the crowding cares of business, for which he had an unusual capacity, filled his mind, until he grew cold and careless. Her letters were as warm and devoted as ever, but she saw with pain that his answers grew shorter and less fervent. She felt it keenly, but uttered no word of complaint—and only tried the more to make him feel that one heart always kept love's fire warm and glowing for him.

But one night Landis McGregor'

heart always kept love's fire warm and glowing for him.

But one night Landis McGregor's heart was touched with a talisman which unsealed anew the fountains of love in his heart. He was passing, with a rapid step, through one of the handso nest streets in the city, when the sound of a piano and the notes of a soft, sweet soprano voice fell a pon his ear. Landis paused, in spite of himself, for the melody had a familiar tone, and the words fit ted out through the moonlit air, and reached him where he stood.

"Then sweetly dream!

"Then sweetly dream!
Dream on! dream on!
Nor breathe a single sigh.
To wake the gentle zephyrs
Which fan the starlit sky."

"Poor Margaret! my own Margaret!" broke from McGregor's lips. "I have left her to 'dream o' while I—well, if I must be truthful with my I have neglected and almost forgotten her. deserve her pure love, for I have not proved wof it."

He walked on more slowly, musing deeply as, went. And a late hour that very night found he sitting in his own room, with Margaret's una swered letter beside him, writing to her from the fullness of the love which had wakened anew in his heart.

swered letter beside him, writing to her from to fullness of the love which had wakened anew in his heart.

A few weeks before, he had written a hasty word to her, saying he would like to see her, but business would render it impossible for him to leave the South for a long time.

There is an old saying: "where there's a will, there's a way." The truth of it I shall not attempt to argue here; but I am sure that where there is love, there is a will and a way, too; so now Landis McGregor wrote that he found he could leave the South, and that a few weeks more would see him at Margaret's side.

And if he could have seen the bright glow which suffused her pure, pale face, when she read his letter, or looked into the loving, passionate woman's heart, which beat tumultuously beneath her silken bodice, he would have blessed the talisman which won him back to love and Margaret.

A few weeks later, Margaret Chester stood in her chamber, and tried with trembling fingers to clasp upon her white wrist a bracelet of woven hair, which had been Landis' gift to her. But it was several minutes before her nervous fingers succeeded, and she shook out the folds of garnet silk which fell about her slender figure.

One last glance at the mirror, where radiant eye and glowing cheek hinted of the happy heart beneath, and then Margaret went down to the parlor to await the coming of her returned lover.

She did not wait long, for scarcely had she time to compose herself, when she heard his ringing step in the hall, and the next moment she was folded to his breast, and clasped there as if he never meant to let her go.

"Tis not for us to intrude on the sacredness of the next hour. Those who have been lovers know already, and thos

the plane, and asked her to sing "Cantalina" for him.

She sung, and, when she had finished, he bent fondly over her, and asked:

"Margaret, darling, do you love that song?"

"It is one of my favorites—I like it better because you always liked it," she answered, wondering a little at the eagerness of his tone.

"I want you to love it, because once it almost saved me to you, my darling," he said.

"Tell me how?" she asked.

And then, with his arms encircling her, and her hand in his, Landis told her how the weeds wordly care had spring up in the garden of its heart, and almost smothered the tender plant of love, and how the spell of a song from a stranter's lips had saved and brought him back.

And as he entreated her to don't him no more, Margaret kissed and forgave him; and when he plended with her to go back to the South with him, to be his sweet household angel, we prove ther

Landis McGregor and Margaret Chester stood together upon the plazza of the Ocean House, leaning over the light railing, and tilly watching the play of the moonbeams upon the silvery waves beyond the beach.

"What are the wild waves saying?" quoted Miss Chester, with a light sigh. "Landis, don't you ever wish you knew what they "ree saying?"

"I do, very often," replied Meiregor: "for they say various things to me, according to the mood I am in. To-night they are saying that our sweet summer is ended, and we must part to-morrow!"

"But after the summer comes the golden harves!," said Margaret, gently.

"Yes." But Landis sighed as he spoke, and presently added: "This has been such a bright sweet summer! I have a foreboding that we shail not see its like again for many a year, if ever."

"Oh, fie! You are either superstitious, or a vietir of the blues," said Miss Chester. "Which is two can charm them away with the spirit of music. Will you sing?"

"Yes." readily answered Margaret.

Landis drew her hand through his arm, and turned to the parlor. And if he raised the elender fingers to his lips and kissed them, as they crossed the shadowy piazza, it was no one's affair but his own, and he had a right, for Margaret Chester was lown, and he had a right, for Margaret the plane. "Something lively to begin with," said Landis.

Miss Chester rippled over a lively prelude, and began to sing "It is better to laugh than be sighing," while Landis, leaning over the plano, watched every expression of the sweet, pure face, which he loved better than most men are capable of isving—for there were depths in the nature of this cool, easy Landis McGregor, not always apparent on the Margaret sung three or four songs, and then would have risen, but Landis, with a gentle motion, stayed her.

"Not yet, dear, please! Sing 'Cantalina' once, won't you?"

Margaret struck the soft prelude, and then her voice drifted into the low melody, and lingered dreamily over the tender refrain—"Dream on:

"Dream on! Dream on:

"Nor breathe a single sigh

The old father and mother, recote with age and grief, came to her, and watched by the stricken husband, who had loved their darling better than his own life.

But she was fast falling into the last long sleep that knows no earthly wakening.

Just before sunrise, on a chilip November day, she opened her eyes and smiled pleasantly in their weary faces.

"Dear mother," she said, softly, "I am going home now! I have only a few hours to wait."

And then slowly the white lids dropped over the radiant eyes, and they were left alone.

Ethel Petrie had gone home to her Father's house!

house!
Is my story too sad? Do you regret its ending?
Then think, you whose tears fall over new-made
graves, how bright the awakening will be in that
land of life and light where no parting comes, and
look with cheerful eyes up to the everlasting hills.

UNTIL DEATH.

BY ANN DEVAN.

The delicate green of the young birches had half changed to a golden hue, and the sweet briar was all abloom, filling the shadowy air with a subtle

It was still early daylight when Kitty Lee stole quietly out of the old farm-house and walked hastily toward the woods.

quietly out of the old farm-house and walked hastily toward the woods.

The dew was yet on the meadow grass, but her light footstep crushed the tiny globes, and the green blades of glass lay broken behind her.

She went out to meet her lover, and to bid him good-by; for he was to sail for Germany in a month, and lonesome, loving little Kitty was to be left in the old farm-house with her step-mother, who surely was not her best friend.

The parting was like a thousand partings between lovers.

He was brave in his pride and in the strength of his manhood, and was looking forward to bigh honors, and, sometimes, to a home of his own, where his Kitty should shine like a star.

But Kitty was timid and shy. She loved him, yet the words she would have said trembled on her lips, and fell back in her heart unsaid.

But, sorrowful as it was, it only lasted for a few bitter moments, and then, with a fond kiss, and a promise to come soon for her, he had left her; and she stole back to the house over the same path though, somehow, the brightness of it had all faded.

Until death, she had promised to be true; but

though, somehow, the brightness of it had an faded.

Until death, she had promised to be true; but she told herself over and over again that she hoped her life would be short, unless she could spend it with him she loved.

The months grew into years, and years fled away before Gilbert Owen came back to his old home.

His love for pretty Kitty Lee had died in his heart as a summer dream; and, when he had finished his studies, he settled down in one of the quaint old towns of Bavaria, married the rosy-cheeked daughter of one of the professors in the university, and painted exquisite landscapes to sell to the old inhabitants, who believed him to be the prince of artists.

When he had been married two years, he had wad quite a snug little fortune, and was ready and see a little more of the world, when

ruly, and been faithful to her t he was faithless to her e day he laid her to rest, in a was on his way across the

e girl, and she did love me one else has claimed my did wear her myself!" the said to himself, as he neared base and saw Mrs, Lee standing on

have come for Kitty, Mrs. Lee.

"Oh!" she said, and then a cruel satisfaction shot across her thin face. "Over there, in the home lot, you will find her, under the big oak."

He went, with hasty steps and a little smile of anticipation on his face, looking constantly for a glimpse of her sweet face, which, somehow, he thought would be just as fair as it was years before. And this was what he found under the old oak tree, where he parted from Kitty Lee:

Only a grassy mound, and a simple white stone, with these words carved upon it:

KITTY LEE-AGED EIGHTEEN. FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH.

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a Dorman saring.—The annexed has a sufficiently wide apply of non-to-be appreciated by the married people of either sex:—

Cive me three grains of corn, mother;
Only three grains of corn,
It will keep the little life I have,
Till the coming of the morn,
I am dying of hunger and cold, mother,
Dying of hunger and cold,
Any half the agony of such a death,
My lips have never told.

It has gnawed like a wolf at my heart, mother,
A wolf that is fierce for blood.
All the livelong day, and the night beside,
Gnawing for lack of food.
I dreamed of bread in my sleep, mother,
And the sight was Heaven to see;
I woke with an eager, famishing lip
But you had no bread for me.

How could I look to you, mother.

How could I look to you
For bread to give your starving boy,
When you are starving too?
For I read the famine in your cheek,
And in your eyes so wild,
And I felt it in your bony hand,
As you laid it on your child.

The North has lands and gold mother,

The North has lands and gold,

While you are forced to your empty breast,

A skeleton habe to hold
A babe that is dying of want, mother,

As I am dying now,

With a ghastly look in its sunken eye,

And famine upon its brow,

What have we poor ones done mother,
What have we poor ones done,
That the world looks on and sees us starve,
Perishing one by one?
Do Christian men care not, mother,
The great men and the high.
For the suffering sons of the Southern land,
Whether they live or die?

There is many a brave heart here, mother,
Dying of want and cold,
While only across a few poor States,
Are many that rollin gold.
There are rich and great men there, mother,
With a wonderous wealth to view.
And the bread they fling to their dogs to-night
Would give me life and you.

Come nearer to my side, mother,
Come nearer to my side,
And hold me fondly as you held
My sister when she died.
My sister when she died.
My breath is almost gone,
other! dear mother, every discovering the mether grains

THE JOYS OF HOME.

A well-ordered home is a paradise on earth. No other earthly pleasure is equal to the calm contentment and rational joy felt at the family fire-side. The excitement of even successful business is attended with vexation; the enjoyments of travel are associated with fatigue and danger; the pursuit of fame is distracting, and even the pleasures of knowledge are combined with bitterness. But the happiness of the fireside is unalloyed. No vexations disturb it; it never satiates or disgusts the mind; it is pure calm, unmixed delight.

What a charming picture is presented to the admiring eye of the virtuous and philanthropic, the lover of the beautiful and good! There is the father and husband in the prime of life, unbending his mind from the toil and pursuit of business, reading some favorite volume to the wife of his bosom, or playing with the delighted prattler on his knee. While the mother, with a countenance radiant with smiles, plies the needle for the accommodation and wants of her household, as she listens, and perhaps rocks the cradle with her busy foot, or softly administers a gentle word of rebuke when the little ones become too noisy.

From such pleasures there need be no exemption. With the possession of piety and reason, of gentleness and mutual love, the happiness of a true home may be possessed by every family.

Mutual love will lead to mutual forbearance; gentle kindness of manner will make toil itself delightful; reason will fortily the mind against the natural ills of life; while plety will crown the whole with a hallowing influence, while nothing can disturb.

The aspertites of a mind perged the ch daily toil will be smoothed away; the what he exations to which all our lives are subjenchante pass unnoticed, and be soon forgotten; othered instead of a burden, will be a delight; and ce toss, though hearthstone, will only prompt to and develop renewed resources of derness and affection.

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such a mily, for it is not regarded as a fin separation, but only a temporary parting fro those we love. Affection stands heartbroken is the deathbed, and points, through falling tears, a better land; and when all that is mortal is la wit in the earth, she covers the grave with gre'u sod, and plants flowers around the hea stort.

in the home above there is no death, no afflication, no separation; and, in the love of a true me on earth, we find the nearest approach to

MAKE THEM HAPPY.

Tuz great art in child-culture is to keep the little ones happy, having all things as pleasant and bright about them as possible. Children will have trials enough in spite of you. God will have trials enough in spice will be com-will try them. And you yourself will be com-pelled to try them now and then. It cannot no helped. That is life. But the less the better. The worst men had tumulis and angers and abuses when they were little, and when they ought to have been just laughing the days away. Homes of discontent, sonr homes, cloudy homes, irritable, jawing, undivine homes, make rebellious, and restless, and unsuccessful lives. By always taking things by the smooth handle, a deal of trouble L and vexation is saved.

NEAREST AND DEAREST.

Never before have my soul's deep recesses

Thrilled with such rapture as thou dost impart;

Others have charmed with their tender caresses.

But touched not the slumbering chords of my heart

Now, all the loves of the years that are vanished,
Pale in the beams of thy beautiful eyes;
Joy floods the soul that from sanishine was banish
And lifts it from earth to the bliss of the skies.

Lof on my life, once so full of repining,— On its wild course, which in darkness had loner; run, True love is at last triumphantly shining, 'Thro' thy soft eyes, my beloved, my only one.

Come to this yearning heart, darling one, dearest

one;
Dwell in its temple, and absolute reign:
Hold me entranced by thy loveliness, nearest one;
Save me from worshiping idois in vain.

Sick of earth's folly and fruitless endeavor, One wish alone fills my unquiet breast; Only to live in thy presence forever, Only to lie at thy feet and find rest.

EVEN ME.

"Bless me, even me also, O my Father."

Lord, I hear of showers of blessing Thou art scattering full and free; Showers the thirsty soul refreshing; Let some droppings fall on me-Even me.

Pass me not, oh gracious Father, Lost and sinful though I be; Thou might'st curse me, but the rather Let Thy mercy light on me-Even me.

Pass me not, oh tender Saviour, Let me love and cling to Thee; I am longing for thy favor When Thou comest, call for me-Even me.

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Pass me not, O mighty Spirit, Thou canst make the blind to see; Testify of Jesus' merit, Speak the word of power to me-Even me.

Have I long in sin been sleeping? Long been slighting, grieving Thee? Has the world my heart been keeping? O forgive and rescue me-

Even me.

Love of God-so pure and changeless; Blood of God-so rich and free; Grace of God-so strong and boundless, Magnify it all to me

Pass me not, Almighty Spirit, Draw this lifeless heart to Thee; Impute to me the Saviour's merit; Blessing others, O, bless me-

Even me. (Juvenile Instructor.

One By One.

" As thy days, so shall thy streng"

ONE by one the sands are f One by one the moment atton, with Some are coming, some at hers, wells to grant the state of the Do not strive to grasp th

One by one thy duties v Let thy whole strength librail. Learn thou first what these ca

One by one-bright gifts from hea Joys are sent thee here below : Take them readily when given, Ready, too, to let them go.

One by one thy gifts shall meet thee ; Do not fear an arméd band : One will fude as others greet thee

Shidows passing through the land. Do not look at life's long sorrow See how small each moment's pain; God will help thee for to-morrow;

So each day begin again. Every hour that fleets so slowly Has its task to do or bear Luminous the crown, and holy, If thou set each gem with care.

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"God is Good. I Ought to Love Him." BY J. O. BASS.

Ir may encourage some who are called to work in hard and unpromising fields of Christian labor, to know how these words came to be written on the front edge of a Bible now in my possession.

In the month of May, 1869, after a week of excessive toil, in which body and mind were taxed to the utmost, the Lord's day found me in a condition (as I supposed) altogether unprepared and unfitted for my usual Sunday work. I tried, but without success, to get help. The service of the morning at the mission chapel passed without anything worthy The afternoon service at the Penitentiary was at hand. The chapel was filled. Men and women, old and young, of all complexions and grades of society, were before me; met for one hour's worship.

For over four years I had stood every Sunday in the same place to preach the gospel to an ever-changing congregation, yet identical class of hearers. Men and women steeped in sin, the dread of the neighborhoods from which they had been taken, were there. By their side sat the prisoner for the first time accused or convicted of crime; and yet all, even the most hardened, had anticipated the hour, and had willingly left the lonely cell (to break the monotony of their prison life) for the chapel How much of wisdom and the symservice. pathy of Jesus we need to minister to such as these!

On this afternoon I briefly spoke of my own religious experience. That in my boyhood an aged man had placed his hand on my head, and said to me, " My son, God is good. You ought to love him." I said that these words were the means, by the blessing of God, of my conversion, and that they still had a freshness and vitality in them to my heart, though spoken to me forty years ago. The service closed, and I returned to my home, saying, "Who hath believed my report?" and fearing that no good had been accomplished.

A year passed away. Then there came to my house a young man just from the penitentiary, where he had spent a twelvemonth.

He had come to tell me how in the prison he had sought and found and trusted in Jesus, the sinner's Friend.

He had left a comfortable home, and a Christian mother, a few miles from New York, to seek employment; had gone into bad company, and while under the influence of drink had struck a man with a bottle over the head, wounding him severely. He had been arrested and sentenced to a year's imprisonment. His first Sunday in prison was the day before alluded to. He heard the advice given, received a Bible, and returned to his cell to ponder on his ways.

He had very many reasons why he should love God; had many evidences of his goodness-a praying mother, kind friends, a good education and religious training, and even his present arrest he acknowledged from God; and as he thought of these, the goodness of God led him to repentance, faith and newness of life in Christ Jesus. He spent the term of his imprisonment in reading his Bible and seeking the grace and favor of God.

He returned to his home a Christian man, to cheer and comfort the heart of his mother. Nearly two years have passed since in the cell of a prison he found Jesus as his Saviour. have heard from him to-day: "I am trusting in Jesus, and am kept." On his Bible, the companion of his prison life, as it now lies before me, I see written in bold letters, "God is

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PAPA'S COME!

py summer-time blossoms filled the bowers, y's decline, e to spend the hours, id pattering run, bout, "Papa's tum!"

our darling boy
for pleasure all day long
for, or leaf, or simple toy,
or mining whilst his mimic song,
teve the joyful feet world run,
The gladsome voice shout, "Papa's tum!"

But when the autumn-time drew And frost the trees in gold had drest, Our little flower, alas! was gone, By frost of death too rudely prest, And ceased the pattering feet to run, The gleeful shout of, "Papa's tum!"

The little limbs are resting now,
The sunny head, too, is at rest.
And mother earth with placid brow
The little form folds on her breast.
No more the blithesome feet shall run,
The slivery voice shout, "Papa's tumi

But when the day of life is o'er,
And weary with its toil and strife,
Oh, tell me! when at Heaven's door
I seek the rest of endless life,
Shall not I hear the welcome home,
The joyous shout of, "Pupa's come?

DELOLNE FORD'S SECRET.

BY CORNELIA PERCIVAL

Dallas Ford stood quite still, watching his sister, with his fine eyes full of vivid emotion.

She was dressed for a festival that night; her dress of gold colored satin fell about her in instrous folds; the diamonds in her necklace sent back flashes of living light whenever she moved, and with that brilliant splendor shining in her dark eyes, and the little tremor on her red lips, she was more than beautiful.

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Mer brother's eyes softened as he watched her under the light.

Suddenly she felt that she was no longer alone, and turning her head she met her brother's gaze.

"You are very beautiful, Deloine. You will be the queen of the festival to-night."

"Why will you not go and share my triumph, Dallas?"

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"I cannot," he replied, with a bitter sigh. "Do you dream that I will ever mingle in the fashionable throng again, knowing that some one of them hunted my darling out of her pleasant home—to death, for aught I know," he added, with a blaze of hatred in his eyes.

The beautiful woman before him bit her lips to restrain her wrath before she answered him.

"You cannot be sure of that, Dallas. She may have loved some one else better than she loved you. Such women are always light and fanciful."

"This from you, Deloine! My darling was as proud as you are, and as true as the daylight. She loved me, and some one drove her away with scorn and falsehood!"

"I am sorry for your sorrow, Dallas; but it is, after all, the best thing that could have happened. You know you could not have made her your wife."

"But I would have done it, in the face of the world that scorned her! My pure-minded darling! Do you not think I know her to have been as far above every one of the crowd you will meet to-night as the stars are above the darkness?"

Deloine Ford turned away carelessly.

"I will give you six months to get rid of your delusion." she said, "and then I will introduce you to Ethel St. John."

But her brother had left the room before she finished her sentence.

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And the haughty head was lifted from the casket in which she had been searching.

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"Rosina Petrie to be compared to my peerless Ethel!" she exclaimed. "As if I would have allowed my mother's son to have married an actress!"

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In her hand she held an exquisite little ring, set with opals, and one magnificent diamond blazing in the centre.

"I must get rid of it somehow!" And the red flush deepened on her cheek. "If he should ever see it, he would suspect my part in the little play that did not take place on the stage!"

She tried to look unconcerned as she replaced the jewel in the bottom of the gold casket, where it would be hidden amid the glow of rubles and amethysts, and the tender light of pearls.

But, under all her assumed gaiety, she carried an uneasy heart to the festival.

For she remembered the glow of a summer evening; and the pleasant little room, full of violet and amber hues; the fair face of the young singer lifted from her song; the violets fastened in her belt; and all the little nameless surroundings which had marked the place as an abode of innocence and purity.

Into that Paradise she had swept her silken garments, and with her own hands had torn down the household gods, and driven a young, despairing son! out into the world alone!

Yes, it had been her scorn that had brought the fourt of sorrow to her brother's lips; her falsehood that was in Mobile that he had lost her; and in all these had come to Baltimore at his sister's request, and for a she had been the fair queen of a little coterie of riends; but into the gaiety of their festive nights he refused to go, and until to-night, he had been to no place of amusement.

"Freydias sings again to-night, I will go and hear her, for if she has such genius as they say, perhaps she can exorcise this evil spirit in me!"

An hour later, he was sitting in the front ier of seats in the concert room.

The prelude was concluded, and the bright young shere who had taken the aristocratic

He paused a moment, undecided what the tumult He paused a moment, undecided what the tumult meant.

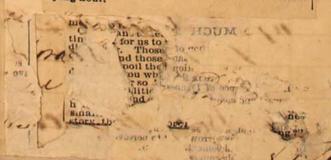
"Your sister came back an hour ago," said one of the servants, approaching him; "and we fear she is dying."

With one bound he had reached the door of her room, and knelt beside her. They had brought a physician, but all effort was of no avail—she was dead!

Heart disease, they called it, and her brother believed it, for his mother had died in the same way. Rosetta, his wife, was by his side, and she reached down and picked up from the carpet—where it had fallen from her lifeless fingers—the ring which Dallas Ford had once given her, and which, in her misery, she had given back to his sister.

It was a sad coming home, but Dallas Ford smiled away the bitterness of his grief in his young wife's arms.

The world in which Deloine Ford had moved received her brother's wife with ovations, and Rosetta kept, till the day of her death, the secret which at the last had troubled Deloine Ford's dying hour.



Many a man has ruined himself by being too of an and two exclusions of the opinions of others. Ask the advice of twenty different Many a man has ruined himself by being too of guided by the opinions of others. Ask the advice of twenty sons on the same subject, ten to one you will reason answers, each borne out with fitting argument reason. A man that has no reliance on his or judgment plexed, endeavoring to take a sort of middle as a sum plexed, and as a man that the various advices he has reason; and as a man fails in the undertaking he may have add in mand—Pondorus. exclusi ve as many diffe judgment becomes p ; and as a matter of cot

With a kind heart and a cheerful disposition,

"Frank, do you know I think you are becoming fossilized at the age of thirty? Much simily has made you pedantic. You expect to find perfection in the gentler sex, although you must acknowledge

own is very far from it.

y man, it is the first arms good and some imperfections; but, if it is the first that there must be intertwined.

them, I don't think it follows that there haust be glaring frolls to countertwisnee."

"Not necessarily, friend kalpit; but we must not let the levely rese charm has so much that we prick our fingers with the thorn."

"I hope your last remark is not an insinuation against the character of the beautiful Miss Elvans, for I don't wish to quarget with you to-day."

"Not in the lens, my good friend; I only speak on general principles, and know noishing the regard to Miss Elvans, except that she is very beautiful, and that you are quite enchanted," replied Frank Hamilton, huggings.

The conversation now took another turn, and soon the two friends separated, and sought their respective dwellings.

Raiph Osgood and Frank Hamilton had been friends from boyhood; were much together, sharing each other's fortunes and misfortunes; always consulting together on matters of mutual or individual interest, but in appearance, at least, always agreeing.

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vidual interest, but in appearance, at least, always agreeing.

Raipit, although he left his friend with the impression that he was slightly vexed, did not entirely disregard what Frank had said, but secretly resolved to test the matter under consideration, as far as practicable, in the case of his fair enchantress.

Although thus determined, Raiph felt confident the result would prove Grace to be all that was beautiful in disposition as in person.

An opportunity presented itself sooner than Raiph expected; for only a lew days after the conversation between the two friends, the attentive lover learned of an excursion party that was to start next day for a distant city to visit some objects of particular interest, Thinking Miss Grace would like to accompany the party, Raiph went, at an unusual hour for his calls, to give the invitation in person.

Approaching the residence of his divinity, Raiph heard a sweet voice warbing an air from a familiar opera, while fair taper fingers drummed an accompaniment on the plano.

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Ralph stood like one changed to stone, as he listened to the following dialogue:

"Annie, you stupid thing, why don't you bring me my lunch?"

The tene was shrill, and the manner evidently impatient, but the unwilling listener well knew whose voice it was.

Then he heard the mild voice of the small colored servant reply:

"I'se done brought up your lunch, Miss Grace; it's here on de little table."

"Then, why did you not tell me so? I do believe you grow more and more dull every day. Bring me some water, quick!"

The water was brought; but, unfortunately, the goblet being too full, a few drops were spilled on Miss Grace's dress.

"Now, look at that, ignoramus! You ruin more than your black head is worth!"

Saying which, the elegant Miss Elvans seized the goblet and dashed the contents into the face of the astonished servant, who ran from the room, frightened and dripping.

The young lady smiled in a cold, self-satisfied manner, as though she had disposed of the case much to her own gratification, and just then her mother came in, remonstrating mildiy, in a gentle voice, with her daughter for such conduct.

"I don't care!" said the excited Miss Elvans, while a few angry tears coursed down her cheeks, "I won't submit to such careless blundering; she is even worse than Rosa, who remained with me two weeks!"

"But do you think Annie will be improved by the course of treatment you adopt?" as ed the mother.

"Yes, I do!" was the hasty reply. "It is the only way to beat any sense into such blockheads."

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"Do you think Mr. Osgood would admire an exhibition of ill temper, such as you have displayed this morning?"
"I neither know nor care what Mr. Osgood would admire. If he was my husband, and gave me any cause, I would treat him in the same way."
Ralph Osgood had beard too much aiready. Without intending to act the part of eavesdropper, he had, by accident, made a most important discovery in season to prevent an engagement with Miss Grace, in whom he had been greatly deceived.
Whether to retreat from his uncomfortable position and run the risk of discovery, or to ring the bell and ask to see Miss Grace, were questions Ralph revolved rapidly in his mind, finally deciding on the latter course; and, as might be expected, the sound of the bell caused all sounds of discord to cease.

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Raiph was received with the sweetest smiles he had ever seen Miss Elvans wear, and was naturally astonished at the sudden transition from severity to gentleness.

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The object of his visit was, for some reason, not stated, but excusing himself for his unseasonable call, he left the house of Miss Elvans with an involuntary sigh of relief, and that young lady wondered why his visits became so "few and far between" thereafter.

"So she would treat her husband in that way, would she?" mused Ralph, as he was homeward bound. "I would not have believed this an hour ago."

When Frank Hamilton discovered that his friend was no longer an attentive suitor in the train of Miss Elvans, he naturally inquired the cause, and learned from Raiph's own lips what he had seen and heard, and that he was disenchanted.

Miss Elvans was never enlightened concerning Mr. Osgood's sudden indifference to her attractions.

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SIURHCLIFF. BY MATALES

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The ambien news of Fay Stuart's deporture had startled her greatly, and she wondered why he had kept it for the last moment.

Hot, ah! he had asked her to walk with he this this night of minist.

influence over her-haiting it, yet powerless to ward it off. Her only resource ind been to guard her societ-by affect a mostless, and constitues headshiness, and never fold.

But down in the depins of her soul there had been awakened a fire which burned alowly but sarely, and this night was dooned to biase out in formers.

Something of her fate seemed to overshadow her for alle turned back and looked around the room, as if an willing to leave it

Slowly she descended the stairs, seeiing half in-clined to refuse going out. But she must appear gay and indifferent before Fay Staurt, for his eyes

were always searching her.

He was walking up and down where she had left him, smoking a cigar, which he threw away as she approached, and placed her arm silently in his.

They went to the usual resort of promenaders,

and met many of their sequaintances, with whom they exchanged greetings; they walked further, where the cliff was more deserted, but never a word did they speak to such other, clouds flitted over the face

Great masses of soft clouds fitted over the fac of the moon, which gave a strange, uncertain ligh to things around them. Some people were on boating on the lake, and the sound of their voice came up distinctly to their ears. All this Helen Clifford remembered to the las of things a boating on the lake boating on the lake came up distinctly to the All this Helen Cliffs day of her life, as well see and the lake the l

All this Reich Cilibrit remembered to the last day of her life, as well as if it had been but a day before.

She felt strange and embarrassed, for Pay was so unnatural. Invariably, heretofore, had they been two of the gayest people in the world when together. They were always indulging in repartee, and Pay was wont to thrust many a sharp hit at now he seemed gloomy and abstracted, and Helen could not for her life break the stience.

At last he spoke, in a strange, low voice, as if disliking to say it:

"This has been a happy summer to me."

"I am glad you have enjoyed it," Helen answered.

"Do you know why I have cried parallel.

swered.

"Do you know why I have ebjoyed it?" he cried, pausing abruptly, and looking straight in her face.

What could Helen say but "No?"

"Because I have been free from a milistone, which has been hung around my neck for two years, and to which I must now go back. Oh, God? it were better for us all that I were cust into the sea!"

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He seized her hands passionately, and continued, in a hoarse, trembling tone:

"I must tell you what I would forever keep from your knowledge. You do not know how madly, how truly and entirely I have come to love you, in solte of myself, my honor, my pledge to another. Yes, do not shrink from me, Helen listen it pily to the suffering man who loves you, and why dies a hundred deaths in having to leave you. I am bound to one who ensanared me in her wiles and gained my promise before I knew what love really meant. She is now an invalid, and the mere hint of dissolving our engagement would kill her; for she loves me as much as is in her nature, while I—ob, misery!—have met a heart which responds to every thought of my own as only congenial souls can. I have resolutely driven away the truth from contemplation during these few happy weeks, and lived only in and for you.

"Wretch that I was, I forgot the end that would surely come—forgot the misery I was bringing on my darling—for I could easily read through your indifference that I had grown dear to you, and—ob, God! have I killed you?"

Helen receied forward and fell heavily in his arms.

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Helen reeled forward and fell heavily in his arms.

Rapidly he bore her down the road until he reached a path leading down to the sea. Carefully descending the steep steps, he reached the water, and commenced bathing her white face. But the blow had been a heavy one, and Helen remained so long insensible that Fay was alarmed.

"Helen, my darling! can't you hear me? won't you speak, and say you do not despise me? Oh! would that I, too, could for a moment forget!"

Tenderly chafing her cold hands and calling on her passionately, Fay thought hours were passing: but in a few moments Helen uttered a faint moan, and he bent over her.

"Look up, darling! I am with you. Let us never be parted. We, who love each other so, should not deny the yearnings of our hearts. Come to me, and I will forswear all other ties for your sweet sake!"

He held her close to his breast, and kissed her

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For an instant, Helen yielded to the dream of happiness that a life with him would bring; then with a serful effort, she tottered to her feet, a masker from her angry eyes.

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Fay held out his hand and said, "Geod-by," said Helen.
He watched her as she turned and walked away from him, and it was the last time his eyes ever rested on her.

Three years after, Helen was again at Stormcliff, with her family. It was a bitter trial to go there, but there was no escape, and she nerved herself to bear it.

Many weary hours she endured, not mourning over her wrecked happiness, but over her lost faith in man. Her one trusting dream had been rudely dispelled, and she could never dream another.

Yet is it strange that Fay Stuart's name always touched a chord in her heart that no other could?

"I saw our old friend, Fay Stuart's name on the register to night," said Mr. Clifford, one evening.
Helen felt her strength forsaking her.

"He has brought his wife with him. I didn't know he had been getting married," continued Mr. Clifford, been suddenly felt equal to anything before her. A note was brought to her room that night, with Fay's monogram. She returned it with the line:

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THE GLORIOUS PRESENT TIME.

"Who rises from a feast,
With that keen appetite that he sits down?
Where is the horse that doth untread again
His tedious measures with the unbated fire
His tedious measures with the unbated fire
That he did.pace them first? All things that are,
Are with more spirit chased than enjoyed.
How like a younker, or a predigal,
The scarfed bark guits from her native bay,
Haggd and embraced by the strumpet wind?
How like the predigal doth she return,
With over-weather'd ribs, and ragged sails,
Lean, rent and beggar'd by the strumpet wind?"—Shakspeare.

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So ever is youthful manhood, and its decline into the scar and yellow leaf. Always to be blessed, but never is. From the cradle to the grave there is one constant struggle to reach the undiscovered land of bliss; but nevertheless, it is very unwise, because it makes us spendthrifts of the present time—the glorious present, that is always with us: all the rest is vague—the past, the future—both distart, like the two shores, at mid ocean, only with this variation—one we have reached, the other we must reach. I think there can be no sounder philosophy presched, than to enjoy the present. I do not mean to waste it in unnatural excitement; but to make the most of it in a natural way—not cast it aside as worthless, treating it as such, compared with the future you expect, for let me tell you, it is not your destiny to find what you seek: it is not the destiny of any human being, be he ever so gifted or fortunate. There is very little difference in the lot of man, except in their imagination, or mode of thought. The result of all human life is the same; we never reach that goal so vividly portrayed to the youthful imagination, or anything like it; so take advice and make the most of the glorious present; do not throw it aside as so much rubbish, while hunting for the far off diamond, that will never be found. Finally, let us make up our minds that we will never be happier (all things considered), than we are now, and make the most of the glorious present, for the past is lost and the future doubtful.

KIND WORDS are the brightest flowers of earth's existence; they make a very paradise of the humblest home that the world can show. Use them, and especially round the fireside circle. They are jewels beyond price, and more precious to heal the wounded heart, and make the weighed-down spirit glad, than all the other blessings the world can give.

The Voices of the Pines.—The pine sings, like the poet, with no everyday voice, but in a tone apart from all common sounds. It has the power to change the associations, and to quicken the poetic sensibility, as no other singing tree can do. Every one should have this old harper, like a seer or a priest among trees, about his dwelling. Under an old pine would naturally be found the young maiden, whose new lover was far across the seas. In the sounds that would descend she could not fail to hear the voices of the sea—the roar of winds, the plash of waves running in upon the shore. A young mother, whose first-born had re-urned to God, who gave it, would, at twilight, go to the pines; for, to ser car, the whole air must needs scen rail of spirit voices. They would ing to her thoughts in just such sad strains as soothe sorrow. Nor would it be strange if, in the rise and fall of these sylvan syllables, she should imagine that she heard her babe again, calling to her from the air

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To be, or not to be, that is the question:—
Whether 'tis nobler in the mind to suffer
The stings and arrows of outrageous fortune,
Or to take arms against a sea of troubles,
And, by opposing, end them?—To die, to sleep,—
No more:—and, by a sleep, to say we end
The heart-ache, and the thousand natural shocks
That flesh is heir to,—'tis a consummation
Devoutly to be wish'd. 'To die,—to sleep:—
To sleep! perchance to dream:—ay, there's the rub;
For in that sleep of death what dreams may come,
When we have shuffled off this mortal coil,
Must give us pause; there's the respect,
That makes calamity of so long life:
For who would bear the whips and scorns of time,
The oppressor's wrong, the proud man's contumely,
The pangs of despised love, the law's delay,
The insolence of office, and the spurss
That patient ment of the unworthy takes,
When he himself might his quietus make
With a bare bodkin? who would fardels bear,
To grunt and sweat under a weary life;
But that the dread of something alter death,—
The undiscover'd country, from whose bourn
No traveler returns,—puzzles the will,
And makes us rather bear those ills we have
Than fly to others that we know not of?
Thus conscience does make cowards of us all.
—Shakespeare.

lines must strike home to the man whose circle of t

How these lines must strike home to the man whose circle of the cycle of time has a little more than half run its earthly span, and who has been thoroughly baptized in the fire and blood of disappointment-each hope one by one having flitted away on tireless wings, until all at last is centered in one little bud; that bud, perchance, is the youngest and fairest daughter; and then, alas! this child is being daily taught to despise even your name. O, mortal man, what then? Why, remember this: first, the bud, then the tendril, the limb, decay and death. You will be at Compt* to receive her with outstretched arms-All will be explainedyour spirits will expand into one. Your great joy will only have comsed when the seasons are no more.

> them, and doubles our joys. oth a gem, which shone like fire by night; ound it soon—a lump of ice in the cold clear moon, the impart? It's a cheerful look and a broken heart,

On! memory, thou mourner within joy's broken shell! Why have I not, in losing all, lost thee as well?

HAVE SUNSHINE AT HOME.—Don't be afraid of a little fun at home, good people. Don't shut up your houses lest the sun should fade your carpets; and your hearts, lest a hearty laugh should shake down some of the musty cobwebs there! If you want to ruin your sops let them think that all mirth and social enjoyment must be left on the threshold when they come home at night. When once a home is regarded as only a place in which to eat, drink, and sleep, the work is begun that ends in gambling-houses and reckless degradation. Young people must have fun and relaxation somewhere. If they have it not at their own hearthstones it will be sought in other and less profitable places. Therefore, let the fire burn brightly at night, and make the home ever delightful with all those little arts that parents so perfectly understand. Don't repress the buoyant spirits of your children; half an hour of merriment round the lamp and fire-light of home blots out the remembrance of many a care and annoyance during the day, and the best safeguard they can take with them into the world is the unseen influence of a bright domestic sanctum. day, and the best safeguard they can take wi unseen influence of a bright domestic sanctum.

My Picture.

[The following is one of the sweetest poems from the pen of the late Alice Cery.] Of all the beautiful pictures That hang on Memory's wall Is one of a dim old forest, That scemeth best of all; Not for its gnarled oaks olden, Dark with the mistletoe;
Not for the violets golden
That sprinkle the vale below;
Not for the milk-white lilies
That lean from the fragrant hedge, That lean from the fragrant hedge,
Coquetting all day with the sunbeams,
And stealing their golden edge;
Not for the vines on the upland
Where the bright red berries rest;
Nor the pinks, nor the pale sweet cowslip,
It seemeth to me the best.

I once had a little brother With eyes that were dark and deep;... In the lap of that olden forest He lieth in peace asleep; Light as the down of a thistle, Free as the winds that blow,
We raved there the beautiful summers,
The summers of long ago;
But his feet on the hills grew weary, And one of the autumn eves I made for my little brother A bed of the yellow leaves.

Sweetly his pale arms folded My neck in a meek embrace As the light of immortal beauty Silently covered his face: And when the arrows of sunset Lodged in the tree-tops bright He fell, in his saint-like seauty, Asleep by the gates of light. Therefore, of all the pictures That hang on Memory's wall, The one of the dim old forest Seemeth best of all.

Hereafter.

Love, when all these years are allent, van-ished quite and laid to rest.
When we are sleeping, folded into one an-other's breast,
When no morrow is before us, and the long grass tosses o'er us,
And our grave remains forgotten, or by allen footsteps pressed—

Still that love of ours will linger, that great love enrich the earth,
Sunshine in the heavenly azure, breezes blowing Joyous mirth,
Fragrance funning out from flowers, melody of summer showers,
Sparkle of the spley wood-fires round the happy autumn hearth.

That's our love. But you and I, dear-shall we linger with it yet—
Mingled in one dew-drop, tangled in one sunbeam's golden net.
On the violet's purple bosom—I, the sheen, but you the blossom—
Stream on sunset winds and be the haze with which some hill is wet?

Or, beloved—if ascending—when we have endowed the world With the best bloom of our being, whither will our way be whirled. Through what vast and starry spaces, to-ward what awful holy places. With a white light on our faces, spirit over spirit furied?

Only this our yearning answers—wheresoe'er that way defile.

Not a film shall part us through the sons
of that mighty white.
In the fair eternal weather, even as
phantoms still together,
Floating, floating, one forever, in the light
of God's great smile!

Boautiful Things.

BY MRS. M. A. KIDDER.

A gentle voice, a heartfelt sigh, A modest blush, a speaking eye, A manner unaffected, free These things are beautiful to me.

A ready hand, a loving heart A sympathy that's free from art, A real friend among the few; These things are beautiful and true

A mother's prayer, an answer mild, An aged sire, a little child, A happy home, a cheerful hearth Those things are beautiful on earth.

A joyful song, a chorus sweet, An earnest soul and willing feet, A day of peace, a night of rest; These things are beautiful and blest.

A sister's love, a brother's care, A spotless name, a jewel rare, A cleanly tongue, that will not lie These things are beautiful-and why?

Because they all are born of love, And emanate from God above; An earnest of the heavenly birth, These things are beautiful on earth.

The Old Scott woman's Faith.

By the side of a rippling brook in one of the secluded glens of Scotland, there stands a low, mud-thatched cottage, with its neat honeysuckled porch facing the south. Beneath this humble roof, on a snow-white bed, lay not long ago old Nancy, the Scotchwoman, patiently and cheerfully awaiting the moment when her sappy spirit would take its flight to "mansions in the skies;" experiencing with holy Paul, "We know that if our esthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, a house not me 's with hands, eternal in the heavens." By her bedside, on a small table, lay her spectacles and her well-thumbed Bible—her "barrel and her cruse," as she used to call it-from which she daily, yea, hourly, spiritually fed on the "Bread of Life." A young minister frequently called to see her. He loved to listen to her simple expressions of Bible truths; for what she spoke of her "inheritance incorruptible undefiled, and that fadeth not away," it seemed but a little way off, and the listener almost fancied he heard the redeemed in heaven saying, "Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood."

One day the young minister put to the happy saint the following startling question : "Now, Nannie," said he, "what if, after all your prayers and watching and waiting, God should suffer your soul to be eternally lost?" Pious Nannie rai, d herself on her elbow, and turning to him a wistful look, laid her right hand on that "precious Bible," which lay open before her, and quietly replied: "Ae, dearie me, is that a' the length ye hae got yet, man?"-and then continued, her eyes sparkling with almost heavenly brightness, "God would hae the greatest loss. Poor Nannie would but lose her soul, and that would be a great loss indeed, but God would lose his honor and his character. Haven't I hung my soul upon his 'exceeding great and precious promises?' and if he break his word he would make himself a liar, and a' the universe would, rush into confusion!"

At the Cross.

BY ELIZABETH OAKES SMITH. Before thy cross, dear Lord, I fall; Out of the depths to Thee I call; Thou art my Hope, my Help, my All.

Search, search my heart, surcharged with woe, Till all its idols it forego, And Thee, Thee only learn to know.

A thorny path with flints bespread, With bleeding feet I fearless tread, For Thy dear hand upholds my head.

Oh, dearest Lord! Thy tender eye Rebukes, yet pities my lone cry, When staggering 'neath my cross I lie.

The broken cisterns, who shall count, The heart will fill at earth's dark fount, Ere upward unto God it mount!

Poor human heart with human needs! How many are its broken reeds, Grasped till the hand in torture bleeds!

How many gourds have felt the blight! How many stars have lost their light! How many suns gone down in night!

All, all are gone, like barques at sea Lost in the dread immensity! And now I stand alone with thee.

All prostrate at thy feet-I kneel For thou canst all our sorrows feel, And thy dear hand our wounds can heal.

No more I mark the dreary road My bleeding feet so long have trod, Since it doth lead to Thee, my God.

CAUTIOUSNESS.—Shun Deal tenderly with the absent say nothing to inflict a wound on their reputation.—
They may be wrong and wicked, yet your knowledge of it does not oblige you to disevil knowledge of it does not oblige you to disclose their character, except to save others from injury. Then do it in a way that bespeaks a spirit of kindness to the absent offender. Be not hasty to credit evil reports. They are often the result of misunderstanding, or evil design, or they proceed from an exaggerated or partial disclosure of facts. Wait and learn the whole history before you decide, then believe what evidence compels you to, and no more. But, even then, take heed not to indulge the least unkindness, else you dissipate all the spirit of your prayer for them, and unnerve yourself for doing them good.

BORROWING TROUBLE.-How many thou-Bornowing Trouble.—How many thousands are there, whose energies are paralyzed by borrowing trouble! If they are not very unfortionate to-morrow. They spend so much of their time groaning, that they have but little leit for the performance of the duties of life. Such are not the men to whom the world commits important trusts, and whom it is ready to assist. If you tell the world that you are going to fail in any undertaking, it will be sure to take you at your word. And men are most ready to help those who appear to need it the least. If you are weak, do your best to be cheerful. TIME IS MONEY.

BY MRS. S. P. DOUGH So said Doctor Franklin, and the observable of the policy So said Doctor Franklin, and the obse

Time is money," says the lawyer, as he takes a hasty peep into some ponderous volume, scratches a hasty peep into some ponderous volume, scratches rapidly with his pen, while, at the same moment, he questions one client and keenly scrutinizes an-

These are examples of the numerons class who folly any that "time is money," but have it. But there are those who can be seen easily of this, ledge the truth of the proposition, but their ability to carry it out depends less upon themselves than you not one is money, "murmured a young girl, asshe stately mansion, including the proposition, but their ability to carry it out depends less upon themselves than you have to be supposed and the seen and the seen

LITTLE ATTENTIONS.

How much more we might make of our family life, of our friendships, if every secret thought of love blossomed into a deed. We are not now merely speaking of personal caresses. These may or may not be the best language of affective Many are endowed with a delicacy, a ness of physical organization, which always from too much of there are well the observances, thoughing attentions, which speak of manifest; and there is scall not be richer in hearts. We lit is a mistake to suppossible course, love each other beck. Love must be cuitivated, a judiclous culture, as wild fruit the bearing under the hand of a garden can dwindle and die out by neglect, as flower seeds planted in poor soil dwindle and grow single.

BESSIE'S SECRET. BESSIE'S SECRET.

BY ARTHUR E. CLESSON.

Bessie Grandin and Willie Parker were sitting under the outspread branches of a giant oak, hand in hand their hearts filled with the bright influent of love's young dream.

The harvest moon booked down with a peculiar auly on the scene, and lighted up the landscape with its slivery rays.

It is the happlest moment of my life, dearest the sele," said the lover, as he held the delicate white hand in his own with gentle pressure. "I hope we may always be as happy as now."

"I hope so, dear Willie," was the reply. "The course of our love has run very smoothly thus far." friendship sprung up between Mr. Markham, and they were almost other, out of the office as well as

"It has, indeed," said Willie. "No rich father or miserly guardian to present an obstacle; no schem-iog rival to thwart. Will it always be so, dar-"No rich father or

ling rival to thwart. Will it always be so, darling?"

"No;" shricked a shrill, cracked voice, so near the lovers that they started from their seats, to see a dark object rapidly pass near them, and plunge alofo a thicket, while a wild, almost uncarthly isugh came to their ears in the clear air.

"Oh! it is only foolish Hagar," said Bessle.

"How she frightened me!"

"I must confess that I was startled myself; but what could have been this poor creature's motive in thus playing eavesdropper, and then interrupting us, as she did?"

"It is very strange. I have heard that many years say o she had a lover, who proved false to his very and promises, and that her present almost intoler condition is the result of that great disappointment."

"Poor old soul!" said Willie. "But come, my dearest, you must no longer remain exposed to this damp night air. Let us return to your house. To-morrow I must leave you for two long weeks, as I have business in New York which requires immediate attention."

"Must you go so soon?" asked Bessle, with a little pout.

"Yes, darling; my business is imperative."

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"Yes, darling; my business is imperative."

"But must you remain away so long?"

"I presume it will require at least two weeks to complete what I have undertaken; but if less time will answer, I shall gladly hasten to your side at an earlier date."

The lovers, having now arrived at the home of Bessie Grandin; parted with happy thoughts of a mutual love, saddened only by the reflection that they were to be separated for two long weeks.

Willie Parker had a long walk before him, over a rough country road; but his heart was light, and he rapidly approached his home as the village clock was striking ten.

He had some preparations to make for the journey of the next day, and was not well pleased when a shadow crossed his path, and a voice he recognized demanded that he should stop.

"Hagar again?" he asked, somewhat impatiently.

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"Hagar again! You don't like to meet the old woman, by moonlight, as well as you do the young one, hey?"

"It is time we were both home now. Goodnight, Hagar," and Willie gave the old woman some money, and was starting again, when she exclaimed:

night, Hagar," and Willie gave the old woman some money, and was starting again, when she exclaimed:

"Willie Parker, stop! I don't want your money. You are a fool!"

"Very likely I might deserve the appellation, if I remained here to argue the question," said Willie.

"Oh, you're very witty and very wise, but I tell you that a little blue eyed minx is cheating you. She is winding you around her finger. She is laughing at your simplicity, while you hover about her as a moth flies around a lighted candle."

"Cease your prating, Hagar, and go home before you get the rheumatism from this cool night air. I do not believe your idle words. You have been dreaming?"

"You are the one who is dreaming! I say, Willie Parker, Lean prove what I have said. Hark! Do you hear anything?"

"I hear a horse approaching."

"Who is the rider?"

"I do not know him."

"Follow him, then, and you will see that my words are true."

Saying this, old Hagar took Willie by the arm, and, impelled by some irresistible power, he hastened along the moonlit road, with strangely mingled thoughts passing through his mind. The wild, earnest words of old Hagar had not been without effect.

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The rider was closely followed by the now interested lover and the eager old woman; and, as had been predicted, stopped and dismounted at Bessie Grandin's door.

As the bell rung, Willie saw the door open, the stranger receiving a very cordial greeting; and as the listening man gazed in astonishment, the sound of a kiss came to his ear through the still open door.

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"There, do you hear and see that, Willie Parker? It isn't the first time I have witnessed such scenes," said old Hagar, with an exultant tone of

ker? It isn't the history scenes," said old Hagar, with an exultant tone of voice.

"Who is he?" whispered Willie, hoarsely.

"Go ask your innocent little dove—she can tell you, but I can't."

The stranger remained but a few moments, when he reappeared and stood a moment on the doorstep, holding Bessie's hand and speaking low-toned but earnest words, not audible to the anxious listeners.

Willie heard Bessie say: "I am so happy!" and then the horse and his rider returned rapidly over the road, in the direction from whence they came.

"What can it mean?" Willie asked himself.

"I leave you to solve the riddle," said a voice at his side, and old Hagar, with a look of importance, and her own peculiar laugh, passed with rapid strides-out of the inclosure toward her cabin home.

Willie stood, like a statue of stone, one moment; the next found him ringing the door bell violently.

The moon had passed behind a thick cloud, and,

Willie stood, had ringing the door the next found him ringing the door the next found him ringing the door and, as Bessie opened the door, she exclaimed:
"What, returned so soon, Edgar?"
But instantly recognizing the pale, anxious face of Willie Parker, she blushed, hesitated, and looked frightened, as Willie replied, hastily:
"I am sorry to disappoint you, but it is not Edgar."
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The tone of voice, the angry, piercing look, ought all the pride of her nature to her compact but she will be situated to speak, when Willie

witness a love scene between stranger after what I had night. Could you not have wn to-morrow?"

Inct to see Mr. Parker in the poper, under the guardian-mough she is a fitting assome? "replied Bessie, haughtliy.

I have no explanation to make while you are in your present frame of mind," replied Bessie.

Willie Parker turned away without further remark, believing the fond dream he had cherished was a false, unreal vision, and the one he had so devotedly loved as fickle as she was fair.

He hastened homeward, the most miserable of men, with hopes crushed, and the future a blank.

Poor little Bessie, with pride humbled and a mind filled with condition.

mind filled with conflicting emotions, sought her sieepless couch, and the relief of tears.

"Oh!" she exclaimed to herself, "that I had never promised to keep the matter secret!"

The next day found Willie Parker on his way to the bustling, noisy metropolis, where, amid scenes of business, gaiety and novelty, he sought to forget the painful recollections of that one sad high!.

Instead of returning home when the two weeks had expired, he sought excuses for remaining, and ingally accepted a position in a large banking house, determined to return no more to the scenes of his former disappointment.

living in Springvaie, with whom I very naturally fill in love, for she was very pretty and intelligent. Munite also gave me proof that she entertained similar feelings toward me, but she was an orphan, not yet of age, and when I presented myself to her guardian, asking permission to woo and win the charming little beauty, I was flatly refused, and informed that my presence at his house, or attentions to Miss Minnie, would not, under any circumstances, be received with favor.

"I discovered the reason for this conduct toward me to be that Minnie's guardian had settled the matter of her marriage, to suit his own convenience, with a nephew of his own.

"But I was not to be thwarted in this way, believing I was beloved by the fair Minnie herself; so I managed to carry on a clandestine correspondence, through the assistance of as acquaintance who lived in a neighboring town.

"Many a night has my satisfied steller from my darling.

"But now all these things have changed; the nephew has married a lady with a large fortune, the guardian has discovered that Minnie is really devoted to me, and has become satisfied with my prospects and qualifications, and we are to be married in three months. You, my dear boy, shall be the first of the invited guests,"

"Thank you," replied Willie. "Now, may I ask you the name of the young lady who assisted you in the correspondence with your betrothed?"

"Certainly you may! It was Miss Bessie Grandin, bless her true heart! She promised faithfully that she would assist us, and I fully believe there is one woman, at least, who can keep a secret."

"Well, Markiam, while you are the happiest, I am the most miserable of men, and have made the most stupid of blunders."

Then Mr. Parker related the incident of that moonlight night, a few months previous, the particulars of which the reader is already acquainted with.

"But," said Willie, "did you not kiss Bessie, as you entered her house, on the night in question?"

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"No, indeed!" answered his configured note she ing; "but I did kiss the little perfumed note she gave me."

"I have not the slightest cause for my unpardonably jealous conduct, and Bessle will never forgive me!"

"Oh, yes, she will! I will guarantee to restore this lost treasure to your possession, with love and faith undiminished, in two weeks' time."

The kind office was faithfully performed, and willie Parker and Bessle Grandin were married at the same time Edgar Markham and Minnie Meade were united in happy wedlock.

Bessle never had another secret from Willie, and he never more trusted the words of a half-crazed old woman, or the uncertain shadows of a moonlight night.

The Battle of Life.

The battle waging? Why, warrior, away Dost thou listlessly stand from the din of the fray, With thy head drooping low, and thy hand on thy brow,

As though Life and its conflict were naught to thee now?

Why motionless thou, whilst the gathering throng In double-mailed armor, are rushing along, And the clangor of battle around thee is heard, And the trumpet's loud tone every spirit has stirred?

But lately, thy heart was absorbed in the fight; But lately, its trophies were viewed with delight; And the might of thy arm, and thy courage, could vie

With the strongest and bravest who now pass thee by.

Their serried ranks move; but the noise of their tread

Meets thy ear as it falls on the ear of the dead; Tis strange that a summons, once needless, should now

Wake no fire in thy eye, and no light on thy brow!

Can it be that, before half life's battle is done, Ere the contest is past and the victory won, Thy spirit has shrunk from the strife raging there, And been blighted, consumed by the touch of Despair?

Can it be that the ardor which once led thee on, In the van of great hosts, toward the prize to be

Has chilled and grown weak at the threats of the fee? Has thy arm become nerveless ere striking a blow?

Awake from thy stupor! Arouse thee again! Take thy part in the strife—be a man amongst men? Let thy soul shame the impulse that prompted thy tear.

In the dark hour of trial, when danger was near.

That his threats blanched thy check, his words forced thee to fly

Would'st thou see thy friends mourning, in sorrow and shame,

O'er the wreck of thy glory, the brand on thy name?

Thou can'st not-thou dar'st not! Then up to the field! Keep thy post in the ranks till the foeman shall

yield! Let no timid doubts shake thee, no terrors dismay-Stand firm for the truth, and thy valor display!

Be strong in the right! 'Tis a panoply sure, An ægis to guard thee and keep thee secure ; Wear it ever; and then, 'mid the thickest or strife, Do thy part, as thou should'st, in the Battle of Life

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or happiness, together with that of her children aim, and the theatre of her exploits in the boson may do as much toward making a fortune as some or the workshop. It is not the money a wealthy—it is what he saves from his earning usband makes a deposit of the fruits of his is not if that friend be not true to him, what has he lake confidence in the companion of his bases, wife set not for tay be from, in ellence the buckelor goes, on the cocks crows, and the sun is just From beneath the hedglothes popular hachelor a note, the you may suppose, when he hears how the wind lows. Rees the windows all froze, it usath the stathes pope the poor fellow shows; fell be known, if from that bed he rose his clother, that he'd surely be froze. to'a long butcher's according to all evils, in its train. GONE BEFORE. BY CLIO STANLEY. OLD FRIENDS. . Like some fair vision in a dream.
The past will on before me rise.
Revealing childhood's happy home,
And friends I once did highly prize;
Their faces now are dunly seen,
More dim as years doth onward flow.
But I shall never quite forget
Those dear old friends of long ago. The mellow light of evening fails
Around me, as I dream away
A lonely hour; and pensive thought
Steals backward to another day.
When you and I together dreamed
The golden hours away—away! Oh! soft and sweet the hours slipped Together, like the breath of flowers. Breathing to us of tender love. That erst could brighten saddest hours: crues Divided in those happy days,
And scattered all the wife world o'er,
My eyes, with age now growing dim,
On earth will ne'er see them more;
Est far above the gloomy clouds,
& here cold storm winds can never blow,
I hope to meet, to kless and greet,
Those deer old files. and swift, though sweet, they slipped away, Like fading flowers, like fading flowers! Your eyes were full of liquid light—
Blue eyes that made my heaven on earth;
And bright smiles lingered on your cheek—
Smiles blooming now in holler birth.
Beneath those white and stirless lids
Lie locked my hopes of joy on earth! I hope to meet, to kiss and greet, Those dear old friends of long ago. So sad, so still, you slumber now,
White roses on your brow and breast;
So near me, yet you chonot know
The misery of my unrest—
That, when you died, you left my heart
Joyless within your frozen breast; Good Night. The hour is getting late, my love— The moon is out of sight— And so, I think, I'd better go; Good night, my love, good night. The stars shine o'er the silent hills,
The south wind fles across the earl
I hear the drip-drop of the rain,
Foretokening some brighter birth;
Yet never shall my spirit know
Such joy as once was on the carth: How fair your face is now, my love, Kissed by the pale starlight; I'm jealous of such kisses, and— I'll kiss you, so—good night. There—let me twine this rose among
Your curls;—ah, that is right!
Bend closer, love. Now, sweet, my rose
One kiss more, and—good night! Hedged in by roses or by thorns,
It matters not how runs my path.
For sorrow clouds the sunny earth.
And brings me fears for what she hath
Destroyed; and wistful, through the mist,
I follow down the lonely path. Now still the night is; not a bird Is singing, or in sight; and I am glad, for they'll not see How lovers say good night. an Ah, I must go! 'Twill never do!
Sleep woo's your eyes so bright,
And so, for just the twentieth tim
Let's kiss, and say good night! From the National Freemason. What do Masons Live The Cows are Coming. What do we live for? is't to be The sport of fortune's power? BY ALICE ROBINS. To launch our bark on pleasure's sea The cows are coming, Jessie, dear, make haste and And float perhaps an hour? To waste our time in idle dreams see the sight; There are twenty milky beauties to be housed and Of what may be to-morrow, To glean with care from present scenes fed to-night. The first one with snow-white horns is just as old The source of future sorrow? as May; What do we live for? is't to find She and my pet first saw the light the same soft The ties of friendship broken, summer day. That love's a sound to cheat mankind A tender creature was she, so weak, and cold, and And dies as soon as spoken? To mark the woes on others hurled, thin! John said she was not fit to raise. I said it was a sin Nor weep their hapless lot? To bate our fellows-curse the world-To cast her off, for Maybud's sake. John laughed, To die and be orgot? and asked me whether I thought it best, upon the whole, to rear few calves No! we were formed to seek for truth toge ther. Through paths made plain by reason; But she was spared and so was May. It sometimes To hall that light in earliest youth Which shines in every season. seems to me, elles In Starbright's soft and gentle eyes, May's plead-Yea! we were made to win below The boon hereafter given ; ing glance I sec. I love the creature-you may smile-perhaps my to calmly smile at earthly woe, And find our home in Heaven. fancies mock ; She's the fairest of the herd, as May's the sweetest of the flock. here might be a little truth in them, and the pelling, she was paining him. Yet with came disappointment, for she had given he place in her heart.

wis always up early, because she was maid witk, and found it limpossible to idle away am after sunrise; and the next morning sodown, and, when she met Grant in the operation, she gave him a cordial nod, and we kitchen. There's May, her arms round Starbright's neck; the girl is nine to-day A frolicsome and genial thing at study or at play; The darling in our failing years, the spring our au-A fair white jewel blazing in our faded coronet. door, and gave the Ritchen. You very busy, Celia?" be called after her you very busy, Celia?" But see, John lets the bars down; in clover deep Fren come out here and let me talk to you, an yesterday to tell you something, in the lard, but you ran away from me. I must say at Life is a dreary thing to you, as it now it will be nothing to me without you."

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id of this unpleasant subject. You wilf no resume it when I tell you that I do not ca they never stir. They know his tone-'tis seldom loud; his touch-'tis kind; " John has a way," the neighbors say, to make liked back to the kitchen, iled an apro-ner waist, with trembling hands, and wer her work, and he pulled his moustach dumb creatures mind; Perhaps-I only know that I, through all these ork, and he pulled his mo ork, and he did not care. Cruei. No genuine man woman. As soon expect blessed years, yet abused a woman. Have never seen the moment when his voice has e a dart of lightning in the blue sky of a rose in the snow-bank of January, a brought me tears. a a miser, a great act from a mean a real man abusing a woman. NG-HEADED man is never head-lon-Lago as barroll 1 Bot British

Carl Gray's Success. BY B. S. OFFCHREE.

written in a separate paragraph at its close, words we have quoted at the beginning of this. Oh how those three lines burned, seethed and din his heart—appeared before his vision even he closed his eyes to try, for a moment to forget, a had seen them.

hope for

note alguature of Adele Lercy, or "your affection-fele," as she had been wont to subscribe henceif in 41 days," before the dark shadow of estrange-nal misunderstanding had come between them, art, he did not full to notice this thrust, although one of the things which delicacy will not allow 5 to mention.

Sersons to mention.

Cari Grey was a young man of good abilities—nay, se was talented; he was of prepossessing appearance, was well meaning, but, alas, like all the sons of our athers, he had his wask points, and had sometimes alied to walk in the path which integrity and strict aboral law had marked out for him. Condemn him all se who have never been tempted; those who have, are ble to sympathize with and pity poor Carl Grey. He had known Adeis Leroy for four years, and during hat time had learned 16 love her with all the strength fan earnest, passionate nature. She also had prossed to love him, and, indeed, was attached to him—irawn to hiza by a congenial tie of sympathy, attractal to him by his pleasant, genial manner and disposition, together with his talents, which were of no mean order.

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He loved, may worshipped Adele Leroy, and she it was who might have monided him to any fashion she chose. At one time she confessed that she loved him, but as the cold shadow of estrangement crept between theta, she banished the old tenderness from her heart, and forced herself to believe him utterly unworthy.

He had erred, 'lis true, but none are perfect; neither are any without some redeeming trait of character, idele had forgotten the old proverb...'To err is human, to forgive is divine." I say forgot it; if she emembered it, she would not allow its sweet, charitable influence to impress her now.

Carl Grey had made one last effort toward a reconciluion—he was willing to humble himself before one hom he loved so dearly...ah, when did love ever fail is subdue pride—and so he wrote her a pleading note, egging her to grant him one interview, and then, if she so willed, he would never trouble her again by his importunities. He waited anxiously for a reply; it came; but alas for all his anxious hopes. Adele replied as if se were a stranger, or, at most, a casual acquaintance; and, as if fearful that her words had not sufficiently extensed her utter disregard for him, she added the sentence which we have already quoted.

Carl gazed sadty and silently upon the words over ser initials, and then, after a season of painful thought, he re-folded the letter and placed it in his pocket, aumuring,

"Oh, she does not know how I love her, or she would

he re-folded the letter and placed to it his pocket, auranting,
"Oh, she does not know how I love her, or she would not thus utterly cast me off."

Time sped on. Carl Grey remained in his native y, striving his utmost to live a life worthy of himself. Is great sorrow never grew less, and as he occasionally met Adele, receiving from her a cool bow, his heart led afresh, and with a deeper shade of sorrow upon

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is melancholy face, he devoted himself more peralativity to his pursuits.

His disappointment had led his thoughts into a new hannel—disclosing to his own mind the fact that he cossessed talents hitherto unthought of. Steadily he labored—not impelled by the hope of ever securing a reconciliation with Adele—no, she had effectually destroyed the last spark of hope which lingered in his reast. He had learned to love his profession, and he abored on, each day striving to fulfil every duty cheerally and well.

Thus he rose in his profession, he because he was

Thus he rose in his profession—he became honored and respected—persons who had scorned him now courted his society, but he treated all with polite in-

and respected—persons who had scorned him how courted his society, but he treated all with polite indifference.

There were ties which bound him to his native city—to the scenes of his hopes, his disappointment and his access. They were the last ties of all on earth which he would disregard—ties of duty. And now he was free, and his intention to make his home in a distant andry was announced. All who knew him openly excessed their regret that he was to leave their city and State. All—no—Adele had made no expression of the state. The time of his departure drew near at hand.—On the morrow he was to bid adieu to familiar scenes, to the place where he had enjoyed and endured so much, and he sat in his room feeling sad and depressed. His thoughts went back to the far-away, sunny time, when each day was gladdened by the love and smiles of Adele Leroy. Months and years had passed since their estrangement, but she was as dear to him to-night, as he sat thinking of her, as when so long ago he was blessed by her love.

A new impulse selzed him. "I will make the attempt to see her once again, and then bid her adien forever," he said at length, and rising he selzed his hat and hurried away in the direction of Adele's home.

It was indeed a melancholy pleasure which he essayed to secure; he might be repulsed, but he would risk hand, sooner than be denied the privilege which he so craved. He knew that she went very little into society now; she might be ill! She might die! Oh! heaven, we could not bear the thought that she should die withing having seen her once more—just once more.

The time of his departure of duty is address.

could it be that Adele speak to him—address its joy in anticipation swalhis joy in anticipation suthat he was to see her

volume of Tennyson's poems, volume of Tennyson's poems, volume of Tennyson's poems, volume the poems, volume to the took it up and glanced over its pages, in y all marks by her hand—her favorite pasin, all marked, doubtless—forgive him, reader, be eagerly scanned the pages of the little volume eagerly scanned to one tear-stained page, where a verse was marked, he could not restrain his feelings, and a groan burst from his lips as he read—

"I feel it when I sorrow most, I count it true whate'er befall; 'Tis better to have loved and lost, Than never to have loved at all."

heard the rustle of garments; he raised his head be stood beside him. So absorbed had he been in perusal of Tennyson that he had not observed her

He sprang to his feet in confusion and stammered an

on apology is needed, Carl," she said, extending and "I came in very quietly, and you were entered in the said, I am glad to see you; I hoped you me to see me before you went away."

* lee was tremalous with emotion. He gazad Aface and beyeld there marks of sorrow. She her ha

ant you to forgive me before we part forever. It does a burdened heart good to make these acknowledge-ents. My eyes have been bfindled by the false giltter dross, and I threw away tig true gem."

She had spoken rapidly; her beautiful head was half owed, and ashe looked more lovely than ever in the cessof Carl, who still held her unresisting hand, equing it with kisses.

Beader, don't you think it would be polite for you ad I to withdraw from this scene?

Carl Grey remained in his native city, and is still an onored member of his profession and of society, and is husband of her who once so coolly wished him access.

Ah! this is one of the many cases of estrangement-one of the fere cases of reconcillation.

THE INVALID.

BY RESTER A. BENEDICT.

The night has passed so slowly!

Little sleep and little pain; but a quiet was fulness, fall of vague, intangible dreams of—what?

The morning dawn creeps through her wide open shutters, and she sees its first faint glimmer.

The window is opened to admit the winds that drop into her long, loose hair the sweets of springing grapes and lowly forest blooms; and the fingers of the sumbline creep across her face, tenderly as a lover's might.

"How glad the sweet world is!" she says; her blue eyes fixed upon the sweiling hills, folded up in the crimson raiment of the new day, and her heart throbbing quicklier than 11s wont, under the spell of an old-time memory. "When I am strong enough to be out once more in the fresh, life-giving winds, the roses will find their way to my cheeks again, and my slep be lightsome as the fawn's."

She does not dream it may be so; but for ber, an earthly spring comes never more, and the summer rains will drop about her, waking not the caim, still pulses under her vest of snow!

The hours go by.

Upon the little stand beside her loving hands have placed fresh flowers, and their fragrance fills the room.

The physician is beside her, his fingers upon her blue-veined wrist, and his large, compassionate eyes anticipating the revelation of his lips.

"A little languid this morning—that is all," she says, seeing the trouble in his face, "I will be stronger to-morrow, doctor; will I not?"

Ah! the time is come for him to speak; and yet it is hard, so hard!

He seats tilmself beside her low, white-draperied couch, and, with her hand lying like a snow flake in wis patrician palm, says, half under his breata: "I have done the little! could, or can, for you, my child; other hands than mine will lift you into the sees the spasm of pain flashing across his lips, and the sorrow in his humid eyes; feels the trembling of the hand in which has an acreal and the rembling of the hand in which has an acreal and the rembling of the hand in which has an acreal and the s

the sunlight."

She sees the spasm of pain flashing across his lips, and the sorrow in his humid eyes; feels the trembling of the hand in which her own is lying; turns her white face to the wall, and for a moment is face to face with the mystery of death, silent as though its seal were already upon her close-shut line.

though its seal were already upon her close-shut lips.

A hand is laid lightly upon her forehead. The touch recalls her to the verities of to-day. He to tell her this! He who was all the world to her, though to him she was naught but a little human waif, washed by the tidal wave of circumstance to the low sands at his feet, and under the pavillion of his care!

Her scoret was her own. He would never know; and the love he had to give—why, though she lived, it would never be hers g and yet, he had opened for her the seven seals of the volume of human love, and he was good and pure, and she had given him her poor little heart, with its original freshness of unspoken trust; and now she was to be carried out of his reach into the great Unknown, and—that was all!

Was it all? How was it to be Over There!

Her heart is still, in the clasp of a new, sweethope.

hope.

The fingers drop from her forehead across the heetic of her cheek; a voice stirs through the si-

hectic of her cheek; a voice stirs through the silence.

"It is not so far away, my child," as though, by some subtle magnetic power, he were reading her heart, his eyes with wistful reverence full upon her face.

"Aye—not far away," repeating the words, as if to reassure herself. "It is better so. I thank you that I go not blindly into the Beyond."

She lifts the fingers in her palm to the pallor of her lips, just once, saying to herself:

"It is no sin: surely it is no sin. Over there, I shall say to Him, because I have loved Thy noblest angel on the earth, I am worthy of eternal life!" Good-by. 'It is not far away."

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The sunset has faded from off the bills, and the mystery of death are hand in hand in the chamber looking toward the

mystery of darkness and the mystery of death hand in hand in the chamber looking toward the east.

The flowers upon the stand are fragrant still, the winds are balmful, and the silence unbroken.

With her hand held tightly in his from whom her soul has no secret in this last hour, the invalid is drifting under the shadow of the valley; but her face is as the face of an angel, and full of divine content.

"It is so terrible to feel you slipping from the clasp of my arms, dear Ada, now that I know what might have been, could I have kept you in the lower land," the voice full of suppressed emotion.

"It is not so far away; and, to-day, I have known all the joy of living," she answers. "Good-night! It will be lonely, I think, even there, until you come."

"Then there is silence, and nothing there but the silence," an I the mystery of life and death.

y ar ..)ecome herveless ere striking a blow?

from thy stupor! Arouse thee again!
hy part in the strife—be a man amongst men?
They youl shame the impulse that prompted thy

And dark hour of trial, when danger was near.

He san'st thou list to the forman exultingly cry, his threats blanched thy cheek, his words Lool orced thee to fly

'st thou see thy friends mourning, in sorrow The ficind shame

And he wreck of thy glory, the brand on thy name?

And can'st not-thou dar'st not! Then up to the Times leld!
The hy post in the ranks till the forman shall

The hy post in the ranks till the foeman sha
on hin ield!
And timid doubts shake thee, no terrors dismay.
The firm for the truth, and thy valor display!

If frong in the right! 'Tis a panoply sure.

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FOR LOVE.

BY LOTTIE BROWN.

Somebody has, in a charming manner, called the work of sprinkling clothes, for troning, one of the Dreitiest things in life, and rambled on, at great longth, of pearly drops, trickling from taper flugers—and this morning I tried to realize it.

I could not. The September sunlight was shining over the hills and broad fields. There was a gayly-dressed, merry-voiced quartette, playing croquet in sight of the window, while before me stood a beaping basket of clothes, to be folded. Last of all, the pearly drops looked ugly on my rough, brown hands, and I was discumented.

It was hateful work any way, and harder to bear when that sweet voice of my dainty stater, Belle, was greeting my cars, and Grant Severn looking down into her face with the finest pair of dark eyes in the world.

Heigho! Well, I suppose that it is all right. If I had been intended for a fine lady, as Belle says, I should have had a face and figure to go with the intentions. However, she can't boast of the dinest figure that ever was, if she does weigh twenty-five pounds less than I.

Ma says she will fly away one of these windy days! H'mi! I really wish she would!

Am I very wicked? No, I'm very lonely. And I have nothing in the world to make me think otherwise but poor ma (who thinks Belle worth a dozen of me), and plenty of hard work. Belle says linst when she is married I may stand a better chance. Poor me! I pray God that, when the matrimonial market opens, I may not be blind to all things but money and position. I wonder what I will bring to Belle?

"Colin!"

that when she is married I may stand a better chance. Poor me! I pray God that, won the chance, Poor me! I pray God that, won the chance, Poor me! I pray God that, we won the chance, Poor me! I pray God that, we won the chance, Poor me! I pray God that, we won the chance of the cha

"To—"
"To—"
"Grant, of course. Ain't I fortunate? He is already worth a fortune, and he will double his present means in less than five years, for his business is a incrative one. Can't you congratulate me?"
"Certainly!"
"You are cross, Cele!"
"By no means. I sincerely congratulate you."
Celia was half glad that she had heard this, because now there was no uncertainty about the matter, and she could put away every glance or word he dared to utter in her praise, without feeling that there might be a little truth in them, and that, in repelling, she was paining him. Yet with it there came disappointment, for she had given him a high place in her heart.
She was always up carly, because she was maid of all work, and found it impossible to idle away a moment after sunrise; and the next morning she gent down, and, when she met Grant in the open forch-door, she gave him a cordial nod, and went to the kitchen.

"Are you very busy, Celia?" he called after her.
"No."

"No."
"Then come out here and let me talk to you. I gan yesterday to tell you something, in the chard, but you ran away from me. I must say it we. Life is a dreary thing to you, as it now is, dit will be nothing to me without you."
She stopped him with a clear, steady gaze from r dark eyes.
"Is that what you had to say?" she asked.
"Yes, Celia; yet not all."
"It is enough. I wish to bear no more. Let it be end of this unpleasant subject. You wilf not re to resume it when I tell you that I do not care listen."
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She walked back to the kitchen, tied an apronound her waist, with trembling hands, and went with her work, and he pulled his monstache, d tried to believe that he did not care. The summer visit came to an abrupt ending, for, to days later, Grant received a despatch from his return—that is, he said he did—and away he went, king his sister and Frank Estes with him. Then it was too dull for Belle at home, and she thered up her effects and went with a dear friend Nahant, and Cella was alone.

The winter was very close at hand, and Cella and mother were still alone, when one morning ere came a letter. It said:

TELIA:—I believe I am going to die—if not, I am thering more than death, and am alone among angers. Whil you come to me? It is asking a al boon, but I pray you grant it. There is no ier woman on earth, save my sister, to whom I i ture, and little Nellie is too happy with her in love. Come to me.

GRANT SEVERN.

Size folded it with a sign at the amost ineglose writing, and said, with a little spite:

"Belle has broken faith with him, and now he turns to me. Weil, I will go. For he is in a lonely country town, among strangers, he says, and suffer-

right killed," said the woman of the bouse. "He owns the lumber tracts all over the qunty, I s'possyou know, and he was out to the longing camps, to sort of superintend, and while he was watching the men loading the stells, Bill Train's tree foil on him and broke his log. I'm powerful glad you come. Are you, Cella?"

"Yes."

"I thought so, He was terrible restless at first, of nights, and he kept up a continual cry for Cella. Relation, I s'pose?"

"Yes. If you please, I will go to him."

His face was worn and pale with suffering — so much so that she could not keep back her tears—but when he saw her, it grew brighter, and he cried out, with a boylsh happiness:

"Cella! are you here?"

"Yes, Grant. Why is not Belle with you?"

"Belle!"

"She had a better right than I. You were engaged. Is it broken?"

"What do you mean? Belle and I were never engaged. I never spoke a word of love to her. Did she say so? If she did, she spoke falsely. Was that what kept us spart, darling?"

"Yes, Grant."

"She is nothing but a friend to me; but, Cella, you must be more! Will you stay with me until I am strong and well?"

"Yes, darling."

"No; for love."

His arms were around her, and she gathered his aching head in her arms, and held it for hours, through his long, restful sleep.

When he was able, they went down to her home and were quietly married; and Belle, seeing that she had failed in her efforts, acted like her sousible self, and kept on the alert, until she had a chance to pounce upon and secure a fine establishment, encumbered only by an old husband, with a settled cough.

SPRING THOUGHTS.

BY BIRDIE BELL.

Sweet spring! sweet spring! thy blossoms fair
Are smiling to the sky.
Reading with joy the promise there,
Which birds are whispering in the air,
Of days of gladness nigh.

Soon will there come the warm, bright flush Which mantles summer skies. And roses will coquet, with blush, With limpid streams, which gayly gush, And ripple their replies.

Oh sunny days of bygone springs,
Which fled on wings so fast!
Each bird that blithely chirps and sings,
Each flower that blooms and perfume brings,
Speaks of your buried past!

But from the winter's deepest snow The sweetest flowers spring; So I shall hope the sorest woe Some hidden blessing will bestow, And some sweet peace will bring.

MATTIE'S WANTS AND WISHES

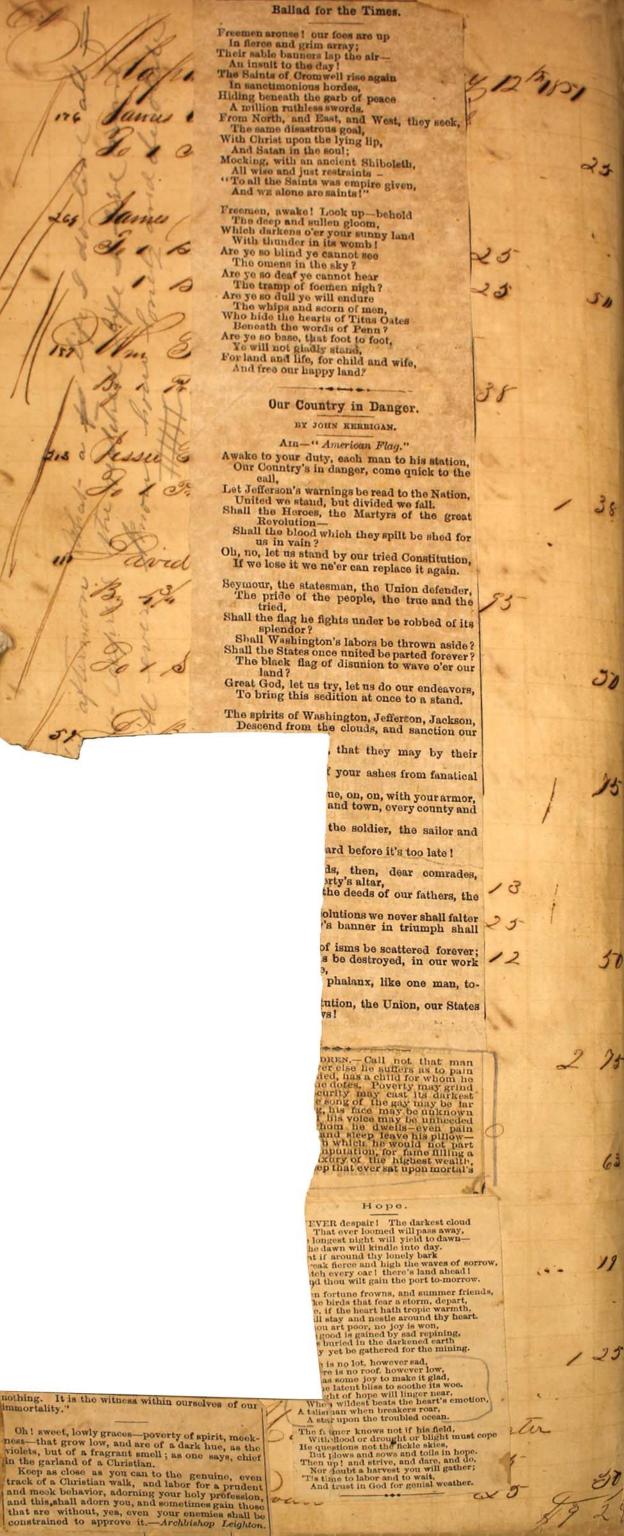
HOPE-TO-MORROW.

What faded leaves are strewn along
The path of yesterday:
The pretty flowers we prized the most,
Lie withered in the way.

We see our blighted hopes and weep;
Then haste our tears to stay.
For there are other blooming buds
Upon the bush to-day.

And hope, forgetful of the past, Anticloates the flower That bright will bloom upon the stem, When fulls to marries a shower

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A FLY-LEAF. PORTICAL PROVENES. Who augments his treasures with better and by The gathers a fortune like atggardly knave, dust afterward acree it as interly state. The purse of a peoper and proud benglify heart true to more corgonial when farther spart. No medicant purper la svey au pour As he, 'urbf aben-faune, who revealeth more The rule and the balance, lick, paper and pea-Present strife and quarrely of puguations Why not to the except for re-draw of each grief, Nor of a physician such daily relact. The cost and chaptic to avenge a great wrong, Will often preponderate bearing it long Take unwelcome conseil of every true frient Through seamingly adverse to wishes and end Who harts with his trague a calumnious dart, Must shield bleawn head from the releaseding as But III name and character never retrieved. The victors and lovers a thousand griefs prove Who aims by industrious efforts to live, May work out a character no one can give. As soon as his daily companions are shown, The knave or an honest man truly is known Who gain reputation without real worth, Without fault may lose it, to spite of high hirth A lack of activity, industry, cure, Will end in distraction, remover, and desputz The indolent crumble far somer to dust, Than they who are never permitted to rust Precipitate errors, when frankly confessed And trespan ucknowledged, are easy redresse Extirpate each loose thought before it is heard, Lest serrow oft arge to recall a stray word. Let thoughts be corrected when no one is near, And tougue be garotted when others can hear. Talk kindly, or roughly, or fair as you will; Who love to think svil, will ever speak ill. A tactiture dellard, when savans among May pass for a doctor-by holding his tengue A garralous savant, by speaking but once, When silence is wisdom, is written a dunce MASKS.—If we could read each other's hearts, we hould be kinder to each other. If we knew the foes, and bitternesses, and physical annoyances for our neighbors, we should make allowances for hem which we do not now. We go about masked, ttering stereotyped sentiments, hiding our heartangs and our heart-aches as carefully as we can; not yet we wonder that others do not discover hem by intuition. We cover our best feelings from the light; we do not so conceal our resentants and our dislikes, of which we are prone to e proud. Often two people sit close fogether, with "I love you" in either heart, and heliner mows it. Each thinks, "I could be fond; but that use of wasting foudness on one who does not are for it?" and so they part, and go their ways lone. Life is a masquerade, at which few unnake, even to their very dearest. And though here is need of much masking, would to Heaven to death, for then some few, at least, would truly ove each other.

Conscience.—A lender conscience is like the By showing respectful regard for superiors, A comely example is left for inferiors. The liberal donor who gives in a trice, Oft doubles the gift of the thoughtful in twice. By chastising children for venial sin, We whip out one devil, and whip seven in. The meek and the haughty, the stopid and wise, In six feet of earth measure equal in size. SERENO EDWARDS TRIDDS The sun was hot to-day, you know, The dust should be laid with a min The Sons of Temperance meet to the John Smith's in the city again. Conscience.—A tender conscience is like the pple of a man's eye; the least dust that gathers it it affects it. There is no surer and better way be know whether our consciences are dead and upid than to observe what impression small sins aske upon us. If we are not very careful to avoid it appearance of evil, and to shou whatever looks ke sin; if we are not so much troubled at the ising up of sinful desires in us, as we have been preserly, we may then conclude that our hearts re hardened, and our consciences are stupefying; or a tender conscience will no more allow of small ins than of great ones. A row on the corner, the boys amusing, The pic-nic season is over ; The largest melon weighs 82 pounds Brown sells the finest seed clover. A drunken man fell down towny, In the red-hot broiling sun ; Now he is in the city lock-up, Thinking of what is to be done. A man in crossing the railroad track Lost two-thirds of his body Written for the Waverley Magazine.

The Captive.

THE sun was all in a mist to-day;
The birds forgot to sing:
The darkness came in the strangest way—
Even the moon and stars delay.
And leave me wondering. Funeral to-day at half past ten And Kimbro sent us a toddy. Many thanks for a bushel of peaches, Miss Flunkey was married last night ; I try to think this is all a dream— When I wake, the sun will shine; These bolts and bars, not what they seem, Will dy away at the morning's gleam, And happiness then be mine. She sent us some cake to dream on, Bill Muggins got licked in a fight. The thermometer stands at ninety. Therefore when I see the shadows,
Drifting in across the meadows,
See the troops of summer wild birds
Flying from us, cloud on cloud,
Memory with that May-time lingers,
And I seem to feel the fingers
Of my lost and lovely darling
Wrap my heart up in her shroud. And a mule ran away with a dray ; A colored gent falls from a steeple, Twas a very unfortunate day. The imbibers of beer still drinking. Do these fellows ever get rest? They do nothing but sampling and tasting. Pretending to look for the best, PRIMROSE TIME. Now there's a row on the corner. This world was formed for maid and man,
So each must find a fellow;
It hath been so since the world began,
And marigolds were yellow. Don't the loafers enjoy the fun! Fresh melons and peaches are selling At the corner of one twenty-one. For she who wastes her summer prime, A circus is coming to town, And coldly doth eschew it, Shall in the winter of her time Preaching to-morrow at ten; A railroad meeting this eve, With vain repentance rue it. To consider the question again m Then, pri'thee, say not nay, but yes, Wallst primroses are blooming; For spring-time will not always stay The winter that is coming. John Smith has arrived in the city. He is looking remarkable well Dear reader, I know you are wishing That John was landed in ---, well. A GLIMPSE. 'Twas but a glimpse through the veil A glimpse, and nothing more; Yet it filled my soul with strange dell It ne'er had known before And still, methinks, I see it beam—The beautiful face I saw in my dream. This is the way they all fix it, Ties matter of every-day caper ; Read it all through, 'tis the best you can do. Naught else is found in the paper. They'll mix up a funeral with dancing. Ob, face so fond! Oh, face so fair!
Sweet face that smiled on me;
I wander, seek ing everywhere,
Yet ne'er that face can see,
And so I know I caught the glee
Of an ang. 's face in my bear While eating you'll read about tumors So do us the honor just once every week, And fatten by reading the HUMORS. Stul Pens

LOVE AND DETY. A Grand Old Poem. BY AND BEVAN.

at home, of course, if you desire it,
art will undountedly go out to Mrs. Who shall judge a man from manners y Who shall know him by his dress? Propers may be \$6 for princes, H. Aurora, nithough I can-Princes fit for something less, Crampled shirt and dirty looket 3 1831 Bertert, You will not May beciethe the guiden are love, and not a cold Of the despest thought and feetle ratio vesta could do no more. There are springs of crystal meetar Ever welling out of stone; There are purple bads and golden, Hidden, crushed, and overgrown: God, who counts by scule, not dresses Leves and prospers you find me, While He values throngs the highest But as pobbles in the sea. Man, upraised above his fellows Of forgets his fellows then Masters, rulers, lords, remember That your measent hinds are men; Men by honor, non by feeling. Men by thought, and men by fame. Claiming equal rights to sunshine he had insisted, and she had yielded; but because she had promised obedience to her In a man's comptling name. was the day before the party, and Aurora meant since in her pleasant partor. It morning, her husband had been chilged to Botte, on urgent business, promising to be in three or four days, just then, the sudden temptation entered mer to be present at the ball, just for one hour, and make it all up with her husband and There are little wood-clad rills There are feeble, inch-high suplings, There are orders on the hills. God, who counts by souls, not stations, Loves and prospers you and me, afterward.

While she was wavering there was a ring at the deer, and gay little Emilie Geraine entered.

"I have come to you to know what I am to wear at Mrs. Huber's party. I am just going down to For to Him all famed distinctions Are as publies in the sea, Toiling hands alone are builders Of a nation's wealth or fame; art's, and Auberta says you have such exquistewart's, and Auberta says you have used sagarsite taste."
She pansed, out of breath, and Aurora leaned
back, smiling, to look at her.
"I don't know that any setting could spoil your
beauty, cherie, but I like you best in blue."
"Just what I had thought of myself! But what
shall you wear?"
"I was said seriously, but with a little sigh.
"Not going, Aurora?"
"No, I think not. Herbert will be away, and I
will not go slone."
"But we will call for you, darling. Ah, you cannot mean to disappoint us all!"
"If I thought it would really disappoint any
one." Titled fuziness is pensioned Fed and fattened on the same By the sweat of other's forcheads Living only to rejoice, While the poor man's outraged freedom Valuly lifteth up its voice Truth and justice are eigrnal Born with loveliness and light; Secret wrongs shall never prosper While there is a sunny right: God, whose world heard voice is singing "Of course it will. Now promise me that you will go with us, and I shall be content."

"I will send you word to night, it I decide to go,"
And with that assurance, the gay little Emilie was forced to be content. Boundless love to you and mea-Sinks oppression, with its titles, As the publics in the sea. Emilie was gone, she went up stairs to her wardrobe, and the very first glance deiook at her wardrobe, and the very first glance decided her.

"There is that elegant white silk, with the lace
over-dress, that I have never worn yet. St. John
always used to say I breathed of Paradise when I
wore white; and I do believe it is half jealousy of
him that made Herbert ask me to stay at home.
At any rate he laid no commands upon me, and I
can go with Emilie as well as not."

The struggle was over—the promised note was
written, and Mrs. Graemo went to the ball.
She was, as Emilie had predicted, the belle of the
ball-room, and was engaged for every dance. Two
waltzes she had given to St. John, and was resting
for a moment alone in the conservatory, when he
approached her seat, under cover of the blooming
vines. MINUELLANEGUS. Blonde bair and a black moustache is the latest rage. A Newport swain received a love letter sixty-seven pages long. A Pennsylvania boy recently caught a rabbit with five legs, the foot on the odd "Fortune has favored me once more, Aurora," the exclaimed, softly. "My very heart is tired of seeing you only in that crowd—but here—ah, it is indeed Paradise!"

He dropped into the seat beside her, and put his hand on hers.

"Mr. St. John, you have evidently mistake." A month at home, and then a wedding tour, is to be the rule hereafter. This certainly is the most sensible bridal arrangement yet agreed upon. A Cincinnati paper's headlines to its Xenia telegram: 'Father and Son in the Penitentiary—Another Son at the Re-form Farm, and the Wife Divorced—God in the Constitution.' John, you have evidently mistaken me other lady," said Aurors, annoyed and for some other lady," said Aurora, and yed and mortified.

"Do not put on your mask before me," he entreated, in low tones. "I knew long ago that you did not love Herbert Graeme."

Aurora sprung to her feet, angry amazement clouding her dark eyes. She looked toward the door, and there, pale and silent, stood her husband.

"Oh, Herbert!"

It was all she said, but the look and the tone reassured him.

Si. John had already disappeared, and Aurora begged to be taken home at once.

Her husband's thoughtfulness saved her from all comment. Once or twice they went through the rooms, Aurora smiling gaily, though a close observer would have seen the quiver of her lips, and Herbert having a pleasant word for all her iriends. Finally they went home, and in the happy silence of their own fireside, taked it all over.

"I shall never, never be tempted again!" she said, at length, between her sobs.

"Have you any talisman to guard your life, dear wife?" said Herbert, looking fondly into her eyes.

"I have thought of that," she said, smiling through her tears. "Duty is not enough; but who can betray me, when love and duty go together?" A man once went to an eccentric law-yer to be qualified for some petty office. The lawyer said to him: "Hold up your hand; I'll swear you, but all creation couldn't qualify you." Old lady to her nicce: "Good gracious, Matilda, but it's cold. My teath are actually chattering!" Loving nicce: "Well, don't let them chatter too much, or they may tell where you bought 'em." A lady had her dress trimmed with "bugles" before going to a ball. Her little daughter wanted to know if the bugles would blow when she danced. "Oh, no," said mother, "papa will do that when he sees the bill." An Indiana county clerk has found in his office a certificate which reads: "This is to certify that I, William Smith, is agreed that Jim Brown shall hev mi Daughter Patzey to wife this 17th day of genewerry 1811." si Joseph 6. Pe A lady noticed a boy sprinkling salt on the sidewalk to take off the ice, and re-marked to a friend, pointing to the salt: "Now, that's benevolence." "No, it ain't," said the boy, somewhat indig-nantly, "it's salt." I Findle Strin An enthusiastic African, who had "spent de winter in Jamaky," found it an earthly paradise. He said he could Isam H Felors an earthly paradise. He said he could "lie abed, and, putting his arms out de windy, pick oranges, pine apples and Jamaica rum right off de trees." 02 Plays France The Paris Figaro tells of a court crier who took great pride in a collection of knives which had served for the purpose of assassination. He used them at the table, the knives of parricides being used only for guests of distinction. se, Jas Carroll "Boy, may I inquire where Robinson's drug store is?" "Certainly, sir." repfied the boy, very respectfully. "Well, sir," said the gentleman, after waiting a while, "where is it?" "I have not the slightest idee, yer honor," said the urchin. To Pain Dick as, A rural editor has lost all faith in the ck of horse shoes. He nailed one over Muny Fison luck of horse shoes. He nailed one over his door recently, and that morning there came by mail three duns and seven 5/2 Plugs Tobacco 11915

THOU ANY SMALL BE MY HOME The bird at eve, a rowing thing.

Will seek the neat it left at morn;
However, wild its note and wing.

Still thither every hope is borne.

When day with darkin is softly bigneds,
And bids his wandering wing withdraw.

The truant homeward swiftly wends.

To wander from his tove no more. broader lands, and was now free to come anter forgiveness and blessing—with his remore head bowed in utter grief, and his hand class head howed in utter grief, and his hand class hers which had been faithful to him throughtesse weary years of sorrow, and despair, misery—Esther Dale passed from earth at ias. The warm, trusting heart, which had beer cruelly wronged, and fled from its fellow-me cause it could no tonger trust and respect, his seeluded spot learned to discipline itself began to scatter its good fruits among the poor him who watched her dying moments on dreary night, yet there were many and heart some tearful eyes in Centreville when it was that Miss Dale was dead. MISS DALE. BY NATALIE. There were many sad hearts and some tearful eyes in Centreville when it was fold that Miss Esther Dale was dead. Eather Dale was dead.

Everybody knew the quick, lady-like little woman who, many years before, had come among them, unknown and unwelcome; for she was at first distantly civil and reticent.

She arrived at Centreville tavern, one night, by stage, and making inquiries about a house, next day secured one about half a mile off, which, although built for a large family, she at once accepted; some tearful eyes in Cer that Miss Dale was dead, cepted:

In a few days a wagon load of furniture came, and Miss Dale, having hired an ancient woman who was supposed to be long past service, went up to her new home, and settled herself and her It would be amusing were it not so sad, to note how fittle experience teaches poor bussass nature in the component affairs of everyday life. We go and then, but getting badly burned every now are singeing again; getting badly burned every now are singeing again. Take, for example, your gay, fun-loving, social, "Jolly good fellow." No one abbors a drunkard worse han he, and he never intends to become one either, and yet he rarely goes to bed perfectly sober. In the morning he rises, feverish, nervous and continued the same of the chapter, which usually means fils life.

In the morning he rises, feverish, nervous and continued the follows, and then comes another fit of repentance-smitten, resolving never to do so again. But his does, and then comes another fit of repentance, followed by another fall, and so on to the end of the chapter, which usually means fils life.

And how much better are we in matters of love and friendship? We are all aware that a little rubbing destroys the beautiful bloom on the ripe peach or plum, and that once gone it can never be restored; but who resists the impulse to tome?

So with our friends—most of them, We take them to our hearts, give them four confidence, our respect; but, like cheap jeweiry, a very little wear, a very superficial contact, trouble, loss of fortune, etc., suffices to change the glittering outside to brassy pretension, or complete indifference. And though, unlike the fruit, we seldom find real merit, or goodness to compensate for the loss of the fair exterior, we keep on trusting and being betrayed.

Here experience seldom brings wisdom, especially to those warm, affectionate, earnest natures to whom sympathy and appreciation are necessaries almost of existence. This yearning for appreciation and companionship exists in every son and daughter of Adam; and the more intellectual, sensitive and cultured the nature, the stronger this desire. We all long to be a hero or heroine to somebody, and, think we are, till the change comes, and we find we were mistaken; but be BURNED FINGERS. It would be amusing, were it not so sad, to note how fittle experience teaches poor human nature in the commonest affairs of everyday life. We go stambling along, getting badly burned every now and then, but the smart is scarcely over before we servant.

Here they had lived on and on ever since, in a Here they had lived on and on ever since, in a pleasant, comfortable way, as those who had been inside the house said. Wonderful stories, too, they told of the beautiful things it contained. Sofas and chairs covered with crimson silk damask—a rare luxury in those days; marble-topped tables, with big mirrors above and below them; portrafit and pictures, in gilt frames, all round the room, and many other emblems of wealth and taste were quoted.

The old servant Marths quoted.

The old servant, Martha, was subject to severe cross-examinations when she went down in the village; but as she knew nothing whatever of her mistress before coming to Centreville, could give information only of the present.

"She be a foine leddy, and used to foine livin'," was old Martha's favorite remark to her listeners. Then would be repealed the fact of Miss Dake wearing silk wrappers and embroidered velves slippers every morning, and having her silver urn on the table as regularly as if she expected company. urn on the table as regularly as if she expected company.

In short, Miss Dale was the aristocrat of the place, and although she kept no carriage like the Morfords, her air of decided refinement settled her status, if her mode of life had not.

When she first appeared in Centreville she was apparently about thirty years old, but, in reality, only twenty-four. Her face would have been beautiful only for the hard, scornful lines so plainly drawn on it.

Her manner, too, though polite, was repellant, and this the country folk at once set down against her. her.
For ten or twelve years she kept aloof from every one. She never went to church nor to the village. Martha did all the errands, and brought her regularly the letter which arrived with a double stamp, and which never failed to become an object of curiosity to everybody around the post-office.

Miss Dale walked every day. In storm or sunshine she went on her accustomed path up the little hill near her house, and into the woods back of it. of it.

She always came back from these walks with a look in her face which warned Martha against speaking to her then.

If she had, Miss Dale would not have answered. But after awhile this mood would pass off, and the mistress be the same kind, pleasant woman as before the mistress be the same kind, pleasant woman as before.

She never allowed any familiarity from Martha, There was the same etiquette demanded and observed when they had lived together twelve years as during the first week.

At the end of that time a letter arrived for Miss Dale, smaller and different from those she was in the habit of receiving.

Martha received it at the post-office, where it had lain four days; and it excited as much curiosity with her as it had with the village folks. She trudged along, wondering what was in it, and somehow dread?

A slight rain has begun to descend, and Miss-Dale was beginning to feel anxious about Martha, as night was creeping on, and to wish she would come.

She had felt restless and uneasy all the afternoon, and now a terrible depression fell on her, and ane wandered around, hardly knowing what she did.

With her hands pressed bard on her heart, she just as ready as ever to write his name across some-body's worthless paper, until at last, bankrupt in fortune and reputation, he finds he has been a catspay in the hands of sharpers. It is no insinuation against one's acuteness to get one's fingers burned once in a lifetime. But to go on thrusting them into the fire, with the hope that this time we will escape, is the supremest foily. And if the fire of experience teaches no prudence, no caution, we deserve little pity for our suffering. and she wandered around, hardly knowing the she did.

With her hands pressed hard on her heart, she swiftly paced the room, her thoughts turning now to a single point—to a subject she tried in vain to thrust away.

For twelve years she had controlled her will so strongly that she could abandon all retrospect of the Past with one effort. But to-night she was powerless. strongly that she could abandon all retrospect of the Past with one effort. But to-night she was powerless.

Weak and nervous she had to acknowledge herself, as, in spite of all she could do, a face, which had heretofore been resolutely shut out, would come before her.

A man's face; young, handsome, effeminate. Blue eyes, soft with love, looked steadhastly in Estier Dale's face. A voice, low with tenderness, breathed vows of fidelity in her ear.

A thrill of forgotten pleasure rushed over her as these tones and looks came so vividly back.

"Oh, my lost happiness!" she cried; "why do you come to torment me? Leave me to the rest that years of struggling have just begun to bring."

Over her face broke the emotion size was feeling. Love, joy, hate, were there mingled.

But Martha's fooistep awakened her, and her face had resumed its ordinary expression when she turned it toward her old servant.

"What's fhis?" she cried, sharply, as Martha handed the letter.

Clutching it in both bands, she stared with eyes, oh, so eager! at the handwriting.

"Bring me a candle," at length she said, in such an unnatural voice that Martha's mas frightened.

Quickly she reached down one of the tall silver candlesticks and lit the wax candle for her mistress.

Tottering forward, Miss Dale tore open the letter and ran her eye over it in feverish haste.

Sinking in a chair, she ejaculated?

"Coming — coming at last!" Oh, revenge will be sweet," starting up with clenched hands.

Martha's amazed look met her gaze, and she instantly recalled nerself.

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Foor old Martha felt that something was surely going to happen. Never had there been a call at this house after nightfall. For twelve years Miss Dale and she had sat, each alone in her respective apartment, until nine o'clock came, then regularly retired to rest.

Real rest to the simple, placid soul, who had spent her three score years in the limits of Centreville kitchens, and who went nightly to bed at pence with all mankind.

Unsatisfying rest to the heart torn and tossed on the waves of doubt and scorn.

Miss Dale went through the formalities of her meal, but there was no need for Martha to tempt er with delicate muffins or dainty cake. She was no mood to appreciate the tender sympathy.

be sat with distended eyes, while Martha took the athings out, listening—listening for a step years before made her young heart bound rapture.

ast, Howard, thank God;
I am not poor. I retrieved the
wealth—wou it all back."
am sorry! I wanted to show you FOR BETTER OR WORSE. what a wife codis be."

"You shall, my darling. You are mine for better or worse, you know. We have taken the "worse' first; now let us be happy in the better."

Sine raised her lips to give him a wife's loving kisses, her face luminous with happy smiles, and softly repeated:

"Yes, Howard! yours, for better or worse!" married is still here, of course. But the rest, I lear, is all lost."

"Yes. There! that will do."

"Yes. There! that will do."

A motion of Howard Taibot's hand entreated the lawyer to space him any more just then, and he had some heart in spite of his trade.

"Well, air, I thought it best to let, you know at once, It will be in everybody's mouth to-morrow. I shall stop at Green's to-night, if you wish my services. Good-night. "Ho. Taibot."

"Good-night."

And Howard Taibot mechanically turned and entered the mansion, whose stately salcons glowed with a dazzling illumination, and were faint with the perfume of odornus blossoms, and quivering with the sound of entraining music; for this was a gala night, and fairest and prondest among the How They Are When They Are in Love, A Cfrom a Cape May Letter by George Alfred Nothing is so pretty as to see the en-gaged folks part on Monday morning, the towier to go back to business for a whole week, the ensuared to stay at the Care counting the days of his absence. T. gala night, and forest and proudest among the slittering throng walked Howard Talbot's queenly wife.

But the master of the mansion passed by the crowded saloons and sought the darkness and silence of his own library, to pace, with clouded brow and folded arms, above the careless throngs, who little dreamed what mackery was their gayety to the wretched heart throbbing restlessly in his bosons.

Aye, laugh on, dance away, proud Catherine Taibott it is your last night amid the luxury for which you sold yourself; axe, sold herself—and her husband knew it. At first he thought she loved see this scene you must get up at six of the clock, for it is the early train that the the clock, for it is the early train that the young man of business must take. The young man in his duster, a fittle dragged out, stips down with his valise, and at the foot of the stairs, spying the inexorable omnibus, halts a minute to let the bird catch up to him. Also a little worm with early rising and late last evening, the bird hops down stairs in her yellow morning plumage, and formally shakes the young man by the hand; and as he recedes, and turns once at the threshold to look back with that glance which is the respectful yearning of all that he knows or hopes for, it meets, already fixed, the bird's farewell, poured out of her eyes like a note of melody. That look is the loving solace of the week, the one ration on which love must march for chick you sold you meet the condition of gray dawn of day Howard Talbot sought his wife's drawfing toon. He divised after intrude upon her share the first months of the first married life he had kept his own place like a model husband. She looked ap, in languid surprise, from the bower of goiden hair which the deft fingers of her maid were skillfully thridding, and asked, coldiy, as he entered:
"Do you wish anything, Mr. Talbot?"
"Yes. To speak alone with you."
"Something in his face and voice startled her, and she took the brush hastily from the hands of her maid.
"You may go, Lisette. I will ring when I want you again."
The maid gettred, and Catherine looked up to the maid gettred, and Catherine looked up to the same day. look is the loving solace of the week, the one ration on which love must march for six days, till Saturday brings another rendezvous. It is the pledge, better than oath or affirmation, that neither is to be forgotten by the other, although the true-parting, as we all know, took place elsewhere, as above stairs—perhaps in the room of the old bird, who graciously assented, and lived back thirty years in the sound of her daughter's kiss.

The three fond periods of life are the and cook the brush hashly from the hands of her maid.

"You may go, Lisette, I will ring when I want you again."

The maid retired, and Catherine looked up to her husband, who leaned against the low mantel, as white and cold as the marble slab.

"Well, what is it? I am tired now," she said, somewint impatiently.

"A word will tell it," he briefly answered.

"Say it, then."

"I will. Ruin!"

"Ruin! Not a pretty word, is it?" with a cold smile curving his mouth.

She rose, pale as death, and confronted him.

"Mr. Taliot, what do you mean?"

"I mean that I am a beggar! I have lost everything, and am poorer than the poorest laboring man in my service. There! I have not mineed matters, at least, in telling you."

She sonk back in her chair, and covered her face with her hands, saying no word. He went on, with that same grim sno.

"There is your a re place down among the Berkshire hills—still yours, of course, You can seek a home there, and, with economy, it will noalitain you. I am sorry the blow is so hard for you-sorry you have sacrificed yourself in vain. At first I hoped for your love, Catherine; but that hope died long ago—i have long known that you despised me. There is one ray of comfort for you, at least—in losing the wealth for which you married me, you get rid of me, also. I give you back your liberty, and will never trouble you more. I will make what arrangement's I can for your comfort before I leave New York. I shall leave here this morning. Once more I am sorry for you—for myself, the world is wide—I can find a piaze somewhere. If you wish anything, notify my lawyer. I shall see you no more. Mrs. Taliot, farewell?"

He turned on his heel, hesitated a moment, and cave her a beseeching glance, as if longing for her to come to him; but she made no movement. He sighed once, and was gone. And after a long, long time, Catherine Taibot arised her white face and looked around her luxurious boudoir, the most unhappy woman the sun ever dawned upon.

A week later, she was far away, buried in the lonely cottage am The three fond periods of life are the first consciousness of love returned, the summer last before marriage, when all the course is smooth, and, next, the early months of the first baby, when the man feels a little queer and the woman is purfectly self possessed again. fectly self possessed again. The woman engaged fully and distinctly in love is the highest type of human fidelity. See this one, abandoned to a week of the longest canui possible to her nature, the absence of the affianced; a man would perhaps balance it by the viclence of his pleasures, and smother expectation in gayety; like a vestal who knows not the day nor the hour when her master cometh, the engaged woman becomes, for her sake, the subject of her own exalted respect. Her body and soul, her walk and conversation. her walk and conversation, are purer in-her eyes because they have been promised away. She draws around hereelf the circle of the solemn caurch, and all society falls beyond the line; but one man can cross it. The beach, the ball, the promenade etherealize, and, no longer partaken in romp and volatility, find her still higher above reproach each Saturday successively, till at last, when the season ends, and with it the last campaign of her beauty, she abdicates, like Zenobia, without an accusation, a secret, or a lament. A woman in love knows when her mind is made up; a man thinks he does. had loved her-knew had how that him.

"Ob, best and bravest!" she cried, in her passionate pain, "how I wronged you in that I did not love you! Ob, kind Heaven, give him back to me!—give him back to AT REST. Dear hands, dear rationt hands!
That all life's tasks performed so well;
What hours of tell each joint could tell;
Yes, yes, God knows they did their best
Even to the last; then peaceful rest
Dear patient hands! her love had once died in the heart of her had her love had once died in the heart of her had band.

One gloomy evening, four long, weary years after Howard Talbot had spoken that one word, "Ruin!" in her stricken ear, she stood at her little gate, looking, with weary, desolate eyes, far off over the blue hills, yearning, with an unutterable yearning, for the wanderer's return.

Through the deepening gloom of the misty twilight, a traveler came slowly up the road, and wearily pansed at the little gate.

"Madam," said he, in a broken though courteous voice, "can you tell me how far it is to the nearest inn?" Poor feet, poor weary feet!
Whose pilgrimage on earth is o'er:
How glad to reach that other shore;
For dark and rusged here the way,
From life s sad morn till close of day—
Poor wears feet! Dear heart, dear silent heart!
O'erburdened with the weight of wee.
The which the world could never know:
Hushed is the every stifled sigh.
Each untold wish, each bitter cry—
Dear silent heart! "Over two miles," answered Catherine, trem-bling, for something in the stranger's voice startled "Over two miles," answered Catherine, trembling, for something in the stranger's voice startled her.
"Two miles! And I am poor and ill, and astorm is rising. Madam, will you kindly shelter a solitary stranger for the night?"

She hesitated a moment,
"We are only women, and never receive stranger. But I cannot send a sick man on in a storm, and in, sir," and she held the gate open for him, they stepped upon the porch, and a gleam of rom within the lacross the stranger's face, she having the stranger's face, she have a summer of the stranger's face, she have in the stranger's face, she have in the stranger silently removed his hat, and bent his head beforeher. With a cry which those who heard it never forgot, Catherine Taibot flung up her arms, and for helpless at the traveler's feet. When consciouness came to her again, she was lying on the chitz-covered lounge, hertwo old servants standingover her, and the stranger kneeling beside her. 'Tis well: oh yes 'tis well!
Rach feature tells of sweet repose;
And so the foving eyes! close;
A smile besucaks a work well one.
A mise now mained, a victory wonAnd then, at rest! ing beside her.

She feebly held out her arms to him.

"Oh. Heaven, I thank thee! I thank thee! At last!" she sobbed, convulsively.

"Catherine! My wife!" whispered the stranger.

"Oh, yes! oh, yes!" she breathed; "forgive me, my darling—forgive me, and love me!"

He bent over her with a rare smile.

"It is true, then, Catherine? You wished me back. You sought for me?"

"But if I am still poor?—even poorer than when I left you?"

"Oh, what do I care? We have a home here. I love you, and, if you love me, we are rich. Oh, you are too good for me! But we must never part again!" again!"

He bent and kissed the lovely face upturned to his. "Never part again, my dearest. You are mine now forever, my love! my love! my darling

LOVE VERSUS MONEY. "What made you saub poor Chester so abominably, last evening, dear Julie ?" and Amy Howell, as the sat rocking herself to and fro, the morning after Mrs. Reed's reception.

Is so excessively hard for him to take a him that it wally had to be a little more disagreeable than was pleasant, to make him understand my meaning." Your meaning! What meaning?'
Simply that I have not the remotest desire or
mitted to write my name Mrs. Chester Cumh overspread Miss Jerome's face as she rreply, but her voice was clear and even it bell. but—Julie, Chester surely foers you?"

possibly he does, my dear, "
possibly he does, my dear, "
and so sure of that, Amy; but even were; set in love with him, nevertheless I would y him." first him."

flush was gone from Miss Jerome's face, leaving an audi, but she reclined upon the sunger as ealing as if she was discussing the of blue she preferred for her hair. Amy's abment seemed to prevent her replying, so terms continued: astonishment seemed to prevent her replying, so Miss Jerome continued:

"I am not constitued like you, my dear. I cannot live on love alone. I nate poverty, and Chester is poor. I doubt if he could rent a house in a decent street, and I want invaries as well as love. To cook my own dinner, and to sweep my own floor, are not the pleasures for which I long; so if Chester has visions of me, in a calleo gown and white have his dreams dispelled."

Julia laughed as she concluded, but the laugh was constrained and somewhat harsh.

For a moment Amy's indignation kept her silent, and her face, usually so quiet in its expression, was aglow with excitement.

"Julia;" she exclaimed at last, "are fine houses and handsome dresses worth more to you than the deep affection of a true and honest heart? Such has so changed my dearest friend, I would you has broken your limbs before you reached the rail-way."

"Truly, a kind and affectionate wish from a "Ah, little one, it is easy to has such a happy home as mi foodly and tenderly, as he looks will an such a happy home as mi foodly and tenderly, as he looks will an depty home as mi foodly and tenderly, as he looks will an each chester. To add the baby's fate in the said pinched the baby's fate it was all the house, and the food will be prevented the baby's fate in the said pinched the baby's fate in the object of the said will and pinched the baby's fate will and pinched the baby's fate in the object will an each of the baby's fate in the object of the said will and pinched the baby's fate in the object of the definition of the baby's fate in the object of the REGRET. DY CARL SPENCER. "Truly, a kind and affectionate wish from a loving heart," replied Miss Jerome to this out-Where's the hearth, however low,
Knoweth not this guest?
When the sunset embers glow
Enters she with Rest.
In the empty place she sits.
Lest her eyelids fall:
Through the dusk a shadow flits,
Deepening over all. burst.

Amy rose impetuously from her chair, and throwing herself down by Julia's side, kissel her on each cheek quite pentently.

"Forgive me, Julie, but I cannot bear to hear you talk so calmly of throwing away such a love as Chester has given you. Oh! you cannot mean it! you are only leasing me."

"Indeed, my dear, I do mean it, most undoubtedly." the graph of the period of the Awe that stealeth from her place
Every heart hath stirred:
None that looketh in her face
Asketh her a word.
Hands that seem a cloudy waft
Clasping on her knees:
Eyes with wented musing soft—
What is it she sees? High in many a fairy spire
Leaps the mimic flame;
Golden paiaces afire
Die the death of fame.
Faces glimmer, hands are swept—
Turned to ashes cold;
In her eyes are tears unwept,
Tears that were of old.

Girt with memories sublime Looks her crownless brow; Was she princess in her time? Who can answer now? Of the old immortals she, Trailing glory yet; Nothing but the past can be Ever for regret.

All her breath is sighing faint,
As from wind-harp drawn;
All her song is tender plaint
For a world that's gone.
Ages past our age of strife
She remembereth;
Young as sorrow, young as life Young as sorrow, young as life, Born of every death.

Her in lonely walks you meet
Woody hills among.
Trying echoes strangely sweet
To a siren song.
Soon, with utter longing fain.
Down you choose to lie.
For the rapture or the pain
Closeth always, die!

One highway beyond the east
She hath often found.
And, with whitest moonlight fleeced,
Walked unearthly ground.
A dim land, outlying far
Every track of men.
Sown with many a mystic star.
Is the Might Have Been.

Lonely by the lapsing waves
Sits she on the shore,
And her look one country craves,
Named the Nevermore.
In the fading purple haze
Of a sun long set,
Last of all the godderses
Lingereth Regret,

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ONLY TO KNOW.

Only to see your face again,
Only to touch your hand,—
Only to hear your voice again,
Ere I go to the silent land!
Only to know you wilfone day see,
When the sun is sinking low.
A shady nook, near the sunlit brook,
Where the soft winds come and go.
Only to know you will think one day.
Though never the thought you te!
"Ah! for a love that I threw away:
For this one loved me wel!"

Only to know that an old sad sons.

Asound of a breeze-borne chime.

Your heart takes back with a faint regret
To a far-off, happy time;
To a time that seems like a sweet life gone.

Never to come again;
And the after years and my own sad tears.

Are all that now remain!
I sit and tbink—ah! many a day—
Though never the thought I tell,

"Ah! for a tove that I threw away;
For, ch! I loved you well!"

THREE OLD SAWS.

If the world seems cold to you,

Kindle fires to warm it!

Let their comforthide from view
Winters that deform it.

Hearts as frozen as your own

To that radiance gather;
You will soon forget to mean—

"Ah! the cheerless weather!"

If the world's a wilderness.
Go build houses in it!
Will it help your loneliness.
On the winds to din it?
Raise a hut, however sight;
Weeds and brambles smother:
And to roof and meal invite
Some forlorner brother.

If the world's a vale of tears.

Smile till rainbows span it!
Breathe the love that life endears.
Clear from clouds to fan it.
Of your gladness lend a gleam
Unto souls that shiver;
Show them how dark Sorrow's stream
Blends with Hope's bright river.

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Five years have passed since Miss Jerome declared that to her axuries were as indispensable
as love.

Seated at a breakfast table, where there was every
dainty to tempt the most fastidious appetite, were
Mr. and Mrs. Vail. The former, deep in his morning papers, was absently drinking his coffee, and
speculating on the rise in gold. The latter had
pushed away her plate, leaving the delicate food
afmost untouched. The face, once so calm and
cold, was irritable and unhappy in its expression.
Twice had she spoken to her liege lord, but her
voice was lost on the man whose whole thoughts
were engrossed by the money market.

"Horace, I am speaking to you!"
This time her voice was sharp and loud.

"Eh! what did you say?" with only half attention.

"I said I was speaking to you; but you might as well be a rock as a man, for all that you hear?"
"Is it money?"
And Mr. Vail drew out his pocket-book, as if its plethoric contents were the balm of Gilead.
But she, who so "hated poverty," made an angry results.

But she, who so "nated poverty," made an angry gesture.

"No, it is not always money, although you seem to think so; but I wish to speak to you about bringing my orphan niece, Grace Ailen, here. She is eight—"

"Very well, very well; bring her here if you like," hastily interrupted Mr. Vall, as he rose and left the room, not waiting the conclusion of his wife's remarks.

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I was the eldest of three girls, and had just reached the age of seventeen, when Miss Arlingford came to Fernmere as our governess. We had rather singular personages, during the past four or flye years, to represent that important household position. Indeed, Maudie, Ella and I were fond of styling our governesses under the vague appellation of queer. But I don't think any of them ever so thoroughly merited the title as Miss Arifugford. She was perfectly well-mannered; she was not over twenty-three years of age; she was pretty; the was amiable. But, notwithstanding the posession of these somewhat commonplace qualities, Miss Arifugford had others that were, unsloubtedly, ar from commonplace. For instance, she shunned nen with a positively studious avoidance, as though eril of the most severe kind was sure to result om anything first resembled contact with them. Rain, she would often spend the hours which light have been employed otherwise.

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confess to have more than once played the resdropper at Miss Arlingford's Rey-hole; but, and the line of the light tolerably well conversant with French, and owing something about Spanish and Italian, I squite unable to discover in what language this lous system of murmurs was conducted. Possys she sollioquized in Russian or Chinese, we seconcluded. Mandle, who was doing finely at German, quite snabbed anti-Teutonic me, when aggested the probability of that language. I've a good mind, Lilian," my sister had said, make Herr Yon Zimmermann take you under tuition, for such an insult to his native tongue." er Von Zimmermagn was Mandle's German cher, who came to instruct her, every morning, in a fine seminary school in the vicinity, which, the-way, papa, for reasons of his own, had ere permitted any of us to attend.

Think that the fact of our never having mended to Miss Arlingford the odd circumstance of se singular murmurings was really strange ugh; but something kept us from doing so, are was some mystery connected with them—(I tot to mention, by-the-way, that they almost ariably were heard either very late in the runoon, or else at night)—which our governess no wish to reveal. This lack of inclination is guessed by all of us; we controlled our inquiveness, and said nothing, as man was quite willing, when Miss Arlingford to came to Fernmere, that she should take her also entirely alone, as she desired; but the rest seemed, nevertheless, a very peculiar one. I lerstood, after awhile, why it was made. Our erness did not wish to meet papa. Papa was a note than once, while I have been walking with between Fernmere and the main road which

inderstood, after awhite, why it was made. Our governess did not wish to meet papa. Papa was a man.

More than once, while I have been walking with her between Fernmere and the main road which led to the village of Ashfield, she would suddenly pause as the figure of a man came in sight, and would either insist, in her gentle way, upon turning down some side road or path, or else would pass the stranger, whoever he might be, with tightly-compressed lips and downcast eyes.

Of course, such thoroughly unprecedented behavior aroused open comment on my part.

"Miss Arlingford," I once said, with great abruptness, "why do you avoid men so persistently?"

A tinge of color lit her usually pale face.

"You mustn't ask me, Lillan," was the faintvoiced answer. Then, after a slight pause: "It is one of my oddities, Please never mention it again," And I did not.

But, in spite of what Miss Arlingford termed her oddities, I grew to like her with a warmth of liking that my younger sisters shared, though by no means in the same measure with myself. We were often, out of school hours, together for nearly the remainder of the day. I told Miss Arlingford everything, acting toward her the confidential part without a shadow of retleence. She, on the other hand, never mentioned anything that concerned her past life, beyond an occasional allusion to the employer in whose family she had lived before coming to Fernmere. From which statement of facts the reader will perceive that, socially speaking, nothing like a fair exchange existed between us; and yet, I somehow took Miss Arlingford's want of confidence as quite a matter of course, and, by degrees, learned to treat it with the same amount of indifference as I treated her other peculiarities.

She had been at Fernmere during a whole summer and it was now October. I recollect the summer and two was now October. I recollect the su-

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lilantly the garnet-colored maples burned
sinst bine, cloudless skies; how richly the gold
ch leaves strewed their plots of russet sward;
w glad and joy-inspiring everything looked;
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serable the past two or three weeks had made
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discrable the past two or three weeks has been ears old, still almost a child, and compelled gainst my will to become engaged to be married, was very hard. I remember, keeping Mr. Chilon Kennedy's ofer of marriage, and papa's stern you must," a closely-guarded secret, even from tiss Arlingford, for two whole weeks. It seemed to me that the moment I began positively fo discuss the matter as something settled, the last hope which I cherished of being eventually freed from my misery would dwindle to nothingness. Mr. thilton Kennedy was a man of about thirty years from tall fine-looking, and with the manners of

found myself. In that final interview, pape had thrown a broad beam of light—so to speak—upon the mystery of his motive in treating an indulged, fir. Kennedy had papa completely in his power, and is a certain circle of New York friends still continued excellent, and it would have been possible for him to stave off the ruin with which his debt to Chilton Kennedy threatened him, had not Chilton Kennedy threatened him, had not Chilton Kennedy refused anything which resembled a compromise—anything, that is, with one exception. I was that exception. He had fallen in love, it seemed, with my great black eyes and wavy brown hair, and certain other charms which he was good enough to consider as such.

Oh, how I despised him when papa, with tears in those dear, honest, kindly eyes of his, told me how matters really were, and how it was in my power to ruin or to save a parent. I suppose that thought made a woman of me. Anyhow, I resolved to become Mrs. Chilton Kennedy in shother two weeks' time, even if, like Lucy of Lammormoor. I committed some wildly desperate deed, driven mad by my sorrows, a few hours afterward. That same evening Chilton Kennedy came to Fernmere, and I methim in the library, and some kow got through the dreadful ordeal of telling him that I would be his wife. Then I left him and went to my chamber, and locked myself in. I never slept a, wink—never even went to bed—the whole night long.

Early bext morning i knocked at Miss Arlingford's door. She was prepared to hear something quite as doleful as the story I had to tell, since my sad demeanor during the past fortnight had not escaped her observation. I shall never forget what sweet, silent sympathy she gave me from out those tender blue eyes of hers, while, with arms about her neck, I made known the story of my bltter suffering.

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Miss Arlingford's eyes had opened t extent, her hand had grasped my m, strong pressure. e, Lilian 7° abs

"Chilton Kennedy,"
After that her composure seemed to return as suddenly as it had vanished.
"Describe him, won't you, please?" she said, calmly enough.
"His figure is tall and powerfully made; he has black, keen eyes and a heavy, brownish moustache; he is fond of walking, with slightly bent head; altogether, what is termed a fine-looking

on."

Ouring my description Miss Arlingford had wed, as it were assentingly, three or four times, seemed as if my portrait corresponded with nething in the indy's own thoughts. But she is quite silent until I asked, with evident eager-

Do you know anything about him? Any-

"Bo you know anything about him? Anything—"
"Which might prevent your marriage, Lilian darling? No, indeed! Years ago I met the man, You have never mentioned his name to me before, I am sure, though you say that, for over a month past, he has been a frequent visitor at Fernmere."
"I have not mentioned his name, Miss Arlingford, because of your well-known dislike for male society."
The rest of that day passed miscrably enough. I was compelled to see Mr. Kennedy once or twice, though in his presence—it was during meals that we met—I sat silent, cold, sorrowfal. I had given him my answer, and surely, I thought, the man could ask no more of me—for the present, at least.
That evening, after dinner, I went to my room and remained there until bed time. I recollect hearing the family retire for the night. The room which Mr. Kennedy occupied was next my own. As he entered it I heard my father's voice wishing him good-night, "Poor papa," I thought, "there was hypocrisy in that wish of yours!"
Miss Arlingford's two rooms—in which, by the way, it might almost be said that she lived, there giving us our lessons, there taking her meals, and there passing nearly all her time—were directly opposite my own. It was certainly three hours after the family had all retired that I, lying wide a wake in my bed and tormented with thoughts of my own wretchedness, distinctly heard one of the doors of these rooms open, Yes, I was sure of it.

re sound had been no illusion of somnolence, for eep had not visited me thus far throughout the

sleep had not visited me thus far throughout the night.

A moment later I was standing in the outside hall. A faint light, made by the lamp which hung from the ceiling, illumined that long hall passage. Clearly enough I saw a white-robed figure standing a few steps from my threshold. A second glance at the pale face—ghastly, I should rather term It—convinced me that this apparition was Miss Arlingford. But it certainly seemed more like Miss Arlingford. But it certainly seemed more like Miss Arlingford. But it certainly seemed more like Miss Arlingford, on either side of her actually livid face, long tresses of dead-black hair were hanging. The robe that she wore was not a night-robe, but one of some very light material, made with long, flowing sleeves, which I remembered to have seen her wear once or twice before.

She was the first to speak.

"Lilian," she whispered, "I am sorry to have awakened you."

"You did not awaken me," I answered, "I was lying awake, sensitive to the slightest sound." I had drawn nearer, by this time. "Good heavens! Miss Arlingford! How frightfully pale you are!"

"I have whitened my face, that is all. Lilian, which is Chilton Kennedy's room?"

Amazed beyond expression, I pointed to the door next my own.

"Good!" said Miss Arlingford. "It is slightly ajar. I was sure it was at that door your father bade, him good-night, three hours ago."

"What does all this mean, Miss Arlingford?"

She turned quickly upon me as I uttered these words.

"It means that I am going to save you from that."

"What does all this mean, Miss Arlingford?"
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"It means that I am going to save you from that wretch yonder, Lilian." Her whisper trembled, as with suppressed emotion, "Tell me," she went on; "do you think that if I opened his door the light from that lamp, directly opposite, would make the room bright enough for him to see me with perfect distinctness? If not, I have a small taper which I shall light and place near the door."

"He would see you with perfect distinctness, if you merely opened the door," I said.

Some vague understanding of the mystery had begun to dawn upon me by this time.

Without another word, though raising a finger to her lips as if enjoining upon me utter silence, Miss Arlingford glided toward the door of Chilton Kennedy's room. I then watched her unhesitatingly push open that door to its widest extent, and slowly, phantasmally enter.

I drew nearer, with noiseless steps, to that open door-way. Listening, with every sense, so to speak, on the alert, I presently heard the following words, gasped forth by no other voice than Chilton Kennedy's, in tones of the most intense agitation:

"Rachel, for God's sake, winat does this mean? Rachel Rodman, is this your spirit come to hannt me, or am I dreaming?"

Then followed the answer, spoken in a voice so hollow and unnatural that I scarcely recognized it as Miss Arlingford's:

"You are not dreaming, Chilton Kennedy. I am the spirit of Rachel Rodman. I come to tell you that, if your miserable attempt to force Lilian Marksley into a marriage be not to-morrow abundoned—if you do not now swear solemnly to me that you will abandon it—I shall haunt you, as I am haunting you now, for the remainder of your life, night after night, night after night."

The words died away in a welrd, moaning monotone, so perfectly imitalive of the manner in which a ghost might be supposed to speak, that even to me, who stood there with the full consciousness that I listened to a human being's voice, the effect was almost

e-inspiring.
quickened breath and wildly-beating the silence that followed. It
a long silence. At length a faint
some one half choked with terror,

Heaven's name! I swear solemnly house to-morrow—to rld Lilian for-

Everything seemed confused after that, until I saw Miss Arlingford's white figure filt past me, and disappear almost instantaneously through the noiselessly, though with a dizzy, whirling brain, I followed her example, and returned to my own chamber.

Chilton Kennedy kept his promise. Before the evening of another day he had left Fernmere, after holding an interview with my father. Shall I ever forget the Joy on papa's face as he told me the good news? Chilton Kennedy, he said, was not the cold-hearted man he had striven to appear. He had seen my unwillingness, and had pitted me at last.

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"I can almost consent to call the man noble and generous, Lilian, for resigning you," my father finished; "he has made me so happy by his resignation."

But I knew how much he merited the name of mobie and generous, and held my peace concerning what I knew. By the time that this meeting took place between papa and myself, Miss Arlingford, who had never before referred to her past In my hearing, had spoken these words:

"I have no claborate explanation to make, Lilian, and you must not ask me for one. Last night I personated the ghost of my twin sister, Rachel Rodman (Rodman, not Arlingford, is my real name), before the man who had cruelly betrayed her, during a separation that occurred between us. When Rachel and I met, the miserable work was done, and she, with all her sweet, girlish bloom forever gone, stood upon the verge of the grave. That villain heard of her death, though he and I never met. Oh, Lilian! God alone understands the wretchedness of my suffering at the bedside of a sister who had seemed my second self as much in soul as she really was in body! God alone understands the betterness of spirit from which that yow sprung—never to speak with

see words: presently she proceeded, in a unsteady votes? out timnk Raemel's spirft for what hap-night. It was she who prompted me to it speak with her every night," ith her! I exclaimed,

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BATURDAY, MAY 20, 1871.

LUCILLE'S MISTAKE.

The visit over bidding has adien.
I took my hat and, bowing low, withdrew.
Then, starting homeward, soon I missed my cane, Retraced my steps and rang the bell again. I heard a rush—the door flew open wide-And with a bound Lucille was a my side Around my neck her lovely arms she t'rew, Rissed me, ye gods! she kissed me through and through. Stock at Il I stood, not daring to return The glowing kines that my lips did burn I tried to speak, and g sped, "I clean forgot-I left my cane" She started as if shot, And cried, with sobsche vainly tried to smother, "Oh dear! oh dear! I thought 'twas Dan, my brother. What shall I do?" she asked me o'or and o'er. I lacked the gurage to say, "Do it more!"; So looking sheepish, seized upon my stick And forthwith homeward trotted double quick. When on my couch in vain I courted alcop, .

I tossed—and pondered, "What a wealth of love
That girl possesses, other girls above! And if a brother she should hold so dear, How must a husband to her heart appear!" The idea grew; and-well, to end the fale I sought her of en, and to such avail.
That ere a twelvementh its full course had run I woo'd, I won her-and we twain were one; And once I told her " that my love began The night she kissed me in mistake for Dan,"
"For Dan?" said she: "why, bless your stupid head,
Poor brother Dan was safe and snug in bed!"
"You didn't know it!" 'Why, of course I did," And in my breast her bluthing face she hid Through all those years I did not once regret

AN OLD MAID'S ROMANCE.

My having fallen in the frap she set.

Happy am I, and happy, too, I've made her.

Although at times I laughingly upbraid her.

And then she says, "The moral, dear, of this is.

That girls don't often make mistakes—lo kisses!"

BY ELLEN M. MITCHELL

There was something about Barbara that everybody liked. She was a plain little woman, with gray eyes and soft brown hair, and there wasn't a particle of personal magnetism in her voice or manner, as there ought to have been if she'd had any idea of her duty as a heroine. But if you had taken one good look into those gray eyes of bers, you'd have understood at once the secret of her popularity, and that it was the overflowing love and sympathy and kindliness of her nature that so endeared her to the hearts of her acquaintances. I never heard her called anything else but Barbara, and it was some time before I found out that this quaint and old-fashioned name so exactly suited to her, was prefixed to the unromantic one of Smith. I don't know that it made any difference, but I should really have preferred that her ancestors had been known by some other appellation; and it was only on account of his name, as Barbara herself declared, that I tried to make a match between her and Mr. Stanhope, a widower with seven

It was while I was teaching in K - that I first met Bartara. The children under my charge were a noisy, fractions set, and I was nearly worried to death that night when she overtook me on my way home from school. She introduced herself to me without any formality (I believe she had a presentiment that I was in trouble and needed a friend), and we were soon chatting as familiarly as if we had been acquainted for

After that Barbara and I met often, and I grew to love her and look up to her as if she had been an elder sister. Kind as she was to everybody,

she seemed to regard me with peculiar affection, and one day I found out the reason. "You remind me so much of a friend who was

dear to me years ago," she said, smiling, but

with a mist in her eyes. "O! Barbara, won't you tell me who it was?" I asked, eagerly.

"You are a true daughter of mother Eve, Kitty. You mustn't be se carious."
"But it isa't that, Barbara; I want to know omething shout you."
"S tething shout me! Is the child crazy, or does also think I'm a disguised thint or house-breaker?"

made.

"No, no; wuy can't you understand? It is what you said and did when you wasn't any older than I am that I'd like to know, and why

older than I am that I'd like to know, and why
why—why—"
"Why I never married, is that it?"
I erimponed with shame, but there was such a
rogulah twickle in Barbara's eres, I could not
help confissing that was what I means.
"I'm as certain as can be you had ever co
many offers," I said, confidently, "for I've seen
your picture, taken when you were twenty; and
although not extraordinary pretty (Barbara
raised her hands in horror), it is the kind of face
men are sure to like."
"Your candor is quire refreshing, Miss Kitty.
And so you don't think I was extraordinarily
pretty, even at twenty?"
"Of course I don't, and why should I mind
telling you so? But for all that, I'm sure you
had a lover, and I want to know something
about him."

about him."

"It is a long story, Kitty, and and one," she said, her face clouding over; "but I we thought sometimes that I ought to tell it for your own good. You often imagine that Will is countrified, and down't care as much for dress and appearance as he ought to, and it would be a lesson to you that you'd never forget, not to value such things for more than they are worth."

Will was my betrothed—a plain, honesthearted farmer—and I loved him dearly, although he wasn't as refined and polished outwardly as I should have like him to be.

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"Never mind Will," said I, pettlably: "but tell me the story."

There was a brief silence, and then she began: "I was just nineteen when I first met John Nelson. (I started at the sound of that name, and almost uttered an exclamation of surprise, but Barbara was too much absorbed to notice it.) He was a farmer like Will, well-educated, but rough and uncoath in his manners, and I wasn't particularly preposeesed in his favor at first. But a circumstance happened soon after our acquaintance that revealed the true character of the man, and gained him not only my gratitude, but my everlasting respect and admiration.

"I had gone out ekating with a gay party of friends on the river that ran past our village. The ice seemed thick enough, and no one thought of danger. We were all overflowing with fun and merriment, and prompted by some imp of mischief, I challenged three of the young men to a race. John Nelson was one of the number. Of the other two one was my especial admirer, Harry Dubois; the other, Mark Smith, my cousin. I was an expert skater, and so were my pursuers, and, looking back a few minutes after we started, I perceived that they were gaining on me. I was in a fever of excitement, and skated on faster and faster, scarcely noticing whither I was going, until, just titt a cry of alarm burst from some one behind me, I sank into an air-hole and disappeared beneath the ice. I have no consciousness of what happened afterward, but my friends told me that it was John Nelson who went down into air-hole and saved I have no consciousness of what happened afterward, but my friends told me that it was John Nelson who went down into air-hole and saved my life at the risk of his own. It was an act from which even a brave man might have shrunk, for the chauces were that it would do no geod, and that both of us would be drowned. Harry and Mark attempted to hold him back, but he flung them aside, and plunging into the water, brought me out of the icy depths.

"Mark gave me all the details of the scene afterward ending with the assertion, emphatically expressed, 'John Nelson is a hero if ever there was one, and it's my opinion that he worships the very ground you tread upon. Why, his little finger is worth more than Harry Dubois, body and soul together, and if you refuse him for that jackanapes, I'll never speak to you again as long as I live."

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""Nonsense!" I said, laughing, 'you ought to be ashamed of yourself to talk so, I can't very well refuse any one until I am asked, can I?"

""Well, I don't know about that; women have curious ways of doing things, and I don't pretend to understand them."

"But you wouldn't have me marry a man simply because he saved me from drowning, would you?"

"Yes, I would, if you couldn't find any better reason for doing so."

"From that time forth, everybody talked to me about John Nelson, and it tried me dreadfully. All my girl friends said it was 'so romantic, just like a story, you know,' and, of course, to make the finale perfect, I'd have to marry the hero. I can't say that this idea was particularly distasteful to me, only I didn't like to have it talked about so much. I had known that John Nelson loved me even before that adventure on the ice; not that he had ever said so in exact words, but there are other ways of telling such things just as convincing. The knowledge flattered me as it would any woman, but I had no intention of accepting him, for he didn't at all come up to my ideal of a husband. He was plain and uncultivated, and a farmer, too, and I had decided to fix my affection upon some knightly, courtly gentleman, engaged in intellectual pursuits, although to be sure I hadn't met any one as yet that answered these requirements. As for Harry Dubois, he did well enough to flirt with and that was all.

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Quarters in our village, for the perpose of maning a few sketches of the pictoresque bills and full ye lying around us. He was a man of graculty bearing, who had mingled in the best society that Europe or America afforded, and who could interest one for hours with his descriptions of the scenes and piaces he had visited. Although, or reflecting upon his character since, I am convinced that he possessed ambounded exotism, he disguised it in such a way that it was rather attractive than otherwise. From the very first, I was his special favorite. "No one understands me so well, he said. The rest are cold and practical; you are an enthusias; full of fine and imagination, and you read my heart like an open book. You follow me in my wildest flights of fancy, and sympathize with all my aspirations. Ab, Barbara, you have the true poot soul." Pull of pride and delight, I listened to this high-flown language, and began to feel dissatisfied with my lover that he dide's talk to me in that style. For the highest praise that John had seer bearowed upon me was to call me his linest little hous-wife, and he had never said a word to me shout poetry or imagination. He seemed to think that plain, practical, every-lay common-scose was all that was necessary in this life, and to have no conception of the higher needs of one's nature. Then, too, Paul Leslie was so politie and chivairous, and paid me such delicate little attentions; why couldn't John do the same? His awkwardness jarred on my nervesterribly, and thore were times when I couldn't help showing it. I tried not to think of it, and to comfort myself with the knowledge of his terling worth and integrity, but didn't suc fed very well. Nor did it help the matter any that Paul seemed to regard me in the light of amerity, about to be led to the stake. I don't mean that he said so, he was too courteous for that, but looks are often more elequent than wirds. "Matters went on in this way for some time and hay so it was, and I understood it all afterward, and how far inferior to Joh

last.

"Everything that happened that day is written on my brain in letters of fire. I had been out in the woods with Paul, and was more than ever dissatisfied with such a future as John could offer me, when he came in, looking white and stern, and without a word of greeting, said.

Backara, this most not go on any longer; Paul Barbara, this most not go on any longer; Paul Leslie is neither a good nor an honest man, and I will not have him so intimate with my betrothed wife.

'' You will not?' I exclaimed angrily. 'And how will you help yourself, I should like to know? Do you imagine that because you are jealous I'm going to give up the only friend in

the world that truly appreciates me?'
''Listen to me, Barbara; I know this man better than you do. He is not what you think him. He has imposed upon you with his false, includes market.

him. He has imposed upon you with his false, insidious words.'

"'Stop!' I interrupted, 'I will not hear anything wore. He is a gentleman, and my friend, and I have wished a hundred times that you were more like him!

"'God help me! is it possible?' And he staggered as if some one had struck him a blow. 'Are you in earnest? Do you really mean what you say?'

"My heart relented, but I was too proud to let him see it; and so I said, coldly: 'I am in the habit of saying what I mean.'

"'And you won't give up this friendship even to please me?' he asked, in tones of pathos and entreaty.

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"I will not, John Nelson.'

"Then, Barbara,' he said, in a low, husky voice, 'we must separate, I give you back your freedom, God bless you, and make you happy.'

"And before I could realize the meaning of these words he was outside of the door and far down the street. But after a momentary feeling of terror, I consoled myself with the reflection that I should see him again in the morning and that everything would be explained. I was mistaken. He never returned, and from that day to this, John Nelson has been to me as one of the dead."

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"But where did he go? What became of him?"

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"I never heard except that he sold out his farm within a day or two afterward, and was reported to have sailed for South America. And farm within a day or two afterward, and was reported to have sailed for South America. And then, Kitty, when I had lost him for ever, I knew how I loved him, and in an agony of remores would have humbled myself before him and begged for his love and forgiveness had I been able to find him. Too late I understood the noble, generous heart that I had trampled under my feet. Like mocking ghosts, the harsh and cruel words I had said to him rose up before me, and my punishment seemed almost greater than I could bear.

"I fairly hated the sight of Paul Leslie after John left, for I felt that the shipwreck I had made of my happiness was manly owing to his influence. He returned to the city in the beginning of Autumn, and I actually felt relieved when he went away. I heard afterward, but don't knew how true it was, that he had a wife and two children."

"But there is one thing, Barbara, that you havn't told me," said I, cagerly. "Did all this happen in K—, or somewhere else?"

"Hadn't I ever told you, Kitty, that I was born and brought up in the little village of N—Massachusetts, thousands of miles from here. My mother died before I was a year old, and when a few months after John's disappearance, I lost my father, I sold out everything, for I wanted to get away from the painful associations connected with N—. I traveled for a year or two, and then settled down in K—, where I have been living ever since, doing what little I can to retrieve the folly and weakness of my girlhood."

But didn't you see, think that John mees might come back sometime. And what wound you do if such a thing were to happen, and he, too, had remained faithful and wanted you to marry him?"

"O! Kitty, don't!" and a few hot tears fell from Barbara's eyes.

I was pentient in a moment. "Forgive me."
I entreated. "How could I he so thoughtless?"
She kissed me out said nothing, and so by tacit agreement the subject was dropped between us.

But that night, in the privacy of my own I wrote a long letter, traiter that I was, full that Barbara had told me, and that commenced "My Dear Uncie," and was scribed "Your Affectionate Nicce," and, s and was commenced "My Dear Uncle," and was subscribed "Your Affectionate Nisce," and, strangest part of all, was directed on the outside to
"John Nelson." Ah! Barbara, you little thought
that while you were telling me of your own ead
past, you were explaining a mystery that had
puzzled me for yearz—why my bachelor uncle
had never married. And I had more right than
you knew of to look like your lost lover, for I
was the child of his only sister.

I was in a fever of excitement after sending
that letter, and began to haunt the post office
long before an answer could have possibly arrived. But I did not have to wait many days,
for one hight, just as I was dismissing my pupils,
Uncle John walked into the school-room. Almost
before I had time to greet him, he said:

"Oh, Kitty! where is Barbara? You can't
think what your letter has done for me. After I
came back from South America I tried and tried
to find out what had become of her, and whether
she was married or not; but everybody in N—
had lost all trace of her. Where, where is she?
Let us go to her at once."

I could not help smilling at his lover-like eagerness.

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Fortunately we found her at home. I wanted to go in first alone and prepare her for what was coming; but Uncle John would not bear a word of it, and so we entered the parlor together. She was sitting by the window, and came forward at

once.
"Dear Barbara," said I, without waiting for her greeting, "let me introduce you to my her greeting,

She turned and reached forth her hand in wel-

come, but meeting his look steadily fixed upon her face, started back.

"Don't you know me, Barbara?" he cried, holding out his arms, and then—well, I'm sure I can't tell you what happened then, for I didn't wait to see.

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I ran out of the room, and it was more than an hour afterward when Barbara came to me, looking fairly radiant, and said: "You little witch! why didn't you tell me that John Nelson was your uncle? I've a good mind not to forgive you."

"But you must, and thank me besides," retorted I, "for just think of it, if it hadn't been for me, you'd have been Barbara Smith to the end of yours days."

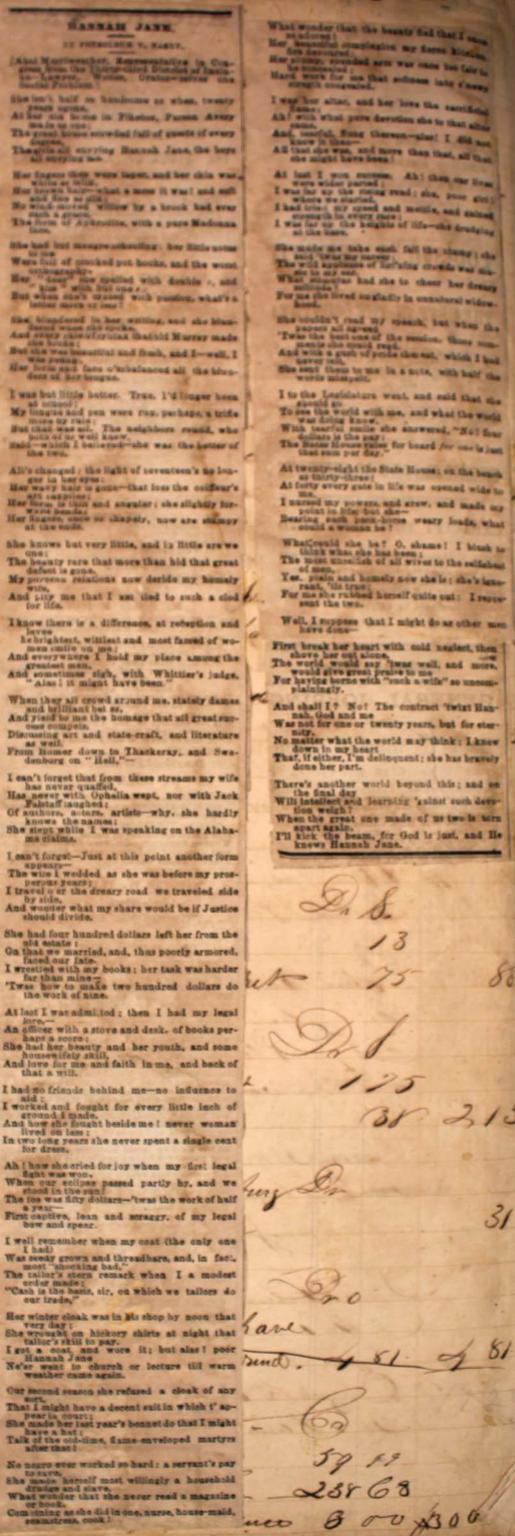
She laughed and blushed, just like a young girl, and looked prettier than I had ever seen

her before. I can't help thinking from the observation made on that occasion, that happiness has a wonderfully rejuvenated off ct.

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Uncle John went home in a day or two, but somehow it began to be whisper-d about in K—that Barbara had a bean, and was about to be married, and no one was surprised, therefore, when that event really happened. She was more generally known and loved then anybody e se there, but Uncle John didn't feel called upon to sacrifice her to the public good; he "neede! a wife worse than K—did an old maid," he declared

clared Both Will and Barbara urged me so bard that Both Will and Barbara urged me so hard that I concluded to be married at the same time that she was, and I can't sav that i've had any reason to regret it since. But you've no curiosity to hear about my affairs, and as I've disposed of my heroine in the legitimate way adopted by all story-tellers, I'll merely sav in conclusion that she makes an excellent wife and housekeeper, and isn't the least bit "fursy" or "old maidish."



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She had been for a wolltary walk on the sea ore, little dreaming she should meet the man he, in her heart of hearts, was the only enshrined

She had seen him coming, when his eyes, keen and bright though they were, had not yet discerned her graceful figure wending among the crags and clims of the rocky, wild beach; and, with a cry of sintensest delight upon her lips, she hastened to meet him.

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She was a faultlessly beautiful woman, this hanghty heiress, Ida Rossitur, whose dark, oriental eyes had slain scores of victims; whose lustrous masses of chon black hair had driven scores of lovers half crazy. She knew her power, and how to use it; and before she had seen twenty-two summers drop their load of sweet scents, she had acquired the well-carned reputation of a coquette. But every soul has its mate; and Ida Rossitur had met the master of her destiny; she loved. Yet, so atrange is the inconsistency of woman, that, though caught and wooed by Winfield Grey, him whom she so adored, her habit of coquetry would not permit her to show him a preference.

Not that she intended losing him; and on the moonlight night when he told her his love in terms so passionful that her heart almost ached with the joy, when he pleaded the sweet rumor that was going the rounds, of their engagement, she gracefully warded him off, fully intending to confess all on the moorrow.

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Alas, for what we will do "to-morrow!" Many are the hopes that are crushed for their waiting for the morrow; the resolutions buried that "to-morrow" was to see fulfilled!

And Ida Rossitur, when the morning dawned,

And Ida Rossitur, when the morning dawned, learned that Winfield Grey had left the shore that very morning while she was dreaming of him.

She was too proud to inquire; too proud to write; and when, hours later, she was playfully taunted with slaying another victim, and that Winfield Grey, she was too reservedly haughty to refute the aspersion, and by a cold bow, gave credence to the rumor.

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All this, the one precious episode of her life, that had been crowded into one blissful fortnight, two years agone, came rushing over her as she saw Winfield Grey walking quietly along, all unconscious of her near proximity to him.

"Winfield, oh, Winfield, can it be possible?" She reached forth both her beautiful arms, a glorious light that he could net have misunderstood, glowing in her dark eyes.

Hestarted, raised his hat, and would have passed on.

"You are not angry with me, Mr. Grey?" Her tones were pleading, but he looked passionless as a

statue. "I have not forgotten our last interview, Miss

His cold, steely tones raised a fearful anguish in her heart.
"Nor I.

"Nor I. I have been waiting ever since to tell you—to tell you how—I—loved you!"

The proud woman had spoken at last; and a beautiful blush overspread her face as she looked

almost wistfully at him.

His own cheeks reddened, but he never moved

his eyes from her face.
"I am grieved the confession has come too late,

Miss Rossitur. I care nothing for you."

She stood like one petrified, her eyes growing

bright and wild. "Not care for me !-notcare-for-me?" She

repeated the words slowly, distinctly, an awful gray pallor the while stealing across her face, her eyes riveted on his handssme countenance.

"I do not, Miss Rossitur; good morning."

He bowed and walked on.
He had only taken a dozen steps, when there came a clutch on his arm that almost made him cry out. He turned to see Ida again.
"Stop a moment, I am mystefied. I may be

"Stop a moment, I am mystefied. I may be crazy for all I know. But I must have it from your lips again, those lips I have dreamed so often about! those lips that told me the only news I ever cared to hear."

She spoke in a peculiar dreamy way! then, before

Grey could frame an answer, her eyes filled with tears, and she laid her hand on his arm.

"Winfield, my darling, my darling, don't say you have ceased to care for me! why, don't you know I love you, I worship you?"

He would have been less than buman had not

his heart throbbed at her confession, but he smiled coldly.

"Two years ago, Miss Rossitur, I sued for that love; you cast it off. To-day you offer it? I cast it off. Remembering as I do the shame, the bitter agony of that night, I can never forget it or forgive it."

She seemed not to hear the last words.

"You cast me off—you cast me off!"
"That is rather a harsh term, Miss Rossitur.
d not say so. Please be so good as to exc did not say so.

"No, no! Once more, Winfield, forgive me, oh, do forgive, will you not? I can't live without your love, Winfield!" love,

She clasped her hands pleadingly, and rested them on his arm. A moment he gazed into her beautiful, stormy face; then, with a calm, almost scornful turn of the lip, spoke.

"Will I forgive you? How dare you ask it, Ida Rossitur? Never, so help me Heaven!"

It was an awful blow to the proud woman, whose sin was loving too well! and as Winfield Grey lengthened the distance between them, alook

Grey lengthened the distance between them, a look

of most pitiful agony convulsed her features.

Gradually his receding figure grew smaller and smaller, and as he turned an angle that hid him, there swept over her form a perfect gust of emo-

Unutterable despair was written on every lineament, and in the words she mouned, lurked a lifetime of grief. "Cast off!"

The early June sunshine came in a golden quiver all over the delicate pink and white velvet carpet that covered the floor of Marian Thorne's dressingroom, and while with light fingers it touched the rare statuary, the costly toilette ornaments, it lingered longest, and most lovingly, on the slight, graceful figure that stood before the dressing-

"Will I forgive you? How dare you ask it, Ida shadowy, serene eyes, that seemed ever looking out into some misty, uncertain cloud-land.

There was a fierce glare in the black eyes with Now, she was looking at herself, arrayed in a some woman standing pale and with compressed on cloud of shipmens white satin, where tall it is shore. Here was a first pale and with compressed on cloud of shipmens white satin, where tall it is shore. Here was a politary to be of creamy white satin, where tall it is shore. Here was a politary to be of creamy white satin, where tall it is shore. Here was a politary to be of creamy white satin, where tall it is shore. Here was a politary to be of creamy white satin, where tall it is shore. Here was a politary to be of creamy white satin, where tall it is shore. Here was a politary to be of creamy white satin, where tall it is shore.

Now, she was looking at herself, arrayed in a costly robe of creamy white satin, where fell cloud on cloud of shimmering lace; where gleamed pure pearls, and soft, white kids.

"What, Marian? surely you are not growing vain mough to try on your wedding-dress to note the

Marian laughed as the young girl held up her hands in amazement. "Do you consider this vanity? If you do. I

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"Do you consider this vanity? If you do, I must plead refly. I wondered how I would look as a bride, so I put on the robes."

"As if you couldn't have waited for to-morrow, noon. Well, I guess Mr. Grey will think you're an angel just floated down. Oh, Marian, chere, you are faulties. perfect!" faultless Marian smiled, and turned again to the beautiful

refliction.

"I think my dress is very becoming, and I am pleased for Winfield's sake. And yet, with all the rapid preparations progressing, you can't tell the gloom that comes over my spirit at times—as if some hidden vial of wrath was about to be poured."

upon me,"
Marian's eyes were gazing away, away off, as if
socking to wrest the secrets from her future.
Gracie Rose gave a little scream.

"Oh, you superstitious girl you—and yet, Marian, have heard it was a bad omen to try ou a com-lete wedding-suit. And here you are, nothing anting, even the kids, the slippers, the veil, and

Marian smiled, and shook her head.
"Nonsense, Gracie. Yet, to comfort you, please notice I have not on the wreath."

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The young girl laughed joyously.
"Good; there's hope yet, then. Hark! there comes Mr. Grey, now. Shall I send him up?"

A little blush flew to Marian's fair face.
"Yes, I'd like his opinion."

A moment later, and Winfield Grey stood beside

her. "My beautiful darling! almost my bride! almost

my darling wife!"

He kissed her fondly, then stepped back to regard

her toilette.

"Perfect, little Marian. Pure as angels' raiment, but none too fair for you, darling. If you only were a little less serious."

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He laughed as he spoke, but the young girl's face grow graver.

"I have such a strange feeling, Wizfield. Night after night I dream of a barren seashore where are rocks and crags, over which I am constantly fleeing to find you. And there is a tall, dark, magnificent woman, who haunts my dreams; with eyes like a very demoness, that seem scorching my heart out of my body. Then, when I waken, I am so exhausted that the fright follows me half the day."

Her wistful blue eyes were lifted to his face, but

Her wistful blue eyes were lifted to his face, but she had noticed the pallor that shifted across the proud, handsome features as she mentioned the "tall, dark, magnificent" woman.

He laughed, and smoothed her light curls away

from her forehead.

"If I could but forget the sensation the vision

causes. "Perhaps you don't love me, Marian?" he said,

gravely.
"Oh, Winfield, you know I do; please don't say

so, you hurt me."

He kissed her sweet, quivering mouth, just as Gracie returned to assist Marian to remove her bridal robes.

"We'll excuse you now, Mr. Grey," she said errily. "I'll bring Marian down presently, in a more hugable form.

He threw the pretty bridemaid a kiss, and went histling downstairs, happy, and forgetful of the

He threw the pretty bridemaid a kiss, and went whistling downstairs, happy, and forgetful of the "tall, dark, magnificent woman."

"I'll take them off, Gracie," said Marian, as his, her betrothed's steps sounded further away; "but, if I spoke the truth from my heart, I should say I think I'll never put them on again."

Gracie glanced in unappreciating curiosity at the bride elect.

"You talk so, and still are sure you love Mr.

bride elect

A glorious light came into her blue eyes.
"Love him, Gracie? You never can know how much."

"Then there's no danger that you won't wear this in old Trinity to-morrow at midday," returned

matter-of-fact Gracie.

It was a new grave, over which the flowers of but seven weeks had bloomed; at its head stood a costly tomb-stone, and a wreath of immortelles was twined about it.

On its snowy-white surface were carved letters that were unspeakably precious to fond hearts; and the letters read thus—

"Sacred to WINFIELD GREY,

Aged 28."
On the high, sweet-scented turf, knelt, in pitiful abandon, a young, fair-haired girl, whose black robes swept the spot where her darling lay at rest.

She did not moan or cry, but unspoken agony was making her slender frame quiver with deepest emotion

A little away, standing defiant and stormy, was a noble, commanding woman, her sable garments trailing to the very sides of Winfield Grey's grave. Her hard, bright eyes were watching the fragile

form that was kissing the sod so passionately, all unconscious of the presence of any one, till her own name, spoken in clear, musical tones, startled

her. "Marian Thorne!" She sprang to her feet, and gazed at the in-

"I spoke to you, Marian Thorne, because I have a right to do so. You loved him, but not half so much as I did—there, don't scream, for I am telling the truth. I worshipped him; he hated me.

You loved him; he worshipped you. That's all the difference. You were to be his wife; I was 'cast off! cast off! Oh, those words will ring in my ears through eternity!"

Marian sank to the ground, covering her face with her hands, white, stern and passionless.

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"The day he deserted me, that day I knew a vengeance would fo' ow him. I knew not what it would be; but whe the papers told me he was dead, had died of deart disease on the wedding morn, I felt 'twas on't just. He had crushed my heart, and I had to live, just as you will live, to suffer till the end. He cared not for the sacrifice

WINFIELD GREY I made to win him, and now, lying cold and still under the summer daisies, he knows not the fear-ful sacrifice you have been compelled to endure in With a reverential tenderness she bent over Winfield Grey's grave and kissed the weeping, widowed bride; then departed as she came, silently, mysteriously, leaving alone, in the early twilight, the stricken girl to bear alone her burden of sorrow. and soy Welliam In I Parang Hat 100 1 Dr Call Shows 1 Plug Trbacco 3 leg Win J. Funder in Cast stub Are 1 Coffee mills 1 Pr Shows Allen Cortill 138 On Burich Och yare 1 Pa wow Show 125 1 Bot B. drop 12 ×3 2 " Paragorio 1 " Virmifuge 20 1 " Landwarm 18 1 , Sto Burfuntice 3 ands & Next In Sugar Cracking Wm. 6. Clements 31,2 Bunches yarn Martin Finder Do J P. Print

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Thar may be some here to day, my brethering, as don't know what persuasion I am uv. Well, I may say to you, my brethering, that I am a Hard-shell Baptist. Than's some folks as don't like the Hard shell Haptists; but I'd ruther hev a hard shell as no shell at all. You see me here to-day, my brethering, drest up in fine close; you mout think I was proad but I am not proud, my brethering; an although I have bin a preacher uv the gospil for eventy year, an although I'm capting uv that flat-boat that lies at your landing, I'm not proud, my brethering.

I'm not gwine to fell you edvackly whar my tex may be found; suffice it ter say it's in the leds of the Hible, an' you'll find it somewhar 'tween the fast chapter of the book of Generations an' the last chapter of the book of Revolutions; an' if you'll go an' sarch the Scripturs you'll not only find my tex thar, but a great many other texes as will do you good to read; an' my tex, when you shill find it, you shill find it to read thus:

"And he played on a harp uv a thousand strings—sperits of just men made perfeck." "And he played on a harp uv a thousand strings-sperits of just men made perfeck." Orafu My tex, brethering, leads me to speak of sperits. Now thar's a great many kind of sperits in the world. In the fust place, thar's the sperits as som folks calls ghosts; then thar's the sperits as som folks calls liquor, an' I've got as good artikel uv turpingtime; an' I've got as good artikel uv them kind uv sperits on my flat-boat as ever was fotched down the Mississippi River; but thar's a great many other kinds uv sperits, for the tex says; "He played on a harp uv a thou-sand strings—sperits uv just men made perfeck."

But I'll tell you uv the kind uv sperits as in the same strings—sperits uv just men made perfeck." for the tex says: "He played on a harp uv a thou-sand strings—sperits uv just men made perfeck."

But I'll tell you uv the kind uv sperits as is ment in the tex: it's fire. That is the bind uv sperits as is ment in the tex, my brethering. Now thar's a great many kinds of fire in the world. In the fust place, thar's the common sort uv fire you light a pipe or cigar with; an' then thar's camfire; fire before you're ready to fall back, an' meny other kinds uv fire; for the tex says: "He played on a harp of a thou-sand strings—sperits uv just men made perfeck."

But I'll tell you the kind uv fire as is ment in the tex, my brethering—it's hell-fire! an' that's the kind of fire as a great many of you'll come to ef you don't do better nor what you've bin doin'—for "He played on a harp uv a thou-sand strings—sperits of just men made perfeck."

Now the different sorts uv fire in the world may be likened unto the different persuasions in ac world. In the fust place, we have the Piscopalians, an' they're a high-sailin' an' a high-falutin' set, and they may be likened unto a turkey-buzzard that flies up into the air, an' he goes up an' up till he looks no bigger than your finger-nail, an' the fust thing you know he cum down an' down, an' is a-fillin' himself on the karkiss uv a dead hoss by the side uv the road—and "He played on a harp uv a thou-sand strings—sperits of just men made perfeck."

And then thar's the Methodis, an' they may be likened unto the squirrel runnin' up a tree; for the Methodis believes in gwine on from one degree uv grace to anuther, an' finally on to perfeckshun; an' the squirrel goes up an' up, an' he jumps from lim' to lim', an' branch to branch, an' the fust thing you know he falls, an' down he comes, kerftummur; an' that's like the Methodis, for they is allers fallin' from grace—ah!

And "He played on a harp of a thou-sand strings—sperits of just men made perfeck."

And then, my brethering, thar's the Baptist—ah! and they hev bin likened unto a possum on a 'simmon-tree; an' the thunders may roll Im Cathin Shell 1 Ovorko Dalico, hed Ohly. uison ach Shorting 200 If you want to make old Satan run. Play on the golden harp! Just shoot him with the gospil gun, Play on the golden harp! Play on the golden harp! play on the golden harp! Towwww Show Dannis Touchton De 20 9 Gilt murror 25-1 Buych yarn 88 2" Orachus 25 1 1/1 Bilon

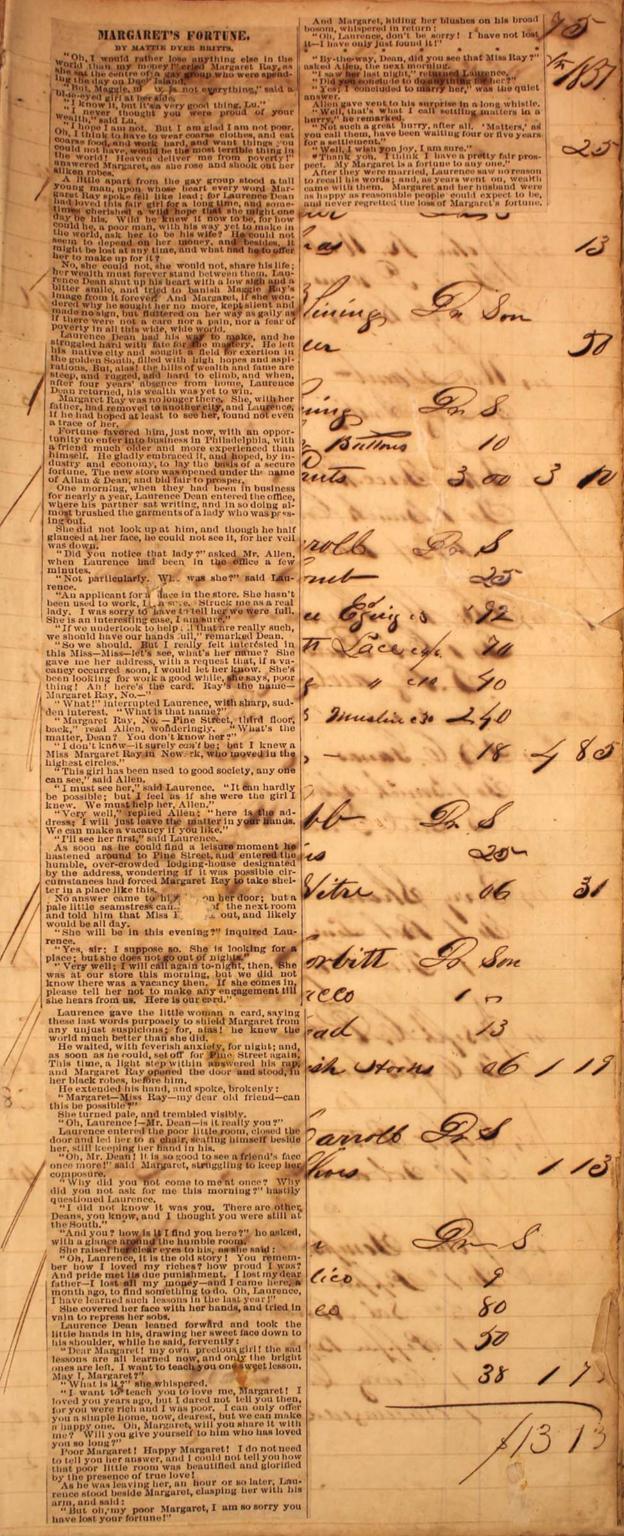
Story of a Ring-Oue of the Romances of the elirium attendant upon it, and while he was maing to and fro, the ring slipped from his ager and was lost. The closest search lied to find it, and it was given up for lood. There waited upon the young man, owever, a very pretty and amiable girl, who emed to be sorry when he got well copugh rejoin his command. When he left he rejoin his command. to rejoin his command. When he left he laughingly told her that if she would find his ring, and he lived, he would come back and marry her. If this promise was made with any degree of sincerity, it was soon forgotten in the excitement and care of a soldier's life, and only at rare intervals, perhaps, did he recall the sick room and the ministering and only at rare intervals, perhaps, did he recall the sick room and the ministering angel.

When the war was over the young man returned to his father's farm in Jackson county, and went to work in good earnest. Two years ago his mother died, and once more the loss of the ring came back to him with redoubled sorrow. He determined to write to the lady who had nursed him, and to, inquire of her whether she was married or not, and whether she had ever seen or heard anything of the present his mother had made thing of the present his mother had made The letter was written in August, 1869, and in March, 1870, what was his surprise to receive an answer from the identical girl he had laft in 1864, and to whom he had made a light promise of marriage. She was still single, she said, and waiting for him. And what was stranger still, only five days before she wrote she had found the lost ring.

The manner of finding it was as follows:
The father of the young lady had determined to make some repairs in his house, which repairs necessitated the taking up of the floct of the room in which the soldier had been sick. After doing this, and while digging away some rubbish beneath, the workmen came upon the ring. It had slipped through a crack in the floor, and had been lying there safe and sound for nearly five long years. The lady took possession of it at once, and wrote immediately to its owner, as we have stated above. Perhaps she looked upon its recovery as an omen, and perhaps it was. At any rate, it was a little romantic with all its attending circumstances.

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The correspondence thus commenced, or rather renewed, was continued with an everincreasing ardor on the part of the gentleman, until in the end he made a new and an impetuous offer of marriage. Without that the story would be incomplete. Last week, with money in his pocket, a good home in Jackson county, and a great happiness in his heart, this young soldier—now somewhat older and more settled and sedate—started for Clarksville, Texas, the home of his betrothed. trothed. groce Hon Bution Dlow Bar To 1 Coppe Del 2 Bunches Cot your 2 15: 3 Jin Jans 123 1 Juch Couch 23 1 Pa Jacks 13 3 Jumbles 34 556 Ca 1866 By 4:4 Buowy 85



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Becomestic, though you are surprised,
""Tis better late than never;" Noter labor for an idle boast.
Or vistory o'ar another:
But while you strive your uttermost,
Deal fairly with a brother;
Whate'er your afation, do your beat,
And hold your purpose ever,
And if you fail to do the rest,
... "Tis better late than never!" saw, in the presence of the pair, a fresh proof finat she had ceased to love him, and her being there, in company with Herbert, in the light of a wilfful slight, not to say Insult.

He increby raised his hat in acknowledgment of her salute, and turned away.

Thus two loving hearts, by a foolish outbreak of Choose well the path in which you run, succeed by noble daring;
Then, though the last, when once 'th won, Your ergorn is worth the wearing;
Then, never fret if left behind.
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But ever keep this truth in mind,
'''Tis bufter late than never!' A jealousy on the one side and wounded pride on the other, were separated, perhaps for ever.

Once sealed in her carriage, and hidden by the curtains, Helle burst into tears.

"He might have forgotten it," she thought, "and bidden me a kind farewell; but he will surely "Three months peaced size.

BELLE MERTON'S WEDDING TRIP. BY H. BARGHAVE.

"But, Belle," said a young man, in the uniform of a licutemant in the navy, "I cannot see the Justice of your refusal. You confess that I am not indifferent to you, and yet you ferbid me to take the only step which may secure our future happiness—to speak to your father. I love you, Belle, as truly as ever man loved woman. Though poor, I am energetic, and am determined to rise in my profession, for your sake. An admiral's lady is not to be despised," he added, with an assumption of cheerfulness.

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"I believe you, Charles," returned his companion: "but I am sure my father would not give his consent. I promised my mother, on her deathbed, never to wed without his consent, and I well know he has other views for me. We are cousins, and, as such, have seen much of each other, and, as a cousin, I am far from being indifferent to you, nor you to me. That is what I meant."

The young man endeavored to suppress the chagrin he felt at this evasive answer, and essayed to urge his suit with further arguments; but the equivocating, though decided, tone of his cousin soon induced him to desist, for the present.

The foregoing conversation took place in the garden attached to a splendid mansion in Germantown, the residence of Mr. Merton, one of the "merchant princes" of Philadelphia.

Charles Enderby was the orphan son of Mrs. Merton's only brother, and had nothing but his profession to depend upon; so that, although Mr. Merton—whose long life of business pursuits had led him to look upon the possession of wealth as the chief good of earthly things—received him freely as a relative, and was even pleased with his company, he by no means entertained the idea of bestowing the hand of his daughter on a man who bestowing the hand of his daughter on a man who the chief good of earthly things—received him freely as a relative, and was even pleased with his company, he by no means entertained the idea of bestowing the hand of his daughter on a man who had no other means of support than the perilous one he had adopted. Mr. Merton had, besides, long entertained the desire of seeing his daughter united to Herbert, the son of his friend and former partner, Mr. Bellamy and it was, therefore, understood between the two that the plan should be carried out, if practicable.

This Belle was aware of, but had not given her adhesion to the project, and, in fact, when she questioned her own heart, she was obliged to admit that her sentiments toward Charles were stronger than those of mere cousinly affection; but, either from caprice or a sense of duty, she would not say the words which would have made him so happy. Charles and Herbert frequently met at Mr. Merton's house, and, as each felt that the other loved Belle, a mutual feeling of jealousy sprung up between them.

Shortly after the conversation in the garden, Lieutenant Enderby received orders to report himself on board for duty, as his vessel was to leave the Delaware in a week's time. His annoyance at this sudden and unexpected command was increased by the reflection that his departure would leave his rival in possession of the field, and he consequently resolved to obtain, if possible, a confession of love from Belle's lips before he sailed. To this end he devoted every moment that could be snatched from duty to the society at Mr. Merton's house; but invariably found Herbert installed there before him, and no opportunity occurred of seeing Belle alone. His jealousy also made him fancy that her manner was colder to him than formerly.

Irritated and anxious, Charles determined to risk all by calling at Mr. Merton's at an hour when it was highly improbable that his rival would have preceded him.

He found Belle alone in the garden, pruning her favorite rose-bush, and singing, as she worked, a lively air. His own feelings at

The lightness of this remark galled Charles.
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"I apologize," he said, "for calling at so unseasonable hour."

"I was in love with my rose-bush and busy with flowers, it is true, but there is no need of apology from you, especially if you have something to say which cannot be said before others."

"Before others!" echoed the young man. "Oflate, indeed, there has been little chance of saying much to you alone."

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rive you. We may as well part as cousins and friends."

"I cannot endure your friendship," replied he, impetuously. "Oh, Belle! you know how much I love you. I must have a decided answer. Tell me whether you will be mine, or whether another has usurped the place I was once led to believe I occupied in your heart?"

Belle revolted against the imperious tone which his jealousy had caused Charles to assume.

"I am not aware, sir," returned she, "that I have ever given you the right to use such language to me. We have known each other since childhood, it is true, but the most I have ever told you is that you are not indifferent to me. In future pray distinguish friendship from love."

Charles, recalled to his senses by this reply, would have pleaded his love as his excuse, but, accidentally turning his head toward the house, he saw Herbert Bellamy issue therefrom, and advance toward them.

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"Ah!" cried he, the spark of Jealousy again fanned into a flame, "I perceive the cause of this change in your conduct, and all that remains for me is to say good-morning!"

So saying, Charles bowed coldly to Belle, and passing Herbert without recognition, hurried

"He might have forgotten it," she thought, "and bidden me a kind farewell; but he will surely write."

Three months passed since Charles had sailed, but no letter came from him. Tidings of the ship had indeed been received through the newspapers; she had been freard of at Havana and Vera Cruz; and, lastly the diamal news arrived that she had foundered in a hurricane in the Gulf of Mexico—all hands lost!

For some time after Charles' departure, Belle's mind was divided between grief at his absence and anger at his neglect. Her grief she endeavored to stifle by encouraging her anger; and, aided by the unremitting attentions of Herbert—whose handsome person, refined and elegant manners, and cultivated mind made him a charming companion—and the frequent hints of her father, she accepted in persuading herself that her love for Charles had been a mere girlish fancy, and that both duty and inclination required her to accept Herbert Bellamy.

The shock caused by the loss of the Buena Vista, indeed, for a while, brought back the memory of her old love; but Belle had been schooling her heart for months, and after the first outborst of grief, occasioned by the news, she persuaded herself that it was mere consiniy affection and not love which caused her sorrow; and urged by the entreaties of her father, and Herbert's fervent protestations of love, she finally consented to become his wife.

It is true that, whilst pronouncing the bridal vows, a tremor passed through Belle's frame; but it passed unnoticed, and she afterward laughed at her nervousness, feeling persuaded that the image of the young lieutenant was forever obliterated from her heart. But was it so?

However that may be, Belle was married; and seeing her husband so supremely happy, believed herself happy, also, and thus they departed on their bridal tour to Europe.

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This was sald as the pair were seated, one evening, in the saloon of the steamer Transatiantic, obliged to cling tenaciously to the sofa to prevent themselves from "fetching away," as the wind was blowing a gale, and, in the head sea, the ship rolled and pitched violently.

"Nonsense, darling!" replied Herbert; "this is a common thing at sea. I have crossed several times, and—"

He did not finish his sentence; for, at that moment, a crash, like the discharge of artillery, resonneed through the ship. The shaft which moved the propeller had broken, and, for some time, the noble vessel rolled, like a log, at the mercy of every wave, no sail being set when the accident occurred.

The gale constantly increased in fury, till, by midnight, it had become a perfect hurricane. The vessel labored heavily in the agitated sea, and was rapidly filling, as it was found impossible to entirely stop the hole in the stern through which the broken shaft had passed.

Their only hope now lay in the abatement of the storm; but this hope was delusive, as, when the tardy dawn brake over the doomed ship, the sea appeared covered with immense masses of foam, and lashed into fury by the violence of the hurricane, beat against the quivering sides of the vessel, and poured immense masses of water on to her groaning deeks.

The captain, exhausted by fatigue and anxiety, came, aft, and informed the passengers that the vessel was in a sinking condition, that no boat could live in such a sea, and that, unless speedy aid arrived, they could not hope to escape.

"God preserve us!" exclaimed Belle, her thoughts reverting to her happy home in Germantown. "It will kill my poor father!"

"Courage, dear Belle!" replied her husband.

"All is not yet lost. We have our life belts."

"Sall-ho!" cried the look-out.

"We have yes sir!" replied the man.

"Helm a-port," cried the captain, "Reverse your ensign, Mr. Jones, and fire a gun, "he said t

ensign, Mr. Jones, and fire a gun," he said to the mate.

"Ave, aye, sir!" replied the mate.

"We may yet be saved," continued the captain, turning to the passengers, as Herbert, clasping Belle in his arms, watched, with eagerness, their hoped-for deliverer.

Some moments of terrible and anxious suspense followed, till the strange vessel was seen to alter her course, and bear right down upon the steamer. A cry of joy arose from all on board who understood the manœuvre, and preparations were immediately made to lower the boats.

In half an hour's time, the stranger was near enough for the attempt to be made to go on board. She lay to, under close-reefed topsalls for this purpose; but of course could not approach the steamer for fear of a collision.

The first boat, containing most of the women, among whom was Belle, was safely lowered from the davits, and fad reached to within twenty yards of the ship, when a fearful wave capsized the frail vessel, and all its occupants were precipitated into the sea.

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For a second or two, a few heads and arms were seen above the boiling waters; but they all sunk save one, who seemed to float rather than swim. It was Belle—her life-belt had sustained her.

"I will save her!" cried a young man who was watching the disaster from the deck of the ship; then seizing the log-line, he made it fast beneath his arms and plunged into the sea.

Clasping Belle in his arms, he was soon hauled alongside, and quickly gained the deck of the ship with his charge.

"Charles!" exclaimed Belle, for the first time recognizing her preserver, when they stood together on the deck.

"Yes, Belle!" returned the young man, taking her profered hand. "Oh, what joy to have saved you!"

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But there was no time for explanations. The second boat had put off, and in it was Herbert. The second boat experienced the same fate a the first, and Belle, with horror, saw it capsize before her eyes.

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"Oh, Charles!" she shrieked, "my husband!"

"Your husband! Good Heavens! You are then
married. But where is he?"

"There! there!" she screamed. "See, he swims!"

For a moment Charles hesitated. Belle saw it in
his eyes, and looked at him with an indefinable
expression, which he long remembered.



A week after the foregoing events, the good ship Kangaroo was bowling along, with a fine breeze on her quarter, toward the port of Philadelphia.

Belle was lying, in an agitated sleep, on a sofa. In her dreams she was passing in review the terrible incidents of the shipwreck. Charles stood beside her, watching, with intense love, the changeful features of the beautiful invalid.

At length her lips moved; indistinct sounds, as of pain and terror, fell from them. She started, and muttered, indistinctly: "Oh, my God! she sinks, we are lost!" Then followed a moment of tranquility; the expression of pain was succeeded by one of pleasure, as with a rapturous and grate-

ful expression she murmured: "Saved, thank Heaven! saved, and by him—" The rest was in-

distinct.

Her emotion swoke her, a deep blush overspreading her face as she saw Charles at her side.

"I have been dreaming, Charles," she said, extending her hand.

"Yes, Belle, I know it; for you murmured some broken words in your sleep. I was not here to listen, but could not avoid hearing what you said."

"Ob, Charles, what did I say?" asked Belle, fearfully.

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Enderby told her gently what he had heard.
"Oh, forgive me, Charles!" cried Belle, imploringly. "I was ankind to you when you left home, and, in revenge, you have saved my life, and even risked your own to save—"Belle could not finish. Her husband's name died upon her lips.

"But," she continued, tearfully, "do not mention this awful shipwreck again—not now, at least—not for a long time."

"I promise never to speak of it till you bid me."
"You are very kind and good, Charles. I thank you."

"I was very rude to you, Belle, before we parted. But I must not speak of that. I can only thank Heaven that my shipwreck and misfortunes have been the means of saving your precious life," "Your shipwreck? Ah, yes! But you have not yet told me how you escaped."

The Buena Vista was wrecked in the Gulf of Mexico. Captain Harper, of the Kangaroo, picked me up from a broken spar, and I have since been with him to China and the Indian Seas. But you require rest," said he, tenderly taking her hand as he left the cabin.

A year had sped silently away.

One evening, Mr. Merton, his daughter and Charles were seated in the garden, at Germantown, when Belle, looking gravely but happily into her father's face, said:

"I think Charles may now speak of the loss of the Transatlantic, papa, dear?"

"Yes, my love; and let us hope that that awful event may prove a blessing to all three."

Charles looked with rapture into Belle's face;

then, clasping her in his arms, imprinted on her burning cheek the first kiss of love, and Belle no longer doubted where her heart had really been placed.

THE ARMY DRILL FOR 1870.

Fall in-Love with some amiable young lady the first opportunity you may have. Attention-Pay to her assiduously and respectfully.

Right face-Pop the question like a man and she will accept you. Quick March-With her to Church and go through the service of

Holy Matrimony. Halt-And reflect seriously for a few moments; then determine to de

vote yourselve entirely to your Wife. Right-about Face—From the haunts you have frequented when single,

and prefer your own home. Advance Arms—To your young Wife when out walking together.

Break Off-Billiard playing, betting, and staying out at night, if you wish to have a happy home.

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Springs are little things, but they are sources of large streams; a helm is a little thing, but it governs the course of a ship; a bridle bit is a little thing, but see its use and powers; nails and pegs are little things, but they hold the parts of a large building together; a word, a look, a smile, a frown, are all little things, but powerful for good or evil. Think of this, and mind the little things. Pay that little debt; if a premise, redeem it; if it is a shilling, hand it over. You know not what important events hang upon it. Keep your word sacred; keep it to the children—they will mark it sooner than any one else, and the effect will probably be as lasting as life. Mind the little things.

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In every life some sunshine is,
Some early taste their share of sweet,
Some longer wait their bliss.
Then weep no more the wasted years,
And mourn no more the long delay,
Be patient till our joy appears,
Our turn must come, must come some day.

Love is no respector of persons; the fitness of things never enters into the god's calculations. Between Geoffry Thomas Clanwaring, the baronet's son, and Maria Owen, the obscure farmer's daughter, there lay miles of that exacting gulf, called social position: nevertheless, they had contrived to lapse into a passion for each other, than which nothing could be more pure and and the. Part them, and the whole world would be to each as a blank wilderness.

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A Mother's Prayer. A mother on the green hills of Vermont was holding by the right hand a son, sixteen years old, mad with love for the sea.

And as she stood by the garden gate, one morning she said: "Edward they tell me. for I naver saw the ocean—that the great temptation of a seaman's life is drink. Promise me before you quit your mother's hand, that you will nover drink." And said he (for he told me the story) "I gave her the Pomise, and I went the broad globe over, Calcutta, and the Mediterranean, San Francisco, the Cape of Good Hope, the North pole and the South. I saw them all in forst years, and I never saw a sparkling liquor, that my mother's form by the garden gate, on the green hillside of Vermont did not prize before me; and to-day, at sixty, my rise before me; and to-day, at sixty, my line are innocent of the taste of liquor." line are innocent of the taste of liquor."

Was not that sweet evidence of the power of a single word? Yet that was not half.

'For," said he, "yesterday there came into my counting room a man of forty years, and asked me, 'do you know me,' 'No.'—'Well,' said he, 'I, was once brought drunk into your presence on ship board; you were a pasenger; the captain kicked me aside; you took me to you berth and kept me there until I had slept off the intoxication. You then asked me if I had a mother; I said I had never known a word from her lips. You told me of yours at the garden gate, and, to-Och (Jana antold me of yours at the garden gate, and, today, I am master of one of the finest packets
in New York, and I came to ask you to call
and see me."

How far that little candle throws its
beams! That mother's word, on the green
hillside of Verment! Oh! God be thanked
for the mighty power of a single word. for the mighty power of a single word. A Model Oblinary. elino A disconsolate editor thus bemoans his departed spouse:

Thus my wife died. No more will those loving hands pull off my boots and part my back hair, as only a true wife can. Nor will those willing feet replensish the coal hod and water pail. No more will she arise amid the tempestuous storms of winter, and hie herself away to build the fire without disturbing the slumbers of the man who doted on her so artlessly. Her memory is embalmed in my heart of hearts. I wanted to embalm her body, but I found I could embalm her memory much cheaper.

I procured of Eli Mudget, a neighbor of mine, a very pretty gravestone. His wife was consumptive, and he kept it on hand several years in anticipation of her death. But she rallied that spring, and his hopes were blasted. Never shall I forget the poor man's grief when I asked him to part with it. "Take it, Skinner, and may you never know what it is to have your soul racked with disappointment, as mine has been!" and he burst into a flood of tears. His spirit was indeed utterly broken,

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I had the following epistle engraved upon her gravestone: "To the memory of Tabitha, wife of Moses Skinner, Esq., gentlemanly editor of the Trombone. Terms, three dollars a year, invariably in advance. A kind mother and exemplary wife. Office, over Coleman's grocery, up two flights of stairs. Knock hard. We shall miss thee, mother, miss thee. Job printing solicited." Thus did my lacerated spirit cry out in agony, even as Rachael weeping for her children. But one ray of light penetrated the despair of my soul. The undertaker took his pay in job printing, and the sexton owed me a little account I should not have gotten any other way. Why should we pine at the mysterious ways of Providence and vicinity? (Not a conundrum.) I here pause to drop a silent tear to the memory of Tabitha Ripley, that was an eminently pious woman, and could fry the best piece of tripe I ever flung under my vest. Her pick-up dinners were a perfect success, and she always doted on foreign missions. Sunghams cof Thread Varin Syrup Sa o fect success, and she always doted or foreign missions.

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LOVE AND MONEY.

"I can't bear to leave you, Mary. I know you'll write and say all in going on well, when you haven't bread to put in your mouths. That's what hurts me. You always make the best of it, and wouldn't teli me if you were starving."

These words were spoken by an elderly woman, who was decently dressed, to a younger one in poor clothing, who held a baby to her breast, and gave her disengaged hand to two young children, who stood crysing health. These words were spoken by an

ing beside her.

"No, mother, I shall tell you the truth, no," replied she; "for now that John has given up drinking. I shall get on well enough, and the truth won't be unpleasant to tell."

"He'll drink as much as ever in another week; don't trust his promise; he makes nothing of breaking it. I almost wish you would leave him; but how can you, with three little ones? He's a bad man."

No, mother, don't say so; he's kind nough when he's sober, and sorry for what he has done. He often says to me, 'you should not blame me, Mary; its the drink, not the man.

Then he should not take the drink, if he

knows what a brute it makes him."
"Well, don't be hard upon him, mother; we shall get on very well this winter. I'm sure. John will be better, and if he is out of work, Mrs Neville will help us on a lit-

"That she's promised me, and I know she's very generous; I've seen her give away a pound at a time. Wel!, I must be going. Good-bye, dear! Good-bye, little going! What crying to lose granny?" going. Good-bye, dear! Good-bye, little ones! What, crying to lose granny?" With many kissings and blessings the good woman departed.

good woman departed.

Mrs Barton (for that was her name) had just left the house of Mr. Neville, a rich merchant, whose wife she had be nursing. During her long sleepless nights, Mrs. Neville had often amused herself, by asking her nurse of her former life, and her family. Mrs. Barton talked on for hours, of her old places, her sweethearts when she was a girl, and, above all, of her children. They were all well to do, she said, except poor Mary. who married from a place in which she had lived ten years, to a young man who had loved her dearly, and was in good word, and who made a good husband—till at the end of two years he took to drinking, and spent half his wages at the public house. The poor woman was often interrupted by her poor woman was often interrupted by her tears, as she told of Mary's meekness and John's cruelty; but as Mrs. Neville seemed interested in the tale, and her own heart was full of it, she returned again and again to the subject. "She never told me of it, na'am," said she, "till it got so bad that he neighbors spoke of it, "And now it's o use to try and hide it from me, for I've seen her with a black eye that John has given her. It's nearly broke my heart to see their goings on while I've been at Woodthrope, and yet while I am away it Woodthrope, and yet while I am away it will be worse; for I shall always think they are itarying-for that's what it must come to, if John goes on as he does."
"I will not let your daughter want bread,"

replied Mrs. Neville. "I did not know a child of yours lived so near rie, or I should have found her out, and endeavored to help

When Mrs. Barton took her leave of Mrs.

Neville, she said, with a courtesy, "You will not lorget my poor Mary, ma'am; perhaps you will look in upon her some day."

"No," replied the lady, "I shall not call, but I will send her money when she wants it. It is well for those who cannot give money to call and speak kindly, but I can afford to be really useful."

As soon as her mother left her, Mary dried her eyes, and set the room in order for her busband's return. As John entered, the affectionate smile with which he stooped to kiss his boy, showed Mary that he was still sober. This was the tenth day, and she began to believe his reformation would be lasting. "Mother is gone," said she, as he kinsed

"Yes, you goose, I see; and you've been crying. I've a bit of news too. The gentleman is come to the great house, but they say he and his wife are very poor—that is, poor for gentlefolks. That's bad. But here comes good news. Who do you think he has brought with him for his wife?"

"I can't guess. John; you must tell me. I

"I can't guess, John; you must tell me. I hope she is a good lady, then she will do some good, non-2ver noor she is."

"Well, then, it's Miss Emma Seldon, that was. There I and she's met me, and said she should come and see you!"
"Miss Emma! Thank heaven! and coming to see see, tou!"
To explain Mary's jey at the name of the bride, it must be understood that Miss Emma Seldon was the daughter of her former mistresh, whom she had not seen for more than a year. Mr. Seldon had been offered there you Mr. Saldon had been offended with Mary, because upon one occasion when John had threatened to kill her, and be had resolved, by the advice of her massive to complain of him to the resolved. ter, to complain of him to the magistrate, on John suddenly repenting, and begging for-giveness, Mary bad yielded; although Mr. Seldon had taken some of the preliminary steps for enabling her to proceed against him. No peraussion on the part of his wife would induce Mr. Seldon to pardon what he termed "Mary's idiotic weakness:" and, become of John's relatives, who resented his interference, he declared that Mary had employed the man to insult him and forked. ployed the man to insult him, and forbade wife ever to speak to, or assist her a-

Mary was deeply attached to the family, and this separation from them was almost as great a sorrow to her as her husband's mis-

"Yoh, John!" she exclaimed, after a pause, "your news is all good. Miss Emma loves me; and if she cannot pay me as the old lady did for my work at the great house, she will show me will show he will show the sheet at the great house of the state of the I would rather have her love than all the money in the world."

"Money for me," said John. "Love won't fill our mouths when we're hungry. But that won't happen any more now I give you

all my wages,

The next day, Emma, who was now Mrs. Winton, paid Mary a visit. She listened with great interest to all Mary had to tell of her children and of her husband's reform-

That same evening, a servant brought her half-a-guinea from Mrs. Neville. "Mrs. Neville sends you this, with her kind regards," said he, "and says it is to get some warm clothing for the little ones,

as the frost comes on.

Mary took the money with a courtesy, and desired her duty and thanks to Mrs. Neville; but she felt uncomfortable at receiving what she had not earned. White she was looking at her money, and debating as to the propriety of having accepted it the clock struck six, which was the hour of John's return. She placed the half-guinea under an ornament on the chimney-piece, and went out to fetch something for his din-ner. On her retura, she heard all her chil-

dren crying, and on entering the room, she saw Annie and Johnny covered with blood.
"What have you done?" cried she, lifting Annie from the ground, "did I not tell you not to move till I came back?"
"Father came in," sobbed the child; "and I told him you had a piece of gold money; so he asked me where you put it, and I did not like to tell him for I thought he meant not like to tell him, for I thought he meant to take it; then he knocked my head with a knife-handle, and made me bleed; and when Johnny asked him to leave off, he knocked him too. So then I told him, and he took it; and baby was woke with the noise." Mary washed the children, whose blood

had flowed from trifling wounds; and put them to bed. She waited long for John's return, and was about to close her door for the night, when her landlady came in saying, "I cannot keep the house open any longer for your drunken husband, Mrs. Roberts; if he comes home, you must get up and let him in. I'm afraid he won't be back let him in. I'm afraid he won't be back yet awhile; for my good man heard him, not half an hour since, singing and swearing at the 'Red Lion.'"

"I'll sit up for him," answered Mary; then, putting on her bonnet, she stole gent-

ly from the house.

NAS

Many times before she reached the 'Red Lion did she stop to dry her tears; for John was always angry at the sight of tears when he was in liquor. But at last, with a calm face, she passed the throng of loiters round the door of the inn, and went to where her busband was, talking loudly and angrily in the midst of a circle as noisy

"Come, John," said she, excerfully; ". have been looking for you; your supper is ready, and the children are abed."

John rose and followed her almost uncon-

sciously to the house. "Where have you hid the money?" said he, removing the ofnament under which she had hidden it.

Mary reminded him that he had taken it; but his memory was gone, and he thought she was dessiving him. Darting at her he dragged her across the room, and threather out on the stairmere. There she sat for two hours, till the cry of her belog gave her conrage to enter. John was asleep on the

From this day, John drank more than ever. The half gainer had paid his bell at the Red Lion; and the landlord, pleased with his ponctualty, suffered him to open a new account. But at the end of another week, when John was returning thirsty from his work, with his weeks wages in his breaks, the hadlord presented him the new pocket, the landlord presented him the new bill. John threw him the morey, and get-ting clated by his alrink, threatened his companions to gin; no that Mary, who had expected money enough to pay her tent, and to get in provisions for the following week, received only two shillings. She struggled through the week by getting cred-it; but when the next Saturday. John reit; but when the next Saturday, John returned again without money, she kur no prospect but starvation or begging of Mrs. Neville. The following day, bitle Johnny sickened with the scarlet fever; sick before her third week of poverty, was over, all three children were seized with it. She no long-er hesitated as to what to do; and begging her landlady to watch the invalids, she get out for Mr. Neville's. On her way, she thought again and again of the words in which she should make her petition, and her cheeks burned with shame and excitement as she rehearsed her speech; but there was no alternative. Mrs. Winton had already professed her inability to give had already professed her inability to give aid in money, and if she shrunk from seek-ing what Mrs. Neville had promised, her children must die.
"Be so kind," said she to the man-servant

who opened the door, "as toask Mrs. Neville if Mrs. Roberts hay see her for one moment?"

"It's no use if it's a begging case," said the servent, glancing at her wretched

clothing. "Missis never gives money at the

No," said Mary, blushing; "it's not a-at least, I am Mrs. Barton's daughter. Pray take the trouble to say I am here. I know Mrs. Neville will see me."

The servant went up stairs, and returned in a few moments, saving that Mrs. Neville was engaged, but would be glad if Mrs.

Roberts would send her message.

Mary could not—were it only for the sake of her mother, who was frequently employed in the house—send, through the serwant, an account of her utter poverty; so, turning from the door, with an aching heart, she said she would call again on the mor-

row.
When she returned home, she found John-ny alarmingly ill; the landly advised her to

go for the doctor immediately.

"The candle is going out," soid she; "so bring in one with you; and there is no more barley-water, and Annie is crying for some; you must get in some bread, too, for the morning.

Mary, who lared not confess to her lands lady, to whom she already owed three weeks' rent, her complete destitution, stood silent silent for a few moments; then suddenly thinking of a new plan, she wrote a few words of distress. The man took the note to his mistress, and returned in a few moments with seven shillings.

"Here," said, "is all the silver missis has got; and you are to come to the kitchen for

something else."

Mary heard the man say to the cook, "You are to see if you've got anything fit for sick folks, to give to Nurse Barton's daughter, who is come begging.

The cook, more thoughtful or more kind than her fellow-servant, closed the door before Mary could hear the exclamation of anrprise that followed the announcement the destinate condition of Mrs. Barton's daughter; and in a short time she came back to her with a basket of delicacies, which Mary would gladly have removed the stigma she had fastened on her mother's name

Having called at the doctor's, and bought what she required, Mary returned home.

"Mrs. Winton has been here to ask you to work for," said her handlady, as she entered. "When she found you were out, she wrote this letter for you."

It was as follows

"I am very sorry, my dear Mary, to find your children so ill; come to to-night, or to-morrow, if you want anything. I can lend you any money you may require, and send Satah (your old fellow-servant,) to assist ou in nursing, should you wish it. "Your sincere friend,

WO EMMA WINTOM!

As Mary finished reading, to ger, and must not be left a me the night. As the other two chaid the night. As the camer two Charles required great attention, Mary gladly availed berself of the offer of Sarah's aprices, and saked the landlady to fetch her.

Mrs. Winton sent Barah immediately, and with her, some soft clean pillows and clean linen for the sick children. Mary entrusted

her baby to the care of the norse, and aut herself watching every movement of her lit-tlethoy. For three hours he continued in the same state as he was in when the doctor gan to change rapidly, and Mary hung over him in agony, expecting every breath to be hin loop.

At this moment John entered the house, calling loudly, "Where is she ? I'll teach her to go visiting line folks, when the children are ill at home, and I've got no supper. Marry! where's my supper?"
"Hush! John," said Mary, at the tep of

the stairs; "our boy is dying."
"Oh, nonsense," cried John; "it's all fudge, to get of a beating."

"It is true, John ; indeed it is," returned

Sarah rose, and according to the instruc-tions of Mrs. Winton, who had learned from Mary's landlady that John was at the "Red Lion," and would probably return drunk, gave him a shilling to get a bed at the publie house; and with the additional bribe of sixpence, for something to drink, succeeded in sending him away; when she returned to the room, Mary was kneeling by the side of Johnny's lifeless body. For many weeks after this, Mary saw lit-

tle of her husband. He was always either too much ashamed of his misconduct to be easy in her presence, or, which was more often the case, carousing with his companions at the "Red Lion." Mrs. Neville had been constant in her generosity. She sent Mary money to bury her child, and to procure herself decent mourning; and when she found the state of destitution to which Mary was being by her husband's evil habit, she made her a weekly allowance, which, though insufficient to keep her and her two surviving children in comfort, was enough

to preserve them from actual want.
"Do not hesitate to accept my offer," said
Mrs. Neville, kindly, when Mary seemed
doubtful as as doing so. "I always put by a certain sum of money for charitable purpose; and I am sure I cannot do better than devote a part of it to support you and your children till you get more work, or your husband renounces his habit of drinks

Mary did not refuse the offer so kindly made, and so greatly needed; but she was continually rendered uneasy by the consciousness of living on charity, and in her letters to her mother, she, above all things, concealed this fact, knowing that Mrs. Barton would see little difference between her present condition and that so much dreaded by all the honest poor—of living on the par-ish. She hoped to be able to get work, and to give up her allowance before Mrs. Barton came to Woodthorpe again.

Mrs. Winton had not forgotten Mary during her recent trials. She sent for her on the night of Johnny's funeral, sending Sarah to replace her at the bedside of her sick children, and talked so pleasantly of bygone days, and told her so many interesting piepassed peacefully, and almost happily, away. She also took Annie to her house for several days, to give her the benefit of good food and a large garden, while she was recovering; and soon afterwards, when John was discharged from his work, on account of his bad conduct, she persuaded Mr. Winton to employ him, on his promising to be sober during the hours of work. In addition to this, she frequently employed Mary for a day, and kept her promise of saving for her such provisions as were sent down from her

From the time that John entered upon Mr. Winton's employ, he brought Mary part of his wages; but the sum was quite insufficient for the support of her family, and she was still receiving Mrs. Neville's allowance, when a letter brought her word that her mother would be at Woodthorpe on the

following day.

"John, dear," said she, in the evening.
"mother is coming to nurse a sick baby in Woodthorpe: she will call in upon us to-morrow. Do try to be sober, and seem kind to me; she may not see us again for many a year, and she will always remember us as she sees us now."
"You haven't seen me tipsy lately, have you?" asked John.

"I scarcely know; you are so silent when

you are at home, and are so little here, you seem quite a stranger.

John seemed about to make some sadden ommunication, but stopping short, he said, "Oh ! mother's coming to merrow—that will do hest; I will wait a bit."

He would not explain himself, but seemed happier that evening, and was kinder to his wife and children than he had ever heen for a good months. for a verul months.

The next day, as Mary was sitting in exeas opened by Mrs. Naville

"Good evening, Mrs. Robers I brit. You a velicing good, said the standing and that Mrs. Barton might enter. "I saw your mether laboring with the weight of her parcel, and made her get into my carriage. I have often wished to pay your a visit, so I took the opportunity of coming up."

Mrs. who had by this time received and returned her mother's kiesses, blushed and returned her mother's kiesses, blushed and

esturned by mother's kisses, blushed and est a chair for Mrs. Neville; but that lady furned to Annie, and was soon so much oc-

the baby, that Mos Baston had time afforded her to give her daughter a parcel.

"When Mrs. Selden heard I was coming to Woodthorpe," said she, "she sent for me and give ine this for you; there is a letter little in it. Mrs. Winton has made it all light between You and her father. See dear how land Mrs. Saldon has been, how land Mrs. Saldon has been, Mary opened the parcel, while Mrs. Dare ton went towards her grandchildren, proud

of the natice they were attracting. "A How old is your baby, Mrs. Roberts?"

Barton. "She's got a parcel from Mrs. Suldon her old mistress; for Mrs. Winton has begged hard for her forgiveness; and, poor girl, she's crying to see how thoughtful the lear lady has been, putting in bits of black, ha how they are not over strong."

Mrs. Neville, auxions to not interrupt the

pleasure Mary was receiving from looking to eith the children; so that John, who entered at that moment, did not see her.
"Hollon, mother!" said he, cheerfully;

now's the time to tell the good news! Cheer in the Mary! No more poverty! No more drink! And all through Mrs. Winton. But I must begin at the beginning. You know when she took me on; well, I was as drunksen a wretch as I could be, and I never cared a straw for you, because I knew the rich lady wouldn't let you starve. Mrs. Winton used to come to me of a day, when I was aworking in the garden-

Here Mary, who had recovered from her surprise at John's sudden change of manner, made a sign to him that Mrs. Neville was present; and John, stopping short, begged the lady's pardon, and would have remained silent, had she not desired him to pro-

"Pray, go on," said she, with an encour-g look. "I am learning a lesson that will ing look.

be useful to me all my life. Let me hear it all, though I foresee the end." "Well, ma'am," answered John, who was too much elated to feel awkward at the prestoo much elated to feel awkward at the presence of a stranger, "Il go on. Where was I? Oh, missis used to come to me, and so she did, and talk to me by the half-hour together; and though I'd heard the same things before cores of times, yet it had been from those I u,dn't heed; but when my own missis came herself to goak to me, I used to lieten; and y hen she'd gone, I'd think it over and over again, till I'd mostly got something to ask her when she came again.

So, at last, she says, in gentle, kind way, So at last, she says, in gentle, kind way, 'Will you try, Roberts, to go without drink altogether for a week? I've shown you it's no use taking only a little,' 'Well, ma'am,' says I, 'I will.' So at the end of the week, I told her I hadn't had a drop of anything. 'And now, ma'am,' I says, 'I'll tell Mary.' She persuaded me not to say a word till I had yone a mon'h, so I didn't say a word. had gone a month; so I didn't say a word; and, though I brought you half my money, I got missis to take care of the rest, lest you should guess anything I was inclined to have told you all many stime; but I kept have told you all many return till to-day; allent, and so it went on till to-day; and now I've signed the pledge never and now I've signed the pledge never and now I've signed the pledge never to touch a drop of hear or gin again. No more I will: I've done walkout it for a month, and I can for a war, or twenty years, it it please Gold he live so long. And there's the money I pac by. Take it all in a lump, and pay your bills; you shall never get into debt again, or take money from the kind lady, but have enough to live confortable from your turband, who has a comfortable from your husband, who has a

Before Mary I ad time to reply, Mrs. Winton who did not know of Mrs. Becton's arrival, with the news of her parents' forgiveness, came in to tell of her success. Mary burst into tears when the saw Lar young mistress, and sobbed out her grateful thanks.

"How shall I ever thank you enough, ma'am " said she. "You meem to have giv-en back all that I loved in the world? Poor. Johany is better off in heaven! I would not with him here."

Mrs. Neville went up to Mrs. Winton, Also Neville went mp to mae, winton, and, offering her hand, said, "Suffer me to know you, madari, and to learn of you the way of doing good. I have bogs integrined that by giving money alone, we could sufficiently help our poor friends; and in this belief I have spent large sums every year, without sessions to produce a propositionate without sectair - to produce a proportionate harvest of good. I now ecc what may be done by the 'labor of love' alone 'Taught by your example, what may I not hope to effect by the combination of these means?"

Our ambition is to be so rich that when we go broke we can call it financially embarrassed.

Man

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(Contributed by a Lady Friend)

Men are what women marry: they have two feet, two hands and sometimes two wives, but never more than one collar or one idea at the same time.

Like Turkish cigarettes, men are all made of the same material, the only difference is that some are a little better disguised than others.

Generally speaking, they may be divided into three classes, husbands, bachelors, and widowers; and eligible bachelor is a mass of obstinacy entirely surrounded by suspicion; husbands are of three varietiesprizes, surprises and consolation prizes.

Making a husband out of a man is one of the highest plastic arts known to civilization. It requires science, sculpture, common sense faith, hope and charity-especially charity.

It is a psychological marvel that a soft, fluffy, tender, violet-scented, sweet thing like a woman would enjoy kissing a big, awkward, stubbychinned, tobacco-and-bay-rum scent- 5 ded thing like a man.

If you flatter a man, it frightens him to death; and if you don't you bore him to death. If you permit him to make love to you he gets tired of you in the end; if you don't he gets tired of you in the beginning.

If you believe him in everything, you soon cease to interest him, and if you argue with him in everything, you soon cease to charm him. you believe all he tells you, he thinks you a fool, and if you don't he thinks you a cynic.

If you wear gay colors and rouge and wear a startling hat, he hesitates to take you out; and if you wear a little brown toque and a tailor made, he takes you out and stares all evening at a woman in gay colors, rouge and a startling

If you join him in his gayeties and approve him in his smoking he swears you are driving him to the devil; and if you don't approve of his smoking, he vows you are making his life a hell.

If you are the clinging vine type. he doubts whether you have a heart; if you are silly, he longs for a bright mate: and if you are brilliant and intellectual, he longs for a playmate.

If you are popular with other men he is jealous; and if you are not, he hesitates to marry a wallflower.

Gosh ding man anyhow!----.

One thing funnier than a man with rouge on his lips is a man with rouge on his forehead.

Vacuum cleaners are handy de-vices for men. A woman can't hit her husband over the head with one.

They made beer in Egypt thousands of years ago, but it is all gone.

man's friends are surprised when he marries. So is the man.

Home

T TAKES a heap o' livin' in a house to make it home. A heap of sun and shadder, an' ye sumetimes have to ream.

A heap of sun and shadder, an' ye sumetimes have to ream.

Afore ye really 'preclate the things ye let' behind.

An' hunger fer 'em somehow, with 'em allus on yer mind.

It don't make any difference how rich ye get to be.

How much yer chairs an' tables cost, how great yer luxury!

It ain't home t' ye, tho it be the paince of a kins

Until somehow yer soul is sort o' wrapped round ev'rything.

Ifome sin't a place that gold can buy, or get up in a minute.

Afore it's home there's got t' be a heap o' livin' in it:

Within the wail there's got t' be some nables born, an' then hables born, an' then it women goed, an' men!

And gradjerly, as time goes by, ye find ye wouldn't part

With anything they ever used—they've grown into yer heart;

The old high-chairs, the playthings, too, the little shoes they wore

Ye heard; an' it ye could ye'd keep the thumb marks on the door.

Ye've got to weep t' make a home, ye've got t' sit an' sigh

An' watch beside a leved one's bed, an' know that death is night t' see death's angel come

An' in the stillness of the night t' see death's angel come

An close the eyes o' her that smiled, an' leave her sweet voice dumb.

For these are seenes that grip the heart, an' when yer toars are dried

Ye find the home is dearer than it was, an' sanctified.

An' tuggin' at ye diways are the pleasant memories.

O' her that was and is no more—ye can't escape from these.

Ye've get t' sing an' dance fer years,
ye've get to romp an' play.
An' learn t' love the things ye have, by
usin' 'em each day!
Even the roses 'round the porch must
blossom year by year
Afore they 'come a part o' ye, suggestin'
someone dear
Who used t' love 'em long ago, an'
trained 'em jes' t' run
The way they do so's they would get
the early mornin' sua;
Ye've get t' love each brick an' stone
from cellar up t' dome;
It takes a heap o' livin' in a house t'
make It home.

—Edgar Guest. -Edgar Guest.

Three Virtues.

If I can smile, when everything is gloomy, And somber clouds hang heavy overhead; When goblins of despair and doubt pursue me, And I am haunted by some secret dread. When life has proved a vain and empty bubble, And friendship seems a false and hollow shrine; If I can smile and face a world of trouble, The battle will be won, the victory mine.

If I can love; when love seems only wasted, Like falling snow upon the wintry air; When all the dews of passion go untasted, And when I know the loved ones do not care; When those for whom my sacrifice is burning, Would fain my motive and my action scorn; If I can love; and just forget the spurning, A crown will greet me resurrection morn.

If I can serve; from duty never swerving, And lighten up a burden here and there; For fellow-creatures who are undeserving, Without a bit of thankfulness to spare. When objects of my waiting seem ungrateful, And no responsive heart gives back a thrill; If I can serve; though service may be hateful, I know that I have done the Master's will.

F. P. WOODWARI

11 No matter how much time a judge with vest he always has some left. gives, he always has some left.

People who walk in their sleep hoes

When a telephone exchange is all out of wrong numbers, it sends to a shoe store to borrow some.

Nothing is harder on a woman's 5 new clothes than one of her enemies.

"Every girl can be beautiful," reads an advertisement. Yes, but suppose she is broke?

The gyroscope stops the rolling of ships, but nothing seems to stop the rolling of cigarets.

Our idea of being out of work is whe the having a job figuring what is made by cussing the weather.

Everything comes to him who

MAKE YOUR MOTHER PROUD OF YOU, MY BOY

By REV. W. W. VANDERHOFF, D. D. In this changing world of show and noise Be a leader of the other boys, With a character upright and strong Lead them toward the right and from the wrong; Strive to influence all of them for good, Be a blessing in your neighborhood; Do not any by your play annoy Make your mother proud of you, m boy,

Whether at your work, or at your play, Make the most and best of every day Work worth doing is worth doing well, Always careful be the truth to tell, And remember, too, that honesty, Is by far, the wisest policy; From your life cut out all sins allay. Make your mother proud of you, my boy,

Never touch the poisoned cigarette, That for drink your appetite would whet; No tobacco use in any form, Though temptations round you thickly swarm, Wisely every sinful habit shun Be a sober, worthy, grateful son; Let bad habits not your life destroy, Make your mother proud of you, my boy.

Study hard, make friends with useful books, Through a students life untempting looks; Study best prepares a boy for life In this world of hustle, bustle, strife If you here would ever hope to rise School and college you should not despise; Wisely you should all your time employ, If you would success in life attain,

Work and study with both might and main, Heed your mother's counsels, kindly given, Make sure work to meet her up in heaven. For whatever others may pretend, Mother is your dearest earthly friend; Strive to give her daily, constant joy, Make your mother proud of you, my boy.

Newark, N. J.



Nothing agrees with a grouch, not even what he eats.

One serious mistake was making two of the hottest months of the year have 31 days each.

"Flies talk," says a London sci-tist. Well, tell them to go swat entist. themselves.

Lots of these blooming straw hats have gone to seed.

Strange things happen. In Chicago, a woman arrested as a pickpocket claims she has never been married.

Mosquito lotion is great stuff. It makes them fat and lazy so they are easy to hit.

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IN THE BAGGAGE COACH AHEAD.

On a dark, stormy night as the train rattled on,
all the passengers had gone to bed
Except one young man with a babe on his arm,
Who sat there with a bowed down head.
The innocent one began crying just then as though its poor heart would break.
One angry man said "Make that child stop its noise,
For it's keeping all of us awake,"
"Put it out." said another. "Don't keep it in here.
We've paid for our berths and want rest,"
But never a word said the man with the child
As he fondled it close to his breast.

child
As he fondled it close to his breast.
"Where is its mother? Go, take it to
her,"
This a lady then softly said.
"I wish that I could," was the man's sad
reply.
"But she's dead in the coach ahead."
Chorus.
While the train rolled onward a husband
sat in tears.
Thinking of the happiness of just a few
short years.
For baby's face brings pictures.
Of a cherished hope that's dead,
For baby's cries can't waken her, in the
basgage coach ahead.

Every eye filled with tears, when the story he told
Of a wife that was faithful and true. He told how he'd saved up his earnings for years
Just to build up a home for two;
How when Heaven had sent them this sweet little bake
Their young happy lives were blessed. His heart seemed to break when he mentioned her name
And in tears tried to tell them the rost. Every woman arose to assist with the child.
There were mothers and wives on that train,
And soon was the little one sleeping in

thought of sorrow or pain-y at the station he bade all good-

bye,
"God bless you," he softly said.
Each one had a story to tell in their

homes the baggage coach ahead.

TOUCH OF SOR-I COULD NOT CALL HER MOTHER ROW BY GRAVE Georgia Dead Stranger Given a Christian
Funeral While Men Who Had
Never Seen or Known Him
Shed Tears of Sympathy. She is a fair, young creature,
With meek and gentle air,
With blue eyes soft and loving
And silken sumy hair;
I know my father gives her.
The love he bore another,
But if she were an angel,
I could not call her mother. Simple but touching was the fu-Last night I heard her singing A song I used to love neral service yesterday afternoon for A song I used to love
When its sweet notes were uttered
By her who sings above;
It pained my heart to hear it
And my tears I could not smother,
For every word was hallowed
By the dear voice of my mother, Mr. H. G. Myers, the man who died at a local hospital, a strnager with-It ont friends here and leaving only an aged and blind mother in Pensacola. They've taken her old picture
From its accustomed place
And hung besides my father's
A fairer, younger face.
They've made her dear old chamber
The dwelling of another,
But if she were an angel;
I could not call her mother, Failing to make arrangements for interring the body at any other place Messrs, H. W. Owen and J. V. Futch, of Jacksonville, decided to leave the body here. The dead man was their business associate, and they had My father is in the sunshine
Of happy days to come,
May half forget the shadows
That darkened our old home,
His heart is no more lonely,
But me and little brother
Must still be orphaned childrenGod gives us but one mother, found him to be clean and straight, and before they left these two men arranged for the funeral. The casket was borne to Sunset Unlis Vartiter Dr Hill cemetery late yesterday after-THE OLD STAGE BOAD.

It was long ago, but the young leaves glowed

In their sun-gilt-den by the mountain noon, accompanied by a number of Vaidosta men who laid aside their business cares to be present and aswhen the bee swung on from his black-berry bloom.

When the partridge rose with a hollow boom.

And the rabbit peeped with his eyes, ashine.

And the security is the mountain the partridge rose with a hollow sist in giving to this stranger a Christian funeral. The funeral was in charge of The Ousley Co., and when the casket was removed from And the squirrel jeered from the bough o' pine.

And the thrush broke short in his half-trilled song.

As the grand red stage coach joited along The old route over the mountain. the hearse there was but a single floral offering, sent by two business associates who came to Valdosta at their own expense to look after their And the bride rode there in her bashful And the bride rode there in her bashful grace, with sweet-pea colors upon her face, With sweet-pea colors upon her face, With bonnet wide as a glory flower, Her loud heart shaking its silken bower, Under the gaze of her tender groom, Like a humming-bird guarding his illac bloom;
And the air came fresh on the warm pink cheek,
And gay was the swing and the jolt and creak
Of the stage coach over the mountain. fellow worker. Dr. J. E. Parker of the First Methodist church, had charge of the 6 service, and before the casket was lowered, Dr. Parker took occasion to make a few remarks. He spoke of the certainty of death and the with his wife a-beating her turkey fan, Fluffy and proud as that fowl long dead when he blushed and bridled with portly tread;

And there the journeyman preacher bent, His thin lips feasting on argument, the deacon's quavering note grew shrill. And there rode the grim-lipped, slient unknown hereafter and the faithfulness of the two friends who had come from another state to see that a fellow worker was given a Christian burial. The minister spoke of the fact that busy business men had With foreordination and man's free wil In the stage coach over the mountain stepped aside from the marts of trade for a time to show attention It was long ago when the loud wheels passed:
Now thrushes may tinkle their chimes to the last, to one they had never seen, or never heard of before. From this the No nothing troubles the wood-thrush lone,
The squirrel nibbles the seeds of his cone,
The nighthawk ruffles his breast in the
sand,
The white birch leans with her silver
wand,
And elfins lighten the brambles' long,
And the clover blooms in the gullied road,
The old route over the mountain, minister briefly drew a beautiful lesson-the humanity of mankind and business although these did not know the of Valdosta dereased, God knew him and knew those who were offering their kindly And long ago at the end of its route.

The stage pulled up and the folks stepped out.

They have all passed under the tavern door attentions on such an occasion. He also pointed what a comfort it would door
The youth and his bride, and the gray threescore.
Their eyes were weary with dust and gleam.
The day had gone like an empty dream.
Soft may they slumber, and trouble no more.
For their eager journey, its jolt and roar, On the old route over the mountain!
—IRENE PUTNAM. be the aged and blind mother in another state to know that her son, dead among strangers was given such care and attention, and that his body would repose in a last resting loss place that would always be cared for 1 25 and kept in order. It was a sweet-ly tolemn service, and when it was concluded and the casket had reach-Don't Trouble Trouble ed its last resting place, in a voice cheked with emotion Mr. Owen ex-(By James Edward Hungerford) pressed his thanks and apprecia- ereck If you don't trouble trouble, it won't trouble you, tion of the attention given his dead Just sidestep the worries and frets; There's plenty of things that are pleasant to do associate and before the benediction was pronounced there was not a dry That leave no remorse or regrets.

If the state of the hives where the trouble bees buzz,

They're not to be wandered among;

or if you go there you will kick up a eye around the last resting place of the stranger, but human hearts had been drawn closer together. Dy / 111 ward of tanfor fuss, And beat a retreat badly stung, It was midnight on the ocean,
Not a street car was in sight
The sun was shining bright
And it rained all day that Don't go where the croakers are croaking "hard times"
And forecasting troubles to come;
They'll keep you from harvesting dollars and dimes,
And put all your hopes on the bum!
Don't go where they're moaning and groaning and blue,
And seeing disaster ahead,
Because if you do, they'll put skids under you,
And knock all your ambition dead! 20 T'was a summer day in winter And snow flakes fell like g A barefoot boy with shoes on Stood sitting in the grass, glass. Twas evening and the rising sun Was setting in the west, And the little fishes in the trees Were huddling in their nests, The rain was poring down
And the moon was shining bright,
And everything that you could see
Was hidden out of sight. While the organ peeled potatoes Lard was rendered by the choir, As the sexton rang the dishrag Someone set the church on fire, Steer clear of the crowd that is wailing of woe,
And bluer than indigo ink;
Where trouble is brewing, be wise and don't go—
Or it will put you on the blink!
This world is a good place to live in and be. "Holy smokes," the preacher cried, in the rain he lost his hair, Now his head resembles heaven For there is no parting there. THE LITTLE DRUMMER. and be,

If you will just hold to that view,
And don't trouble trouble, but only
good see—
Old Trouble will not trouble you. If I could play in a big brass band
I would play on the big bass drum,
And ey'ry time that the band would play
You'd hear it go boum, boum, boum! Little Town Do steel low & Thre chonga

What, atpungers? you never heard tell of Barney, the Hero Jake Inde, of the Lucky "George," has Inde, of the Lucky "George," has Inde and in the east, my non, not present any to the year of their spun, of Jakey Dale and the race he won in the year of the big les gorge. There goes the bugle, Boys; it's half-past five. Where is Captain Google-Is he still alive? o March to the spring of '81, the giver broke at Pierra, come ranting down on the Heed ye the hero, We must win the day, For it's Barney's orders For all to obey. She marked to on the Yankton gas Which I racken won know is some An' she covered the bottoms here. "Every man at his post!"
Comes the short command.
"Catch me faithful Spark Plug.
The best horse in the land!" The "Goorge" was hitched on the city bar Closs up by the railroad track.
When the row hapan we fixed her strong When the row hapan we fixed her strong She'd o' taken as sore o' soil along if ane'd dragged in the grindle pack. Sure it was a job
To catch this noble steed,
For no one could rob
Old Sparky of his speed. But along one night the drift-fee atepThe flood run clear as June.
For the stuff had janomed in Hagin's
Lond.
An' thought an' screamed like a wild
at the sight of the cold March moon. There were a million horsemen Trying to run him down; Sparkey never stopped Till he reached a German town. Yeh see that pint acrost the har With the riffle o' shoal below? Well, that's where the widow o' ole Buck Once't had a ciaim an' a drift-wood shack Where she lived an' slaved with her young un pack.

All which was some time ago. Through the German army
He busted up their line—
Kicked half a thousand
Back into the Rhine. Ha, ha! Well, we on the "George" had tumbled out out out the fam was wild—
When we heard a cry through the Whickin' night;
An' there on the pint, in the pale moonlight.
A wavin' an' vellin' with all her might.
Stood Buck Slack's youngest child. Barney now rode Man o' War, Sparky's old guide; When it came to kicking, He was always at his side. Sparky gave a neigh— Every horse rared back. Ha, haf Then I saw "flying Dutchmen" Going down the track. An' we knowed, without darin' to say the word.

They was tripped for the Great Unknown.
For the gorge had slapped the current round
An' cut 'em off from the higher ground
An' the hand that could save 'em from Was the hand of God slone. Sparky's noble kicking Surely won the day. For his feed that night He ate a ton of hay. When all at once we heard a yell,
An' down 'cross the willow bank,
A' layin' a course that was skeercely
anug,
Came Jakey Dale, with his whisky jug,
As drunk as the mate of a log raft tug
An' aswearin' somethin' rank. Barney cut a caper—
"I'm bound for yonder boat,
Now, get my Woodman paper
From my old khaki coat!" rust-chawed fragments o' junk," Sparky heard the orders
And brought the paper nigh;
Now Sparky and Mrs. Google
Sure are living high.
—MAUDE CALHOON. Now what do you think you've found?
A-standin' round on this old blige tank
Like a bunch o' frogs on a floatin' plank;
Bu yeh looking' for gold in yon' cutbank?
An' then he heerd that sound. Clarinda, Ia. As quick as the jump of a piston-rod
He was over the wheel-box guard;
An'- before we could figger on stoppin'
He had sinshed the falls from the long
boat's rim Hender Va son V The Man Who Is Doing An' was out past the slush o' the chan-nel's brim, A-pullin' quick an' hard. His Best (By James Edward Hungerford)
No matter how little he's getting,
No matter how little he's got,
If he wears a grin, and is trying to He sidled his tub through that rippin' fiume,
While we stood on the "George" an' swore.
The boy was loony with raw corn gin,
But he reckoned his course to the width of a plin,
Ran straight to the eddy and clamed her in
An' staggered himself ashore, win, Will,
He is doing a mighty lot.
No matter how humble his job is,
If he's striving to reach the crest,
The world has a prize for the fellow Car 0. Now, stranger, I want to ask you flat,
If a man with his head-piece right
Would a' piled eight folke in that skiff's
inside
For a haif-mile pull through that millrace tide
And think to land safe at the end o' the
ride?
Well, Jake Dale did that night. who tries-The man who is doing his best!
Today he may be at the bottom
Of the ladder to wealth and fame; h On the lowest rung, where he's bravely clung,
In spite of the knocks—dead game!
And slowly he's gaining a foothold,
His eyes on the uppermost round;
It's a hard old climb, but he knows in oll When he shoved her off from the gumbo pint
She reeled like a sawyer snag.
Then the current caught her along the beam
An' she whirled around and shot down stream.
With the foam from her bow like a cloud o' steam.
As fast as a red-tail stag. time He will land—and be looking down!
The fellow who never surrenders,
And is taking things as they come,
Who never says "quit" and exhibits Good Lord, the fright in them children's cries!
It curdled a feller's blood,
Them river men ain't a prayerful race,
But that night more'n one sort o' hid his face grit When the whole world's looking That nothing can hinder or stop,
And who works like sin, is the chap
who'll win—
And some day he'll land on top! An' sent up a plea to the Throne o' Grace To guide them through the flood. An' then that gorge set up a roar
That shook the solid ground;
The sort that splits your ears in two
When a side-wheel packet drops a flue,
And blows six bilers amongst her crew,
An' cooks them that ain's drowned. The Common Touch She was breakin' loose like an avalanche Slipped free on a mountain side. Jake Dale turned 'round an' gave one look An' read the truth like a printed book; Then beut to his oars 'till the keel-post By Edgar A. Guest I would not be too wise-so very wise shook
An' pulled for the "George's" side. That I must sneer at simple songs and creeds, And let the glare of w To humble people and their humble needs. Till the painter floated free.
With blinded eyes and drippin' skin
He fought for the race he had set to win for Like a soldier fights, till the ice rolled in
An' ground against her lee. I would not care to climb so high that I But he'd got her up to ropin' range
An' we hauled her to the rail,
When he'd landed the last one, safe and
sound,
Jake followed, an' says, as he looked
around:
"You fellers fetch out that jug you
found,
I'm as dry as the Mormon Trail." Could never hear the children at their play, Could only see the people passing by, Yet never hear the cheering words they say. I would not know too much-too much to smile Well, stranger, that there is the yarn o' Jake.
Jake Dale o' the "Lucky George."
He wasn't no saint with a gilt-edged crown;
His language would shatter a church steeple down;
He'd a thirst in his throat that nothing could drown.
An' a fist like a blacksmith's forge. At trivial errors of the heart and hand, Nor be too proud to play the friend the while, And cease to help and know and understand. I would not care to sit upon a throne, Or build my house upon a mountain top, But all the same, he'd a Christian soul If he hadn't the Christian creed. An' a better heart, by a blame long shot, Than some plous folks that brag a lot on saving their souls, but haven't got No time for their brother's need. Where I must dwell in glory all alone And ever friend come in or poor man stop. God grant that I may live upon this earth, An' I reckon the Lord has found a place in the skingdom o' the Lamb Fer the man that cast his own fears by An' showed that he wasn't afeard to die Fer the sake of a frightened baby's cry, That night o' the big ice jam. And face the tasks which every morning brings, And never lose the glory and the worth Of humble service and the simple things. -From All That Matters

PROMOTED (By James Edward Hungerford)

Since of Hawley's been promoted, somehow things don't seem the same;
Of place 'pears so kind o' empty—somethin' gone that's hard to name;
There's his desk just like he left it, ev'rything so spick an' span;
Ev'rything so right an' proper—he was just that kind o' man;
There's his of cob pipe up yonder, in that left hand pigeon hole;
There's his match box, where he faid it, an' his clay tobacco bowl;
There his sleevelets, an the eyeshade that he used to always wear,
An' the office coat he'd fetched with him from 'way back east, somewhere;
Yep, he's gone, but still there lingers bout that battered desk o' his,
Somethin' so just like of Hawley—can't explain just what it is. Since of Hawley's been promoted, boys don't have so much to say; Kind o' seems as though words left us, when of Hawley went away; He was one o' those quiet fellers, who don't say much from the start, But just kind o' worms his way into most ev'rybody's heart; Now an' then he'd tell a story in a voice so droll an' dry. That we'd hold our sides an' holler, 'til the tears 'ud blind our eye! Wasn't so much at the stories, or the things they were about. As the droll, amusin' way that cuss 'ud sort o' let 'em out! Had that winnin' way about him—kind o' hard to make it plain, But we'd all be mighty happy to have Hawley back again. Since of Hawley's gone an' left us, there's a lot more work to do, For somehow he'd hold his own job, an' he'd help us hold ours, too! Never cared how hard the work was, or how lofty loomed the pile; Never stopped to kick or grumble—just went at it with a smile! Used to say, "Don't fret, now, fellers, ev'rything'll come out right!" An' those cheerin' words—God bless 'im—used to heartin' us a sight! Golly, how we fellers mourn him—how we miss his homely face; No one ever can replace him in out hearts, or fill his place! Don't know just what job he landed—can't say what he gained in pay; Guess of Hawley have to tell us—when we meet on Judgment Day. Butterne WITHOUT MOTHER! THE HELPLESS MAN "Last night I dreamed I'd died," The lines of Marie Galbraith are said she, full of the loneliness of the life and "Passed from this world and trouthe emptiness of the home "Without ble-free; mother." And getting up to Heaven's gate I was received in royal state. 'Come in and rest,' St. Peter said, "It's awful lonesome at our house 'Thout mother; 'Poor, weary wife be comforted, Come in and put your cares away.' It's just as quiet as a mouse Thout mother. 'No, no' said I, 'I must not stay.' An' father looks so lonely there Of evenin's, sittin' in his chair; " 'What troubles you?' he asked and? It just ain't cheerful anywhere smiled. 'Thout mother! 'At last you've come to Heaven, child!' "It's awful hard to get along la 'I know,' I said, 'and I am proud 'Thout mother; To think in here I'd be allowed. It seems that everything goes wrong But back to earth please let me go Thout mother. My helpless husband needs me so; 'Course, father does the best he can; Since first I took his wedding ring But then, you know, he's just a man, He hasn't found a single thing. An' don't know how to fix an' plan Like mother. "I have to find his shoes and spats His overcoats and ties and hats; "Seems like I don't enjoy my play At morn I've passed him out 'Thout mother; hose, Things just get worse every day Where they are 'Thout mother! kept he never knows There's no one now to mend my doll, And were they right beneath Nobody's sorry when I fallhis O, home, just ain't no place at all He'd never see them. When he goes 'Thout mother! Upon a little business trip "But father says we must be brave I must be there to pack his grip. 'Thout mother; "'Poor man, he'll quickly come 'Cause him an' me, we only have One 'nother. grief An' if we're brave, an' strong, an' He cannot find his handkerchief. In vain about the house he'll look true An' good, just like she told us to, For his pajamas on the hook; We'll go up home, when life is For thirty years I now assert through, to mother!" I've put the buttons in his shirt. Without me now, I'm asking you Whatever will my husband do?" 38 Vas Jan chtone Stuife De To # 1 gh Swigham 1 50 2 31 Mr. Van obtone Va Strife to Jo + Mrs Sing ham a 2/- 1 00 8/1 - Mishin a 2/- 112 12 2 12 Bryant Edmendson Raife 2. 5 gas Anshin 22 - 2 1 Px Boyr Shees

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