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the esft white forehead, the hair that vas smoothed from it and lay in curls
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was gone. was gone.
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looked till the white form folded 2 anay looked till the white form folded a way
in the midst of our tears. We did not attempt to go away. By-and.by the to each otber, were bending over the cradle, and gazing into the face of the
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them they are not your words at all, only Gods wordas which come from anwords of the Lord Jesus came up,
"Suffer little children to come anto Me." I softly repeated them, adding and he has gone to Jesus. ${ }^{\text {P }}$,
Then rame deep sobs and the tears fell like rain-drops. "Yes," said John, when we watched tis ebbing life. He was breathing heavily, and the straige knew that his end was near, It was was very still. We seemed to be hear childrea to eame unto Me. 'And now he is going," we whispered one to the other, as we set alone with our boy.

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| was still. Our darling was gone awas | We knelt beside the cradle, and the peaceful departure and the blessed hope that was in it. We told the Master how glad we bad been over the gift of

our boy-how we had given him from his first breath to God. How we pray ed for grace and help to bear this one frst and deepest sorrow 1 was very deep. A little while ago, Lesme in the door from the street, and as loaw the bound it, vy heart in its agoany called his name, tillu broke with diesppoint ment because it got - nnswer, $B u t$ itDECELTBER 16, 1876.

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