



Yours truly
Thomas Briggs

THE JOYS AND SORROWS OF A POOR, OLD MAN.

Our hero was born in Edinburgh, in the year 1828. Of his parentage little is known, except that his father was in some way connected with the army. He had no recollection of either his father or mother, for he seemed to have been turned out upon the world a bare-headed and a bare-

footed boy. The first kind attention he recollected to have received from any human being was from a gentleman in Scotland, whose little son had fallen overboard from a skiff, and our hatless and shoeless boy had plunged into the water to save him. With this gentleman he had a

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