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At the Cross her station keeping Stood the mournful Mother weeping, Where He hung, the dying Lord; For her soul of joy bereaved, Bowed with angulsh, deeply grieved, Felt the sharp and plerding sword.

Throughout the ages the Passion ha been solemnized in the church and the awful death of the Son of Man nar-rated. The season has been one of rated. The season has been one of fasting and gloom, typifying the sacrifice that was offered up for the human family aimfd scenes that harrow the soul and impress upon sinners the depth of the love the sacred Victim bore them. From the earliest periods it has been kept as a day of mourning and special prayer. In the Roman Catholic church the world over the excesses are of a somewhat peculiar nagreat living sacrifice occurred—but reserved from the preceding day. The priests and acolytes are robed in black, in token of mourning; the altar is stripped of its ornaments; the kiss of peace is omitted, in detestation of that of the traitor Judas; a long series of appeals are recited for all classes, orders, and ranks in the church, as well as for what are termed heretics, schismatics, pagans, and those generally outside the fold: But the most striking part of the ceremonial is the adoration of the cross, or, as it was called in the old English popular vocabulary. "Creeping to the cross." A large crucifix is placed upon the affair in memory of the awful event which it represents, and upon their knees the congregation, with the celebrant, approach and kiss the figure of the crucified One. The Tenebrae is held upon this day, as well as the two preceding ones, consisting of the matins and lauds of the office of Holy Saturday, and has this peculiarity, that at the close all the lights are extinguished except one, which for a time—as a symbol of our Lord's death and burial—is hidden under the altar. The English church solemnly observes the occasion, as do many of the Protestant denominations. The practice of eating hot cross buns—cakes with the emblem expressed upon them—comés down from early Catholic times, but has lost its religious meaning. The dreadful significance of the event, the agony of early Catholic times, but has lost its religious meaning. The dreadful significance of the event, the agony of Gethsemane, the cruel scourging, the crowning with thorns, the nalling to the Tree, the piercing of the spear, all the wounds that He suffered, find their completion in the belief, beautifully expressed in the hymn, that Christ died to set His children free:

O sinner, mark, and ponder well Sin's awful condemnation; Think what a sacrifice it cost To purchase thy salvation; o purchase thy salvation; d Jesus never bled and died, an what could thee and all betide the bitermost damnation?

EXCUSES FOR CRIME. Law is the safeguard of the human weal and the bulwork of prosperous civilization. It has been established by the world's wisest men and has guided their actions, and the actions of their fellows since the beginning of recorded time. All crime or breach of law, whether human or divine, is, as a great prevailing rule, found out and punished. The criminal is score to r discovered, no matter how secur his hiding place, and he is brought be-fore the tribunal of justice as Adam and Eve were brought before God to make answer for their sins. Adam said, "The woman thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat," to excuse himself in the and, "The voman thou gaves to be considered to the control of the control of the subject of the control of the

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AN EASTER SONG. Sing a song of Easter,
A song of happy hours,
Of dashing spray and shallow play,
And lovely springing flowers.
Of birds come home again to build
Beside the cottage eaves,
Of waking buds and rushing floods,
And dance of rustling leaves.

Sing a song of Easter,
A song that means a prayer
Of want and love to One above
Who keeps His world in care;
A song for all on this green earth,
For dear ones passed away,
Sing clear and strong the joyful song,
The song of Easter Day;

Sing a song of Easter,
A song of pure delight,
A song that starts in merry hearts
And swells from morn till night;
An Easter song that children lift
Without a jarring chord,
That thrills afar from star to star
To praise the children's Lord. RESURRECTION.

They are the wilding families,—
Wind-flower, violet, May,—
They rise from the long, long dark
To the ecstasy of day. We scattering troops and kindreds, From out of the stars wind-blown To this way-side corner of space, This world that we call our own.

We of the hedge-rows of Time, We too shall divide the sod; Emerge to the light, and blossom With our hearts held up to God.

King's College, Windsor. nothy Dwight Hunt, who died Whitesborough, N. Y., organ Presbyterian church in Califo

skep lane consequent enormous deficit with which the year is likely to end. As he long as we borrowed money or extracted to impensively from the pockets of the state of the s

The Vancouver and Burrard Inlet Gun Club both held matches at their respective shooting grounds yesterday, when there was a good attendance of sportsmen. Handleap and single matches were shot off.

At the Hotel Vancouver on Thursday evening a meeting of the Provincial Lacrosse Association was held, the respective clubs being represented with the exception of Victoria. This being the case nothing could be done but arrive at the conclusion that the Capital people had withdrawn from the association. In doing so fees due were not paid. shave got the range of it so accurately, one magazine blew up; the outer and inner door of the main magazine and inner door of the main magazine and the whole office and the whole office and the whole office and the whole office and the outbuses were burnt up—everyand the parties of the realish defenders started to sing Knocked 'em in the Old Kent Road amidst the ruins! It would take too long to tell how the soldiers got away from this fort. The admind governing a meeting of the Provincial Ecoses Association was held, the respective clubs being represented with the exception of Victoria. This being the exception of Victoria. This being it was the conclusion that the Capital prophe had withdrawn from the association was held to five at the conclusion that the Capital prophe had withdrawn from the association was held to five at the conclusion that the Capital prophe had withdrawn from the association was held to five at the conclusion that the Capital prophe had withdrawn from the association was held to five at the conclusion that the Capital prophe had withdrawn from the association was held to five at the conclusion that the Capital prophe had withdrawn from the association was held to five at the conclusion that the Capital prophe had withdrawn from the association was held to five at the conclusion that the Capital prophe had withdrawn from the association was a good at the soliders had been as the conclusion that the Capital prophe had withdrawn from the association was a good at the soliders had been as the conclusion that the Capital prophers and the soliders had been as the conclusion that the Capital prophers and the soliders had been as the conclusion that the Capital prophers and the soliders had been as the conclusion that the Capital prophers have bee

s rtim Carlylean strength, little deep pathon, no wild laughter, no botsterousness of any kind. His tales of daring, and there are many, do not thrill and curdle our blood. He was a quiet and friendly writer, so delicate, engaging and graceful, so unconstrained and articestly gay, so simple and touching in his melancholy, that all hugeness, rapidity and vast exottement seem overdrawn and we say: "This is the man who sees things as they are and so describes them." He saw the romance in all things. He detected the dramac of life working themselves out under every roof in the most prosalc of streets. He evidently believed in Ivan Zangwill's judgment, "Never was there more romance than to-day, with its ferment of problems and propaganda, its cosmopolitan movement, its contrasts of wealth and poverty, its shock and interaction of population and creeds, its clash mediaceval and modern." His novels cannot be adjudged to either of the alternatives of the popular classification—novels of adventure and novels of character. In the former the personages are bounding balls of fortune, often with resolution and daring, or some other equipment of very definite qualities, but unexplained and unreflective. They are launched upon the high seas of life where storms and calms successively assault and console them until the tragedy or the wedding ends all. In the latter the souls of the chief personages are psychologically analyzed, their motives dissected and their actions vivisected, the mind is probed and tested in divers ways—the scribe all the while standing near, notebook in hand, to phronicle the squirms and sketch the anatomical revelations. Stevenson, a novelist true to nature, combines these methods, He recognized that a soul has a compound life, like a locomotive with steam inside and rails outside. His heroes were fiesh and blood human beings and not automatons. The lecturer then fliustrated his growth into this knowledge by a comparison of the Wrockers with the Ebb-Tide. Stevenson was neither a realist or an idealist,

It in the treatment of it." Turning to his poetry the lecturer read the ballad of Ticonderoga, which he regarded as the most enjoyable of all his products in verse, and another poem expressing his wish to behold in dying the "hills of home, where about the graves of the martyrs the whaups are crying," and after a few critical comments brought the address to a close by reciting:

A PROPHECY FULFILLED. Not many years ago the late Cardi they or their successors would so, day cross those thirsty plains a preach the Gospel in the streets Timbuctoo. Less than 10 years ha since elapsed. Who that read t which policy it went to the country in 1891?

Does it adhere to the policy of tariff reform which it promised the country two years ago?

Have the business men of the country any guarantee that it will adhere to the policy of protection, on which many of them believe the security of their investments to be founded?

The security and her parents, as may be expected, are warm in their praless of the worderful remedy which worked such great results. These facts are known to all who are acquainted with the family and further comments are wholly unand further comments are wholly unand further comments are wholly unand further comments as these can work with all classes.

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within the sheadow of Timbuctoo's mosques as in the streets of Algiers? The impossible has happened. There are scores of white men in the famous town, which, up to January, 1893, only four or five distinguished Europeans had ever seen, and then at the peril of their lives. There are French forts with guns pointed out over the desert whence the nomad Tuaregs used to come on their fierce raids; and the upper Niger offers an unimpeded highway to the doors of Timbuctoo. A little later, when Cardinal Lavigerie preached his anti-slavery crusade, and by his eloquence moved several nations to concerted action for the suppression of the export trade and slave raiding in the interior, he said, on the platform of Exeter Hall, that within a score of years the civilized world would free the remotest parts of Africa from the horrors of the slave chase, and that in half that time this crime must be stified in its hotbed, the Congo basin. Who believed the Cardinal's words would come true? The war he preached seemed the work of a century. The white influences that, in a few years, wight he browers to heave were tree. seemed the work of a century. The white influences that, in a few years, might be brought to bear upon inner Africa seemed contemptible in comparison with the deep-rooted and widely-spread evil to be fought. Where were the men who could live in that banful climate and hold in the check the rich and arrogant Arab raiders?

the rich and arrogant Arab raiders? Though wholly unforeseen, the opportunity came, and the men to meet it. The war, which the Congo State would have averted if it could, was forced upon it by the Arabs. The glorious campaign, led by a handful of Belgian officers with a few thousand native soldlers, lasted two years, until every slave raider in the Congo State had been driven out of the country, and across Tanganyika; and the German flag is now flying at Ujiji and other Arab strongholds east of that lake, once the great centres of the slaveraiding power. Nothing in the last quarter of this certury was so completely unforeseen, or seemed so incredible when predicted, as this wonderful march of events in Africa.



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