## The Day of Silence

Burden had a loud, deep voice; whether he spoke angrily or gently, he could be heard all over the house and out in the court. Impossible for the family to discuss anything in private. But, like all their neighbors, they accepted such a state of things as a matter of course. Everybody knew all about everybody else; the wonder was when nothing disgraceful came to

listening ears. "Say, Bill," remarked the man, when he had at length sat quietly down to his tea, "how would you like to go in a boat to-morrow afternoon?

'Shouldn't I just !" "Old Four-arf is goin' to have a swim," Burden explained to his wife; "wants me to go with him; and I feel it 'ud do me good, weather like this. Bunker's promised him a boat at Blackfriars Bridge. Shall I take

Mrs. Burden looked uneasy, and answered

"What's the good o' asking when you've spoke of it before the boy?"
"Well, why shouldn't I take him? You might come along, too; only we're a goin' to

strip, up beyond Chelsea."
This was kindness, and it pacified the

couldn't go before six," she said. "What's the job?"

"Orfices near St. Bride's-Mrs. Robins wants 'elp; she sent her Sall over to me this mornin'. It'll be an all-day job; 18 pence

Bloomin' little, too. You ain't fit for it this weather. 'I'm all right."

"No; you ain't. Billy just said as you'd been took bad, an' I can see it in yer eyes. Have a day at 'ome, mother." 'Don't you go fidgetin' about me. Take Billy, if you like; but just be careful. No puttin' of him into the water."
"Tain't likely."

"Cawn't I bathe, dad?" asked Billy.
"Course you cawn't. We're gain to swim
in the middle of the river, Jem Pollock an' me-where it's hawful deep, deep enough to drownd you 50 times over.

'The other boys go bathin'," Billy remon-"Dessay they do," cried his mother; "but you won't-so you know! If you want for to bathe, arst Mrs. Crowther to lend you her washin'-tub, and fill it with water.

That won't do you no 'arm, and I don't mind if you make a bit of a splash, s'long as you don't wet the bed through.' After all, it was a home, a nesting-place of human affections—this attic in which the occupants had scarcely room to take half-adozen steps. Father, mother, and child, despite the severing tendency of circumstances, clung together about this poor hearth, the center of their world. In the strength of their ignorance, they were proof against envy; their imaginations had never played about the fact of social superiority,

which, indeed, they but dimly understood. Burden and his wife would have been glad, now and then, of some addition to the weekly income; beyond that they never aspired. Billy, when he had passed the prescribed grades of school, would begin to earn money; it did not much matter how; only let the means be honest. To that the parents looked forward with anticipation of Bill's first wages! It would warm their hearts to see the coins clutched in his solid little fist. For this was he born, to

It did not enter into their conception of domestic happiness to spend the evening at home, sitting and talking together. They had very little to say; their attachment was not vocal. Besides, the stifling heat of the garret made it impossible to rest here until the sun had long set. So, when tea was finished, Billy ran down again into the street to mingle with his shouting comrades; Mrs. Burden found a seat on the doorstep, where she dozed awhile, and then chatted with bare armed women; and Solomon sauntered forth for his wonted stroll "round the 'ouses." At ten o'clock the mother took a jug to the neighboring beer-house and returned with a "pot"—that is to say, a quart—of "four ale," which she and Solomon drank for supper. The lad was lying sound asleep on his mattress, naked but for the thin shirt which he wore day and night; the

weather made bed-clothes a superfluity. Saturday morning showed a change of sky. There were clouds about, and a wind blew as if for rain. At half-past six Solomon was ready to start for work; Billy still slept, and the parents subdued; their voices lest they should wake him.

"If it's wet." said Mrs. Burden, "you

won't go on the river, will you?"
"Not if it's thorough wet. Leave the key with Billy, and if we go you'll find it on the top of the door."

He set forth as usual; as he had done any day these eight years, since their marriage. Word of parting seemed unnecessary. He just glanced round the room, and with bent head passed on to the landing. His wife did not look after him; she was cutting bread and butter for Billy. Solomon thought only of the pleasant fact that his labor that day ended at one o'clock, and that in the afternoon he would perhaps have a swim. Mrs. Burden, who had suffered a broken night, looked forward with dreary doggedness to ten hours or more of scrubbing and cleaning, which would bring in 18 pence. And little Billy slept the sleep of healthy childhood.

By midday the clouds had passed, and the heat of the sun was tempered; broad light and soft western breeze made the perfection of English summer. This Saturday was one of the golden days of a year to be long re-

When he came home from work, Solomon found Billy awaiting him all eagerness. They went up to the attic, and ate some dinner which Burden had brought in his pocket—2 pennyworth of fried fish and potatoes, followed by bread and cheese. A visit to the public house, where Billy drank from his father's pewter, and they were ready to start for Blackfriar's Bridge, where Solomon's friend, Jem Pollock-affectionately known by the name of his favorite liquor, "Four-half"—had the use of a boat belonging to one Thomas Bunker, a lighter-It was not one of the nimble skiffs in which persons of a higher class take their pleasure upon the Thames, but an ungainly old tub, propelled by heavy oars. Solomon and his triend, of course, knew that the tide would help them upwards; it wanted about an hour to flood. He was a jovial fellow, this Jem Pollock, unmarried, and less orderly in his ways of life than Sol Burden; his nickname did him no injustice, for whenever he had money he drank. A kindly temper saved him from the worst results of this bibulous habit; after a few quarts of ale he was at his best, and if he took more it merely sent him to sleep. When Solomon and Billy found him on the stairs at the merely sent him to sleep. When Solomon and Billy found him on the stairs at the south side of the bridge he had just taken his third pint since dinner, and his red, pimply face beamed with contentment.

"Come along there!" he roared from be-

"Brought that bloomin' big son of yours for ballast, Sol?"

He can steer, can Bill." "He can steer, can Bill."
"He won't 'ave a chawnce. There ain't no bloomin' rudder on this old ship."
Billy stepped into the boat, and his father followed: but their friend was not yet ready to depart. The cause of his delay appeared when a lad came running down the stairs

with a blg jar and a tin mug.

"You don't s'pose I'm a goin' without a drop o' refreshment." Pollock remarked. "It's water. this is; the best supplied by the Lambeth Water Company. I've took the

This primitive facetiousness helped them merrily off. Billy sat in the stern; the men

merrily off. Billy sat in the stern; the men each took an oar; they were soon making good way toward Westminster.

Their progress was noisy; without noise they could not have enjoyed themselves. The men's shouts and Billy's shrill pipe were audible on either bank. Opposite the Houses of Parliament they exchanged abusive pleasantries with two fellows on a barge; bellowing was kept up until the barge; bellowing was kept up until the whole distance between Lambeth Bridge and that of Westminster taxed their lungs. At Vauxhall Jem Pollock uncorked his jar and poured out a mugful of tawny ale, vastly to the boy's delight, for Billy had persisted in declining to believe that the vessel contained mere water. All drank. Solomon refused to let Billy have more than half a mug; to the scorn of Jem Pollock, who maintained that four-ale never did anything but good to man, woman, or babe.

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beyond the capacity of the hall to contain. Many had to go away. Next day the proceedings were resumed at Dashwood, where morning, afternoon and evening meetings were held. Some excellent music and singing were features of the evening's entertainment. Addresses were delivered by Mr. A. G. Gilbert, of the Ottawa Experimental Farm; Mr. Kernighan, of Clinton; Mr. McLean, of Seaforth; Mr. Weismiller and Mr. John McMillan. The latter named gentleman spoke with his old time force and fluency and received a perfect ovation from his constituents, in whose hearts the popular member has evidently a stronghold. The playing of the Zurich string band was much above the ordinary. A clever reading by Mr. McLean entitled "Bill and the Widow" created great aughter. The addresses by Messrs. Gilpert and Weismiller were much thought of,

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ments of the public service. That the existing tariff, founded upon an unsound principle and used as it has been by the Government as a corrupting agency, wherewith to keep themselves in office, has developed monopolies, trusts and combina-

It has decreased the value of farm and other landed property; It has oppressed the masses to the en-

richment of the few; It has checked immigration; It has caused great loss of population;

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That to that end, the tariff should be reduced to the needs of honest, economical and efficient government

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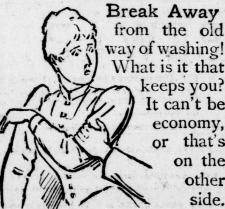
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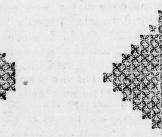
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