What Does Baby Think ?

BY J. G. HOLLAND. What is the little one thinking about ? Very wonderful things, no daubi : Unwritten history! Unfathomed mystery!

Yet he laughs and cries, and eats and drinks, And chuckles and crows, and node and winks. As if his head were as full of kinks And curious riddles as any sphinx. Warped by colic and wet by tears. Punctured by pins and tortured by fears; Our little nephew will lose two years :

And he'll never know Where the summers go : He need not laugh, for he'il find it so !

Who can tell what a baby thinks? Who can follow the gossamer links By which the manikin feels his way Out from the shore of the great unknown, Blind and wailing and alone. Into the light of day?

Out from the shore of the unknown sea, Tossing in pitiful agony-Of the unknown sea that reels and rolls. Speckled with the barks of little souls, Barks that were launched on the other side, And slipped from heaven on an ebbing tide!

What does he think of his mother's eyes? What does he think of his mother's bair ? What of the cradle roof that flies Forward and backward through the air ?

What does he think of his mother's breast, Bare and beautiful, smooth and white, Seeking it ever with fresh delight, Cup of his life and couch of his rest?

What does he think when her quick embrace Presses his hand and buries his face Deep where the heart-throbs sink and swell With a tenderness she can never tell. Though she marmur the words Of all the birds-

Words she has learned to murmur well! Now he thinks he'll go to sleep ! I can see the shadow creen Over his eyes in soft eclipse, Over his brow and over his lips Out of his little finger-tips : Softly sinking, down he goes ! Down he goes! Down he goes! See! He is hushed in sweet repose

The Best Fun.

"How?" "Where?" "What is it?" asked several eager voices all at once.

out first knocking him down."

" See here," said Charlie N --- , " I'll tell you the best fun."

"What is it?" again inquired several at a wood-saw ?"

"I have," " So have I," answered three of a wood-saw for ?" " You shall see," replied Charlie. " It is al-

minutes, and then I'll show you the fun."

The boys separated to go on their several errands, each wondering what the fun could be, blossom there, how happy would be the results. and what possible use could be made of woodsaws and axes in their play. But Charlie was not only a great favorite with them all, but also an acknowledged leader, and they fully believed in him and in his promise. Their curiosity gave and, in the beautiful words of another, I would elasticity to their steps, and they were soon as-

" Now," said Charlie, " Mrs. M - is gone, for I met her when I was coming back; so let's be off at once." "But what are you going to do?" inquired

several impatient members of the party. " You shall see directly," replied the leader, as they approached the humble residence of Mrs.

pile of wood; a man hauled it here this afternoon, and I heard Mrs. M -- tell him that unless she got some one to saw it to-night, she would have hardly anything to make a fire of in the morning. Now, we can saw and split that pile of wood just about as easy as we could build a great snow-man, and when Mrs. M-What say you? Will you do it ?"

with a will.

which always results from well-doing.

The Errand Boy.

Charlie Grey was an errand boy in Mr. Howard's extensive dry goods store. His father was a poor man, whose hard-won earnings havely supplied the wants of his family.

of being a help to his ta ber. The first few weeks at the store he worked bravely, doing everything as well as he knew how. But soon he grew tired of going errands. He had to take long walks; sometimes the bundles were heavy, and he often wished he might stop and see what was going on in the street.

One day he saw a monkey with a hand-organ, Their gay uniforms were very attractive, and Charlie wished he could stay all day and see them drill. There cer ainly would be no harm in stopping for a few minutes; but his few min-any form, when taken into the system, goes forat the store again.

Before he went home that night Mr. Howard took him aside, and tried to show him that the one bad habit he was forming might be his ruin. If he delayed in doing errands, he would be un-

Charlie thought much of his one bad habit before he went to eleep that night, and went to got to ask trod to help him, and went out to battle with the day's temptation in his own

All his good resolutions were forgotten when menageric train passed him that afternoon. Charlie was very fond of animals, and here were many that he had never seen before. The music too was fine, and almost without thinking Charlie followed the train to the place where it was to encamp, and then stopped a little while to see the tents pitched. He was startled when he saw how late it was, and ran back in great haste

Mr. Howard's repreachful look was his only reprimand; but Charlie went home carrying a heavy burden. He saw how this one bad habit would lead to others, until he should be ruined. morning, and did not dare make any others, fearing they might be as easily broken.

"Now, boys, I'll tell you how we can have School teacher told him he would be sure to stead of leaving a bare, protruding, and decaysome fun," said Freddie B-, to his compa- yield to temptation unless he had some one ing stump, beautifully heals up, making a pernions, who had assembled on a beautiful moon- stronger than himself to help him, and that manently sound amputation. light evening, for sliding, snow-balling, and fun God could only deliver him from the snares of

"I heard Widow M -- tell a man a little the wrong and help him to do the right. As looking to the condition of the trees, in this while ago," replied Freddie, " that she would he went to the store the next morning, he made month, it does not meet our assent. We do not go over and sit up with a sick child to-night." no resolution in his own strength, but firmly relieve that it is advisable to prune before the She said she would be over about eight o'clock. trusted in his heavenly Father to guide him it irst growth of the season is completed, because Now, as roon as she is gone, let's go and make the right way. Never after did Charlie rely of the immaturity of the wood, which must proa big snow man on her door-step, so that when merely on his own strength, but trusting in God. duce in the second growth less vigorous shoots, she returns, she cannot get into her house with- he went nobly on in the right way. Will not besides losing, to a large extent, the yield of the boys and girls, remembering how weak they fruit the succeeding year, which is sure to follow " Capital," " First rate," " Hoora," shouted are, ask God to help them to do right ?- Child's judicious shortening in at a later period.

"Love Creates Love,"

Is a saying so common that we forget its worth. "Wait a while," said Charlie. "Who's got Convince a child that you love him, and how easily will he be led to yield to your wishes. Children's hearts are so tender that they can be the boys. "But what in the world do you want much more easily taught to practice those virtues which so beautifully adorn our fallen natures, than when, by contact with the world and most eight o'clock now, so go and get your saws. its host of vanities, they have grown callous and You Freddie and Nathan, get each an axe, and almost unsusceptible of good impressions. If I will get a shovel. Let us all be back in fifteen parents would but strive a little more carnestly to crush out the evil in their children's hearts, and to nurture more tenderly the virtues that They would not only render their children far better and happier, but in blessing would be themselves blessed. Let the atmosphere surrounding these innocent little ones be of love; say to every parent who peruses these lines, Make your children happy." Whatever cares to its pillow. The memory of this, in the stormy years fate may have in store for the little one, will be like Bethelehem's star to the bewildered shepherds. My father, my mother loved me. Lips parched with the world's fever will become dewy again at this thrill of youthful memories. Kiss your little child before it goes " Now, boys," said Charlie, " you see that to sleep .- Religious Herald.

Cemperance.

the Rumseller."

Riding in the cars. I heard behind me a shrill comes home from her watching, she will be full voice exclaim: " Would to God that the Maine as much surprised to find her wood sawed, as Law could have passed fifty years ago!" We she would to find a snow-man on her door-step, turned to find an old lady on the seat back of and a great deal more pleasantly surprised, too. us venturing her wish in the midst of an earnest discussion between a Maine Law Yankee and a One or two of the boys rather demurred at red-nosed member of the bottle fraternity. first. They didn't like to saw wood, they said. "Yes," continued the old lady, " fifty years But the majority were in favour of Charlie's pro- ago! A nusband would not have gone down ject ; so they finally joined in and went to work to a drunkard's grave, my daughters have married drunkards and lived lives of sorrow, or my boy " I'll go around to the back of the shed," said have died in jail and the madhouse Look a Charlie, " and crawl through the window and me," and with something of a fire kindling up in unfasten the door. Then we'il take turns in saw- her old eyes, she laid her bony hand upon the ing, splitting, and carrying in the wood; and I arm of the liquor-dealer, " and see the fruit of want to pile it up real nice, and to shovel all the your accursed business. I was young, and had snow away from the door; and a good wide enough of this world's goods, and my heart was path, too, from the door to the street-won't it full of happiness and hope. My God ! sir, how be fun, when she comes home and sees it?" they have poured desolation into this old heart! The boys began to appreciate the fun, for they I am often bitter, and do you wonder? Such felt they were doing a good deed, and individu- as you robbed me of my children, and at eight; ally experienced that self-satisfaction and jo) years of age, I am alone? Do you hear-alone! which always results from well-doing.

And let me tell you this hand never wronged the least of God's creatures. But you, sir, have robust and healthy boys, to saw, split, and pile wronged me. You, sir, talk about the domicile. up the poor widow's half-a-cord of wood, and and say it is sacred. God forgive me, but 1 to shovel a good path. And when it was done, remember the day when my home was entered so great was their pleasure and satisfaction, that by the constable and skinned of all. I rememone of the boys who objected to the work at first, proposed that they should go to a neighbouring carpenter's shop (where plenty of sha- when my first-born was laid in my arms from a vings could be had for the carrying away), and drunken husband's han ls, and its little life-blood each bring an armful of kineling wood. The ran warm into my besom from its wounds. proposition was readily acceded to, and this done, they repaired to their several homes, all of them more than satisfied with the "fun" of the weary evening. And next morning, when the min my house to rob and kill. Was that conevening. And next morning, when the widow stitutional? I have one child living—in the asyreturned from watching by the sick-bed, and saw what was done, she was pleasantly surprised; and afterwards, when a neighbour (who had, unphasewed, witnessed the labour of the have a millstone around your neck than sell in unphasewed, witnessed the labour of the have a millstone around your neck than sell in uniform as to its worderful effects in the uniform as to it unobserved, witnessed the labour of the boys); rum. The curse of the widow be upon you! It is uniform as to its wonderful effects in increasing the productiveness of their clay lands. "God'bless the boys," was, of itself, it they shall return to you and yours. Give me that

very embodiment of humiliation and abams A BOTT 1. E . 1 WGI. 1. Y's With a deep sigh we turned away, our own faith made stronger by the Maine Law sermon we had listened to. Ah ! bow many in our land would Charlie was very much piezeed with the idea shave escaped the bitternessof life, had rum teen banished in their day !

Alcohol in the Brain.

Not uncommonly we see very promising ouths, who have shown great brilliancy of mind, and strength and energy of character, commence drinking (moderately, to be sure) at the early age of twelve; perhaps they take beer more the very funniest of fuony monkeys. Charlie frequently than anything else, but as they apwas delighted with his antics, and thought he must stop just a minute to watch it; but it was changed,—they become dull, almost stupid, and changed,—they become dull, almost stupid, and their more than half an hour before he remembered have lost all the energy they once showed. Their the many bundles waiting for him at the store.

Own hopes, as well as those of their friends, are natures, but confines itself with great mo own hopes, as well as those of their friends, are natures, but confines itself with great mo own hopes, as well as those of their friends, are The next day the Horse Guards were out. thus disappointed, for the former integrity of any form, when taken into the system, goes forutes counted more than an hour before he was ward not to assist in nourishment, but to deteriorate the tiesues of the brain, and unfit them Lately it has found its way to the Coast of Arfor performing their offices in a healthy manner.

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curative powers as a specific for Asiatic Cholera. for performing their offices in a teaching to the state of the property of the state of the compact of the state of the st ed; and if he could not be trusted he would lose responding growth in activity and power. If, in this transitionary period we submit it to the influences of so unnatural an agent as alcohol, we should expect it to be in some way diverted from its natural growth. We may not check to be very faithful in all his duties. But he forparent plant has been supplied with improper nourishment,-the fruit is large and developed, but of a quality too poor for use .- Professor Phelps, M.D.

Agriculture.

Summer Pruning. The Germantown Telegraph, very good auth

ority in matters pertaining to fruit-culture, makes the following suggestions in reference to sum mer-pruning :

We have long been in favor of the summerpruning of 'ruit-trees, of all sizes. Full twenty years ago we were convinced of its good results. He remembered the good resolutions of the It is advantageous in two ways: First, by shortening in the rapidly growing branches, it proluces fruit spurs for the following year, and He saw no way of escape, and was almost in brings the trees into any desired form. Second, despair, when he remembered that his Sunday when larger limbs are removed, the wound, in-

The period when this pruning should be done s one of prime importance. We see June re-When Charlie thought of this he knelt down commended, while the trees are in their full first and asked God to give him strength to resis. growth. Without having experimented, and In our judgement "summer pruning" should

ake place between the 15th of July and 10th of August-a period when the sap is quiescent and nature is resting awhile from her labors. We speak from our own knowledge of the value of midsummer pruning of trees, large or small.

Grain Cutting.

As recently remarked concerning the hayfield, so of the harvest-field, many farmers are too tardy in getting into it. The mistake made of waiting until the grain is ripe, where as experiments have repeatedly proved that to do this is to it cur much risk and loss. The proper time to cut grain crops is when the berry is jus out of the milk, or as soon as it is hard enough to bear moderate pressure of the thumb nail without breaking. This is usually about ten days before maturity. If harvesting be delayed until the kernels are ripe, there is loss in the weight of the grain, and much waste by its shelling out upon the ground. Fields have sometimes borne a good crop with no other seeding than press, give it a warm good; night kiss as it goes that recieved from what had been scattered duragricultural journal gives an account of an experiment made some years ago with a crop of 50 acres. The bulk of it was cut as here recommended, and weighed 624 lbs to the bushe The remaider, gathered when fully ripe, gave only 58 ibs per bushel. There was a gain of 5,400 libs or about 99 bushels in bulk, and the quality of flour was superior. If to this be added the waste and loss of shelling out, it will be seen that, ordinarily, far more than enough may be saved by early cutting than will pay the entire harvest expenses .- Canada Farmer.

Advantages of Draining.

In his late valedictory address, Edward G. Faile, Esq., as President of the New York Agricultural Society, made the following re marks :-

" From observation of the thorough drainage of land, in which I have had a close persons nterest, I am entirely convinced of the impoance of the subject, and think it cannot be too persistently urged upon the attention of our farmers. I have seen a large meadow of rank coarse grasses intermixed with rushes, which was wet throughout the year, and did not yield even in pasturage, a tithe of the amount of interest on its cost per acre, though drained with tile in the spring and early summer, fallowed, and the following summer yielded a fair crop berley. In another case the land was a swamp, yielding absolutely nothing; and within one year, with thorough drainage, it was made to produce a crop of fifty-four bushels of shelled corn to the acre, which was followed the next season by a good crop of oats, and is now sown to winter wheat which gives extraordinary promise. There are small portions of similar wet land on many thousands of the farms in this state alone, which in the aggregate would make a large tract, now lying waste and useless, a large portion of which could undoubtedly be reclaimed by drainage, and being generally rich, strong soils, made to yield a good interest upon the outlay to the owners, and at the same time add to the healthfulness of the neighbourhoods

could but have heard it, an abundant reward for their labours.

All boys and girls I the best fun is always found in doing something that is kind and useful. This is the Jeliberate opinion of a grayheaded old man; but if you doubt it in the least, just try it for yourselves, and you will be convinced.

All return to you and yours. Give me that bottle I' Involuntarily, as it almost seemed, the liquor dealer handed the old lady the bottle which he held in his hand. She dashed it out of the car-window, and slowly resumed her seat, the people who had crowded around while the train was stopping, to hear the conversation, alowly and thoughtfully dispersed to their seats, the conversation, alowly and thoughtfully dispersed to their seats, the conversation is always and thoughtfully dispersed to their seats, the conversation is always and thoughtfully dispersed to their seats, the conversation is always and thoughtfully dispersed to their seats, the conversation is always and thoughtfully dispersed to their seats, the conversation is always and thoughtfully dispersed to their seats, the conversation is always and thoughtfully dispersed to their seats, the conversation is always and thoughtfully dispersed to their seats, the conversation is always and thoughtfully dispersed to their seats, the conversation is always and thoughtfully dispersed to their seats, the conversation is always and thoughtfully dispersed to their seats, the conversation is always and the conversation is always and thoughtfully dispersed to their seats, the conversation is always and thoughtfully dispersed to their seats, the conversation is always and thoughtfully dispersed to their seats.

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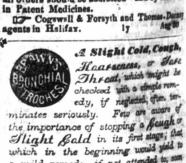
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