

**TIM'S KIT.**

It surprised the shiners and news-boys around the Post Office the other day to see "Limp Tim" come among them in a quiet way and to hear him say:

"Boys I want to sell my kit. Here's two brushes, a hull box of blacking, a good stout box, and the outfit goes for two shillin's."

"Goin' away Tim? queried one.

"Not 'zactly, boys, but I want a quarter the awfulest kind, just now."

"Goin' on a 'scursion?" asked another.

"Not to-day, but I must have a quarter," he answered.

One of the lads passed over the change and took the kit, and Tim walked straight to the counting room of a daily paper, put down the money and said:

"I guess I kin write it if you'll give me a pencil."

With slow moving fingers he wrote a death notice. It went into the paper almost as he wrote it, but you may not have seen it. He wrote:

Died—Lital Ted—of scarlet fever; aged 3 yeres. Funeral to-morrow, gon up to Hevin; left one bruther.

Was it your brother?" asked the cashier.

Tim tried to brace up, but he couldn't. The big tears came up, his chin quivered, and he pointed to the notice on the counted and gasped:

"I—I had to sell my kit to do it, b—but he had his arms aroun' my neck when he d—died."

He hurried away home, but the news went to the boys, and they gathered in a group and talked. Tim had not been home an hour before a bare-footed boy left the kit on the door-step, and in the box was a boquet of flowers, which had been purchased in the market by pennies contributed by the crowd of ragged, but big-hearted urchins. Did God ever make a heart which would not respond if the right chord was touched?

**CONVERSATION BETWEEN ANIMALS.**

The following is interesting in more ways than one. It shows certainly that dogs and pigs can converse together, as well as have affection in common.

A New Zealand paper says;—"There is a dog at Taupo, and also a young pig, and these two afford a curious example of animal sagacity and confidence in the *bona fides* of each other. These animals live at the native path on the opposite side of Tapuacharuru, and the dog discovered some happy hunting grounds on the other side, and informed the pig. The pig, being only two months old, informed the dog that he could not swim across the river, which at that spot debouches from the lake, but that in time he hoped to share the adventures of his canine friend. The dog settled the difficulty. He went into the river, standing up to his neck in the water, and crouched down; the pig got on his back, clasping his neck with his forelegs. The dog then came across, thus carrying his chum over. Regularly every morning the two would in this way go across and forage around

Tapuacharuru, returning to the pah at night; and if the dog was ready to go home before the pig, he would wait till his friend came down to be ferried over. The truth of this story is vouched for by several who have watched the movements of the pair for some weeks past."—From "The Anti-Vivisectionist," April 12th 1879.

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**BAPTISMS.**

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