

OUR SHORT STORY

The Iron of Remorse.

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A course of action which you know to be absolutely foreign to every instinct within you—when you sit down to read about it, after the manner of the young—may be the very thing you will follow when there is no time for reason.

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The Poets.

Into the Twilight. Out-worn heart, in a time out-worn, Come clear of the nets of wrong and right;

Your mother Erin is always young, Dew ever shining and twilight gray;

Come, heart, where hill is heaped upon hill, For there the mystical brotherhood

And God stands winding his lonely horn, And time and the world are ever in flight;

And hope is less kind than the gray twilight, And hope is less dear than the dew of the morn.

The Song of the Old Mother. I rise in the dawn and I kneel and bow Till the seeds of the fire flicker and glow.

And then must I scrub and bake and sweep Till stars are beginning to blink and gleam;

And the young lie long and dream in their bed, Of the matching of ribbon for bosom and head.

And they sigh for the wind but lift a tress; While I must work because I am old, And the seed of the fire gets feeble and cold.

Eternal Me. What an exceeding rest 'twill be When I can leave off being Me!

Done with the varying distress Of retroactive consciousness! Set free to feel the joy unknown

Why should I long to have John Smith Eternally to struggle with?

It would not seem so queer to dwell Eternally John Smith in hell.

But heaven! Rest and power and peace Must surely mean the soul's release From this small labeled entity— This passing imitation!

Boys and Girls. Look Out! [By Mary F. Butts.] Tap! tap! tap Who's at the door? Tap! tap! Tapping o'er and o'er.

The Neighborhood Dog. Following the boys on the heights of Ashland you will always see a mongrel dog of a dirty no color, but wearing a beautiful silver collar.

The boys cannot remember just when they began to notice the dog ever at their heels.

When the stranger first joined them he was driven off with many a kick, cuff and cross word;

Curly Wilson, aged 5, who would have been a nuisance but for Tramp, who kept as good watch over him as the stray balls and missing hats, shoes and coats.

Twice Tramp just escaped the poundman's wagon, and it was then the boys dubbed their pocket-money and bought a leather collar and a license for him, and gave him his name of Tramp.

They took him to the lake for a swim on Saturdays, or when they were too busy to do so they took him to the pond.

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How to Make Tea. For making tea use either a china or earthen pot, which you are never to wash, but clean by scalding.

the boys reached the lake, a very scared, uncomfortable little boy. It was no easy matter to get him out for the boys sank so deep in the mud.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

The Marriage Question.

Says Harper's Bazar: Why men do not marry has been a subject agitating many minds since the Christian world grew away from Oriental traditions.

A statistician has told us that the geographical distance was to be held accountable. He says the trouble is widespread, and that in the United States there are 2,200,000 more unmarried men over twenty than there are unmarried women.

Traveling Gowns. So many brides are married in their traveling gowns now—or their so-called traveling gowns, for they, as a rule, find it necessary to put on a simpler gown to take a journey than the one that is worn during the ceremony.

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