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STRENGTH FOR TODAY.

Strength for today is all that we need,
As there never will be a tomorrow;
For tomorrow will prove but another today,
With its measure of joy and sorrow. Then why forecast the trials of life

With such sad and grave persistence, And wait and watch for a crowd of ills That as yet have no existence? Strength for today; what a precious boon
For earnest souls who labor,
For the willing hands that minister
To the needy friend or neighbor,

Strength for today that the weary hearts
In the battle for right may quall not,
And the eyes bedimmed by bitter tears
In their search for light may fail not.

Strength for today on the down-hill track For the travellers near the valley, That up, far on the other side, Ere long they may safely rally.

Strength for today, that our precious youth May happily shun temptation,
And build from the rise to the ret of the sun
On a strong and sure foundation.

Strength for today, in house and home, To practice forbearance sweetly; To scatter kind words and loving deeds, Still trusting in God completely.

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For tomorrow will prove but another today,
With its measure of joy and sorrow.

A CHOIR SINGER,

BY MADELINE S BRIDGES. Therefare Itwo sides to every question, as the best of reason demonstrates; but Marie Pirot, try as she might, could find only one side to the question of her engagement to Sydney Worth; and that, unfortunately for

the lover, was the negative side. Sydney, on his part, being a man, was logical enough to take in all the bearings of the case, and yet heroic enough to await

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Marie's decision with a converse and the case, and the case are a converse and the case and the case are a converse and the case and the case are a converse and the case are a conv Marie's decision with a courage worthy of a brown-eyed girl. In this trembling balance, however, was hung his hope of all earthly happiness, while he smoked his cigar and talked and walked about the world as a transce with that sheethed

would not have been shale to not be both hit, we inserted the roles.

So very glad, and Larry Cremm, all and the state of the state of efficiency to be bounded from their local control of the state of

our music, together. I shall often think of our music, together. I shall often think of your lovely voice when I am far away.'

'We have indeed, had pleasant times,' she answered, bravely and clearly, after a mement's pause. 'But why need you go if you have been—happy—here? Ah, you have not many regrets. You are glad, I think?'

'Indeed, I am glad,' and glad his face looked—evolted and eages.'

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'Indeed, I am glad,' and glad his face looked—excited and eager. 'It is a grand opportunity now that offers. You can understand, if one has been planning long, and waiting, that one might be glad to see fulfilment near.'

'Yes, said Marie. That one word only, and in her voice was the huakiness that comes with tears.

'I must leave you here,' she said, stopping suddenly at the corner of Fourth Avenue.'

'I—I have some business to do—I will say good-night and good-by. I hope you may have a pleasant journey.

'Bat aurely not! I cannot leave you in this storm. Let me escort you where you wish to go—so dark, and such a rain!'

'I have my own umbrella here.' She raised it and she spoke. 'Thank you very, very much, but I prefer to go alone. And you know,' smiling strangely at him, 'I shall have to do without escort altogether after this. You have been most kind—' she broke off suddenly, and busled herself with the fastening of her closk, then held out her hand. 'Good-by, Miss Pirot, if it must be so—if you wish it.'

'Oh, yes. Partings, I think, should never be prolonged. I hope you will have a good have come to me.'

'I have my own will have a good have and look here, Marie, I had never head his voice on wender!'

'He sang with me for nearly three months in the choir.'

'Oh, I see! And you fell in love—with bis voice on wonder!'

'I didn't! she said, miserably; there might have been some excrete for that. I had never heard his voice when—when I fell in love—ab, not with him!—with a dream, a fancy! Could I have borne to look on his face, even much less love him, if I had known what I know now!'

'Well, then, the comfort is that you did not love him, after all,' said Sydney, cheeringly.

'No, no, no! she returned, vehemently. 'He never thought you did.'

'No, no, no! she returned, vehemently. 'He never thought here and die this minute—'.'

'Ob, not here!' said Sydney, deprecatingly with britter emphasis. 'How I have fallen for ever in my own exceem! To turn away from anolle, i

'Oh, yes. Partings, I think, should never be prolonged. I hope you will have a good voyage. I hope you will be always happy. Good-by, Gustave.'

Auf wierdersehn, auf wierdersehn, my beaustful, kied friend. I will write to you from the other side, and some day we surely shall meet again. Do not forget me in the time between.'
But Marie had wrenched her hand from his and was gone, a dark, hurrying shape, down the lighted, rain swept street.

'Mariel' Sydney Worth had come out of the opera

'Oh, the hero of my romance;' said Marie, slowly and bitterly—'the singer I fell in love with. You did not want to know my secret; you must know it know! That was the man! Who? Young Wetze!? Why where on earth, how on earth, did you come to be acquisinted with him?'

'He sang with me for nearly three months in the choir.'

mistake, because if you hadn's you never would have come to me'

"Oh, do you really think so, Sydney?' she asked, blushing beautifully. 'Then I am glad, too!'—Frank Leslie's Illustrated.

ENGLAND'S VOLUNTEERS. The Growth of the Great Civilian Army.

(Condon Post, 30th uit.) Tomorrow closes the twenty-seventh year of the history of the volunteer force, and it s eminently gratifying to those who have watched and aided the growth of this great national movement to know that the position and prospects of the civilian army were never better than they are now. A marvel-

ganist, Luoy Crumm, who was her bosom friend, guessed that anything unusual had happened.

It came about in this very commonplace way: Old Brande the regular tenor, was absent, for the first time in seven years, for the first time in seven years, for the first time has easy to the control of the control o

is not maintained for nothing and many of the most distinguished volunteer regiments would not have been able to attain their present state of efficiency had it not been for constant assistance from the liberality of commanding officers and from other local sources. For every efficient member of a volunteer corps the government makes a capitation grant of 30s. When one considers the various expenses of maintaining a corps, the cost of uniforms, the rent of some build-ing as headquarters, not to mention the

in certain corps organised a systed that is useful, inasmuch as it makes the men familiar with the kind of work they would have to do were they called upon to meet an enemy on English ground. Horses and waggons would have to be found in such an emergency; but it is not necessary to keep them in readiness. It is impossible, however, to conceal the fact that in the opinion of most volunteer officers the preshowever, to conceal the fact that in the opinion of most volunteer officers the present grant from government is insufficient to provide the equipment which is absolutely necessary. For more than a year there has been a growing feeling on this subject, and many strong representations have been made to the government. Early in the present year an influential deputation was sent from Scatland to London to impress upon members of parliament the importance and urgency of the demand that the capitation grant for "efficients" should be raised from 30s. to £2. Howard Vincent took a prominent part in pressing the question upon the soe, to £2. Howard Vincent took a prominent part in pressing the question upon the attention of the liberal government then in office. Mainly through his exertions, and those of a number of members who supported him, the matter was brought before the consideration of the secretary for war, and also of the house of commons in committee of apply. As a preliminary step Mr. Campbell-Bannerman, then minister for war, sent out to all commanding officers of volunteers a list of queries as to expenditure. teers a list of queries as to expenditure, Pending the arrival of the answers to these queries, the present government has ap-pointed an influential committee under the presidency of Lord Harris, the under sec-retary for war, to consider the sufficiency

or otherwise of the capitation grant, and the mode in which any necessary increase should be given.

The work done by the volunteers in the past year must give them a considerable claim on the favorable consideration of this claim on the favorable consideration of this committee. Not only did the muster-roll of the volunteers at the opening show a greater attength than had ever before been attained, but the proportion of "efficients" to the total number marked a most satisfactory advance in discipline and training. It is worth notice that this striking improvement both notice that this striking improvement both is numbers and efficiency is attributed to the influence of a threat of a Russian war in

(Amherst Sentinel) In our issue of the 14th ult., we inserted letter over the signature of Gordon Livingston of Kent Co., N. B., commenting rather

In the meantime friends of Mr. Brown called upon us and gave us every assurance that the statements made in the letter were entirely at variance with facts, and at the same time gave the names of several private gentlemen in New Brunswick and also the names of members of the N. B government, who might be corresponded with on the subject. We thought this fair and only doing justice to Mr. Brown, ourselves and the people of the county. In accordance with this proposition we wrote to a leading gentleman of the New Brunswick. His reply is before us and gives Mr. Brown the highest character as a business man; that he has

LORD MAYOR'S DAY.

No Serious Disturbances During the Parade.

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Lordon, Nov. 9.—The lord mayor's procession started at the unal hour and proceeded over the assigned route without anything happening beyond the usual horar physicidents of such cocasions. The police dispersed the medical students and reinsed to allow them to occupy Trafalgar square. One thousand policemen were posted at the square, The Socis Guards were matered in St. George's barracks behind the National gallery. The crowd about Trafalgar square at one c'clock had grown to be colosast, the rough element proceedings on the square. They also surrounded the square, and refused to permit any one to enter it. Efforts were made to keep the crowd moving as far as it was possible. At this hour (1 30 p. m.) it is expected that the socialists will attempt to hold a meeting at three o'clock. If they do it is now certain that the police will be ordered to prevent the meeting at any cost. It is rumored that window amashing happoint of the same and the square soon became as the square soon became as the square soon became as soone of excisement. Recognized socialist leads the lord mayor. After the show had gone by the mob at once surged over into the square soon became as soone of excisement. Recognized socialist leads the lord mayor. After the show had gone by the mob at once anyed over into the square soon became as soone of excisement. Recognized socialist leads the lord mayor. After the show had gone by the mob at once anyed over into the square soon became as soone of excisement. Recognized socialist leads to the square soon became as soone of excisement. Recognized socialist leads to please the square soon became as soone of excisement and the square soon became as soone of excisement and the square soon became as soone of excisement and the square soon became as soone of excisement and the square soon became as soone of excisement so the square soon became as soone of excisement so the square soon became as soone of excisement so the square soon be

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burned to death in a barn at Fusadorf, Moravia, yesterday. Sixteen others are missing

and are supposed to be dead. OTTAWA, Nov. 10.-The department of fisheries have been advised that all the American fishing smacks which have been prowling about the three mile limit during the past (season have disappeared. The

the past (season have disappeared. The American fares for the season just closed have been the smallest since 1818, except the season of 1841.

London, Nov. 10.—The police officials to day announce that they did not give orders to interfere with any meeting which the social democrats might attempt to hold yesterday in Trafalgar square so long as public order was preserved, but simply issued instructions to prevent the holding of a meeting on the terrace in the rear of the square, the terrace being a public thoroughfare.

Work offered him at three shillings per day, and having gone into the workhouse. Certainly it seems a strong measure that the rates should have to support a man who might earn three shillings a day if he chose.

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SONIA, Nov. 10.—The Sobranje at a secret session last evening, after a debate which lested three hours, decided to elect Prince Waldemar, third son of the King of Denmark, as the successor of Prince Alexander on the throne of Bulgaria. Prince Waldemar

Prince.

Branoff, prefect of Sofia, has resigned,
His dismissal has been demanded by Gen.
Kaulbars because he had ejected a Russain
subject from the Sofia council chamber.
The prefect at once affered to resign, but
Gen. Kaulbars insisted that the government

and though both are necessaries some commanding officers, with the stinted funds as
their disposal, are still unable to provide
their men with them. It is not necessary to
deed on the other and larger requirements
of the volunteers. We may say at once that
under present circumstances we can see no
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reason for equipping the field. There
are some enthusiastic volunteer efficers who
would like to see every rifle corps supplied
with a full transport service. Such an extension of the present plan is unnecessary,
though we should be

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desired, it is certain that he spoke plainly eneugh to be understood at St. Petersburg, which is the main point. His declarations have certainly made it easier for Count Kainoky to summon up his courage."

BURLINGTOWN, IOWN, NOV. 9.—Prof. Foster, meteorologist, predicts a great storm for a period extending from Dec. 4th to 17, during which will occur some of the most destructive winter-storms of recent years. These storms will be much of the same nature as the blizzards of last Jauuary. Heavy snow and high winds will greatly impede railway travel and/ he advises railways to prepare for blockades that will occur in the Western States about December 9th, and reach the Eastern States December 9th, and reach the Eastern States December 9th, These will be emergetis electrical disturbances that will affect telegraph and telephone lines. He suggests that many lives and much property can be saved from loss by making preparations for severe weather.

ments belonging to the Central Bank of the Canton of Vaud, which disappeared from that institution several months ago.

Imprisoned and Flogged for Refusing Work.

(From the Loadon Truth) Mr. Bulwer, Q. C., last week sentenced Henry Shedd to one month's hard labor and twelve strokes of the cat for having refused work offered him at three shillings per day,

BOUND TO HAVE A GOOD WATER SUPPLY.

KASTPORT, Nov. 9.—The town meeting today voted to widen Water street on both sides from Boynton to Washington, making the width fifty feet. The matter of buying a steam engine was referred to a committee. A. committee was appointed to report amendments to the by-laws respecting the construction and location of buildings. A representative of the Woonsocket, R. I., Water Co, was present and submitted a proposition for water works. He offers fifty bydrants for twenty years at \$2,000 a year. The matter was referred to a committee. The town is bound to have water. The proposition will be accepted at the next town meeting, next Tuesday, unless better offers cam be obtained.