The long day is closing, Ah, why should you weep? Tis thus that God gives

> His beloved ones sleep I see the wide water So deep and so black-Love waits me beyond it-I would not go back !

I would not go back Where its joys scarce may gleam-Where even in dreaming We know that we dream

For though life filled for me All measures of bliss. Has it any thing better Or sweeter than this?

I would not go back To the torment of fear-To the wastes of uncomfort-When home is so near

Each night is a prison bar, Broken and gone-Each morning a golden gate-On-farther on

On-on toward the city So shining and fair; For He that hath loved me-Died for me-is there.

MY HEROINE-A TRUE STORY. BY THE AUTHOR OF "JOHN HALIFAX GENTLI

I know a little maid—as sweet As any seven years old child you'll meet In mansion grand or village street, However charming they may be; She'll never know of this, in verse When I her simple tale rehearse-A cottage girl, made baby-nurse Unto another baby.

Till then how constant she at school! Her tiny hands of work how full! And never careless, never dull, As little scholars may be. Her absence questioned with cheek red And gentle lifting of the head, "Ma'am, I could not be spared," she said; "I had to mind my baby."

Her baby, oft along the lane She'd carry it with such sweet pain On summer holidays-full fain To let both work and play be. But, at the school hour told to start, She'd turn with sad, divided heart 'Twixt scholar's wish and mother's part. "I cannot leave my baby !"

One day at school came rumours dire-"Lizzie had fallen in the fire?" And off in haste I went to inquire With anxious fear o'erflowing For vester afternoon at prayer My little Lizzie's face did wear The look-how comes it, when or where? Of children who are-going.

And almost as if bound for flight To say new prayers in angel's sight So sadly idle seeming: Her active hands now helpless bound, Her wild eyes wandering vaguely round, As up she started at each sound. Or slept, and moaned in dreaming

Her mother gave the piteous tale; How that child's courage did not fail, "Or else poor baby "-She stopped, pale, And shed tears without number: Then told how at the fireside warm Lizzie, with baby on her arm. Slipped-threw him from her-safe from haru Then fell-Here in the slumber.

Lizzie shrieked, "Take him!" and uptossed Her poor burnt hands, and seemed half lost, Until a smile her features crossed As sweet as angel's may be.

"Yes ma'am "-she said in feeble tone, "I'm ill. I know "-she hushed a moan-"But '-here a look a queen might own-"But, ma'am, I saved your baby !" -Our Young Folks.

"WHENEVER I SIT IN THE TWI-LIGHT."

BY EMILY HUNTINGTON MILLER.

Whenever I set in the twilight, At rest from the toils of the day, And the little ones gather about me. Too weary for laughter and play, I think, with the longing of sorrow and love,

Of the one little child that's away,

Away from the arms of the mother, And sometimes it grieves me to know Content with the love that surrounds him. He never will miss us below; For he looks in the face of the Father above. And walks with the saints to and fro.

I love in my tancy to follow Their steps by the river so fair And list to the wonderful stories The angels are telling him there-The beautiful angels of Paradise,

And dear little Silverhair. There's the angel that spake unto Hagar. " Fear not, for God heareth thy moan:" And the one that came flying to Mary, All shining with light from the Throne;

And the strong blessed seraphs that soothed the dear Lord When tempted and fainting alone

But grandest of all is the angel Whose story I often have read. Who came to the tomb of the Saviour, And rolled back the stone from its head, And said to the weepers that trembled to hear "The Lord is gone up from the dead."

O, angel of life and of glory! Come whisper thy message to me, When sadly Lait and remember The child that is gone from my knee: For I know in the mansions where Jesus ha

His little ones surely must be.

BENNY'S SUCCESS

"I wish there was some boy in the town poor enough to want to earn some money! said Miss Benton, one lovely June morning.

some money that he lay awake nights thinking remembering that the pay was probably an imforeign markets; of the probable prospective what he could do to help his lame mother, and portant part of the transaction to him. what he could do to help his lame mother, and portant part of the transaction to him.

old, but he was the eldest of tour children. before." of inflamatory rheumatism. Hard enough was the Winter in that little last stammered out—

brown house, under the hill, whose chimney "Would five cents a quart be too much, scarcely rose above the snow-drifts, and whose ma'am?" harder than Miss Catherine Benton with her tall ten cents. either." the cow to milk and drive to pasture, the pigs to me Benny."

to keep the wolf from the door, there was often sore need of more money to meet the unavoid
To herself she added, "I can have them and There has been an idea—until recently alable expenses of the household.

berries. Benny picked all he saw, and swal- expression among her equals. lowed them, and went on his way.

But after he had said his prayers and gone to have felt richer. often did, as if on purpose to wink its bright it was not all a dream. And when, with gleameye at him, and say, "Good night." Just ing eyes and flushed face, he at last rushed inries, and he determined to carry her some the but exclaimed-

"She's such a poor little sick thing," thought he, "and can't eat scarcely any thing! I know she'll be right glad of them. I hope the old lady won't offer me a cent, as she did when I carried her some May flowers! I want money it-I don't sell it, or want to be paid for a little neighborly kindness."

and was in dream-land in a trice.

Besides his frank smile and cheery voice, he mother. the world but wild-wood strawberries.

of them, so red, so ripe, so sweet. ed, feverish tongue!

Her grandmother did but she said, "Many strawberries this year?" "Yes'm; a great many.', "Did you ever pick them to sell to any

berries. I'd like to know?"

at it he laid his plans for the morrow.

he finest berries be had seen.

there was no truth in his report that the Ben- ulties upon any particular topic. tons wanted strawberries, in that case it would We might here add parenthetically, that the

What would they think of him?

folks;" but he was not so silly as that.

and said, with a rather quivering voice: "Would you like to buy some berries?" "Yes, indeed!" was the glad response. Miss Benton came and looked at the berries,

quarts instead of two." How Benny's face lighted up at that "I can bring you more to-morrow," he said, trying to keep the great joy from coming out. But it would come out; and when Miss Ben- cause they are weak. Exactly an opposite

ton saw how his eyes shone, she said, "You are glad to sell your berries, my little

Miss Benton was a real lady-which all rich over so many teet of ground, sowing or plant- act and be useful to his fellow beings. No Miss Benton had come from the city to keep women are not, by any means—and she was ing so many seeds, reaping or thrashing so matter how limited his abilities may be, there house, during the Summer months for her fa- kind-hearted, too, and glad to know about many acres, and nothing more, the case would is a work for him, and by doing it he may ther and brothers, on Hilliop, a breezy emi-honest-looking little Benny and his mother; be altered. But farming is now becoming render essential service to the church. I nence, where few city people had found their glad, too, to tell him she should like to take a science. To judge of the capabilities of the the one talent is not improved, what a sorrow-

There was a boy who wantedso much to earn "How much do you ask a quart?" she said, values of various products in the home and

His father had died in the army. His mo- "But I'd rather you'd set a price yourself." ther had taken a cold from exposure, which Benny hesitated. It was his first bargain, how and where to market—for after his own settled in her hip, and finally assumed the form He wanted all he ought to have, but he didn't food is supplied, a man's success depends quite wish to be mean and ask too much. So he at as much upon profitable marketing as upon

by no means an idle boy. But he longed to If you will bring me nice berries, such as these, word he has learned, and yet have a strong Millinery, do more, for though the pension money helped I will give you twelve cents a quart for all you mind-one able to grapple with the facts and

send them to the poor soldiers in the hospital, most universal—that because a man was edu-On his way to school, two miles by the street if he brings more than we want for our own use." cated. he must of course go into some one of And she gave him the twenty-five cents with the learned professions so-called. It is coming to be understood that he is to be educated because it will make him a better and stronger

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or a goose that would lay golden eggs or as ble, but such news for his poor mother! It we could name, five-and-forty are doing well. or a goose that would lay golden eggs or as ble, but such news lot any thing else but delicious berries that melted any thing else but delicious berries that melted Park's side-hill had been covered with gold pietral and Rugs, in his mouth, and left a charming flavor there. ces instead of strawberries, he could hardly and their parents, a strong objection to devot But after he had said his prayers and gone to have felt richer.

bed that night, he lay looking out through a Many, many times he stopped and took out Let us see. Suppose that, at the age of 18, a hole in the window-curtain, to see if the even- his twenty-five cent note, which chanced to be man has an average probability of living, say

next day, if he could find a saucer-full of real ... See here! see here! and they want all I can get, and twelve cents a quart! O, how rich

Yes, they were rich, that glad mother and her proud son. If riches are counted by joy- minister's by little gifts that shall be day by ful heart-throbs, and the glad contentment with day a momento of their love. It says: carried her some May flowers! I want money bad enough, but when I make a present, I make present gains, no Astor or Girard was ever "We were in the house of a minister not long

Two stars looked through the rent in the here and there quite a number of objects of Pretty soon Benny forgot the evening star, window-curtain that night—Venus, and close taste and elegance. Seeing his guest's attenbeside her a faint, little, twinkling orb, some tion directed to them, the minister said: Those Sweet Nellie Baker lay on a low trundle-bed fixed star, moving through its course millions vases on the mantle are from E., a young man in her grandmother's bed-room, longing eagerly and millions of miles away, but none the less in my congregation; that picture is from R. and fervently to get up, and run about the yard, speaking of joy and hope to the heart of the one of my stated hearers; these elegantly bound and breathe the fresh air, and enjoy the sun-tired but happy boy who lay on his homely books were given to Mrs. —by the ladies of light. But she never would. She was wasting pallet, gazing at it, as if it were the star of his the church.' And thus he went on until his away slowly, surely; and would never walk destiny. It might well have been so called, for parsonage seemed to us almost a picture galagain till she reached the golden streets of the from that day Benny commenced a career of lery, every one had some memento on the walls honest labor, earning money steadily for his the tables, or some part of the house. Articles

Brown's cheery voice at the kitchen door, and We cannot doubt but that he will be a pros- same kind and delightful way. We thought as then, to see his good, honest, homely face com- perous man, for he is industrious and honest, we looked on the beaming face and moistened ing into the bedroom! She liked to see him so and on such God's blessing will rest—certainly eyes of the minister, that we could have much, and it always did her a world of good. on one who is so kind and thoughtful of his taken some congregations that we know of through that personage."

had now brought with him such a spicy, delici- Such was the success of Benny Brown's first ous fragiance as could come from nothing in plan for earning money, and before the strawberries were gone, there came the fresh, sweet And there they were—a heaped saucer full red raspberries; and then the large, delicious blackberries: all of which Miss Benton was Nellie's pale face dimpled with delight, and glad to purchase. So at the end of his berry a faint tinge of pink, like that of a rose-leaf, season Benny had earned sixteen dollars by his fluttered over them, and a bright light flashed own toil out of school hours; earned it hardly, in her eves at the very sight and smell of the and in the sweat of his face, but it had brought delicious fruit. How she would enjoy having him not only that amount of money, but self-rethem, one by one, melt away on her poor parch- spect, and hope, and the blessing of his mother's grateful heart .- Youth's Companion.

> "SHALL I SEND MY FARMER BOY TO COLLEGE ?"

Thus asks one of our Ohio readers. He fur-"No!" said Benny, indignantly, thinking ther informs us that he has a good farm, large the cent was coming. "Who'd ever sell straw- enough for all three of his sons, and that they intend to follow this business, but that one of "Well, you needen't be so huffy! I don't them wants first to go to college; that he has the know as anybody ever did; but I heard Joe means to send him, but doubts if it will pay. Baggs say t'other day that them great folks We answer, yes, it will pay, even if the grown nutriment, hence cannot supply the system with upon the hill wanted to buy some—Bartons— lad intends to live only to "make money." one atom of strength. ain't that the name? They said—the woman up The thorough hard study required to master the If anything is added to the summer drink, it there that carries her head so high, and wears mathemetics and languages of a college course should contain some nutriment, so as to a shawl that John Hailet says cost two hunder' is to the mind what the discipline of breaking- strengthen the body as well as to dilute the dollars, found fault 'cause there wa'nt nobody in a colt is to the true, well-trained horse. Let blood for purpose of a more easy flow through here brought things round to sell to 'em. She the student sit down to dig out a hard Latin the system, as any one knows that the thinner a says Hilltop's the only place she ever got into sentence in Virgil or Livy, or a Greek one in fluid is the more easily does it flow. Some of where money would'nt buy any thing. I s'pose Homer or Sophocles, or let him try to solve a the nutritious and safe drinks are given below, he's got money to throw away."

That night the star did shine in at the hole n the window-curtsin, and while Benny looked.

The window-curtsin, and while Benny looked. in the window-curtain, and while Benny looked the strong exercise of his reasoning powers. ature of the shadiest spot in the locality. To At first the mind will fly off like the frisky colt, any of them ice may be added, but it is a luxu-"I'll go over to Pease's swamp, and up on but the set task is to be accomplished, and the rious, not a beneficial ingredient, nor a safe the side-hill, where Parks plowed last year. student brings his mind back to the thinking one. There'll be lots of strawberries there, I know. traces again and again—again and again—day I won't tell mother until I find out whether the after day, week after week, and month after folks buy 'em or not. But won't she look pleas- month, in one severe study after another, until ed if I bring back a bright ten cent piece?" he acquires control over it—until he is able to So Benny took along a basket the next day, readily concentrate his whole thoughts upon the telling his mother he was going over to Pease's subject in hand. This is educating the mind. swamp, strawberrying, after school. School To use another illustration, this hard study is done, he bounded across the lots, and sure like the discipline undergone by the apprenenough, on the side-hill, he found quantities of tice blacksmith. He begins to strike with feeble and ill-directed blows; but he keeps on His basket held two quarts. He soon filled striking month after month and year after year it, carefully picking off and throwing away the until the exercise developes powerful muscles green berries. Then nicely covering them in his arms and shoulders, and he learns to over with some large, wild-grape leaves, he set direct the blows exactly to the right spot and freshing to harvesters. Wading in water abates what powerful effective blows he can then deal thirst. Persons cast away at sea will suffer

It was a long tramp, shorten it as he would out! So the blows of the mind upon the mathe-It was a long tramp, shorten it as he would by cutting across lots. He was hot and tired. We was hot and tired. Moreover, he was not very hopeful. He knew the mind's muscles, so to speak, and increase the hat at an equal distance from the hair and Joe Baggs was a great talker, and perhaps one's ability to concentrate the reasoning fac-

studies so long maintained in most colleges—
head and crown of the hat, hatters should utilwill do all varieties of domestic sewing. PRICES When Benny reached the Bentons he felt ve- the higher mathematics and the Greek and Latin ize this idea. ry awkward. He had never spoken to such languages are just the one's best fitted to derich folks, and his clothes were soiled, and his velop the mind power, aside from any other hands and feet too, with the juice of the berries. advantages they possess, and we greatly fear the effect of the present inclination to modify life? If so, live better. Have you lived a good He was almost tempted to run home, it this long tried course of study, and allow life? Is so, there is opportunity to live a little seemed such a fearful thing to face "great students to choose other studies that suit their better. Yes, by all means, do better. No one whims of caprices. The fact that a child or can do too well. No one can be too well pre-He went in at the back gate. A lady was student does not like, or has not a natural appared to depart this life, and to enter upon the reading on the piazza. She looked up as if she titude for, any line of study, clearly shows one to come. expected him to speak to her, so he went up that certain faculties of his mind are weak, and there is all the more reason why it should be drilled in the very studies he dislikes, if you four years old, was returning home one winter's would give him a well-balanced mind. And evening with his maid, who carried a lantern in for a like reason, we would give the greatest at- her hand. The wind blew out the candle and General Agents for Nova Scotia, Newfld. and Wes and exclaimed, when she saw how large and tention to the education of the naturally weak- they were left in the dark. "Do not be afraid ripe they were, "I only wish there were six minded child of a family-and make up by dis- Betty," said the little boy, "the great and good cipline and cultivation what is not bestowed by God takes care of us in the dark as well as in nature. It is injustice, nay cruelty, to bestow the light—by night as well as by day." our educational efforts upon the "smart" sons and daughters, and neglect the weaker ones be-

course should be pursued. man who thus comes forth from college with them, of a handful of straw to sleep upon while She spoke so kindly that he forgot that she educated, trained, strengthened mental powers, you have all things in abundance. was rich, and a great lady, and told her how will not be a stronger and more effective man much he wanted to earn some money for his for it, even in the business of farming? If the way, and where the inhabitants were too poor four or five quarts every day, it he could bring to hire much help or buy many luxuries.

four or five quarts every day, it he could bring fect of season and weather: of the relative day! fect of season and weather; of the relative day!

three little sisters. He was only twelve years "I don't know, ma'am. I never sold any products, grain, roots, meats, dairy, wool, fruits, etc.; of the effects upon the markets of political changes and national disturbances; good crops—these and a thousand other questions, can be grappled with by that man whose mind is most thoroughly trained to right reasonwindows were often nearly buried up in them- Miss Benton smiled. "No, indeed; nor ing, and whose mental powers are the most expanded and strengthened. A man does not form, and stately head, had ever dreamed of. Again the dancing light shone in Benny's eye. go to college solely for what he learns there he could fill in more mere knowledge by stay-

-but he goes for the discipline he gets. A feed, and the garden to take care of, so he was "Well, Benny, I will tell you what I will do. collegiate may, on leaving college, forget every

expression among her equals.

What a joyful run home Benny had that now finding college educated men in various Gents' Outfitting Goods, He did not think of them as a silver mine, night. No more fatigue, nor doubt, nor trou-

ing four, five or six years to college training ing star had got to that particular place, as it a new, bright one, to look at it and prove that thirty years. If he spend five or seven of these years in preparation, will not the remaining twenty five years be far more valuable to him then it popped into his head that old Mrs. Baker's granddaughter would like some strawberries and he determined to carry her some the can Agriculturist.

LITTLE GIFTS.

The Watchman urges people to gladden the

ago. It was plainly furnished, yet there were What a delight to her it was to hear Benny own wants and the wants of those he loved. of utility as well as ornament had come in the

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NOT AFRAID OF THE DARK .- A little boy,

that you love: and many of your brethren are in want of bread to sustain life, of vestments To return, does any one doubt that the young to cover their naked limbs, of roofs to shelter

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