A PROUD MOTHER.

She Thought it Would be a Great He

Margaret Ogilvy, mother of the novelist, Mr. J. M. Barrie, and the model from whom he was want to draw his charm heroines, experienced to the full the delight of having a distinguished son. So happy was she in her innocent pride in his career, that she fell into a touching little fashion of her own, of measuring the fame of other men by the pleasure it would have

She was for a long time very jealous of Robert Louis Stevenson, because her son, is a moment of discouragment, had exclaimed before her that it was no use for him to write any more—Stevenson did so much better; a phrase which rankled in her motherly mind lorg after Mr. Barrie's little fit of the blues was gone, and which led ter to express scorn for Stevenson's work, which she long declined to read, and and a vehement preference for her son's.

But she was at length induced to read . The Master of Pallantrae" and "Treasure Island," and though she refused to express admiration lest she might wound the feelings of her own rival novelist, who watched her struggle and enjoyed it, being himself a generous admirer of Stevenson, he at length managed to extract her real opinion. He has declared that he stood to Stevenson as sacking to silk, and the had loyally replied that then she preferred sacking.

But if he had been your son?' he asked But he is not.'

'You wish he were?'
'I dinna deny.' she had to answer reluct-antly, 'but what I could have found room for him.'

for him.'
She could have 'found room,' too, for
Carlyle, her own favorite author, though
she made a just allowance for his dyspeptic
and uncompanionable temper in the way

se put it:
'I would rather have been his mother than his wife.'
For Mr. Gladstone she had, personally,

than his wife.'

For Mr. Gladstone she had, personally, very little feeling; she did not care for politics, and never read his speeches 'But,' says Mr. Barrie, 'she had profound faith in him as aid to conversation, and if there were silent men in the company, would give him to them to talk about, precisely as she divided a cake among children. And then, with a motherly smile, she would leave them to gerge on him. But in the idolizing of Gladstone she recognized nevertheless, a certain inevitability, and would no more have tried to contend with it than to sweep a shadow off the floor.'

The devotion which the great leader evoked appealed to her; it was through that that she really felt greatness. And at length one day, when an ardent Gladstonian of her acquaintance, after a really painful struggle with himself, because he disapproved of Home Ru'e, had yet found his resolution un qual to the strain of opposing his beloved chief at the polls, and had gone at the last moment to vote for the Gladstonian candidate, she looked long after him as he burried down the brae, and said reflectively:

flectively:
'I would have liked fine to be that Glad-stone's mother.'

THE FINISHING TOUCH.

Hank Was Married, but One More Legal Procedure Was Necessary.

'Say, jedge, will ye jine us?' Baldy Splicer justice of the peace, no tary public and aider and abettor of lawful wedlock in Connubial Corners, was singing because the hotel porters had thus far that day failed to round up a \$2 brace of matrimonially inclined lovers at the trains when the door of his office cpened and the red face of Hank Biffer, the local hackman, was thurst in.

'Say, jedge, will ye jine us ?' he repeat-

'Did I ever refuse a drink, Hank?' Jus-

'I don't mean a drink, jedge,' faltered Hank. 'I mean, will ye jine Bridget an

As he spoke he shot into the room as shoved from behind, and a tall rawboned woman ot 40 appeared in the door and bowed to the justice. She was six inches taller than Hank, and her hair was sg-

gressively red.
'Waal, I'll be jiggered! Goin to get hitched, air ye? cried the astonished jus-

hitched, air ye? cried the astonished justice.

'Yep,' assented Hank.

'We be, nodded Bridget.

'Yes, we been keepin cumpny a long time an concluded to have ye jine us,' continued Hank.

'But—but, Bridget, didn't ye have Hank arrested fer knockin ye down two weeks ago, an didn't I fine Hank \$5 P' stammered the justice.

'Yes, sor, so yez did,' said Bridget with a smile.

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'An, Hank, didn't ye have Bridget brought before me the next day an fined \$5 fer fannin ye with a chair?' Guess I did,' said Hank, hanging his head, 'but them was really only love taps, ye might say, an we think that when we git hitched legal an broke to harness, we'll be pretty steady gaited, jedge, an not li'ble to kick over the traces.'
'Ab, I see,' said the smiling justice. 'Come a little nearer and I'll jine ye.'
Hank and Bridget did as they were bid, the justice read the simpla ceremony that made them a team, witnesses were summoned from an adjoining office, and Hank paid the marriage fee.

The happy pair s'arted for the door then paused and came back.

'It's all over,' said the justi :e. 'There's nothin more that I kin do fer ye.'

'Yes, there is,' Hank said earnestly.

'Ye've jined us legal all right, we know, but now we wants ye to put us both under bonds to keep the peace!'—Earle H. Eaton in Truth.

IN BIG MAIL BOX BS.

Live Cats, Empty Flacks and Other Things

The big mail boxes placed in various parts of the city for the reception of mail matter other than letters are femiliar They are about three feet in height, and they are raised on short legs, so that they will clear the sidewalk. The top of the box is rounded. The opening through which mail matter may be dropped, and which is about big enough to admit a dictionary, is just under the top in front. It is closed by a vertical cover which turns down on pivots at the lower corners, and which is so weighted that it returns to place when released. At the bottom of the box and extending across it in front is a door which is secured by a padlock. This door opens downward, and it torms a shelf in front, continuous with the floor of the box. These big boxes are painted red, and on the front of each one is stenciled this announcement: For newspapers and packages, but not for letters

Many things besides mail packages have been found in these big boxes. Sometimes when the collector unlocks the door a cat jumps out and runs away. There are men who appear to think it is fun to catch a live cat in the street and thrust it into one live cat in the street and thrust it into one of these big letter boxes. It is not unusual to find in the boxes loose newspapers, put into them under the impression that these are boxes intended for the reception of reading matter for the sick in hospitals. Sometimes empty flasks are found. Having taken the last drink, the drinker, instead of throwing the flask into the street.

Sometimes empty flasks are found. Having taken the last drink, the drinker, instead of throwing the flask into the street to be broken, considerately drops it into the mail box. Sometimes there are found in the boxes old shoes, put in by people who think that is a funny thing to do. There are found occasionally sandwiches, or parts of sandwiches, dropped in by persons who have eaten all they want or have time for of a quick lunch, or by beggars who did not want the sandwich that had been given to them, and had therefore gently, but firmly, dropped it into the nearest package mail box.

Still these things are, after all, but in cidental. The matter found in the boxes is chiefly mail matter, and it includes a graat variety of things, packages and boxes of all sorts and sizes that can be got through the opening and some that can't be. Sometimes boxes too big to go through the opening and some that can't be. Sometimes boxes too big to go through the opening are jammed in as far as they will go and left there, holding the cover open. Sometimes rolled up maps are put in the boxes, or one end of them is thrust down through the opening as far as possible the other end sticking out at an angle, something like a fishing rod. As the people have become more and more accustomed to using them, the bulk of the matter deposited in the boxes has increased. The mail from the big boxes is collected with wagons.—New York Sun.

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Mudge-Ob, yes, we had a real lively

\$50. Wickwire—Yes. I saw Simmons this morning, and he told me he spent \$45.—Indianapolis Journal.

BORN.

Truro, Apr. 26, to the wife of A. E. Connolly, a daughter.

Monoton, May 10, to the wife of Rev. R. W. Fisher a daughter,
Amherst. May 7, to the wife of Stephen Sullipbant,
a daughter.

Choteau, Mont. April 2, to the wife of Wm. Bruce, of N. S. a son. Albert Mines, A. Co., May 7. to the wife of Richard Milton, a son. Fredericton, May 10 to the wife of S. A. R. Mc-Donald, a son.

Donaid, a son.

Barrinvion Passage, April 29, to the wife of Fred
Christie, a son.

Dawson settlement, May 2, to the wife of W. H.

Gleneig, C. B. May 4, Kenneth H. child of Mr. and
Mrs. David Waldden, 10 mouths.

Botts Bay, Kings Co. N. S. May 2, to the wife of Benjamin Corkun, a son.
Barrington Passage, N. S. May 2, to the wife of Dr.
H. H. Banks, a daughter.
Kankake, Ili. U. S. May 5, to the wife of H. W.
L. Haley, twin daughters.

MARRIED.

Truro, May 1, by Rev. A L. Geggie, John Nelson to Frances Carroll. Lower Selma, May 6, by Rev. J. W. Cox, Levi D. Brown to Lucy Allison.

Truro, May 5, by Archdeacon Kaulbach, E. Leighton to Carrie E. Smith. Truro, May 1, by Rev. A. L. Geggie Daniel Sutherland to Bessie McKay.

Truro. May 5, by Rev. A. L. Geggie, Rober Stuart to Minerva McL'an. Milford, May 7, by Rev. A. B. Dickie, Richard Poole, to Annie W. Madill. Yarmouth, May 7, by Rev. J. W. Freeman, Wm. L. Smith to Annie B. Goodwin.

Yarmouth, May 8, by Rev. T J. Deinstadt, Capt. Moses Ross to Mabel Newell. Canton Mass, April 27, by Rev. G. Walker, Otts S.
Tolman to Charlot: 8 S. Davis.
St. Stephen May, 3, by Rev. H. Sprague, Wm. H.
Faikingham to Mary F. Wole.

Montreal, May 4, by Hav. Dr. Rose, John A. Mc-Leod of N. S. to Ida M. Wilkes. Everett Mass, April 27, by Rev. G. B. Titus, William F. Harlow to Minnie J. Ross.

Boston, April 25, by Rev. W. J. Hobbs, George A. Eniott of F. S. to Lillian L. Taylor. Isaacs Harbor, April 19, by Rev. A. J. Vincent, John J. Langley to Eva Luddington. Barter Settlement, April 28. by Rev. S. Rice, Robert J. Porter to Susie M. Leeman.

Lynn Mass, May 4, by Rev. T. B. Johnson, Dexter E. Weston of N. S. to Katis L. Quinn. North Kingston, May 5, by Rev. J. S. Ceffia, Francis E. Palmer to Alice E. Foster. Rancius E. Falmer to Affec E. Foster.

Roxbury, April 10, by Rev. S. C. Gunn, A'lison
Lornes of N. S. to Forence V. Henklum

Fairville, N. B. May 12, by Rev. G. R. White,
Andrew W. Campbell to Lizzie Kennedy.

Boston, April 14 by Rev. S. C. Gunn, Joseph
Quirk to Charlotte McInnes of Cape Breton.

Autigonish April 28, by Rev. A. J. McDonald, Angus M. Naughton to Bessie M. Kennedy. Bannis er Road, A. C. May 12, by Rev. H. 6 Estabrooks, Charles Carter to Hattie Arthur. Plymouth Picton Co., May 5, Rev. W. M. Tufts, Roderick W. McDonald to Elizabeth Ormiston. Dorchester Mass, April 29, by Rev. S. C. Guun, James Parker to Kate McIver of Cape Breton

DIED.

St. John, May 16, Levi Treen, 38.
Greenfield, May 2, Thomas Lynds.
Hailfax. May 6, Daniel J. Smith, 78.
Springhill, May 9, Sarah Bigney, 79.
St. John, May 11, Esther Cooper, 63.
Gleneig, May 4, William Jardine, 75.
Sprin, field, May 6, Eliza R. Drew, 77.
St. John, May 16, Henry M. Miller, 70.
Haltax, May 14, Elmothy Toumar, 77. Sprin, field, May 6, Eliza R. Drew, 77.
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Meirose, N. S. May 5, John Hattle, 94.
Digby, May 6, Francis Hutchinson, 77.
St. John, May 15, Whitford E. Case, 45.
Wolivi le, May 1, James Woodman, 75.
Five Islands, April 25, 'Jowald Wadman.
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Moncton, May 12, John W. Chapman, 75.
Aylesford, April 30, David Anderson, 40
Pugwash, N. S. May, 9, John Stewart, 62.
New Minas, April 23, William Bishop, 85.
Halifax, May, 11, William H. Longard, 66.
Cedar Lake, Apr. 28, Godfrey Bethune, 69.
Springhill, May 8, Lily O'Rourke, 6 weeks.
St. John, May 12, Louis Herbert Rannie, 25.
New Ross, N. S. Apr. 18, George Collins, 76.
Digby, Apr. 25, Joan, wife of H. T. Warne, 32,
Barrington, May 11, Mrs. Matilda Wilson, 60.
Burlington N. S., May 5, Matthew Molloy, 87.
Denmark, N. S., April 25, John R. Munio, 19.
Kiegston, May 6, Mrs. Archiba'd Walker, 81.
Stellarton, N. S. May 8, William McPaerson, 81.
Five Islands, April 25, Mrs. Nathan Clarke, 74.
Yarmouth, May 11, initant son of Carl D. Dennis.
Barrasols, C. B. Anne, widow of John Smith, 88.
Dartmouth, May 14, Mary widow of John Philips, 62.
W. Caledonia, Queens Co. N. S., William Green,

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New Glasgow, May 12, William, son of Alexander Ross. 2I Middiefield, N. S. May 6, Phoebs, wife of Robert Stuart, 46. Pictou, May 10, Mary L. A., widow of Neil Mc-Kenzie, 74. Snider Mountain, May 2, Susanna, widow of Moses Brown, 63.

Little River, N. S., May 13, Mary, wife of John L. tice Splicer said reproachfully as he leaped time, Simmons and I. It cost us nearly Guysboro, Apr. 13, Mrs. Clarke, widow of James Clarke, 78.

Apohabui, May 9, Letitia, widow of Benjamin Sproul, 83. Acadia Mines, Apr. 27, Christine, widow of Duncan

Bedford Basin, May 10, Hannah, widow of John S. McDonald, 78 Dalhousie, May 10, Emma E. daughter, of the late 1saac Luke, 5.

Yarmouth, May 7, H. Clifford, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jeffrey, 3. Boston, Mag 10, Mrs. Elbertine F. Nickerson, for-merly of N. B. 55. Glace Bay, C. B. Joseph son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander McIanis, 18.

Basest Rock, Nebraska, Apr. 8, Charles J. House-man, formerly of Haliax. Cambridge Mass., May 1, Sarah wife of George Thomas, formerly of N. S. Mt. Denson, Haunts Co., N. S., May 1, Lucy, widow of John Chandler, 77.

Little River, Apr. 27, Albion K. son of Mr. and Mrs, J. L. Fisher, 3 months. Upper Canard, May 4, Margaret Hilda, child of Mr. and Mrs. James McRae, 5.

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