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THE FIVE SHILLING FEE.

THE WEE HERD LADDIE.

Mi mither wus wae, for mi faither wus deid;  
An' they threaten'd tae tak the auld hoos ower  
oorheid;

Her ernin's were sma'; an' the meal it grew  
dear;

I wus auldest o' five, an' could whiles see a tear,  
As she cam hame at nicht, glisten bricht in  
her ee;

When she lookt at her bairnies sac weakly an'  
wee;

I said na a word; but mi heart it wud ache;  
An' I wish'd I wus big for mi puir mither's sake.

The farmers aroon' wanted herds for their kye;  
An' mi mither she said she had ane that wud  
try;

I trembled, I mind, half in fear, half in joy,  
When a farmer ca'd in, just tae look at the boy.  
He baid me staun' up; an' he thoct I wus  
wee;

But mi frank, honest face, he said, pleased  
his ee;

He wud tak me, an' try me ae hauf-year tae see,  
For a pair o' new shoos an' a five shullin fee.

O, we were glad tae hear tell o't—a bargain was  
struck;

An' he gied us a saxpence o' arles for guid luck;  
Mi troosers an' jacket were patch'd for the day;  
An' mi mither convoy'd me a lang mile away.

Wi' chairges an' warnin's 'gainst a' sort o'  
crime,

An' rules she laid doon, I thoct hard at the  
time;

Though the kye should rin wrang, I was never  
tae lee,

Though they sent me awa' without mi shoos or  
mi fee.

ae I set tae mi work, an' I pleased richt weel;  
At a wave o' the hand I was aff like an eel;

But mi troubles cam on, for the fences were  
bad;

An' the midsummer flees gart the cattle rin  
mad;

Or in cauld blistry weather sair drench'd i' the  
rain,

Till wee thochts o' leevin' wud steal through my  
brain;

But wi' courage I aye dash'd the tear frae mi 'ee  
When I thoct o' mi shoos an' mi five shullin  
fee.

Syne the lang-look'd-for Martinmas cam  
wi' my store;

An' proodly I counted it twenty times o'er;  
And, though years since have fled in a fortun-  
ate train,

I never have felt such a rapture again.

Not the sailor wae safe through the breakers  
has steer'd,

Not Waterloo's victor when Blucher appear'd—  
E'er felt what I felt when I plac'd on the knee  
Of a fond-hearted mither mi five shullin fee.

## SOUNDS AND ECHOES.

SERGT. WALKER will write a detective

story, based it is said, on the capture of  
Embezzler Wolf.

LILLIAN RUSSELL says there is no civili-  
zation west of the Rocky Mountains. The  
people are uncivilized, and even the  
mountains are pretty Rocky.

A BOY in Tacoma struck a match to see  
if the gasoline thrown in the sink had run  
off. P. S.—Some boys seem to have an  
idea that they are short on cherubs up  
above.

If the Liquor Commissioners are sincere  
in their protestations of securing reliable  
testimony on the drink question, why  
do they not call upon Philip Chalk, and  
secure the opinion of an expert.

He felt at his heart a dreadful pain,  
And with tears his eyes weredim,  
And he said that he never could love again  
On the night that she jilted him.

But although with a sigh and his brain in a  
whirl

That night he bemoaned his fate,  
He was madly in love with another girl  
Just a fortnight from that date.

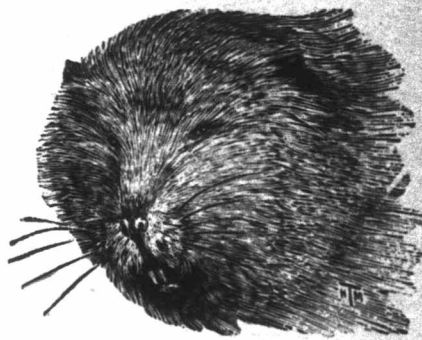
A LONDON (Eng.) paper reports: At a  
meeting of the board the vice-chairman  
was in the chair and read out the usual  
report of births and deaths that had taken  
place in the workhouse during the  
previous week. Among the births he  
read that Sarah Jennings had twin  
daughters, and, in the sadly severe tones  
of a moralist, added, "and both of them  
illegitimate."

## EYE WATER VERSUS SPECTACLES.

In the course of my professional business  
I have observed that many persons, both  
old and young, but especially referring to  
young ladies and gentlemen, are in the  
habit of wearing spectacles. As it is very  
difficult to credit that young persons  
really require to use them, I have come to  
the conclusion that in a majority of cases  
young people wear them more as an orna-  
ment than use, forgetting that they are  
really injuring their eyes by so doing. As  
I have had many years' experience respect-  
ing persons wearing eye-glasses, and also  
the professional advice of one of the best  
physicians of his day, the late Sir Henry  
Marsh, physician to Her Majesty Queen  
Victoria, who gave me his formula for eye  
water, recommended by him, I think it  
my duty to advise the public and young  
people in particular to refrain from their  
use. Sir Henry condemns the usual eye-  
water given by druggists as very injurious  
to the eyes. Druggists' eye-water as a  
rule is sulphate of zinc. I beg to offer a  
bottle of eye-water made from the formula  
of Sir Henry, free to the first twenty per-  
sons that call for it (for their own use) at  
the Dominion Hotel from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
daily, except Sunday. In one township of  
County Grey, Ontario, I sold 12 dozen  
bottles of this eye-water in six weeks; 16  
pairs of spectacles were to my knowledge  
taken off for good, and I heard great  
compliments paid to me for the benefit  
the eye-water conferred on them. Price  
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