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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
oor heid ;

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 shoon 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 shoon 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 shoon 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 who 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.

SERG. 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 were dim,
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.

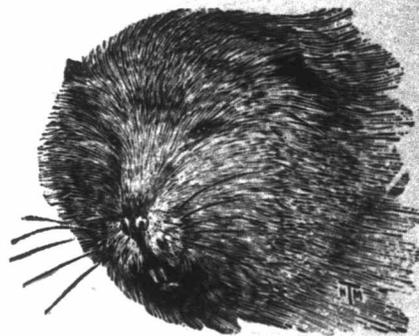
A LONDON (Eng.) paper reports : At a
meeting of the board the vice-chairman
was in the chair and read out the usual
report of births and deaths that had taken
place in the workhouse during the
previous week. Among the births he
read that Sarah Jennings had twin
daughters, and, in the sadly severe tones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