

## Today And Tomorrow.

*All Stuffed Up*

(To L. W. H. from M. E. P.)  
Swiftly, steadily, silently,  
The days, weeks and months  
pass along.  
Bearing the joys and the heart-  
aches  
To all, both the old and the young  
We smile, we rejoice and we plan,  
While we hasten along life's  
way.  
We know not whether tomorrow  
Will ever for us be today.

But who would dare lift the  
curtain  
Between what we call now  
and then?

Or wish to peer into tomorrow  
Whatever today may have  
been?

The Master's wisdom is fault-  
less,

And unto Him all things are  
known.

He gave each one only today  
To pray, to rejoice or to mourn.

Today, then, visit the loved one,  
Today the kind word we must  
speak.

For today, in today only,  
Lies the happiness all would  
seek.

Tomorrow, sh! yes, tomorrow,  
Who knows what tomorrow  
may bring?

For you or for me many longings,  
The ifs and what might have  
been.

So, trusting, loving and working,  
With a kind word for all we  
meet;

Cheering the faint-hearted sinner,  
With words of the Saviour so  
sweet;

Lord help us throughout all to-  
day

In all our cares or our sorrow,  
To love Thee and all Thy children,  
With no anxious thought for  
tomorrow.

## A Night On The Field

(Concluded.)

"They know better now" said  
Johannes, putting his prize with  
some pride, which indeed beamed  
from his countenance.

"We Afrikanders" he went on  
"are much like other people; we  
don't like to be the first to try  
new things. This time any how  
I got a bull's eye."

An uproar from the direction  
of the house interrupted the flow  
of O'Neil's farngossi. Both  
men looked in the direction  
whence the noise came. Three of  
the O'Neil children were running  
at the top speed, much excited  
with something that Elsie, the  
eldest held in her hand. They  
were running towards their father.

"Pa!" shouted Elsie as they  
came near, "what the gentle-  
man left on his chair."

Instinctively Marthinus felt in  
his pockets, and sure enough he  
discovered that his rosary had  
gone; and there it was in the  
hands of these children. He  
must have dropped it in taking  
out his pocket handkerchief.

"What are you doing with  
that?" asked Johannes turning to  
his guest, and pointed with  
raised brows to the rosary in  
in Elise's outstretched hand.

"Well, you wouldn't under-  
stand, if I told you" answered  
Marthinus.

"But I do," was the reply.

"We all have rosaries," said  
O'Neil "you might have guessed  
from our names; but what on  
earth are you doing with one.  
Did you pick it up in German  
East Africa."

Marthinus only kept on smiling.  
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*Children's Coughs  
QUICKLY  
RELIEVED.*

That's the condition of many sufferers  
from catarrh, especially in the morning.  
Great difficulty is experienced in clearing  
the head and throat.  
The result is often severe headache,  
impairs the taste, smell and hearing,  
pollutes the breath, diminishes the stomach  
and affects the appetite.

To cure catarrh, treatment must be  
constitutional—alterative and tonic.

"I was ill for four months with catarrh  
and the doctor said I had been  
over-exposed to cold, had become dis-  
couraged when my husband bought a bottle  
of Hood's Sarsaparilla and advised all to take it. It has  
cured and built me up." Mrs. Housie Ru-  
jor, West Lacombe, N. S.

*Hood's Sarsaparilla*

Curse catarrh—it soothes and strengthens  
the mucous membrane and builds up  
the whole system.

mind to make his name as Afri-  
kander as he was himself. There  
is not much in a name, but, he  
said that at Laings Nek, Ingogo-  
and the Majuba, it was more in  
keeping with the fitness of things  
that he should have a name that  
sounded in tune with the names  
of his brothers in arms.

A little further comparing of  
notes brought out the fact that  
Johannes and his host were really  
second cousins. In those days  
of constant treaking and alarms,  
it was not uncommon for families  
to become scattered, and for  
brothers even to lose sight of one  
another in the immittable country  
that lay south of the Zambezi.

With a cord of Kafirs all  
around them each community of  
white men became an island in  
the sea of barbarism. Often it  
was as much as they could do to  
hold their own, and there was  
little inclination to explore the  
danger zones in quest of family  
pedigrees.

As he returned home that day,  
Johannes had other thoughts than  
those of the Kafirs whom he  
had been unable to persuade to  
enter his service. For years he  
had been led how trivial he  
experiences that make up the  
web and woof of our life. For  
years he had been wandering to  
and fro within reach of these  
people, whom he would have  
given much to have known long  
before. Yet he knew not where  
to seek them until what men  
would call an unlucky accident  
brought him where he would  
have wished to go. And after  
all the government of this nether  
world is happily not left entirely  
to the wisdom of men—Catholic  
Magazine, S. A.

## Gaste.

The auctioneer glanced at his  
book. "Number 29," he said  
"black mare, aged, blind in near  
eye; otherwise sound."

The cold rain and the biting  
northeast wind did not add to  
the appearance of Number 29, as  
she stood, dejected, listless, with  
head drooping, in the center of  
the farmers and horse dealers who  
were attending the sale of cast off  
army horses.

She had a curiously shaped  
white blaze, and I think it was  
that, added to the description of  
her blindness, which stirred my  
memory within me. I closed my  
eyes for a second and it all came  
back to me the gun stuck in the  
mud, the men straining at the  
wheels, the shells bursting, the  
heat of high explosive, the two  
leaders lying dead on the road,  
and, above all, two gallant horses  
pulling the work of four and  
pulling till you'd think their  
hearts would burst.

I stepped forward and, looking  
closer at the mare's neck, found  
what I had expected, a great scar.

That settled it. I approached the  
auctioneer and asked permission  
to speak to the crowd for a few  
moments.

"Well," said he, "I'm supposed  
to do the talking here, you know."

"It won't do any harm," I  
pleaded, "and it will give me a  
chance to pay off a big debt."

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