A little elbow kneels upon your knee, Your tired knee, that has so much to bea A child's dear eyes are looking lovingly From underneath a thatch of tangled hair; Perhaps you do not heed the velvet touch Of warm, moist fingers, folding yours

tight: You do not prize this blessing overmuch You almost are too tired to pray to-night.

But it is blessedness! A year ago I did not see it as I do to-day-We are so dull and thankless; and too slow To catch the sunbeam till it slips away. And now it seems surpassing strange to me That, while I wore the badge of motherhood I did not kiss more oft and tenderly, The little child that brought me only good

And if, some night when you set down to rest, You miss this elbow from your tired knee; This restless, curling head from off your breast, This lisping tongue that chatters constantly; If from your own the dimpled hands had slip-

And ne'er would nestle in your palm again If the white feet into their grave had tripped, I could not blame you for your heart-ache

I wonder so that mothers ever fret At little children clinging to their gown; Or that the foot-prints, when the days are wet Are ever black enough to make them frown It I could find a little muddy boot, Or cap, or jacket, on my chamber floor; If I could kiss a rosy, restless foot, And hear its patter in my home once mo

If I could mend a broken cart to-day, To-morrow make a kite to reach the sky-There is no woman in God's world could say She is more blissfully content than I. But ah ! the dainty pillow next my own Is never rumpled by a shining head; My singing birdling from its nest is flown; The little boy I used to kiss is dead! -The Aldine.

THE SPIDER-BRIDGE.

One chilly day I was left at home alone, and after I was tired of reading "Robinson Crusoe," I caught a spider, and brought him into the house to play with. Funny kind of playmate, wasn't it? Well, I took a wash-basin and fastened up a stick in it, like a liberty pole or a vessel's mast, and then poured in water enough to turn the mast into an island for my spider, whom I named Crusoe, and put on the mast. As soon as he was fairly cast away, he anxiously commenced running round to find the road to to the mainland. He'd scamper down wet, shake it, run round the stick and try the other side, and then run back up to the top again. Pretty soon it became a serious matter with Mr. Robinson, and he sat down to think wanted to shout for a boat, and was afraid he was going to be , ungry, I put a little molasses on a stick. A fly came, but Crusoe wasn't bungry for flies just then. He was home-sick branches of learning. for his web in the corner of the wood-shed. and touched it all round, shaking his feet like all at once remarked that he wanted to go to feeling existed in the mind of one accustome pussy when she wets her stockings in the France. grass, and suddenly a thought appeared to strike him. Up he went, like a rocket, to the that the apparently contented and happy youth ones in the heavenly world, and whose faith in top, and commenced playing circus. He held had thus suddenly become dissatisfied with his one toot in the air, then another, and turned situation, "for what?" round two or three times. He got excited, and nearly stood on his head, before I found call," continued George, "and I will explain." out what he knew, and that was this, that the draught of air made by the fire would carry a at tea-time the apprentice presented himself line ashore by which he could escape from the desert island. He pushed out a web that went and explained his singular intention to go to pleasant, aye, thrilling memories in many a many and explained his singular intention to go to grateful heart. floating in the air, until it caught on the table. France. Then he hauled on the rope until it was tight. struck it several times to see if it was strong enough to hold him, and walked ashore. I thought he had earned his liberty, so I put him back in the wood shed again .- Hearth and

MRS. TEREDO AND HER FAMILY. BY REV. JOHN TODD, D. D.

So he selected a beautiful model, and knowperior, he spared no time or money in procurbut he saw the broken head

"Jim Spiker, I see a nail broken; isn't there a little hole by its side?" "Not a bit of it, I am sartain'. There couldn't a drop of water get in there in a cen-

So the word of Jim was accepted, the ship these waters swarm with that little pest, the would never have "stood before kings." ship worm. They crawled all over the ship, but could not get through the copper sheathing. At length Mrs. Teredo, a very small specimen of her tribe, lit upon the broken nail, found the little hole, and squeezed herselt in. Then she began to eat the timber, and lay her eggs Brown; you, a rich man, suing a 'pore orphant in it. Soon they hatchod, and increased, till that timber was full of the little Teredoes, and little soul?" then the next, and the next, till every stick in the whole ship was full, and eaten almost into powder. Still the ship looked sound, sailed well, and made her long voyages. At length, the act, and finally sued the offender. when in the middle of the great ocean, a terrible storm met her. The wind howled through the rigging, as if singing a funeral dirge. The bled up like a piece of paper. She foundered -at sea-in the dark night-by the awful storm! The rich cargo all went to the bottom

The wife waited long and tearfully for the upon the poor were especially rebuked wherbusband; the children longed for the father ever found, by whomsoever perpetrated. who never came. The little hole had been

Spiker been unfaithful.

O, how often is a child rained by some negood-will of a child, that will lead him to Christ. the earnings of his own toil. A single visit to the sick-chamber, to the Sab- A friend to every orphan boy he chanced to tion or the ruin of an immortal soul.

the ship. All great effects grow out of small man brought to our paternal roof by his influbeginnings. The loosening of a single grain ence.

GEORGE WILSON.

running to him a poor boy, whose intelligent eye fixed the gentleman's attention. The boy the solemn tervor of his prayers. inquired, "Please, sir, can you tell me of any one who would like a boy to work for him, and learn to read?"

cause they would not teach me to read." authorities of the town, and took the boy into hored the pomp and circumstances of fashion his family. He soon acquired the confidence in the house of the Lord. Ever faithful in of Mr. Gallandet by his faithfulness and hones- attendance upon the services of the sanctuary, ty. He also learend to read, and was allowed careful to employ all of the time in worship, the use of his master's library, whereby he more than one stranger's ear has been startled made rapid progress in the acquisition of know. as "Uncle Chris" opened the exercises with, ledge. It became necessary, after a while, "When I can read my title clar," in his own the mast to the water, stick out a foot, get it that George should leave Mr. Gallaudet, when peculiar style. Those, however, who knew he was apprenticed to a cabinet-maker in the him best, reverenced his spirit of devotion, and neighborhood. There the same integrity won would unite with him in singing his tavorite tor him tavor. To gratify his inclination for hymn, believing none felt more deeply the senstudy, his kind master had a little room fitted timents of his word. There were times when it over. As in a moment he acted as if he wanted to shout for a hout for a ho George devoted his leisure time to his favorite grave, as having been with him from childhood; pursuits. He made rapid attainments in mathematics, in the French language, and other templated without a tremer-but it lay in the

he sat at tea with the family one evening, he tenement of the spirit. Strange that such a

" Please, sir, will you ask Mr. Gallaudett to ty years! His kind friend was invited accordingly, and

"In the time of Napoleon," said he, "a prize was offered by the French Government for the simplest rule for measuring plain surfaces. The prize has never been awarded, and that method I have discovered.

He then demonstrated his problem, to the youth demonstrated his problem, amid the besides valuable presents from the king.

ing the best timber to be had, and the best He then took letters of introduction, and him with ample means for his outfit.

He complied with the invitation, repaired to protection of the Emperor of all the Russias! One to-day is worth two to-morrows. Boys, was finished and launched, and made two or use your spare moments well! Had George has more current literature on his dining-room these, she lay at a wharf in Calcutta. Now nings in the streets, or in bad company, he care for; but you ought to see his hired men

"UNCLE CHRIS."

I can pay the cost and fine, too, 'Squire boy,' where do you expect to land your 'pore

Uncle Chris.

The drowned men and women, sank down, down, miles, before they rested on the bottom!

All done through the neglect of Jim Spiker, who

"I took Lewis when a friendless child, and much in his life. "My father taught me," All done through the neglect of Jim Spiker, who was too unfaithful to mend the hole made by the bear to see him meanly treated."

was to unfaithful to mend the hole made by the bear to see him meanly treated."

was the reply, "when I had anything to do, to go and do it." There is the secret—the magic

There was watchings and anxieties by those on shore, all wondering why the richly laden ship did not arrive. The cargo and ship were ship did not arrive. The cargo and ship were for his logical demonstrations and practical ing learning; for he has thereby more ways of the richly laden has thereby more ways of the richly laden ship were ship did not arrive. The cargo and ship were his logical demonstrations and practical ing learning; for he has thereby more ways of the richly laden has thereby more ways of the richly laden has thereby more ways of later than the richly laden has thereby more ways of later than the richly laden has thereby more ways of later than the richly laden has the richly

An eccentric character among the pioneer class of men, left tatherless when a boy, he The poor widow who depended on her only was early inured to hardships; the support and on-a kind, dutiful, manly youth, her stay and comfort of his widowed mother, with whom for staff-looked out of her humble dwelling in many years he kept a kind of an orphan asyvain. Her boy never came. The nail had lum thus devoting his life for the good of others. He sold his homestead after the death Scores of homes were desolated, and many of his aged mother, put out his money at inhad their earthly hopes crushed by the sinking terest, and worked as a day-laborer; or visited of that ship, and all because the little hole was around his large circle of friends, sometimes left! Mrs. Teredo and her great family had spending a few weeks in caring for the home never brought about all this ruin, had not Jim and stock of a friend, who desired leave of ab-

sence for business or pleasure. As a philanthropist, his plans were not glect as to his temper, his early besetting sin! broad, nor his theories fine; but he was practi-The little foxes creep in easily, and spoil the cal and unostentatious. Actuated by a spirit of vines. The worm that eats up character, and true benevolence, the left-hand seldom knew of wrecks all the hopes of life, can crawl into a the bounty bestowed by its companion, but very small hole. A mother neglected to punthe widow was blessed, the orphan children ish, or even to reprove her boy for stealing an looked up and were glad. Food provided for egg, and that neglect, as he said on the gal- the needy, or fuel and clothing in the Winter lows, brought him that shameful death. A cold, came not from contributions begged and single bow, or a single smile, may win the dispensed, but by the labors of his own hands,

bath-school scholar, a single conversation, or a meet, a tireless watcher by the sick, a gentle single word dropped, may result in the salva- and judicious nurse, the man to pray for the dying, and to close the sightless eyes of the The spiritual Teredoes are multitudious, and dead, our first recollection of "Uncle Chris" they enter any hole, however small, and sink was as a watcher by the sick-bed of a young

"He's shore to die there," was the argument dam, carrying off the mills, and ruining a vildam, carrying on the mins, and running a visit man pleaded the removal of the patient, an orprofane expression, the first taste of strong phan, from the place where he was taken sick but have always thought if I had done as drink, the first neglect of your Bible, the first to our childhood's home. Night after night you told me to do I might have been well. neglect of prayer, the first breaking of the came "Uncle Chris," anxious and sleepless, to The Lord knows. I have taken some since Sabbath. You are leaving holes for the Tere. minister to the fever-smitten youth, now raving then and am still alive, thank God, and I do family to ruin you forever .- Sunday-school in delirium, now swooning from exhaustion. The long, tedious recovery and subsequent departure of the convalescent one created an interest held in common by all who had attended him in sickness. And so it was that, as a child, Some years ago, as good Mr. Gallaudet was we came to look with pleasure upon the occawalking in the streets of Hartford, there 'came sional visits of Uncle Chris, often mingled with wonder at his peculiarities, or held in awe by

the Scriptural basis of our Methodist doctrines, trouble, being afraid he would lose it. and have just come from the work-house be- many old men, he mourned over the enroachments of the world upon the Church-" the The gentleman made arrangements with the former times were better than these "-and abcommitting of the body to the dust, imprison-After being in this situation a few years, as ing, covering with earth, the long-honoured to view death as the "gate to endless bliss," "Go to France!" said his master, surprised often expressing a desire to join the blessed

Christ and witness of spiritual communion had marked his public testimony for more than for-Long afflicted, still the last summons came uddenly to him, "and he was not."

Years have passed since his death, yet the familiar name of "Uncle Chris" will awaken grateful heart

STORING FARM IMPLEMENTS.

I went into Swamscot's tool-house yesterday to get out of the rain. His grass is cut, and he will have no further use for his mower. The othodox way of doing with a mower, on many surprise and gratification of his friends, who farms, is to unhitch from the place where the mediately furnished the means for defraying last hay cutting was done, and leave it in the his expenses, and with letters of introduction field. Swamscott must be a herctic! I found to the Hon. Lewis Cass, then the American his mower packed away in one corner of his the last ship I shall ever build, and I intend to have her as perfect as possible."

Minister to the Court of France. He was introduced to Louis Philippe, and in the presence of the king, nobles, and plenipotentiaries, this of the king, nobles, and plenipotentiaries, the contract of the king, nobles, and the contract of ly cleaned, and the bearings oiled. I rather ing that the owner wanted something very su- plaudits of the Court. He received the prize, liked the idea. I said so. Swamscott said "Why, that's the way I make money. I've used that mover six Summers, and it's a better men to be found. And then he watched over came to the Court of St. James, and gained a mower to-day than Joe Peet's that he bought every stick as it was hewn and fitted in its similar prize, offered by the Royal Society last year; his lay in the field until November, place, every plank that was spiked on the tim- He then returned to the United States. There and was then put into an open shed where the bers, and every spar that was prepared. When they came to put the copper sheathing over the bottom of the ship, the deacon watched it very closely. At one spot he found the head of the iron nail, which fastened the sheathing, split. The deacon's eyes were becoming rather poor; The deacon's eyes were becoming rather poor; dence at the Russian Court, and furnishing until he wanted to use it again; nor did he oil

St. Petersburg, and became Professor of Math- plows, etc., etc., were all soughly put away by ematics in the Royal College, under the special Swamscot. I mention these little things that you may know why he has the reputation of being a thrifty, thorough, liberal farmer. He wilson been an idle boy, spending his evego through his papers and magazines! And go through his papers and magazines! And the New York Tribune, wries: "J. Ball of our they share the good things they read with each city is a conscientious and responsible man, who is other and the family, and discuss the same with other and the family, and discuss the same with no small degree of intelligence.-Cor. Rural New Yorker.

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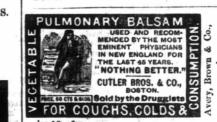
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