LITTLE INDIAN MAID.

In the dark woods and forests wild, My father roved, rude nature's child, With tomahawk and bended bow, To lay the bear and reindeer low.

My mother in the wigwam stayed, To pound the corn and dress the skin, Or sew my father's moccasin.

My brother, in the bark canoe, Across the waves so gaily flew; And I, a little Indian maid, With acorn cups and flowers play'd,

Or by my mother sat all day, To weave the splint and basket gay; I could not read, I could not sew, My Saviour's name I did not know.

My parents oft I disobeyed, And to the Lord I never pray'd: The white man to the forest came And taught the Indian Jesus' name.

He built the church, the school-house rear'd, And holy hymns the dark woods cheer'd; I now can read, I now can sew— My Saviour's name I'm taught to know: And now my Saviour I implore To bless the white man evermore

Family Reading.

THE LAST SHOW OF GLADIATORS, A. D. 404.

The blood of the Martyrs had triumphed. God had heard the prayers of the souls under the Heavenly Altar. Idol temples were down to the knights." every where falling to ruin; idol sacrifices were scarcely known. Eighty years had passed since Constantine saw that glorious "You will not get a seat there for Cross which led him to victory; and though half a solidus," replied the other. Julian the Apostate, fighting against God, devils, he had gone to his account; and the there." faith of the Crucified One prevailed far and wide. But just as after a storm at sea, yet calm; so many of the evil habits and customs of heathenism still clung to those could be put away.

Now, then, my story must take you to Rome on a fine December morning, four hundred and four years after the birth of our Lord. The great city was full of joy and activity. Multitudes were pouring down every street, but all burrying in one direction; shops were shut; ladies were borne enough." along by their slaves in rich litters; patricians sweeping onward with their long train of dependants. "Look! there is one of the will give one solidus, but I will give no more, Consuls, the fasces (the axe in a bundle of because I have no more to give. rods) borne before him by the lictor as in the old times; by the side of that house which number of the lower tradesmen are gathered | designator received his promised fee, and | felt that all was over. round to read it. It sets forth that, on the walked away. tenth, before the Kalends of January, at the third hour, there will be a great show of gladiators, Marcus Trebellius Pollio, Editor, teen of knights' one of senators-between (that is, provider and arranger of the specta- himself and the arena, with his back to all Maximus's right arm. all which things would give you no idea of the most conspicuous places in the whole theatre. sport." show if I were to write them down; but appeared greatly to please the citizens who

were reading the names. Still the crowd rolled on, more impatiently as the sun grew higher; they poured down the Via Sacra; every narrow alley at the foot of the Esquiline Hill sent forth its fives and miserable women, and all the vice of the city rolled forwards and onwards; the slaves ran dependants, shadows as they were called, two of his most favorite disciples. hurried on to secure him a good place-one and all, the course was to the Colosseum.

We will go there too; but first we must was Telemachus; he had come from Syria, a poor unlearned monk. He had no friends, he knew no one; but he had given a denarius to a poor lad at the Porta Triumphalis by which he had entered the city, to show him the way to the Colosseum.

And why did he come? He had heard discharged) if you wish for it. even as far off as Syria, of the wicked abomand life against life, for the amusement of the and had believed; then he had applied for brutal people that even yet counted the amphitheatre as one of their great amusements; cius, refused to give it to him while he rethat the death of the combatant was criticised mained a gladiator; it was the wise and holy and applauded as the most common and every day occurrence might be; that even then the amphitheatre was crowded by men, aye, and a slave: that he must obey his master and by women, aye, and by high-born men and fight. women, who in a few days would flock, in victor to be saluted with shouts from the wrong." weakest hands came to Rome, determined to fearful a thing it is to trifle with Him."

that stood out against the eastern sky.

sea of faces, that seemed to stretch up from kill or be killed. And if he fell himself-if evasive answer.

the best place for seeing, was already filled by the senators; the Emperor's throne was | deed! he shuddered at the thought of it. empty; for Honorius would never witness common seats above them, the very extreme off." height-all was densely crammed. The I must stop a moment to explain how they nificent.

longer so guarded. Telamachus and his guide entered one of and the whole scene burst upon them at once. as near as I can to that place," pointing to

"You should have been earlier," said the boy, "to do it. You can't get lower than to the back of the knights' seats, and you will have to pay pretty handsomely for that now." "I have money," replied the old man

"Pass on ! pass on!" cried the designator the man whose business it was to place people in their proper seats.

"This philosopher," said the lad for he took Telamachus for one, "wants to get close

"Can you pay?" asked the designator. "What will it cost?" inquired Telamachus. "You will not get a seat there for less than

"I will give it," said the hermit; " and had for a little while restored the worship of another half to you, if you will get me a place

"Follow me, sir," said the designator, more respectfully. "Out of the way, fellows! though the wind may have fled, still the long Stand back there! This way, sir!" And dark waves come rolling in, and there is not he pushed on, till he reached the end of the passage, at the back of the knights' seats.

"Is there any locarius here!" said he. who were no longer heathens; and required The locarii were poor men who came very time, and courage, and faith, before they early, and then let others have their seats afterwards on receiving money.

"Here?" cried a man, rising. " A gentleman wants your seat," said the designator. "What is it?" "Two solidi," was the reply.

designator. "Half a solidus is more than "I won't take it," cried the other.

The people round laughed; and the loca-' rius, saying sullenly, Let me have it then,'

Now, understand this. The Syrian hermit was then sitting, with fifteen rows-fourcle); and then followed a long list of famous the seats, less close to the knights,' that went

I must now take you for a mement to an-

our standing within sound of some impurity. its tens, from the Suburra (the lowest and tors were collected ready to make their enmost infamous part of Rome,) squalid men, trance. They were pupils of the famous lanista, or trainer of gladiators, Cluvienus. The old man was busy examining their arms, forward faster with the litters; the patrician's and giving a parting word of advice to one or

"Now, Thraso," said he to a big brutal Albanian, "you leave your side a little less open than you did yesterday, or by Hercules stop to listen to what an old, venerable, man, you will repent it. You, Seaurus, you must clad in a simple hair cloak, and clearly, by get out of that habit of winking, or it will be his voice and manner, a stranger to Rome, is your ruin. You have all heard of my old saying to that youth at his side. His name master Athenodorus, I believe that half his success rose from the steadiness of his eyelids. What! cheer up, Tryphon! You are deal of the southern and western coasts of matched to-day with a man against whom it | England. I first landed at Penzance, before is an honor to be pitted. Come, come, beat the building of its second church. This him, and I'll engage you get the rudis, (the town, which depends much for its prosperity rod given a gladiator as a sign that he was

inations of the shows of gladiators; he knew reason to wish his discharge. He had come that men were trained to fight hand to hand, to Rome an idolator; he had heard the truth will of the church, and he would not depart

"So thought not the Martyrs," said Sirinearly equal numbers, to the many churches cius, "else had their names never attained of Rome to celebrate the great Christmas that honor in which the Church holds them. festival of peace. True; Constantine had If you will pledge me your word never to apmuch discouraged these shows; there was no pear in the arena—to endure the worst rather longer such a monstrous waste of life as when -I will admit you to baptism; if not, God ten thousand gladiators once fought under forbid I should profaue that holy mystery by Trajan. But still, every December, the admitting one to it who will so often, if he wretched men-more wretched because now lives, be engaged in open and flagrant sin." they were not condemned malefactors, fight- "But, holy father,' pleaded Tryphon, "I - trines were comparatively unknown. ing for their lives, but because they gloried will obtain my discharge as soon as ever I

innumerable multitude-the vanquished to "So much the better for yourself, my drawn out with hooks. And so holy Tele- son," replied the Bishop, "if it shall please machus, being strong in faith, and knowing God to spare your life. But what right have finished, but had been ably designed, and eleven verses, which he was satisfied could be that God could work the greatest ends by the you to reckon on that? And remember how

do that which Emperors and Kings had failed But Tryphon had not courage boldly to in accomplishing, and to put down the shows. declare that he would no longer appear in the "There it is!" cried the boy, as he turned arena. He feared the trial of bitter mocking sharp round by the Temple of Vesta, in ruins, and scourging, which would have been asand pointed to the immense pile of building suredly his; for, in the then state of feeling, his masters would not have dared to take his tered into conversation with a man, who, row aperture, invited Mr. B. to follow. This "Is that the Colosseum?" inquired Tele- life. Twice he had since then fought in the machus, pausing a moment, and lifting up shows, and each time he was conqueror; and directing the labors of the rest, but who, as he Bible, escaping from his breast pocket, fell his prayer to the God Whose he was, and to his great joy, each time he had only wound- afterwards informed me, was the priest in into the well, and was soon heard plunging ed, not killed, his antagonist. He was charge of the mission. This union of offices in the water far below. The guide made "Yes, by Hercules!" cried the lad. "But already looked upon as a most promising come on, sir, or we shall not get a place." gladiator, and this day he was matched with Before we enter with them, you must for a a very strong and skilful Thracian, by name moment try to fancy the scene as it then was. Maximus, the terror of the whole set of gla-You must stand on that most sacred ground diators, for he boasted that he had slain forty--most sacred I call it, for none was ever three. Tryphon knew himself to be inferior more richly dyed with the blood of martyrs, in skill to his adversary—he feared that God where the tall cross now flings its dark shadow had delivered him into his hands, he hardly architectural merits of the building, was an have reached the bottom, and it is at present For one or more copies (less than eight) 1s. 6d. so peacefully over the green sward. All dared to pray for protection to Him whom he expression of surprise to find them at Pen-scarcely covered with water." Forthwith hind tier, gallery beyond gallery, rose, sloping that, in this case, out of self-defence, he from? Who supplied the money? upwards from the ground the eighty-seven must try to take his opponent's life. It would "When God has work for us to do He a blaze, which showed us the whole of the

the arena, almost to the clouds. The podium he who might have had baptism, and had re-

"Cheer up, lad! cheer up!" said the the games; but with that one exception, all rough but kind old lanista. "This Maximus tion there? I had never heard of such a The prize he put into his breast; (but) we and every part—the fourteen benches of the has a worse name than he deserves. With thing, but really the church did look as if it found it no easy matter to get him pulled up

editor was already seated close to the Emper- fought in this case. Maximus was renowned accidents from wild beasts, this not only rose | no defensive armour, not even a hemlet .about fifteen feet above the arena, but had a His arms were a net, with which he tried to could be called a population." small canal running round at its foot, which, catch his enemy's head, and a trident with again on the opposite side, had once been which to dispatch him. Tryphon had a hel- there? fenced with iron rails, though it was now no met, a shield, and a sword; it was his business to avoid the net, and then to follow hard

"I wish," said the hermit, "to get down the widest distance from him-tempt him to a door. make the furthest throw he can, then squat

their seats, stamped, and clapped, shouted, previous rottenness of the place.

"Better ask two sestertia at once," said the twice round the arena so closely, that he had ing the duties of canons; one presides over "Listen," said Telemachus, simply. "I his net, caught the helmet of Tryphon, and what they must be, and will be again. threw him to the ground with a jerk. High is being rebuilt, a placard is fixed; and a gave up the place to Telemachus. The in the air glittered the trident, and Tryphon since my visit there last summer and there-

> Telemachus had thrown himself over into the them. knights' seats, pushed through them and the For several days the members af St. Nin-

Maximus grappled with Telemachus. very attentive and cop not stay there, lest we should be defiled by but the arena was full of the lowest rabble. the canons, on entering the choir, remarked In one of the many vestibules that opened burst all fences, and crowded round Tele- not one of whom seemed ever to have been at off from the arena, twelve or fourteen gladia-

advantage of the general horror, and gather- movements of the rest. shows of the gladiators.

FRUITS OF DILIGENCE. Some eight or ten years ago I used to keep a little yacht, in which I visited a good on the success of its fisheries, was then apparently in a flourishing condition, and Tryphon, a young Lycian slave; had indeed the villages of Newlyn and Mousehole, which line the western shores of its bay, had grown almost into towns, and bore at that time a clean and thriving appearance. The fruits of industry are not quite so rapid in and therefore the increase of Penzance had not quite kept pace with that of St. Leonfrom it. In vain Tryphon urged that he was ard's .- Still, however, at the time I speak of it numbered between eight and nine thousand inhabitants; and as, to meet the wants of these, a single church endowed with a stipend of £150 a year was considered sufficient, it is pretty evident that the religious condition of the place would have been bad had it not been for the Dissenters. Thanks to their exertions, Penzance was, when I knew it, a very religious place after its fashion, -certainly a very Protestant place,but for the reason I mentioned, Church doc-

As the yacht stood across Mount's Bay, in their calling-were pitted together; the can-I hate my profession-I know it is our attention had been drawn to a group of buildings on a rising ground just outside were at that time sufficiently advanced to- discovered. wards completion to produce a picturesque and churchlike effect. They proved to be the locality of a Roman Catholic colony, and Church. Most of their regular clergy are recovered, for the well is deep. brought up to some trade, architecture as of- When, about three years after, Dr. Wilson ledge, New York. science—he carried a hod.

the lowest seat round the arena, and of course | fused it, were called into the presence of Gop | Bishop of some impossible place in partibus | that we might have the exact measurement. without a moment for prayer-in a sinful infidelium, for this was before the Popish After searching for about five minutes among Aggression.

knights behind the senators, the popularia or such a secutor as you, he ought not to get was the centre of a rich populous neighbor- The book from having been so long

or's throne, on the podium. To prevent as a retiarius. He wore a short tunic, but Catholic population at all to speak of; here we had ascertained the depth of the well-

down, get within his guard, and you have sidered to be opened to them, because the design, a luxuriant vine has made its way At this moment the trumpets pealed long carried out; not because there was no religi- now waving its branches from the top, as if and loud; the doors of the various rooms ous teaching in the place, for there was, but to recal to mind the prophetical description were thrown open, and the gladiators, amidst because that religious teaching was not Church of this favoured tribe. 'Joseph is a fruitful the loud shouts of the people, entered the teaching. Perhaps the converse of this pro- bough, even a fruitful hough by a well whose arena. They walked round it by pairs; they position will suggest to you the reason why, branches run over the wall! The beautful bowed to the spectators; they then took their when the discipline of the Church of England field around it is, no doubt, the parcel of places, there was another blast of the trum- is carried out, the Roman Catholics do not ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph, pets, and the work of death began. Three consider the door opened. And then perhaps taking it out of the hand of the Amorite with pairs of gladiators fought in the first course. it may show you why it is that you have no his sword and with his bow .- Mission to the Telemachus looked up to the sky, and magnificent Roman Catholic church, no large Jews, pp. 212, 213. murmured to himself, "strengthen me, O Roman Catholic schools, and no numerous LORD, I pray Thee only this once." But proselytizing Roman Catholic establishments the people in wild excitement, stood up in here? The growth of the fungus marks the version given by Italian interpreters to an

dexterously warded off. Presently there was subsequent effect. I have not taken upon or exercising other functions of their office, a loud cry of habet! habet! "He has it! me to say consequent. But I will proceed to to sit, as the scriptural expression runs, at he has it!" and one of the gladiators fell, a show you how these things do act on the the gate of their palaces. Gate became stream of dark blood pouring from his nos- minds of religious but untaught people. In thus synonymous with court or office, and the trils and mouth. The victor stepped back, this instance I am happy to be able to take Sultan's court was called by excellence, the amidst the thundering applause of the people. my example from a Church in communion exalted or lofty gate. This phrase in the The chief interest lay between Maximus with our own. It was a grand idea in a literal translation of the Dragomans, who and Tryphon. If Tryphon had received ad- Church so poor, so desolate as that of Scot- were mostly Italians, became La Porto Subvice from his master, so had Maximus from land, to attempt to build a cathedral; it was lime, whence the title of the Sublime Porte. his. Tryphon kept at his utmost distance; an offering to God, like that of the widow's To the same source we owe the term, "Grand Maximus started close to him, made a cast mite; but, like the widow's mite, though Seignor," as applied to the Ottoman Emperor. with his net, and caught the fish that was the precious as an offering of faith, it is poor in crest of his hemlet. Tryphon dropped his worldly wealth. You must not imagine the head suddenly, and the net slipped off. Now Dean and Canons of St. Ninian's at all like Maximus had to fly for his life. Tryphon, amidst the shouts of the people, pursued him English cathedral. They are canons perform-familiar, and sit on you with ease, if not with no opportunity of making another cast. But the mission, one takes charge of the choral as they rushed for the third time close under arrangements, one superintends the schools, the place where Telemachus sat, Tryphon's and one manages the internal economy of the sword all but piercing his enemy's back, college. St. Ninian's is what our cathedrals Maximus, seeing it must be now or never, were once, before their revenues became an leapt quickly to one side, made a cast with object of political or private patronage, and

The story I am going to tell you happened fore I will not vouch for the accuracy of all A yell from every part of the theatre .- the details; the main facts are as I state

senators, jumped into the arena, and caught | ian's College had observed three or four men, very regular at their morning and evening ser-'You shall not kill him!'? he cried. Gon, vices; who they were nobody knew, but they Both precept and example ought to be laid gladiators, and how they were to be matched; towering up to the sky. He had one of the has sent me to put an end to this accursed were evidently countrymen, not over well dressed; they appeared ignorant, or at least un-Tryphon was on his feet in a moment and accustomed to what they saw, but they were Savage at the interruption of their sports, they | that the whole nave was filled with strangers, ed on the hermit; and when the officers of stand, or when to kneel, or when to sit, but the theatre had again cleared the arena, they were trying their best, and watching what of the saint had ever borne the form of man. among them, these three or four strangers, By dying, Telemachus triumphed. The who had by this time learnt something of games were broken off; and Honorius, taking cathedral worship, were seen directing the

ing courage from the example of the Martyr, In the evening a deputation waited upon put an end at once and forever to the bloody the Dean : "They were people living at a distance, employed, they said, upon some public works (to the best of my recollection they were quarriers;) there were as many as two thousand of them, and as they had no minister, or indeed any form of religion whatever, they had determined to send some of their number to Perth to see (as they expressedit) what sort of religion was best for them; they had visited, they said, the Presbyterian places of worship, both free and established, and did not much like them : they had visited an Episcopalian church, of which I, having and they did not like that much better; and that now they had visited the cathedral .-They had not, they said, the smallest difficulty in making up their minds about which looked most like the worship of God; and now, having brought their friends to confirm their choice, they had on deliberation determined that a deputation should be sent to the Dean, begging him to send one of his capons to organize them a church."

THE INDESTRUCTABLE BOOK-At a literary party in Britain a gentleman put a question that puzzled the whole company. It was, osing all the New Testaments in the world had been destroyed at the end of the third century, could their contents have been recovered from the writings of the three first centuries? Lord Hales, who was present, being quite an antiquarian, began immediately to collect and examine the writings of those the town, about which a number of workmen centuries, and actually discovered the whole were employed. The buildings were still un- of the New Testament except seven or

When Mr. Bonar visited Jacob's well, his consisted of a church, schools, and houses for guide "removed a large stone that covers the the accommodation of those employed about mouth of the low vault built over the well; them. I soon found my way there, and en- and then thrusting himself through the nardressed like a working man, seemed to be he did; but in the act of descending, his is by no means uncommon in the Romish very significant signs that it could not be

brought up to some trade, arcuitecture as orten as any. My Valorsinois priest, you rewas at the same spot, he offered a reward to
the regular receipt of the above publications, and
the regular receipt of the above publications, and My first expression, after speaking of the down by a rope, and at length exclaimed, "I part of the Province: a quantity of dry sticks, with which he made thousand seats of the militude. It was a never do to attempt to wound him; he must always finds the means," was the somewhat well from the top to the bottom. We saw the end of the rope at its lowest part; and Sept. 1, 1853.

Who had sent him? His superior, the we put a knot upon it at the margin above, the stones and mud at the bottom, Jacob But was there a large Romanist popula- joyfully called out, 'It is found! It is found!'

hood; it almost deserved the title of mag- steeped in the water and mud below, was, with the exception of the boards, reduced to "No," he said, "there was no Roman a mass of pulp. In our effort to recover it, and there a family it might be, but not what exactly 75 feet. Its diameter is about nine feet; it is entirely hewn out of the solid rock, Then what could have brought him and is a work of great labour. To a considerable extent it is now perhaps filled by His superior had considered that the people | the stones thrown in to sound it. Mr. Calwere as sheep not having a shepherd (they boun, who was here lately, found it 75 deep, upon his enemy, before he could have oppor- did not seem to make much account of our with ten or eleven feet of water. In all the dissenting brethren,) and they imagined that other wells and fountains which we saw in the vomitories, the great outer doors, ascendtunity for a second throw.

"Look you!" said the lanista. "Maxidissenting brethren,) and they imagined that
this valley, the water is within reach of the
poverty-stricken condition of the Church
this valley, the water is within reach of the
hand, but in this one the water never seems mus always throws too far. Do you keep at of England in that place had opened them hand, but in this one the water never seems to rise high. About a hundred yards off is You will observe that the door was con- Joseph's Tomb. Whether by accident or discipline of the Church of England was not over the wall that encloses the tomb, and was

> The word "Porte" is derived from a Oriental phrase. It was an ancient custom as a stroke was dexterously aimed, or more I have shown you a probable cause and a of eastern sovereings, in administering justice,

POLITENESS BETWEEN BROTHERS AND SISTERS .- By endeavouring to acquire a elegance. Let it never be forgotten that genuine politeness is a great fosterer of family love; it allays accidental irritation, by preventing harsh retorts, and rude contradictions; it softens the boisterous, stimulates the indolent, suppresses selfishness, and, by forming a habit of consideration for others, harnonizes the whole. Politeness begets politeness, and brothers may easily be won by it to leave off the rude ways they bring home from school or college. Sisters ought never to receive any little attention without thanking them for it, never to ask a favor of them but in courteous terms-never to reply to their questions in monosvilables, and they will soon be ashamed to do such themselves. under contribution, to convince them that no one can have really good manners abroad who is not habitually polite at home.

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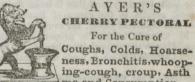
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