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THE LIGHT OF LOVE.

If love is not worth loving, then life is not worth living, Nor aught is worth remembering, but well forgot;

For store is not worth storing and gifts and not worth giving If love is not. -Christina G. Rossetti.

STUFFED DATES.

Before stuffing the dates wash them in cold water and soak them for three or four minutes. Then dry them. The process plumps them, restoring something of their lost juices and shape. Cream cheese is sometimes filled into dates. Nut meats are always acceptable as a filling. Roll the dates in granulated rather than pulverized sugar.

#### WASH HANDKERCHIEFS AT HOME.

The young housekeeper who herself sees to the washing of these very useful and necessary articles at home, will be well repaid for her trouble by the beautiful and glossy appearance which, when coming from the laundry, is so often found wanting. Make a suds with half a gallon of hot water, a large teaspoonful of soap jelly, and a teaspoonful of ammonia. Put the handkerchiefs into this, well soaping each after wetting once. Let good. them soak for an hour.

Now add a little more hot water, wash them well through this, and another lot of fresh suds made in the same manner.

Squeeze out and soap again, and lay in a perfectly clean saucepan. Cover with cold water, add a little washing powder, and simmer gently for half an hour.

Afterwards rinse well, first in hot water and then in cold, to which a little blue has been added. Wring out, roll in a dry cloth and iron while damp.

Now put in a warm place, and allow them to become thoroughly dried without unfolding.

#### NEWSPAPER USES.

Few persons realize to how many uses old newspapers may be put. Just now, when winter weather is ahead of us, the housekeeper will find that they are invaluable as weather pro-A carper that is thickly lined with newspapers is twice as as one without. Wrapped around ripes they will prevent freez- have been written. The only choice A successful suburban physician declares that a newspaper vest is the reading upon a few choice topics, and best preventive of pneumonia he to do it thoroughly and well. knows, and he always wears one un- An excellent way is to fix upon try trips. Any woollen or silk gar- figure in biography, or some importment hung up in a newspaper bag ant department of science and art. will be insured against moths, fading, Concentrate fact, fiction, and fancy dampness or dust. In fact, insects all upon the theme. Such a course ion juice for ink, or nitro-muriate of was all spoiled, too. And there have such an objection to printer's will give constant interest to ink that shelves covered with news- pursuit which, even with those who luice answers just as well. When I threw it at Billy Watkins' dog. papers will be freet from roaches, ants, etc., than those on which white flag; it will economize thought, and it piece of soapstone heated very hot but I saw down on the floor my paper has been spread. Poor people could make use of newspapers many ways to advantage. By folding them lengthwise they make excel- Almost every one of us has some aulent weather strips. As interlining combined with cotton they are nearly as warm as chamois skin. Besides all this, old newspapers when soaked to a pulp and torn to shreds make excellent papier mache when mixed with glue, and in this form can be used for various purposes, such as filling cracks in wood and colored to match it.

#### OLD VERSUS NEW.

boiled in hot water," said the domesticated young woman. "I can always tell in a minute if an egg has been cooked in that way.

Her companion had not learned quite so many things, and was quite satisfied with her egg. She only murmured softly:

"I never heard of an egg boiled in cold water, have you?"

"It is high time you were introducel to that institution," her clever friend continued, "and I am delighted to illuminate you, even at the risk of arousing more of your sarcasm. An egg to be boiled properly for human consumption should be put into cold water and then placed over the fire. Then it cooks more thoroughly and from the inside.

"Ask a physician or a trained nurse how to boil an egg so that its greatest nutriment and flavor shall be preserved. Either of them will tell you to put it in cold water. The old way of dropping the egg into boiling water has long been given up. It used to cook the egg suddenly and destroy its flavor.

'So don't be sarcastic because you haven't heard of the century's ad-

#### THOUGHTS GATHERED BY THE

Lord,

Let no one enter who disdains to bow; High truths, profanely gazed at, unadorned. Will be abused at first, at last ab-

horrist.

-Aubrey de Vere.

As the mite the widow offered Brought a blessing sweet and rare, And the treasuries of Dives Were not worth a pauper's prayer,

So I smile when men mark "failure' O'er the life of any man; For the acme of all greatness Is to do the best you can.

The year's at the spring. And day's at the morn. Morning's at seven; The hillside's dew-pearled; The lark's on the wing; The snail's on the thorn;

God's in His Heaven-All's well with the world. -Browning

To rach his sufferings; all are men, Condemned alike to groan. The tender for another's pain, Th' unfeeling for his own. Yet ah, why should they know their

Since sorrow never comes too late
And happiness too quickly flies?
No more—where ignorance is bliss
Twere folly to be wise.
—Thomas Gray.

ADVICE FROM ONE HOUSEWIFE.

time nor money to spend buying gifts that problem thoroughly. For this organ-grinder and a monkey, and me that she is not at all sure would be reason she talks often and much about and Billy Watkins went to give 'em what their recipients wanted, advises heaven. The other day she was ob- the cent, and we went 'round after other housewives to follow her ex- served to be revolving something in 'em a little while, and when I got ample at this season of goodies and good will.

all means," she advises, "and begin thinking about the little girl said: Everything for this cake it now. may be prepared 'under the evening dead?' Citron sliced, nuts cracked, and packed and chopped, raisins ston- ly ed, currants picked, lemon and orange peel shredded; children like nothing better, and it is a great help. While knowledge. about it, have enough of everything prepared to make three or four loaves; the additional cost is not great. Then, when the baking is finished and of an old angel. the rich, fruity cakes, odoross with Christmas gifts, instead of embroi- Press. dered scarfs and pincushions and pillows and portemonnaies. Such a gift will be appreciated, I assure you, long after the last luscious morsel I know them just as well as well can

"And he same with r ince pies and plum puddings. Make more than you need; bake and boil and send or with a sprig of holly to somebody you know who cannot make them so

#### HOW MUCH SHALL I READ?

The amount of reading to be done cannot be settled offhand. Tastes Babes in the wood are covered up differ; so do opportunities. Some people read faster than others and get You needn't tell me they are makeas much profit from their reading. A novel may be read more rapidly than There's pictures of these chil'ren, so a biography or a history. Longfellow is clearer than Browning, and They're every bit as real as you and more easily understood.

If you find yourself reading without comprehension, or if you feel that it Why, Little Paul can sometimes make is difficult for you to remember, or to grasp, with promise of remembrance, the sense of the printed words, you are reading too much. "Reading furnishes the mind only with the materials of knowledge; it You can go through the glass, to is thinking that makes what we read ours.

And Coleridge says again: "Some 'Tisn't true:
readers are like the hour-glass—their They're every bit as real as me or reading is as the sand. It runs in and runs out, but leaves not a vestige behind." One cannot read all the books that are published; one cannot know by name all the books that therefore, seems to be to do a little

will economize time, and will give and placed in the box. The box is beautiful picture book I left out in

the mind the best fruits of study. thor or authors to whom he turns with unflagging interest. Or it may be that some chapter in a book appeals to us. Mark it, re-read a second, or third, even a fourth time.

A few good books that we have made our own by constant reading are infinitely to be preferred to a greater number read without comprehension.

#### "This egg tastes as if it had been A LETTER FROM OVER THE SEA swer

WHICH WILL PROVE OF INTER-EST TO CANADIANS.

Here is a sincere and unsolicited letter from an Englishman who was almost led to take his own life on account of what he suffered from itching piles.

> 114 Milton Road, Margate, England.

Edmanson, Bates & Co., Toronto, Can.:

Dear Sirs,-I feel it my duty to write to acknowledge the great good Dr. Chase's Ointment had done for me. I had suffered from itching piles for over sixteen years, and suffered badly at that. There have been times when I could and would put an end to it all if it had not been for the thought of meeting God. Some people may think I am stretching it a point, but those who have suffered as I have will know.

At other times I have felt I could take a knife and cut away the parts until I came to the bottom of the evil, but thank God it is all past. It was quite by accident that I came to know of Dr. Chase's Ointment. I have had doctors' advice and remedies to no end and could not say Ye who build the churches of the how much I spent in that sixteen years. I had a Calgary paper sent See that ye make the western portals to me, and there I saw your Oint-low; ment advertised. It just met my case, as it said for itching piles and

saved painful operations. As I could not get Dr. Chase's Ointment from my chemist, I wrote my brother, Mr. H. Shelley, of Calgary, Alta., and he sent me one box. Before I had used one-third of the box I was perfectly cured by

this .ointment. I am sure you will be surprised to get this letter from this corner of the world, but I felt it my duty to acknowledge the great good Chase's Ointment has done for me. You are at liberty to make use of should like to say to anyone who suffers from this dreadful complaint is a long time before either Elsie or I know it cures. With many thanks,

remain, Yours respectfully,

If you are not acquainted with the merits of Dr. Chase's Ointment you will be surprised at the cures which are being brought about in your own neighborhood. No preparation has ever been more heartily endorsed by people who have used it and none has clothes on.

Grandmother says I'll lose my head next.

Papa says he can't afford to buy he any more knives.

Mamma says she'll have to sew my clothes on. ever been so successful in curing

Dr. Chase's Ointment, 80 cents a ox, at all dealers, or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Toronto. The portrait and signature of Dr. A. W. Chase, the famous receipt book author, are on

# HILDRENS FATHERKOENCE FREE BOOK OF BOOK OF THE BOOK OF

NO OLD ANGELS

She is too young to understand much about the "life hereafter," but written on; and, when I was looking A good housewife who has neither old enough to think she has grasped for it I found a cent, and I heard an hour, and just as her mother was things to eat weren't there.

perplexed mother. "Well, is she in heaven?" then pro- and forget all about it.

pounded the youthful seeker after "I hope so," said the mother.

little one, "for I never saw a picture And with an expression on her lit- lost all kinds of ways. stand before you, pack as many as another knotty question the child thought Santa Claus would bring

#### DREAM CHILDREN.

the handkerchiefs when finished, has been devoured by the grateful reor me

There's Little Orphan Annie-such a scare As she can give you would raise your hair!

There's Lucy Grey was losted in the snow In winter time.

When summer comes, you know, with leaves

believes:

vou see

All then you run off quickly, on the And hunt for Alice. Holding to her hand.

Wonderland. "Dream chil'ren" uncle calls 'em.

-Clinton Dangerfield.

#### THE WIZARD'S BOX.

In this box pieces of apparently chiefs of mine that I'd stuffed into a blank paper are placed, and when hole in my ship when she leaked. withdrawn will be found to contain gold may be used, though the are fondest of it, may sometimes ready to consult the wizard, have a I wouldn't look at another thing; small, not more than six inches square the rain, and my ship I left in the It is well to re-read good books. and has a sliding cover. The box sun till she cracked, and my whip I is opened and shown to be empty, then one of the party asks a question, the wizard picks up one of the slips of paper and drops it in the box, shuts the cover, and in two or three minutes opens it, and takes out the paper, which will be found to have an answer written on it. The process is more mystifying if the questioner is asked to put his initials on the piece of paper before he drops here! it into the box. Sometimes it is a good plan to have the answers take the form of proverbs, these being more oraclelike than an ordinary an-

#### ELSIE'S CHRISTMAS FRIGHT.

"This little Elsie girl wants a muff," said Santa Claus, looking up at the little Christmas tree and down

at his brimful pack. "Let me see! here's a gray one and a brown one; a speckled one-and-ah! here's the must for Elsie!" and the good old. Santa pulled out a soft white muff with a pink lining and

little pink silk tassels. But while Santa Claus had been fastening the muff to a branch of the tree, little Miss Mousie had been watching from a hole in the closet

"I wonder what that is?" thought she, and away she went to see as soon as ever Santa Claus was

"How soft and warm!" said she, as she rubbed her nose against the the market. They are easily prosoft fur. "And that pink silk! I curable, easily taken, act expedilike that, too! It is like the toes and the noses of the baby mice. I cheap considering their excellence. wonder why it wouldn't make a nice warm bed; I'm very sleepy, too, just

now; I think I'll take a nap. Mousie never knew how long she slept; but the next thing she knew ing, yet not too strong, is always a troop of children had burst into the desirable for sachets and wardrobes. room, and somebody reached up and An excellent English combination is untied the muff. heart beat! She wished she were two ounces of la ender flowers, one

in the closet again. the kind voice; and in a second two ter ounces orris root, all coarsely little chubby hands were thrust into powdered. the two ends of the muff.

fast as ever she could around the room, out into the hall, up the stairs. Luckily the garret door was open, and mousie never even stopped for breath until she was safe beneath the eaves.

"Where did that mouse go?" Elsie used to wonder.

"What made the people scream?" mousie forgot the fright they had given each other the night of the Christmas tree.-Primary Education.

#### SANTA CLAUS KNOWS.

That's because I left my jacket on

it wasn't there.
It wasn't there.
In the vs we'll all starve next.
In the vs we'll all starve next to buy because I went to buy some and I lost the paper they were

her mind for quite a quarter of an home it was dinner time, and the

"Make a Christmas fruit cake, by about to ask her what she was I wish my things wouldn't always get lost. Mamma says it's because "Mother, is your grandmother I'm not careful of them; but I guess she doesn't know how easy it is to "Yes," answered the now thorough- lay down your knife by the creek when you're making willow whistles,

> Or to leave your new felt hat on the grass when you are playing "Mamble the Feg," and Rover finds "Well, I am afraid not." replied the it and tries to eat it up.

Or to have tops and handkerchiefs and shoes and gloves always getting sugar and spice and everything nice, the face that showed she had solved. One day grandmother asked me if I

you can spare and send them as returned to her play .- Philadelphia anything for boys who lost everything. "I guess he don't know." I said. "I believe he does know," grandmother said. "He always seems to

know pretty well what you want in your stocking, doesn't he?" He does, you know! And I began thinking I'd better be careful, for Christmas was coming. Put somehow I wasn't; for that very day mamma sent me with a sponge cake over to old Miss Pratt's, and I just set it down while I was looking for some gum on the old cherry tree. And the first thing I knew Rover had it half eaten up, and I guess he thought it was better than felt hats.

But I was hoping Santa Claus would not hear about it, and about some other things, when he had so much to see to about Christmas time. We all hung up our stockings. had a great time trying to find my best red ones; and at last I found one where I'd rolled it into a ball to shy at Tom, and it fell behind some books. And it had a dreadful hole in the toe, because it hadn't got mended; but I thought Santa Claus'd be too busy to notice that.

On Christmas morning we boys all juraped for our stockings; and I was just seeing that Jack and Tom were hauling out things with paper round. And they were silk mufflers. And I hauled out a paper, too. Was it a new silk muffler, all soft and nice, with poke-dots on the

No, sir; it wasn't. It was three old mean handker-

And there was a knife, all rusty, an answer to a question previously that I'd been making a dam with asked. Prepare beforehand a num- And there was another knife I'd left der his coat on his long cross-cour- some epoch of history or some noted ber of answers which will serve for out when I made a snow man, and several different questions, oracular, a pearl-handled one of mamma's I'd non-committal answers. Write these taken to make a grave for a beetle answers on slips of paper, using on- when the ground was frozen; and it

onion was a top that I had cracked when poked the fire with. And I pitched the old stocking away, and I- well-

I cried. Soon the folks came to see what the matter was, and grandmother came right in. Tom said:

"He didn't like his stocking; and I wouldn't either. It's a mean old stocking!" and grandmother said: "Why, this is a nice stocking. Look I looked; and I saw my other red

stocking that I couldn't find, hanging there, all clean and mended. And I don't know to this day how I didn't see it before. And there was a muffler for me, and a new knife and lots of other things. And Tom showed grandmother the old stocking; and she took up the things that were in it, looked at 'em, and said:
"Yes, yes; I see how it is. These

things were for a careless boy. Of course. Santa Claus couldn't nice things in such an old stocking as this; and the new things are for a boy who is going to be careful and orderly."-Household.

To Those of Sedentary Occupation. -Men who follow sedentary occupations, which deprive them of fresh air and exercise, are more prone to disorders of the liver and kidneys than those who lead active, outdoor lives. The former will find in Parmelee's Vegetable Pills a restorative without question the most efficacious on tiously, and they are surprisingly

#### FOR A SACHET.

A good perfume one that is last-How mousie's as follows: Four grains of musk, ounce coriander, ene-eighth of an 'Here, Elsie, this is for you," said ounce rose leaves, one and one-quar-

Verbena sachet is both inexpensive "Que quece!" squeaked mousie. and delightful. This is included the control of the screamed, and mousie ran as bergamot. The lemon peel may be ground in an ordinary conee-mill, allowing half a pound to half an ounce of powdered seed. After mixing the two powders well together, pour over them a drachm of oil of bergamot.

The greater the irritation in the throat the more distressing the cough hecomes. Coughing is the effort of nature to expel this irritating sub-stance from the air passages. Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup will 'real the inflamed parts, which exude mucous, and restore them to a healthy state, the cough disappearing under the curative effects of the medicine. it is pleasant to the taste, and the price 25 cents, is within the reach of all.

Pe very careful, when you are in a state of desolation, not to give up your Communions. Prayer and Holy fence corper when I took it off to Communion must go on with an equal and, when I went back where it in oure fidelity. God is never so well served as when we serve Him, so to sneak, at our own expense, with-out having a perceptible profit im-mediately. THE RHEUMATISE WONDER OF THE AGE

## BENEDICTINE SALVE

This Salve Cures RHEUMATISM, PILES, FELONS or BLOOD POISUNING. It is a Sure Remedy for any of these Diseases.

#### A FLW TESTIMONIALS RHEUMATISM

what S. PRICE, Esq., the well-known Dairyman, says

412 King street east.

(MRS.) JAS. COSGROVE.

Toronto, Sept. 18, 1908. John O'Connor, Toronto:

DEAR SIR,-I wish to testify to the merits of Benedictine Salve as cure for rheumatism. I had been a sufferer from rheumatism for some time and after having used Benedictine Salve for a few days was complete ly cured. S. PRICE.

475 Gerrard Street East, Toronto, Ont., Sept. 18, 1901. John O'Connor, Esq., Nealon House, Toronto, Cnt.

DEAR SIR,-I have great pleasure in recommending the Benedictine Salve as a sure cure for lumbago. When I was taken down with it I called in my doctor, and he told me it would be a long time before I would be around again. My husband bought a box of the Benedictive Salve, and applied it according to directions. In three hours I got relief, and in four days was able to do my work. I would be pleased to recommend is to any one suffering from lumbago. I am, yours truly,

2562 King Street East, Toronto, December 16th, 1901. John O'Connor, Esq., Toronto:

DEAR SIR,—After trying several doctors and spending forty-five days in the General Hospital, without any benefit, I was induced to try your Benedictine Salve, and sincerely believe that this is the greatest remedy in the world for rheumatism. When I left the hospital I was just able to stand for a few seconds, but after using your Benedictine Salve for three days after using your after using it into over the contract of the standard of the seconds. days, I went out on the street again and now, after using it just over a week, I am able to go to work again. If anyone should doubt these facts send him to me and I will prove it to him.

Yours for ever thankful, PETER AUSTEN

198 King street East, Toronto, Nov. 21, 1902. John O'Connor, Esq., Toronto:

DEAR SIR,-I am deeply grateful to the friend that suggested to me, when I was a cripple from Rheumatism, Benedictine Salve. I have at intervals during the last ten years been afflicted with muscular rheumatism I have experimented with every available remedy and have consulted, I might say, every physician of repute, without perceivable benefit.

When I was advised to use your Benedictine Salve I was a helpless cripple. In less than 48 hours I was in a position to resume my work, that of a tinsmith. A work that requires a certain amount of bodily activity. I am thankful to my friend who advised me and I am more than gratified to be able to furnish you with this testimonial as to the calcacy of Benedictine Salve. GEO. FOGG. Yours truly,

12 Bright Street, Toronto, Jan. 15, 1902. John O'Connor, Esq., Toronto: DEAR SIR,-It is with pleasure I write this word of testimony to the marvellous merits of Benedictine Salve as a certain cure for Rheumatism.

There is such a multitude of alleged Rheumatic cures advertised that one is inclined to be skeptical of the merits of any new preparation. I was induced to give Benedictine Salve a trial and must say that after suffering for eight years from Rheumatism it has, I believe, effected as absolute and permanent cure. It is perhaps needless to say that in the last eight years I have consulted a number ci doctors and have tried a large number of other medicines advertised, without receiving any benefit,

#### **PILES**

7 Laurier Avenue, Toronto, December 16, 1901.

Yours respectfully,

John O'Connor, Esq., Toronto, Ont .: DEAR SIR,-After suffering for over ten years with both forms of Piles, I was asked to try Benedictine Salve. From the first application I got instant relief, and before using one box was thoroughly cured. I can strongly recommend Benedictine Salve to any one suffering with Yours sincerely, JOS. WESTMAN,

241 Sackville street, Toronto, Aug. 15, 19/2

recommend. it to every sufferer.

John O'Connor, Esq., Toronto: DEAR SIR,-I write unsolicited to say that your Benedictine Salve have cured me of the worst form of Bleeding Itching Piles. I have been a sunerer for thirty years, during which time I tried every advertised remedy 1

could get, but got no more than temporary relief. I suffered at times in-Seeing your advertisement by chance, I thought I would try your Salve, and am proud to say it has made a complete cure. I can heartily

JAMES SHAW

With the Boston Laundry

MRS. SIMPSON

Toronto, Dec. 30th, 1901.

John O'Connor, Esq., Toronto: DEAR SIR,-It is with pleasure I write this unsolicited testimonial. and in doing so I can say to the world that your Benedictine Salve thoroughly cured me of Bleeding Piles. I suffered for nine months. I consulted a physician, one of the best, and he gave me a box of salve and said that if that did not cure me I would have to go under an operation. It failed, but a friend of mine learned by chance that I was suffering from Bleeding Piles. He told me he could get me a cure and he was true to his word. He got me a box of Benedictine Salve and it gave me relief at once and cured me in a few days. I am now completely cured. It is worth its weight in gold. I cannot but feel proud after suffering so long. It has given me a thorough cure and I am sure it will never return. I can strongly recommend it to anyone afflicted as I was

### BLOOD POISONING

Yours, etc., ALLAN J. ARTINGDALE.

Corner George and King Streets, Toronto, Sept. 8, 1904.

It will cure without fail. I can be called on for living proof. I am,

John O'Connor, Esq., Toronto: Dear Sir,-I wish to say to you that I can testify to the merits "of your Benedictine Salve for Blood-Poisoning. I suffered with blood poisoning for about six months, the trouble starting from a callous or hardening of the skin on the under part of my foot and afterwards turning to blood-poisoning. Although I was treated for same in the General Hospital for two weeks without cure, the doctors were thinking of having my foot amputated. I left the hospital uncured and then I tried your salve, and with two boxes my foot healed up. I am now able to put on my boot and walk freely with same, the foot being entirely healed. also treated in the States prior to going to the hospital in Toronto, without relicf. Your salve is a sure cure for blood-poisoning.

MISS M. L. KEMP.

Toronto, April 16th, 1903.

John O'Connor, Esq., City: DEAR SIR,—It gives me the greatest of pleasure to be able to testify to the curative powers of your Benedictine Salve. For a month back my hand was so badly swollen that I was unable to work, and the pain was so intense as to be almost unbearable. Three days after using your Salve as directed, I am able to go to work, and I cannot thank you enough.

Respectfully yours, J. J. CLARKE

Toronto, July 21st, 1902.

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72 Wolseley street, Oltz.

John O'Connor, Esq.:

DEAR SIR,-Early last week I accidently ran a rusty mail in my finger. The wound was very painful and the next morning there were sym tome of blood poisoning, and my arm was swollen nearly to the shoulder. I applied Benedictine Salve, and the next day I was all right and able to J. SHERIDAN, go to work. 3/ Queen street East.

#### JOHN O'CONNOR LOS KING CONTROL FOR BILLE BY

WM. J. NICHOL, Drugglet, 170 King St. E. J. A. JOHNSON CO., 171 King St. E.