## THE WESLEYAN.

fore, meaning to reward him for his
generosity, he came back carrying generosity, he came back carrying
hundred crowns, which he presented.
" Here" said be " ta "Here," said he, " take this. You
are a good man, and deserve it. You
can bny iron with this money are a good man, and deserve it. You
can bay iron with this money. enlarge
your shop, provide better for your for yonr shop, provide better for your fame
ily, and put by something for your
old age ", old age."
The bla "This money $I$ must ask yon to ex.
cuse me from taking. As long as I am able to wrom, taking. As is long as I am take money which I have not earned,
If I want to lay in a stock of iron my
credit will enable me to do so, for an credit will enable me to do so, for ga
honest workman who is punctual in his payments can alwnys fud somem one to
give him credit. I would beg you to give him cresit. 1 mounate yoazaro.
ge would thur to get out of his difficultioe and resume his work, while I should
have a few hours more sleep." have a few hours more sleep."
Siginior Girolamo aeted on Martin's divice, but at the samete time he relatod
to every one in. Milan the tale of the blackemith's generosity. What whe
the result 9 All who needed a blacksmith went to Martin, so that soon he
had a flourishing buainess. Thus
with no other hel and honesty, he secured for himsell THE DUfKE'S STRATAGEM. There was once a German Duke who
disguised himself, and during the night placed a large stone in the middle of the road near his palace.
Next morning a sturdy peasant
named Hans, came that way with his
年 lumbering ox-cart.
" 0 , these lazy people," said he,
" there is this big stone in the middle of the road, and no one will take the
trouble to put it out of the way." And so Hans went on his way, scolding
about the laziness of the people. Next came a gay soldier along. His
head was held so far back that he did-
n't see the stone, so he stumber
 he road for ar gentleman to fall over."
Then he went on
Next With pack-horses anpany of goods, on on their
way to the fair, to be held at lage near the Duir, to be held at alace. When the vil
they came to the stone the road was so
narrow that they had to narrow thie on either side. One of them
single file ont, "Did any one ever see the
cried
like of that big stone lying here all the
miorning, and no one stopping to talke it awayp,
It there for three weets, then the
Duke sent word to all the people on his as he had something to tell them. athered at the Dorrthou. Each
of the cut was thronged with peop
overiooking the road. Old Hans,
armer, was there, and so was Berth And now a winding horu was hear
and the people all strained their neck
and eses toward the castle, and eyes toward the castle, as a spl
did calvacade came galloping up to
Dornthou. The Duke rode into the cut, got
down from his horse, and with a plea-
sant sinile began to speak to the people
thus "My friends, it was I who put th
stone here three weeks ago. Eve
passer by has left it where it was, a
has scolded his neigbor nas scolded his neighbor for not takin
t out of the way."
When he had spoken these words Directly underneath ifted lap a the smallon lea
her bag. The Duke held it up that a he people might see. On a theiece
paper, fastened to the bag, were the
words, "For him who lifts up t
tone." He untied the bag, and



