The Family.

"NOT AS I WILL."

Brissis or the and alone I stand, With unknown thresholds on each hand i The darkness deepens as I grope, The darkness deepens as a grope,
Afraid to fear, afraid to hope;
Vet this one thing I learn to know,
Each day more surely as I go,
That doors are opened, ways are made,
Burdens are lifted or are laid,
By some great law unseen and still,
Unfathomed purpose to fulfill,
"Not as I will."

Blindfolded and alone I wait, Loss seems too lutter, gain too late s Too heavy burdens in the load, And too few helpers on the road; And joy is weak, and grief is strong, And years and days so long, so long s Yet this one thing I learn to know, Each day more surely as I go, That I am glad the good and ill By changeless law are ordered still, "Not as I will,"

"Not as I will! The sound grows sweet Each time my hips the words repeat. "Not as I will!" The darkness feels More safe than life when this thought steals Like whispered voice to calm and bless All unrest and all loneliness. "Not as I will," because the One Who loved us first and best has gone Before us on the road, and still For us must all His love fulfill—
"Not as we will." -Helen Hunt Jackson.

SOME SENSIBLE SICK ROOM SUGGESTIONS.

HINT FIRST-Get a trained nurse if you can. No one who has tried it knows the relief of having in a sick gently, with whom it is a habit to follow to the letter the doctor's orders cent fall upon the home nurses. If they are in their turn just fit to take to their patient's comfortable and steady return to health. A hurned "getting about," relapses, and a missing of the thousand little attentions that beguile enforced idleness are pretty sure to be the result. It is really kinder to the local and steady and shoot a fittle, and speak three languages tolerably well, and keep books gallop.

IN HOLIDAY TIME.

Said.

"But just then a neighbour came by to her both on coming in and going guages tolerably well, and keep books fairly, and sing some, and undersood gallop.

There can be no excuse in the open again, and recommenced her out. There can be no excuse in the open again, and recommenced her wide world for not paying your respects wide world for not paying your respects are pretty sure to be daughter. A few fisherman and farmers that result. It is really kinder to the occupied the houses that stood at long collar it is so long and notice.

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There is certainly nothing in sixtness that annuls every obligation of kindness towards the willing slave of every with and whim. There are invalids of the Emily Broats type; when of "sanfiring in silence," really continued here and there is the because having a wound on her schoolmates in child-briefled by resusing to use resuse. The probably it will give you a good laugh, but it won't do you any harm. Pay a because he wouldn't get ten thousand dollars a open for it. He gets that just because he wouldn't get ten thousand dollars a district on your sials and you your saids. The gets that just because having a wound on his assay; if the content of the won't do you any harm. Pay a but it won't do you any harm. Pay a but it won't do you any harm. Pay a but it won't do you any harm. Pay a but it won't do you any harm. Pay a but it won't do you any harm. Pay a but it won't do you any harm. Pay a but it won't do you any harm. Pay a but it won't do you any harm. Pay a but it won't do you any harm. Pay a but it won't do you any harm. Pay a but it won't do you any harm. Pay a but it won't do you any harm. Pay a but it won't do you any harm. Pay a but it won't do you any ha of nurse can be vastly lightened and frolies and events of their youth, it sweetened if the patient is indeed patient, showing appreciation of what whispers of ghosts looking back into a before you strike any creature than venting every world long since forgotten.

| dear boys, as well as for your sisters, else or not. What's the good of knowing whispered, "God bless my dear brave wounded, and cannot tell you, Think a boy who cannot manage himself, but omniscient. — Burdette, in Brooklyn the means of saving thy beloved father's cannot speak.—Friendly Greetings.

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rather habit born of training. One of eager and happy than children. Every the worst cases of diphtheria from which family joined in preparing its special a child ever recovered was that of a "grandmother" for the festivity, and little sweet-faced Charlie. When the as with every new idea that is whole terrible struggle was over and the grate and sweet, everybody said, "Why did ful parents were pouring forth their we never think of it before?" thanks to the successful doctor, he | The midwinter day arrived, and said, "Don't give me credit, that proved to be sunny and clear, to the belongs to Charlie himself. I assure delight of the many dim, anxious eyes you that with a less docile, obedi-that watched for it. ent child I could have done nothing thank you,' I gave him up as too good | years. to live. Afterwards I decided that he'd You can imagine the keen delight of live because he was good."

always made of having clean glasses rosy your cheeks, and to whom you and fresh water ready if he is likely to will never grow old need them, and of avoiding bustle and Hetty gave them two hours to talk confusion during his visit. Misunder together, and then brought them into a standing or forgetting directions is a comfortable dinner. serious matter. The bed is as comfortable as good spring, hair mattress, seated, each in her arm-chair, around large and small pillows, blankets, and the great fire, and fell again to talking the lightest of white spreads can make of olden times. Beside it is a stand holding a glass of water and medicine carefully cover- Pergy," said Grandmother O., to a you do this you make a mistake; you ed, perhaps a few flowers, and a bell, feeble old woman of seventy. "Sing will lose your life. Save your life; do soiled disher, stale bouquets, sticky in it.

frequently needed, all carefully covered. So the old friends who were nearing the service of Christ."

A good-sized piece of ice will last a long the "better land" so fast, knelt down, are easily broken off without the least silence. noise by the steady pressure of an ordinary pin. There is real art in offering homes.

food to the sick: A tray covered with a lt was a simple matter, but it lighted house?" fresh napkin, pretty dishes containing up the dull, sad, quiet hours of her last only as much food as a delicate uppedays, for each of these poor souls with title is likely to crave, a flower or a lit-

My wise friend considers only the good of her charge, not the sensibilitles of friends, in the matter of comgood time for such rest; as a rule sick shot him.

folk wake early, and if a long nap is had in the afternoon, the night is naturally sleepless. These quiet hours, even discovered his loss, and rode back, mother of a young baby that is mean- faithfully guarding the treasure.

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The following little story is not as Jesus has loved us as Jesus has loved room some one ready for emergencies, out he feared little from nervous dis- Think before you strike any creature stepped toward the door, or toward able to reassure or take alarm intelli- turbances, and that his allies, the that cannot speak: nurses, always held out better.

Kindness and gentleness are part of about my friend's care of her convales worked for a farmer, and was given a hostess who has followed you or with her outfit, but at the same time there is cents, but as common sense, tender span of horses to plough with, one of the same time there is a great deal more than you and learn the stars which had been a calmness that influences both patient ness, watchfulness, a division of labour, which was a four-year-old solt. The two about school, or a cordial "I shall is a great deal more than you and I carn like friendly eyes watching him, and and anxious friends. The value of the arts of cooking and of diversion are colt, after walking a few steps, would hope to see you soon," you reach the and anxious friends. The value of the arts of cooking and of diversion are colt, after walking a few steps, would trained nurse is not least felt when the her tools, each nurse must do her best lie down in the furrow. crisis of disease is past and the by no to use the same with what skill she means trifling services for the convales. can.—" M.B.B.," in N.Y. Observer.

the result. It is really kinder to the sufferer to share the cares of the illness at the start than to refuse restand proper food and fail utterly on the "home stretch."

Now for a hint to the sick folk.

It is really kinder to the occupied the houses that stood at long collar, it is so long and narrow, and collar his steed's thick mane carries the harness so high, that when room when you came, but has gone and could do light porter's work, not clutched at his steed's thick mane and could read proof tolerably well, and winter there were frequent merry-making among the young people, and even the older folks. Hetty's compatriots And so it was; and but, for that your mamma (or grandmamma) good.

Now for a hint to the sick folk. Now for a hint to the sick folk, had their tea-drinkings and quiltings; There is certainly nothing in sickness but dear old grandmother, who was

Hetty O-, coming home one day

again for some request that might have party," she said, "of her own combeen thought of in time to save those panions? There shall not be a young extra steps to feet aching with much woman among them. People of eighty running. And often a little respect for need society and pleasure as well as the nurse's sleep would, so far from at eighteen."

The invited guests, who had been in-With children, the question of re- vited nowhere for years, forgot their covery often lies with disposition, or aches and ailments, and were more

A comfortable family carriage, with I lose children far less ill, simply be | shawls draping it inside to keep out cause they won't take their medicine, or every draught, brought the guests at take it with a battle that robs it of half noon. There were eight feeble old its virtue. When Charlie swallowed women, whose lives had been passed people went to the little shop on the What is true of individuals is true of the first dose I gave him and, with tears near together, who had many interests people went to the little shop on the running down his cheeks, whispered, in common, but who had not met for

time wrapped in flannel. Small pieces side by side, while they prayed in

Then they were driven safely to their

THINK BEFORE YOU STRIKE.

mortem wakes. She follows, as nearly as possible, the theory of an old doctor, who insisted upon two hours of complete rest during the day for every one of his patients, a darkened room with absolute duict, and attendant rest.

In the middle of a sentence. Don't say saw such a scene in my lite. He was to rosaling. There was no saddle, but had there during a passenger in the ship. During the passenger in the ship. During the been, Victor would not have known the one of his patients, a darkened room with absolute duict, and attendant rest.

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without sleep, are invaluable to the he found his dying dog lying there

A whole chapter could be written the mountains of New Hampshire. I matter now to shake hands with your

"The farmer was provoked, and fold me to sit on the colt's head, to keep him from rising, while he whipped him, to break him of that notion, as he

neighbour, we should have whisped as bye for me?"
kind a creature as we had on the farm.
Try all this

A SPOOL OF THREAD AND A FORTUNE.

About forty years ago a young man opened a little store in a Rhode Island town. At first he did not succeed in obtaining customers, and one evening doubtless explains why Methodist And work for the cause that is boly and high. closed up his store, feeling doubtful preachers are such a rested, contented set whether he would open it again. Just of men. There is always something It is time to be kind. It is time to be sweet, turning away in a very discouraged We start out with unbounded confiframe of mind a little girl came run- dence in every body, and by the time for the flowers of life to be blowing. ging up to him and said:

my mamma?" unpacked his goods, and sold to the in every charge the wornes are sure to child one spool of thread, then shut be different. It comes to us more and up his door again and went home. more that it takes all sorts of people to Somehow the little incident took hold make a church. Our sarcastic or bigotof his thoughts and seemed to him a cd or penurious or edge-wise brother sort of token that, after all he might is sure to be there; but he is always yet be successful. So the next day he different from the last one, and that is took down the shutters and resolved to so restful. And, moreover, he is always each other dearly; then too they had keep on trying. The spool of thread offset by the all-round brother, God's two bonny boys, a nice cottage, a wellhad made an impression elsewhere, for nobleman, loyal and strong and true, stocked garden, a horse and light cart, the little girl told her mother of the Every church has one or rive of these kind store-keeper who was willing to helpers, a community of whom would plied them with chickens and eggs to home.

Take so much trouble. The mother of the seem to make any other heaven sures. encouraged to persevere. His customin danger of going to pieces from fanaticlers were equally pleased with his goods
ism, from the imprudence of radical
lend with his manners and an arrival actions of formula and this added to their happiness not a were any children at Sunday-school, he
little, for we all know how doubly presaid: I don't know, for when I am ve because he was good."

The model sick-room is provided of the death-in-life of old age into gay into a clock, a thermometer, and a successful in the State. The here and as football to the successful in the State. The here and as football to the successful in the State. The here and as football to the successful in the State. The here and as football to the successful in the State. The here and as football to the successful in the State. The here and as football to the successful in the State. The here and as football to the successful in the State. The here and as football to the successful in the State. with a clock, a thermometer, and a youth-age, to be for one brief day, not most successful in the State. The berg and as fruitful. It is of one mind paper pad with pencil attached for jotting down the doctor's orders, and a youth age, to be for one brief day, not left a million dollars to benevolent purting down the doctor's orders, and a youth age, to be for one brief day, not merchant died some years ago and that mind is to do nothing.

That another that mind is to do nothing.

One lessons of prosperity and comfort, and so good.

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One lessons of prosperity and comfort, and so good. ting down the doctor's orders, and of the grave, but "Mollie" or "Jenny" poses. That spool of thread and the dangerous "ism" as almost to nullify the influence of the Gospel. Another he should be questioned. A point is how bright your eyes were and how were important elements in the win- is entirely orthodox; there is much ning of a fortune. - Our Youth.

SAVE YOUR LIVES.

ago, Professor Drummond said. of olden times.

"You had the best voice among us, your lives." I say to you that unless

A SERMONETTE ON ETIQUETTE.

pany. The doctor's fiat meets every case. That bedside is neither a social about a merchant travelling on horse-gathering place, nor the scene of anter-back, accompanied by his dog. He mortem wakes. She follows, as nearly dismounted for some purpose, and acci-'You'll be sure to come to school to-

"Oh yes; I haven't forgotten. I

any older person who may be in the "When I was a boy, and lived up in room. Being on your feet, it is an easy

mother be in the room when you pay a Sauceagravi could cook tolerably well, very cleverly, and at last came out into visit, make it a point to speak especially and shoot a little, and speak three lanthe open again, and re commenced her

Probably it will give you a good laugh, legislature, and knew how to weigh hay, along behind.

out of a door as if he had been shot fron a catapult?-Harper's Young People.

REST IN CHANGE.

PERHAPS there is something in the following for Presbyterians also:

There is rest in change. This truism have begun to find out the essential these things do not wear us deeply. He unlocked the store, lit a lamp, Then, too, it is such a consolation that

What is true of individuals is true of union among the churches, but some zealous brother pastor steals the lambs from the Methodist fold as innocently stood by his bedside looking very pale hear anything at all?" as he eats his breakfast. The worries and anxious.

"LOVEST THOU ME?"

table outside in the hall to be carried said the oldest of the party; "and I lished in the sands. So is the life of down by the first person descending think we should be much happier for every man who lives for himself. If himself to order out a boat and risk the rest of our lives if we should pray you would save your life, make every the men's lives in such a sea. He of together."

And a pitcher of water, and any food stiends who were nearling the service of Christ."

I shed in the sands. So is the life of himself to order out a boat and risk always helps us to do our duty."

Yes, Victor knew this, for his father others would go with him. Two at the service of Christ." "How can I ever get out of this they reached him just when sinking, all alone. He had never done more That was the question which I, a After another struggle, they again up from the river, with his little bro-young gitl, used to ask myself when reached the ship, and got all safe on ther before him, and his mother leading

the fruit by way of decoration—how much more inviting than a meal fit for a dragoon. What economy, too, in this sort of adaptation, since nothing sent down from a sick room should be sent down from a sick room should be caten or drunk.

Is there any sad, solitary life fading out of your own heart into which you can bring happiness? If so, cheer that soul during the Christmas holiday, and sent to can on certain relatives.

There I sat and sat and continued to saved man could neither walk nor When I see another miserable being gaged ourselves from him. He then His mother wrapped him up warmly, fidgeting on her chair, longing, yearn-crawled after us, and, as we stepped folding his father's knitted scarf over ing, yet not knowing how to take her back, he followed us, looking up with his chest. Then the boy gave her a

morrow, for Sally Smith is to sing at kindnesses received. A man's heart steed with a gentle pressure of his the General Exercises," now is your is touched when a fellow-man loves little heels against her ribs, and a him, and shows his love by risking his friendly slap of the hand on her thick, own life. Far beyond this ought to be short neck. wouldn't miss that song for anything." our love to Him who came down to There was a sharp frost that night.
While you have been speaking you this world to live and to die for us. For The air was keen, and almost took

KNOW YOUR BUSINESS

out, it is proper to say, as you take could do plain nouse and sign painting, knees. But nothing worse than this your leave, "Will you please to bid and could help on a threshing machine, happened, and he reached the town your mamma (or grandmamma) good and knew enough about law to practice safely, and found the doctor at home, by for me?" Try all this as sort of game at home. township, and had once run for the covered chaise, with Rosalinde trotting

The Children's Corner.

IT IS TIME.

It is time to be brave. It is time to be true. It is time to be finding the thing you can do.
It is time to put by the dream and the sigh.

It is time to be lowly and humble of heart, store and sell me a spool of thread for of humanity we are up and away. So For the heart to be white, and the steps to be

right, And the hands to be weaving a garland of light.

VICTOR'S MIDNIGHT RIDE.

JEAN and Jeannete Dupont thought hemselves a very fortunate and happy couple. In the first place they loved

fearing people, and were grateful to whose life you shall read, as soon as you

His children besides the easy, pleasant I thought your eyes and cars were not

One bitter night in December, Vic-

In an address to young men a while igo, Professor Drummond said, "I do not come to you this evening "I do not come to you this evening more than the shadowr.—N. Y. Christ. In a shadowr.—N. Y. Christ. Thou must rise, victor, and dress to the quickly," she said in low tones, for fear of waking little Guillaume; "thy father has been taken very ill, and we must have the doctor. Therefore put ian Advocate.

"Thou must rise, victor, and dress to the well always the quickly," she said in low tones, for fear of waking little Guillaume; "thy father has been taken very ill, and we god, and hear about Him."

"But we do not go to church to fear of waking little Guillaume; "thy father has been taken very ill, and we must have the doctor. Therefore put ian Advocate."

others would go with him. I'wo at but then he had never had such a duty once offered, and a boat was let down as this to perform. He was a timid into that terrible see, but with small little fellow, only nine years old, and it seemed to him a very dreadful thing to Struggling through the great waves, ride six miles on a dark winter's night and drew him helpless into the boat. than ride Rosalinde round the field, or

Such is the love of man to man for into the highway, waking up his sleepy

in the wind, reaching across the road as though to catch him with their thin arms and crooked fingers. He could not help feeling rather frightened as he MR. VANDERBILT pays his cook ten rode through a little wood, where he or at least it is a great deal more had given him comfort. Besides, it hope to see you soon," you reach the door and step out.

There is no surer mark of good breeding than a sweet deference toward older persons. If your school-mate's grand.

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That is all. If Monsieur the path for herself. This she did

life this night. The doctor says that two hours later no human skill could have availed him. Victor, my son, if the duty was hard, surely thy reward is great."

"I could not help being frightened mother," replied the boy, "but the good God helped me, and gave me strength,"

"Yes, my Victor," said Jeannette, what God gives us to do, can always be done. No duty, however hard, can be impossible, and in all that our Heavenly Father calls us to perform, He is willing to grant us His aid. Remember this through life, dear child, for it will help thee over many a hard place."

Years have passed since Victor's midnight ride, but he is more firmly convinced than ever of the great truth of which on that occasion he learned the full meaning. Dear children, have we yet learned Victor Dupont's lesson? -Child's Companion.

"WAS I GOOD AT CHURCH."

"MANNA, was I a good girl in

"Yes, pretty good. But I must tell They were, moreover, good, God- you something about a dear little boy,

"Yes, they could, dear Susy, by not tor was awakened by his mother, who listening to what was said. Did they

"No, mamma. I was busy thinking.

as fast as thou canst to the town, and entreat the doctor to come at once " they like as well. And when they first Medicines like morphine should never something."

Something with it. While I was travely ling in the Vest I saw a river in the lamit Ocean. A surp was far away upon the Attention of the ling in the Vest I saw a river in the lamit Ocean. A storm came on. The dainty stand is never clustered with all the trembling, cracked voices joined ling in the Vest I saw a river in the lamit Ocean. A storm came on. The dainty stand is never clustered with all the trembling, cracked voices joined ling in the Vest I saw a river in the lamit Ocean. A storm came on. The dainty stand is never clustered with all the trembling, cracked voices joined ling in the Vest I saw a river in the lamit Ocean. A storm came on. The dainty stand is never clustered with all the trembling, cracked voices joined ling in the Vest I saw a river in the lamit Ocean. A storm came on. The capture of the property of the saw were. And when they first something with it. While I was travely ling in the Vest I saw a river in the lamit Ocean. A storm came on. The lamit Ocean are the under the vest line in the Vest I saw a river in the lamit Ocean. A storm came on. The lamit Ocean are the under the vest line in along it got smaller and smaller. I had watch, when the cry rose, "A man because thou hast never been out at in the Bible it speaks of those who jelly glasses, orange peel, and bottles. An hour before sunset they prepared never seen a river like that before, and overboard!"

I followed it very curiously, and still it dish or a tray is used, it is set on a "We shall never meet again, girls," grew smaller and smaller, until it van
was running so high, and the way is long and lonely. having cars, hear not—and I do no

I followed it very curiously, and still it van
was running so high, and the danger myself dare not leave thy father. This —Little Folks