NATURE'S ROSEBUDS.

BY MICHELLE B. DOYLE.

There's a langhter-loving spirit Glancing from the soft bine eyes; Flashing through the pearly tear-di Changing like the summer skies; Lurking in each reguish dimple; Nestling in each ringlet fair; Over all the little child-face Glassing, glancing everywhere.

Little children—yes, we love them For their spirits cesseless flow, For the joy that ever lingers Where their bounding footsteps And the palace is a prison If no little one is there.

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TOM TEMPLE'S CAREER. BY HORATIO ALGER, JR., AUTHOR OF "ONLY AN IRISH BOY," ETC

CHAPTER XXXIV.

THE BORRERS' DEN 'Ha! What have we here? 'said the robber chief, as he drew out first la continue a log: repeated the action, the robber chief, as he drew out first la log: repeated the action, the robber chief, as he drew out first la log: repeated the action, the robber chief, as he drew out first la log: repeated the action, the robber chief, as he drew out first la log: repeated the action, the robber chief, as he drew out first la log: repeated the action, the robber chief, as he drew out first la log: repeated the action, the robber chief, as he drew out first la log: repeated the action, the robber chief, as he drew out first la log: repeated the action, the robber chief, as he drew out first la log: repeated the action, the robber chief, as he drew out first la log: repeated the action, the robber chief, as he drew out first la log: repeated the action, the robber chief, as he drew out first la log: repeated the action of the robber chief, as he drew out first la log: repeated the action of the robber chief, as he drew out first la log: repeated the action of the robber chief.

Morton changed color 'It is the property of a friend,' he said burriedly

-is it not so?'

When Tom heard the name Arm strong, all his doubts were removed. had found the absconding clerk. But that was not his only object. He desired also to regain possession of the stolen securities, and they were in the hands of a powerful robber chief, of whom he was himself the prisoner.

amination of the papers. They proved all to represent value, and could Mr. Armstrong have used them as collateral, he would have been able to avert his failure, Morton looked on with feverish anxiety while this examination

'Certainly not,' said the captain,

They will do you no good. the bandit, fixing his eyes sternly upon

You cannot negotiate them. ' Can you?

'No,' said Morton, hesitatingly. ' How comes it then ithat you have them in your possession?' asked the

aptain searchingly,
'I hold them in trust,' answered And where is this Armstrong?

Morton wined the perspiration from his brow. He had been forced to make to him. How did he know but that been printed, and fallen under the eves of his fellow prisoners? If so, he risked private, he said. He determined to part company with

'I shall not give these papers back to you,' said the chief. elong to you, it appears.'
'They were confided to

'They are safer in my hands. But we have wasted time enough on this naide the building.

He walked boldly up to the robber

should like to speak to you on business

appearance, answered, with a smile: You are a young man to have business of importance.

'It may be so,' said Tom, ' but it is none the less true. I can say, also, that the business is of as much importanc to you as to me.'

I will humor your whim, youngster. I dollars.' have spoken the truth.

'I shall not,' said Tom, confidently. What I have to say is for your advan-

tage.'
A thought occurred to the captain.
This boy might have wealthy friends, and he might be intending to offer a ransom in return for his liberty. His words favored such a supposition, and the chief decided to grant his request

y will remain with me.' Alonso, a stalwart member of the band, bowed in token of obedience.

'Come,' he said, turning to Gates forton and the German; 'follow me. 'Thank you,' said Gates, coolly. 'I

steps leading downward into a subter-

on resolled in alarm Are we going down there?' the ask-d, in a startled tone. Gates took it more philosophically.

I have paid at this hotel—in advance,

Then, my friend, I advise you to taken all your money except the few give up keeping a hotel.' dollars I had the consideration to leave 'You won't find it uncomfortable,' you. Of what other funds have you said Alonzo. 'It's rather dark, to be command?'

ance bespeaking his discontent, not to ized to offer a large sum for them.'

obber, losing patience.

Gates led the way, Morton followed, and the Dutchman brought up the rear of the captives. But the stairs were little more than half way down, he tumbled, failing helplessly on the earthen floor. Under the impression

'Stop that nonsense,' he said, roughly, 'or I'll stick this knife into you ed the robber, thoughtfully, you overgrown hog, and then you'll

'Hog!' repeated the Teuton, offendlike to know?

self up, or I'll step on you.' Thus mildly entreated, Herr Schmidt made shift to stand, and, on ascertain- out here. Finally, getting desperate, men? ing that he had really met with no I organized this band, and began to Alonzo now took the lead, and con-

'Lie down there if you like,' he said. 'That's all very well,' said Gates, our hero, but allow me to remind you that I

'Youehall have some supper shortly,' pose. What is it?' said the robber, turning to leave them. They hoped be would leave them the lantern, but he evidently thought they

'This is rather lively,' said Gates. This is rather lively, said Gates.

You will keep faith with me—a social can help it. I ain't good for much, outlaw? Once out of my clutches, and but I want that boy to grow up re-Morton did not answer, but Herr

Schmidt began to bewail his fate, and express his conviction that he should never more see his Katrine and die

CHAPTER XXXV.

THE CAPTAIN OF THE ROBBERS tain gave some directions to his such terms as he found necessary to subordinates. At length the robber secure the papers. made him a sign to draw near.

'I should like to speak to you in The captain frowned slightly, and

was on the point of refusing, but curiosity overcame him, ' Very well,' he said. ' Follow me.

They went a few rods away. Now,' he said, 'speak.'

'What I have to say,' Tom began is about these bonds. 'You wish to plead for your friend?'

interrupted the captain. If that is all. matter. Alonzo, conduct the prisoners I will tell you to begin with, that it is of no use. I shall not give them up. 'You have made a mistake,' said Tom, quietly. 'In the first pla that man is not my friend.'

'You were travelling together.' 'That is true, but I only met him in San Francisco. I was following him

' What is that?' Whether he had those papers. 'What have you to do with the papers?' demanded the captain in

· I will tell you, sir. For the want 'Humph!' said the other, evidently of those papers a New York merchan

Whew?' I begin to see But take beed that you do not waste but his real name is Lincoln-was Mr.

Armstrong's clerk. He appropriated rities, worth about eighty thousand dollars, and fled. It was sed, but not known, that he had ne to California. I agreed to follow him and ascertain.'

should have undertaken such a task It is a man's work.' offered my services, and was accepted

soners to the place of secrecy. This I arrived in San Francisco three m since. I only met this man a few days

'How did you know him.' 'Mr. Armstrong gave me his de

· Very good. Having found him, you followed him. What good did you think it would do. Suppose he had

the papers, how did you expect to get held of them?'
'That I didn't know. I had no

ed, frankly. 'But if

hape if he knew my real name he would. But he thinks I am merely

The captain laughed, 'Oho! you want me to give these papers. My young friend, I gave give him a fair share of all we make Won't we men? me take for a philanthropist? 'I'm agreed,

'No,' said Tom, smiling, 'I never should make such a mistake. 'Go on, then.'

'I will make it worth your while to 'It is the best we have,' said Alonzo, emphasis.

'I represent Mr. Armstrong,' said 'Must I go down in de cellar?' asked Tom. 'It is important that he should

ed Herr Schmidt, his ample counten- recover these securities. I am author 'But why should I let them go, Yes, and be quick about it, said the when I can obtain their whole value. ' You can't,' said Tom, boldly. · Why not?

' For the same reason that they have een useless to the clerk who took lost his footing, and, when a them. They cannot be negotiated.' 'Are you sure of that ?'

curate list of them all. Information that he was dangerously wounded, he has also been sent to the different burst into a series of cries of a stentor institutions and corporations represen ian character, which irritated his con- ed. Whoever undertakes to raise oney on them is liable to arrest.' 'Are you sure of all this?' demand

> 'You may be right. In fact, I have own, Alonzo, you wouldn't train him ufficient knowledge of business to up to his father's trade, would you? what I am now. Years since I was ly. engaged in business in St. Louis. I was unfortunate as so many are. I got and I am ready to relieve them of what into difficulties, and made my way belongs to the poor. What do you say

prey upon the community." He spoke slowly, and as if talking to ducted the prisoners into an inner cave, where by the light of the lantern and interest. He saw that even robwhere by the light of the lantern and interest. He saw that even robseveral pallets were seen lying upon ber captains have a human side, and they were ready to adopt it as their are not altogether bad.

Do you like this kind of life? asked The robber shrugged his shoulders.

generally sup before retiring.'

'So do I,' said Herr Schmidt. 'Have you got some good beer and sausages, but I must be satisfied with the mode.'

Something's come over the care. 'A man must live,' he said. 'I he had been reclining with the rest, and I think I should like some Schwe- of life that fortune has opened to me.' ' But that is not to the point,' he said, 'None of that for me, please,' said changing his tone. You said you had right after all,' said another of the men. something for my advantage to pro-

'I will tell you. Give me up these onds, give me the means of returning with them to New York, and you shall our business came home to me. I've had no need of it. A minute later and have ten thousand dollars as a reward.' got a boy somewhere about the age of 'You speak confidently, but there that youngster. He don't know what are difficulties. How do I know that his father is, and he shan't know, if I

ou will play me false.'
'I shall keep my promise!' said Tom
'Suppose we change the subject,
said Alonzo, adding with a sneer you will play me false.' proudly. 'I pledge you my word.' But you may not be able to keep it. 'piety's spreading. I shan't be sur-Show me your authority to make this prised, Jack, to hear that you and the

Tom drew a paper from his pocket- for me, I ain't partial to a black suit book-a paper of which we have and a white choker." hitherto not spoken—signed by Mr. You'd prefer a different kind of a Tom waited patiently while the cap- Armstrong, empowering him to make choker, suggested Jack.

'I should have made this offer to

'Now, youngster,' he said, 'you may ay what you wish.'

Tom looked significantly at two of ion. I make it to you.'

Morton, he said, in conclusion, 'but 'Let a man have his joke. We're all in the same boat as far as that goes.'

But Alonzo still looked moody, and all particulars of his flight might have the band who were within hearing. money, even if I do consent. There is apology. Upon this Jack, to restore good feel-

a reward offered for my arrest.' ings brought out his violin, for he was 'I wish you could have gone to No York with me, said Tom. 'You could a little of a musician, and begin to play the reward. I suppose that would be

retain the papers till you were sure of a lively dancing time 'Let's have a dance,' said one and the members of the band began to

'This is a matter of importance,' he leap about to the inspiring tunes of th said. 'I will take a night to think it tiddle over. We will speak again on the Then it was a bright thought entered

subject to-morrow. Meanwhile keep the mind of one of the robbers-we will call him Bill. 'I will,' said Tom. He walked back to the h

use with 'Let us make him dance.' his companion. But he did not share This proposal was received with the captivity of his fellow travellers. shout of laughter, in which Alonzo He was allowed to sleep and eat with joined as heartily as the rest. Even Tom, though he sympathized with his the robbers, and to have his freedom. 'He's only a boy,' said the captain fellow captive, could not help shouting The captain, regarding his youthful to find out the very thing you helped by way of explanation. 'No need to with laughter as he pictured to him-SELLING VERY CHEAP AT shut him up. down in the mazy dance.

CHAPTER XXXVI.

Tom had an easy way of adapting Moreover, being a boy, he was regarded with less distrust than if he had been After some delay they reappea older He sat down with the robbers claring the mission, which he had rerealed to the captain. He had the luck gazed about him in evident affright o please his entertainers, if we may give them that name.

After supper the men lit their pipes 'I've got an extra pipe, my lad, if you'd like to smoke,' said Alonzo, who ranked next to the captain. He was, in fact, the lieutenant of the band.

'Thank you,' said Tom, 'but I don't

'Do you think it did you any good?'
'I can'tisay it did, but it's a comfort, and a megry life is my motto, even i it is a short one." 'but I don't believe it does a boy any

'You are right there, most likely. What brought you out here? 'I was going to the mines.' To make your fortune?

Partly. But it was partly the lo 'You've had your adventure,' said lonzo, grimly.
'Yes,' said Tom, 'and a pretty

etter to stay in the city." Were you long the

want a boy like you to brighten us you You might be useful besides. We'll

' And I,' said all.

'Thank you, gentlemen,' said Tom. It's a compliment, and so I consider give me these bonds, said Tom, with it, for you wouldn't make the offer if you didn't like my company, but, to be You! How can that be? I have frank, I don't think I should like it.' 'He's right.'

It was the captain who spoke. 'He's right, boys. I'm a robber my self, and am likely to be, but I won't ask him to be. His life is before hima bright and prosperous one it may be and I for one won't ask him to spoil it by taking to the road. It's well enough for us, for there's no other chance

'Captain,' said Alonzo, 'you ain arning pious, are you?' He spoke lightly, but he regarde The captain laughed, but it was forced laugh.

'That is'nt in my line,' he said. thought you knew me too well for that Of course I do. I thought maybap you got the blues, or were getting sick

our company.' 'You have no reason to think that because I don't want the boy to follow our example. If you had a son of your

'Yes, I would,' said Alonzo, doggedrich have more than belongs to them

That's the way to talk,' said all. in the eye of the law, but Alonzo's

'It may be so,' said the captain, but I wouldn't ask a boy to join us. Ayer's Sarsaparilla He got up from the grass on which

· Something's come over the captain said Alonzo, looking after him. 'I don't know but the captain's What, Jack, are you going to turn back on us?'

what he said about a boy's taking up

This suggestion was well received

'Have out the Dutchman," he said

'Good!' said Alonzo, !' Bill, you and

Dick go in and bring out the prisoner

The two men, nothing loth, jumpe

p and disappeared within the building

owed by Gates and Morton, and lead-

ing between them, bewildered and

Teutonic friend Herr Schmidt, He

· What will you do mit me? Don't

We won't burt you, mynheer,' said

'I cannot dance at all,' said Herr

Oh, you needn't be particular abou

the steps, but dance you must. We are all going to dance. Jack, strike

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