BY THE DANISH PORT, HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN.

It was so terribly cold-it snowed. and the evening began to be dark ; it was also the last evening in the year-New Years Eve. On this cold. dark evening a poor little girl with bare head and naked feet. It is true she had shoes on when she went for home, but of what use were they? They were dress, and made the presentation: very large shoes; her mother had last worn them; they were too large; and the little one lost them in hurrying over the street as two carriages passed quickly by. One shoe was not to be found, and went on her small, naked feet, which went on her small, naked feet, which were red and blue with cold—she carridade a number of matches in an old apron, and held one bundle in her hand. No one had bought of her the whole day, no one had given her a farthing. Poor Longe in particular, have won for you connection with this Ever since your connection with this Ledge, and more particularly during the years in which you occupied the office of orshipful Master, your zeal, energy and dilugence in advancing the interests of the Order in Goderich, and this Longe in particular, have won for you

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houses_the one stood a little more forward in the street than the other-and any matches or got a single farthing! Her father would beat her—and it was as follows: also cold at home, and there the wind R. W. Sir and Brethrenwhistled in, although straw and rags I rise to thank you for your kind and were stuffed in the largest crevices.

Her little hands were almost benumb-There are such a variety of ideas forcing themselves upon my mind that it is difdo some good, durst she only draw one out of the bundle, strike it on the wall fore hope that if I should break down it and warm her fingers. She drew one eut, ritch ! how it burnt ! it was a warm clear flame like that of a candle, when kindness. she held her hand round it-it was a strange light!

warmed so well! Nay, what was that?

To be thought well of by one's fellow The little girl stretched out her feet to men, especially those with whom one is to warm them, too; when the flame brought in such close communion as I went out the stove vanished—she sat have been with all of you, those who have an opportunity of judging of one's character by his every-day life and conwith a stump of burned match in her hand. Another was struck; it burnt, it shome; and where the light shone on the wall it became as transparent as crape; she looked directly into the room where the rosted goose stuffed with apples and prunes stermed so charmingly on the prunes atermed so charmingly on the land Lodge I felt that it was an honor, and I appreciated it as such—for I conwith a shining white cloth and fine porcelain service. What was still more splendid, the goose sprung off the dish, and fork in its back; it came directly up to the poor girl. Then the match went ing the members of Mailand middle agreed that we would not lose much and ing the members of Mailand middle agreed to the poor girl. out, and there was only the thick, cold of other lodges, I am forced to the con-

She struck another match. Then she sat under the most charming Christmas tree—it was still larger and more ornamental than she had seen through the cest intellectual attainments. I say to be rich merchant's the last Christmas. A Master of such a ledge is an hor thousand candles burnt on the green branches; and motley pictures, like those which ornamented the shop windows, looked down at her. The little dows, looked down at her. The little girl lifted up both her hands—then the match was extinguished—the Christmas have occasion to think otherwise. But, candles rose higher and higher; she saw that they were bright stars—one of them fell and made a fiery strip in the sky.

"Now one dies!" said the poor girl, for old grandmother, who alone had been later than I am—if I were a very Demosthenes—I could not give utterance to my feelings.

grandmother stood in the luster, so shin- were I to let this opportunity pass with ing, so mild and blissful. "Grandmother!" exclaimed the little girl, "oh, I have been under to my esteemed friend, R. W. Bro. Toms, for his ever gone away when the match goes out—
which his long experience in Masonry like the warm stove, the delicious roast goose, and the delightful Christmas tree!"

goose, and the delightful Christmas tree!"

In conclusion f will say that I never the store in the sto And she struck in haste the whole remainder of matches that was in the bundle : she would not lose sight of grandmother, and the matches shone with such brilliancy that it was clearer than abled to square my actions by the square abled to square my actions by the square such brilliancy that it was clearer that in broad daylight. Grandmother had of Virtue and keep within due bounds of Virtue and keep within due bounds with all mankind, and may the Most with all mankind, and may the Most lifted the poor little girl up in her srms High prosper my endeavors.

The lodge being closed, all adjourned and thep flew so high, in splendor and joy, there was no cold, no hunger, no Hotel, where the host, Brother John anxiety-they were with God.

the house, in the cold morning hour. with red cheeks, and with a smile round with red cheeks, and with a smile round her mouth—dead—frozen to death, the Beck as vice. R. W. Bro. Joseph Beck as vice. R. W. Bro. Toms and last evening of the old year.

New Year's morning rose over the lit- right and left of the chairman. tle corpse as it sat with the matches, of responded to by those present, Bro. which, a bundle was burnt. She had Hill, on behalf of Britannia Lodge, makbeen trying to warm herself, said they! ing a most eloquent speech on the lessens of the craft. Song and sentiment But no one knew what beautiful things she had seen-in what splendor and she had seen—in what splendor and gladness she had entered with her old grandmother into New Year's Joys.

company dispersing at 12.30, all "hap to meet, sorry to part, and happy meet again."—[Star.

COMPASS AND SO JER.

The Fes i al of St. John and its Calebra o by Goderich Masons,

As noted under the usual heading, the officers of Goderich and Maitland lodges were duly installed last Wednesday, the former at 4 p. m. and the latter in the evening. The brothren of Maitland took this occasion to testify their appreciation this occasion to testify their appreciation of the services of the I. P. M., R. W. Bro. Radeliffe, and for that purpess secured a handsome Past Master's jewel, which was suitably inscribed by Prof. C. J. Newman, of St. George's Charch. After the installation ceremony, R. W. Bro. I. F. Toms read the following address and made the presentation:

ADDRESS.
To R. W. Bro. Richard Ruddiffs of Maitland Lodge No. 112, Goderich. Right Worshipful Sir and Bro.—It is with feelings of the greatest pleasure that the officers and members approach the other a boy ran away with, saying that he could use it for a cradle when he got children himself. The little girl now

dows, and there was such a delicious smell of roast beef in the street—it was New Year's Eve, and she thought of that!

She sat down in a corner between two brethren.

That you may long live to be an ward in the street than the other—and ment to the Masonic Order, and that the drew her legs up under her to warm herself, but she was still colder, and she durst not go home; she had not sold brethren of Maitland Lodge.

Bro Radeliffe responded substantially

complimentary remarks and this beautiful gift under considerable emotions. may be attributed to the extreme sensi-bility by which I am agitated, for I ear-nestly assure you I feel sensibly your

There are certain occasions in the life of nearly every man when they cannot The little girl thought she sat by a large iron stove with brass balls on the top, and the fire burned so nicely and the fire

clusion that they not only compare fa-She struck another match. Then she vorably with any, but are superior to

kind to her, but who was now lead, had told her that when a star falls a soul goes up to God.

But there are other things besides this valuable and beautiful gift for which I must thank you—that which I prize more highly, the uniform courtesy and She again struck a match against the kindness which you have on all occasions wall, it shone all around, and her old shown to me, whether in the lodge or out of it. I would be indeed ungrateful out acknowledging the many o

make rash promises, but this I will promise—that I will try, with the assistance of the G.G.O.T.U., to put this tool to

But the little girl sat in the corner by the house, in the cold morning hour, had cheeks and with a smile round Bro. Rev. J. Hill, of Seaforth, sat to the

A list of toasts was duly honored and filled up a most enjoyable evening, the Salt and Ashes for Anima's.

This subject has been frequently dis-cused hitherto, especially the use of salt for farm stock. That all domestic ani-mals do better where they are constantly supplied with salt I am perfectly satisfied from experience and long observation. The only case where salt seems to do injury is where cattle have been long without it, and then giving to them all they are inclined to consume. I am willing to own that it is temporarily injurious, not because the srticle itself is bad, but because of taking too much at one dose. The proper way to feed salt is to place it where the stock can get it when they please and take what they are inclined to eat. Never mix it with food, so that they are compelled to take it or not. More and better butter can be made from the milk of a contract. are inclined to eat. Never mix it with food, so that they are compelled to take it or not. More and better butter can be made from the milk of a cow when she has her free supply of salt than from one entirely deprived of it, or having an irregular supply of it, and also takes less time to churn the cream. Nature requires salt as an aid in preserving health. It assists in digestion as well as health. It assists in digestion as well as in many other ways which I need not here mention. For cattle at pasture lumps may be laid at any convenient place where a board can be fixed to shelter from the rain and still allow the stock free access. At the barn the lumps can be placed under the shed or in some other convenient spot. But oftentimes atock seem to require an alkali as well. snowflakes fell on her yellow hair, which curled so prettily round her neck, but she did not heed that.

The lights shone out from all the windows, and there was such a delicious smell of roast beef in the street—it was New Year's Eve, and she there was a downcast! The brethren of this Lodge; while your courtesy and fraternal kindness have won the hearts and affections of all with whom you came in centact.

This small token of respect which we should also be supplied where the stock can have access to them as desired. The ashes should be from good sound wood, and kept dry.

Whan desired in the street—it was not only as a token of our recognition of the man of the street in the street is the street in the st

and kept dry.

When desirable to keep cattle at pasture and there is no shed to shelter the ashes and salt, a convenient trough may ashes and salt, a convenient trough may be fastened between two posts, on top of which are fastened two planks or boards as a roof to shelter from rain. The posts should be long enough so that the trough may be eighteen or twenty inches above the ground, and there must be room above between it and the roof to allow of tree seems to the allowable. of tree access to the salt or ashes. This answers for all stock except sheep and swine, which can have the troughs lower. I believe that if a constant supply of salt and ashes is provided where all kinds of stock can have access where all kinds of stock can have access to them, very much less disease would be known among farm stock; I have never knewn bots, colic or worms in horses where ashes and salt were thus furnished. — Cor. Country Gentlemen.

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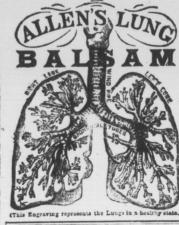
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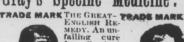
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