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things repel us, but they wear us. We can afford to let problem plays and all that kind of thing rest for a few decades. We can find gloom enough in life without going to Ibsen.

Mr. Caine endorses the public wish to Mr. Caine endorses the public wish to have things end happily. Let them consonance with good ideals. Let them

A PLEASANT PRACTICAL JESTER. The chorus of friends and the pleasant recollections of imitators among whom were many writers have made the passing of Eugene Field the occasion of bringing together all the Anything that was unusual in spoons, note was that the Monroe doctrine mirthful memories of a peculiarly hap- stools, bells, ropes, knockers, hats, py and sunny existence. Eugene Field cal joker of the day, but though his whether books or curiosities, he called jests were active they were temper- "plunder." The book shops of Chica- length the boundary dispute. He was Truth. ed with good nature and to their non- go always set aside anything extraor- moved to write this letter by a desire, sense was added always a very lively wit. To the dead Western poet many, wit. To the dead Western poet many, eulogies have been paid by writers science of drunkenness, counterblasts eulogies have been paid from far and near. characteristic we have seen comes gave the special name of "fool" from Francis Wilson, the actor, who on the stage represents much of the joyousness and mirth which were We reproduce the article in full from Harper's Weekly :

He was the children's poet-laureate

-their king singer. No bard ever sang so sweetly and pathetically of them, juvenile's Homer. He was not a mere ply for its external beauty. Either exliterary lip servitor of the young people. All that he wrote he felt. It people. All that he wrote he felt. It was a joyous and an odd sight to see Eugene Field on his knees, with his people. All that he wrote he felt.

After his last European trip I asked begin happily, too. Let the writers him the difference between literary sibility and to shape their work in people in Great Britain and America. 'Well," he said, "over there they all help to right the wrongs we suffer and begin their careers with pretty thorhasten the day when they shall exist no longer.

His reply to Mrs. Humphry Ward when she asked him to tell of the manners and characteristics of his people -that when he himself was first found he was up a tree-has often been quot-

watches, music, or what not, he would ms to have been the greatest practipurchase. All the things he bought, One of the most to tobacco, and so forth-to which he

awaited his perusal or purchase. Next to children, Field best loved books. A collector himself, he had rare sympathy with the whole tribe, from the lowest form of the "critter," the extra-illustrator to the other ex-treme, the man who loves a book sim-

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minionaire—Well, my dear Baron, you seem to have an important communication to make. Baron—Councilor F—, I am happy to tell you the glad news that it is my intention to appoint you my father-in-law.—Deutsche Wespen.

"What do you consider the most promising portion of Europe at the present day?" asked the young man with a commercial turn of mind. And without a moment's hesitation the young woman answered "Turkey."—Washington Star.

"Susie—And so you are an old maid, auntie—a real old maid? Aunt Ethel—did not sink at once, but struggled a light of sink at once, but sink at once, but struggled a light of sink at once, but struggled a li

would not stop work. A large dark-lantern was sent for, and the slaves, lantern was sent for, as they passed in-Hume and Ingersoll schools, does not

ters." Hear him: "David is loyal, chivalrous, ardent in friendship. and combines with adventurous valor the tenderness which has led to our accepting him as a writer of some of the Psalms. So far, he is an object of our admiration, due allowance for time and circumstances being made. But he is guilty of murder and adultery, both in the first degree. He puts to death with hideous tortures the people of a captured city. On his death-bed he bequeaths to his son a murderous legacy of vengeance; he exemplifies by his treatment of his 10 concubines, whom he shuts up for life, the most cruel evils of polygamy (2 Samuel xx., 3).

"The man after God's own heart, he

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"Well, my little boy." said the kindly old gentleman to the urchin, on the way to school, "I hope you are a good

scholar?"
"Yes," said the little boy.
"Got a good place in your form?"
"Yus. Next the stove."
VIRTI.



Dean Farrar's new tale, "Gat Clouds" (London, Longmans) is cally a life of Chrysostom, set some accessory figures by whi conception of the great Bishop sonal character. This method of n history has, in such capable ha crowning merit of attractive that thousands to whom Chry which otherwise would have h a name, will get an adequate the man and of the world he lived from the book. The picture of Constantinople

given in these pages, combine remarkable degree the attract the repulsive. Never was hundecked out with more gorgeou dor; never were its intellectus piritual activities more depre an enervating atmosphere. The have been, one may say the have been, some secret restrength somewhere-how els an empire that seemed to be t to its fall in the fourth centur-era have outlasted the 14t everything, when such an Em Arcadius was ruling, with such ister as Eutropius, seemed utt rupt and effete. But both the acteristics of the period and the splendor and corrupti exactly suited to the powers of thor of "Gathering Clouds. never more at home than wh describing, with ornate ab some highly colored scene, or colored in impassioned rhetoric son crite or villain. Here is a pl crite or villain. Here is a pi
the Byzantine throne room
Chrysostom, who has been lite
ducted from Antioch that he
thrust perforce into the pai
seat, is introduced for the fi
into the Imperial presence:
"The Purple Chamber, into
they were ushered by a crowd o
was so-called partly from its p
and walls inlaid with porphy
partly from its rich purple h
embroidered with gold. The h
modern days would almost se
childish simplicity before th
pomp of Byzantine splendo
floor along the centre was s
with gold dust, brought from
lands in ships and charlots
mous cost, that the sacred fee
Emperor might not be desect
treading on anything less pr
precious. The walls of alaba
other lustrous marbles were in sunlight glowed hotty on plus Numidian marble, rose-colored en. Chrysostom was almost by the sudden blaze of splushich he was wholly unacc. Two lines of the palatine soldi at intervals down the centrhall. They wore Sidonian was orionly dight that there we on their girdles and emeralds helmets. Between and behiwere massed a number of cou all the ranks of Byzantine operfectissimi, egregii, illust spectabiles. Round the apsend stood a guard of tall, ful Gothic soldiers in their collars end stood a guard of tall, full Gothic soldiers in their collars and nearest the Emperor s four Praetorian Praefects, consilke him, in the purple robe, dye, which they, however, w to the knees. In the cent throne, supported by four hug lions, lolled Arcadius on silk ions, fringed with pearls. His purple was woven in gold w gons, which were his imperial His person was a bicze of Huge rubles and emeralds w dent from his ears. Necklace's orient pearls gleamed round I and over his breast hung c precious stones, chosen for tand lustre. The passion for gen Constantine had fostered had among later emperors. Rot dark hair of Arcadius was the a band of purple silk wov

spondent's letter is as follrecent Franco-American wed lovely dresses were donned, by the relatives and friends ed in the cortege or proce from church door to altar s from church door to feature of every Catholic man also by the generality of fl guests. There was a bright or newness about gowns, o charm and interest to the b semblage of Fashion's doci and one of the dresses me most had a plain full skir trope mirror velvet, touchin all round. The accompan was one of the new quair jackets indifferently dubl Quinze, or Louis Seize, and the most attractive charac both reigns. It was of a lovely material, the foundat silk, flowered with roses a bloom in subdued and fa while narrow stripes of hel vet, interwoven, ran closel floral surface. This jacket, floral surface. This jacket, from neck to waist, on eith edged narrowly with sable, a front the foundation of white satin, veiled with will over which, gracefully arr a fall of corn-colored and Cluny lace. The neck-bar a fall of corn-colored and Cluny lace. The neck-bar satin, was trimmed, or ra with sable; while a necklas seven rows of small ones, ornamental bars, of tiny rested on white tulle, tled in a big, fluffy; and clou The sleeves of the jacket full at the elbow, the amplimaterial set in at the sho series of tight shirrings, ranged to do away with al and thickness. How it w and thickness. How it w I am unable to state, I contact the fact spoke for seven-inch basque, prolong fronts and the back, and no added, was arranged in tw at the back, finished by tw purple translocid enamel cled and centred with rhin cled and centred with rhin the fronts of the dapper back, with white satin is with fur, figured three so of similar design; while a the jacket was drawn to t a beautiful antique buckle, ed with the brilliant and pebbles. The hat worn handsome dress was of ver ple beaver felt, the broad

a band of purple silk wo pearls and the choicest r emeralds." The conclusion of my Par