

The Family.

THE SLEPT BEFORE THE DAWN.

"You have done your work," God said to the world... One day in the dark November... "Now take your rest, go to sleep and dream... Nor try to think or remember..."

LITERARY TIPLING: A WORD TO GIRLS.

THE man who tipsles may be seen frequently dipping his can in the beer barrel and drinking, not because he is thirsty, for then he would take a good draught and be done with it—but because he likes the sensational excitement of the beer...

stances, led to lamentable consequences. Our medical men could give abundant evidence in this direction. "Whenever I see a young boy with a pipe in his mouth, it would please me much to have it knocked out, so, if I see a young girl intent on reading a trashy novel, I would cheerfully snatch it from her and toss it on the back of the fire..."

WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN.

"We shall call for you as we go to the concert to night." "I'm a little afraid I can't go, Janet." "Why not, Helen?" "Mother is not coming home until to-morrow night, and Hessie has one of her bad colds..."

home," she said, as she sat down to indulge the little girl with a bedtime rock, and an unusual number of nursery ditties. Two hours later she grew sleepy over her book, and leaned back in her chair for a few moments. HESSIE'S soft breathing just reached her ear, she would be quite well by the time mother came home...

She meant to marry John C—, to whom she had been engaged for years, and who had worked hard to prepare a home for her, but at the last moment she married another man and left poor honest John to the laughter and sneers of the village. She meant to be a good mother and caressed her children when they were in good humour; when they were fretful and sick, she had a nervous attack, and left them to the care of her husband...

A HINT TO GIRLS. At a trial for divorce in New York, the wife, who had been a gay, fashionable girl, testified that difficulty first arose between herself and her husband on his discovery, soon after their marriage, that much of her jewelry and bric a brac had been given to her by former admirers. The Companion has nothing to do, usually, with cases of divorce or unhappy marriages, but this detail emphasizes a moral which every young girl should take to heart...

it does or not, they who have achieved such a comradeship, have made already one high and great success.—Youth's Companion. "I WONDER IF EVER." I wonder if ever the children, Who were blessed by the Master of old, Forgive me had made them His treasures, The dear little lambs of His fold?...

The Children's Corner.

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A FACE AND A HEART.

ALICE PATTERSON walked home from church behind two ladies from the hotel. They were talking about her. She could hear every word. "I think she is such a pretty girl," said one, "so bright-looking, and her complexion is so very clear..."

A STORY ABOUT NILSSON.

WHEN Christine Nilsson first appeared in public, twenty or more years ago, she was a bony and freckled Scandinavian lass, like scores one sees in Western towns. Now she is a magnificent woman, commanding in carriage and countenance...

MOTHER AND DAUGHTER.

THE mother and daughter who stand closely side by side to face the world, are sure of friends; affection attracts affection. "I like to do anything for Mrs. Hernam," says one, "it pleases her daughter so!"...

THE MOTHER'S CRADLE SONG.

[The following beautiful song is a translation from the "Home Songs" of Sweden. It is crooned by the mother as she is putting her little one to sleep.] Oh, little child, lie still and sleep; Jesus is near, though needs' not fear; No one need fear whom God doth keep By day or night. Then lay thee down in slumber deep Till morning light...

RELIGIOUS CANT.

THE use of cant phrases seems more or less natural to men. It sometimes becomes wearisome and nauseous to minds which do any considerable amount of thinking. And nowhere is it more disagreeable than in the Church of Christ. Yet it is here that it easily becomes common. Certain words and phrases which have at first a degree of fitness, and it may be, of force, are put to constant use, till their repetition is unbearable to many...

DORA.

DORA B— was famous as "a charming person," even as a school girl. She had a winning appealing loveliness, a sympathetic voice and numberless gracious, fascinating, little ways that won every stranger. At school she was always clinging to her teachers and caressing them, but she invariably kept the class waiting, and had forgotten her book and slate when she came. She hung about Bob at home, and called him her darling; and Bob was very proud of his lovely sister. But she never remembered to mend his gloves or to cover his ball, though he asked her a thousand times, and she meant to do it...

LITTLE THINGS.

A LITTLE bit of patience often makes the sunshine come. And a little bit of love makes a very happy home. A little bit of hope makes a rainy day look gay. And a little bit of charity makes glad a weary way.