A WISE CONCLUSION.

One summer evening, after Harry and his sister Helen had been put to bed, a severe thunder-storm came up.

Their cribs stood side by side; and their mother, in the next room, heard them as they sat up in bed and talked, in low voices, about the thunder and

They told each other their fears. They were afraid the lightning would strike them.

be killed right off, and whether the trembled afresh at each peal.

as long as the storm. Harry became cheerfulness in his voice, he said, as he laid his head on the pillow, "Well, I'm going to trust in God."

little head down, saying, "Well, I dess I will too.

And they both went to sleep, without more words. - Youth's Companion.

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Then the birds play. I don't know whether they call the play "tag," or "hide and seek," but they chase each other in and ont of the play house, and chatter and call. These birds are cousins to the starling. They are called the "Satin Bower Bird of Aus tralia."

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THE SWEETNESS OF IT.

ness of Christ's pardon to those who bave never felt it; of the sweetness of His comfort to those who have refused His promise; of the sweetness of His face to those who have turned their back many His love. A great many back upon His love. A great many an appetite is will make breakfast a people may think this is merely sickly pleasure, dinner a treat, tea a delight,

They wondered whether they would He was harsh in some of his opinions, worm. Every early boy can catch the house would be burned up. They mental ardor; and yet, when the name learns to love, the man will turn to But tired nature could not hold out into a transport. Paul was a cool be better and more abundant than very sleepy, and at last, with renewed Mediterranean shipwreck, a granitic and his cucumbers will be finer, better, Little Helen sat a minute longer and the forces of darkness; yet the will be wrapping his up and running thinking it over, and then laid her own thought of Christ thrilled him, trans- off to the bank with it. The boy who of his indignation made the queen to escape his creditors by-and-by. shiver and the duchess quake; yet he sat down as a little child at the feet of

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But how shall I talk of the sweet just as stagnation means decay. You and—no room for supper. Besides it's Jonathan Edwards was a cool man, only one early bird that catches the he was never afflicted with any sentil benefit I speak of. And what the boy of Christ was mentioned, it threw him deeper account, and, while his hay will logician, with nerves unshaken in the an idle man's, his corn, his carrots, nature, comfortable with the whole and more abundant, too; and just world against him, shaking his fist in when the idle man is thinking that he the face of the governments of earth ought to have a fortune, the early one ported him, overwhelmed him. John says it's music to hear the milkman Knox was unbending in his nature, and chimney sweep from between the and hard in some respects. The flash sheets will most likely take to his bed

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