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LOCAL MEWS

-December 25th.

-Hang up your stocking. -Santa Claus will be here this ever

-Miss Lacy Kelly is bolidaying with her sister here.

-This is the season when the turkey zets it in the neck.

-Mrs. Eveatts left on Saturday to spend Christmas with friends in Smith's Falls. -Miss Morris, of the P. S. staff

3rd form), is holidaying at her home -Mr. Terrence Donnelly, of Seeley's

Bay was a guest at the bome of Mr. S. J. Stevens on Thursday. -Mr. J. D. Beddy will out quite shine with the new double-seated

ter he received last week. -Mr. C. Ross McIntosh, principal of the Model School, left on Friday to spend the Xmas vacation at his home

in Dornoch, Grey Co. -We wish to tender our readers at this season of the year our heartiest wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Presperous New Year.

-The funeral of the late Mrs. Donnelly, who died at Lyn, on Friday at, at the residence of her brother, Mr. Alex Pergau, took place on Saturday. Deceased was 24 years of age, and much sympathy is expressed for the bereaved relatives.

-Rev. G. E. Hartwell and wife, who are engaged in missionary work in the Orient, who have been on a leave of absence visiting friends in this vicinity, leave in about a week for Chicago and San Francisco to visit relatives, after which they will sail to take up their work in Chentu, China. The Reporter wishes then long life and much success in their chosen calling.

- During the past week we have sent out over 300 accounts to those who are two years and over in arrears. On each of these slips we have given a reason why we ask for a prompt response and we trust that all those receiving these accounts will respond at once.

-The two oldest tax collectors in this township, of whom we have any recollection, were old William Thom-son first, and Mr. Daniel Phillips, of Athens, second. This was before there were any township councils, and must have been about the year 1838-1839. Very few of the old inhabitants recollect Mr. Thomson. He went over the whole township on foot. Daniel Phillips collected at a later date, and will probably be known better in the north-

entertainment will be held this evening (Wednesday) in the church.

-The Athens court of the CO.O.F. will elect its officers for the ens year on Tuesday evening next.

—Miss Watson, of the Public School staff, left on Saturday to the spend vacation with her parents at -Fisher has a few of his nobby

utters left which will be sold at a bargain to made room for his spring make of carriages. -Special meetings will be held in

the Baptist church commencing to mor-row evening. All are cordially invited to be present -Mr. M. Reynolds, of Toronto University, is spending the Christmas vaca-

tion with his parents, Rev. W. E. and Mrs. Reynolds at the parsonage. —Falkner's photograph gallery vill be open for business on Christmas and New Year's day and his special

offer holds good until New Year's. -Rev. J. C. Sycamore, of Brockville delivered an able lecture to a good-sized congregation at the Baptist church, Plum Hollow, on Thursday evening.

-EARL-MORRIS.-On Wednesday evening last, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Morris, of Charleston, by the Rev. W. E. Reynolds, Mr. Morley Earl, a prosperous young farmer of Wiltsetown, was united in holy bonds of matrimony to Miss Maggie Morris. The Reporte joins the happy young couple's many friends in extending to them best wishs for a long and happy wedded life.

-The Athens Lodge, A.F. & A.M. met in their lodge room on-Thursday evening, and after routine business ba been disposed of, the following were the officers elected to fill the various positions for 1902: W.M., Bro. Dr. Purvis; S.W., Bro. H. H. Arnold; J.W. Bro, J. P. Lamb; Chaplain, Bro. Lewis Washburne; Secretary, Bro. Jas. Ross; Treasurer, Bro. I. C. Alguire; Tyler, Bro. C. Phillips. It is probable the officers-elect will be installed the latter end of this month.

-The Oak Leaf L.O.L., No. 2, last week elected their officers for the coming year :—Past Master Bro. Wm. Johnston installed the following to the undermentioned positions:—Master, Bro. Chas. Murphy; Deputy Master, Bro. B. R. Beale; Chaplain, Bro. M. J. Johnston; Secretary, Bro. B. Green; Treasurer, Bro. Brock Green; Inside Guard, Bro. W. Earl. There was much enthusiasm manifested and the lodge starts out for '02 with a rosy prospect. At the conclusion of the installation ceremony all the members

-- A very interesting event in the form of a donation and supper took place recently in the Presbyterian cash to us direct and we will send them church at Heuvelton, N. Y., as an expression of appreciation for the services of Rev. John J. Cameron, pastor of the church. A supper was served by the ladies of the congregation, after which genuine Iron Blood Pills. ladies of the congregation, after which the chairman, Mr. Mayne, in a few ly pastor of the Presbyterian churches here and at Toledo. His many old this latest expression of good will.

-At the regular meeting of the Farmersyille lodge, A.O.U.W., No. 177, held on Tuesday evening of last week, the election of officers for the following result:—P.W., Bro. S. C. A. Lamb; M.W., Bro. D. Fisher; Foreman, Bro. W. C. Smith; Overseer, Bro. E. A. Pickrell : Recorder, Bro. Jas. Ross; Financier, Bro. Irwin Wiltse; Treasurer, Bro. 1. C. Alguire; Guide, Bro. Jas. Walker; Inside Watchman, Bro. Thos. Mulvety; Outside Watchman, Bro. Geo. A. Lee; Representative of Grand Lodge, Bro. Jas. Ross, Trustees; S. Y. Bullis, A. W. Blanchard; Medical Examiner, Dr. S. S. Cornell -New TEACHERS .- The following

candidates, who have been in training at the Athens Model School, have been successful in obtaining their profession al certificates :- W. F. Barber, Harold Blanchard, Walter Chant, Jas. M. Dunn, John W. Forrester, Malcolm S. Lehigh, Jas. B. Lyons, Burton Rhodes, Morley E. Shaver, Estella Bolton, M. Burns, L. A. Cauley, M. Chant, B. Callenson, Jennie Cughan, C. Ferguson, M. Hollingsworth, M. C. Ferguson, M. Hollingsworth, M. Karley, G. McConkey, J. Percival, M. Stillwell, M. Smith, A. Tompkins. Our school certainly compares very favorably with any of the Model schools. The Reporter's best wishes go with the successful students.

day last. -Mr. Edgar A. Horton; of Delta,

pent a few days the guest of friends in -Iron Blood Pills-the great syste builder. For pale, anaemic per per box, 5 boxes for \$1.

-The service in the Methodist church o Sunday was a timely one, the birth of the Saviour being the topic.

-Mr. N. L. Massey, B. A. princips of the High School, addressed th Epworth League last evening.

—A special Christmas song service is to be held in St Paul's Presbyterian church on Sunday evening next.

-Miss Winnabel Elliott, who has been at Toronto, is spending a short vacation the guest of her mother, here.

-Notice of intention to sell unde mortgage, the Wm. Harper farm near Elbe, has been given by the mortgagee M. R. Bates.

-Mr. G. H. Jones gave an illustrat ed lecture as he saw the Pan-American Exposition, in the high school hall, here on Monday evening.

-The People's Rink was opened to the public on Saturday evening, and many took advantage of the opportunity to have a delightful skate

-Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Judson are pending the week with Brockville and Athens friends. He is a son of Mr. Alyin Judson, of this place.

-Christ Church Sabbath School held ts annual Christmas entertainment on Wednesday evening last in the church This year's entertainment eclipsed all previous efforts.

—The annual sleigh ride and Xmas tree for the S.S. scholars of the Baptist church was held on Saturday Needless to say all present had a thoroughly enjoyable outing. -At the liberal caucus held on Sat

urday evening the decision was unan-imously in favor of the three present iberal members :-- Messrs. Fred Hayes, John Cowan and M. Bresee. -Miss Cannon, who has been teach ing at Lyn for some time has resigned.

and will sail for Africa early in January

to act as teacher in one of the schools

being conducted by the Holiness Move-The many friends of Rev John deP. Wright, M.A., will be pleased to learn that the Bishop of Ontario has romoted him from the mission of North Addington to the parish of Ros-

lin. County of Hastings. -- Iron Blood Pills are indespensable for weak, thin women unable to work. Also for nervous, melancholy person present took part in a delicious oyster without vigor. Take them before your disease becomes incurable. It will then be too late. Sold everywhere,

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-A party of our young people drove well chosen words of appreciation pre-sented Mr. Cameron with a well filled Wood, Daytown, on Thursday evening purse. Rev. Mr. Cameron was former- last and spent a most enjoyable even ing. Dancing abd other amusements were indulged in to a late hour when friends here will be pleased to hear of they departed for their several homes wishing there were to be many more such evenings in the near future.

-A glance over the financial statement just published shows the receipts to have been \$3838.63, and the total the ensuing year took place, with payments, \$3414.62, leaving a balance on hand of \$424.01; consisting of balance in bank, \$104.55, and cash on hand, \$319.46, with uncollected taxes amounting to \$503.46. A very satisfactory showing at this time of year.

-CARD -Having accepted an agency from H. Brown & Sons, Brockville, to sell the Bradley fertilizers, I will in due time call upon all my old customers (and others) in these counties, who have so kindly favored me with their orders for the last six years, and solicit a continuance of the same. With the compliments of the season, I am Yours

-XMAS TREE AND ENTERTAINMENT. The annual Christmas Tree and Entertainment of the Presbyterian Sabbath school was held on Friday evening last. A program of recitations, solos, drills and dialogues had been prepared and proved to be very enter-taining. Rev. J. R. Frizzell occupied the chair and presided in a very pleasing manner. After the program was completed the well laden tree was relieved of its burden and the children presented with an abundance of sweeteats. The proceeds amounted to about \$10.00.

-Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Con

Christmas with by: parents, Mr. an Mrs. Amos Blanchard.

—Mr. Byron Halladay, who have been clerking at Beach's store, has re-turned to his home at Elgin.

-We direct our readers' attention for J. P. Lamb & Son's ad. about their select assortment of perfume odors.

-Mr. Arthur Huddleson, an exstudent of the A.H.S., is renewing old

-Mrs. (Dr.) McCallum Alguire, after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Stevens, returned to her home in Tor-

-Bran on hand. Shorts expected this week Prices as low as possible. Flour at \$2.45 is a cheap feed. ATHENS GRAIN WAREHOUSE.

-The Rev. W. E. Reynolds will take the following for his subject at next Sabbath evening's service, "The irrevocability of the past."

-The Reformers of Athens meet on Thursday evening, in Lemb's Hall, for the purpose of election of officers. and other important business.

-Mr. Jessie Green who took in the Harvester's Fxcursion to the North-West last fall, has returned home

—Mr. Charles Green, forman of the Wellesley Maple Leaf, Welleslev Ont. is spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson Green.

-Mr. Jento, returned to Brockville on Saturday, having satisfactorily concluded his work of placing the new machinery in the Athens Placing Mill. -Mr. Malcolm Halladay, of Delor-

aine, Manitoba is on a visit to his Mr. Benjamin Halladay, Elgin. Mr. Halladay gave his numerous friends a cordial handshake on Monday.

-The Rev. Jas. Lawson, of the Addison circuit will occupy the pulpit of the Methodist church, on Sunday, Jan. 6th, in the absence of the pastor preaching anniversary services on the Addison circuit. -Charleston Lake is being well

advertised this week. A lady resident of Athens, ordered five maps of the lake from the Reporter to be sent as follows:—Boston, Mass.; South Superior, Wis.; Dollas, Texas; Salt Lake City, Utah, and Milwakee, Wis. -The Brockville Business College

will re open after the holidays on Monday, Jan 6th. The results secured at this College should make it an easy ma'ter for young people to decide where-they ought to go. Mr. Edward Eward has a position in Brockville; also Harlow Spry. Mr. Judson Watchorn has ecured a position in Merrickville.

-Several Athenians took in the school concert, last Friday evening, at Mitchell's school house, near Frankville, all report a very The pupils acquitted themselves admirably and reflected great credit upon the templer Miss Yates. One pleasing feature, not mentioned in the programme, was the presentation by the pupils of an address and handsome ewel case as a tangible evidence of their regard for her, who during the past two years has so faithfully labored for their advancement.

-RUNAWAY .-- On Thursday afternoon, after concluding some purchases, a team attached to a load of lumber, belonging to Mr. Byron Loverin, of Greenbush, ran away. When opposite the Reporter Office the team in trying to make the turn, ran into Mrs. Kilborn's fence and completely demol-ished a portion of it. They then turned out into the road where they became disengaged from the sleigh and ran to the Saunders' Mill where they were stopped. Beyond the breakage of the harness and a bed spring, which was on the sleigh, no other damage was



Last Hundred Years Especially Characterised By Disaster

course Dr. Talmage recites some great events and shows that the world is advancing in the right direction. Text. Joel ii. 30-"I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth."

Dr. Cumming-great and good manwould have told us the exact time of good doctor said to me: "It is just what I have told you about France. People laughed at me because I talked about the seven horns and the vials, but I foresaw all this from the book of Daniel and the book of Revelation." Not taking any such responsibility in the interpretation of the passage, I the interpretation of the passage, I simply assert that there are in it suggestions of many things in our time. Our eyes dilate and our heart quickens in its pulsations as we read of events in the third century, the sixth century, the eighth century, the fourdent, the Cimbria, the Oregon, the century, the eighth century, the four-teenth century, but there were more far-reaching events crowded into the Nineteenth century than into any other, and the last twenty years eclipse any preceding twenty. We read in the daily newspapers of events announced one paragraph and without any special emphasis-events which Herodotus, a Josephus, a Xenophon, a Gibbon, would have taken whole chapters or whole volumes to elaborate. Looking out upon our time: we must out in the words of our text. nders in the heavens and in the

in which we live is wonderful for disaster and wonderful for blessing, for there must be lights and shades in this picture as in all others. Need I argue that our time is wonderful for dis-Our world has had a rough time since by the hand of God it was bowlfrosts pounding it with sledge hammer of iceberg and fires melting it with furnaces seven times heated. It is a wonshooting by on this side and grazing side and grazing it, none of them slowing up for safety. Whole fleets and navies and argosies and flotilias of man life rapidly increasing. Forty vorlds sweeping all about us. Our earth like a fishing smack off the banks of Newfoundland, while the Maearth like a fishing smack on the banks of Newfoundland, while the Majertic and St. Paul and the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse rush by. Besides that, our world has by sin been damaged in its internal machinery, and ever and other days. anon the furnaces have burst, and the walking beams of the mountains have broken, and the islands have shipped Methuselah lived his 969 years, and a sea, and the great hulk of the world has been jarred with accidents that ever and anon threatened immediate

I propose to show you that the time

But it seems to us as if the last hundred years were especially character-ised by disaster-volcanic, oceanic, epidemic. I say volcanic because an earthquake is only a volcano hushed When Stromboli and Cotopaxi and Vesuvius stop breathing, let the founearth beware. Seven thousand earthquakes in two centuries recorded in the catalogue of the British association! Trajan, the emperor, goes to ancient Antioch and amid the lendors of his reception is met an earthquake that nearly destroys the emperor's life. Lisbon, fair and beau-tiful, at one o'clock on the first of November, 1775, in six minutes 60,000 have perished, and Voltaire writes of them, "For that region it was the last juag-"For that region it was the last judg-ment, nothing wanting but a trumpet!" Newspapers falling all around us Europe and America feeling the throb .500 chimneys

fully destroyed. But the disa disasters of other times have had their counterpart in later times. In 1812 Caracas was caught in the grip of an earthquake, in 1882 at the teatable, with on "extra" and there between.

In Chile 100,000 square miles of land by volcanic force upheaved to four and seven feet of permanent elevation in 1874 Large fall the grades. and seven feet of permanent eleva-tion, in 1854 Japan felt the goologi-cal agony, Naples shaken in 1857. Mexico in 1858, Mendoza (the capital of the Argentine Republic) in 1861, Manila terrorised in 1863, the Ha-waiian Islands by such force uplifted and let down in 1871. Nevada shaker in 1871. Antioch in 1872. California Antioch in 1872, California in 1882. San Salvador in 1883 what subterranean excitement!
Ischia, an island of the Mediterranean, beautiful Italian watering place, vineyard clad, surrounded by all natural charm and historical reminis-cence; yonder Capri, the summer re-Naples, the paradise of art—this belu-tiful island suddenly toppled into the "Is it possible? You do not mean 40

quake, and mountain after mountain first and Christ last and Christ for-goes down and city after city until ever.

Al dead churches, wake up! Throw

rolled the sea lands, and of a 215,000 were drown never see one. I sa

CONTRACTOR Washing on, Dec. 8.—In this dis-jourse pr. Talmage recites some great vents and shows that the world is dvancing in the right direction. Text, tired at 9 o'clock that the barometer had fallen, but at 11 o'clock at night we were awakened with the shock of the waves. All the lights out. Crash went all the lifeboats. Waters rushthe fulfilment of this prophecy. As I ing through the skylights down into stepped into his study in London on the cabin and down on the furnaces may prival from Paris just after the Free had surrendered at Sedan the deluge. Seven hundred people praydeluge. Seven hundred people pray-ing, shricking. Our great ship poised a moment on the top of a mountain of phosphorescent fire and then plunged down, down, down until it seemed as if she never would again seemed as if she never would again be righted. Ah, you never want to see a cyclone at sea.

But look at the disasters oceanic Shall I call the roll of the dead shipping? Ye monsters of the deep, answer when I call your names. The Ville de Havre, the Schiller, the City Mohegan. But why should I go on calling the roll when none of them answer and the roll is as long as the white scroll of the Atlantic surf at Cape Hatteras breakers?

Look at the disasters epidemic. speak not of the plague in the fourth century that ravaged Europe and in Moscow and the Neapolitan dominions and Marseilles wrought such tercholeras and the diphtherias and the time. From Hurdwar, India, where every twelfth year 3,000,000 devotees India. where congregate, the caravans brought the cholera, and that one disease slew 18,-000 in eighteen days in Bossorah. Twelve thousand in one summer slain by it in India and 25,000 in Egypt. Disasters epidemic. Some of the fines monuments in Greenwood and Laure ed out into space. It is an epileptic Hill and Mount Auburn are to doctors earth-convulsion after convulsion; who lost their lives battling with south

ern epidemics.
But now I turn the leaf in my subject, and I plant the while lilies and der to me it has lasted so long. Meteors shooting by on this side and grazing it and meteors shooting by on the other characterised by wonders of disaster man life rapidly increasing. Forty years now worth 400 years once In other times it would have taken days are now worth three months of other days. The average of human

Blessings of intelligence: The Salman P. Chases and the Abraham Lincolns and the Henry Wilsons of the coming time will not be required to learn to read by pine knot lights or seated on shoemaker's bench, nor will the Fergusons have to study astronomy while watching the cattle. Knowledge rolls its tides along every poor man's door, and his children may go down and bathe in them. If the philosophers of a hundred years ago were called up to recite in a class with our boys and girls, those old philosophers would be sent down to the foot of the class because they failed to answer the questions! Free libraries in all the important towns and cities of the land. Historical alcoves and poetiall who desire to walk through them or sit down at them.

thick as a September equinoctial. lants. That is the ship of the church, News three days old rancid and stale. We see the whole world twice a daythrough the newspaper at the breakfast table and through the newspaper

Blessing of gospel proclamation: Do you not know that nearly all the missionary societies have been born San Salvador in 1873, while a thousand revolutions in a minute. Wonders of self sacrifice. A clergy-man told me in the northwest that for six years he was a missionary at the extreme north, living 400 miles from a postoffice, and sometimes the thermometer 40 degrees below zero, he ort of the Roman emperors; yonder slept out of doors in winter, wrapped in trough of the earth, \$,000 merrymakers degrees below zero?" He said, "I do, perishing, and some of them so far down beneath the reach of human obsequies that it may be said of many a sequies that it may be said of many a sequies that it may be said of Moses, one of them, as it was said of Moses, "The Lord buries him." Italy, all Eu"The Lord buries him." Italy, all Eu"The Lord buries him." Italy, all Eu-"The Lord buries him." Italy, all Europe weeping, all Christendom weeping
where there were hearts to sympathise and Christians to pray. But
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mot with the golden rod like that
with which the angel measured heaven, but with the black rule of death,
Java, of the Indian archipelago, the
most fertile island of all the earth,
is caught in the grip of the earthquake, and mountain after mountain
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ces down and city after city until hat island, which produces the best everage of all the world, produced by ghastliest catastrophe. One hunded thousand people dying, dead! Domling nearer home, on Aug. 21, land! Morning for the seal which seat earthquake which prostrated one-half of Charleston, S.C. light and love and peace! Morning But look at the disleters cyclonic, of a day in which there shall be no chains to break, no sorrows to as-But look at the dis.sters cyclonic of a day in which there shall be no At the mouth of the Ganges are three islands—the Hattian, the Sundeep and the Dakin Shabazpere. In the midnight of October, 1877, on the midnight of October, 1877, on all those three islands the cry was. "The waters!" A cyclone agose and rolled the sea over those three islands, and of a population of 340,000. These things 7 say because I want to be a cyclone across I want to be a cyclone across and the lands, and of a population of 340,000.

a cyclone on the amitous or pleasing. The divine pur- John's answer.

poses are harnessed in traces that cannot break and in girths that can-not loosen and are driven by reins they must answer. I preach no fatal-ism. A swarthy engineer at one of the depots in Dakota said, "When will you get on the locomotive and take a ride with us?" "Well," said I, "now ride with us?" "Well," said I, "now,
if that suits you." So I got on one
side of the locomotive, and a Methodist
minister, who was also invited, got on
the other side, and between us were
the engineer and the stoker. The train started. The engineer had his hand on the agitated pulse of the great en-The stoker shoveled in the coal and shut the door with a loud clang. A vast plain slipped under us, and the hills swept by, and that great monster on which we rode trembled and bounded and snorted and raged as it hurled ter on the other side of the locomo tive: "My brother, why should minis-You see that track, that firm track, that iron track; that is the decree. You see this engineer's arm; that is free agency. How beautifully they work together! They are going to take us through. We could not do without the track, and we could not do without the engineer.' So I rejoice day by day. Work for

all to do, and we may turn the crank of the Christian machinery this way or that, for we are free agents. But there is the track laid so long ago no one remembers it—laid by the hand of the Almighty God in sockets that no terrestrial or satanic pressure can ever effect. And along the track the car of the world's redemption will roll and roll to the Grand Central depot of the millennium. I have no anxiety about the track. I am only afraid that for indolence and unfaithfulness God will discharge us and get some other stoker and some other engineer. The train is going through with us or with for in the eighteenth century, but I out us. So, my brethren, water and the the vellow fevers and the the events that are going by. If things seem to turn out right, give wings to scariet fevers and the typhoids of our your joy. If things seem to turn out throw out the anchor of faith and hold fast.

Those of you who are in midlife may well thank God that you have seen so many wondrous things, but there are people alive to-day who may live to see the shimmering veil bethe material and the spiritual world lifted. Magnetism, a word with which we cover up our ignorance, will yet be an explored realm. the fiery courser of the sky, that Benjamin Franklin lassoed, and Morse der complete control, has greater wonto reveal. Whether here or departed this life, we will see things. It does not make much difference where we stand, but the higher the standpoint the larger the prospect. We will see them from heaven if we

do not see them from earth. Years ago I was at Fire island, Long Island, and I went up in the cupola from which they telegraph to New York the approach of vessels hours before they come into port. There is an opening in the wall, and the operator puts his telescope vessels? Do you know them as you ages. know a man's face?" He said: —I never make a mistake. Before I see the hulls I often know them by the masts. I know them all—I have watched them so long."

secape resent difficulties by a compromise of principle.
Righteousness rewarded. "Truth crushed them so long." watched them so long."

Oh, what a grand thing it is to have ships telegraphed and heralded long before they come to port, that friends may come down to the wharf and welcome their long absent ones! So to-day we take our stand in the watch tower, and through the glass of inspiration we look off and see a whole fleet of ships coming in. That is the ship of peace, flag with one star of mark of salt water high upon the smokestack, showing she has had rough weather, but the Captain of Salvation commands her and all is well with her. The ship of heaven, mightiest craft ever launched, millions of passengers waiting for millions more, prophets and apostles and martyrs in the cabin, conquerors at the foot of the mast, while from the hands are waving this way as if they knew us, and we wave back again, for they are ours. They went out from own households. Ours! Hail. hail! Put off the black and put on the white. Stop tolling the funeral bell and ring the wedding anthem. Shut up the hearse and take the char-

Now the ship comes around the the wharf' and we will go aboard her. Tears for ships going out. Laughter for ships coming in. Now she touches the wharf. Throw out the planks. Block not up that gangway with embracing long lost friends, for you will have eternity of reunion. Stand back and give way until other millions come aboard her. Farewell to sin! Farewell to struggle! Farewell to sickness! Farewell to death! "Blessed are all they who enter in through the gates into the city."

Pointed Medical Advice. The village doctor called his coachman to him and gave him instruc-tions: "I shall be going over to Mr. Goodports to dine to-day, John; I shall not return till late. I wish you to tell the patients who may call that I shall be in from 10 p.m. to 12 p.m. to-morrow." "Yes, si "You're a useful man, John, but careful not to touch any of the butles." "Oh, no, sir-nozer." Jo tles." "Oh, no. sir-nozer." John waited for the patients. The first one was an old woman. "To-morrow from 10 to 12." was John's reply. The second was a grumpy old gentle-man who call'd to see the "doctor" on account of having a "wery severe pain." He sat down and told John his allment. "Every time -ohdeary me-every time 'oh'-'I lifts my arm like this-oh, deary me. I has a pain come through my arm every time: it's dreadfulls" it is." those three isulation of 340,000. These things I say because I want
Only those saved the top of the watching all these wonders unrollou ever see a cyay God you may

God has classified them, whether calyou divine you to be alone. If want you to be alone its it up?" "Yes—every time its it."

"Pain in yer arm, is it, when yer if the same— O. deary me!" "Then, what the —— do yer want to lift yer bloomin' harm hup for?" was

Sunday School.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON NO. XIII DECEMBER 29, 1901.

Review.-Psa, 105: 1-20. try-Lesson I. Topic : The si of Joseph's brethren. Places : Jacob lived at Hebron. Joseph was sold at Dothan. Jacob sends Joseph to Shed hem to visit his brethren; he finds them at Dothan; as soon as they see him they plan to kin him; Reuben persuades them not to kin him; Reuben persuades them not to kin him, but to east him into a pit. They sit down to eat, and see a company of Ishmaelltes; they sell Joseph to the Ishmaelltes, and send his coat, covered with blood, to their father; Jacob

with blood, to their father; Jacob mourns greatly,

II. Toole: The dreams of Pharach's officers. Place: The capital of Egypt, probably Zoan. Joseph is sold to Pottphar in Egypt; lives in ottphar's nause ten years, is falsely accused by Pottphar's wife and cast into prison. The lord is with him and gives him favor with his keeper; the King's butler and baker are sent to the sam; p. 1 oa; Joseph serves them; the same p.1 on; Joseph serves them; they each have a dream and are sad; Joseph interprets their dreams and asks the butler to remember him.

I.I. Topic: Fidelity rewarded.

IV. Topic: Joseph forgiving his

brethren. V. Topic: Joseph's last days.
VI. Topic: The afflictions of God's

VII. Topic: God preserving Moses. VIII. Topic: The woes of intemper-IX. Topic: God calling Moses to dever Israel. X. Topic: The last plague threat-

ened. XI. Topic: Preparing for the exo-XII. Topic: The Prince of Peace.

PRACTICAL SURVEY. The lessons are divided naturally nto two general sections.

First, lessons 1-5 connected with

the history of Joseph; Second, 6.7; 9-11; those connected with the history of Moses and Israel. The former is preparatory to the latter and discloses truth in s personal applications; while the atter reveals its relation to national

In the first section we find the folowing general truths:

lowing general truths:
God's purpose unthwarted. Unwise as might have been Joseph's boyish and premature disclosure of his final supremacy over the household of his father, and which elicited severe parental reproof and awakened the hatred of his brothren, nevertheless it was unquestionably the purpose of God to thus swalt him. The attempt God to thus exalt him. The attempt on the part of his brethren to de-stroy him, and the scarcely more mer ful decision to sell him into bondage, were the vain endeavors to thwart this divine purpose; but under the direction of a superintending providence it became the means of accomplishing the end designed.
Righteousness oppressed. Joseph's

prison life was not the result oriminality, but of fidelity. The way of sin, as is often still the case, seemed smoother at the beginning, through that opening and looks out through that opening and looks out and sees vessels far out at sea. While I was talking with him he went up and looked out. He said: "We are extended to history of the past that right and looked out. It has not been an unusual thing in the history of the past that right and looked out. I said: the martyrs and reformers of all ages. A quickened conscience and a clear-sighted faith never seek to

> The prison portal proved the passage to a throne. At his lowest estate "the Lord was with him, and that which he did the Lord made it to prosper;" and his prison life, like the hather was but a part red of his brethren, was but a part of the rough ascent of his final and permanent supremacy. In the end righteousness has always triumphed, though the pathway of reform has often been long, weary, and bloodoften been long, weary, and blood-marked; and at the end reform has ruled.

Evil-doers humbled. "Be sure your sin will find you out" has a striking exemplification in the case of Jos-eph's brethren. Long years had pass-ed while they carried their guilty secret and witnessed the uncomforted orrow of their father, and doubtsorrow of their father, and doubtes they thought themselves forever safe from detection; but God and conscience never forget, and all nature and providence made for retrictions of loaf bread and one of home-made scones, saying—

"Try some o' this, will ye, Andrew?"

You'll find it vera nice inbutior against wrong.

Generations passed. Jacob had gone; Joseph no longer ruled. The king by whom he had been exalted had laid aside his crown and resigned his royalty at the bidding of a mightipr potentate than himself. The fathers of the tribes also had passed away. Another king had arisen "who knew not Joseph," and from a favored and protected people the Israelites had degenerated into a nation enslaved and oppressed. Tyranny at last reached its climax in the command to destroy all the male children.

Still was God's instrument preparing. In these troubled times Moses was born. Hidden until parental shelter was no longer possible, his trembling mother with the best preparation she knew, committed him to the currents of Presidence and the Nile. The one of Providence and the Nile. The one bore him out to the open arms and pitying heart of royalty, and the other swept him back to maternal care and instruction. Thus in Israel's

darkest and most hopeless hour God was preparing the instrument of the coming mighty deliverance. God's plan unfolded. First, to the chosen instrument of its accom-plishment, with accompaniments

plishment, with accompaniments both convincing and qualifying. In every dark age God has discovered the light to some prepared hearts, and sent them forth with an evangel of hope.

Persistent rebellion punished. Divinely commissioned, Moses had awakened the expectations of his own people, and wrought wondrously before the king in enforcement of the command to "let my people go." Magicians silenced, abashed and confounded, had ceased to imitate, and judgment after judgment had afflicted the people and desolated the land. One last successful agent remained, the visitation of agent remained, the visitation of death.

God's people protected. The blood marks on the lintels and doors were marks on the lintels and doors were a sure defense in the midst of the desolating tide of wrath, and the fiery stream parted at every house whereon was found the sprinkled blood. "Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us, and the angel of wrath has no commission where the blood appears on the heart.

The quarter opened with five lessons on the life of Joseph. For thirteen long years we see this noble

teen long years we see this noble youth under the heel of oppression. Betrayed by those who should have protected him, he was cast aside with scorn and hatred, while his breth-ren appropriated the amount realized from his sale to their own personal benefit.

Joseph's integrity was tested. 1. In Potiphar's house.
3. On the throne.
4. In showing his love and respect for his father.
5. In forgiving his brethren. He proved his gemuineness as a man who feared God and kept his com-

The last part of the quarter dealt. with a history of the oppression, the birth, childhood and call of Moses, and the deliverance of the children of Israel from the land of Egypt. We see several important truths lying on the surface: 1. God is able to cause all things to work together for good to those that love Him.

2. If we will trust God, committing ourselves to Him and obeying His commandments, He will make lives a blessing to the world. should always heed the call of God; when He speaks it is time for us to act. 4. The mercy of the Lord is extended to every one, but those who resist the invitations of the gospel and stiffen their necks and hardoff. 5. The Lord protects His own. He is a wall of fire round about

***** **HUMORS OF** THE TEA-TABLE.

A certain worthy old Scot and his wife once lavited their daughter's light on the street market yesterintended to tea. The festive board day. There were only 1,100 bushwas graced with both baker's bread els received. Oats were a little himself chiefly to the baker's dain-

Tam ?"

'Oh, naething, John," said Tam. "Weel, the man that canna eat oor Nancy's bakin' will never get oor wee Maggie!"

This is somewhat akin to an incident of a very amusing nature which occurred at a farmhouse in The ploughmen and the North. other servants about the pace were entertained to tea one Fastern Eve (Shrove Tuesday). When tea was ready the mistress said in quite homely terms-

"Draw in your chairs noo, and help voursei's and dinna be hashfu' Andrew, the orraman, helped him-self to a cake of shortbread, and another, and another, till the good lady, probably fearing that he would devour the lot, handed him a plate of loaf bread and one of home-made

deed."

'No thank you, mistress," replied Andrew. "I diana care for ony o' your fancy bread; I'll jist tak' a bit mair o' the bap!"

It is not olten that country people require to be pressed to partake heartily of whatever is going, but a farmer whilst entertaining some visitors to tea, once did so in a rather unique manner by exclaiming to the solution of the sol ther unique manner by exclaiming to

one of the guests:

"Stick In, man, witck in; Mr. Broon's hale twa scones aheid o' ye."

Sandy Shaw, an honest country boddle,' going up to London for the first time, was invited by a friend to ten at his lodgiags. Sandy went, and

English Mye Stock Market
Liverpool, Dec. 23.—Cattle continue steady at 12 1-2 to 13 1-2c per lb. (dressed weight); refrigerator beef is figm at 9 1-2 to 10c per lb.; nothing to-morrow. tea at his lodgings. Sandy went, and after some small talk while the landlady and tea set the two friends lady had tea set the two friends noticed a peculiar expression on Sandy's face and asked what was

wrong.

the table. "Breat guidness, dis yer landlady tak me for a rabbit."

Where children form part of the company at the tea table there is invariably some little breach of etiquette made which serves to set all serious thoughts aside.

A stern looking old army officer at tea one afternoon at a friend's house let a piece of cake Tabl. The hostess' little five-year-old, notleing it, said:

tt. said:
"Pick it up, please."
The old gentleman hesitatingly complied with the request, when the child said:
"Now eat it."
Emberrassing as the incident cer-

Embarrassing as the incident certainly was, the stern old soldier couldn't help smiling at the commanding attitude of the pert little fellow.

Another lady had invited a few
friends to tea, and Tommy, her little
son, was consequently instructed to

son, was consequently instructed to be on his best behavior. The conversation at table having become animated, our young friend was entirely, forgotten. A few minutes afterwards his mother asked the servant for a tlean plate.

"You can have mine, mamma," said Tommy "there's nothing on it."

A little girl was invited to a party at a friend's house on "bannock night." After tea bannock-making was engaged in by the company in general and by the youngsters in particular, and fun went "fast and furious" towards the figish, when the "milden bannock" was put on the 'maiden bannock" was put on the girdle. It was cut up into numerous pleces, each getting one, the idea being that this formed a sort of 'dream cake,' to put under the pillow on retiring. When the little girl was given

tiring. When the little girl was given her portion she said:
"No, thank you, ma'am. I could not eat any more."
The hostess explained to her what it was for, and asked her to put it in her pocket.
"I can't." replied the mite; "it's full already; but next time I come back to bannocks I'll bring a basket!"—Peopole's Journal. ket !"--People's Journal.

Kangaroo Valuable in Surgery. It seems not unlikely that the kangaroo, instead of being killed, will be cultivated in the future. M. Brisson, a French surgeon, says that there is likely soon to be an excep-tional demand for the animals in tional demand for the animals in consequence of the success attending the use of kangaroo tendon in the hospitals. It has been employed in scores of instances to tie up the fractured bones of a man's leg, in red bones of a man's leg, in that he may use his knees order while the bones are knitting to-gether. Kangaroo tendon, he says, is as strong as silver wire. It is tak-en from the tall, and, being animal in its nature, is absorbed, and the leg does not have to be cut open, as is necessary when silver wire is used.

THE MARKETS

Toronto Farmers' Market.

Dec. 23.-Receipts of grain were

bushel, and 100 bushels of goose

ties. The old man could bear it no longer.

"What's wrong wi the scones, Tam ""

Tam " at \$10.50 for timothy and \$7 to \$9 for clover Straw-Was easier, three loads selling at \$8 to \$8.50 per load.

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Leading Wheat Markets. Following are the closing quotations at important centres to-

English Live Stock Market

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"Grat guidness," exclaimed Sandy, the cycle fixed went and set of the control of the co his eyes fixed upon a large dish of and Dec., 83 3-4; Jaa., 81 3-4; May, lettuces, the principal feature on 85 3-4.

DANGER?

Croup, Bronchitis, Whooping Cough and Severe Chest Colds are Threatening.

It is the old story of wet feet, exposure to cold and dampness and chilled bodies. Towards night the hourseness comes and the hollow, croupy or tight chest cough. Then mother's anxiety begins for she knows the danger and the suddenness with which the little ones are semetimes snatched away. When you think of the thousands of times that Dr. Chase's Syrap of Linseed and Turpentine has saved the lives of the little ones it is scarcely to be wondered at that mothers look upon it with confidence and satisfaction.

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fail to interest you.

"This society is no joke any mor

Love Only Incidental.

What Chance Has She?

"Not a ghost of a chance. An east

side girl has got to have enough money to buy the furniture, and the very least she can comfortably be-gin on is \$_00. Our scheme for fur-nishing this necessary \$_00 is very

actly which amount depending upon the strength of the society by the time that her policy may become due.

Ten Marriages a Month shall take place among our members

her two years' membership, when the \$200 will come in just as good

sible and conceivable way seek to further their matrimonial possibili-

"But,' I inquired, "if at the end

Insurance against old maidenhood, help for the lovelora, hope for the unloved and the wittely—these are some of the beneficient purposes of the First American Loding Solf As help for the lovelorn, hope for the unloved and the wittely—these are the First American Ladies' Self-Assting Society, recently incorporated at Albany under the laws of the

"This society is no joke any more than marriage is a joke. It's a pretty serious thing when a woman reaches middle age and flads herself an old mald, and with no prospects before her but the charity of relatives or the poorhouse. ed at Albany under the laws of the State of New York.

In token thereof and in explanation thereof, the society on Oct. 10 issued the following dodger, which is being distributed widely throughtout the east side, and one of which found its way to my door.

The incorporators, whose names appear at the end of the circular, are all working people, some of which fam-

are all working people, some of them middle aged men, with fam-illes, among whom the profit is to be divided, after payment of ac-

Notice to the Public !

We hereby beg to notify the American public that a society has been organized by the name of the First American Ladies' Self-Assisting Association, for the purpose of otecting and assisting women in

protecting and assisting women in their matrimonial affairs.

A good standing member for two years, paying a proposition fee of \$1 and 25c. for a constitution book \$1 and 25c. for a constitution book and 50c. monthly dues, is entitled at the expiration of two years to

and soon at the expiration of the from \$200 to \$500.

We understand that this circular want to asto provide this dot and she is half way good looking she needn't worry much about the future, but say she is homely and plain, and has not a cent in the world save her weekly might impress you as being a fraud or a humoug, but we want to assure the public that we are a legitimate body, acting under the laws of New York State, and that our books are always open for inspection to any one who desires to investigate. vestigate.

condition of society at the The condition of society at the present time, which forces girls to work hard for a small pittance, barely enough for their living necessities, far less to put away for the future, mikes this society an absolute necessity, and we know that the public will not be slow in perceiving the advantages to be derived and assist in this noble effect.

All information and explanations an be had from the party handing you this circular, or from Mr. —, O. — East — street.

Hoping you will give this matter erious consideration, we remain,

fraternally yours, First American Ladies' Self-Assist-

rolling members.

"Of course it will be necessary to limit the number of marriages, as we will be able to cash only so many policles during a given period. We have stipulated that no more than ing Association. ing Association.

Up, up, up, I wouldn't attempt to count how many flights of stairs, I found Mr. Gustav Yunglieb and Mr. Abraham Walker doing a land office business in one small front room of an east side tenement, the present headquarters of the society, pending the completion—I was tod—of more commodious and elegant offices elsewhere.

The most prominent characteristic was the vociferous

of the office was the vociferous scratching of a very bad pen driven violently over a ledger by a middle-aged man of serious mien. Four young persons, three girls and a man, sat on a red plush sofa, waiting their turn with the man of the noisy pen. The young man looked at the ceiling and the girls looked at the floor and with the ferrules of tightly rolled umbrellas traced out the faded red roses in a much worn Brussels carroses in a much worn Brussels in a much worn Brussels car-Roses, artificial roses, also red pet. Roses, artificial roses, also red and faded, bloomed upon the desk of the scribe, and a pretty young girl stood close by, watching the hand that drove the noisy pen.

All was so serious, so matter of fact, that one might have thought the pretty young girl was waiting

fact, that one might have thought the pretty young girl was waiting for a gas receipt, when the business looking man stopped scratching and looked up into the young girl's face as much as to say, "What next?"

"I should prefer a man with a dark is the screen status with the Ladies' Self-Assisting Society?"

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"I should prefer a man with a dark is the screen status with the Ladies' Self-Assisting Society?" moustache," hearing which there was a suppressed giggle from the sofa.
"A dark moustache," echoed the

"A dark moustache," echoed the eribe.
"A dark moustache," scratched the en.
"How old?" asked the scribe.
"I am not particular," replied the rl. "Anywhere from twenty to lirty!"

"Arg lawretest."

At hearing which Mr. Gustav Youngleib beamed satisfaction.
"Now, that's just the beauty of the whole scheme," he said, triumphant-ly. "If she don't find anybody to suit her, or the fellow 'goes back' on her, she is permitted to withdraw her savings, with interest." pen. "How old?" asked the scribe.

"Age immaterial. Twenty to thirty preferred," scraped the pen.
"Any old thing will do. Oh, any
old thing will do," hummed the male
voice from the sofa.

A Serious Business.

"Say," remonstrated Mr. Yunglieb, revival of sauffing, says the Westmin-

PLINY THE ELDER: IS THIS HIS SKELETON?

The noted archaeologist Rodolfo Lanciani writes to the Athenaeum: In July, 1899, certain desultory excavetions were undertaken on the farm of Signor Matrone, between the River Sarno and the Stabian gate of Pompell, hear the Moline Flenzo, not for any archaeologica or scientific purpose, but in quest of valuable and marketable objects The remains brought to light include a set of shops, built in the reticulated style, opening on a porch or veranda, which runs parallel with the high road. One of the shops, filled with earthen amphorae, bethe high road. One of the shops, filled with earthen amphorae, belonged to a wine-seller, a second to a carpenter, a third to a dealer in fishing implements. A large court opens behind the shops, with an oven in the centre; the place, in short, shows the characteristics of a country inn located on the Via Stablana, near the mouth of the Sarno, on the main line of retreat of the panic-stricken Pompeians. Seventy or eighty fugitives have been found, apparently smothered, while seeking sheiter under the roof of the inn, almost in view-of the fleet which had salled from Miseno to their rescue, The greatest number the rescue. "Sentiment! Well, I guess not. This is business—strictly business. This society is organized on strictly business principles, like an insurance company or the Ice Trust. I don't say, understand me, that there len't say, understand me, that there len't say, understand me, that there len't say such thing as love and sentiany such thing as love and senti-ment, but they are incidentals, mere-ly incidentals, when it comes to a ly incidentals, when it comes to a poor giri marrying.
"Marriage for our east side girl is almost dependent upon the dot, unless, of course, she is lucky enough to be a ten thousand dollar beauty or clever enough to win the love of a man just by her little tricks and ways. But when girls work hard all day, in factories and sweat shops, they don't have much time to either practice up on catchy ways or to improve what good looks they have.
"If a girl has relatives or friends to provide this dot and she is half way good looking she needn't worry much about the future, but say she

fleet which had sailed from Miseno to their rescue, The greatest number fell at the east end of the porch, towards the river, where Pliny's Liburna was probably anchored—a poor and wretched lot of fugitives, carrying away in their flight only a few copperst Six or seven skeletons were found lying in the court near the oven, also with no objects of value; but a party of twenty, mea, women and children, of much higher rank, were overtaken by death in the middle section of the veranda. Their gold necklaces were still fastened around their necks; bracelets still encir-

necklaces were still fastened around their necks; bracelets still encircled their wrists; precious rings still fitted their fingers.

Among this group of well-to-do fugitives one seemed to occupy the place of honor, a person whose skull betrays a superior intelligence, and of a noble demeanor. He wore a chain of sixty-four gold rings wound thrice around the neck, two 'armillae on the right arm, a heavy signet simple.

"When a girl joins the society she pays an initiation fee of \$1.25 and fifty cents per month dues. At the expiration of two years she is entitled to from \$200 to \$500, exceptly which appears depending upon thrice around the neck, two 'armillae on the right arm, a heavy signet ring, and a dagger on the left side. The dagger has a blade of steel, a handle carved in ivory, and a scabbard ornamented with gilded shells. This person was suffocated by the deadly fumes of the volcano while sitting against the wall, probably on a sedan-chair or a "lectica," the brass ornaments of which have been found "in situ." time that her policy hay become date.
We call it a marriage policy just as the insurance companies speak of an insurance policy.
"We have now 300 members, and expect 500 within the next week—that is counting upon an increase at the same rate as we have been ensuling members.

found "in situ." The excavations, unfortunately, were carried on with surprising neg-ligence, no descriptions nor photo-graphs being taken of the tale-telling graphs being taken of the tale-telling details. I cannot express, therefore, any opinion on the statement made by Signor Mariano, Canizzaro (in a pamphlet published on Sept. 15th, 1901, for private circulation only, by the Ballantyne Press of London) that the skuleton may be that of Pliny the skeleton may be that of Pliny the Elder himself Canizzaro's deductions are extremely clever, but at the very outset I note an objection. The skeleton was found surrounded by a vast number of household goods, such as tripede and learner with shall take place among our members —that is at first—tank the girl must have belonged to the society two years at least before she can avail herself of the financial bebefis. If however, she marries before that time, and keeps up her membership, paying all necessary dues, she can claim her \$200 at the expiration of her two years' membership, when such as trinods and lamps; with statuettes of domestic gods, some cast in bronze, some moulded in terra-cotta. Unless these objects belonged to Pompeianus, in whose compan Pliny probably was at the time of "A memorandum of all these points the catastrophe, we cannot recon-cile ourselves to the notion of the gallant old admiral rushing to the rescue of the Pompelans and Hercu-laneans with a lot of clay figurines "A memorandum of all these points is taken when they register as members, and from that time on we proceed, in every delicate manner possible, to bring them into the company of their ideal men. We help them to secure escorts to balls and theatres and parties, and in every possible and correctivable way seek to in his hands.

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria

A Parrot in a Whirlwind.

Here is the latest parrot story: A certain retired General of the Indian army possessed a parrot, and also a very irascible temperament. The perrot was a valuable bird, but was a very trascible temperament. The parsot was a valuable bird, but was a

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

"Say," remonstrated Mr. Yunglieb, "this is no joke. This is a serious business. This is a corporation doing business under the laws of the State of New York, and here is our charter," flashing a formidable document before the merry quartette.

I had been witnessing the final formalities of the registration of an active member of the First American Ladies' Self-Assisting Society, and I shall how let Mr. Gustav Yunghleb is a prosperous east end jeweller, and one of the officers and chief promoters of the organization, and this suppose this practice to be persisted in for forty years, two and two more to blowing it."

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This is a serious business surgested that the bleycle may be responsible, that the bleycle may be responsible, that the bleycle may be responsible. Argumentum ad Hominum—

Prof. Syle (pronounced Sill), of the State University of California, cannot tolerate snobbishness on the subjection to sunfit is natural to supply his weak place with powers, are day, while calling the roll of one of the officers and chief promoters of the organization, and this are prosperous east end jeweller, and one of the officers and chief promoters of the organization, and this and two more to blowing it."

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He Wanted to Explain.

The min up by the front door of the car was badly bowlegged, but no one had noticed it as he entered, and the fact would have entirely escaped the fact would have entirely escaped observation had he not suddenly queried of the passenger on his left: "You noticed my legs, of course?" "Not particularly," was the reply. "I thought I saw you squinting. My legs are bowed." "Sorry to hear it." "But I want you to know how it came about," continued the man. "I wasn't horn this way."

me about," continued the man. "I asn't born this way."

"No, sir I wasn'ta It has all come to me from having to hitch along on the kitchen roof and climb through a window when the old woman locks me out of rights, and I want the blame placed where it belongs."

SOZOBONT Tooth Powder 25c "and put a little time on your prinking."

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the snops are showing at variety.

Those effective bronze electroliers are also there to tempt one and with their flowerlike globes in orchids, illies and roses they certainly make a pardonable extravagance.

These electroliers are far more dainty in design and coloring than the majority of lamps, of which the bride oi old was always generously supplied with.

I will not close without telling you of another gift just ordered for a bride of the near future. It is a fruit compote in Dutch silver, supported by three small cupids.

A Left-Handed Explanation. A servant girl, who always attended divine service, but who also could not read, had, from constant attendance, got the service by rote,

and could repeat it extremely well. But a few Sundays previous to her

But a few Sundays previous to her marriage, she was accompanied by her sweetheart, to whom she did not like it to be known that she could not read. She therefore took up the prayer-book and held it before

Too Much to Expect. Farmer Swackhammer-I lost my

Farmer Swackhammer-I lost my wife yesterday.
Farmer Pildecker-No! Dead!
Swackhammer-Naw! Run away with a lightnin' rod peddler!
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FEW MORE GOOD MEN WANTED— have you a paying occupation for the

three small cupids.

The jeweiry stores are showing many noveities in the way of wedding gifts, and by far the most fashiouncie are those of silver. The most unique are of antique silven with a partly gilt finish in old Dutch designs. A very beautiful service was among the gifts at a recent fashionable wedding at Philadelphia. The extreme ofteness in shape of the sugar bowl with this service was much commented on. It was a perfect reproduction of the pineapple.

As it is in vogue to use odd pieces in silver as well as in China on the tea table, it will be proper to combine the antique and the Dutch silver. Tea caddies make very attractive additions to the tea table in Dutch silver.

The new idea in glassware makes a most desirable gift, and one any bride may be proud of. This enameled glassware is shown in olive and bonbon dishes. A particularly effective olive dish has a design in strawberries in wreath form. with a narrow gilt border on either side.

Perhaps the most acceptable of gifts are the beautiful pleces of bricabrac in Royal Vienna ware, and the shops are showing an unlimited variety.

Those effective bronze electroliers Cured Three and a-half Years Ago by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Further Proof of the Permanency of the Cures Effected by this Great Remedy—A Most Convincing Con-firmation of an Interesting State-ment Published in the Plattsville Echo, in May, 1898.

Plattsville, Ont., Dec. 16.—(Special)
—Some three and a half years ago,
The Plattsville Echo, the local news-The Plattsville Echo, the local newspaper, published quite an extended account of a most miraculous cure of a well-known and highly respected lady, Mrs. J. Barnett, who had been extremely ill for years, and who claimed to be permanently cured by the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills. This good lady, according to her own statement, had been a physical wreck, with nervousness, rheuspatism to the loft arm pains in sical wreck, with nervousness, rhe matism in the left arm, pains the small of the back, up the spinal column and back of the head, through the eyes, left side of the body and occasionally the right side. body and occasionally the right side. She had no appetite and could not sleep at nights. The physicians had given her up, and in this p.tiful and hopeless condition, bodd's Kidney Pills found her and completely restored her to good health without an ache or pain. Her appetite returned as her general good health improved. She used in all but twelve boxes of Dodds Kidney Pills. This was in the spring of 1838, and to-day Mrs. Barnett states positively and in the strongest and most grateful terms that the cure positively and in the strongest and most grateful terms that the cure Dodd's Kidney Pills brought her three and a half years ago was absolute and permanent; that she is to-day stronger and better than she had been for years before taking the pills. Nothing could be more convincing than this good woman's plain and truthful statement, and it proves beyond doubt the

and it proves beyond doubt the lasting character of the cures ef-fected by Dodd's Kidney Pills. A Few Points.

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Some people would like to see heaven closed on Sundays.

Every man believes that he is an exception to some rule or other.

A man doesn't have to be generous to give you his word and then not keep his promise.

A man is never so bad that he can't be worse, nor so good that he

the prayer-book and held it before her. Her lover wished to have a sight of it also, but unfortunately for her, she held it upside down. The man, astonished, said, "Good heavenst why you have the book the wrong tile upwards." "I kn w it," replied she, confusedly, "I always read so, for I am left-handed." can't be worse, nor so good that he couldn't be better.

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say that Mr. Vanderbilt, if correctly
reported, is wrong, since the laying
of the foundation of a fortune of
any size is not after all, the greatest mission in life. To earn the original dollar is fraught with a pleasure which no subsequent dollar
in which may be after all there ginal dollar is fraught with a pleasure which no subsequent dollar brings, of course, but, after all, there are other things to be done beyond the mere piling up of gold pieces that, to my mind, are more satisfying. To earn the gratitude of a human soul is a great thing; to enable others to lay the foundations of a strong character is a splendid thing; to build up sound bodies for the occupancy of sane minds is a transcendently useful thing, and inherited wealth properly applied, administered somewhat as a trust, makes possible the achievement of all these sible the achievement of all these things.-Weekly. .-The Observer, in Harper's

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Barnum's Monkeys

"All well-all happy-lots of fun". That is the regular report from the morkey cage of Barnum's Circus ever since the keepers began dosing the monkeys with Scott's Emulsion. Consumption was carrying off two thirds of them every year and the circus hill to buy new ones.

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Should more than the required number of candidates be nominated for any or all of the aforementioned offices, polls will be opened on Monday, Jan. 6th, 1901, and remain from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. in the several polling sub-divisions as follows;

Sub-division No. 1 at Township hall, H. C, Phillips, D.R.O.

Sub-division No. 2, Wm.Parish's store, James Ross, D.R.O.

Sub-division no. ., Ross, D.R.O. Athens, Dec. 18th, 1901. B. LOVERIN, Returning Officer,

Nomination Meeting.

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A meeting of the electors of the Township of Rear Yonge and Escott will be held in the Town Hall, Athens on Monday, Dec. 30th, 1901, at 1 o'clock p.m. for the purpose of nominating candidates for the offices of Reeve and Councillors for A.D. 1902.

If more than the required number be nominated, then polls will be opened in each of the polling sub-divisions on Monday, Jan. 6th, 1901, at 9 p.m., and remain open until 5 p.m. as follows:

lows; Sub-division No. 1 at Elbe school house, R. M. Brown, D.R.O. Syb-division No. 2 Fortune's school house, Albert Morris, D.R.O. Sub-division No. 3. Jas. Sheldon's house, John Chamberlain, D.R.O. John Chamberlain, D.R. O. Elbe Mills, Dec. 18th, 1901. R. E. COBNELL, Returning Officer.

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(Too late for last week.) members of the Methodist Sunday school are practising for their Christmas tree entertainment annual which will be held in the Select Knights' hall on Christmas night. Gilt Edge Factory comm

st we Mrs. John Chapman is roving

Gilt Edge Factory paid \$17.18 per ton for milk for the month of October. Miss Myrtle Collinson has gone to Piercefield, N. Y., to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents.

G. R Hawkins has placed a peddling rig on the road which is in charge of Mr. Willard Smith. Mr. Evan Steacy, of Warburton, is

pending a few days with friends here. Wesley Hicock has returned home after a three months' absence in Man-

Mr. Ernie Collinson left Friday last so spend the Christmas bolidays with riends at Piercefield N. Y.

At the last meeting of Court Arling ton, No. 3842, I.O.F. held last Friday evening, 13th inst., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year, viz :- Jr. P.C.R., H H. Elliot, M.D.; C.D, W. F. Bracken; C. Physician, Dr. H. H. Elliot; CR, A. E. Putnam; V.C.R., Ed T. Moore; Rec. Sec., A Likely; Fin. Sec., Ed. A. Putnam; Treas., W. J. Berry; Orator, A. Neal; S.W., Jos. J. Bevens; J.W. Geo. Moose; S.B., Jos. McElroy; J B. J. Chuthern; Trustees, Dr. Elliot, E. M. Bracknn; Fin. Com, G R. Hawkins, C. McCutcheon.

FOREIGN MISSION CIRCLE.

The above circle met in the Plum Hollow Baptist church on Thursday evening, with Mrs. James White in the chair. Miss Jennie Percival gave a well chosen scripture reading, after which Miss Lottie Purvis gave a recitation, "The Church and the World." If you do our catalogue will tell you Mrs. Ephraim Jackson gave a choice reading and was followed by Rev. Sim-mons, Mr. Jones and Miss Wilson

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So when you give—be your giving large or small—it goes for the benefit of every child of the province that is admitted and treated.

This statement is made because

occasional reference is made to the Hospital as a Toronto institution for Toronto patients, whereas every sick child in Ontario has the same rights and privileges as those who live within the shadow of the great red pile

on College street.
It costs about \$34,000 per year, or a dollar per patient, per day, to main-tain the Hospital. The Government of the province gives about \$7,000 a year, or nearly eighteen cents per head, in other words, per patient per day. This amount is all expended in paintenance. The corporation of the City of Toronto does even more. It gives \$7.500 per year or eighteen cents per head per day, and this too goes towards the maintenance, not only of Toronto patients, but for every patient in the Hospital, no matter from what part of the province the little one may come from. Yes, and this contribution of the corporation is increased by from \$4.000 to \$6.000 donated by citizens of Toronto for the maintenance of all patients, to say nothing of the \$4.000 contributed yearly by Toronto people, the founders of maintained and named cots in the building.

During its lifetime the Hospital has handled \$0.000 indoor patients and of

handled 8,000 indoor patients and of these 4,000 were cured, and 2,700 were improved. Of these—and please note this—1,757 came from 1,205 places in Ontario and outside the city of If every reader would send but a

dress by the Rev. J. C. Sycamore on

"Gifts," our correspondent informs us,

was pure, lucid and filled with enthus-

a practical address on Manitoba In-

dian Missions. All the above readings

and addresses were expressed and given

with more than ordinary excellence.

There was a boyant confidence mani-

fest in the beginning which increased

deserve a tribute of praise. The

theme and object of the meeting were

beautifully and touchingly outlined,

and brought to view in the "Little

Chinese Girl," represented by Miss

Hazel Haskins, of Phillipsville. Miss

Hazel was dressed as the girls are in

China, and brought to view many exciting scenes and incidents in humble

domestic life, which carried the sym-

pathies of those assembled. A fitting

sequel to this splendid recitation was given by Master Jackson on "How to

use Pennies, or Eternal Value for them." The choir, both before and

after each excercise, filled the place

with delightful melody. The Circle certainly proved a delightful evening's

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little ones.

True, it is, that some have to pay—

If all could pay there would be noneed to appeal for money, but eighty per cent. of the work is free work for the children of those who cannot af-

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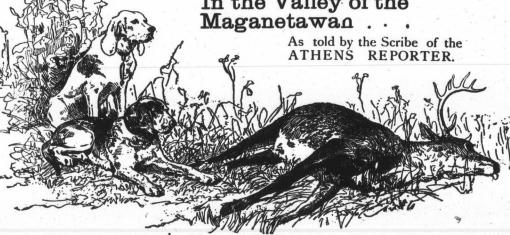
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(CONTINUED.)

As intimated in last chapter part of the club decided to go on to the hunt ing grounds a week ahead of the rest, up camp and do a little fishing and partridge hunting. Len., Marsh, Geo. M. and Billy were the men who elected to go on ahead, but at the last moment Marsh found it impossible to get away. He had a large quantity of mica ready for shipment and he found a customer and had to help sort and deliver it that week. Consequently the others had to men and team in its construction. The go on without him. The trip from road ended at the side of a little creek, go on without him. The trip from Brockville to Burk's Falls was made without incident and in the early morn ing they boarded the steamer, Wenonah, for a 28 mile trip down the Maganeta a start made down the lake. The team that country years ago, they cut roads wan river to the little village of "The was taken down to the shore of the through the woods in all directions." wan river to the little village of "The was taken down to the shore of the through the woods in all directions. Mag.," as it is usually called in short, lake by a bridle path, and put on the by the settlers in that section. The raft, that had been made some three and spring to convey the supplies

had been taken down to the shore of able on this occasion. They unwound the lake and early next morning after about three hundred feet and carried i the lake and early next morning after their arrival a start was made for the camp on Lahm-otah Lake. It was about two miles from the settler's house to the shore of Lake of Many Islands, over a road that had been built express by for the Reporter Hunt Cub, by the settler. It was laid ou across the fields, through swamps, up over hills and wound around the brow of several steep hills entailing a lot of hard work for hills entailing a lot of hard work for piled on the bottom and a large skiff which emptied into the lake some torty rods distant Here the boxes and boxes found in Ontario. When the lumberwere unloaded, put into the boats, and men were clearing out the pine from

lashed securely to the top.

It was about two miles through as steamer made good time and reached years before, for the jurpose of transto the wharf at about 10.20 a.m., where porting the team and a rude jumper pine region and were made passable for



PORTAGING THE BOATS AND PROVISIONS TO LAH-NE O TAH LAKE

fairly good road, known as the Nipiss- raft and a temporary railing put around the route taken by the men with the ingscolonization road, (built many years where the horses stood to prevent them team had been used by the lumbermen, ago by the government as a main road from moving around and swamping the and the bridg s and causeways were in up through the lumber regions). Dur- craft. A couple of long sweeps or oars many places, in a very delapidated coning the past two years the government were provided to propel the craft to had expended quite a sum in repairs to its destination, and the men in the of the trams er to prevent accident. this road and the first four or five miles boats were expected to assist by hawl. Several large trees and an innumerable was as good as the ordinary roads in a tow line hitched to the stern of each quantity of small trees and brush had dinner awaiting them, even to the pump- was blowing and the men tound they work to overcome and it was well along kin pie, so highly prized by Len, who could not make any headway with the in the afternoon before the first load

with a good strong team and lumber a dozen cedar logs about thirty feet bridge several rods in length, were wagon, ready to take them on to their long, securely lashed together. A few put down across creeks and low marsh destination. A drive of 9 miles over a boards were put in the centre of the ground. It was nearly ten years since Leeds county. On reaching the settler's boat On reaching the shore of the to be cut and cleared out of the road. home, the party found an excellent lake it was found that a stiff head wind A!! these delays took time and hard

had a great hankering for good victuals. Word had been sent on ahead for the settler to procure a couple of good strong men to assist in portaging the supplies into camp.

The four boats belonging to the party of the first load was any headway with the latternoon before the first load was duringed at the foot of the rapids. It took two trips to transport all the suggested that a few hundred feet of stuff across the portage, and it was doubt come in handy a good many times doubt come in handy a good many times during the trip. This proved invalue. four boats belonging to the party during the trip. This proved invalu- liver about two miles to the old camp

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n Lah ne-o-tah lake. The two young men who had help in the work of getting the supplies to camp were trong and willing and they rushed the work and just at nightfall they had the satisfaction of landing at the camp and finding it in a good condition. The camp stove was soon unpacked and a roaring fire going. While Billy got on a good warm supper the boys fell to and placed all the boxes and bags inder cover, got out the bedding and fixed up the bunks in a temporary manner for the first night. It was so gan. Some think it was rather a sudden late that the men hired as helpers could not get back to the settler's and they all staved in camp that night. The team being left in the woods where the oats were loaded.

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DAYTOWN

A gang of men are getting ou Wm. Huffman has been on the sick

list again. Mable Huffman is on a fair way to

Rufie Stevens and George Stevens ave taken their departure for Michi-

move on their part. A party of young people of Athens drove out to the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wood's and spent an enjoyable

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an ever-rising tide, and into her inmost soul presses the chill omen of that wailing song of a bereaved Well, Bingham? What is the

matter? If one must treat one's friends to domestic grievances?" Lady Damer asks, airily, daintily shuffling the cards with her white, jeweled fingers as her nephew restates the mean

jeweled fingers as her nepnew restarts the room.

"Nothing very wonderful," he says, smiling carelessly in return. "Uncle Harry was dreadfully provoked to find that some one omitted to deliver the letter he ought to have had hours ago. It was Archie's letter, which he wrote this morning. ter, which he wrote this morning, I believe, or last night; explaining that he should not be able to dine with us this evening, and, of course, It is naturally very provoking that some one forgot it or lost it, and that it never came," and he laughs abologetically. "Very thresome, indeed, but it can't be helped now, as I told Uncle Harry, without making much impression on him." "What the deuce is the good of a

man worrying himself about what can't be helped!" growls Sir James, vexed at his whist being so often in-terrupted. "Dismiss the fellow who lost the letter, and there is an end

You are quite right, Sir James." Lady Damer says, in a tone of thusiastic admiration for so thusiastic admiration for so brilliant a suggestion. Can you not persuade your Uncle Harry. Bingham dear, to stop fuming and fretting, and worrying us and himself about an unfortunate accident, and come up-stairs to our friends? It really is too bad of him?"

"I can't, Aunt Jeannette; perhaps you might," Lacy says, significantly, th uith he significantly shrugs his sh ulders and affects to be more amused than onniyed.

But she plays on to the end of the rubber, though she is on tenter-

rubber, though she is on tenter-hooks of alarm and nervousness, and even then delays to go over to Gil-lian and cares ingly inquire how she feels.

"I should like to go up to my own room," Gillian repeats, with be-seching eyes; and Lady Damer is quite, wilng she should go, as it makes a slight diversion, and will give the guests something else to talk about than the mysterious con-

"And I hope to goodness it will make them all think of going!" she mutters to herelf angrily, as she comes down after seeing dilian in the hands of her mail. "If those bunlavin people seent out any family and soda, with Mr. Damer before you go, Sir James," she says, aminotous and spitcful toward us, than even that spit-ful old father of theirs is! I wish I had never asked them at all! I wish almose, I had let things take their course! I have entailed encless worry on myself, and who can tell what the result may be in the tell what the result may be in the

The immediate result she has be-The immediate result she has before her in one aspect at all events.

Her husband, Harry Damer, seated
at the dhing-table, with a decanter
of whiskey before him, a glass of
whiskey and water in his hand, apparently either half drunk or half
delirious, or possibly both at the
same time, swearing and muttering
flexely to himself and drinking infiercely to himself, and drinking in-

A crumpled-up letter, wet with spilled whiskey and water, dies on the table before him, and as she pauses and gazes at him, half sternly; half frightened, he tosses it rudely

ward her.

'There you are, my lady! Look at at!' he mys thickly, with a flerce agh. "Some o' your work, I'l go di! You remember what I too ou Jeannette? I' you've done what you threatened once, you'll rue it! I don't care a crooked straw for myself! I'll do what I threatened, and blow out my brains after! I'll make you repent what you did, anyhow!"

And he brings his fist on the table with a blow that knocks the glasses

and he brings his list on the table with a blew that kno ks the glasses over and spills more l'quor.

'Y us are violent and rude, as you always are when you drink too much whickey." Lady Damer says, with a colst contempt and self-possession, as she unfalls the paper and reads the few lanes written.

"Sir,—I beg to decline your hospitality now and forever. My reasons are my own, valid and powerful ones, which also decide me in resigning my situation in your employment, forfeiting the quarter's salary now due instead of notice. I have taken such of my personal belongings as I have decided on carrying away with me. The rest remain, with the furniture of Darragh Castle, the tenacy of which I herewith resign, and my late servant, Mrs. Ellen Hagarty, will give you up pessession of the same to-morrow morning.

" George Archer. "What do you make of that let-ter, beyond what I told you I sus-pected was wrong?" she asks bold-ly. "George Archer is in a frenzy of disappointment and anger about of disappointment and anger about something—you can guess what—

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up his mind at a moment's notice to join that expedition to Manitoba, that you know he was wishing to join; to fly off to America' or the antipodes in this mad, headlong fashantipodes in this mad, headlong fashion, and, in his rage and excitement, he wants to quarrel with you, too, I suppose, or he would not have written so disagreeable and unfriendly a letter. That is the whole mystery as I read it," Lady Damer concludes, in tones of quiet assurance, "and I think that, knowing such facts as I do, it is most certainly the only conclusion I can arrive at."

Poor Harry Damer looks up at his stately wife, with her clear, cold voice, and her cold, calm aspect, out of the depths of his muddled misery and intoxication, and the already dimmed blue eyes are clouded with

"Maybe you're right-maybe you're way after six-and-twenty years! I don't deserve it! Bad as I am. I don't deserve it! To go off, and never bid me good-bye-to go off and leave me forever, forever!"

He brings his clenched fist down again on the table with a hoarse shout of anguish.

"To leave me without cast me are the server in the same of the server in t

again on the table with a hoarse shout of anguish.

"To leave me without a word—to cast me off without one good-bye word after twenty-six years! The heartless villain! "the heartless villain! Oh. my boy!—my boy!"

"Good heavens!" Lady Jeannette says, distractedly, "every one will liear and know! He is mad, and drunk, and reckless!"

But her wretched husband's mood changes the next moment, and in a paroxysm of sobs and tears, his gray head falls on the table, and lies amongst the glasses and decanters and half-spilled tumblers of liquor; and there, in his misery and degradation, she leaves him, and,

degradation, she leaves him, and, slipping out of the room, softly turns the key in the lock outside.

"He will drink himself stupid now," she says, "and then throw himself down on the sofa to sleep, and Bingham can go down early in the morning and cot him up, to his own ing and get him up to his own

room."
And so, comfortably relieved from all further apprehension on his score, her ladyship goes up-stairs again to her guests and hospitably insists on some light refreshments being taken before they all break

"I know you always do have some

and a fool, and though he is my cousin, he's not much better at any time; he always was an ass of a fellow, Harry Damer was! And Lady Jeannette behaved like a sensible woman and a perfect lady, as very few done!"

the weary, interminable evening ends, and the guests are all gone, and Lady Damer and her nephew are

"Now, Aunt Jeannette," Lacy says, briefly, "will you kindly enlighten me a little way into all this maze of mysteries? I am all in the dark, or with only the faintest glimmerings of light."

faintest glimmerings must content you." she answers as brief-ly. "You will receive no special en-lightenment from me at all events,

Bingham. Then don't blame me if I blun-

er, and take wrong turnings, and go astray," he retorts, coldly, "and don't imagine you can treat me as a child, either!"

"Have I not done what I promised I would?" she asks, turning to him angrily. "Your rival is rous, detironed, banished for

turning to him angrily. "Your rival is gone, dethroned, banished forever! I have made the way smooth and open before you to a splendid fortune for a man in your position, and yet you have no better thanks for me than rebukes for my not betraying to you what shall never yass my lips again!"

"Oh, again! You have betrayed it, come, then?" Lacy says, with his cold smile, "and after that came this deluge? Archer has fled out of this place without even saying goodthis beinger Archer has head out of this place without even saying good-bye, and Uncle Harry is like a mad-man and drinking himself into a fewer. I think I can draw a slight inference, Aunt Jeannette, though,

upon my word, I can't see clearly ven now."
But she remains silent, sternly silent, coldly gazing, at him from beneath her half-lowered cyclids, and Lacy knows her too well to at-tempt to force any confidence from

her in this mood.

"Is there anything further forme to do, or to say, or to swear, in the cause of this mystery?" he says, with a slight sneer. "Yow hold the cards, Aunt Jeannette,

"You are to wait your lead?"
"You are to wait my lead. Bingham," she says, in her earnest, coldest tone, "or I throw the cards down! My stake in the game is not so heavy that I cannot afford to loose it, rather than have your ingratitude and Ill-temper to endure, in addition to all the other troubles. I have nudercope for your sake."

She rises as she speaks with a

"Will you please find out when the letter comes, Blagham? That is all I shall ask you to do. I am go-ing to my dressing-room to read for a couple of hours, You can come to me there."

CHAPTER XXIX.

It is past midnight now, when poor Gillian, after weary hours of tossing misery, has finally quitted her bed, and wrapping herself in her dressing-gown, sits down by the open window of her room to try if the night air will cool her fever of unrest

Her anger and wretchedness have ther anger and wretcheness have deepened with each miserable hour that has passed since this most ma-erable evening began, and especially since she heard Captain Lacy's care-less explanation of George's unex-

To the unhappy girl, who has given him all the womanly love of her heart, he has not even been careful to award due courtesy in return.

She has been "won unwoed," and the lavish tenderness, unsought, unprized, has been highly esteemed.

To-morrow morning, it may be, a letter containing excuses and empty relitances of regrets, and explana-

politeness of regrets and emplana-tions may reach her, but it will be all too late. Somehow she does not ex-pect that George himself will come in person to explain his conduct to her. The presentiment of loss, separation, strangement worse than death, shadows her spirit so deeply that she cannot see a glimmer of hope in the thought that her lover can atone to her by his presence, his words or deeds for all she has suffered this evening.

evening.

The presentiment has hung over her and haunted her since the hour of their last parting, when he left her in tears and desolation of spirit, cruelly, coldly, determinedly left her, thrust her off, in truth, and hastily rid fimself of her presence and her tears and her climring love. and her tears and her clinging love

and her tears and her and caresses.

How the poor child's face burns with maidenly shame at the intolerable recollection. How the cruel wound in the gentle heart that "loves not wisely but too well" throbs and nortinot wisely but too well" throbs and burns in anguish of grief and morti

"And 'pon my honor, sir," Sir James says, afterward, gossiping over the story of the evening with some crony of the hour, as Sir James is addicted to doing. "I must say Harry Damer behaved like a snob

A score of times love whispers the sweet, faint hope that, after all, in spite of all, it may be through some unavoidable cause, it may be for some reason for which she may

an and a perfect lady, as very few one!"

And at last, about half-past ten, he weary, interminable evening and Lady Damer and her nephew are all gone, that alone together.

"Now. Annt Jeannette." Lacy says.

In some reason for which she mind the soft sight of some reason for which she mind the soft sight si gel wings—anger and learway and fevered misery calm beneath "the sweet influences of Pleiades" and the serene majesty of the great firmament with its myriad heavenly eyes looking down on one weak young human creature in her pas-

sionate unhappiness.
And love—'lord of all"-rises above all still, and more fervently and passionately than for all beside does she yearn to know the truth—the whole truth—that is hidden

from her.

To know if George be near her, or To know if George be near her, or gone from her; to know if he be well, or if aught have happened to him.

Nay, more. She craves in sad humility, in meek hopelessness, to learn the whole bitter truth that he whom she loves so dearly, so fondly, so unwisely, has in deed and in earnest, cast her love back again on her heart.

In her passionate tenderness she

In her passionate tenderness she almost loves him more desperately for his cruelty, in her absolute blind devotion she honors and reveres him for his stern abjuring of an affection he cannot return.

He is too honest to try to cheat her with professions of a love her

her with professions of a love he does not feel. But she must know rueler or worse, so that it is absolute certainty. Something that will break her heart at once, perhaps and so end her torture.

And so it is, that about half-past twelve, when the house is all in darkness and quiet, that a slender, dark-robed figure, velvet shod, and with loose, half-braided tresses ly-ing about the fair young face with the fevered brightness of burning

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cheeks and glittering eyes, glides away softly and stealthily from the rooms on the first floor, down the front staircase into the deep stillness and darkness of the wide, marble-paved hall, and then passing through the balze-covered swing-door to the right, goes along the dark corridor toward the room that is known as "Miss O'Neil's" parlor.

For she knows she will find Anne there, late as is the hour; indeed, because of the lateness of the hour, when she who has worked for others all through the day, is accustomed to snatch an hour or two at night, when others are sleeping, for study of reading, or intellectual relaxation of some kind.

And Gillian seeks her now, with some fevered, half-formed resolve of appealing to Anne for information, or confiding in Anne in a greater or lesser degree—for Anne never invites confidence—or in any case for the relief of taking to Anne of sitthe relief of talking to Anne, of sitting with Anne in her cool, quiet, flower scented room.

She loves the pretty, little, neatly-furnished parlor best of all the

rooms in the house, poor child! It is the one place under the roof which has an association with her lover her lover-her cruel, cold, beloved

lover—in her memory.

Her heart beats fast with tender forgiveness already as the memory of that evening steals upon her senses with the perfume of the flow-ers that comes toward her from the quiet, lamp-lit room, whose door stands ajar, letting a little stream of yellow light flow out into the dense darkness of the passage

Anne is reading or writing, doubtless; and Gillian, at first intending to present herself with a smiling apology, yet pauses a moment on the threshold for some sudden instinct of hesitation, to glance at the studious occupant of the room ere she disturb

Her little velvet-slippered feet and soft quilted satin gown make no noise on the worn carpet, and the occu-pant of the room is far too absorbed in thought to notice the fair, fevered face, the wild, bright eyes gazing in at him in breathless—astonishment

and fear.
It is Captain Lacy who is the occupant of Anne's parlor at this hour of the night, standing by the table in an attitude of restless expectation, listening and waiting for someone's coming! Gillian shrinks back instantly after

that first amazed look-afraid of she knows not what—trembling violently, and her heart beating so loudly that she thinks it must assuredly betray her.
There is an old-fashioned, spindle-

There is an old-fashioned, spindlelegged sideboard against the wall in
the corridor, and beside this, with an
instrictive desire to hide, Gillian
crouches down without quite realizing what she is doing.

The next minute, however,
pride forbids her to continue
an espial on what is most
certainly not meant for her eyes;
and she is rising to return to her
own room, when the door which communicates with the kitchen and
back entrance of the house opens
hastily, but is shut softly and carehastily, but is shut softly and carefully without a click or jar, and Anne's tall figure comes into the stream of lamplight in the passage. Gillian has a full view of hem as she pauses a moment ere she enters the room, and is startled and shocked afresh by her troubled, disordered

book. A shawl lies about her shoulders, naving evidently just fallen from her head, as her black, shining hair is roughened and disordered; her face s flushed her eyes red and swollen with weeping, and her breath comes quick and hard.

"What on earth are you waiting here for until this hour?" Gillian hears her demand sharply and re-sentfully, but with a certain tone of familiarity which implies no sur-

prise at his presence.
"Waiting to see you, Anne," Lacy's voice answers, quietly, but with a certain quality of earnestness or tenderness that Gillian has never once ated accepts.

"For what?" Anne asks, curtly.

"I want you to tell me the truth about George Archer," Lacy says, eagerly. "Aunt Jeanette won't tell eagerly. "Aunt Jeanette won't tell mre a syllable! What has happen-

me a synapse: what has nappen-ed? Has he gone away out of the place, or has he not?"
"He has gone away," Anne replies, in a hard, repressed voice; "you are rid of him forever! Isn't that good "Gone away! Gone away forever

The words ring like a death-knell through the listener's heart.
But she crouches lower and creeps nearer to listen and to watch now. There is no thought in her mind now whether she will go away or stay and hear what they are saying—plotting perhaps against him.

"It is not good news," Lacy says, shortly: "and I am yeary sorry. to

shortly; "and I am very sorry to hear it." There is a sort of breathless pause There is a, sort of breathless pause after this, and Gillian creeping closer—nay, even watching them through the aperture of the hinges of the door—sees Anne turn on her companion with a sudden fierceness of ges-

"Captain Lacy, will you please say good-night politicly and leave my good-night politicly and leave my room?" she says, in low, tense accents, her eyes blazing, and her flushed, exoited face paling and hardening into outlines of coldest scorn, "Oh, of course," Lacy answers, after a slight mayer and mying heaver "Oh, of course," Lacy answers, after a slight pause, and moving nearer the door. "If you had forbidden me to remain here when you went out nearly an hour ago, I should not have stayed. You know you can do what you like with me."

There is an accent of angry despair in the man's repreachful voice, and Gillian's trembling, breaking heart feels an answering thrill of symmathy. Anne makes no answer

Anne makes

CRYING BABIES.

The Cry of an Infant is Nature's Signal of Distress.

Babies never cry unless there is some very good reason for it. The cry of a baby is nature's warning signal that there is something wrong. Every mother ought to get to work immediately to find out what that Every mother ought to get to work immediately to find out what that something wrong may be. If the fretfuiness and irritation are not caused by exterior sources, it is conclusive widered that the regular hap well as the conclusive widered that the grang hap well as the conclusive widered that the grang hap well as the conclusive widered that the grang hap well as the conclusive widered that the grang hap well as the conclusive widered that the grang hap well as the conclusive widered that the conclusion will be concerned to the conclusion of the conclusion will be concerned to the conclusion of the conclusion will be concerned to the concerned that the co caused by exterior sources, it is con-clusive evidence that the crying baby The only safe and judicious is ill. thing to do is to auminister Baby's Tablets without the slightest

delay.

For indigestion, sleeplessness, the irritation accompanying the cutting of teeth, diarrhoea, constipation, colic, and simple fevers, these marveilous little tablets have given relief in thousands of cases and saved many precious baby lives. Do not give a child so-called "soothing" give a child so-called "soothing" medicines, such only stupily and produce unantural sleep. Baby's Own Tablets are guaranteed to contain no opiate or other harmless drugs; they promote sound, healthy sleep because they go directly to the root of baby troubles. Dissolved in water these tablets can be given to the youngest infant. Mrs. Walter Brown, Milby, Que., says: "I have never used any medicine for baby that did as much good as Baby's Own Tablets I would not be without them."
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HAD RAZORLESS SHAVE.

Now He Would Like to See Inventor of Plan.

would not be well for the man who invented the razorless method of shaving, and who has been adver-tising throughout the country his reasy, safe, quick and sure' means of removing hair from the face, to call at the bifice of the Assistant Attorney-General for the Post-olice Department to protest concerning the enforcement of the fraud order against him. He would certainly meet with the warmest welcome ever ac-corded a misguided inventor, and in which the dignified negro messengen which the dignified negro messenger who serves Attorney-General Tyner and who was formerly a steward at the White House, would be a prominent member of the reception commit-tee. The inventor of the "razorless method" knows how to catch the eye of the public, as is shown by the following advertisement, which appeared in various newspapers, printed in bold black type and with the underscoring under the most foreible expressions and the whole followed by exclamation points:

Throw away your razors, gentle men, throw them away. Try my patent substance once, only once, genthemen, and you will never use a razor again. Easy, quick, safe and sure—never wears out, and always retains its power. Write to me." And lots of people wrote. Mail wa

delivered by the hundredweight to the inventor. People wrote and called the discoverer of the razorless method a greater man than Columbus.

The Attorney General's office always become in touch with everything ways keeps in touch with everything out of the ordinary that goes through the mails, and secured one of "substitutes." It was a little secured one of the long cake of some substance that looked suspiciously like pumice stone, and the accompanying circular directed that it was to be rubbed firm-ly back and forth across the skin after the face had been lathered, un til the desired result was attained. The messenger came across the substitute for a razor and was muc pleased. He read the circular in which pleased. He read the circular in which it was wrapped and was delighted. He had long been looking, he said, for something to obviate the danger of cuts, gashes and the like, yet would do the job and was beside "easy, quick, safe and sure." That night he took the circular and the

apparatus of the razoriess method home with him.

The next morning he came to the office with one side of his face plastered up, and told a harrow-ing tale of misplaced confidence. He said he had read the circular over several times to familiarize himself with the modus operandi, and then, after lathering his skin, had wrestled with the little cake of something that looked like pumice until he nearly removed the side of his face, but without making the slightface, but without making the slightest impression on a two-day
growth of hair. He said rude things
about the inventor of the razorless
method that was strongly indorsed many times over by the writers
of the letters that began to pour
in on the Attorney-General's office.
A long discussion resulted over that
part of the inventor's advertisement, which read: "Try my patent substitute once—only once, gentlemen—and you will never use a

ent substitute once—only once, gentlemen—and you will never use a razor again." One of the learned officials held that the remark was sufficiently near the literal truth to preclude the inventor being charged with fraud. It was finally decided, however, that the inventor of the razorless method had violated the spirit, if not the letter, of the law, and he has accordingly been blacklisted.—N. Y. Sun's Washington letter, ton letter.

Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in

"What's wrong wi the scotes. Tam?"
On naething, John," said Tam.
"Weel, the man that canna eat oor Nancy's bakin" will never get oor wee Maggie!"
This is somewhat akin to an incident of a very amusing nature which occurred at a farmhouse, in the North. The poughmen and other servants about the p.ace were entertained to tea one Fastern Eve (Shrove Tuesday). When tea was ready the mistress said in quite homely terms—

homely terms—"Draw in your chairs noo, and help yoursel's, and diana be bashfu'."

Andrew, the orraman, he.ped himother, and another, till the good lady, probably fearing that he would devour the lot, handed him a plate of loaf bread and one of home-made

Andrew. "I diana care for ony o' your fancy bread; I'll jist tak' a,

bit mair o' the bap!"

It is not often that country people require to be pressed to partake heartly of whatever is going, but a farmer whilst entertaining some visitors to tea, once did so in a rather water the property of ther unique manner by exclaiming to

ther unique manner by exclaiming to one of the guests: "Stick in, man, stick in; Mr. Broon's hale twa scones aheld o' ye." Sandy Shaw, an honest country "boddie," going up to London for the first time, was invited by a friend to tea at his lodgings. Sandy went, and after some small talk while the land-lady and tea set the two friends lady had tea set the two friends noticed a peculiar expression Sandy's face and asked what

wrong.
"Great guidness," exclaimed Sandy, "Grat guidness," exclaimed Sandy, his eyes fixed upon a large dish of lettuces, the principal feature on the table. "Great guidness, dis yer landlady tak me for a rabbit."

Where children form part of the company at the tea table there is invariably some little breach of etiquette made which serves to set all serious thoughts aside.

A stern looking old army officer at tea one afternoon at a friend's house let a piece of cake fall. The hostess' little five-year-old, noticing it, said:

"Pick it up. please."

The old gentleman hestatingly

The old gentleman hesitatingly compiled with the request, when the child said:
"Now eat it."
Embarrassing as the incident certainly was the

tainly was, the stern old soldier couldn't help smiling at the commanding attitude of the pert little fellow.

Another lady had invited a few friends to tea, and Tommy, her little son, was consequently instructed to be on his best behavior. The conversations of the conversation of the conversati

be on his best behavior. The conversation at table having become animated, our young friend was entirely, forgotten. A few minutes afterwards his mother asked the servant for a slean plate.

"You can have mine, mamma," said Tommy "there's nothing on it," A little girl was invited to a party at a friend's house on "bannock night." After tea bannock-making was engaged in by the company in general and by the youngsters in particular, and fun went "fast and furious" towards the finish, when the urious" towards the finish, when the 'maiden bannock" was put on the girdle. It was cut up into numerous pieces, each getting one, the idea being that this formed a sort of "dream cake," to put under the pillow on retiring. When the little girl was given her portion she said: "No, thank you, ma'am. I could not

t any more." The hostess explained to her what it was for, and asked her to put it in her pocket. "I can't," replied the mite; "it's full already; but next time I come back to bannocks I'll bring a bas-

ket !"-People's Journal. THE NEW-COINAGE.

it Wil Not be Ready Till About

Jan. 1. The new coinage, bearing the King's likeness, will make its appearance with the New Year, and there will be a rush to secure the coins with the date 1901, the first year of the king's reign. A striking feature will be that the King's head will look to the right, whereas on our present coinage the Queen's head looks to the left. This change is in accordance with the ancient custom of re-versing the profile of the Sovereign with each successive reign. Unfortunately for the younger folks, none of the new coins will be obtainable before Christmas. For many years the Bank of England has made it s practice to issue a quantity of bright new coinage, which has been mainly used for Christmas gifts, but in future, so it is announced, no such in future, so it is announced, no such issue will be made. Many will hope that the Bank may be induced to reconsider its decision as, to the young folks, the dull and time-worn half-crown, or five-shilling piece, can never have the same attractiveness as the bright and newly-issued coins.

Sensible Bachelors.

She—And so you are a bachelor.
Well, there is always hope for bachelors.
Hc—Thet's so. It's never absolute-ly certain that they will marry.—
Brooklyn Life.

Li Hung Chang's Frank Reply. Li Hung Chang visited Philadelphia on September 3rd, 1896, when Chas. F. Warwick was Mayor. The procession started down Broad street. It was soon after this that Mayor Warwick, pointing to the crowds which lined the streets, said:
"Your Excellency Philadelphia is

which lined the streets, said:
"Your Excellency, Philadelphia is famous for its beautiful women."
LA was quiet a few minutes and then made the famous reply:
"I have not seen any yet."

A MAID'S STRATEGY **DISCOVERS A TRUE HEART**

A Christmas Eve Contest for a Woman's Love

(By A. Z. W.)

"When a man makes himself scarce at the club; discards the odor of meerschaums for the perfume of bouquets; and writs poetry instead of briefs; it is all for one of the sex of whims and false hair. ch?"

"For a most esteemed lady, with nothing false about her but fortune hunting admirers, perhaps."

"By the way," suggested North, "let's make it Christmas eve. She delights in playing a sort of femule St. Nicholas among the poor farmers' whildren, and will be less likely to refuse an able escort. Last year I was the lucky participant in the sport. I can assure you, it was the most delightful experience of my life

"For a most esteemed lady, with nothing false about her but fortune hunting admlrers, perhaps." "Oh-oh-ah! You are smitten, indeed! Pray what is she, a town beauty or a country blossom?"

"Both at her pleasure." "Rich, then. And I needn't ask for

'Not necessary ; you know her." "Hein, let me see. You —you don't mean Miss Engard, of Oak Hill?"

"The same."
"Confound your monosyllables, Holland, you are courting my affinity!"
"Indeed! And are you her's '?'
"Undoubtedly! It's the law of attraction, doubly irresistible to North

You perceive?" laughed Frank North, conceitedly witty on the strength of his own name.
"Then, as the attracting object of "Then, as the attracting object of countiess other attractions, Miss Engard, possesses a particularly cold resistance to remain mistress of herself and Oak Hill; so, after all, Northern irresistibleness rather repels your magnet. Do you perceive?"

There was an embarrasing silence. There was an embarrassing silence

during which Frank North, eyeing his friendly thorn with a pricking sensation, paced the floor in rapid strides. He stopped suddenly with clearing brow.

"Look here, Holland; neither of us will long stride a vival. Sa much magwill long stand a rival. So much magnanimity isn't in the nature of our friendship, you know. Now, to prove this vacillating beauty's preference for me, and do the fair thing by you, I propose that each send her an invitation for a sleigh ride on the same

vitation for a sleigh ride on the same evening. Whichever gets the note of declination will pocket it, without malice, as his walking-paper."

For several reasons Paul Holland regarded the proposition favorably. It might assist the lady to determine the drift of her affection. It would put an end to his suspense and the chagrin of sceing deliberate flatterers for her forture received as terers for her fortune received as graciously as he. Then, there was the graciously as he. Then, there was the sweeter possibility. And the greatest of all satisfactions of a little chastisement to the bragging confidence of his self-constituted friend, and possible riddance of him.

Osside riquance of mm. He took the tempting bait with his proviso: that the invitations hould be written, read and sent in each other's presence. Both sat down to their task.

most delightful experience of my life

-was almost converted to the delights of charity, and will be after
another trip, in which I expect to
win the helress' heart and fortune to
do it with. First, I drove to Oak
Hill for the beautiful St. Nicholas
and her load of boxes. Then off to
Mother Ripley's, a sort of guide to
the young lady's charities, for a list
of the needy. Finally, to the farmhouses. Such a hubbub as the chil-

was required to check such self-exile, without showing compromising partiality. Because a woman had not chosen a husband in her twenty-fourth year and a half, it was no reason why she wouldn't in the other half, and one might as well have a variety to select from variety to select from.

Determined upon this womanly providence, the main consideration was to make its workings all reaching, all satisfying, and non appropriate

but I would tell them to hitch their horses together and take me between them in one sleigh. But young folks manage to keep comfortably warm so one-sided, there's no telling them than three heads are better than two at such a time."

"If the hostler was not sick I

"Never mind, you shall have the best substitute for your loss that can be purchased. And when I accept Mr. North's invitation for Christmas eve, he shall present it to you as his apology."

It was Mother Ripley's turn to apologize and recline on her wonted dignity of meditative observation.
"I wouldn't ha' told you this, for I always believe in letting people find out for themselves. But when I think of the kind of politeness he has shown to an old woman and her mourning-beads, I come to the conclusion that, if he had so much gallantry for a young woman, he would have none left for her when she gets old. It's spent like money, and all I say is, beware of extravagant politeness."

Mother Ripley's piece of wisdom caused Miss Engard to wrinkle her brow in great concentration of thought. And the result of a day's deliberation were two notes, one of which Paul Holland kissed in ran-

deliberation were two notes, one of which Paul Holland kissed in rap-tures of delight, the other was tri-umphantly flourished by Frank North when he met his friend. "Fold your wings, old fellow, and go to sleep over the holidays, the game is mine!"
"My invitation is accepted," replied Holland, with calm confidence.

Frank North echoed the same with still more confidence. Adding, "You didn't read right. These girls have a way of declining that one has to read twice before one knows that one isn't wanted."

The notes were exchanged with

one isn't wanted."

The notes were exchanged with all satisfying, and non aparent.

Her first move was for a talk with fother Ripley. She did not expect, ing his rival's unmistakable accept-

further action.

"Under the circumstances, what would you do?" she inquired of the old lady, after an account of the two notes in hand.
"Being an old woman, I don't know, but I would tell them to hitch their our agreement, and we can confront

our agreement, and we can confront the beauty in a manner that will be rather embarrassing to her."

Both agreed to arrive at Oak Hill with their sleighs at the same time. But Frank North no sooner left his sival than he detarmined to get

the pleasant thoughts, his soowling looks that were fixed upon the speaker, shivering beside his sleigh.

for "Get out of my way! Do you want to be run over! Out! I'll have better freight than you, or none. Another chap will be along presently, ask him. It will be about all he'll get."

with a crack of the whip, and a laugh at his witty remark on his rival, the sleigh flew past, and he, viewing the lights of Oak Hill, laughed at the idea of tolerating such a bundle of old age between him and Miss Engaged. Miss Engard.

Miss Engard.

The old woman, left paddling laboriously through the snow, wrapped her shawl tighter around her, and occasionally stooped to pick up a bundle that had dropped from her stiffened fingers.

Presently she heard more sleighbells. She could see this team, too.

Presently she heard more sleigh-bells. She could see this team, too, coming on at a furious pace. It was almost upon her. But with the previous rude rebuff ringing in her ears, she evidently had no courage to repeat her request. With a sigh her head drooped only a little lower. The sleigh was stopped close beside her, however, and a cheery voice rang out:

rang out:
"Want a ride, madam? Jump in want a rice, makin "Sully in quick—haven't much time—never mind your bundles, I'll fix them."
Paul Holland's strong arm quickly helped her to a seat beside him, and tucked the rich buffalo-robe around

her, as he said kindly—
"It's not pleasant walking; but I suppose children are clamoring for their presents."

their presents."

The old woman nodded her head, apparently too full of grateful emotion to utter a word. And the young man, fancying he heard a suppressed sob, turned abruptly towards his horses. With his own heart bursting under a sense of wrong, it required all his efforts at self-control not to sob with her. He, too, watched the lights of Oak Hill, but with no such exultant feel-

Hill, but with no such exultant feelings as his rival. And when he drove

ings as his rival. And when he drove own tremble violently. his companion's hands she felt his up to the gate and put the reins in At the gate he paused. The next few minutes held the balance of his whole life's hope or disappointment. And he tried to gather resolution by anticipating the agonies of the lat-ter. But tremendous home left him rival than he determined to get ter. But tremendous hope left him there before him. As long as he was only giddy sensations and a hundred

FOLLOWING THE STAR

They followed the star the whole night through;
As it moved with the midnight they ineved too;
And cared not waither it led, Till Christmas day in the

And just at the dawn in the twilight shads,
They came to the stable, and,
unafrald.
Saw the blessed Babe in the
manger lald.
On Christmas Day in the
morning.

We have followed the star a whole long year,
And watched its beacon, now
faint, now cl ar,
And it now stands still as we draw near, To Christmas Day in the

And just as the wise men did

of old, In the hush of the winter dawning cold,
We come to the stable, and
behold

The Child on the Christmas O, Babe, once laid in the ox's

With never a pillow for thy Now throned in the highest o Lord of the Christmas

Because we have known and aave loved that star, And have followed it long and have followed it far, From the land where the

shadows and darkness are, To find thee on Christmas Accept the gifts that we dare

Accept the gifts that we dare
to bring.
Though worthless and poor
the offering.
And help our souls to rise
and sing.
In the joy of thy Christmas
morning.
—Susam Coolidge.

this fool's errant, i can eajoy it! I suppose the servants told you the same fire tale: 'Miss gone to Mother Ripley—gentleman to meether there.' Now, the only angel I can find her? is a little black one in the capacity of a servant, who tells me that Mother Ripley is upstairs with the ache in her jaws—gossipped too much, I guess. So I thought I'd wait and see how you took the young lady's little game."

Paul Holland bit his lip. But before he had time to reply, his rival burst into a laugh. burst into a laugh.

"By all the fiddle-sticks! if you haven't brought the very woman who asked me for a ride, and I told who asked me for a ride, and the her to wait for you. I congratulate you, old lady; my chum is much more obliging to elderly people than I am when he can't get

"That he is, indeed!" squeaked a voice from the second-story window. "He wouldn't ha' knocked an old lady's bonnet down the culvert, mourning-beads and all. And be-cause she got the neuralgia worry-ing over it, guessed she gossipped

Frank North's look of surprise at the nightcapped window picture changed to, an embarrassed little laugh as he turned to the woman in the sleigh.

"Bless me, madam, aren't you glad you waited for him, then?"

"I am, indeed, Mr. North! And if you will be kind enough to take this new shawl and bonnet in to Mother Ripley, with my compliments, and your apology for the accident she just mentioned, I shall continue my ride with Mr. Holland, very much relieved, and woman. relieved," replied the old trifying to her hearers.

Divesting herself of the old wo-man's habiliments, the speaker re-vealed to her astonished suitors the graceful figure and mischievous face of the heiress of Oak Hill.

lace of the heiress of Oak Hill. Placing the shawl and bonnet in Frank North's restless hands, while the little colored angel rapidly loaded her sleigh with bundles, she continued with a touch of apology in her resistant.

ontinued with a touch of apology in her voice:

"I accepted both your invitations, thinking one sleigh insufficient to hold all the goods I wished to dis-tribute. And as a certain gentleman's carelessness about an old lady's lost bonnet obliged me to purchase one at the eleventh hour, the idea occurred to me, on the way, the idea occurred to me, on the way, the idea occurred to me, on the way, to test that gentlemen's courtesy myself. I had determined that whichever accommodated an old lady one-half the way, should have the young lady the other half. I am confident that your friend will be equally attentive to the young lady that is, and the old lady that will be after many more merry Christmasses. If the packages are loaded, you may drive on, now, Mr. Holland. We shall have to dispense with Mr. North's services and make two trips instead."

Leaving his crestfallen, stupefied "rival with the two garments, which made the despised old woman, hanging on his limp arm, Paul Holland drove away with his precious charge, not daring to look up for fear it was all a dream.

But when the lights of the first

was all a dream.

But when the lights of the first farmhouse gleamed on the road, it revealed Helen Engard leaning on his shoulder. And the merry sleigh bells rang out their whispered secret till the shouts of children, with arms full of presents, halled them as "good St. Nicholas and his wife," no longer to Miss Engard's

her bdd.-Indianapolis Sun.



ST. NICHOLAS, PATRON SAINT OF CHILDHOOD.

DEAR CHRISTMAS BELLS

- Dear are the sounds of the Christmas chimes In the land of the ivied tow-
- And they welcomed the dearest of festival times In this western world of
- Bright on the holly and mistle toe bough The English firelight And bright are the wreathed

evergreens now

- That gladden our own home And hark! the first sweet note that tells
 The welcome of the Christmas bells.
- They are ringing to-night through the Norway frs, And across the Swedish fells, And the Cuban palm-tree dreamily stirs To the sound of those Christ-
- mas bells! mas bells!
 They ring where the Indian
 Ganges rolls
 Its flood through the ricefields wide;
 They swell the far hymna of
- the Lapps and Poles
 To the praise of the Cruci-Sweeter than tones of the
- ocean's shells Mingle the chimes of the Christmas beils. The years come not back that
- have circled away
 With the past of the eastern When he plucked the corn on
- the Sabbath day, I healed the withered hand; But the bells shall join in a joyous chime For the one who walked the
- And ring again for the better
- time
 Of the Christ that is to be;
 Then ring! for the earth's
 "best promise dwells In ye, O joyous eprophet toells!

dren raised! Such shouts! They per-sisted in taking me for the old saint, who had got so fat and feeble that he brought his wife along to help him to the chimneys. Of course, Miss Engard's face was a rose-leaf of confusion. I confess, Holland, if I wasn't so sure of being preferred this time also. I worldn't he so roads to share so sure of being also, I wouldn't be so ready to share my chances with you.'

'Your sentiment is reciprocal," was

"Your sentiment is reciprocal," was his companion's smiling reply as both began to write notes which were read and re-read, the next day, with a perplexed little frown, by the mistress of Oak Hill.

With an estate tempting enough to make every admirer long to embrace it in the person of the owner, Miss Engard managed both to advantage with a shrewdness and tact which spoke equally well for heart and head. Like her acres, her acquaintances were cultivated to their required yield. And as she had not yet required a yield of hearts, she carefully avoided disturbing that tender soil. Admirers were always in a state of expectation, dreading in vain a painful antidote for their infatuation.

It was the necessity, brought by

It was the necessity, brought by these notes, of exercising greater discretion than ever, and the suspicion, roused by the sameness in style and quality of paper, and color of ink, that they were written at one time and place for some underhand purpose, which trebled the frown on Miss Engard's

If she was the subject of a wager she would cut the stakes with a decided double "no." But, if it was some contrivance of rivals to get rid of each other a decidedly delicate move

to be the husband of Kris Kinkle."

"Indeed! Why?" and Miss Engard's eyes opened in wide surprise.

"Never mind. If old people's tongues wag with precepts they shouldn't with gossip."

Here was a prospect for enlightenment, and Miss Engard, knowing that persisting inquil'iveness meant resistant moralizing from the old lady, changed her tacties.

"But Mr. North is a favorite in society. He is the most gallant of men."

"Not to old ladies." replied Mother Ripley, with a sharpness which showed that the string out of tune had been touched. "The other day, when I was in town to have the new mourning beads put on my best bonnet, he knocked it out of my hand running for the train, and never even stopped to keep it frem rolling down the culvert, mourning beads and all,

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"Not as serious as my mourningbeads," interrupted Mother Riplay,
indignant at her visitor's strange,
lack of sympathy. "There were other trains, but there ain't no more mourning-beads like them, no there ain't!"

should make the distributing tour with my own double team. Mr. North's sleigh was rather overloaded last Christmas with the goods. Besides I would rather not be hailed again by the children as I was. Do you remember? asked Miss Engard, gracefully ignorthing the Indelleate phraseology of unsentimental years. "Yes, I remember. And am right glad that you don't want Mr. North to be the husband of Kris Kinkle."
"Indeed! Why?" and Miss Engard's eyes opened in wide surprise.
"Never mind. If old people's tongues wag with precepts they shouldn't with gossip."
Here was a prospect for enlightenment, and Miss Engard, knowing that persisting inquil'iveness meant resistant moralizing from the old lady, changed her tactics.

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A fresh fall of snow had put the roads in splendil condition. And Miss Engard's admirer No. I vowed, by the merry jingle of the sleigh-bells, that if the heirers of Oak Hill was to be worn at all he would win her. Rivals wore getting dangerous.

Smoothly, swiftly he speed along the four-mile road which divided Oak Hill from the city. In the distance the lights already glimmered from its many windows, and he chuckled gleading the last touches to herself before the mirror.

"Mister, couldn't you take a woman along a stretch, it's getting so dark, and these bundles are heavy?"

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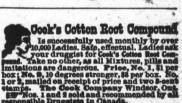
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"Never mind, you shall have the best substitute for your loss that can be purchased. And when I accept Mr. North's invitation for Christmas eve, he shall present it to you as his apology."

It was Mother Ripley's turn to apologize and recline on her wonted dignity of meditative observation.

"I wouldn't ha' told you this, for I always believe in letting people find out for themselves. But when I think of the kiad of politeness he has shown to an old woman and her mourning-beads, I come to the conclusion that, if he had so much gallantry for a young woman, he would have none left for her when she gets old. It's spent like money, and all I say is, beware of extravagant politeness."

Mother Ripley's piece of wisdom caused Miss Engard to wrinkle her brow in great concentration of thought. And the result of a day's deliberation were two notes, one of which Paul Holland kissed in raptures of delight, the other was triumphantly flourished by Frank North when he met his friend. "Fold your wings, old fellow, and go to sleep over the holidays, the game is mine!"

"My invitation is accepted," replied Holland, with calm confidence. Frank North echoed the same with still more confidence. Adding, "You didn't read right. These girls have a way of declining that one has to read twice before, one knows that one isn't wanted."

The notes were exchanged with airs of "I'm all right."

"Confound it! She is worse than a coquette!" exclaimed North, reading his rival's unmistakable acceptwas required to check such self-exile,

was required to check such self-exile, without showing compromising partiality. Because a woman had not chosen a husband in her twenty-fourth year and a haif, it was no reason why she wouldn't in the other half, and one might as well have a variety to select from. Determined upon this womanly providence, the main consideration was to make its workings all reaching, all satisfying, and non apparent.

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Her first move was for a talk with Mother Ripley. She did not expect, like so many people, to apply the general views of experienced age to her particular case, and spoil it with mouldy ill fitting precepts. There were always certain shrewd observations, and odd ideas in the toothless age which might furnish the cue for further action.

"Under the circumstances, what would you do?" she inquired of the old lady, after an account of the two notes in hand.

"Being an old woman, I don't know, but I would tell them to hitch their horses together and take me between them in one sleigh. But young folks manage to keep comfortably warm so one-sided, there's no telling them than three heads are better than two at such a time."

"If the hostler was not sick I ares of "I'm all right."

"Confound it! She is worse than accounted: with the reconstruction in the pan it mean?" murmured Paul Holland, crushing the other note, equally plain, between his nervous fingers.

"It means that she is going to make fools of both."

"Miss Engard? Impossible! I am going, if only to prove that there is a mistake somewhere."

"So am I, if only to prove that there is a mistake somewhere."

So one-sided, there's no telling them to the beauty in a manner that will be rather embarrassing to her."

Both agreed to arrive at Oak Hill with their sleighs at the same time. But Frank North no sooner left his rival than he determined to get there before him. As long as he was

the pleasant thoughts, his scowling looks were fixed upon the speaker, shiverage beside his sleigh.

The second of my way! Do you want to be run over! Out! I'll have better freight than you, or none. Another chap will be along presently, ask him. It will be about all he'll were.

with a crack of the whip, and a laugh at his witty remark on his rival, the sleigh flew past, and he, viewing the lights of Oak Hill, laughed at the idea of tolerating such a bundle of old age between him and

bundle of old age between him and Miss Engard.

The old woman, left paddling latoriously through the snow, wrapped her shawl tighter around her, and occasionally stooped to pick up a bundle that had dropped from her stiffened fingers.

Presently she heard more sleighbells. She could see this team, too, coming on at a furious pace. It was almost upon her. But with the previous rude rebuff ringing in her ears, she evidently had no courage to repeat her request. With a sigh her head drooped only a little lower. The sleigh was stopped close beside her, however, and a cheery voice rang out:

"Went a ride modern?" Turns in

rang out:
"Want a ride, madam? Jump in "Want a ride, madam? Jump in quick—haven't much time—never mind your bundles, I'll fix them."
Paul Holland's strong arm quickly helped her to a seat beside him, and tucked the rich buffalo-robe around her, as he said kindly—
"It's not pleasant walking; but I suppose children are clamoring for their presents."

their presents.'

their presents."

The old woman nodded her head, apparently too full of grateful emotion to utter a word. And the young man, fancying he heard a suppressed sob, turned abruptly towards his horses. With his own heart bursting under a sense of wrong, it required all his efforts at self-control not to sob with her. He, too, watched the lights of Oak Hill, but with no such exultant feel-

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"So am I, if only to let you see how clumsy she has exercised her woman's wit. She knows nothing of our agreement, and we can confront the beauty in a manner that will be rather embarrassing to her."

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FOLLOWING THE STAR

They followed the star the whole night through;
As it moved with the midnight they moved too;
And cared not waither it led, Till Christmas day in the

And just at the dawn in the owilight shade.
They come to the stable, and, unafraild.
Saw the blessed Babs in the manger laid.
On Christmas Day in the

We have followed the star a whole long year, And watched its beacon, now laint, now clar,
And it now stands still as draw near, To Christmas Day in the

And just as the wise men did of old,
In the hush of the winter dawning cold,
We come to the stable, and behold

The Child on the Christmas

O, Babe, once laid in the ox's With never a pillow for thy nead, Now throned in the highest Beavens instead,

O Lord of the Christmas

morning.

aave loved that star,
And have followed it long and
have followed it far.
From the land where the
shadows and darkness are,
To find thee on Christmas

Accept the gifts that we dare Accept the a-to bring, Though worthless and poor the offering, and help our souls to rise And help our souls to rise and sing. In the joy of thy Christmas

morning.
—Susam Coolidge.



ST. NICHOLAS, PATRON SAINT OF CHILDHOOD.

DEAR CHRISTMAS BELLS

DISCOVERS A TRUE HEART

A Christmas Eve Contest for a Woman's Love

(By A. Z. W.)

A MAID'S STRATEGY

"When a man makes himself scarce at the club; discards the odor of meerschaums for the perfume of bouquets; and writs poetry instead of briefs; it is all for one of the sex of whims and false hair. eh?"

"For a most or a month of the sex of white and continue to the sex of white and the sex of white areas and the sex of the sex

"For a most esteemed lady, with nothing false about her but fortune hunting admirers, perhaps."

"Oh-oh-ah! You are smitten, in-deed! Pray what is she, a town beauty or a country blossom?"

"Rich, then. And I needn't ask for

'Not necessary; you know her." "Hem, let me see. You —you don't mean Miss Engard, of Oak Hill?"

"Confound your monosyllables, Hol-

"Confound your monosyllables, Holland, you are courting my affinity," "Indeed! And are you her's'?" "Undoubtedly! It's the law of attraction, doubly irresistible to North. You perceive?" laughed Frank North, conceitedly witty on the strength of his own name.

"Then, as the attracting object of countless other attractions, Miss Engard, possesses a particularly cold resistance to remain mistress of herself and Oak Hill; so, after all, Northern irresistibleness rather re-

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seif and Oak Hill; so, after all, Northern irresistibleness rather repels your magnet. Do you perceive? There was an embarrassing silence, during which Frank North, eyeing his friendly thorn with a pricking sensation, paced the floor in rapid strides. He stopped suddenly with clearing brow.

"Look here, Holland; neither of us will long stand a rival. So much magnanimity isn't in the nature of our friendship, you know. Now, to prove this vacillating beauty's preference for me, and do the fair thing by you, I propose that each send her an invitation for a sleigh ride on the same evening. Whichever gets the note of declination will pocket it, without malice, as his walking-paper."

For several reasons Paul Holland regarded the proposition favorably. It might ass'st the lady to determine the drift of her affection. It would put an end to his suspense and the chagrin of seeing deliberate flatterers for her fortune received as graciously as he. Then, there was the sweeter possibility. And the greatest of all satisfactions of a little chas-

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of all satisfactions of a little chas-tisement to the bragging confidence of his self-constituted friend, and possible riddance of him. He took the tempting bait with this proviso: that the invitations

each other's presence.

Both sat down to their task.

s proviso. that and sent in

"Both at her pleasure."

- Dear are the sounds of the In the land of the ivied tow-
- And they welcomed the dear-est of festival times In this western world of
- ours. Bright on the holly and mistle-
- toe bough The English firelight The English firelight falls,
 And bright are the wreathed
- evergreens now That gladden our own home walls.
- walls.
 And hark! the first sweet note that tells
 The welcome of the Christmas bells.
- They are ringing to-night
 through the Norway frs,
 And across the Swedish fells,
 And the Cuban palm-tree
 dreamily stirs
 To the sound of those Christmus bells!
- mas bells! ring where the Indian Ganges rolls Its flood through the rice-
- They swell the far hymna of the Lapps and Poles To the praise of the Cruci-
 - Sweeter than tones of the ocean's shells
 ding'e the chimes of the
 Christmas bells.
- The years come not back that have circled away With the past of the eastern
- When he plucked the corn on the Sabbath day, And healed the withered
- hand; But the bells shall join in a joyous chime For the one who walked the
- And ring again for the better
- of the Christ that is to be; hen ring! for the earth's best promise dwells n'ye, O joyous prophet

my chances with you."
"Your sentiment is reciprocal," was his companion's smiling reply as both began to write notes which were read and re-read the next day,

were read and re-read, the next day, with a perplexed little frown, by the mistress of Oak Hill.

With an estate tempting enough to make every admirer leng to embrace it in the person of the owner, Miss Engard managed both to advantage with a shrewdness and tact which spoke equally well for heart and head. Like her acres, her acquaintances were cultivated to their required yield. Anl as she had not yet required a yield of hearts, she carequired yield. Add as she had not required a yield of hearts, she carefully avoided disturbing that tender soil. Admirers were always in a state of expectation, dreading in vain a painful antidote for their infatua-

It was the necessity, brought by It was the necessity, brought by these notes, of exercising greater discretion than ever, and the suspicion, roused by the sameness in style and quality of paper, and color of ink, that they were written at one time and place for some underhand purpose, which trebled the frown on Miss Engard's brow.

brow.
If she was the subject of a wager If she was the subject of a wag-she would cut the stakes with a de-cided double "no." But, if it was some contrivance of rivals to get rid of contrivance of rivals to get each other a decidedly delicate move

dren raised! Such shouts! They persisted in taking me for the old saint, who had got so fat and feeble that he brought his wife along to help him to the chimneys. Of course, Miss Engard's face was a rose-leaf of confusion. I confess, Holland, if I wasn't so sure of being preferred this time also, I wouldn't be so ready to share my chances with you."

should make the distributing tour with my own double team. Mr. North's sleigh was rather overloaded last Christmas with the goods. Besides I would rather not be hailed again by the children as I was. Do you remember?" asked Miss Fugard, gracefully ignoring the indelleate phraseology of unsentimental years.

"Yes, I remember. And am right glad that you don't want Mr. North to be the husband of Kris Kinkle." "Indeed! Why?" and Miss Engard's eyes opened in wide surprise.
"Never mind. If old people's tongues wag with precepts they shouldn't with gossip."

shouldn't with gossip."

Here was a prospect for enlightenment, and Miss Engard, knowing that persisting inqui fiveness meant resistant moralizing from the old lady, changed her tactics.

"But Mr. North is a favorite in society. He is the most gallant of men."

"Not to old ladies," replied Mother "Not to old ladies," replied Mother Ripley, with a sharpness which showed that the string out of tune had been touched. "The other day when I was in town to have the new when I was in town to have the free mourning beads put on my bost bonnet, he knocked it out of my hand running for the train, and never even stopped to keep it from rolling down that the manufacture has beads and all scopped to seep it from roung nown the culvert, mourning beads and all, now!"
"It's a serious matter to miss the

train when one has important—"
"Not as serious as my mourningbeads." interrupted Mother Ripley, indignant at her visitor's strange, lack of sympathy. "There were other trains, but there ain't no more er trains, but there ain't no more mourning-beads like them, no there ain't !'

matches were made by fraud.

With a motive differing widely from Frank North, Paul Holland came to a similar resolution. He loved Miss Engard sincerely enough to wish to spare the embarrassment with which his rival would have punished her. He would precede him, if possible, and quietly take his leave if not wanted. Yet that thought drove the flush of scorn and indignation to his temples.

guid steps. "My good lady," he said, smiling through his broken, husky wolce, it is a consolation to be of service to some one. But for you I should have gone on a fool's errand should have gone on a fool's errand to neight. I will take you all the way to your home if you direct me."

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Christmas Eve found Frank North at the livery stable, hurrying the work of harnessing his team half an hour before engaged time.

A fresh fall of snow had put the roads in splendid condition. And Miss Engard's admirer No. I vowed, by the merry fingle of the sleigh-bells, that if the helress of Oak Hill was to be wore getting dangerous.

Smoothly, swiftly he sped along the four-mile road which divided Oak Hill from the city. In the distance the lights already glimmered from its many windows, and he chuckled gleefully at the thought that she was even then, putting the last touches to herself before the mirror.

"Mister, couldn't you take a woman along a stretch, it's getting so dark, and these bundles are heavy?"

Angered at the interruption of his

certain of Miss Engard's preference, he could afford to give his rival a fair chance to get rid of him afterwards. But now no such small matter as an agreement should make him risk his already slim chance. What did he care for Miss Engard's apparent duplicity? Her wealth was none the less solid, and half the world's matches were made by fraud.

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this fool's errand, i can easoy it! I suppose the servants told you the same fire tale: 'Miss gone to Mother Ripley—gentleman to meether there.' Now, the only angel I can find here is a little black one in the capacity of a servant, who tells me that Mother Ripley is upstairs with the ache in her jaws—gossipped too much. I guess. So I gossipped too much, I guess. So I thought I'd wait and see how you took the young lady's little game." Paul Holland bit his lip. But be-fore he had time to reply, his rival burst into a laugh.

"By all the fiddle-sticks! if you

"By all the fiddle-sticks! if you haven't brought the very woman who asked me for a ride, and I told her to wait for you. I congratulate you, old lady; my chum is much more obliging to elderly people than I am when he can't get"—
"That he is indeed!" sweeteds. "That he is, indeed!" squeaked a

"That he is, indeed!" squeaked a voice from the second-story window. "He wouldn't ha' knocked an old lady's bonnet down the culvert, mourning-beads and all. And because she got the neuralgia worrying over it, guessed she gossipped too much." Frank North's look of surprise at

the nightcapped window picture changed to, an embarrassed little laugh as he turned to the woman in the sleigh.

"Bless me, madam, aren't you glad you waited for him, then?" glad you waited for him, then?"

"I am, indeed, Mr. North! And if you will be kind enough to take this new shawl and bonnet in to Mother Ripley, with my compliments, and your apology for the accident she just mentioned, I shall continue my ride with Mr. Holland, very much relieved," replied the old woman, with a ring in her voice quite electrifying to her hearers.

Divesting herself of the old wo-man's habiliments, the speaker re-vealed to her astonished suitors the graceful figure and mischievous face of the heiress of Oak Hill. Placing the shawl and bonnet in Frank North's restless hands, while the little colored angel rapidly loaded her sleigh with bundles, she continued with a touch of apology in her voice:
"I accepted both your invitations,

"I accepted both your invitations, thinking one sleigh insufficent to hold all the goods I wished to distribute. And as a certain gentleman's carelessness about an old lady's lost bonnet obliged me to purchase one at the eleventh hour, the idea occurred to me, on the way. the idea occurred to me, on the way, the idea occurred to me, on the way, to test that gentlemen's courtesy myself. I had determined that whichever accommodated an old lady one-half the way, should have the young lady the other half. I am confident that your friend will be equally attentive to the young lady that is, and the old lady that will be after many more merry Christmases. If the packages are loaded, you may drive on, now, Mr.

Christmases. If the packages are loaded, you may drive on, now, Mr. Holland: We shall have to dispense with Mr. North's services and make two trips instead."

Leaving his crestfallen, stupefied "rival with the two garments, which made the despised old woman, hanging on his limp arm, Paul Holland drove away with his precious charge, not daring to look up for fear it was all a dream.

was all a dream.
But when the lights of the first But when the lights of the first farmhouse gleamed on the road, it revealed Helen Engard leaning on his shoulder. And the merry sleigh bells rang out their whispered secret till the shouts of children, with arms full of presents, halled them as "good St. Nicholas and his wife," no longer to Miss Engard's embarrassment.