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and Duffy's old pins.

that.

on a chair that was near.

" Where is he ?

" He has forged my name."

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#### Sleep On Till Day. Oh, sleep on till day, my love, sleep on till day ; No trouble assail thee, no danger affray ! Oh, sleep on till day, my love, sleep on till day. Airs round thee trembling. Love-sighs resembling, Linger a moment, and vanish away.

Oh, sleep on till day, my love, sleep on till day. The pale stars are setting, the dawn rises gray,

The kind hours they laugh as they hasten away They know 'twill be day soon, the beautiful day: Crowned to-morrow. End of my sorrow !

Meeting, with never a farewell to say ; Oh, sleep on till day, my love, sleep on till day.

Yet life's but a vision too lovely to stay : Morn passes, noon cometh, and pleasures decay; Soon ovening approaches and closes the day. Then laid with praises Under the daisies. Smiling we'll creep to one pillow of clay,

And sleep on till day, my love, sleep on till day. -Miss Mulock.

## TWO SKETCHES.

## L-IN THE STREET,

I'm a black pin girl. You know-the kind that tells lies about their mother being sick, or dead, or something, and on 'em never had no mother.

Me and another girl lives with old Duffy; at least, I don't call it much living. I'd a heap rather die with her. Jinny (that's the other girl) sassed her, and didn't get nothing to eat, and she went to a house and begged, and the cook give her cold cabbage. If a cook the room. She was standing perfectly give me cold cabbage, I'd fire it at her ond.

Duffy says mother give me to her. I wish mother hadn't a-been so generous. I stay with her 'cause I ain't got no other Sometimes I think I'll take the pins, samples and all, for wages, and sleep nights to the station-house; but Duffy's old man is had up a good deal for variance, I guess they call it, and that's where he mostly stops. Sometimes Jinny's better than other

times, and it's when she's coming out of her fits of goodness that Duffy beats her. away. I must have been terribly blind and foolish not to understand that man. I ain't never good. I just keep along about the same, and Duffy's give over Your mother would have known. Nothbeating me. Jinny's awful queer. She calls me Sarah, and my name's Anne, 'cause she knowed a woman that took care of all this but that I have broken the engagement. If my life could have saved you from sorrow, I would have of her when she was sick, and her name

of her when she was sick, and her name was Sarah. Nobody never tool: care of me, so I call Jinny Jinny. I suppose if I got sick I could go to a hospital. I did know a girl who went there and died onst. Old man Duffy went when he fell off the dock, and she thought she got rid of him sure enough; wet he same hock all right : I guess she but he come back all right ; I guess she called it all wrong. Any way, he warn't I just have to laugh when I see the

style, with our hair fuzzed up, and went did the only thing he could think of-he down Broadway like any children. If you get walking behind people, so's to hear what they're a-saving of, it's about the best fun out. All the mothers is so scared of their young ones getting hurt-ed a-crossing of the streets. Now, my darling, do be careful, my darling; eatch a-hold of my hand, my darling, or you'll be run over." Seems to me there must be more dan. ger of everything if anybody's somebody's darling. Good laudy ! I ain't been run over, and I never took hold of nobody's hand, only onst when Duffy's old man riz an ax and run after her like tune: he was a-going to chop her; then I held on fast enough, and hollored. There's a young lady I know that's the most beautiful thing I ever seen. I her father knew that his experiment had wouldn't ask her to buy a pin not to save not succeeded. Duffy's neck. I don't know her to speak to, but she's often down my way going into the big houses. The first time I see her she give me such a turn; she stepped out of her carriage; now it was just like a star coming out of the Her face was shining, and there about the city in her quiet brown dress, sky. was a kind of a look to her that made me begin to cry, though she was smiling. She didn't see me then; I don't guess she ever see me, but I follow her round now, and I know the house she lives in. I was to a big reception one day at dark, and I see her carriage down the line, so I just waited till he drove up, and then I come pretty close, and in a minute out she come. Her face was shining just the same, and a gentleman me, and make me cross. a-helping her down the steps. I heard him speak to her while he was a-covering of her up warm with the things in the carriage. I heard him say, "Helen, my darling, my good angel," says he. She didn't say nothing, but put out her hand, and he gave it a kiss. Then he slammed the carriage door, and she drove off, and he went back in the house, and in a minute he comes out with a cigar lighted; I see him then, and I know that man-I know him. Down to a place would like to give some money, if you will let me, for the hospital." I've went to fetch Duffy's old man home I've seen him as drunk as a fool. They call him Shady down there, and he can talk up as lively as any feller I ever see, is with all her good works! I wish I knew what there is for me to do. I do and swear with the other men. Is my star lady that feller's darling? That's what he called her, and he's a bad some; and they all think I am grieving man. for the past, and it is not that, for I am There was one day there'd been grieving more for the present. I wish I had been born to a scrubbing brush instorm of ice and snow, and I hadn't much shoes on me; one was a rubber stead of a silver spoon; then I should I found, and the other was a kind of a have been obliged to work for my livlow shoe that was tied on with a string. ing. My feet kinder hurt, that's true, but I Well, at least I will not sit here comsuppose it warn't so bad as if I'd a-been plaining to myself. I must go out in the somebody's darling. Any way, I didn't think much about it, only they was bothair and take a walk; that may give me something to think about." erous to keep on, 'cause' they was big; and along there come a young man with quiet streets that she might avoid meeta good warm coat on him, and when he ing many people, and as she hurried see me we was just in front of a cheap along her eye was attracted by the sign shoe store-the kind where poor folks on a house door-" Hospital for Chil gets cheated, unless they're Jews. And dren. ∰Just then from the other side of the what's he do but up and took me into that store and got me a whole pair of shoes; and I know he warn't poor, for toward her, holding in her outstretched they was good shoes, and wore me firsthand a bit of lace that Helen had worn rate; and I guess he warn't a Jew about her neck. She was breathless with neither. When we come out of the store her haste, and smiling with unmistakable he stopped a minute, and says, "Feel better, little girl?" and he puts his hand in his pocket, and out comes a tencent silver; and I never thanked him nor her or reined in his horses she had fallen nothing, but begun to cry. He was going beneath their feet. With a horror she could never forget. Helen saw the wheels to put it in my hand, and there come along a carriage, and in it I see my star go over her. In an instant Helen had caught her from under the carriage and lady, and he seen her too, and she knowcarried her tenderly to the sidewalk. She thought the child was dead, and im, and smiled to him and bowing her head. The silver dropped on the oe in the street, so's I had to stoop held her with a sort of awe, while slowly her head.

down to get it. He get very white-look- from a cut over the pale temple fell drops ing, and stood with his hat off, so's I'd thought he'd catched his death. He of blood on Helen's dress. Then Helen remembered the hospital, didn't say no more to me, but started off and, followed by the curious crowd, she

to walk very fast. I never seen him again, but I think of them two, nights when Jinny's asleep, and I think if they was to come together, and I was to see breath came hard, and as she paused a moment at the foot of the steps the door above opened wide, and a tall young man came quickly out to meet her. "Oh, Dr. Larned !" she said, with something of the same relief in her 'em a-going into a church, her all in white, with her face a-shining, and him a-looking so proud of her, with the look on 'em some people do wear to their weddings, I think I'd give 'em--I'd give heart that Juliet felt when she saw Friar Lawrence standing near her in the tomb. "I have never," said Dr. Andrew Larned, when he described the scene to - Oh, granny, I ain't got nothing to give but the ten-cent silver he give me, a friend—" I have never seen anything so beautiful as Helen Le Roy, standing IL-IN THE HOSPITAL.

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pale and stately, with divine pity making tender her perfect face, and in her arms, She stood in the middle of her room, held so gently, wrapped so carefully, that beggar child." quite still, with her hands clasped tight ' quite still, with her hands clasped tight together. "Helen, my darling," he had said, "a great trouble has come to you. Try to be brave. Oh, if your mother were living now, she would help you better than I can. My little girl, my Helen, the man you love, the man whom I modd here bet you merer in in or in She followed him into the house, where, in a little room, a low white bed was waiting for some such burden.

"The horses trampled her down. She was running to bring me a bit of lace I had lost, and she fell before my eyes, and I could not help her. Oh, it is so horrible !" said Helen, with a little would have let you marry, is—is—an in-fernal rascal, Helen !" She slipped from his protecting arm sob.

and stood alone. Then she saw that there were tears in his eyes. "I don't think I know what you. "She is not dead. Will you help me, Miss Le Roy?" He looked at her steadily. He knew that if he trusted her mean. I have never heard you speak so,

with some responsibility, she would con-Is it about Henry ? Is it my dear Henry ?" "He can never be anything to you again, my daughter. He is a villain, Oh, my precions child, my little girl, Oh, my precions child, my little girl, ouer her emotion. "I will do what you tell me." "You have only to kneel down here and bathe these stains from her face, and here where the cut over the temple is

try to be brave. Don't break down." He was walking wildly up and down hidden in her hair.' She obeyed him silently. "I must leave you alone for a few mo-ments, while I call the nurse and get some things that I shall need. Do not

"I am trying so hard to understand what you are saying to me, father. Who says this ? Why do you believe it ?" "I know it. Money with which I be troubled; there is nothing you can do for her but this." He watched her a minute, and then left the room. trusted him has gone to the four winds. As Helen watched she saw that the ex-He is a gambler. He is worse than pression of the child's face had changed, "What has he done ?" She sat down

and then the closed eyelids quivered and slowly opened, and two gray eyes re-garded her with amazement. She spoke oftly, thinking that the child might be frightened at finding herself in this "He has left the country; he has run strange place.

"You are with friends, dear; we will be very kind to you." She seemed not hear or not to undering will be done, nothing will be known stand, but kept her eyes fixed on Helen's with the same look of wonder, until sud-denly a beaming smile shone over her face—a smile of recognition and pleasure

nd with a faint, glad voice she said: "Oh, my beautiful lady! my star lady!" and then the light died away, and she lost consciousness again.

Dr. Larned, coming back to the room, found Miss Le Roy still at her post. "She has spoken. She was conscious for a moment, and she looked at me as

you want to do ?"

Then she had left him, and seeking She was brave. She tried to let no one see that she suffered; but it was a though she knew me, and was glad to

see me. Oh, Dr. Larned, let metatay here and take of this poor little girl. If d some work here. can fin

And so their strange unknown little friend died, holding their hands in hers; but her prayer lived after her, and was answered, for these two have been blessed carried the child toward the house. Her with perfect love and faith, in sweet companionship.

## Two Hundred and Fifty Years Ago.

We are so in the habit of modestly conidering ourselves the youngest of peoples, says an exchange, that we continu-ally forget it is a fault which we are every day outgrowing. We have some towns which could claim anywhere the honors due to respectable maturity, and one of these, Weymouth, in Massachusetts, recently celebrated the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of its settlement. Col. Charles Francis Adams, Jr., made an admirable address on the occasion, giving an interesting history of the place. In his introduction he referred to the town's cotemporaries, placing it in wor-shipful company. "When the first Euro-pean," he said, "made his home in old Spain—when the earliest rude hut was framed on yonder north shore of Phillips' Creek-the modern world in which we live was just assuming shape. Few now realize how little of that which makes up the vast accumulated store of human possessions which we have inherited from our fathers—which to us is as the air we breathe—had then exist-once. The Reformation was then young

-Luther and Calvin and Erasmus were men of yesterday; the life-and-death struggle with Catholicism still tortured Eastern Europe. The thirty years' war in Germany was just commenced, and the youthful Gustavus Adolphus had yet to win his spurs. The blood of Saint Bartholomew was but half a century old, and the murder of Henry IV. was as near to the men of 1622 as is that of Abraham Lincoln to us. The great Cardinal-Duke was then organizing modern France; Charles I. had not yet ascended the English throne; Hamden was a young country gentleman and Cromwell an un-protending English squire. While men still believed that the sun moved round the earth, Galileo and Kepler were gradually ascertaining those laws which guide the planets in their paths; Bacon was meditating his philosophy; Don Quixote was a newly-published work with a local reputation; and Milton, not yet a Cambridge pensioner, was making his first essays at verse. Shakspeare had died but six years before, and indeed the first edition of his plays did not appear until the very year in which Wey-mouth was settled."

## Trapping Grasshoppers in Algeria.

Gen. Chauzy, this past season, issued a circular to the generals of divisions and prefects in Algeria, directing them, in remains to be seen. dealing with these public pests, to adopt the method which has been successfully I just have to haugh when I see the folks in the streets scared to death of a little mud. I declare I'm glad I ain't fashionable, so's I don't have to wear a train. One time Jinny and me put on useful in some way!" she said, with a grasshoppers' eggs, and also attacking sudden frankness that surprised herself. It seems that And perhaps you can tell me-perhaps before becoming full-blown grasshoprs, the anter She had risen, and stood before him they are hatched, begin to march, and and about the end of October, completing with the undried tears still upon her cheeks. All good impulses seemed within her and abcauche, begin to inarch, and its winter house, ceases feeding for the year. A remarkable phenomenon then its winter house, ceases feeding for the more than 1-33d of an inch in length. In length, in length, its winter house, ceases feeding for the more than 1-33d of an inch in length. aroused within her, and her face glowed seven with a living light of charity and hope. swerve from the line of route once organs. The stomach, no longer supplied "There is work, plenty of work, among those poor little children; but are you sure—forgive me; but is this adopted. The people of Cyprus take a band of So Helen had found something to do. Every day she was at the hospital, caring fixed in the ground, the upper part befor the children, soothing those who sufing waxed or bordered with oil silk to a fered with her gentle touch and words, width of about ten centimetres, and the amusing the tired ones with little stories earth so heaped up under it as to leave and songs, ministering wherever she passed with cheerful looks and kindly no crevice between the silk and the ground. A second band is then set up, nfluence. The children all learned to o as to form a sort of gallery of gradlove her and to watch eagerly for her ually diminishing width, being at the mouth somewhat wider than the column As for Audrew-Larned, he always half As for Andrew-Larned, he around the other end, where is a trend in expected her, and yet it was a never-ending sweet surprise to see at the end metres long, one and a half wide, and one deep. This forms the trap or "sysof crickets, but only five metres wide at ' several of which, 100 metres long, singing quaint old songs for the listening children; and he would stand a mocan be placed end to end and transportment silent in the doorway, waiting till the verse was ended and she lifted her ed to any point threatened by the in-All that has to be done is to vadora. wait till the column of crickets has reach- gestation is about seven months, and the Down stairs in the darkened room lay ed the trench. Then it is covered in newly bor with earth, and nothing more is seen of puppies." the little girl that Helen had carried in her arms. She had never been quite the crickets.

Kalakana's Kingdom.

Advocate.

Wasted Eloquence.

The Baltimore Bulletin has the follow-

prosecuting witness, and all were

"Some years ago a young lawyer

The Sandwich Islands, otherwise called the Kingdom of Hawaii from the princi- ing : pal member of the group, ought to repair memoer of the group, ought to re-ceive a little popular attention at this time when its ruler is the guest of the United States, the Boston *Journal* says, especially if it is true, as suspected, that our government will be called upon to ratify a closer connection with those far off isles as the upshot of the present royal visit. The islands are twelve in number, comprising in all a little over 6,000 crime being very complete. The lawyer square miles—about the size of Connecticut and Rhode Island. Two-thirds once and be done with it—Mr. John L. of this area belongs to the island of Thomas, called on his incarcerated client Hawaii, although Oahu is better known and had a talk with him. 'Did you steal generally from its containing Honolulu. the capital city, which has about 16,000 inhabitants. The population of the whole group in 1872 was 56,897—about the same as that of our county of Plymouth. It will be seen, therefore, by the isless the provided at the that the islands are very sparsely inhabi-ted, which is necessarily the case, owing to their broken, volcanic surface. Mounto their broken, volcanic surface. Mount tains rise to the height of 14,000 feet above the sea level, and the soil is mainly composed of disintegrated lava and basalt. To return to the population, it appears by the last census of the inhabitants that there were 49,044 persons of the pure native race, 2,485 of mixed origin, 1,938 Chinese, 880 Americans, 619 English, and the remainder hailed from other European countries. The twentieth degree of north latitude

oner's fate depended (while waiting for the court to reach the case), got to drink-ing Townsontown whisky. At any rate, runs through the group, so that they are in the same latitude as Cuba, while the when the witness got on the stand and Mr. Thomas got at him he was so mixed climate is said to be even more favorable that it was only out of Christian charity for the growth of sugar cane, cotton, and other products of a tropical character. that Mr. Thomas was induced to refrain There are good harbors, which would affrom making him prove that he had ford convenient coaling stations for our steam commerce with China and Japan. Last year the islands took from us goods stolen his own watch himself. The cul-prit was discharged from custody, and he handed Mr. Thomas the watch and an \$100 besides. The emotions of the late prisoner and his friends found vent at to the value of \$1,000,000, and the year before they sent us \$2,128,000 worth. Their export of sugar is about 12,000 the Smedley House in the appropriate tons, and, it is said, might be easily apartment, and Mr. Thomas, feeling to a doubled. Their other exports are coffee, certain extent responsible for their safe return to Baltimore, hired an omnibus rice, tallow, hides, beef, mutton and ship and all drove into town in a condition of supplies. The government is that of a constitutional monarchy, the people having a voice in the choice of their great happiness. Mr. Thomas went home quite pleased with the day's work. ! Well, John,' said one of his family, 'made a big fee to-day, didn't you?' 'Oh, yes,' replied Mr. Thomas, smiling sovereign. The present king was chosen last February. He has a regular cabinet, all of whose members are American or English, and a council of sixteen members, one-half of whom are natives. A shadow of doubt overspread his coun A shadow of doubt overspread his countenance; it deepened into positive alarm. The revenues in 1872 were \$964,956, tenance; it deepened into positive alarm, There are hundreds of schools, in which and then with a look of blank dismay and disgust he sank into a chair. While coming in the 'bus his rascally client had knowledge is taught both in the native the English tongues; numerous printing presses at work, and a half relieved him of both watch and fee. Several years afterwards, when Mr. dozen newspapers, some in Hawaiian and some in the English languages. On Thomas had made a name in the profes the whole, it is a fair little kingdom for the Hawaiians and other residents— whether we want it annexed to the Union cases in the criminal court the very fel-

### The Bear in Winter.

and he plead guilty on the spot, and got ten years across the Falls. But you A writer in the Popular Science should hear Mr. Thomas tell this story Monthly says : "One of the most curi- himself." ous characteristics of the bear is its habit hibernating through the winter. or the aut The Phylloxera is a very minute in-Its most striking feature is its proboscis, lays, during which they never takes place in the animal's digestive which lies in a sort of groove on the with food, contracts into a very small under side of the insect, and with which space. A mechanical obstruction called it pierces the roots on which it feeds. The people of Cyprus take a band of silk from sixty five to seventy centi-metres high and 100 metres long, and this they tie vertically to poles firmly this they tie vertically to poles firmly ward passage of any matter. The bear continues in its den until the middle of it ; it resembles a brown thread bending April, in a dull, lethargic condition. If round and inserting itself in the tissue discovered and killed at any time in this The base of the proboscis is a sort of flat period, it is found to be as fat as at the beginning. It is said, however, that if it brown parts which prolong themselves ginning. It is said, however, that if it loses the 'tappen' before the end of its hibernation, it immediately becomes ex-tremely thin. During the hibernation boscis to its food. The length of the tremely thin. During the hibernation the bear gains a new skin upon the balls sucker is equal to about half that of the body of the phylloxera, which does not of its feet, and during the same time also bury more than half of it in the bark of the female bear brings forth her young. the roots. By this sucker the insect fixes itself to the spot which it has from two to four in number. The latter act occurs generally from the middle of January to the middle of February. The chosen, so that it can be made to turn pairing season occurs in the summer, upon it as on a pivot. In color the phylloxera, during the summer at least, is yellow, but in the late autumn it turns to from June to September. The period of a copper-brown tint, which lasts through newly born cubs are scarcely larger than the winter. The active life of the phyl

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FOR A LITTLE WHILE.

A.Spurious King Makes Lots of Fun for the Money Changers.

of Baltimore, struggling for recognition As the members of the New York Stock Exchange were pleasantly occu-pying the time while awaiting the arrival of King Kalakana by knocking off each other's hats, a commotion was observed at the door and a tall, robust colored man was carried in, borne rapidly to the front of the rostrum and placed standing the evidence connecting him with the upon the table. Everybody cheered lustily, and a report began to circulate that the monarch of the Sandwich Islands was present. He had a new and glossy silk hat on his head and a tin trumpet under his arm. With perfect composure he put the instrument to his the watch?' 'Well, no, not exactly. mouth and blew a blast such as has never before been heard in that or prob ably any other stock exchange.

As soon as Vice-President Mitchell, who occupied the rostrum, recovered from his astonishment he ordered the already.' Mr. Thomas looked at the watch and found it a splendid piece, bogus king out, but the more earnestly he insisted upon his retirement the more vigorously did the bogus sovereign sound his trumpet. He had taken off his hat and placed it at his feet and ap-peared to be absorbed in a sort of musifirst step was to change the venue to the county. The case came up in due sea-son, and the prisoner, the counsel, the The case came up in due seacal ecstacy, from which he was rudely awakened by half a dozen brokers throwhand. Somehow or other the chief ing their arms around him and bearing prosecuting witness, upon whose evi-dence as the loser of the watch the prishim to the door. Other brokers, not yet tired of the fun, resisted this attempt and tried to replace him on the rostrum. The rapping of the vice-president's mallet was not heard amid the tumult. When the sable visitor was finally shot into the street, his new silk hat had been flattened to the thickness of a pancake, The total cost of the entertainment was \$13.25; namely, \$8 for the hat, \$0.25 for the trumpet, and \$5 to the colored representative of royalty, who refused to take the risk for a single cent less. It is not known whether Mr. Walter Neilson paid the whole sum or only a portion

Hardly had the members regained their composure when from the Wall street entrance a party of brokers were seen advancing toward the rostrum. In their company was an Italian family consisting of an organ grinder, his wife and a baby. The itinerant musician carried his instrument with him, and walked forward, occasionally shrugging his shoulders in mild protest against the manner in which he had been torn away from his avocation at the corner of a neighboring street. His wife was less composed, and lamented with tears and wailings the de-plorable fate which she evidently believed was in store for her husband. When the party arrived in front of the rostrum, the Italian unslung his organ and calmly ground out an operatic air. He was re-warded with something more substantial than applause, and his amazed wife dried her tears, placed the baby upon the floor, and going down upon her knees, gathered up the currency that was liber-But you ally showered upon her by the exhilarated brokers.

### The Sultan and Satan.

The Destroyer of the Vines.

low that had served him such a trick.

The man saw him, his countenance fell,

sent her to Euro She was gone three months with her aunt and two cousins. When she was again in her own home,

she said, "I suppose you wanted to find what they call distraction for me, and I was nearly distracted "-trying to smile "It's of no use, papa. The words of that dreadful old song are always singing what themselves in my ears to this stupid old

" ' From sport to sport they hurry me To banish my regret. And when they win a smile from me They think that I forget. "

And she began to sing it, but she broke down, and cried instead. Then coming.

"You want something to do. dear? Well, suppose you take riding lessons; that will be good exercise, I'm sure.

Miss Hetty Malcolm was one of the best women in the world. She went doing good everywhere. She had known Helen's mother, and she loved Helen, eyes to his with a smile. and knew all about the trouble that had come to her, and she partly guessed too, at the unrest and longing that the girl felt.

conscious since that first night when she "Helen," said she, "I wish that you spoke. Sometimes she had been wild with loved little children-that you liked to ever and delirium, and then Helen alone be with them and to amuse them."

had been able to quiet her. No one 'I don't, Miss Hetty, They bother else seemed to have any power.

It was in the afternoon. Without, the sun was sparkling on the new-fallen " Have I ever told you about the hos pital that my nephew has under his snow, and the street was gay with sleighare? There are sometimes fifty little cells and cheerful voices and bright children. There is a great deal of suffercolors; but in the sick child's room all ing and pain among them, but they are was silent and dim, and Helen, who was patient and sweet, it does me good to watching, could only discern that pale face worn with fever. She was lying so be near them. And then they are so well and tenderly cared for ! Will you go there with me, Helen ?" still that a strange anxiety came to the watcher, and when Dr. Larned just stop-" Oh, Miss Hetty, I cannot : I don't want to do that. But," she added, "I ped a moment on his way up stairs she was glad to see him. He bent over the

child, and then gazed more closely. "She has not moved for an hour. When she was gone, Helen sighed was growing anxious when you came in. " Ah, how happy and busy Miss Hetty How is she ?'

Dr. Larned came beside her where she was standing. "Miss Helen," he said, very softly, hate my life, it is so useless and tire-

she is dying.' The quick tears came to Helen's eves.

She loved this poor child as we love any being on whom we expend care and sympathy; and there was another feeling, lmost of gratitude, that made Helen That would be an advantage. stoop down and kiss her forehead. "But for her I should never have

come here among the children," she said, simply. She had taken her way through some Then there was heard a faint voice,

like the voice of a spirit, saying : "Is my star lady here ?" Helen, wondering, but remembering the strange words that she had spoken

efore, answered, "Yes, I am here.

"Open the window. I want once to see you, near. Oh, I wish, I wish-" Then, as the mellow sunlight came into the room, she saw Dr. Larned, and suddenly she seemed to gather all her energies, and cried aloud, with a clear, ring-ing tone, "It's him! it's him! oh, glory !" Her voice grew weak, but she went on. "I know you, too. You are that good man. I ain't never spent the silver you give me ; it's here round my neck ; it's for you again." Her voice was failing. "I can't see ; gi' me your hands. I guess I'm a-dying ; and when I get up there, there ain't only one thing ask-bless him and my star lady, that's come together at last ! Amen.'

## About the Baby.

A baby is a very tender thing, people say ; but most of them are very far from knowing how tender. Imagine how nervous you are in certain states-when recovering from illness, say ; when the fall quiver and feel faint, as if some one gave ou a blow. That is the way a young baby feels at its best. A putf of wind will set it gasping, its little breath blown quite away. A noise makes it shiver, a hange of summer air makes it turn so that no person but himself could open death-cold. A baby is the most nervous of beings, and the tortures it suffers in going to sleep and being awakened by careless sounds when just "dropping off" are only comparable to the same ex-perience of an older person during an acute nervous headache. Young babies ought to pass the first months of their lives in the country, for its stillness no less than its fresh air. But where silence is not to be commanded, baby may be soothed by folding a soft napkin, wet in warm water, lightly over the top of its head, its eyes and cars. It is the best way to put nervous babies to sleep.  $\Lambda$ dismissed the suit. ine towel would be wet and laid over its head, the ends twisted a little till it made

a sort of skull-cap, and though baby sometimes fought against being blind folded in this way, five minutes usually sent him off into deep and blissful slumber.

## A Hard Place to Ride.

A man was found on a wheel truck of passenger car at Reading, Pa., the other day, who said he had come all way from California, and had traveled in that manner altogether. Such business as that is terrible to contemplate. To be doubled up under a passenger car and exposed to the cold air and the dust. while being whirled along at the rate of thirty miles an hour, to say nothing of the noise and danger, is something romantically fearful.

well authenticated case of death from the sting of a hornet recently oc-curred in England. A woman who was stung by one in the neck fainted imme-diately and expired in a few minutes.

## A Kansas Law-Point. At White Cloud last week they had a

case the decision of which beats the celebrated judgments of Solomon. A person owing another money gave him a bill of sale of his safe. The time expired, the debt was not paid and the person holding the bill of sale took possession asked and received permission to unlock the safe and take them out. In relocking the safe he changed the combination it, and upon demand refused to divulce the secret. On complaint of the owner of the safe this person was arrested on a criminal charge. Both parties engaged lawyers and the trial commenced. The attorneys for the defendant set up the plea that the combination of the lock was in the mind of the defendant and nowhere else and that the sole question was whether a man's mind was subject to a mortgage or bill of sale. Strange to say, the attorney for the prosecution admitted that this was the

Farmers' Boots and Shoes.

A farmer who has been accustomed to Science of Hcalth, many a robust-look-ing child of two or three years, partake of a hearty supper of griddle-cakes soakwear thick boots for more than forty years past says that, before wearing the ed in butter and molasses, with salted of tallow or coal-tar, and dry it in; then oil the uppers with castor oil, about one accompaniments of pickles, old cheese, tablespoonful to each boot; then oil them or dried beef, retire to bed an hour later, twice a week with castor oil, when one and die of convulsions before morning. But this is not the place to write a le weather should be rainy, or you are com-pelled to work in water during the day, Tepid enemas, repeated until the bowel Tepid enemas, repeated until the bowels

are freely moved, the warm bath, fomentations, and sips of celd water, are the remedies. Children who are predisposed to con vulsive disease are more liable to have them developed during the period of dentition; but it is only necessary to before oiling. The effect of castor oil is to soften the leather, while it fills the pores and prevents the water from enter-Convulsive paroxy keep the bowels open to obviate all se-

Convulsive paroxysms often precede I have stood in mud and water ten the eruptive stage of exanthems-smallhours a day for a week without feeling pox, scarlatina, measles, and erysipelas. any dampness or having any difficulty in getting my boots on or off. In these cases they are not alarming, and need no special treatment.

There is an Eastern story of a Sultan came and waked him, and told him to get up and pray. "Who are you?" said the Sultan. "Oh, no matter," re-plied the other; "my act is good, is it not? No matter who does the good action, so long as it is good." "Yes." replied the Sultan, " but I think you are Satan. I know your face ; you have some bad motive." "But," says the other, "I am not so bad as I am painted. You see I have left off my horns and tail. I am a pretty good fellow after all. I was an angel once, and still keep some of my original goodness," "That's all very well," replied the sagacious and prudent Caliph ; " but you are the temper ; that's your business ; and I wish to know why you want me to get up and pray." "Well," said the devil, with a flirt of impatience, "if you must know I will tell you. If you had slept and forgotten your prayers, you would have been sorry for it afterward, and peni-tent; but if you go on, as now, and do not neglect a single prayer for ten years, you will be so satisfied with yourself that it will be worse for you than if you had loxera lasts from the beginning of April till the latter half of October. The inmissed one sometimes and repented of it. God loves your fault mixed with penitence, more than your virtue sea-soned with pride." sect hibernates through the other months, though previous to the commencement of hibernation the females

## Was Not Poisoned.

Dr. Corlieu, a French physician, has which, as we have said, turn to a copperjust come to the conclusion that the eldest son of Francis I. died of acute pneumonia, brought on by drinking cold water when he was hot. And yet more phylloxeras do not increase much in than three hundred years ago the unfortunate cup-bearer of the Dauphin was first put to the torture and then drawn and quartered for having poisoned the prince. The Dauphin had been playing at tennis at Lyons, and being very hot, told Sebastian Montecuccoli to hand him a bowl of water, which he drank off. As he at once sickened and died the cupbearer was supposed, at the instigation of Charles V., to have administered poison. He was tortured, and of course confessed anything required of him, naming two of the Emperor's generals as having been his accomplices. From a report of a committee of physicians who examined the body, Dr. Corlieu says that the Dauphin perished through his own imprudence, and has thus removed a weight of ignominy from the memory of Sebastian Montecuccoli, who is en tirely vindicated.

> BUSINESS PROSPECTS .- The tide is turning. We have passed the point of dead low water and business is reviving. The Boston Post says, for instance, that within the last month a very noticeable change in manufacturing business has taken place-that the classes of factories now are those which are running on full time, and those which are increasing from one-half or two-thirds to their ful production; and that no better gauge of the manufacturing interests of New England could be found than this,

At a recent meeting of English agricultural laborers at which the famous scholar, Prof. Newman, was to speak, the farmers and landed proprietors suc-ceeded in shutting every hall, and when the meeting was called in the market were, by the connivance of the place church wardens and town authorities, allowed to ring the bells throughout the speaking.

give the bottoms a good coating boots. tenspoonful will be sufficient. If the wash your boots clean at night, hold them by the fire until quite warm, and oil them while wet, and you will have no trouble about your boots getting hard and shrinking up so that you cannot get them on. If the leather should become red give a coat of ordinary shoe blacking

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decisive point, and the justice of course

of a book or the slam of a door makes you of the safe and removed it to quarters their light yellow tint in the spring. The provided for the purpose. The former owner's books were in the safe, and he

numbers during the months of April and May, but an extensive reproduction of the insect is clearly marked in June and July, while it assumes prodigious pro-portions in August and September, in latter months often covering the root-shoots in a continuous mass, so as to make them appear completely yellow with their bodies.

## Convulsions in Children,

who have laid eggs during the past sca-

son die off, leaving only young insects

brown color at this period, renewing

The lists of deaths of this disease are fearful, with a prospect of becoming more fearful, as the causes multiply Constipation of the bowels is the univer sal, immediate, or exciting cause, while the fresh fermented bread, fried meats, or cakes, sweetmeats, confections, indigestible pastry, and abominable com-pounds of butter, lard, eggs, sugar, and starch, called puddings, are the predisposing causes. I have known, says the