## The Family Circle.

Little Maggie's Grave.

BY M. E. M. AFAR away on a hillside. A little grave is made; Where, once in a drear November, A precious form was laid. Cold and stern is the casket, That keeps in its icy grasp, The sweet spring flower that faded, And dropped from our clinging clasp.

The tones of old songs may perish, And their echoes ring no more Through the pictured halls of memory, On the heart's mosaic floor. But the songs that our darling warbled, And the lisping words she said, And the sound of her tiny footsteps Keep coming back from the dead.

Oft as her rippling laughter Rang sweet through hall and stair; Oft as her voice at evening, Spoke reverent words of prayer; Oft as we marked the beauty That grew in her little face. We thanked the God who gave her, To brighten our dwelling place.

But we never thought of the angels, With wings of silver spread; Who shadowed such gleams of beauty Upon her little head Oh! Shepherd above, thy pastures, Are fairer far than ours; But we shrink when Thou takest our lambkin To dwell amid fadeless flowers.

For it makes the fold so lonely. And the hearth so dark and dim; And mourning o'er our darling, We can raise no grateful hymn-For the silence that groweth daily, And the rift in the heart unheal'd; And the golden dreams that are broken, And the wells of grief unseal'd.

But bye-and-bye, we can thank Thee, Who ever knowest best: That our little ones were taken Up to thy shelt'ring breast. The rest shall taste earth's Marah And faint beside the way; And see the beauties of childhood. Drift one by one away.

But she-no years shall write their Deep wrinkles on her brow, No rolling Time shall rob her Of spring's first bloom and glow We cannot dream of her changing, In the Father's house above: For to us she is never a maiden. But the precious child of our love.

Always a child! And at even, When the winter winds are wild; When the curtains are drawn the closer We seem to see our child. Then scatter thy crimson leaflets Oh! Autumn, where she lies; She lives in undying spring-time, Our treasure, in the skies.

-Banner of the Covenant.

### 'ASK THE BEST THINGS FIRST

"Our Father, which art in heaven; hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

What a terrible thing it would be if some one would come and carry you away from your father and mother, and starve you, and your father and mother, and starve you, and states, is only a part of the great rebellion scold you, and beat you all day long, and of all wicked men against God. He will prevent you from sending any letter or mes- have his children remember that we are living sage to them. A poor sick lady was once in a rebel world; and that our brothers and sent to a hospital for the insane, where she sisters, and friends and neighbors are all was very badly treated, and not allowed to being abused, and robbed, and murdered by write to any of her friends. When they sin. If every one would do the will of God, made inquiry after her, the keepers of the and hallow His name, and if God's kingdom hospital said she was mad, and told her were once again set up in this world, there friends not to listen to her. So one day, would be no sin, nor sickness, nor drunkenhaving no friend on earth to go to, she wrote a letter to The Good God, and tied it under the wing of a little canary bird, and opening the window, let the little bird fly away. The little bird flew away to the public square and little children would be cold or hungry, and alighted on a tree. A lady saw him and saw the little letter, and employed some persons to catch him. Then she read the letter God, and God would bless everybody. and took pity on the poor sick lady, and found her friends, and they came and took Kingdom of God, but God can, and, thereher away from the power of the cruel people fore, we ask him to do it. And because the who beat her. When we pray to our Father in heaven, we are sending a little letter to The Good God, for help to his poor banished children all over the world.

What should we ask God first of all to do? In the South there are a great many chil-dren who have been sold away from their be subjected to his good government, and fathers and mothers, who are beaten and abused if they cry when they think of them, and who would be terribly flogged if they tried to get home again. These children are called slaves, and this subjection to abuse is slavery. These children have been told, and have whispered it one to another, that the army of the United States is fighting first the kingdom of God and his righteousagainst their masters, to destroy slavery. ness, and all other things shall be added Some of them did not believe it; but when unto you. the army landed at Port Royal and set a \_\_Banner of the Covenant. great many of them free, they were overjoyed. Now do you think that one of these boys should be contented to be free himself, and to get food and clothes, while his little brothers and sisters were still in slavery? If one of these boys could get to speak with the poor girls can do," for we have many re-President, do you think he ought to ask for a markable examples of girls born in humble dime to buy candy, the very first thing? life, who have risen to stations of great Of should he ask the President to send more honor and usefulness. But as we happen soldiers and better Generals, and conquer now to have a particular case in mind. we the rebel slaveholders, and let the loyal have made our title read accordingly. black people go free? A ship was once badly wrecked in a great storm—the water know who have been there, is very rough, casks were broken, and the bread was soaked rocky and mountainous. After one crosses with salt water. The sailors could not get the Connecticut river, going westward, he her to the shore, and the sun shone down so soon comes to the beginning of the Berkshire hot that one after another fainted away with hills. This is not one single line of hills, thirst; for they had nothing to drink but but a great spreading region of hills, twenty salt water. At length, after many days, another vessel came in sight and drew near, trict of country are mostly small in populaand sent a boatfull of sailors to look at the tion, and the people live scattered. The wrecked ship. They saw something like a roads are steep and hard. The pasture dog, with clothes on it, doubled up in a cor- lands are good, but the fields are full of ner, and on examining it found it was a man, rocks, and it is difficult to cultivate them. who was still breathing. He was so weak | A little more than fifty years ago, in one

stealing horses and cattle, burning houses, and shooting men and women. Mr. Barry told us three weeks ago, that near Bush creek, in Missouri, he went with soldiers one night, to a place in the woods where shots had been fired. They came to a little clearing in the woods, and saw a small log house, with the door wide open. The moon was shining in, and they saw a man lying dead on the floor, a woman in her night-dress sitting beside him, crying, and the little frightened children trying to hide in a corner. They asked the woman what was the matter. She told them that a number of armed men came to the house and asked her husband to enlist with them. They were rebels. He said he had no horse, and they were on horseback. They promised to give him one. He said he could not leave his wife and children; as they had nothing to eat, and no wood, unless he staid to work for them. They said they would provide for his family. He then said he did not like to fight. They left him then; but nine of them came back at night, and called him to the door, and those nine men shot him in his own doorway. Then they told his wife to take him in now; they had no further use for him. Dr. Guthrie, of Sparta, told us, that one day a man from near Cape Girardeau came into that place with a wagon, containing the body of a little baby, which these secessionists had killed. They came to his house one morning after he had gone out, and asked his wife where he was. She did not know, and told them so. They told her they would kill her little baby, lying in the cradle, unless she told them. But the poor woman could not tell. Then they took the little baby and tied a cord round its neck, and hung it up till it was nearly dead; and let it down again, and asked her would she tell now. When she would not, they took up the little baby again, and hanged it dead. When the people saw the little baby with the mark of the cord around its neck they became angry, and enlisted for soldiers, to help the President to put down the rebellion, and kill these wicked men. They left their warm houses and beds, to live in tents, and sleep on the cold ground, and keep guard out of doors all the stormy night, and to march all the long day, and to stand up to be shot at by the enemy, and to fight the secessionists, and many of them to be wounded and killed. Your uncles, and cousins, and brothers, and some of your Sabbath school teachers, and your pioneer pastor, are among them, and bearing these hardships. When I went down to Camp Douglas, with a gentleman who was going to Washington to see the President and Secretary of war in a few days, and had seen their poor cold barracks, and coarse fare, he asked them if they had any message to the President or Secretary of war. Now what do you think those brave men asked for? Did they ask for more blankets to keep them warm? Or for better barracks? Or for more money? No! They said, tell him all we want is good mus-They were not thinking of themselves at all, but of their country and of the murders the rebels were committing; and they would suffer any thing themselves, rather than have peaceful men shot in their own houses, and little babies taken out of their cradles, and hanged before their mothers' faces. Now do you think it is right for these brave men to

This, then, is what God desires every one of us to do when we pray to him. The whole world is up in rebellion against him, and this rebellion in Missouri against the United ness. People would not fight and kill one another, nor sell whisky, nor steal. We would have no need for jails to put prisoners in, nor for police to catch them. No poor nobody would abuse his little boy or girl any

You and I cannot ourselves bring in this welfare of all mankind is so much more important than yours and mine, and because God's glory is so much greater, and his plans so much wiser than yours or mine; he teaches us, before we begin to ask anything at all for the Great Rebellion may be put down, and God's will be done, and his name worshipped everywhere. That is the reason why Christ has taught us before we ask God to give us our daily bread, or to forgive us our sins, to pray, Thy kingdom come.' We should ask the best things first. He says, 'seek ye

### WHAT POOR BOYS CAN DO.

And we might as well say, too, "What

with hunger and thirst that he could not eat of the towns on the eastern side of this a little bit of salt beef he had in his hands. rocky region, a Mr. M-was keeping a He could not speak nor move. He was so little academy. As he came to his schoollight that a boy lifted him over the ship-like room early one winter morning, he found a a little bundle. When they got him on board, they put some cordial in his mouth with a spoon, and he revived a little. What do you think were the first words he said? Did the was, and why he should be there, he betaink were the first words he was, and why he should be there, he betaink were the first words he was, and why he should be there, he betaink were the first words he was, and why he should be there, he betains to provide the was a state of the was a state poor, thirsty, perishing soul ask for water or that he had come over that morning, on foot, for food? No! The very first words he from a neighboring town, several miles away spoke were, There is another man! And so among the hills, that he wanted very much there was and they went back, and found to get an education, that he had heard of ble! He could not think of himself while there might not be some way by which he

year. Bad men are going round the country | he had no friends to assist him, but he wanted | to get an education, and he thought there must be some way by which it could be done, The teacher found that he meant by an "education," not simply going to school for a few months, but a thorough collegiate and theo-

> rate he wanted very much to try. boy was right. He had made great progress in his studies. He had shown that unflinching will and courage, before which difficulties give way, He had fairly started; and there was no thought in him of going back.

But we must not stop to follow him through all the steps of the long and difficult journey upon which he had set out. He went through as he thought he should, though he did not know at first how. We have told from what region of country he came, and how he set out; and now we will skip over several years, and look at him after his education is com-

He was a distinguished scholar, and after he finished his course of public studies, he was appointed Professor in one of our New England colleges, and went to Europe on some service connected with the college. He was in Paris, soon to return to this country, when the Foreign Missionary Society wanted him to go as missionary to Palestine. and had obtained the consent of the college, provided he himself were willing to go. Word was sent to Paris, what had been done and after considering the matter carefully, and with prayer, he decided to go on this mission. He did not return to this country. but went directly on his way to Palestine, and now for about forty years, he has been a faithful and laborious missionary in that quarter of the world, distinguished for his earning and usefulness.

This lad, who found his way out from the

the poor boy who reads this resolve, that, war American cruisers captured more than forget themselves and their own hardships with the help of God, he will be something. 50 British armed vessels and 250 morehant for the sake of their country? which shall make those around him, and prisoners, and a vast smount of booty. those who come after him, bless him for what

# Miscellaneous.

brated auctioneer, who has been all over the flaw. The Achilles is to be covered with Western territories, the Pacific States and 51 inch rolled iron plates, but the governthe Sandwich Islands, and who probably ment is not yet satisfied that rolled iron is knows as much about the peculiarities of wild superior to hammered plates, hence no conanimals as any man in the West, stakes his tract has been made for the plates of the reputation upon the prediction that we are to other three new war frigates that are to be have a mild winter, with prevailing winds built for the British navy. from the south for the next six months. He bases his knowledge upon the doings of the muskrats, beavers and other animals last fall. He also says that it has been reduced to a certainty by scientific and ordinary observations, that whatever winds prevailed when the equinoctial line is passed, they will prevail throughout the winter. Last fall it was southern winds, and therefore he is certain they will be the prevailing winds during the winter. The question herein raised will

### HUNGARY IMPROVING.

be fully settled by the first of March next.

This country has recently entered upon a great career of progress. The various Liverpool, of American cotton, 253,610 bales; landed proprietors have established a system Surat, 310,370; Brazil, 27,920; West Inof cultivation by paid laborers, in lieu of the dies, 12,500; other descriptions, 2,410. Last feudal system they abolished in 1848; and a | year, at the same time, there were in Livergreat network of railroads and river naviga- pool 450,390 bales of American cotton and tion is about to come into operation. In this year (1862) three lines of cheap conveyance, intersecting Hungary and ending in Trieste, will be opened. These routes include about 2100 miles of steam navigation, fed by about year, there will be sufficient to keep the Eng-350 miles of rivers or canals, traversed by common barges or boats; and 1400 miles of railways, not including the Vienna and Trieste ines. To load the railway trucks and steamboats, Hungary has 25,000,000 acres of and woolen fabrics is very useful. Carboarable land, nearly 4,000,000 acres of mea. nate of magnesia, saturated with benzole, dows, 1,000,000 acres of vineyards, besides and spread upon a grease spot to about oneforest, moor and mountain land; in all, up- third of an inch in thickness, answers well wards of 60,000,000 acres of land, more or for this purpose. A sheet of porous paper less agricultural in its character. The soil should be spread upon the benzonated magis fertile, the climate favorable to corn crops, the landlords intelligent, and well acquainted with labor-saving machinery. Nothing but passes through and softens the grease, which peace and liberty are needed to make it the granary of Europe, as well as a rich source of revenue to Austria, if her Emperor will of one hour, and the magnesia dust brushed consent to free institutions.

GENTLENESS OF ADDRESS.—It is a very great and fatal mistake in persons who attempt to convince or reconcile others to their understanding, which otherwise will be thrust as sources of supply of this article. off at a distance. If you charge a man with THE Mount Cenis Tunnel is now being nonsense and absurdities, with heresy and bored at the rate of about seven feet per day; self-contradiction, you take a very wrong the work being confined to the south end.

### WARNING TO THE INTEMPERATE.

CHARLES LAMB tells his sad experience as warning to young men, in the following

"The waters have gone over me. But logical course. He wanted to be a minister. out of the black depths, could I be heard, Mr. M—— set before him the difficulties of I would cry out to all those who have the undertaking, the expense of going set a foot in the perilous flood. Could through three long years of study. The boy the youth, to whom the flavor of the first had thought of all that; but other boys, wine is delicious as the opening seasons of starting from poverty, had found their way life, or the entering upon some newly discothrough, and he thought he might. At any vered paradise, look into my desolation, and be made to understand what a dreary thing The teacher found by all this conversation, it is when he shall feel himself going down a that though the lad did not know exactly precipice, with open eyes and a passive will, how it was to be done, yet there was in him to his destruction, and have no power to stop fixed idea that it might be done in some it, and yet feel it all the way emanating from way. His purpose was strong, and his will himself; to see all godliness emptied out of decided to make the attempt. Not daring him, and yet not able to forget a time when any longer to discourage a lad who was so it was otherwise; to bear about the piteous resolute, he assisted him in finding a place spectacle of his own ruin; could he see my where he could work for his board and purfevered eye, feverish with the last night's drinking, and feverishly looking for tonight's repetition of the folly; could he but
feel the body of the death out of which I cry
hourly with feebler outcry to be delivered, it
were enough to make him dash the sparkling
beverage to the earth, in all the pride of its
mantling temptation."

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Wheateraft. sue his studies. When the school closed in drinking, and feverishly looking for tothe spring, the teacher was satisfied that the | night's repetition of the folly; could he but |

### Scientific.

A NEW BOMBSHELL.—The Buffalo Courier gives an account of a newly-invented bombshell or rocket which was tried in that city a few days ago with successful results. This journals says:

"The rocket consisted of a cylindrical can, one chamber of which contained about a pint of fluid, and the other some three ounces of powder. Upon being fired it exploded and scattered the fiery fluid in all directions. The flames might be estimated at fifty or sixty feet in circumference. The fluid used burned seven minutes, notwithstanding the application of water. Although the experiment tried was on a small scale, we see no reason why ten or twenty gallons of fluid, fired by the same means, might not work terrible destruction to the ships or fortifications of an enemy. We understand that another trial, with a much larger bomb, will be made in a short time."

NAVAL WARS WITH ENGLAND .- At the commencement of the struggle of the United Colonies with Great Britain the former had rough hills of his native town, and from the no ships, but 42 were fitted out during the poverty to which he was born, has a name in war, and, according to the best authorities, the world now of great dignity and honor— the American privateers roamed the seas in which come from a life of self-denial and every direction, and captured during the war Christian usefulness. For several years past 803 British vessels, with merchandise valued he has been at Athens, in Greece, laboring at more than \$11,000,000. Of a fleet of to bring men to a knowledge of the gospel of 60 merchantmen which left Ireland for the Jesus Christ. This poor boy is Dr. Jonas West Indies, 35 were captured by the Ame-King, and if our young readers do not know rican cruisers. At the beginning of the war much about him, or about what he is doing, this story which we have told of him may Ireland and the West Indies; at the end of lead them to be more interested in him, and the war there were only 40 engaged in it. to learn more about the work in which he is In 1812 the United States navy consisted of ngaged.

How much nobler it is to live in this way, only 20 vessels beside gunboats. In these, Hull, Decatur, Bainbridge, Rodgers, Porter, to conquer and overcome the obstacles which and other gallant seamen holdly went to sea. stand in our path, than to float along just as | Their exploits have been the theme of praise it happens, and grow up a person of not ever since. It is estimated that during the much account in the world any way! Let first seven months after the declaration of

TESTING SHIP IRON.—Sixty specimens of bar, angle and T iron, designed to be used in constructing the new British iron war steamer Achilles were lately submitted to test at the Chatham dockyard. The admiralty test of strength for ship iron is that it shall stand MUSKRATS PREDICT A MILD WINTER. 22 tons to the square inch with the grain and 19 against it. All of the samples but one THE Milwaukie Wisconsin says it is going | stood the tests, and some of them stood the to be a mild winter, for Joel Hood, the cele- strain of 30 tons without showing the least

LAKE SUPERIOR MINES.—The Lake Superior iron mines show, for the year just closed. a very considerable reduction in yield, as compared with 1860. In the last-named period the product shipped was 150,000 tons, while that of 1861 is but 40,000 tons. The capital invested in the mines, including railways, furnaces, etc., is stated by the Marquette News to be \$2,286,000, and in return for this there has already been sent to market 442,000 tons of iron, valued at \$1,326,000 before its shipment from Marquette. The average cost of mining is estimated at fifty cents per ton.

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COTTON FROM PERU.—The British steamer Callao, at Panama, from Valparaiso, brought party, when they make the difference appear up a large quantity of cotton from Peruas wide as possible; this is shocking to any consigned to England-with the announceperson who is to be convinced—he will choose ment that a much larger amount is going rather to keep and maintain his own opinions, round Cape Horn. This cotton is said to be if he cannot come into yours without renoun- of superior quality and no efforts to raise a cing and abandoning everything that he believed before. Human nature must be flattered a little, as well as reasoned with, that so the argument may be able to come at his number of places not usually distinguished so the argument may be able to come at his number of places not usually distinguished

A great rebellion against the Government of the United States has been going on for a local department of the United States has been going on for a local department of the United States has been going on for a local department of the United States has been going on for a local department of the United States has been going on for a local department of the united States has been going on for a local dealers in fine Teas, work will be commenced at the north end also, when the rate of progress will be doughted. It will require six years, however, to deration to pay it.

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