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# The family Circle.

#### The Drummer Boy.

AN INCIDENT OF THE WAR. "CAPTAIN GRAHAM, the men were sayin' Ye would want a drummer lad, So I've brought my boy Sandie, Tho' my heart is wofu' sad. But nae bread is left to feed us, And nae siller to buy more, For the gudeman sleeps for ever, Where the heather blossoms o'er.

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"Sandie, make your manners quickly. Play your blithest measure true-Gie us 'Flowers of Edinboro' While yon fifer plays it too. Captain, heard ye e'er a player Strike in truer time than he?" "Nay, in truth, brave Sandie Murray Drummer of our corps shall be."

"I gie ye thanks-but Captain, maybe Ye will hae a kindly care For the friendless, lonely laddie, When the battle wark is sair ; For Sandie's aye been good and gentle, And I've nothing else to love, Nothing—but the grave off yonder, And the Father up above."

Then, her rough hand lightly laying On the curl-encircled head, She blessed her boy. The tent was silent, And no another word was said ; For Captain Graham was sadly dreaming Of a benison long ago Breathed above his head, then golden, Bending now, and touched with snow.

"Good-bye, Sandie." "Good-bye, mother, I'll come back some summer day ; Don't you fear-they don't shoot drummers Ever. Do they, Captain Gra-? One more kiss-watch for me. mother : You will know 'tis surely me Coming home-for you will hear me Playing soft the reveille." After battle. Moonbeams ghastly

Seemed to blink in strange affright, As the soudding clouds before them Shadowed faces dead and white; And the night wind softly whispered When low moans its light wing bore-Moans, that ferried spirits over Death's dark wave to vonder shore.

Wandering where a footstep careless Might go plashing down in blood, Or a helpless hand lie grasping Death, and daises from the sod ; Captain Graham walked swiftly onward. While a faintly beaten drum Quickened heart and step together : "Sandie Murray! See: I come!

"Is it thus I find you, laddie? Wounded, lonely, lying here, Playing thus the reveille? See-the morning is not near." A moment paused the drummer boy, close their bars; gamblers would be running from their dens. Swearing, lying, and cheating would cease, and few could look one another in the face without blushing. Family strifes would cease; brothers and sisters would live in harmony. Children would obey their parents. Friends long separated by trifling quarrels would be asking each other's pardon. I think I can see the little boys and girls running in every direction, begging each other's forgiveness. Well may it be called The Golden Rule; and if it were not so plainly implied in the Tenth and other Commandments, it might well be added to them, and make eleven Commandments. Another

fact will illustrate this. Two merchants of the same eity, being neighbors and jealous of each other, lived in constant enmity. After a time one embraced religion, which taught him the wickedness of hating his neighbor. He consulted a pious friend in whom he had great confidence, how he should manage to effect a reconciliation with this neighbor. His friend advised him, whenever any of his customers wanted an article that he had not, to send them to this man for it. He did so., The other merchant, being informed by these persons that Mr. C\_\_\_\_\_his neighbor directed them to his store for such an article, was so much struck with the kind offices of one whom he had viewed as his enemy, that he went immediately to his house to thank him for his kindness, and begged his pardon with tears in his eyes for the hatred he had entertained against him, and besought him to admit him ever after as one of his intimate friends. His request was granted, and they soon became united in the bonds of Christian brotherhood. My dear child, go thou and do likewise. If you know any little boys or girls that have wronged you, do them a good turn whenever you can, and they may soon become your best friends. Love your neighbor as yourself : this is the spirit of this whole law; this is the spirit of Jesus Christ. He coveted no man's silver or gold or apparel; although the world was his, with the fulness thereof, yet he had not where to lay his head. It was his meat and drink to do the will of his Father who sent him.

# FEMALE INFLUENCE.

Some years since there lived in the town of \_\_\_\_\_, Mass., a young woman who, though respectably connected, was obliged to engage in school-teaching for her support. There also resided in the same place a young man of fine personal appearance, the son of wealthy parents, who was given to intemperance and prodigality. His habits became at length so bad that he was generally shunned by the respectable part of the community, and his case was regarded as almost hopeless. But this young woman, whose heart was filled with the compassion of Christ, resolved on using her influence to reform and save him from ruin. Being well known to his pa rents and himself, she sought opportunities of conversing with him; endeavored to lead him where good influences prevailed, and went with him herself to hear such popular and useful lectures as were delivered in the place. Her course, specially in this last particular, excited, as might be expected, unfriendly suspicion and remark. But conscious of purity and disinterestedness, she continued her endeavors with mingled disappointment and hope till Providence removed her residence to another place. Years passed and the intercourse ceased. She did not even know what had become of the individual she had sought to bless, till one day, riding through a prominent town in violate every obligation to God and man. It Western Massachusetts, a tall and wellhas led to the murder of fathers and mothers, dressed man came to the door of the stage coach in which she sat, as it stopped for a few moments, and very cordially inquired for her welfare. She responded to this inquiry, but remarked that she had not the pleasure of his acquaintance. He instantly mentioned his name, thanked her for her kind efforts in his behalf, and added :

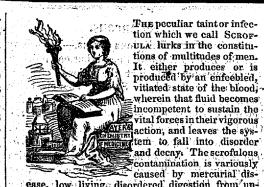
much to hope that this opprobrium may be ing is there or in the North. And the remuch to hope that this opprobrium may be ing is there or in the forth. And the re-wiped away? If we have never been taught the lesson before, we are admonished of it been cherishing; this grievance, would natuthe lesson before, we are admonished of it been cherishing that the num-now, that 'THE LORD REIGNETH.' Has not rally rather enhance than diminish the numthe time come to make our formal national confession of this fundamental truth—to im-press it upon our coinage?—to insert it (peradventure it may not be too late) as the Key-stone of our river and tottories (1997). (peradventure it may not be too late) as the out of 5,545,557 dates would one to about Key-stone of our riven and tottering Consti-tution? If the country is not ready for these two simple but significant steps in the direc-two simple but significant steps in the direction of Christianity, we have been chastened which are classed as permane t and safe. to very little purpose."-Presbyterian. kept, up for

CONDITION OF SEWING WOMEN IN

The clamor which has been partisan effect about the esca pe of slaves, has made a common impression perty was becoming so insecu that this proe as to justify

**CONDITION OF SEWING WOMEN IN** LONDON. THE London Times thus speaks of the condition of sewing women in London, and 1,011 were returned as fugities. In 1860 fit is not grossly exaggerated, it represents but 803. Between these periods the number in it is not grossive exaggerated, it represents but 803. Between these periods the number of slaves increased 2012 periods the number of slaves increased 2012 periods the number of slaves increased 2012 periods the the proportion of escaped or missing slaves in 1860, was only three fifths of that of or rooms that are not ventilated at all, for it 1850.

is found by experience, that if the air be admitted it brings with it "blacks" of an-other kind, which damage the work upon which the seamstress is employed. Their These vere probably most of them added to the black population of the free States, 'as the laws in the Southern occupation is to sew from morning to night, and night to morning—stitch, stitch, stitch, stitch, shows that laws for the protection of Slavery without speech—without a smile—without a without speech—without a smile—without a sigh. In the gray morning they must be at work—say at six o'clock, having a quarter of an hour allowed for breaking their fast. The food served out to them is scanty and miserable enough, but still, in all probability, more than their fevered systems can digest. The food served out to them is scanty and miserable enough, but still, in all probability, more than their fevered systems can digest. more than their fevered systems can algest. From six o'clock, then, till eleven it is stitch, stitch. At eleven, a small piece of dry bread is served to each seamstress, but still the must stitch on. At one o'clock, twenty minutes are allowed for dinner—a slice of meat and a potato with a glass of toast and meat and a potato work works. water to each work-woman. Then again to work-stitch, stitch, stitch-until five o'-clock, when fifteen minutes are again allowed for tea. Their needles are again set in mo-States where escape t the Free States is tion once more — stitch, stitch—until nine o'clock, when fifteen minutes are allowed for supper—a piece of dry bread and cheese and North does not indicate that these missing suppor a piece of dry bread and cheese and a glass of beer. From nine o'clock at night until one, two, and three o'clock in the morn-ing, stitch, stitch ! the only break in this long period being a minute or two—just time enough to swallow a cup of strong tea, which is supplied lest the young people should "feel sleepy." At three o'clock A. M., to bed; at six o'clock A. M., out of it, again to resume the duties of the day. There must be a good deal of monotony in the 'occupa' tion. But when we have said that for cer-tain months of the year these unfortunate young persons are worked in the manner we describe, we have not said all. Even during the few hours allotted to sleep—should we not rather say, to a feverish cessation from toil?—their miseries continue. They are cooped up in sleeping pens, ten in a room, which would perhaps be sufficient for the accommodation of two persons. The alter



ease, low living, disordered digestion from un-healthy food, impure air, filth and filthy habits, the depressing vices, and, above all, by the vene-real infection. Whatever be its origin, it is hereditary in the constitution, descending "from parents to children unto the third and fourth generation;" indeed, it seems to be the rod of Him who says, "I will visit the iniquities of the fathers upon their children." The diseases it originates take various names, according to the organs it attacks. In the lungs, Scrofula, produces, tubercles, and finally Consumption; in the glands, swellings which sup-Consumption, in the glands, swellings which sup-purate and become ulcerous sores; in the stomach-and bowels, derangements, which produce indi-gestion, dyspepsia, and liver complaints; on the skin, eruptive and cutaneous affections. These, all having the same origin, require the same rem-edy, viz., purification and invigoration of the blood. Purify the blood, and these dangerous dis-tempers leave you. With feeble, foul, or corrupted blood way compatible weath with that: "life of blood, you cannot have health; with that "life of the flesh" healthy, you cannot have scrofulous

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And lifted up his drooping head : "Oh, Captain Graham the light is coming, 'Tis morning, and my prayers are said.

" Morning ! See the plains grow brighter, Morning and I'm going home; That is why I play the measure. Mother/will not see me come; But you'll'tell her, won't you, Captain Hush, the boy has spoken true; To him the day had dawned forever, Unbroken by the night tattoo. -Scottish American.

#### AN ILLUSTRATION OF THE LOVE OF MONEY.

A covetous disposition will lead a man to husbands and wives, yea, even to the robbery of God himself. There is no tie too sacred, no place too holy, for a covetous man to sun-der or search. The following fact will

abundantly prove this position. . Two young men of Virginia who had servod in the American army during the revolutionary war, after being regularly discharged, returned home to their friends. One had only a mother living when he left. When Boston Recorder. they were nearly home, they fell into a conversation about the length of time they had been absent, and concluded to try whether their parents would know them. With this purpose each took the nearest path home. The one who had only a mother went in. and finding his mother did not know him, asked for they all be if it were not for a 'family day'?" lodging. She replied she could not lodge him, and that there was a tavern not far disthe scheme she had planned, hired him to aid and thank him that he has given us one day her, and they went to his bed and murdered in seven as a holy, blessed 'family day."-

him. The next day his fellow-soldier came Evangelist. to see him; but asking for the stranger, could hear nothing of him. He thought it was merely to banter him that the old woman denied it; till hearing her affirm that no stranger had come there last evening, nor any man, he asked, her if she had not a son that had gone to the war. She said she had. "Well,' said he. "I left him near by here last evenwords, confessed her wickedness, and show- meet the attention of the proper public authoed her murdered son crammed into a dark rities.

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### THE GOLDEN RULE.

" Do AS YOU WOULD BE DONE BY.-What a world to religion. You have but to look at mighty revolution the observance of this rule would work in this world. Were it adopted by all, even for a single week, the effect the United States is without a God. The would be astonishing. It would make even the angels rejoice with a hope that the mil-numismatist amongst us, that if our nation lennium had come. Strange sights would be should perish, and nothing be left of its hisseen in every neighborhood : millions of pro-perty would change hands ; many old debts could never learn from them whether we would be paid off; many little corrections of were a Christian or a heathen people." The light weight and short measure would be sent presumption, from the emblems impressed to and fro; forged wills and bonds would be burnt by dozens. Mr. Rogue would convey to Mr. Honest many a town lot or strip of favor of our paganism. This is not a trivial land unlawfully held. Many a widow and matter. For while the Dei gratia of a curher orphaned children, that have no bread, would soon have plenty: Every lane and al-ley would witness borrowed books and um-blems and legends from the coins of a nomibrellas running home to their rightful ow-ners; the air would be filled with picked up veils, handkerchiefs, gloves, and stolen fruit. Runnsellers would tear down their signs and religious sentiment of mankind. Is it too

"I am now a Professor in ---- College

# THE FAMILY DAY.

"TALKING of 'family ties' and 'family love,' and 'family gatherings,' where would "What do you mean ?" I asked."

"I mean," he replied, "that the Lord's tant to which he could go. He importuned, day is the 'family day.' Why, I and thou-but she refused; till at last he told her he sands of working men would hardly know had a little money, and was afraid to lodge our own children were it not for that blessed in a tavern, for fear he might be robbed. He day which brings us all together. We are off in took out his purse and offered it to her keep the morning before the little ones are up, ing. She, struck with the lust of gold, con- and when we get home at night they are sented immediately to his staying. He ate mostly gone to bed, or they are tired, and so his supper, but did not make himself known are we, and it's not very much we can know to his mother, and was directed to a bed once of each other at the fag-end of the week; more in the chamber of the mother who bore but when that best day comes that's all our him. How safe a place, he thought, he had | own. Then we can gather together around there found, compared with the battle-field. the table or fireside, and talk to one another, But she summoned a negro man, told him and we can go to the house of God together,

> Miscellaneous. UNITED STATES COINAGE.

WE quote from the sermon of the Rev. Dr. Boardman, entitled "The Lord Reigning; and he told me he would not make him-self known to you till he had full time to see if you had forgotten him, and he must be meet the approval of every Christian; and, here." The cruel mother fainted at these as an important suggestion, we hope it will

ed her murdered son Grammed into interview in the contage of money is a solution of the house. Oh the love of money, lienable prerogatives of political sovereignty, what has it not done, and what will it not The solemnity attached to the function has been recognized by most nations, ancient, and modern, Jewish and Christian, Mohammedan and Pagan. For a sort of universal instinct has consecrated the coinage of the

nation is from a treadmill (and what a tread-mill !) to the Black Hole of Calcutta ! Not a word of remonstrance is allowed or is pos-sible. The seamstress may leave the mill, no doubt, but what awaits them on the other side of the door? Starvation, if honest; if not, in all probability, prostitution and its consequences. We suggest that the London Fimes and its American correspondent, Dr. Mackay,

will do well to turn more of their attention from the Northern "barbarians" of America to the dreadful condition of the above-named class of British women. Bad as we are, we 1862. have no such uncivilized mode of treating

the female race as is detailed above. 

THE LAST DAYS OF QUEEN ELIZABETH. QUEEN ELIZABETH dies, and dies of grief. It has been the fashion to attribute to her— I know not why themorse for Essex's death; and the foolish and false tale about Lady Nottingham and the ring has been accepted and the roomsn and raise tale about havy Nottingham and the ring has been accepted as history. The facts seem to be that she never held up her head after Burleigh's death. She could not speak of him without facts accepted and seem accepted and seem accepted as history. The facts seem to be that she never held up her head after Burleigh's death. She could not speak of him without facts accepted and seem accepted as history. The facts seem to be that she never held up her head after Burleigh's death. She could not speak of him without facts accepted and seem accepted as history. The facts seem to be that she never held up her head after Burleigh's death. She could not speak of him without facts accepted accepted accepted and facts accepted and facts accepted as history. The facts seem to be that she never held up her head after Burleigh's death. She could not speak of him without facts accepted accept death. She could not speak of him without tears; forbade his name to be mentioned in the council. No wonder; never had a mis-tress a better servant. For nearly half a century have those two noble sonly lands century have those two noble souls loved Express runs daily; Mail and each other; and God's blessing has been on Fast Line their deeds; and now the faithful God-fear- Express Train leaves ing man has gone to his reward; and she is growing old, and knows that the ancient fire Mail Train leaves Pitsburg a

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tyrant, a liar, and a coward! (for she knows the man but too well() it is too hideous to be. faced. This is the end then ? "Oh, that I were a milk-maide, with paile upon mine arm !" But it cannot be. "It never could have been; and she must endure it to the

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