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BY CAROLINE CONRAD.

quests to see you in her sitting room." and followed the servant from the

Madame met her at the door, saying,

"My poor darling!" quiry in Madame's solemn face,

"You have news," she cried, in a stricken voice "you have news of mamma! Oh, Madame, tell me!" "Poor baby! poor little one! how can I tell thee?" Madame murmur-

"Don't tell me that!" she cried; "don't tell me I shall never see mammy any more-my poor, suffering,

Madame said sadly. "Is she dead?" the child asked.

"Yes. dear." Madame bent presently to look on the little girl's face.

Madame pleaded, shuddering. "Cry Eloise-cry here on my bosom; it will ma!" do thee good."

Madame's.

teach me herself. She said it would kill her to take me from her, and it

"Hush, dear; you are crazed now with grief." "Madame, I am not. Madame, I

will tell every one I see that it was that bad man who killed her." "Child, you must not speak so. Eloise, try to bear it-try to be calmer.

He is here; he has come to take you home with him." "He! the man who married my life out of her? I had rather die than

go with him." "Child, he may come in at any mo-

ment."

"Madame, I am not a child. I am only fourteen, but I am old enough to remember-" "And obey," said a deep voice beside her, and without looking up,

and heard she knew not how much of her passionate talk. The child trembled like a leaf, and

arms with a low cry. "She has fainted." ame's arms, and laid her upon a sofa.

once for her journey.' "To-night?" Madame asked, aghast "She is not fit to travel so soon." "I will attend to that," Mr. Her-

Madame with a smothered sigh returned to her task of restoring the child. Poor Eloise had to be carried out to the carriage, where she shrank away into one corner, and pressed her face against the lining, for fear of meeting

the cold, icy looks of the man who set opposite and watched her with merci-By the time they reached home she

delirium. Her step-father carried her into the house himself, and himself tended her through the long illness that followed. When the child grew better he thus

addressed her: "You assured Madame Renier that

tirely depend upon yourself." Eloise made no reply. She only looked at him gravely, with a pair of dark intent eyes that her step-father time. Now, without explanation, she felt vaguely uneasy under, but made no effort to avoid while he pressed her ly though, as a waft of thistle-down,

to promise to do as he wished.

stealthily to the child's bedside. "You mustn't brave him, little dear, no good, and he'll make you suffer for it. You won't get out of this room till you promise, if you hold on till brief meeting would be impossible

tell; only you agree to anything he power, so far as her personal liberty bids you. It's best; take Nurse Bar- was concerned; but she had up to this by's word for that."

"May I go out in the garden to-morrow, Mr. Herbert, if I will promise what you wished me to?"

mamma.

with Nurse Barby. Eloise caught hold of her dress breathlessly.

keep my promise to Mr. Herbert. I

shall ask, some one else." "Dear me, Miss, I couldn't now possibly. I'll go to-morrow and get the things, if I can get the time," Barbara said, in a cross voice, and hurrying on; but while Eloise looked in a puzzled fright after her, she glanced back through the bushes and smiled, and shook her fore-finger at her warningly. And the next moment Eloise saw her step father saun-

tering slowly up the walk. He stopped a moment to speak to Barbara, and then turned off towards

the house. That evening, as Eloise sat in an easy-chair upon the verandah, Barbara came and and laid some late roses on her lap; but as she did so, she pressed a bit of paper into the little thin hand that hung over the arm of the chair.

Mechanically the child's fingers closed upon it and when she was sure no one was looking, she read it. It said, "Be patient, and you will not be sorry. Destroy this." Surely Barbara could not write like that. The heart of the sad child thrilled almost painfully, as she remembered who used to make just such delicate clear letters as those. and she turned her face to the wall with a whispered cry of Oh, "mam-

A week went on. One day Mr. Herbert was summoned suddenly cityward, and in the course of the forenoon, the woman who usually attended upon Eloise, a stranger hired for that purpose, having partaken some fine fruit Nurse Barby brought her, was taken so ill that she was compelled to go to her chamber.

Then Nurse Barby came to Eloise, and while she pretended to dress her pretty curls, asked her if she could bear to hear a bit of good news. The

tears came into Eloise's eyes. "How can any news be good to me now, nurse?" she asked repreachfully. "But if-if the news was that somebody whom you love was not-not-Lie back in your chair, and be still as death, or I will never tell you, Miss. beautiful mamma only to torture the It's as much as my life is worth to do

what I'm doing. "I will be still if you speak quick. But I suffer so, Barby," she pouted, clasping her little hands on her bosom. "Well, then, Miss, your mamma is

not-not-"Not dead? Oh, Barby! oh, dear Barby, is it true?" And the child H. Campbell and Sisters Kate Hoenstine and looked for a moment so like a flower Libbie Ruggles, Tabbath Lodge, No. 708, that a sudden burst of sunshine has had stolen noiselessly into the room, stricken down, that Barby'a heart misgave her.

"You wouldn't tell me a story, Barby-I know you wouldn't. Kiss me, shrank into Madame's compassionate Barby, if it's true." And Barby kissed her. Then she said: "You must hurry and get well now,

there is no one to help her but you and "She will be better soon," he said in me, and I'm only old Barby, you J. H. Wilkinson. "When can I see her, Barby?" the

get well and then we must watch our chance."

"What made him tell me that she was-" "He wants your mamma to make a will and leave him all the money away from you, deary; and now he's made

everybody believe she's dead, he can keep her shut up till she does it, he thinks." "Where is she nurse?" "Not so far-but you musn't ask so many questions now; and don't you

look too happy, there's a darling, or the master will suspect us." The weeks moved by slowly to this

anxious little heart. "Ite's a fox, that he is," said Barbara to herself, "and we'll never match him if we don't look wild."

Her welcome face dawned on Eloise once more at dead of night. As she hurriedly dressed her, she whispered: "I put something in the master's wine to make him sleep sound, but I didn't dare to make it strong, for fear he should suspect; and the t'toher one

has got a beau." The "t'other one" was her poor mother's keeper, as Eloise learned in was whirled away by Barby, noiselessdown this passage, up that, of the great rambling old house until they came to a portion which had long fallen into disuse, partly because of some That night Barbara, who had been ancient superstition such as often lin-

gers about such old houses. In an inner room of this wing, Eloise found the wan shadow of the she wispered the child; "it won't do mother her poor little heart had ached al ceremonies. for so long. To describe the mingled ecstacy and pain of that necessarily here. Confined to her bed by an ill-"But I can't promise not to talk ness that was lingering and painful, about her. Somebody must tell me but not likely to terminate fatally for about it. I couldn't keep such a prom- years perhaps, Mrs. Herbert, whom her unprincipled husband had given out as dead, was completely in his time remained firm in her opposition had already done, would not be likely to stop at worse, if it served his purpose.

How to help the poor lady that was Mr. Herbert kept his word. Eloise the question; and it was decided that was permitted to go to the garden, but | Eloise should try to obtain permission not with Barbara! and the poor long- to visit some friends at a little distance ing child looked in vain for nurse to and should take advantage of the opcome and keep her promise about portunity to tell her mother's story to a lawyer whom she knew in the same

walk, she came suddenly face to face simple adherents it looked like a very difficult matter to circumvent as bad a

man as Sidney Herbert. As it chanced, Mr. Herbert had at "You must tell me, nurse, or I can't this time a new scheme for moulding his wife to his wishes, and he was quite willing, therefore, to have Eloise out of the way for a little while so she

was sent off to make her visit. Mr. Macy, the lawyer, listened to this story increduously at first. He thought without doubt that the child was crazy; but she succeeded finally in so far impressing him, that he caused what was supposed to be Mrs. Herbert's grave to be secretly examined. When he found a coffin filled with stones and other rubbish, his blood began to tingle, and he was not long in making a raid upon Sidney Herbert's premises armed with due process of

Herb rt was taken completely by surprise, or he might perhaps have spirited his unfortunate wife to other

As it was, the poor lady was freed from her cruel imprisonment, and in due time set at liberty from him by one of those laws which he had so daringly outraged .- N. Y. Ledger.

VENTION OF THE I. O. OF G. T. FOR THE WEST JUNIATA DISTRICT .- The West Juniata District Convention met according to previous adjournment, in Woodberry, on the 9th day of November, 1869. The convention was called to order at 1 30 P. M., by the W. C. T., J. R. Durborrow. The following officers were then appointed, viz:

Mrs. Mary Gardner of No. 587, W. V. T. Bro. A. P. Riffle of No. 572, W. F. S. Chas. N. Streamer of No. 125, W. Chapl'n. Chas. W. Johnston of No. 319, W. M. Kate Hoenstine of No. 665, W. D. M. Frank B. Berkhimer of No. 319, W. I. G. Michael Pote of No. 775, W. O. G. Maggie Bloom of No. 125, W. R. H. S. Joseph Harris of No. 133, W. L. H. S. Frank Isett of No. 131, P. W. C. T.

After the usual opening ceremonies, the following committee was appointed on cre dentials, viz: Bros. Frank Isett, P. H. Shires and S. Hamer. They reported as follows: Martinsburg Lodge No. 125, Bros. Martin Graffius, Jno. Zuck and Sisters Annie Puderbaugh and Sannie Shupbert; Chimney Rock, No. 131, Bro. Frank Isett; Fidelity, No. 133, Bros. Jos. S. P. Harris, J. B. Mentzer and Sister Eliza Harris; Bedford, No. 148, Bros. P. H. Shires and A. J. Middleton; Woodberry, No. 319, Rev. J. H. Wilkinson, Frank B. Woodkok, Chas. W. Johnston and Laura Wilkinson; Ætna, No. 440, Bro. Samuel Isett and Sister L. D. Isett; Rainsburg, No. 572, Bros. A. P. Riffle and Wm. May; Resolute, No. 587, Mrs. Mary Gardner; East Bros. M. B. Smith, Michael Pote and Sisters Jennie Stroup and Viola Knox; Pacific, No. 710, Bros. T. R. Baker and E. B. Rutter; Mount Hope, No. 209, Bros. A. R. McCarthy and J. C. Hamilton; Schellsburg, No. 297. Rev. A. W. Decker and Sister Sallie

On motion the following business committee was appointed, viz: Bros. Frank Isett, Jno. Zuck, A. R. McCarthy, P. H. Shir Samuel Isett, Thos. M. Snowden, and Rev.

On motion a committee of three was appointed to select speakers for the evening | Sallie Stevens was nominated and unanimous ession, viz: Bros. Frank Woodkok, M. L. "There's no telling that, no knowing Myers and Andrew Stayer. They reported it," she said doubtfully. "You must the following programme: For the first evening, Bros. Chas. N. Streamer, J. G. Herbst and A. J. Middleton; for the second evening, Bros. P. H. Shires, A. W. Decker and J. R.

Durborrow. The Business Committee then offered the following resolutions: 1st. Resolved, That this convention convene at 8\frac{1}{2} A. M. and 1\frac{1}{2} P. M. and close at 11\frac{1}{2} A. M. and 4\frac{1}{2} P. M. Adopted.

2d. Recolved, That the afternoon of Wednesday be open to the rablic, and that the different Lodges report at that time. After considerable discussion this resolu tion was negatived. 3d. Resolved, That the reports of the different Lodges be heard on Wednesday afterno n.

4th. Resolved, That in the opinion of this convention the collection of fines for non-at-tendance of officers in our subordinate Lodges is inexpedient, and prejudicial to the order of Good Templars. Lost.

On motion adjourned to meet at 62 P. M EVENING SESSION. The Convention met at the Good Templars Lodge, and formed in procession and marched in full regalia to the M. E. Church, where the session was called to order by the W. C. T. An ode was sung and a prayer offered by the Chaplain. Bro. Streamer was then introduced and delivered a very able address. The W. C. T. then introduced Bro. Herbst who also delivered an interesting though brief address. He was tollowed by Bro. Middleton, who addressed the audience in a deci-

dedly interesting and impressive manner. The convention then adjourned, with the benediction, to meet Wednesday morning,

Nov. 10th, 1869, WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION. The convention met according to adjournment at 81 A. M. The convention was called to order by W. C. T., J. R. Durborrow, and Bro. P. H. Shires appointed W. S. pro tem., and the convention was opened with the nan-

roll was dispensed with, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read, corrected and adopted. Bro. Frank Isett was appointed Assistant Secretary. Bro. Samuel Isett then called for the read

ing of the minutes of the last convention, but

as the minute book could not be found, the following resolution of business committee was offered, viz: Resolved, That immediately after the proceedings of this convention are arranged for publication, the books, papers, &c., be handed over to the Secretary elect of next

After considerable debate the resolution by Bro. Smith that Bro. Frank Isett constitute a committee of one to look up the minute book, and send it to the present W. S. The following was then offered by the bus-

Resolved, That no member be allowed to speak more than once, and not more than five minutes on the same subject. The resolution was ruled out of order.

iness committee:

vote, for, or against the retention of the degrees, Therefore be it
Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention the degrees are essential to the welfare of the order.

On motion the resolution was laid on the table until afternoon session.

Bro. A. R. McCarthy then offered the following resolution. Resolved, That this convention endorse the action of the National Prohibition Conven-tion held at Chicago, Sept. 1st and 2nd, 1869, in the formation of a National Temperance Political party.

The doors were then opened, and Frank B. Isett made a motion that the public be invited to participate in the discussion of questions. Carried.

Adopted for discussion in public session

The following resolution by P. H. Shires, was then taken up, viz:

Resolved, That it is the imperative duty of all Good Templars, and the friends of temperance, generally, to petition the next session of our Legislature, for the passage of a law, allowing the voters of the several dis-tricts in our Commonwealth to vote at the next general election, *License* or no *License* in said elective precincts, respectively.

The question was very ably discussed by Bro's. P. H. Shires, Frank B. Isett, J. W. Baker, Jos. Harris, A. J. Middleton, Rev. J. H. Wilkinson, T. M. Snowden, Chas. N. Streamer, Dr. A. R. McCarthy, J. G.

Herbst and J. R. Durborrow. J. R. Durborrow then offered the following

as a substitute Resolved, That we earnestly urge the temperance people of this state, to petition the Legislature to submit an Amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania, directing all persons, of the proper age, to annually vote in their respective election precints, to deter-mine by a majority of the ballots of said persons, whether the sale of intoxicating liquors, under a license system, shall be extended to

their said respective precints, On motion the substitute was laid on the table and the original resolution unanimously

adopted. On motion adjourned to meet at 11 P. M.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION. The Convention met, according to previous adjournment, in the Woodberry Lodge, and formed in procession and marched in full regalia to the M. E. Church; where the Convention was called to order by the W. C. T., J. R. Durborrow. After the usual opening ceremonies the minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Asis't. Secretary. cor-

Reports of Lodges were then called for

and the following persons reported for their

several Lodges, viz: John Zook, No. 125;

Frank Isett, No. 131; J. B. Mentzer, No. 133;

rected and approved.

Dr. A. R. McCarthy, No. 209; Thomas M. Snowden, No. 319; Sam'l. Isett, No. 440; Wm. M. May, No. 572; Mrs. Mary Gardner, No. 587; John Mentzer, No. 665; M. B. Smith, No. 705; J. R. Baker, No. 710. By permission of the Convention, Bro.

Streamer delivered some very interesting and instructive remarks. Bro. Jas. C. Hamilton then offered the following resolution: Resolved, That this convention urge the

Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania to take such action as will be necessary to organize a co-operative life insurance company within the order of Good Templars. On motion laid on the table. On motion the Convention proceeded to

tion. Petersburg was unanimously selected, and the second Tuesday of February fixed upon as the time for holding it. The nomination of officers, for next Convention, was then declared to be in order. Bro's. Gwynn and A. R. McCarthy were nominated for W. C. T. A. R. McCarthy was declared elected by a majority of 6 votes.

select a place for holding the next Conven-

ly elected for W. V. T. Bro. Jas C. Hamilton for W. S. Annie Stewart and J. M. Appleby were nominated for W. T. Annie Stew art was declared elected. The resolution of Bro. Frank Isett, to the effect that the degrees are essential to the

taken up and adopted. The resolution of Bro. Jas. C. Hamilton was taken up and discussed by Bros. Hamilton, Frank Isett, Durborrow and Baker. On motion the resolution was laid on the

welfare of the order of Good Templars, was

table until the next Convention. Bro. Frank Woodkok offered the following resolution. Resolved. That it is the duty of all Good Templars to patronize, so far as practicable, the publication of all temperance periodicals calculated to advance the cause of temper-

Brother Thomas M. Snowden then offered the following :-Resolved, That we extend the time of Convention to three days instead of two, as we believe the time too short to transact the busi-

believe the time too short to transact the business that necessarily comes before the Convention. Adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Brother A. R. McCarthy: Whereas, The cause of Temperance must always gain by agitation, and whereas, public meetings, lectures and addresses, by bringing the subject before the mind of the people, must invariably prove beneficial to the cause of temperriably prove beneficial to the cause of temper ance, therefore be it Resolved, That this Convention urge every subordinate lodge in this district to hold public temperance meetings at least once a mouth, or oftener at their sev-eral regular places of meeting or in their vi-cinity depending upon themselves for speakers when not procurable elsewhere. Adopted. Brother A. W. Decker, offered the follow

1st. Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to all the officers of the Convention, for the noble manner in which they have conducted the affairs of the Convention, and to the ladies who lead our music.
Adopted. 2nd. Resolved. That the West Juniata District Convention render a vote of hearty thanks to the citizens of Woodberry, for the

ing resolutions

As all the officers were present, calling the kind hospitality with which they entertain the members of the Convention. Adopted. 3d. Resolved, That a vote of thanks be rendered to the members of the M. E. church, for the use of their church, during the Con-

vention. Adopted. On motion, Adjourned to meet at 61 P. M. Minutes read and approved.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION.

The Convention met according to previous adjournment, was called to order by the W. C. T., after the opening ceremonies-which consisted of singing by the members of the Convention, and prayer by Rev. J. H. Wilkinson-Bro. Decker was introduced and entertained the audience with a very able adwas adopted; after which a motion was made | dress. The resolution of Brother McCarthy was then discussed by Brothers McCarthy Wilkinson and Durborrow. A collection was then taken up to defray the expenses of the Sexton. Brother Hamilton was then introduced and discussed the question before the

> signers to the pledge. Adjourned with the benediction, to meet in Petersburg, the second Tues lay in February, 1870, at 11 P. M., submitted in F. H. and C. MARY A. BARNETT, W. S.

house. He was followed by Brother Harris.

A committee was then sent round to obtain

ment we expect to sell as cheap as goods of this class are sold anywhere Janz 1870.

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site Hartley & Metzger's Harlward store. DR. GEO. C. DOUGLAS will give

"Miss Eloise, please, Madame re-A little girl, with black ringletted hair clustering about a fair open face, rather sad but sweet in expression, rose at once from her place in the class, at Madame Renier's boarding school,

room.

in a voice of strange compassion: Eloise's dark eyes flashed pained in-

ed.

abused mamma!" "I wish I had it not to tell thee,"

"Don't child-don't look like that!"

Eloise lifted her great solemn eyes to "He had done it, I know; I know he has," she said, in strange, unchildlike tones. "Mamma said I should not be sent away from her; she would

Eloise knew it was her step-father who

Sidney Herbert took her out of Mad- dear for mamma is in great trouble, and a cold voice; "and pray prepare her at know. No one would believe me."

bert said, in unanswerable tones, and

was in a high fever, and moaning with

you were not a child. I expect you therefore to exercise something of the discretion which belongs to more years than yours, and to let me hear no more such wild talk as that to which you treated Madame. I desire to be to you an indulgent guardian; but whether I am so or not, will en-

But Eloise would promise nothing. He might as well have talked to the post door, for all eliciting any response. Eloise'e nurse in brighter days, crept

vou're gray." ise, if I made it." "I'll tell you, darling, all there is to

"Then, I promise."

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It was just so the next day, and the town, and ask his advice. To the afflicted lady and her two

Eloise rather astonished her step- to his wishes concerning a will, and father by suddenly asking, when he perhaps if she had yeilded it would oncame back to the room. perhaps if she had yeilded it would only have shortened her days; for a man who would do what Sidney Herbert

Whereas, the Grand Lodge of Good Tem-plars require all the subordinate Lodges to

Bro. Frank Isett then offered the following: