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#### Brooms and Beaux,

One day while on a visit to one of our smaller Massachusetts cities, I here. Good morning." bailed a horse car, settled myself in a corner, and looked out on the shifor clerks, followed me in, and took | iding impression on my mind. seats near me. They were friends, it seemed; and this was their conversation.

"Who are you going to take to the Walter Scott Society, this winter, of the two.

ten to go with me, but yesterday I changed my mind,"

"How came that about ?" "You will call me whimsical if I

tell you." "What if I do? The wisest of

men have their whims, Out with it. 19 "Well then, yesterday a man from the country drove into town with a load of brooms which he hoped to dispose of at the house-

furnishing stores; but not finding market for them, and the roads being so bad, he determined not to the poor of foreign countries?" take them home again. He drew up at the corner curbstone near our store, and commenced selling his Stock from the sleigh about the time the people were going for their 2 olclock mail.

They were good brooms. The price was low and they went like the first hot chestnuts of the season. Quite a group gathered around him, and it seemed almost every representative of a family bought one or more. Ever so many women took one and walked along naturally and independently with it.

Mr. James, one of the partners of ment of the scene. All at once he wretch. dodged out of the doorway, and as the southwind blew his grey hair in each one looking at the other. every direction he ran across the side walk to the cart, saying, 'They are dirt cheap, give me a half dozen. They were handed out. He paid for them hastily, and turning around, gave one to Biddy, who sweeps the store, two to Parson Potter, and with his wife in the alley back of went on. the store. Just then Nellie and Jane Staughton and Kate Holt came along. Mr. James knows them all well, and he now greets them cordially, and in a few of the pleasant pat words which are always on his tongue's end, sent a broom to mother Holt and to mother Staughton. They are both widows, you know. Kate Holt took the one tendered her, saying, 'a thank you gratefully; we are just needing a new broom sadly. Mother will be glad, but I will appreciate it the most, because you see. I do all the sweeping,' and she tripped up the street, carrying

The Misses Staughton, bowever, hesitated about accepting the gift. Neither of them offered to take it, but as it was held out to Nellie, and she dared not offend Mr. James, who is superintendent of her Sabbath school by refusing it, she carried it a little distance, looking exactly as if she had never seen a broom before and supposed it to be an insignia of dishoner.

had been a roll of music.

And just then the two girls turned the corner and started down Federai Street, I ran around to another room in the store to look at them. Mr. James, who had just come in, followed, chuckling, after me, and we preced through the closed shutters to see what they would do. Nellie had laid the obnoxious article against the lamp-post, and was de termined to leave it there. But Jane would not allow that, and they quarreled ab at it, until some people | Floyd stumbled and fell, and before came up, to whom they made their he could regain his feet the snake excuses. Jane laughing, and near- had wrapped itself with great rapily bending double, and covering her dity about his legs and was lashing face with her hands in a paroxism them as though he were indeed a of merriment, and Nellie giggling, and holding that dreadful broom gingerly in her hand.

After a while they compromised the despised article between them, ery, and mincing slowly away.

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'Thank you, Mr. James,' said J. 'All my interest in the Staughton family has vanished with that broom handle. I think I shall transfer my attentions to Kate Holt.'

'Ah ! said my employer, 'she's cashed.'

"I obeyed, and matters were settled satisfactorily with Kate, as she was walking along by my side, broom in hand."

"Ha! ha!" laughed the tall man. "I am glad that your eyes are opened at last, Joe. I was afraid you intended to throw yourself away upon that bundle of affectation, ellie Staughton, and asked the gestion I did for the purpose of giv-

"Good morning," and with a shake of the hand, one left the car the Bible, and in obedience to franting scenes on the streets. Two on one side, the other on the other. young men, evidently book-keepers But the little narrative made an ab-

ing advice which I am glad to hear

is uncalled for. But we must part

#### A Mean Advantage.

There was a score or more of women gathered together at Mr. Johnson's house. Mr. Johnson is a good-Joseph ?" asked the older and taller hearted man, and a respected citizen though he is rather skeptical in "I had intended to do myself the some things. The women had just honor of inviting Miss Nellie Staugh- organized "The Foreign Benevolent Society," when Mr. Johnson entered the room. He was at once appealed to to donate a few dollars as a foundation to work on and then Mrs. Graham added.

"It would be so pleasant in after years for you to remember that you another in wonderment. gave this society its first dollar and its first kind word."

He slowly opened his wallet, drew out a \$10 bill and, as the ladies smacked their lips and clapped their hands, he asked:

"Is this society organized to aid "Yes-yes-yes," they chorused.

"And it wants money ?" "Yes-yes."

"Well, now," said Johnson, as he folded the bill in a tempting shape, there are twenty married women here. If there are fifteen of you who can make oath that you have combed the children's hair this morning, washed the dishes, blackened up the cook stove, and made the beds, I'll donate the ten dollars."

"I have," answered two of the crowd and the rest said : "Why, now Mr. Johnson."

"If fifteen of you can make oath the house, where I am employee, that your husbands are not wearing stood by my side looking out of the socks with holes in their heels, the feet, and with many tears told her window, with a very evident enjoy- money is yours!" continued the

"Just hear him !" they exclaimed "If ten of you have boys without holes in the knees of their pants, this X goes to the society," said

Johnson. "Such a man?" they whispered. "If there are five pair of stockings in this room that do not need mendone to an old lame man who lives | ing, I'll hand over the money," he

> "Mr. Johnson," said Mrs. Graham, with great dignity, "the rule; of this society declare that no money shall be contributed except by members, and as you are not a member, I beg that you will withdraw and let us proceed with the routine

#### Wild Life in the South.

All the good alligator and snake stories come from the South at this time of the year. The West Point (Ga.) Press says that Edward Reed, a farmer living near that place, killthe broom as indifferently as if it ed ninetesn snakes last Monday, twenty-one on Tuesday and six on Wednesday. He is using them as fertilizers, laying them in open furrows by the side of his corn and covering them up. Horn snakes are rarely seen, but the Gainesville Southron says that David Willis and Geo. Johnson killed a genuine one on the latter's farm last Thursday. The snake was eight feet long, and at the end of his tail had a horn as hard as flint and two inches long. The Newman (Ala.) Herald tells of an encounter had by Lawrence Floyd, near that place, a few days ago, with a regular coach whip snake. Floyd was strolling through the woods when he saw a large black snake about 8 feet long lying coiled under a bush. He shot at and struck the reptile with a slung-shot. The

snake advanced upon Floyd, who retreated backwards, defending himself with a stick. After a while whip. Floyd, who was considerably stung, cut the snakein two with his pocket knife.

Near Lexington, Ga., there now the matter by locking arms, taking lives the last representative of a all such expedients to avoid contacolored family, all the members of covering the brush with their drap- which have, like the Alstons, "died God, and that they must die if so in their boots." The survivor is decreed. The garments of dead by 'Little things test the character,' said to be a peaceable darkey, who disease are sold at auction for a shuckled Mr. James, 'The wife of seeks to avoid strife and will even trifle, and put on to the wretched a poor man who has got his way to be imposed upon. His father was buyer, who soon after is generally nake in the world musn't be afraid killed some time ago by an officer, taken sick and follows in the wake who had a warrant for his arrest, of the former wearer,

there being several crimes charged against the old fellow. As the officer approached he demanded War-Though his arm was shattered, the old desperado attempted to cock and raise his musket. girl in a thousand-quite intelligent raise his musket. He it was who and lady like. There she goes now, endeavored to persuade the blacks Put on your nat and walk with her to rise against the whites and seize to the bank; here's a draft to be the land. A stream of Indian blood ran through the veins of the family, which gave a name to the flat formerly used as the execution ground for Oglethorpe county. One of the Warren's hacked his master to pieces with a knife, and was hung. His head was nailed to a pole by the roadside, and there remained for

> Animal life stirs early down along the Gulf. During his sermon at one of the country churches near Butler, Ga, on Sunday eyening of last week, the minister observed that his congregation was much excited. He slammed to the covers of | tic gestures of the brethren, looked behind him. There, crawling down the ceiling of the pulpit, vouches the Butler Herald, was a large serpent, its forked tongue darting angrily in and cut. The congregation stepped forward and bruised the s rpent's bead. The Georgia Adrocate of the same date says that while a brother was listening attentively to a sermon in the Morganton Church on the preceding Sunday night, a screech-owl sailed up the aisle and perched upon the brother's head, just facing the preacher. The Advocate, which is the religious paper of the State, adds that the preacher and the owl looked at one

#### "A Pupil of Liszt."

The greatest of pianists, Liszt, very amiable and quite eccentric. The following story sets forth the genial side of his nature: A young pianist was giving concerts through the provinces of Germany, for her support. To enhance her reputation she deceitfully advertised herself as a pupil of Liszt.

In a little town where she had announced a concert, she was confounded the day before the concert was to take place, by seeing in the list of arrivals, at the very hotel where the concert was to be given, "M. L'Abbe Liszt."

Here was a dilemma. Her fraud would be discovered. Temblingly she sought the presence of the great maestro.

Coming into his room with downcast eyes she knelt at the old man's story-how she had been left an orphan and poor, with only her one gift of music with which to support herself; the difficulties she had encountered, until the fraudulent use of his great name had filled her rooms and her purse.

"Well, well," said the great man raising her up, "let us see, my child, what we can 'do. Perhaps it is not so bad as you thought. There is a piano; let me hear one of the pieces you expect to play to-morrow evening,"

Trembingly she obeyed, the maestro making comments and suggestions as she played, and when she had finished, he added, "Now, my child. I have given you a lesson, you are a pupil of Liszt."

Before she could find words to express her gratitude, Liszt asked: 'Are your programmes printed ?" "No sir," was the answor, "not

"Then say, that you will be assisted by your master and that the last piece on the programme will be played by the Abbe Liszt."

That concert it may be believed was a great success.

#### Terrible Account from Africa.

A letter from the United States consul at Tangier, Morocco, dated March 19, 1879, gives the following terrible account of the suffering from famine and from starvation. Living human beings eating the dead is almost an unheard of hor-

ror. The consul writes as follows: All who can are now running away from this unfortunate country, where famine, cholera, typhus have and are more than decimating the population. At Tangier alone we are having from thirty to forty cases of typhus per day, and at the city of Marocco the daily mortality by typhus is from 200 to 250 persons. The ordeal of death is complete. Parents eat their children, and at Magador, Luff and Cassabianca the starving Arabs eat their dead. The atmosphere is impregnated with dead'y poisons, emanating from the thousands half buried, and the many left out, exposed to the

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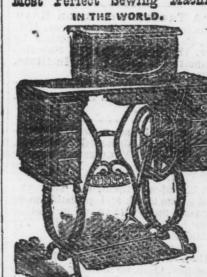
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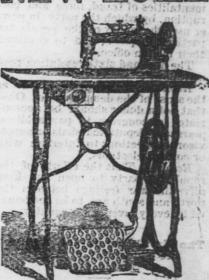


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