

POVERTY'S CHILDREN.

Only a newboy! hast'ning along, Ready and saucy, sturdy and strong! With cap all awry on his dished-out hair, With cry loud and strident, he goes through the streets Learning hard lessons from those whom he meets.

HER CALM BLUE EYES.

Lee had always insisted that he wouldn't marry any weak little pink-and-white creature, with a mouth made only for dimples and a head fluffy with golden curls.

a little exclamation, and there stood in the door the longed-for young lady, tiny, dainty, and as pink-and-white as a spray of apple bloom.

the rose, dewy and fresh, and blessed in his eyes above all the precious things of earth. As he silently slipped it into his pocket she watched him without a hint of rising color.

his grave, tender face, outlined against the closed windowpane, undid her, and at last she breathed peacefully: "The day I came I heard what you said of me in the ballroom."

Claims Re-Opened. Adverse Decision of the Commissioner of Pensions Overruled. A decision of much importance to children claiming under the general law has been rendered by Assistant Secretary John M. Reynolds, whereby the action of the Commissioner of Pensions is overruled, and the practice prevailing prior to such adverse decision of the Commissioner is resumed.

For and About Women. With the beginning of May, weddings cease until June, and the gown of the fair girl graduate requires attention. The simplicity of white muslin is again talked of for these frocks, and something very like it may be obtained in the present varied styles.