

Belleville, Pa., April 8, 1898.

EASTER-TIDE.

Oh, rare as the splendor of lilies,
And sweet as the violet's breath,
Comes the jubilate morning of Easter,

THE EASTER GOSPEL.

"Now, Pete, just look-a-ye!"
"O, Tom! Who loamed it to you? Can we keep it all night? O, I wish I had glad they lent it to you—is it inside of a library?"

"How you do go on! A fellow can't put in a word! It's mine—our'n! She give each one of us one, and she says we're to water it and give it sunlight, and there'll be lots of blooms by—well, I've forgot, but it's a big Sunday we're comin', and then we're to bring 'em all to the Sunday school and he's a gay time."

"Pete's face clouded. 'I knowed you'd have to take it back!' he said, hugging the pot as he spoke. 'O, it's only for the afternoon, and I'm going to have you there—it's eight weeks to then, and you'll be as well as ever, see if you ain't—and you'll hear the singin'; O, it's just prime! I'm one of the first singer—'

"He is risen! He is not here! Seek Him not among the dead! He is living, do not fear, So the white-robed angel said," sang Tom, not in perfect tune, but with good voice.

"It's just lovely! And I'll be there, you think?"
"Sure! She's a-comin' to see you, and she's the kind to do lots for you if once she comes, I know that, and you know the doctor said all you wanted was nourishing things."

"You didn't beg, Tom?"
"Never beg! I just told her you were sick, and she wrote your name and address down, and said she'd come. Ain't I glad that fellow grabbed me and took me in! Why, I always made fun of Sunday schools, but I didn't know what they wuz—they're prime, though I do get sorter tickle-y all over when the man talks too long. And Jim had a live mouse in his pocket to scare the teacher with, and I had to get hold of it and kill it unbeknownst-like—she'd a fainted dead at a mouse! It then kind always do."

"I don't mind mice, but rats is—different."
"Don't you worry about the rats. I'm got my eye on a prime cat, and I shouldn't wonder if I git her in to-night. But you ain't heard about the lesson?"

you as well as I can. You know in four more Sundays we're to take the flowers—on Easter."

"Yes."
"Well, that's the day Jesus came back from the dead to tell us none of us really die—that's what she says. And she says if we love Him—and you do, I know—He'll look out for you and take you right up to Him. Perhaps He'll send a chariot, since your son got on it."

"That's the best lesson of all," said Pete, "now sing," and Tom sang:
"His is risen, He is not here! Not, indeed, to mortal eyes, But we who die with Him, Shall again with Him arise."

"Miss Perkins had fretted somewhat over the time taken in practicing the carols—the leader was so particular that every word should be said clearly. And now Tom sang the glorious Easter Gospel to poor, neglected Pete."

"Two more weeks went by, the child growing weaker and weaker, till at last Tom, in his agony, did a dreadful thing. He never told Pete! What would the child have said?"

"It happened in this way. The lesson of Gehazi had been told, and Miss Perkins had striven to impress her wild street boys with the awfulness of lying. It never occurred to her that she might lie, but she was quite sure those poor boys did!

"And now, do you understand what a lie is?" she asked to Tom.
The boy had understood, and a bitter, angry feeling clutched his heart. "Yes," he said, gloomily, "it's a lie to say you'd come to see Pete, and never go near him."

"There was silence for a moment. Miss Perkins sat with flushed face; but she was sincere, if faulty, and in an instant she said, very gently, "You are right, Tom, and I'm very sorry. I'll go home with you right after school."

"Tom did not know how to express his sorrow—he was gruff and unresponsive, but on their way to the wretched garret, Miss Perkins learned how very weak Pete was and of his need of nourishing food, and so understood in a degree the boy's feelings."

"Well, Pete, she's a comin', she really is—she's here!" exclaimed Tom, as he ran up ahead of Miss Perkins. The young lady stepped to the bedside to see a pair of large, thoughtful eyes raised to hers, and Pete's thin hand was laid confidently in her hand as he said, "I knowed you'd come as soon as you could, and now you'll tell me about heaven and Easter."

"It was the first of many visits. The pink geranium had other flowers to keep it company. Friends sent jollies and hyacinths and lilies to the dying boy, but best of all he loved to lie in her arms and hear the Easter Gospel, that, "As in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive," and, believing that Gospel, death lost all its terror for little Pete, and came as a welcome friend. He had one wish—though—to be at the Easter festival; and as he grew weaker and weaker, he seemed to long even more intensely to "go to the Mission."

astronomy, the Bishop of Alexandria was appointed to give notice of Easter day to the Pope and other Patriarchs. But it was evident that this arrangement could not last long, it was too inconvenient and liable to interruptions. The fathers of the next age began, therefore, to adopt the golden numbers of the Metonic cycle, so called from Meton, an Athenian philosopher, who observed that the moon returns to her changes on the same month, the day of the month, in the solar year, after a lapse of nineteen years, and so, as it were to run a circle. But though the moon really happened on the same day of the year after a space of nineteen years as it did before, it fell an hour earlier on that day, which in the course of time created a serious error in their calculations. A cycle was then framed at Rome for eighty-four years, and generally received by the Western church. The next trouble arose with the British church, and at the time of the arrival of St. Augustine (A. D. 596), the difference amounted to several days. This controversy was settled for good at a conference called at Nicaea, A. D. 664, by Oswy, King of Northumbria, which ended in a victory for the Italian or Roman method. On Easter Day depend all the movable feasts and fasts throughout the year."

In England some of the old Easter customs still linger among which is the ridiculous one, still practiced in Lancashire, Cheshire, Staffordshire, and Warwickshire of "lifting or heaving," the men lifting the women on Easter Monday and the women heaving the men on Easter Tuesday. The distribution of eggs is observed by children the world over. In Durham on Easter Monday the men claim the privilege of taking off the women's shoes, and the next day the latter retaliate. The custom of playing ball in the churches at Easter-tide for tansy-cakes, in which both clergy and laity joined, has been discontinued; but tansy cakes and tansy puddings are still favorite dishes at Easter in many parts, and in some parishes in the counties of Dorset and Devon the Clerk carries around to every house on Good Friday a few white cakes as an Easter offering, in return for which he receives a gratuity according to the circumstances or generosity of the householder."

At Rome, as might be expected, Easter Sunday is celebrated with elaborate ceremonies. It is ushered in by the firing of cannon from the Castle of St. Angelo. The Pope officiates at the Mass of St. Peter, robed in the most magnificent of sacerdotal vestments, at its close ascending to the balcony over the central doorway, where he pronounces a benediction, with indulgence and absolution."

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Little Katie's uncle was very fat and his neck was a series of rolls of flesh. One day while playing Katts noticed this for the first time and exclaimed: "Oh, Uncle, you've got a double chin on the back of your neck!"

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Medical.

A SUFFERING SOLDIER.

This veteran fought for his country; suffered untold hardships, and returned with health shattered. Many a brave soldier has the same history. to-day this one rejoices in a new-found strength and tells his experience to benefit others.

No man is better known and liked in that rich tier of Illinois counties, of which Peoria is the centre, than genial Chester S. Harrington, of Princeville, Ill. Mr. Harrington is a veteran of the late war. Like many another brave soldier, he suffered not only during that service, but for years afterwards from diseases contracted then.

For years his health was shattered; his sufferings increased. He was unable to gain relief, but now he tells a story which is of profit to many: "I served three years in the 124th Illinois, enlisted at Kewanee, Ill.," said he. "I was in Libby Prison and suffered like many another Northern soldier."

The strain of army life did its work in undermining my health, although the collapse did not come for some time after. "For fifteen years I suffered from general debility and nervousness so badly that I could not sleep. Indigestion resulted and my misery increased. "My eyes began to fail, and as by body lost vitality my mind seemed to give way. I could scarcely remember events that happened but a few weeks before. "For two years I was unfitted for business. I was just able to creep around during part of this time, and there were many times when I could not get up."

"My brother is a doctor, but all his efforts to help me failed to give any relief. "I tried a number of remedies without avail."

Tourists.

Wisconsin Farm Lands.
There is a rush now to the choice unoccupied farm lands along the line of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway in Central Wisconsin. Good quarter sections can now be had for \$7.00 and upwards per acre, one-third cash, balance on long time at current rate of interest.

Medical.

BRANT HOUSE ECHO.

THE PROPRIETOR OF THE WELL
KNOWN HOSTLERY VENTURES
AN OPINION.

Mr. H. C. Yeager is the popular host of the Brant House hostelry, the corner of Algonquin and Bishop streets. Complaining of his back one day to Dr. Cunningham, he is of local and foreign pavement fame, "mine host" was advised to try the old Quaker remedy. He took the contractors advice and used his first box of Doan's Kidney Pills at Green's Pharmacy. This is what he has to say about it: "My kidneys have been faulty for years. I have had a great deal about how the organs work, what is good for them and what is bad for them. Experience is a great teacher and I have had my share. A friend advised me to try Doan's Kidney Pills. I got a box. It helped me so much that I got a second and I am still using them. It is rather a difficult job to cure a man whose blood is saturated with uric acid, who has rheumatism and urinary bladder and who has become a chronic victim. Still in spite of it all Doan's Kidney Pills have helped me. I am much better in every way and it is quite possible if I persist in the treatment as I intend doing I may eventually be cured. If I continue to progress as I have in the past I shall be the ultimate end. I can recommend Doan's Kidney Pills for kidney trouble."

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Medical.

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"Finally, having read articles regarding cures that had been effected by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, I decided to try them. That was in 1896. I bought a box and took the pills according to directions. "Four days later I had the happiest hours I had spent for years. That night I went to sleep easily and slept soundly as a child and awoke refreshed. "After I had taken four boxes of the pills, I found that I was cured and had also increased 27 pounds in weight. "This greatly surprised my friends, who thought my case was a hopeless one. I began my work again and have continued ever since in excellent health. "Another valuable gain to me was, that while I was taking these pills I had formed a cure of the smoking habit, which had formed when I was a boy and had clung to me all these years. The craving for tobacco left me and I have never experienced it since. "I cannot say enough for these pills and have recommended them to many."

To verify this statement Mr. Harrington made affidavit to its truthfulness before Lincoln M. Coy, Notary Public. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People strike at the root of disease by acting directly upon the impure blood. Their power is marvelous and many wonderful cures have been made. Druggists consider them a potent remedy, and all sell them.

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PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD AND BRANCHES.

Schedule in effect May 17th, 1897.
VIA TYONE-WESTWARD.
Leave Belleville, 9.53 a. m., arrive at Tyrone 5.50 p. m., at Altoona, 1.00 p. m., at Pittsburg, 5.50 p. m.
Leave Belleville 1.00 p. m., arrive at Tyrone, 2.15 p. m., at Altoona, 3.10 p. m., at Pittsburg, 6.55 p. m.
Leave Belleville, 4.44 p. m., arrive at Tyrone, 2.30 p. m., at Altoona, 3.30 p. m., at Pittsburg, 7.10 p. m.

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