

FATHER.

How strange, now he is gone, that I keep thinking of him as he was when young. I never knew him as a young man. No, nor ever thought of him as old.

THE GIFT.

Mary Shipp drew back in pretended confusion, but the soft color in her cheeks was genuine. Leonard, her husband, had been kissing her for twenty years and still she blushed!

Leonard Shipp, looking into the small, sober face, was suddenly conscious of a grip on his heart-strings. The piteous little story of the child seemed all told; nothing more was needed.

little frolic with the child had driven it temporarily from his mind. He decided not to trouble Clara, but to depend upon chance to suggest something appropriate and sufficiently choice for Mary.

Where a Meteor Fell. The rarest and most interesting rocks that are ever found on the face of the earth are meteors that fall out of the sky. Nobody knows just how they are formed there.

The Curiosity of a Little Boy. Little things and little people are often responsible for great results, and maybe you do not know that the discovery of that important instrument, the telescope, may be traced to the curiosity of a little boy, and this is how it came about:

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN. DAILY THOUGHT. Always laugh when you can; laughter is a cheap medicine. Merriment is a philosophy not well understood. It is the sunny side of existence.—Horne Infall.

Whosever's little midge are you? He inquired merrily, the child, as it were, at half-mast in his arms. No little "midge" belonged at this grave.

Back at Ambrose Jewell's, Leonard remembered quite suddenly the anniversary gift he was to take home. The riotous

When is a turkey like an English poet? When it is browning. What can pass before the sun without making a shadow? The wind.

When does water resemble a gymnast? When it makes a spring. What bird is in season all the year around? The weather-cock.

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