

THE COMING MAN.

A pair of very chubby legs, Encased in scarlet hose; A pair of little chubby boots, With rather doubtful toes;

TIM'S SUNDAY DINNER.

"Ain't them beauties, now?" Old Duncan Brown held up a pair of bronze shoes in his rough, toil-stained hand, and gazed at them admiringly.

"The only other occupant of the dingy shoe shop, a sickly looking boy of 15, glanced up from his work." "Who be they for, Mr. Brown?" he asked.

"They be for the squire's darter up on the hill. They're for a birthday present, and was to be done Saturday night prompt. Well, there they be now, and up they go onto the shelf till sent for."

"There be plenty as will stand by the old man till he quits work," he used to say. Duncan had married late in life, and was old enough to be the grandfather of the blue-eyed, golden-haired fairy who called him papa, and had brightened his home for eight years.

"Dinner is most ready, papa; come and get ready. Come, Tim." "She came dancing into the room like a ray of sunlight." Old Duncan Brown caught her in his arms and tossed her until she shrieked with laughter.

"Does Sissy want to see something purty?" He took down the box from the shelf and let her open it. "O-o-h! for me, papa?" "No, pet, them's for a little girl jest about your size, Nellie Barclay. You'll have some like 'em some day."

"Nellie Murray, come right in. I'm all alone. Did you bring your doll?" "I can't stay but a minute, Sissy. Mamma sent me to get my shoes. Mr. Brown said they would be done to day."

"Not since they were finished. What is the matter? What makes you look so?" Instead of answering her question, Duncan asked another.

"Did Tim come back after he left this noon?" "I don't know. He might have come while I was asleep. What is it, Duncan?" "Marry, I wouldn't hev believed it of him. He saw me put them shoes up on the shelf, and they be'n't there now."

"Why, Duncan, what are you saying? Did you look well? Would you accuse the boy of stealing because they are not in that spot?" "They be gone, Mary; I know it here. He laid his hand over his heart. 'Ken ye wait a minute?'" he said to the boy.

Operating on a Tiger. Doctor Houghton, the curator of the Dublin Zoological Society, discovered that one of the tigers was lame. Upon examining its paw through the bars of the cage he found that a claw was growing inwards into the ball of the foot, causing the poor brute great agony whenever he tried to walk.

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