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SOMETHING NEW.

There's not a cheater thing on earth, Nor yet one half so dear; 'Tis worth more than a diamond's birth...

THE LITTLE PAUPER.

The day was gloomy and chill. At the freshly opened grave stood a little delicate girl of five years, the only mourner for the silent hearse beneath.

sweet face before him, "you don't need 'em; and they might get you looking in the glass oftener than was good for you."

"Well, here we are, I declare; and there stands my old woman in the door-way, shading her eyes from the sun. I guess she wonders where I raised you!"

Important Advice. Above all maxims necessary to be borne in mind by the parent and teacher, I would earnestly recommend the following: Be on the watch for the least dereliction that bears the character of debt.

A Woman in California. We have before us, says the Boston Traveller, a private letter from a lady, though a hard-working woman in California.

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Church Going. "Well Laura, give me a sketch of the sermon. Where was the text?" "Oh, I don't know. I have forgotten it. But—would you believe it?—Mrs. V. wore that horrid bonnet of hers!

The Young Lady. Dry good stores are sometimes the scene of ludicrous conversations. The other day a young lady stepped into a well known establishment in town, and acquired of a handsome clerk.

The Happiest Man. Let a man have all the world can give, he is still miserable, if he has a grumbling, unlettered, ungodly mind. Let him have his garden, his fields, his lawns for grandeur, plenty of ornament and gratification; while at the same time God is not in his thoughts.

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THOU ART ESTRANGED.

Thou art estranged; no more art thou I have thy coming step to greet To gaze the fleeting hours away...

A FINE SIMILE. Mr. Healy, recently in a lecture, in speaking of the American Declaration of Independence, and the attitude taken by this country before the world, introduced the following beautiful figure: Have you ever seen an eagle fettered to the earth; day after day, and week after week?

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