

A TOUCHING INCIDENT.

We have never read a more touching incident that the following which occurred a short time since in one of the French courts.

A French paper says that Lucille Rouen, a pretty girl, with blue eyes and fair hair, pretty but neatly clad, was brought before the Sixth Court of Correction under the charge of vagrancy.

"Does any one claim you?" asked the magistrate. "Oh! my good sir," said she, "I have no longer any friend; my father and mother are dead, and I have only my brother James; but he is as young as I am."

"Who are you?" said he. "James Rouen, the brother of this poor little girl."

"Your age?" "Thirteen." "And what do you want?" "I come to claim my Lucille."

"But have you the means of providing for her?" "Yesterday I had none; but now I have. Don't be afraid."

"Oh! how good you are, James!" "Well, let us see, my boy," said the magistrate; "the court is disposed to do all that it can for your sister; but you must give us some explanation."

"About a fortnight ago, sir," exclaimed the boy, "my poor mother died of a bad cough, for which she was cured. We were in great trouble. Then I said to myself, I will become an artisan, and when I know a good trade, I will support my sister. I went apprentice to a brush maker. Every day I used to carry her half of my dinner, and at night I took her secretly to my room, and she slept on my bed while I slept on the floor. But it came that she had not enough to eat. One day she begged on the Boulevard and was taken up. When I heard that, I said to myself, 'Come, my boy, things cannot last so; you must find something better.' I soon found a good place, where I am fed and clothed and have twenty francs a month. I have also found a good woman, who, for these twenty francs, will take care of Lucille, and teach her needlework. I claim my sister."

A GOOSE STORY.—Three winters ago, on a stormy and tempestuous evening in autumn, a friend, then residing in Arkansas, had his attention attracted by a loud and singular noise in his yard. Going out, he saw a large flock of geese overhead, steadily winging their flight southward, on the ground lay a large gray goose, seemingly in the agonies of death.

The gentleman brought all his surgical skill to bear on the wounded fowl, and with such success that it recovered rapidly. It became the general pet of the whole family, and mixed with the tame geese as if it had never known a wider circuit than the farm pond and meadow.

When they went out an immense flock of fowls seemed hardly ten yards from the ground, and in the centre of the yard stood twenty or thirty geese. Quacking a loud farewell, the main flock passed on, leaving the singular goose-headed by the gray goose the farmer recognized as his old protegee.

The accuracy of this tale is not to be doubted, but the greatest singularity consists in these geese leaving the main flock in mid career, and being escorted to the chosen resting place.—New Orleans Times.

A SHOWER OF SHELLS.—The Delaware County (Pa.) Republican of June 15th says: On Saturday afternoon last, about 3 o'clock, a shower of shells, accompanied by large drops of rain, fell in this vicinity.

The little ones.—Do you ever think how much a little child does in a day? How from sunrise to sunset the little feet patter around us—so aimlessly. Climbing up here, kneeling down there, running to another place, but never still. Twisting and turning, rolling and reaching, and doubling, as if testing every bone and muscle, for their future use.

To MAKE A LIGHT POT-PIE.—Take lean fresh pork, veal, or chicken; boil tender, and season well with salt, pepper and butter. Be sure to have plenty of gravy, and thicken it with flour stirred up in water.

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