Creeus. Oh, the dear, delightful sound Of the drops that to the ground From the eaves rejoicing run In the February sun? Drip, drip, drip, they slide and slip

From the icicle's bright tip, Till they melt the sallen snow On the garden bed below. ' Bless me ! what is all this dru Cries the crocus, "I am coming Prny don't knock so long and loud, For I'm neither cross nor proud, But a little sleepy still With the winter's lingering chill. Never mind : "Tis time to wake, "Tis as quickly done as said. Up she thrusts her golden head, Looks about with radiant eyes La a kind of shy surprise,

Tries to say in accents surly, "Well! you called me very early!" But she lights with such a smile All the darksome place the while, Every heart begins to stir Joyfully at sight of her; Every creature grows more gay Looking in her face to-day.

Fresh smile of the hopeful year! First bright print of spring's light feet, And she whispers, looking up From her richly glowing cup. Overhead against the sky, "Now I've come, oh, sparkling drops, And I'm very glad I came, And your 'ernot the least to blame That you hammered at the snow

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you are to me."

The leaves rustled, and Mr. Falconer came into view. The girl put the child off her lap, and rose to her feet.
"Don't let me disturb you," he said.

"You made a pretty picture in the surlight, you two. This is the first time I have seen you since my accident. Let me thank you for your promptness that day. I have your little handkerchief yet," with an infection in his voice that was new to Nora and that did not please her. How could she guess that her winsome eyes and coldness had piqued and interested the master as none of the willing advances of fair and wealthy neighbors had done?

He was surfeited with flattery. Nora's coldness was a welcome stimulant—ay, more welcome than even he knew himself. You made a pretty picture in the surgest, you two. This is the first time I Gill

oner, feeling rather snubbed, making a oction to pat the little fellow's head; the shrank away, hiding him. but he shrank away, hiding his face in

motion to pat the little fellow's head; but he shrank away, hiding his face in Nora's dress.

"His name is Willie Marshall," answered Nora, quickly. "His father is the man you horsewhipped and discharged some months ago, and since then he has never done a day's work—ean't get it to do. The whole family are living in one room, almost starving. Many a night this poor little creature has gone to bed hungry. Can you realize what it means to be hungry—starving!—you, who have so much, who have never known want or the semblance of a want? Oh, Mr. Falconer, where God gives so much he surely will require much! You will have to answer for a great deal one of these days. Your men, with their wives and children, are living in hovels that you would not let your dogs occupy. Those hovels are yours; they are paying you would not let your dogs occupy. Those hovels are yours; they are paying you rent for them. The ventilation is wretched, the drainage is simply murderous. Some day a fever will, must come, and many souls will be hurried into eternity, and you will have to answer for them all. Oh, surely, rich men's hearts are like nether mill-stones!"

Her face was flushed, her eyes were thing with nached terms ablance of many with newled terms ablance of a friend, save my brother, God bless him, in the world—while your area rich man!"

"Oh, come to me." interrupted Gil-

ing and throwing his legs about "promiscus," while she pelted him with the blossoms.

"Oh!" she cried, kissing him, "you dear, good little man, what a comfort you are to me."

"My selection of the door."

Two day's after, sadly against his aunt's advice, Mr. Falconer started for London, going straight to a small shabby house in an humble location.

"Miss Eliot?" he asked, eagerly, of the miserable-looking female who opened the door.

the door.
"She's left, sur," was the answer. "she left yesterday morning; her money m was done, an' I dunno where she's

self.

"You are perfectly welcome to anything I did," she replied, coldly. Then thing I did," she replied, coldly. Then heart ache, came Miss Eliot.

"Exampling with nervousness he

then said. quickly: "Miss Eliot!"

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VALUE OF COINS.

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TIMELY TOPICS.

JOHN CHINAMAN IN NEW YORK.

Civil war is a commonplace incident in South America, but it is not often that the contestants are so very civil as the revolutionists who have overthrown the government of the State of Antioquia, in the republic of Columbia. This community was on the point of an out-

quia, in the republic of Columbia. This community was on the point of an outbreak when M. de Lesseps arrived there. The leaders had got their boom well to a head, and were just ready to issue the regular pronunciamento, when they were appealed to by the authorities to postpone the affair until the distinguished guest should have departed. With true Spanish politeness they complied, and for the credit of the country abroad, presented to the energetic projector the spectacle of a happy and united people. As soon as de Lesseps had left they went on with their revolution, which proved a decided success.

A French scientist has invented a French scientist has invented a large of the proposed of the provided in America were the bituminous fields of Richmond, Va., discovered in 1750.

"What is home without a father?" asks an exchange. It's a mighty good place to court a girl in.—Salem Sunbeam.

Talking of monstrosities, why we actually saw a bear-headed man the other day, and a girl with deer little hands.—Marathon Independent. A French scientist has invented a number of small electric lamps which can be used by the surgeon in illuminating the throat, the mouth, or even the more internal parts of the body, while Black linen collars and unforced when she died last month. when she died last month.

Black linen collars and uffs are shown among other things, but these are to be gested that it would be possible to materially assist the physician in his diagnosis, by means of a powerful electric light. On the assumption that the human body is only semi-opaque, it is proposed to place the patient in such a position in connection with a dark screen, that it is probable a powerful electric light would sufficiently illuminate his interior to enable the physician in a dark room to see so much of the workings of the principal organs as would assist him to arrive at a correct conclusion as to the nature of the case. If such a scheme is possible it would undoubtedly be of much advantage to medicine.

The year 1880 will be memorable in the strong and the shown only one quarter as much about courting as boys, because they

An Ode to Leap Year.

One year out of four, The girls " have the floor," nd skip for the boys like chickens for dough While the bashful men wait,

For the choice of first mate, And bless their dear selves that fate willed The elderly maiden,

With wrinkles laden, Ias now a nice chance the question to pop But pity the man, You people who can, Who is thus caught by a girl "on the hop.

The ugly old "bach" Sews on his last patch, ud can't see why his name isn't booked For a little wife

To cheer his life, But he finds that the sweet one leaped fore she looked. So go ahead, girls,

And damage your curls, n the faces of those who question this right Your chance to propose, As for as it goes,

s good; so improve it with all our might. -T. W. Greenslitt, in Philadelphia Item.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

All shopkeepers believe in signs Chicago drank 7,000,000 gailons of milk last year. During the year 1879 the shipyards of Maine turned out seventy-three ves-