

SUCH IS LIFE.

A little crib beside the bed.
A little face above the spread.
A little frock behind the door.
A little shoe upon the floor.

CAUGHT IN A TRAP.

BY HELEN FORREST GRAVES.

"I ain't no idee what sort of a gal she is," said Jonas Jaffray, slowly rubbing his toil-hardened palms together, as he sat in his cushioned rocker, staring meditatively at the fire.

Mattie rose up with unconscious dignity.
"I am Miss Vance," said she, secretly wondering if this old man were the head of a jet embroidery establishment, or in search of book agents to diffuse abroad some new publication.

FOR YOUNG FOLKS.

SPRING SOUNDS.

Such a flurry, such a scurry,
Such a hurry in the trees;
Such a whirring and a stirring
Birds as brisk as busy bees;

THE SKIPPING ROPE.

A skipping rope sounds very tripping
and childlike and calls up visions of
happy little girls bounding along the
highway or down a country lane in a
pretty and health-giving exercise.

LOUISE AND HER FAMILY.

Louise was a little Swiss girl whose
father and mother died and left her with
five small brothers and sisters. They
had a kind uncle and aunt, however,
who lived in America who said they
would welcome them, and the good pastor
in the little Swiss town raised enough
money to pay for their passage to America.

IS DEATH EVER "INSTANT"?

The Testimony of Surgeons and Scientists is to the Contrary.
It is questionable if such a phenomenon as instant death is known to the scientist and investigator.

Be a Gentleman.

Since the theory of justification by combat has been exploded there seems to be no way in which a gentleman can be sure of keeping his sacred honor free from specks except by plain, ordinary, decent behavior and respect for the rights of other people.

Live Mastodons in Alaska?

The Stickeen Indians (Alaska) positively asserts that within the last five years they have frequently seen animals which, from the descriptions given, must be mastodons.

A Python Swallows a Boa.

A remarkable occurrence took place lately, says our Berlin correspondent, in the Zoological Gardens at Breslau.

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dressings to look at him, and he was frightened, and shot past me into the door, taking refuge among the furniture. I picked him up, and added him to my already large collection of live snakes. Poor fellow! he died long ago, and his remains are in a bottle in the museum of Trinity College, Dublin.

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