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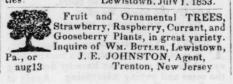
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THE GOLDEN COIN:

THE LITTLE STREET BEGGAR.

It was the morning of a New Year that had just set in bright, golden and beautiful. The sun glistened like jeweled raiment in the cloudless sky. The chiming of the silvery sounds of the bells struck joyfully upon the listener in the street. The air was cold, though not piercing; bracing, though not biting; just cold enough, in truth, to diffuse life and elasticity into dollars! every one that moved.

There was a little girl-a child of poverty-on that New Year's morning, walking in the streets with the gay crowd that swept past. Her little feet had grown so numb, encased only in thin shoes, and those badly worn, that she could but with difficulty move one before the other. Her cheeks shook at every step she took, and her lips looked truly purple. Alas! poor Elsie Gray! She was a little beggar!

Just like the old year was the new year to her. Just like the last year's sufferings were the wants and sufferings of this! The change of the year brought no change of her condition with it. She was poor-her mother was a widow and an invalid, and the child was a poor beggar! In the old and cheerless room gleamed no bright fires of anniversary. No evergreens, no wreaths, no flowers, save a few old withered ones, decked the time-stained walls. There was no sound of merry voices within the door the happiness that was all the world's on tions, no laughter, no gifts, no flowers for

Little Elsie stopped at times and breathed her hot breath upon her blue and benumbed The night returned this an fingers, and stamped her tiny feet in their casements with all the force left in them, lighted with joy; but he was not aloneand then big tears stood trembling in her large blue eyes for a moment, and rolled He had passed the whole of New Year's slowly down her purple cheeks as if they Day in making others happy. And how would freeze to them. She had left her much happier was he himself? How his mother in bed, sick, exhausted, and fam- little heart warmed and glowed to see that ishing! What wonder that she cried, even little child uncover the basket he had though those hot tears only dripped on the brought with him, and take out, one by one, cold pavement. They might as well fall the gifts that were stowed there; and how there as elsewhere; and many human hearts overjoyed was he to see his mother offer that passed her were full as icy and hard- the sick woman work and a new home, and ened. She would have turned back to go to see the sick woman suddenly strong and home had she not thought again of her almost well, under the influence of kind become a street beggar. Where should their New Year was as bright to them as it street beggars go? Surely if not home, then where should they go? It was this thought that brought those crystal tears, ment. that started those deep and irrepressible

sobs that checked her instant utterances A little boy-a bright looking fellowchanced to pass her as she walked and wept and sobbed. He caught the glitter of those tears in the sunshine, and the sight smote his heart. He knew not what want and suffering were. He had never known them himself-never once heard of them-knew not what a real beggar was. He stopped suddenly before Elsie, and asked the cause of her tears. She could make no reply, her heart was too full.

'Has anybody hurt you?' asked the feeling little fellow.

She shook her head. 'Have you lost your way?' he persisted. 'No,' answered the child.

What is the matter then?' he asked 'Mother is poor and sick, and I am cold and hungry. We have nothing to eat. Our room is quite cold and there is no wood for us. O! you do not know all.'

'But I WILL,' replied the manly boy; where do you live? 'Will you go with me?' asked Elsie, her

face brightening. 'Yes, let me go with you,' said he; 'show me the way.'

Through street, lane and alley she guided him. They reached the door of the hovel. The cold breath of the wind whistled in the tained at that place until the arrival of the Fast cracks and crevices and keyhole before them, as if inviting them in. A sick woman feebly raised her head from the pillow, and gave her a sweet smile. 'Elsie, have you come?' she faintly said.

'Yes, mother,' answered the child, and I have brought this boy with me. I do not know who he is, but he said he wanted to come and see where we live. Did Ido wrong to bring him mother?" 'No, my child,' said the mother. 'If

he knows how to pity you from his little heart; but he cannot pity me yet; he is not old enough. The bright faced, sunny-hearted boy gazed in astonishment upon mother and child. The scene was new to him. He wondered if this was what they called poverty. His eyes looked sadly upon the wasting mother, but they glittered with wonder when turned towards Elsie. Suddenly they were filled with tears. The want and woe, the barrenness, the desolation, were all too much for him. He shuddered at the cold uncovered floor. He

gazed mournfully into the fireplace. His here is the money; it is about eyes wandered wonderingly over the naked walls, looking so uninvitingly and cheerless. Putting his hand in his pocket, he grasped ing given him, and drew it forth. 'You may have that,' said he, holding it out to the child.

'O, you are too good! You are too generous I fear!' as if she ought not to take it corn I shall curse you.'

'Mother will give me another, if I want,' said he. 'Take it—take it—you shall take it!' and he was instantly gone.

It was a gold coin of the value of five Mother and child wept together. Then

they talked of the good boy whose heart had opened for them on this New Year's Day. Then they let their fancies run and grow wild, and revel as they chose. They look at the glittering piece. There was bread, and fuel, and clothing, and every comfort in its depths. Now they saw within its rim, pictures of delight and joy; visions of long rooms, all wreathed, decorated with visions of evergreens and flowers; visions of smiling faces and happy children; sounds of merry voices, and the chiming music of bells; the accent of innocent tongues, and the laugh of gladsome hearts.

Ah! what a philosopher's stone was that coin! How it turned everything first into gold, and then into happiness! How it grouped around kind and cheerful friends. and filled their ears with kind voices! How it garlanded all hours of that day with evergreens, and blown roses! How it spread them a laden table, and those guests, too, to say to the widow Gray, 'A happy New Year to you, Mrs. Gray.' Heaven seemed to have walled her and her abode out from Could it have been so bright in the child's or man's dark pocket? No, else it had bethat festive day of the year. It had pro- fore then burnt its way through, and lent vided, to all appearances, no congratula- its radiance to others. Could it have shone with such visions in the rich man's hands. them. Why? Were they outcasts? Had No; else his avarice would have vanished they outraged their claims on the wide at once, and his heart would have flowed world's charity? Had they voluntarily with generosity. No, No; it was only to shut themselves out from the sunlight of the widow and her child that it wore such living creatures around them? Mrs. Gray a sheen, and emitted such brilliant rays, and revealed such sweet and welcome vis-

The night returned this angel boy to the bleak house, filled with happiness, and his mother was with him. Blessed boy . oor mother; and she went on, though offices. He wondered if their happiness where to go she knew not. She was to could be possibly as deep as his own-if was to him. He knew not how any one could be happier than he was at that mo-

Years have rolled away into the silent past. That little girl—Elsie Gray—is a lady. Not a lady only in name, but one in deed, in heart and conduct. She dwells in a suburban cottage, and her husband is wholly devoted to her. The husband is no other than the generous boy, who on the New Year's festival, accosted her so tenderly in the street and went home with her. Her poor mother sleeps quietly in the churchyard; yet she lived to know that God had provided for her child. She died

resigned and happy. WITHHOLDING CORN.

Between eighty and ninety years ago there lived in the Connecticut valley, two farmers, one of whom was named Hunt and the other Clark. The former in early life had been a man of strong will and somewhat hasty and violent in temper.-Sometimes he had been seen beating his oxen over their heads with the handle of his whip in a way to excite the pity of the bystanders, and when expostulated with he excused himself by saying that he had the most fractious team in town. By and by an alteration took place in the temper of farmer Hunt. He became mild and joying the satisfaction of seeing others hapforbearing, and what was remarkable, his oxen seemed to improve in disposition at equal pace with himself. Farmer Hunt joined the 'Church' and was an exemplary man. His neighbors saw the change both in himself and his team. It was a marvel to the whole town. One of his townsmen asked him for an explanation. Farmer Hunt said, 'I've found out a secret about my cattle; formerly they were unmanageable; the more I whipped them and clubbed them the worse they acted. But now when they are contrary I go behind the load, sit down and sing Old Hundred, and strange as it may appear, no sooner have I ended than the oxen go along as quietly as a man could wish. I don't know how it is, but they really seem to like singing."

In the course of a few years the two farmers were chosen deacons of the church, and they both adorned their profession. About the time of their election a grievous famine prevailed in the valley, and the farmers generally were laying up their corn to plant the ensuing season. A poor man went to Deacon Hunt, and said:

'I have come to buy a bushel of corn; Swept away like the sandy bed of the river

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At last he said:

gather.' The deacon told him he could a a bushel for love or money. He the coin that his mother had that very morning double the usual quantity for saby costs the next year, and had to stint to feed infamily. The man urged his suit to feed insending used, it

'Deacon, if you don't let me haved, then "Curse me!" replied the deacon; we it a dare you do so?"

Because, answered the man, the Lequent . from savs so.' Nonsense!' exclaimed Deacon H1), but there's no such thing in the Bible.'

'Yes there is,' replied the poor man, ye the 'Yes there is,' replied the poor man, ye well,' said the deacon, 'if you can ids of the west I'll single head of the said of Well, said the deacon, it job ds of y such text I'll give you a bushel of conhun-They went into the house, when the thun-went to the old family Bible, turned other Proverbs II, xxvi, and read: 'He that will etenholdeth corn, the people shall curse his, for but blessings shall be upon the head year.

him that selleth it.' The deacon was fairly caught. 'Cor, along,' said he, 'and I will be as good rake my word.' He took him to the corn colve measured out a full bushel of corn, helpen the man put it into his bag, assisted him in slinging it upon his shoulder, and just before his departure, being something of a wag, he said, with a twinkle of the eye, I say, neighbor, after you have carried this corn home, go up to Deacon Clark and curse him out of another bushel.'

Moral and Religious.

A HOME IN HEAVEN.

Here in the body pent.

Absent from him I roam, Yet nightly pitch my moving tent A day's march nearer home My Father's house on high,

Home of my soul-how near At times to faith's foreseeing eye The golden gates appear Ah, then my spirit pants To reach the land I love, The bright inheritance of saints,

Yet clouds will intervene, And all my prospect flies; Like Noah's dove I fitt between Rough seas and stormy skies.

Anon the clouds disperse, The winds and waters cease While sweetly o'er my gladdened heart
Expands the bow of peace.
[MONIGORERY.

THE HOUR OF PRAYER How quietly the hour of twilight steals on. The sun's last golden ray, which lingered so long upon the eastern mountain. as "if parting were sweet sorrow," has disappeared. The last rosy tint is fading from the evening cloud. A deeper shadow settles over the valley. One by one "night's unwearied watchers" shine out in their "far off depths." The bird folds its weary wings within its little nest. The murmur of the bee is still. "The busy hum of man is" hushed. For a brief space the

prayer and meditation-the Sabbath of the " All is so still, so soft in earth and air You scarce would start to meet a spirit there;. Secure, that naught of evil could delight

restless world reposes. It is the hour of

To walk in such a scene on such a night. It breathes its own blessed quiet over the christian's spirit, and disposes him to deep and earnest communings with himself, and with his Father. The world loses its hold upon his heart, wealth, pleasures, honors, earth's vain array, seem now but what they are-illusions, fleeting cares and vexations, which, perhaps, too much occupied his mind, and ruffled his temper during the day, now sink into their real in-significance. He lifts his eyes to the magnificant firmament above him and feels he is but a speck, an atom, in the vast creation; he thinks of his immortal spirit, and the priceless ransom paid for it, and knows

it outweighs the worth of worlds." TO BECOME UNHAPPY.

In the first place, if you want to be mis-erable, be selfish. Think all the time of yourself and of your things. Do not care about anybody else. Have no feeling for any one but yourself. Never think of enpy; but rather, if you see a smiling face. be jealous, lest another should enjoy what you have not. Envy every one who is better off in any respect than yourself; think unkindly towards them, and speak ill of them. Be constantly afraid lest some one should encroach upon your rights; be watchful against it, and if any one comes near your things, snap at him like a mad dog. Contend earnestly for everything that is your own, tho' it may not be worth a dime ; for your "rights" are just as much concerned as if it were a pound of gold. Never yield a point. Be very sensitive; and take everything that is said to you in playfulness in the most serious manner. jealous of your friends, lest they should not think enough of you; and if at any time they should seem to neglect you, put the worst construction you can upon their conduct.

Time .- We look for the homes of our childhood, they are gone; for the friends of childhood, they are gone. The loves and animosities of youth, where are they?