

The Beauty of the Heart.

A lovely form may charm the eye
With fairest loveliness and grace;
And oft we may be captivated by
The entrancing beauty of a face;

MAY'S MISSION.

Pretty May Browning sat in her own
little room in her mother's cottage, with
pen, paper and ink spread before her,

A week before she had met Vernon
Wilbur. Picnics were a favorite summer
dissipation in the quiet little country town

At first something in his light blue
eyes had repelled rather than attracted
her; but as they sauntered together

Of course this sweeping assertion did
not include Dick Travers, for she and
Dick were engaged to be married.

She knew now that it was impossible,
for in this one short week she and Mr.
Wilbur had held many long, confidential

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straggled her shoulders, and rose to put
away the peas.
When she turned back the face at the
window had gone. Fearful of giving

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called her to this mundane sphere—
this time, however, to announce a visitor—
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with flushed cheeks and bright eyes
she ran down to meet him. His light-blue

"I have come to ask you to take a
stroll with me," he said, in his weak,
low voice. "Such days as this are in-
spirational, and I am sure in every bush

So it happened that, returning from
his lonely drive, a little repentant for
his hastiness, and ready to blame his
own jealousy and impetuous temper

He was not long in recognizing them
both, and a great, hot wave of indignant
anger surged up to his face. He was

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It was Dick, her lover, who stood be-
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"May!" he said. "What is it child?
Will you not tell me? Poor little girl!

The tender tone was more than she
could bear. How it happened she did
not know, but in a moment she found

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verse, for some patent toothwash.
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had listened with upturned eyes and
bated breath.
"Your mission soon will be ful-
filled," he said to her; "but oh, May,
what might we not accomplish to-

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MORAL AND RELIGIOUS.

It is in our daily associations with
other people, whether in society, in
business or at home, that we are in the
deepest need of forbearance. We are
irritated at many things, and seem
goaded on to utter bitter words, or

There are 108,000 Dunkards in the
United States.
The Methodist Protestant church in
the United States has a membership of
113,405.

The American Bible Society distributed
over 100,000 Bibles among emi-
grants during the past year.
The Church of England temperance
society reports 339,687 members in
twenty-five dioceses, against 302,610

A vigorous movement for the evan-
gelization of the people is being made in
Geneva, Switzerland, five halls being
used for the purpose in different parts
of the city.

The Rev. J. H. Blasser has left the
Congregationalists in Miami because he
has changed his views as to sanctifica-
tion, believing it now as an instanta-

The Methodist Episcopal church, on
an average, organizes ten new Sunday-
schools, dedicates fourteen new
churches and adds two new parsonages
each week during the year.

Dr. E. T. Baird and Dr. R. L. Dabney
are publishing articles in the South-
ern Presbyterian papers to prove that
the constitution of the Southern church

The king of Siam, though less than
thirty years old, is said to be one of the
most enlightened and progressive mon-
archs now living, and though a pro-

There is in the Congressional Library
a Bible which is thought to be from
four to five hundred years old. It is
written in Latin upon vellum, and is

A census of church attendance in St.
Louis shows that the total on a recent
Sunday of churchgoers was 119,493.

A bold Baptist missionary in St.
Petersburg recently baptized the
cashier of a great railway in a swimming
bath of the Imperial bank, and in the

Writing upon ants a naturalist re-
marks that among the habits and cus-
toms of some species is one which he

One species of ants is simply a war-
rior; its mandibles are not adapted for
working, but are excellent as weapons;

Several years ago the bleaching pow-
der made in the world was 55,000 tons
per annum, whereas it is now over 150,-

Commenting upon an important mat-
ter, a New York paper observes: "Some
statements which have just been made
by Dr. William M. Smith, health offi-

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TOPICS OF THE DAY.

A statistical abstract just issued by
the United States treasury department
contains statistics of the annual produc-
tion of gold and silver in the United

It is estimated that there are in Lon-
don at the present time no fewer than
25,000 unemployed mechanics, artisans,

Mrs. Beecher told an interviewing
correspondent of the Indianapolis Scen-
tinel so many interesting things the
other day that he wrote two columns

An exploring expedition has left San
Francisco for Alaska, under the direc-
tion of Edward Schieffelin, who has

There was an extraordinary scene at
the Grand Opera-house in Cincinnati

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authority, that out of nearly three hun-
dred and fifty thousand emigrants who
entered this port during the ten months
ending April 30, 1882, only eleven cases

In applying for an increase of her
pension from twenty-five dollars to fifty
dollars a month, Mrs. Priscilla D.
Twiggs, of Baltimore, now in her

An Arctic Tragedy.
With Horn sound begins the interest
in Spitzbergen, as the place was the
scene of as cruel a tragedy as was ever

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