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Was wisdom's ultimate,-Infer at length, a world outgrown, And that discovered, now unknown Or, that which now is not.

IMMORTAL.

Oh! men, who hold this life to-day, Look up! ye are creation's heirs;

Albeit ye scarce have learned to say "Our Father!" even in your prayer. Learn to revere the glorious type, So dimly modeled in this clay: Behold the "tree" and fruit full ripe

Live in the germ to-day. So sees the Wisdom looking, looking far, To shape our widening destiny:

He keeps us not for what we are. But what we yet may be. our ofter-selves, such wondrous things As those, at thought of whom we bow:

They trembled late near angel wings Who may be angels now. Λ soul that widens every day. Claiming its kindred with far spheres

And so anticipates its way Along the path of years-What end for such? The swift thought reel In awful vastness venturing. With visions of the burning wheels

and each a living thing. But what then? Do the angelhood Keep constant level round the throne? Content (with knowing only good)

To leave so much unknown? Does not the blue sky everywhere Open'up, up, like that we see, And larger vision but declare 🐣

Unseen immensity? Then what can its fulfillment miss: Realities beyond our dreams Is more than that which seems

Fear not to hope too much! Beyone Our possible, God's sureties stand Our utmost would the bountles bound Of an Almighty hand. Even now do richer years supply

The glory that that the present wants The future nothing shall deny Of all for which she pants, Ours are the things unseen, unheard

The secrets of eternity; We hold in one unfathomed word

We have been using angel's speech. Unthinking, knew not what we said The thought no mortal word can reach

Is uninterpreted. A little of its meaning guessed,

The shadowy greatness haunts us still, Only with visions of un Our littleness to fill.

The less is swiftest in the race; The rivers run, and cannot cease

Only the ocean keeps its place. And takes, without increase,

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the grand house she had entered as a puzzling bride was now narrowed down to

lady still, and she could boast that Rap! rap! rap! The Major played A COMPLETE ASSORTMENT OF she had never degraded herself to a tattoe with his knuckles on the Mrs. Breighton, with the lofty air of voice inside. "Come in!"—a little a duchess; "but the pension of my louder. son, the Colonel-who, as you proba- The Major walked in to confront,

on her small, shriveled hands.

Florida frontier—is sufficient to woman in a halo of soap and steam, maintain myself and my two grand- but a beautiful young lady, dark and daughters-and we are ladies."

PLUSH, exquisitely browned and cut as thin as a wafer. waiting, grandma?" she said. "My dear,"—with an air of mild comes, the greater is the composure

> "Oh, I am so sorry! But our fire caught thus, but she didn't. is out, and I had to run in and borrow the use of Mrs. Tucker's stove asked, with the greatest calmness. to boil the chocolate, and—" Mrs. Breighhon contracted her sil-

very brow. "The Breightons are not a. rowing race, Minnie.

"Shall I get you an egg, grand- home." mamma ? "Not if the fire is out, my dear," on with her breakfast, wearing an in- ly near her velvet cheek.

jured air, while Minnie went back to the other room, where she sat with in etiquette and general decorum. Minnie, but in different style. She he sat down and waited, while honand olive skin, and lips like a pome- er room, where she lay upon her hed granate flower, so perfectly shaped, -a captive to rheumatic pains. so richly red; while Minnie was tall and slender, and fair as a daisy.

Anna laid down a slip of greasy and thinking how very pretty the paper as Minnie entered. "It's a grocer's bill again. Sister. What shall we do?"

"Why? Because Pat O'Neil has | "Much obliged to you," retorted got all Mrs. Barker's wood to saw, Annie, with sparkling eyes. "Would and because we can't climb ladders you mind holding the sash-just a

must have." net" interjected Minnie, gravely. after a most scientific fashion. There is no poverty like your

Mrs. Barker, the laundress in our top story, is sick."

notes to bestow upon her." "And she can't keep up to her engagements. There are two Swiss muslin ball dresses, fluted and puffed beautifully, lying in her basket waitmoment. Five dollars apiece she has for them."

" Well?" "I shall do them up."

"Nanny! You?" Well, why not? Think what golden stream of Pactolus ten dollars would be in our empty coffers! a child!" Ask yourself how on earth you or I a pretty poetical sort of fabric to curls with one tremulous white hand,

| poor Mrs.| Barker keeps her custom-"Oh, Nanny! have you come to

that ?" Now, you look and talk exactly like dear old grandmamma! Don't be a goose, Minnie! Just you invent some story about my promenading in the park, or taking lessons in wax flower making to delude her

crellulous soul while I go upstairs and coin money." But I may help you?" "By-and-by, perhaps, if my wrists

get tired. But now, some one mus stay with grandmamma..' "It is very strange," said Miss Georgiette Appleton, "that my dres-

ses havn't come home! Positively, I shall have nothing to wear tonight." She was lounging before the seacoal fire in a blue silk neglige.

trimmed with swan-down, and a little

novel lay in her lap. her brother carelessly. "Where's the amethyst silk ?"

"Oh, I wore that to their last re- grandmamma!" cention. And the pink crape?

goose ever to buy that silk." Nile green silk with white flour-Sarah Howard has one just a and we shall be so happy.

wear, and I believe the spiteful thing tears of perfect joy. got it on purpose to kill mine. No. Minnie! Minnie! is my chocolate I must have the Swiss muslin with knots of blue corn-flowers, and a Ro-It was scrupulously neat and dain- man sash figured with gold. And ty in all its appointments, the little you'll go around to the laundress, parlor where Mrs. Breighton sat, al- and hurry her up a little, won't you? though the carpet was a tissue of that's a duck of a brother !- and you darns, the furniture faded, and the know perfectly well you've been yawnhearth rug skillfully eked out by a ing your jaws off the last three quaring tub, kept for the purpose in the a wild fright Mabel draws the bed in a tub, kept for the purpose in the piece of quite another fabric inserted ters of an hour."

in the spot most worn. A few flow-Where is it?" mended here and there, were white customers waiting-altho', of course, kitchen and hid himself. For three as snow; and Mrs. Brighton herself I know you'll do nothing of the sort. days he refused food, declining to go

Major George Appleton was an Eighty years old, and a lady to army officer, home on a furlough, That was something to be and rather at a loss to know what to proud of. What though paralysis do with so much extra time. Rich, had robbed her of all use of those which was another source of perplexdaintily slippered teet - what the ity! - handsome, which wasn't so

And so he sauntered along, this one room in a second-rate build- hands in his pockets, and a cigar baling, where two other families also set anced between his lips, unconsciously up their household altars-she was a ladvancing to meet his fate.

door.. "Our means are limited," said old "Dear me, what a noise!" said

bly may remember, was killed on the not a wrinkled old hag of a washerbrilliant as an Arabian dream, with Minnie Breighton presently came jetty curls pinned back in a silken in with her little chocolate on a nap | cascade at the back of her head, and | kin-covered tray, and slices of toast a pair of fluting scissors in her hand. Major Appleton started back, all his wits momentarily deserting him. "I hope you havn't been kept It is a curious fact the more embarrassed one party in a tete-a-tete be-

resignation - I: am accustomed to of the other. Annie Breighton should have colored and stuttered at being "What's your business, sir?"

Ht's lit's about my sister's gown -Miss Appleton, you know?" "Ah!" said Annie. "I hope to bor- have it ready very soon. If you'll! wait ten minutes you may earry it

And Grandmamma Breighton went | ing its heat by holding it dangerous-Major Appleton not being posted

saw no harm in carrying home a has-"She's in a hurry, you know?

said the Major, twirling his thumbs, girl was.

with paint pots over our shoulders," second, while I finish this loop?" But we can do something else, I | And when Minnie came up to see suppose. Listen, Minnie-money we how her sister was getting on, she found her aided and abetted by the "If we go out on the highways Major of eavalry, who was heating and ask it at the point of the bayo- the alternate pairs of fluting scissors

"Dear me," said Miss Appleton, genteel poverty," her sister sighed. when at last her brother made his 'But you havn't heard my plan. appearance, "how long you've been." "Yes," replied the Major, rubbing What then? We have neither great satisfaction, "it took us quite white lids down over the wide-awake which is to make us better and wor- ground, and the Philistines themselves wine nor jelly, nor yet crisp bank a while to finish those last thirteen flounces." " Us! you don't mean to say that

you helped the washerwoman?" "Yes, I did," said the Major; "and the frocks are down stairs, and I'm ing to be done up, at this present going up for a game of billiards." As he went he murmured to himself, "I thought all girls were alike, but I believe I've discovered one in-

dependent one at last."

married." "You, Nanny? Why, you are but Annie Breighton was kneeling be-

"Grandmamma, I'm going to

drops of blood and scintillating spar- fully-to see that the windows are kles of green fire. "I'm eighteen, grandmamma." "So you are! How, time flies!

Eighteen years old! But who's the happy man? We see no society worthy of ourselves, Nanny, and-" "I'm sure you'll like him, grandmaining. He is coming to pay his lonesome uphere, and I want to hear respects to you to-night. His name a story, and O, you do look so loveis Major George Appleton. He is in ly! Shall I spoil your dress if I put

the—the—cavalry, and he owns a house on Madison avenue, and—and he loves me, grandmamma." Namy held her black-tressed head on the old lady's shoulder as she poke the last words. 📑

All natural enough, my dear; but do you love him? * Yes, grandmamma." · And where did you meet him? When were you introduced?" *• I wasn't introduced at all," re-

of flame coming and going in her the innocent blue eyes and the trust-French tangle of blue ribbons and eyes. "I was fluting muslin up in ful heart, and mamma is gone to mix lace pinned among her yellow tresses Mrs. Barker's room, when he came with the revelers, the gayest of the with a pearl-headed javelin, while a in on an errand; and oh! grand- gay, still beautiful-queenly, and still mamma, you have always thought it fond of homage and admiration. "What an awful case!" observed so dreadful to work. But if I hadn't | The little cars are strained to catch been working. I never should have the last foot-fall on the stairs; then met him. And I love him so much, the doors open and close—a merry "Well, well," said the old lady.

rather reluctantly; "things seem to swiftly away. 1 look like an owl in pink. I was be altered from what they were when I was a girl." low and a sense of desolation creeps "But you shall live with us al- over the child. ways, granny dear, and Minnie, too.

A DOG'S REMORSE. The following interesting letter Being accustomed to walk out efore breakfast with the two terriers garden, whenever the weather is wet.

One morning, when I took up the ers, in a slender-throated vase, stood on the antique claw-legged table, the fender-irons glittered like gold, and the thin muslin curtains. artistically don't know better than to keen her of the thin go. No sooner was the dog sharply from their own childhood, the thin muslin curtains, artistically don't know better than to keep her at liberty than he ran down to the sharply from their own childhood, looked like Cinderella's god-mother, in her dress of ancient brocade, best the address on a card. It'll be such peared very dejected, with a disweak understanding. Questions that

countenance. "On the third morning, however, upon returning with the other dog, here, and what is this in my breast I found him sitting by the tub, and which seems another self and tells upon coming toward him he immedi- me mysterious things?" ately jumped into it and sat down in . It is a most pernicious thing to the water. After pretending to wash his legs, he jumped out as happy as alone, especially in the dark. Their possible, and from that moment re-

covered his usual spirits. There appears in this instance to have been a clear process of reason- if children demand stories let the going on in the dog's mind from the moment he bit me untill he hit upon t plan of showing his regret, and eparation for his fault. It evidently occurred to him that I attached great mportance to this foot-bath, and if ne could convince me that his contrition was sincere, and that he was willing to submit to the process without a murmur, I should be satisfied. The dog, in this case, reasoned with perfect accuracy, and from his promises deduced a legitimate conclusion which the result justified."

GOOD ENOUGH FOR HOME.

"Why do you put on that forlorn old dress?" asked Emily Manners of yearning little hands quit of hard her cousin Lydia, one morning after iouse.

The dress in question was a spotted, old summer silk, which only anything undone-any stories unlooked the more forlorn for its once told, any prayers unheard - how fashionable trimmings, now crum- worse than the agony of death itself oled and frayed.

fluting seissors from the stove, test- home," said Lydia, carelessly. Lydia come, nor how many young things had been visiting at Emily's home, grow up fair and tall in her house and had always appeared in the pret- and heart-to feel that one little tiest of morning dresses, and with grave holds more love than all the neat hair, and dainty collars and outside world, and one little frock or cuffs; but now that she was back east-off shoe more remorse than the Annie Breighton was as pretty as ket of newly-laundried clothes. So again among her brothers and sisters, sea has drops. with her parents, she seemed to think was dark, with almond-shaped eyes, est Mrs. Barker started from the oth- anything would answer, and went knowing it or meaning to be; to be about untidy and rough in soiled petulant and impatient is to be unfinery. At her uncle's she had been kind in the deepest sense of the pleasant and polite, and had won word, and to a sensitive child no golden opinions from all; but with manner of reproof is so keen as this her own family her manners were as anxiety to be rid of them. For whom careless as her dress; she seemed to is a mother beautiful if not for the the fluting seissors glide in and out was too expensive for home wear, win her heart from the world and know what he does on the street.

night so much." "Nonsense, child, go to

run along with nurse." lady pushed the little pleader away, surrendered her to the hired attendblue eyes before they wished to be thier .- St. Louis Republican. shut in, so that she could seek her companions below stairs. Has that

mother ever time to think how hungry a little heart may be for that tist tells this story of the late D deep and all abiding affection which only belongs to motherhood. There are griefs which only a mother can soothe-tears which only a mother can wipe away, and a yearning baby heart cries for and demands those

dear caresses which a mother alone Radiant in shiny silks and foamy laces, her beautiful dark hair fringed with pearls, her arms and neck could earn ten dollars any other way. side her grandmother's chair, and the gleaming with jewels, Mabel's mam-And after all, a Swiss muslin dress is fairy god-mother was stroking her ma sweeps up the polished stairs, sliedding perfume as she goes to lool wash and iron; and into the bargain, where the antique jewels shown like in on the fair-haired sleeper-duti

fastened and and the candle not near the bed curtains. • Not asleep yet, child? What

tiresome little girl to be sure. Did I not tell you to go to sleep?" "Yes, dear mamma, but I jus couldn't and I tried so hard It's so

my arms around pour neck?' "Why, of course you will, you great babe. You can yet your arms around me to-morrow; kiss me now

the carriage is waiting, and you must not think so much of absurd stories, they are not healthful at all; good niight!'

"Good night, mamma; kiss me

again, that other was such a little Good night from the quivering lips turned Nanny, with mischievous elves the yearning arms, the golden head,

> laugh floats up through the silent house, and the carriage wheels roll. The golden head drops on the pil-

The servants are far below, and shade lighter that she'll be sure to And Annie Breighton's tears were er, good little girl, not making hide dusly ugly gorgons, with staring eye halls and leering mouths, out of the gay wall paper, and hearing such strange noises, which are after all the disordered beating of her little seared, fluttering heart. The great dark house is so still, with a stillness which bleats and roars like drums it was my custom to wash their feet and clashing trumpets, that finally in clothes over her head and sinks to

sleep sobbing, and dripping with perssatisfactory hours, which stand out you was a minister." like pictures cut in the face of rock? There are times when the great tressed and unusual expression of weak understanding. Questions that come to the child as to the philosoplier. "Who am I? Why am I

leave sensitive children too much minds ever active and on the alert. make of their few possibilities great impossibilities, and they fall a prey mother tell them-not leave it to nurses, who feed their; susceptible minds with unwholesome horrorswhich are as real to the child as the storm-cloud and lightning; both are terrors they do not understand but stand in awe of the more. Some children do not recover from such influences in a lifetime, and are afraid of something, long after they are

ishamed to own such weak fears. It sometimes happens—ah! how often it happens, that a dark guest comes knocking at the door sacred to the baby of the household—the roungest, the fairest, the most helpess_and the blue eyes are sealed forever-the short life ended, the

tasks before they were begun, and she had spent the night at Lydia's the busy, loving little heart at length stilled. O, then, if baby's mother has left must it be to her in all the after "Oh, anything is good enough for years—no matter what other babies

A mother may be unkind without What shall we do?"

Minnie sank into a chair.

"And the gas yesterday, and the landlord not paid, and the purse is empty as—Mother Hubbard's cubboard. What shall we do?"

"There are too many people who, empty as—Mother Hubbard's cubboard. What shall we do?"

"That's the question," said Anna, "That's the question," said Anna, "If we can only keep it from grand"If we can only keep it from grand"If we can only keep it from grand"My father was a Colonel in the said said out think that shall we do?"

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"My father was a Colonel in the said said out think that shall we do?"

"My father was a Colonel in the said said out the fact from the world and that anything was good enough for home wear, win her heart from the world and that anything was good enough the does on the street. Look after, him, mother; keep him more at home. Train him, and you will have a son to be proud of. who are folite and pleasant in out the attire the world and that anything was good enough for home. Young men who all the attire the world and that anything was good enough for home. Train him, mother; keep him more at home. Train him, and you will have a son to be proud of. will have a son to be proud of. who after him, mother; keep him more at home. Train him, and you will have a son to be proud of. will have a son to be proud of. Service that his garwill have a son to be proud of. Service the latter the strater. Look after, him, mother; keep him more at home. Train him, and you will have a son to be proud of. Service the strater to Heaven? If they wish to put their arms about your neck never push them off, or consider that your lace ruffles will be destroy. The form of the wind have a son to be proud of. Service that his offering was accepted, proves that his propher was accepted, proves that his propher was accepted, proves that his offering was accepted, proves that his offering was accepted, proves that his deet them. There are too many people who, at the first—the

ABOUT BABIES.

"Mamma, stay with me to-night, ness. God forbid that the frivolties

won't you? I want to love you to- of a fashionable life should seem sufficient to a mother, and make her less alive to the welfare of her offspring, once like a good little girl. I shall but it is too often true that worldly look in to see you before I go; now enjoyments push in between women and the sacred and holy duties di-With impatient hands the haughty vinely imposed upon them, and too many little ones, surrounded by luxuries, are starving for lack of proper ent whose office it was to robe little loving and fostering. Children should Mable in her snowy night-dress, hear never be thought tiresome; they are

THE MARKS OF A MINISTER.-A

Bethune: up going with the kind of men who came up there to fish. The doctor's humor overcame his scruples so far as to gain admittance for the night, and the next morning succeeded still further, prevailing upon the man to go out with him and show him the by King David (2 Sam. vi. 1-11). best places of the stream. They spent most of the day together, and on returning to the house in the af-

back, saving: -" Doc., I like you." "Why do you like me my friend? "Well, Doc., I'll tell you. We've been out most all day, we hav'nt caught much, you fell in and got wet and I hav'nt heard you swear once.' After supper, as the doctor was smoking his pipe in front of the house, his host came out and with some hesitancy, said:

" Doc., since I jined the church I'v had prayers every night; we are go ing to have them now, and mayb you wouldn't object to come in." " Certainly not, my friend." And he went in to listen to the

Methodist hymn. During the singing the man watched him closely and at the end said anxiously, " Maybe you wouldn't mind leading us in prayer.". The doctor knelt and offered one

house again before the man re-appeared, saying, "Don., I kinder suspicion you. "What do you suspect me of Nothing bad, I hope." "No, nothing bad, and maybe I'm wrong; but I kind o' think you are

a minister. "What makes you think I'm minister "Well, I'll tell you: I havn't heard yau swear since you came; then the way you jined us in the hymn; then

The doctor laughed heartily as he acknowledged that he was indeed a KISSING IN CHINA.—It is a singular fact, the custom of kissing is altogether unknown in China. The Chinese, indeed have no word or term expressing love as we understand the tender passion. An American navy officer, voyaging Chinaward, narrates

an amusing experience of the ignor ance of the Chinese maidens of the science of kissing. Wishing to complete a conquest he had made of a young meh jin (beautiful lady.) he invited her -using the English word -to give him a kiss. Finding her comprehension of his request somewhat obscure, he suited the action to word and took a delicious kiss. The girl ran away into another room voured." But in a moment finding herself uninjured by the salute, she would like to learn more of your strange rite. Ke-e-es me!" He knew it wasn't right, but he kept on instructing her in the rite of "ke-e-es me" until she knew how to do it like a native yankee girl, and, after all that, she suggested a second course by remarking. "Ke-e-es me some more sced jin, mee-lee-kee!" glice-American), and the lesson went on until her mamma's voice

rudely awakened them from their de-

licious dream.

WHOSE BOY IS THAT?—He may be seen any day, in almost any part of the village; he never makes room for you on the sidewalk, looks at you saucily, and swears smartly if asked anything; he is very impudent, and often vulgar, to ladies who pass; he delights in frightening and sometimes does injury to little boys and girls; he lounges at the street corners, and is the first arrival at a dog fight or any other sport or scrape he crowds into the post office in the morning, and multiplies himself and his antics at such a rate that people having legitimate business are crowded out; he thinks himself very sharp, he is certainly very noisy; he can smoke and chew tobacco now and then, and rip up an oath most any time; we ask whose boy he is. Mother, is he yours? We think he is, for

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SAM, vil: 5-12-GOLDEN TEXT; PROV., M: 11, SECOND QUARTER, X.

much of the history of this period as relates to the ark, is given in chaps. v and vi. A meagre outline must answer here. The Philistines carry the Ark to Ashdod and place it in the temple of Dagon. This his hands with an appearance of her meek prayer, and try to force the God-given volumes, the studying of idol is twice found prostrate on the are visited with painful plagues, which destroy many of them. Two milch-kine, driven by an irresistible impulse, conduct correspondent of the National Bap- the Ark and certain golden offerings to Beth-shemesh, a Levitical city in the tribe ticipation (4:1). This stone was an Altar of Dan on the borders of Judah, where On one occasion when the doctor the cattle are offered as a burnt-offering, a pledge and promise for future trial, and was resident in Philadelphia, he went and the Levites take possession of the for a few days of rest to a trout Ark. Here a startling incident occurred. stream he had heard of in the interi- which seems to be incorrectly reported in or of the state. Arriving, an entire our English version; (1 Sam. vi: 19). Acstranger, at a house kept by a man cording to the received Hebrew text, who had been accustomed to enter- the number consists of "screnty men, tain those who came there to fish, he fifty thousand men." This uncommon was coldly received. The man told expression, and the fact that the words, him frankly that he had attended a "fifty thousand men," are wanting in the memory of thy great goodness. (Ps protracted meeting during the winter, some manuscripts, alike indicate that the that he hoped the Lord had forgiven latter words are erroneously inserted in Jesus Christ. Past gooodness is a guar his sins, and that he had joined the the stext (Kurtz). On account of the Methodist Church, and meant to give terror inspired by this punitive visitation, the ark is taken to Kirjath-jearim (rity of woods) in the tribe of Judah. Here in a little sanctuary among the

wooded hills with a liminarly consecrated Priest (vii: 1) it remained until removed Our lesson suggests (1) the gathering at Mizpeli; vs. 5-6. Mizpeli (or Mizpali) was of a city of Benjamin; about four and ternoon, the man slapped him on the a half miles north-west from Jerusalem. It was at this time the great sanctuary of Jehovah, the special resort of the people in times of difficulty and solemn deliberation; (Judges xx : 1; 1 Sam. vii: 5; 1 Sam. x: 17-25; 1 Sam. vii; 16). Two-qustions arise here: 1. Why did Israel gather at the Alderny; it is rather larger, and Mizpeh? The answer is given in verse 5: I will pray for you unto the Lord." Samuel as their prophet, the only means daily, and the milk is churned withof communication at that time between out skimming; one pound of butter them and Jehovah, was to intercede publaday is by no means an uncommon licly for their sinful nation. Hence, the | yield for a good cow. The cow cabprophetic office, as we shall see more bage is made to attain a size so large. clearly as we advance, included also that the leaves are used to wrap the priestly functions. (Compare Exod. xvii: butter in for market, while the stalks 11, 12; Numb. xii: 13; 1 Kings xviii: 36, are varnished and armed with fer-42). 2. What did Israel do at Mizpeh? rules and extensively used at Si. Hereading of a passage in a broken The answer is found in v. 6. This was lier's for canes. The cows are very av, and to join heartily in a good only the carrying on and carrying out of carefully coddled. The grass they a previous effort after reformation; v. 4. feed on is highly enriched by the But at Mizpeli there seems to have been vraic, a species of sea-weed gathered a more public and profound expression of from the reefs at low tide. There

repentance. "They drew water and are two vraic harvests appointed by of those good and hearty, yet simple | Chaldee paraphrist explains this: "They supplications which are so well re- wept abundantly, as if their hearts had membered by all who knew him, He been springs, and their eyes as fish-pools was hardly seated in front of the of Heshbon." Kitto says; "We take this act to have been the sign and symbol, or, rather confirmation of an oath-a attended with risk and loss of life of a treaty." Kurtz refers to Psalms xxii: they cat less in this way, really giv-14, and 2 Sam. xiv: 14; and adds, "It is ing more milk than if glutted with an image of the complete dispersion, food, and while they are cropping the faintness, and helplessness of the Israelites; they are now painfully conscious of. their real situation, and beseech the Lord to deliver them from it." This symbolical act was followed by a total fast all that the way you yrayed, made me think

day, blended with audible expressions of penitence—"We have sinned against the Lord." No doubt tears were freely shed. On this occasion Samuel appears in a wo-fold character. He is their prophet, exercising sacerdotal powers. He prays for them. And he is (for the first time) their judge; v. 6. "The functions which Samuel executed there as judge were twofold : civil and military. As a civil judge, he did exactly what Moses did, as described Exod. xviii: 16; as military judge, he did what Othniel, Ehud, Barak and Gideon had done before him, organized and marshalled the people for effectual resistance to their oppressors, and led

(2). The Preparations for Battle; vs. 7-"The Philistines heard that the children of Israel were gathered together to Mizpeh." How did they learn it? They had partly occupied the territory of Israthoroughly alarmed, exclaiming, el; they had taken possession of some of Terrible man-cater! I shall be de- their cities; and they had agents throughout the land to note and report all signs of uprising. Hence they soon heard of secturned to his, side saying: "I this large gathering not far from their own flames of a strong fire, and after beborders. "The Lords of the Philistines ing soaked for a considerable time went up against Israel,"-i. e., in battle- in water, it is placed under heavy array. If, as we supposed last week, this weight in order to render it straight followed close upon the destruction of Its extreme lightness, the ease with he Philistines at Gaza, (Judges xvi: 30), which it can be compressed, and its it shows that that dire calamity did not | clasticity, are properties so peculiar long depress the stolid, obstinate courage to the substance, that no effectual of the nation. Though dull in intellect. and sluggish in movement, they never relaxed their grip upon any purpose. New stopping the mouths of bottles or lords had succeeded the dead ones, and they led forward a powerful army with stubborn determination to destroy the conspiracy at Mizpeh. "And when the children of Israel heard of it, they were afraid of the Philistines." Their past conflicts with the Philistines had humbled and disheartened them; a long season of penitence and a day of fasting and weeping had saddened their hearts. Above all, they had not received as yet any proof that God had pardoned them and restored them to his favor; v. 8.

The special preparation for battle on the part of Israel seems to have been twofold. 1st. Prayer: v. 8: "They entreat ed Samuel to raise the piercing, shrill cry plication to God for them." (Stanley.) Samuel had already interceded for them; but they beg him now, in the face of so great danger, to repeat his intercession. Their only hope and help is in Jehovah. No one proposes to bring up the ark from slipping down in the mud and hurt-Kirjath-Iearim. Superstition has given ing his back. The exasperated fath-(2.) Sacrifice; v. 9. Samuel acts as priesty first—the strange dog with the boil-

"That's the question," said Anna, reflectively arching her jetty brows.
"If we can only keep it from grandman."
"S. "We must," retorted Minnie, with a decisive nod. "It would kill her, for were men, now, Nanny, we not addressed go out and get a job of wood-marked to work."

It is a wretched way to turn always, and consects ide to the world, and shamed to work."

That's the question," said Anna, reflectively arching her jetty brows.
"If we can only keep it from grandman."

"My father was a Colonel in the regular army; my grandfather was a whole among strangers are all gaiety and animation, never make an exertion to please their own family.

If we were men, now, Nanny, we not ashamed to work."

To which the gardener replied, "I believe it; sir; but he site stir is gir; but he site stir and dividing one consumed the skin and dividing time would consume the skin and dividing denote time will soon come when a man will time will soon come when a man will to conform to all the detail of the consumed the sacrifice with common fire. There were irregularities, but he was incomplete, "I'm come to thee when daylight sets," as the lamp, "I'm come to the when daylight sets," as the lamp, "I'm come to the when daylight sets," as the lamp, "I'm come to the when daylight sets," as the lamp, "I'm come to the when daylight sets," as the lamp, "I'm come to the when daylight sets," as the lamp, "I'm come to the when daylight sets," as the lamp, "I'm come to the when daylight sets," as the lamp, "I'm come to the when daylight sets," as the lamp, "I'm come to the when daylight sets," as the lamp, "I'm come to the when daylight sets," as the lamp, "I'm come to the when daylight sets," as the lamp, "I'm come to the when daylight sets," as the lamp, "I'm come to the when daylight sets, "I'm come to the when daylight sets," as the lamp, "I'm come to the when daylight sets," as the lamp, "I'm come to the when daylight sets, it is to the mother alone it should an ere of land in one of his waistooat time will soon come when a man will time

cret place of the thunder. Now they Between our last lesson and the present know God is on their side, and the assurone, there is an hiatus of 20 years. So ance gives them inspiration and superhuman strength. They dash furiously upon the wavering lines of the awe-stricken enemy; v. 11. Samuel is transformed all at once into a warrior. This was his only military achievement, so far as we know. It was followed by peace and independence for 20 years, and by the restoration of the usurped territory. (4). The memorial; v. 12. He calls the stone Eben-Ezer, (stone of help); the place has clearly been so called by an-

upon the death of a pure substitute; and

(2) those thus reconciled must be wholly

(3). The Battle; vs. 10-11. The Philistines took the initiative, probably from the desperation of obstinacy. Or, they may have learned of the fearfulness of Israel. Notice the moment of attack! Just as Samuel was offering the lamb; as

the smoke and savor of it ascends to God!

It was a painful moment for Israel. The huge hulks of the enemy are near. In a

few moments they must fight or flee.

Only a burning lamb as an engine of de-

ence! But what will Jehovah do? Is

He for them or against them? The criti-

cal moment has come. The enemy are

ready for the onset; then in a twinkling

the dark sky seems ploughed and rent

with fearful lightnings; appalling thun-

ders shake the earth-the very elements

seem about to melt with ferved heat.

Samuel's prayer is answered from the se-

ledicated to God's service.

of Praise-a shrine of Love. And it was need, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us,"

and by this sign he always will help: We must love and serve God supremely "The sacrifices of God are a broken spirt." "Behold the Lamb of God." "If God be for us, who can be against us? "Upon the wicked he will rain snares."

antee of future blessing.

Alderny Cows.

Alderny is well known for the breed of cows which bears its name. These are so called probably because the first ones exported were from that island, although now very few that are sold as Alderny cows are directly from there. Those of that breed actually exported from these islands are generally from Jersey. where the cattle are much the same as those of Alderny, small, with tapering heads, and of a delicate fawn color. The Guernsey cow is esteemed by some even more highly than more of a red, brindled, in color. The cows are milked three times poured it out before the Lord." The the government, one in the spring; the other in August, although it is gathered at other times in small quantities. All hands turn out in the season with boats and carts, frequently at night, and it is a very lively, solemn yow." Stanley regards it as a from the overloading of boats or symbolical rite, expressive partly of sudden rising of the tide. The cows deep humiliation, partly of the libations are always, tethered when feeding; grass on one side of a field, it has When they have done eating, they are at once removed from the sun into the shade. The breed is preserved from intermixture with other

> Corks.—Many persons see corks used daily without knowing from Corks are cut from large slabs of cork tree, species of oak, which grows wild in the Southern countries in Europe. The tree is stripped of its bark at about sixteen years old; but before stripping it off, the tree is not cut down, as in the case of the oak. It is taken while the tree is growing, and the operation may be repeated every eight or nine years; the quality of the bark coninning each time to improve as the age of the tree increases. When the bark is taken off, it is singed in the substitute for it has been discovered. The ancients mostly used cement for vessels. The Egyptians are said to have made coffins of cork, which being spread on the inside with resinous substance, preserved dead bodies from decay. In modern times, cork was not generally used for stopples to bottles till about the seventeenth century, cement being used, for that purpose.

preeds by strong and arbitrary laws:

very carefully enforced. No cattle

are allowed to enter the islands ex-

number of days, with the exception

of oxen for draught .- From "The

Channel Islands," by S. G. W. Ben-

JAMIN; in Harper's Magazine for

ROBERT COLLYER says the children must have less study and more fun. He is right. There is a boy in the family across the way. Saturday afternoon he put a dead mouse in his mother's work-basket, attached a split stick to the tail of the next door neighbor's cat, set the vinegar faucet up in business, palmed himself off as ghost on the hired girl when she went down the cellar after the butter, besmeared his father's choice bantam rooster with blue ink, and wound uphe entertainment by tying the boiler o a strange dog's continuation, and er hardly knows which to hunt up

A good little boy tried to lift himgencies carried with it sacerdotal powers. self by a mule's tail. The doctor Scientific Farming. — A noble He offered the lamb wholly; i. e., entire, thinks the scar on his forehead is