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## SUNDAY READING. The Repentant Burglar.

The world of fiction hardly contains a more thrilling chapter than an incident
which marked the life of the late Rev, ill Lee, Presbyterian minister,
Vorcester, New York.
Mr. Lee was sitting in . Mr. Lee was sitting in his study about
midnight, preparing a discourse to delivor to his congregation, when he heard that some one was in the room. Mr. Le that some
exclaimed:
turning aro
curning around in his chair he behold the a pistol at his breast. The ruffian had supposing all the occupants were locked
in slumber. "Give me your watch and money",
said he, "and make no noise, or I will "You may put down your weapon, for liberty to take all the valuables
sess," Was Mr. Leo's calm reply.
The burglar withdrew his pistol, and Mr. Lee said :
"I will conduct you to the place where
my most precions treasures are placed."
He opened the door and pointed to th


 sions, and that all his means were devo-
ted to bot one object -he education of
the two motherless children. The bur-
glar was deeply and visibly affected by
these remarks. Tears filled hifs eyes, nud glar was deeply and visibly affected by
these remakk. Tcass filled his eye, nud
he expressed the utmost sorrow at the act
which he had beon about to commit. After a few remarks by Mr. Lee, the
would be criminal consented to kneel and
join in prayer; and there in that lonely
houss, amidid the silence of midnight, the
offender poured forth his remorse and penitence, while the representative of re-
ligion, of peace and good will, told him
to "go and sin no more." Such a scene The Refluer of Silver. A fow months aro, a few ladies who
met together in Dublin to read the Scrip-
tures, nad make them the subject of con-
vorsation, were roading the third chapter
of Malachi. One of the hdies gave it
as her opinion that the Fuller's Soap and
Refiner of Silver was the same image,
both intended to oonvey the same view of
the sanctifying influence of the grace of
Christ; while another observed, there is
something remarkable in the expression
of the third verse:
a He shall sit as a refiner and purifier of the third verse:
"He shall sit as a refiner and purifier
of silver."
They agreed that possibly it might be They agreed that possibly it might be
so, and one of the ladies promised to call
on a silversmith and report to them what he said on the subject. She went accord-
ingly, and without telling the object of hogly, and wihout telling the object of
herocess of regged to know from liming the silver, which he fully process of to her.
described to
"But, sir," said she, do you sit while "Oh, yes, madam," replied the silver-
"Oh, smith, "I must sit with my eye steadily
fixed on the furnace, for if the time nec-
essary for refining be exceeded in the essary for refining be exceeded in the
slightest degree, the silver is sure to be
injured. At once she saw the beauty, and injured. At once she saw the beauty, and
the comfort, too, of the expression, "He
shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silChrist sees it needful to put his chil-
dren into the furnace ; and he is seated by the side of it ; his eye steadily intent on tho work of purifying, and his wisdon
and lowe are both engaged in the best manner for them. the heir trials do not
come at random ; thars of thir
head are all numbered. As the lady was eaving the shop, the silversmith called cr back, and he said he had still further
o mention that he only knew when the process of purifying was complete by see
ing his own image reflected in the silver ing his own image refiected in the siver.
Beautiful figure! When Christ ees
His own image in His people, His work His own image in His people, H
of purifying is accomplished.
"Make straight Paths."
Young men, when they first go away
from home, and young women, at their first entrance upon sooiety, are very ap
to ineur needless risks to character an reputation from sheer fool-hardiness.They do not intend to do wrong, but they
wish to "use their freedom." They feel wish to "use their freedom." They feel
atrong and wise in their own conceit.-
They would like to do bome daring deed They would like to do some daring deed
and come out unseathed, just to falsify
the predictions of older heads. We the predictions of older heads. We
have known many youtha to throw themselves into the way of wicked temptatio
and to walk purposely on the edge of som fatal precipice, for the mero purpose
showing their moral agility in escapin For such and for all who have any infli ence with such, wo have a message wort
considering. : Make straight patha for cousidering.
your foet lest that which is lame be turn
ed out of the way, but let it rather b ed out of the way, but let it rather be
healed. Not venca the Son of Goo would
make a needless leap from the pionacle of the temple. Angels will bear us up in
cery danger, so that no person doing

 pression which causes the apparition, no
the apparition which conveys the impres sion-occurred near Bath half a century
ngo. Sir John Miller, a very wealthy
gentleman, died, leaving no children. His
widow had always understood that she
was to have the use of his house for her lifo, with a very large jointure, but n
will making such provision could b
found affer his death. The heirat-atlaw
a distant connection, naturally chaime
his rights, but kindly allowed Lady Mille to remain for six months in the house to
complete her search for the missing pa-
pers. The six months drew at lost to a
close and the por widow less days and weeks in examining every
possible place of deposit for the lost doc-
ument, till at last she came to the conclu-
sion that her memory must have deceived siou that her memory must have deceived
her, and that her husband could have
made no such promise as she supposed
or had neglected to fulfill it had he made one. The very last day of her tenure of
the house had just dawned, when, in the
gray of the morning, Lady Miller drove gray of the morning, Lady Miller drov
up to the door of her man of business
Bath, and rushed excitedly to his bed room door, ealling out, "Come to me! I
have seen Sir John! There is a will!",
The lawyer hastened to accompany her back to her house. All she could tell was
that her doceased husband had appeared
to her in the night to her in the night, standing by her bed
side, nnd had said solemnly, "There is a
will!" Where it was, remained as uncertain as before. Once more the house was
searched in vain from cellar to loft, till
finally, wearied and in despair, the lady finally, wearied and in despair, the had
and her friend found themselves in
garret at the top of the house. garret at the the " Lady Miller said; "I give it
all over, my hashand deceived me, and I am
up; my
ruined!" At that moment she looked ruined!" At that moment she looked
at the table over which she was leaning
weeping. "This table was in his study
"ne weeping. "This table was in his study
once let la examine it." They looked,
and the missing will, duly signed and and
sealed, was within it, and the widow was
rich to the end of her days. It needs no rich to the end of her days. It needs no
conjuror to explain how her anxiety call-
ed up the myth of Sir John Miller's. ed up the myth of Sir John Miller's appa-
rition, and made him say procisely what
he had once before really said to her, but he had once before really said to her, but
of which the memory had waxed faint.
ser" "When I was a boy," said Uncle Morton, "things, went on more economi-
cally than now", We all worked. My
work was to take care of the hens and ehiekens, and III tell yer how I rais-
ed 'em. You know I'm a very thinked 'em. You know I'm a very think-
in' child, allus a thinkin' cept when I'm
asleep. Well, it came to me one asseep. Well, it came to me one night
to raise a big lot of chickens from on
hen, and Ill tell you how I did it. took an old whisky barrel and filled it with fresh eggs, and then put it on the
south side of the barn, with some horse manure around it, and then set the old
hen on the bung-hole. The old critter kept her sittin' and in three weeks I heer a little 'peep.' Then I put my ear to the spigot, when the peeping growed like
a swarm of bees. I didn't saja anythin' a swarm of bees. I didn't say anythin
to the folks about the hatchin', for they all told me I was a fool; but the next
mornin' I knocked the head out of the barrel, and covered the barn floor two feet deep with little chickens. Yon
may laugh as much as you please, but it'


The Fool and the Highwayman. NEVER heard of Redmond O'Hanlon, the Irish highway robber? Well, thats surprising. Your an' hold
a arpins and French Duvals couldn hold
a candle to our highwayman. But for a candle to our highwayman. But for
all his shrewdness he met his match once, and I'll tell you how it was.
Redmond was a fine, strapping gentleRedmond was a fine, strapping gentle-
manly looking fellow, and a dovoted admanly looking fellow, and a devoted ad-
mirer of the ladies - as where is the Irishman that is not? And what is more a
friend to the poor; ns you'll admit when friend to the poor; as you'll admit when
I tell you that his demands for cash were only made on persons who could
well afford to meet them, and that he de weghted in forcing contributions from
ligose who had the name of hard landlords to their tenants. There was one of this class whom Redmond never lost an op-
portunity of taxing-for that was the poportunity of taxing-:or that was the poEvery quarterday, this gentlemana, or one
of his servants-sometimes more than one -used to take a journey of six or seven
miles to collect his rents, and as rogular milos to collect his rents, and as regular
as clockwork there was Redmond O'Hanlon, with some stout companions if neces-
sary, to waylay the collector as he resary, th waylay Every means was used
turned home. Eved
to elude him, but to no purpose. He He
had spies everywhere, and contrived to had spies everywhere, and contrived to
get the exact information he needed in
advance. So one quarterdny, when the gentle
man's servants asked him about going for the rents, ho swore at O'Hanlon, and said
he didn't see the use of collecting money
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$\qquad$ carefully disposed it about his person, an
started homeward. Toward evening, he was quietly jogging along on the old
hacc, and was just entering a long lane with high hedges on each side, ${ }^{n}$
fine looking man rode up to him
handsome roan mare
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The gentleman took no notice of the
guestion. After a while he says. "That's fine animal you're riding, Jerry."
"Faith, I'm glad your hoin says Jerry; " but it isn't meself that'd
care to take a lease of his life. But he'd serve my turn anyway, for it's not in
hurry I'm traveling-I've only been the village beyond to collect the master rents for him.
"Surely he is
Surely he is not such a fool as
trust you with that job""
"Arrah, why not?" asked Jerry, great surprise.
" Why, don't
"Why, don't you know that Redmond
O'Hanlon's on this road ?" "Redmond O'Hanlon,
Jerry. "Ugh! That for Redmond is o'Hanlon ". says he, snapping his fingers.
"Faix, Jerry the Fool is a match for a half a dozen of the like of him, any day gain!"
The s
The stranger laughed, and they rode and in sileace till they came to a very
lonely part of the rond, when he drew a brace of pistols, and told Jerry to hand
over all the money he had about him, or he'd try if he had any brains by sending
couple of bullets through his head. "Meala Murther," roars Jerry, in a lone of surprise and fright. "You don't
mean to say your honor's Redmond $\mathrm{O}^{\prime}$ Hanlon ?"
"do, indeed; so hand over, my man, "But, faix, it's kilt entirely by the
master I'll be if I go home without the
"What's that to me?" said O'Hanlon. "Anyhow," said Jerry the Fool, " fight for it
firing a shot through my old beaver O'Hanlon did so, laughing at tho trick. "And now an other through the breast
of my coat, and Heaven bless you" Thi of my coat, and Heaven bles you." This
was done. "Now, just one in the skirt of it, and good luck to your honor."
"But Ive direharged both my and dont want the trouble of loading them again for you,
"Faix, I should dearly like a ahot thro' perate. Are you sure you honor hasn't another pistol in your poekot that you sako?" mind firing for a poor boy

Hand over tho money, or $\mathrm{r}^{\prime \prime \prime}$, beat you
 (umbing isis surppose considering the roublo ivo had inponollecting thenise rents, our hoor won't mind the litile bother going over the hedge after them ?
And he throw over a sack apparently And he throw over a sack apparently
well filled with coin. Half laughing, walf angry, the highwayman-first aim ng at Jerry with his whip, which he limbed oyer tho hedge. No dismounted, and he done so than Jerry slipped off the old ack and mounted O'Hanlon's horse.
" Bad seran to you, Redmond O'Han " !" he bawled. "Didn't I tell you of you? It's a syok of brass buttons you're the world !" And touching the find mare with his spur, he galloped off, sing.
ing at the top of his voice the old melody Go to the mischief and shake yourself! O'Hanlon couldn't pursue him on the
hack; the cute fool had made him dis. hack, the oute fool had made him dis-
charge his pistols. There was nothing or it but to walk a way, cursing his own
tupidity, and ever after if any one wanted to provoke him, they had only to ask hin

## A

An Almshouse Romance.
young man abiding it the Al the thouse,
whose real whose real uame is George Reancy Camp-
bell, a Scotchman, but who has been puss ing under the name of Gcorge Reaney,
has within a few days became extremely

While visiting on a recent Sunday
evening at the house of Scotch family in West Philadelphia, he picked up n paper
-the Seoteh American-containing an bell, describing him, naming place of
birth, tee, stating that an unelo a bachelor, had died in London and left him
some property, and directing him to call
upon tho British Consul in New York. upon the British Consul in New York.
He immediately went to Now York
and had himeelf identified as the George and had himself identified as the George
Reaney Campbell mentioned. Ho was
then informed that his uncle had left him hen informed that his uncle had left him
$£ 18,000$ in bank, and real estate gielding 2300 a year clar, and he is now on his
way on the occan to claim his inherit-

Ho was employed at the time of hear-
ing of his good fortune as clerk in the nanufacturing department of the Alms
house at $\$ 12$ a month. He ran oft to
this country when about 15 years of age and here elisted in the regular armyy, and
was in the cavalry service, in Indian Territory, New Mexico, and through the
While stationed at Carlisle Barracks,
attempting to break a new horse he in attempting to break a new horse he
was thrown and so badly injured that partinl paralysis resulted; he then went
to New York, put himself under treatment and spent all his money, then came on here to our city and was obliged to
go to the Almshouse, not being able to spport himself outside.
He was completely crippled up at this
ime, but through time, but through the treatment he re-
ceived, he was at last enabled to get ceived, he was at last enabled to get
down to the manufacturing department, for about two years.
Before leaving he devised all his of
feets at the Almshouse to another inmate; leaving a valuable clock to Mr. Malone,
the superintendent of the manufacturing he superintendent of the manufacturin
iepartuent-Philadelphia Star.

## W0RDS.

COME authorities state the number of
words in our language at 114,000 . These figures embrace, without doubt tal number of words in use may be sta-
ted at 103,000 . Nearly one third of this number commence with the letters $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{i}}$ and S , and more than a third begin with
the six letters, $\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{B}, \mathrm{D}, \mathrm{I}, \mathrm{M}$, and R ; the initials of the remaining third of our words are very unequally distributed
among the other seventeen lotters of the The greatest number of words begin ning with any one letter are those com-
mencing with S , of which there are nearly $14,000 \mathrm{j}$ and the smallest number of those beginning with X, which are only
about 50 . A great disparity will also be seen between the two highest and two
lowest $; S$ and C begin 24,400 . lowest ; S and C begin 24,400 words,
while X and Y are the initials of only 200 words.
he number of words great disparity in different letters, it is a fact worthy of notice that a very large number begin
exaetly alike. Among these, 500 words exactly alike. Among these, 500 words
have ab for the first syllable, while near-
ly 4,400 begin with co-, and 1,700 with con-. commence with de-, and a large numbe with out, as outwit, \&e.; 600 with over as overtake; and the large number of These facts show that while there is a singular dissimilarity in the spelling of a
largo number of words, a multitude have argo similarity in their beginning.
entire side said to have idiosynera-
While men are sies, and women foibles, the words of our
vernacular have cortsily marke per veracular have certainly marked pecu-
liarities.

