

A Bashful Man's Troubles.

AS MY object is only to give a specimen of the numerous predicaments that incessantly beset me the moment I appear in ladies' society, I shall merely speak of those that befell me at the only dinner in Paris to which I was invited.

all under strings of names that gave me not the remotest idea of their nature. Despairing at length of understanding the servants, or of being understood by them, I abandoned myself to a desperate compliance, saying only, "oui," and accepting everything that was offered me, eating, meanwhile, with most heroic application.

her dress from head to foot. For myself, the moment the accident occurred, I had mechanically returned my handkerchief to my pocket but much of its contents remained within it.

SUNDAY READING.

Christian Temperance.

A few years ago, two men were caught in the rapids above Niagara Falls. They were being hurled on to destruction.

Home Conversation.

Children hunger perpetually for new ideas. They will learn with pleasure from lips of parents what they deem it drudgery to study in books.

Beautiful Illustration.

An English minister, named Toller, was preaching from the text, "Let him take hold of my strength, that he may make peace with me."

Not One Missing.

The following eloquent passage is from the pen of the lamented Albert Barnes: "A whole family in Heaven! Who can picture or describe the everlasting joy!

Flying for Refuge.

There was once a little bird chased by a hawk, and in its extremity it took refuge in the bosom of a tenderhearted man.

A Country Couple.

THE Cincinnati Times tells a story of a green young couple from Ripley Co., Ohio, who were "doing the exposition."

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