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Poetry.

The Secret of Success. BY JOHN S. BAXE. Good luck to all, the ancient proverb proclaims, But, 'tis a goodly gift, as every one would say, That not the least favours that be showered, For, still, stands, the master maxim laid.

That luck to something were a truer story, And 'tis a true story, as I would say, That 'tis the mind that makes the man, And 'tis the will that makes the way, And 'tis the hand that makes the deed, And 'tis the foot that makes the stride, And 'tis the eye that makes the sight, And 'tis the ear that makes the heed, And 'tis the tongue that makes the word, And 'tis the heart that makes the deed.

There is a trial involving a most marvelous question of identity now progressing in court at Malone, Franklin county, N. Y.

Two years ago, Willis Peyton, a farmer of Franklin county, New York, left home with the usual baggage of a traveler and a patent right model of a spring bed.

After leaving Terra Haute he lost all consciousness, and somehow he got into a hospital at Evansville, where he first found himself recovering from small-pox.

When he was released from the hospital he went to his friend David Weaver, who spurned him as an impostor.

Weaver's remarks about his friend Willis Peyton's personality caused him to examine himself, and he found he had grown eight inches taller in as many weeks.

He went to an engine house and looked into a mirror, and did not even recognize his face.

He finally arrived at his own door after an absence of two years.

Willis Peyton who had left that threshold two years before had light hair, nearly red, and a very scanty beard.

He looked like a grossie of the former, with no truth in him; but the sequel is startling.

He knocked and was invited into the house of the "Widow Peyton" and took a seat.

"I suppose you don't know me, Addie?" She answered, "No, sir, I do not; who are you?"

"You'll not believe, I know, when I tell you; but it's got to come some time, and might as well now as not."

Mrs. Peyton shrank from him, ordered him out of doors, and two of her sons and a hired man took him to the nearest Justice, who sent him to jail as a lunatic.

He was adjudged perfectly sane. He is now being tried before the Surrogate on the question of his pretensions as the husband of Mrs. Peyton and the owner of the Peyton property.

He has told his story, the main points of which we have given; has related in court circumstances that occurred before the same Judge years before, told the lawyers many things that a stranger, such as he seems to be, could not know; related Willis Peyton's family history, giving some minute details which are strictly cor-

Remarkable Escape From Death.

In the northern part of the city lives a carpenter, with his family, who are natives of France, and have been in this country about eight years.

One of their children is a little girl named Mary, and the subject of this singular story.

She speaks French, German, and English fluently, and in conversation exhibits uncommon intensity of mental action and vividness of mental vision.

She is of fair complexion and very beautiful, with lustrous eyes, sunny hair, and a look of spiritual maturity in her countenance.

She has sometimes said that she could see the forms of persons who have died, and as her sincerity could not be doubted, this occasioned some alarm in the minds of her parents.

The health of the child has not been good several months, and on Saturday morning three weeks ago she started her mother by saying that she could see her dead sister Louise, who came near her in an angel form and spoke to her, telling her that she would make her well so that she would never be sick any more.

Her mother tried to persuade her to dismiss the subject from her mind, but she could not stop talking, and continued describing her sister, saying that she was standing near dressed in pure white, her face bright and shining, her hair illuminated with silver light, and golden dew drops dripping from her wings.

She could also see her dead brother, who came close to her sister's side. While talking her strength gave way, and she sank away as in death.

The worst forebodings of the parents had been realized, and they prepared the body for burial. No physician had been called, as they supposed that death had already fallen upon their child.

It was about 10 o'clock in the morning when the apparent death occurred. The body was kept until Sunday afternoon about 4 o'clock, nearly thirty-six hours, during which time no sign of returning life had been noticed.

The final look at the remains was taken in the coffin, and the little corpse started for the grave, the parents followed the hearse in a carriage.

After proceeding some distance, and coming down on Third street, the quick car of the saddled mother caught the echo of a familiar cry, and she gave expression to her suspicion that it came from the coffin of her child.

Her suspicion was overruled, but in a few moments a second cry was heard, and in compliance with the wishes of the mother the hearse was stopped and the coffin drawn out.

The struggles of what was supposed to be the lifeless body could now be plainly heard. The coffin was quickly opened, and the child found to be alive, to the amazement and unspeakable delight of the parents.

She was quickly taken from the coffin and carried into the house of a French lady at hand, where they bathed her in vinegar. She recovered her strength rapidly, and in a short time was taken to the house which she had left only a few hours before an apparent corpse.

Since that time she has been as well as for the last few months. Her parents make every effort to keep her mind from reverting to the terrible episode in her young life, fearing that there is a fearful fascination in it for her.

She says that while others thought her dead she could feel their touch and hear distinctly all that was said, but could not move a single muscle or make the slightest sign.

She describes with singular enthusiasm and power for one so young the beautiful sights that she saw while entranced, many different beings appearing to her in wonderful beauty.

The Scientific American publishes description of the proposed great tower to be erected in Philadelphia.

"There?" said Jones, as he wrathfully pushed away the pie which his landlady had just served him, that stuff isn't fit for a pig to eat and I ain't going to eat it!"

ing is another... the drawing of the corsets tightly over the abdomen produces disagreeable and suffering without end.

How to be Handsome.

Most people would like to be handsome. Nobody denies the great power which any person may have who has a good face and attracts you by good looks, even before a word has been spoken.

Now all cannot have good features.—They are as God made them; but almost any one can look well, especially with good health.

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A Bear Hunt in Pennsylvania.

A letter from Line's corners, Pa. says: John McAndrews, living near Wolf Pond, in the town, while on the pond the other day discovered signs of otter.

Going to the place where he set his first trap he found it broken from his fastenings and gone.

Returning home he got his gun, and calling his dog, started to hunt the animal with the traps.

Picking up the mink, the hunter followed in the direction taken by the dog, which was now some distance ahead, and out of sight behind a rocky rise of ground.

When the mind is awake, the dull, sleepy look passes away from the eyes. I do not know that the brain expands, but it seems so. Think, read—not trashy novels, but books that have something in them.

Down in the Parish of St. Martin an old widow lady, whose children had all married off and left her alone, had been persuaded to sell her little place and live with them.

The dog was barking loudly. About twenty feet ahead of the dog was a large black bear standing on its haunches, growling savagely.

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A Wolf Boy.

The Lucknow (India) Pioneer reports the arrival there of a novelty in the shape of a wolf boy.

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