The Home Concert.

Well, Tom, my boy, I must say good-by, I've had a wonderful visit here; Enjoyed it, too, as well as I could Away from all that my heart holds dear. Maybe I've been a triffe rough—
A little awkward, your wife would say—And very littly I've missed the hint Of your city polish day by day.

tut somehow, Tom. thought he same old roof
Sheltered us both when we were boys,
and the same dear mother-love watched us bot
Sharing our childish grief and joys,
fet you are almost a stranger now:
Toer ways and nine are as far spart
to though we never had thrown an arm
About each other with loving heart.

Your city home is a palace, Tom;
Your wife and children are fair to see;
You couldn't breath in the little ont,
The little home, that belongs to Mr.
And I am lost to your grand large house,
And daned with the wealth on every side,
And I hardly know my brother, Tom,
In the midst of so much stately gride,

Yes, the concert was grand last night,
The singing spiended; but, do you know,
My heart kept longing, the evening through,
For another concert, so event and low
That maybe it wouldn't please the ear
Of one so entired and grand as you;
But to its maile—laugh if you will—
My heart and thoughts must ever be true,

nt my eyes in the hall lest night for the clash of the music wearied me.) close to my heart this vision came— he same sweet picture I always see; he vine-clad porch of a cottage home, alf in shadow and half in sun, nother chanting her initaly, ocking to rest her little one.

And soft and sweet as the music fell From the mother's lipe, I heard the coo Of my baby girl, as with drowny toughe She echoed the song with 'Goo-a-goo,' Together they sang, the mother sad usbe, My wife and child, by the cottage deer. Ah! THAT is the concert, brother Tom, My care are sching to hear once more,

now good-bys. And I wish you well, and many a year of wealth and gain; yo were born to be rich and gay; am content to be poor and plain; d I go back to my country home With a love that absence has strong

ack to the concert all my own—
Mothes's singing and baby's coo.
—M. D. BRIER in HARPER'S MAGAZINE for

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from Major Gainey, and my orders his rifles. are to lose no time in delivering it. I have ridden hard all day, sir, and upon reaching your head quarters

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