## THE YOUNG PEOPLE.

dies Bhows His Consin "A New Etud of Swing,"

Mina Mualin, while down in the kitchen ope day,

And watching with great admiration the way In which, at the table, Abiathar Ann Would roll out and fashion a "gingerbreadman,"

Heard Miltiades calling ; and yet, looking out, He was nowhere in sight, though she gazed all about.

"Why, Miltiados-dear me ! Where are you?"

said she. or 'Here I am," cried Milliades. "Here, up a

tree !!

And, sure enough, looking straight up overhead.

"There Milliades was-" up in a tree," as he eaid.

Quite a way from the ground, firmly perched on a limb

Bo stout 'twould have held up a dozen of him. "Way !" oried she in distress, " pray, how did you get there?"

"Nover mild," reolied he, with mysterious air, "It maybe I climbed up ; it maybe I flew ; But I'll tell you, my dear, what I want you to

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osn. (Without saving a word to Abiathar Ann)

And you'll find there a clothes-line, which, if you will bring,

Til show you, directly, a new bind of swing. And, while you're about it, stop on the way

back And get, too, that long pole that John Henry Jack

Keeps to pick apples with. It will answer, I hope,

As a means to reach up here one end of the rope.'

So Mins Muslin, with very great promptness, obeyed.

And, finding the clothes-line and pole as he snid,

She quickly returned and by means of the latter.

By standing on tip-toe ('twas no easy matter !), She held up the end of the rope so that he Could reach down and get it from up in the

tree. Then she stood there impatiently, wishing she know

Just what 'twas that her cousin intended to do.

But he seemed by no means in such a hurry as

she did. Having gotten the rope, he quite coolly proceeded

To make a noose in it, and (still in no haste) Milberately passed it about his own waist. Next, carefully dropping his knife to the ground He instructed Miss Muslin that, having unwound

ough of the line, she should cut it off short, the laws of science and antiquarian

right !

Now, just hang back upon it with all of your might

And walk slowly this way, by which meansdon't you see !-

fon will let me down easily out of the tree." a saying, without more ado, he let go,

Thile Miss Muslin began walking up very slow.

at she, pretty soon, found herself going somewhat faster

an she wanted to go; for our hero sur

handsome at this time. He never lust a ce tain beauty, both of feature and erp + savon, but in his early yours he was more like a picture of beautiful, gentle ynth, than its reality. He was tall and unely make, though slender, with a fair

complexion, perfect regularity of fea-ture, and light brown hair parted in the center and falling to his shoulders, sccording to the fashion of the day. His dress was simple, of black velvet with the broad linen collar, and upturned wristbands of the period. He was soon known at college for his verses. Of his short pieces written at this time, one was on Shakspeare, with whose works, then recently published in book form, he was very familiar. Among his other pieces were : "At a Solemn Music," " On the Morning of Christ's Nativity," etc., all showing the extreme delicacy and refinement of Milton's

mind.

Indeed he is a striking figure when we look at the university of those days, Most of the students led rollicking, lawless, self-indulgent lives, Milton, with his gentle, pensive countenance, his grave demeanor, and his growing genius, seems to stand apart ; does he not? When he left Cambridge, he says himself, he found the mendows and rolling hills covered with every variety of "Just go out to the woodshed, as sly as you wild flower blooming in the hedgerows and fields. All this delighted young Milton, and he soon found congenial society in the neighborhood, Ludlow castle, the residence of the Earl of Bridgewater, was near by, and not only was the family of the earl a pleasant one, but Henry Lawes, the musician, taught music in the household, and came frequently, as a guest, to Milton's house. On one such occasion he told them of an accident which had happened to the young people of the earl's family While passing through Haywood forest on their way home, Lady Alice and her brother were benighted, and the young

lady was for some time lost in the wood. This incident suggested to Milton his masque of Comus. He wrote the poetry, Lawes composed the music, and the earl had it performed at the castle, the young people themselves taking part.-Mrs. Lillie, in October Wide Awake.

Chinese Astronomy.

The Chinese astronomer's ways are curious and past understanding in these western lands of science. It is related that in the fifth moon of the present year

the learned men of Pekin noticed that the sun did not shine as brightly as had been its custom. Instead of being clear, it had to them a red and lurid look. The weather was dry and the sky covered with a mist. Turning to their scientific books their learned men saw with amazement that these signs, by all "There," at length said Militiades, "that is all at once wont forth for the throne. Orders at once went forth for the defense of the soldiers and the line of wall was zealously defended. A panic spread among the people. Something was about to happen to the emperor, they said, and what it was no one knew. To allay the dis-quiet and to end the questions that were pouring in upon them, [the authorities] at last said the government was on the able or otherwise, for a fat men's convention brink of a war with Russia. Some

## Nutmegs.

Natinegs grow on trees which look like pear irecs, and are generally over twenty feet high. The flowers are very much like the hily of the valley. They are pale yellow and very fragrant. The nutmeg is the seed of the fruit, and mace is the thin covering over this seed. The fruit is about as large as a peach. When ripe, it breaks open and shows the little nut inside. The trees grow on the islands of Asia, and in tropical America. They bear fruit for seventy or eighty years, having ripe fruit upon them at all seesons. A flue tree in Jamaica has over 4,000 nutmegs on it yearly. The Dutch used to have all the nutmeg trade, as they owned the Banda islands, and conquered all the. other traders, and destroyed the trees, To keep the price up, they once burned three piles of nutmegs, each of which was as large as a church. Nature did not sympathize with such meanness. The nutmeg pigeon, found in all the Indian islands, did for the world what the Dutch had determined should not be done, carried these nuts, which are there food, into all the surrounding countries, and trees grew again and the world has been benefited.

A curious incident is related in a London journal. It happened at one of his royal highness' garden parties at Chiswick. A well-known and popular M. P. (heir to a peerage, and at one time the handsomest man in the House), who had on several occasions enjoyed the privilege of friendly intercourse with the sovereign, suddenly espied the queen, and unfortunately having that day-as was not unusual with him-extended his study of the effects of alcoholic liquors too far for perfect sobriety, boldly and frankly walked up to her, and said, with a genial smile and extended hand, "I really beg your pardon; your face is very familiar to me, but I can't recall your name."

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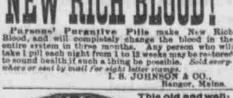
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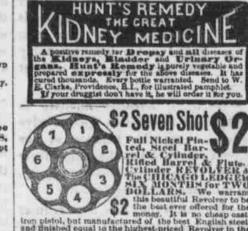
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passed her Very much, as may well be imagined, in weight.

And began coming down at a marvelous rate. ently, all at once, lo ! our heroine found

Cont her feet, as she ran, were scarce touching the ground ;

ni then - borrors !- she felt herself suddenly caught

from the earth altogether (the rope was too short !).

id, the next instant, there she was slowly pearance. Of course rain had fallen. ascending,

viog yeat all the while to screams really heart-rending.

, meeting her cousin in mid-air, she clung him wildly-and then, both together, they - hnug

a six feet from the ground, trying in vain to get free.

finny a sight as one often may see.

Lieast o I'm sure thought Abiathar Ann, no isughed from the door-step until the tears ratt.

"she cried, when at 1 ngth she had ahel eitben down, "that's o very much like the 'Kilkenny Cate !' , how did you manage to get up there?

st Way," Milt ades, heaving a very deep sigh,

was showing my cousin a new kind of www.

I cau's say I think very much of the Thing !"

-John Brownjohn in Wide Awake.

## Milton's Boyhood.

ils was sent at an early age to St. al school, which stood then as now the rear of the great cathedral, a few a distant from his father's house ; in these daily walks it was quite able that the schoolboy sometimes Shakspeare and Ben Jonson on way to those famous "wit com at the Mermaid tayern in Bread

At school Milt n studied Latin, ak and Hebrew, and finally added stum to the o divary studies, in all of ch he excelled.

I mayo said that the home influences hachildhood were of a gloomy kind, Delagre was one bright and cheerful ent in the solemn household in strest-Milton's father loved ; he had composed a great deal, hat day, and was a skilful perthe organ and bass viol. Milton' learned them of his and the two passed many happy in the "sweet harmonies of " which Milton loved all his life. the serivener's shop was a room ad to various domestic uses ; there mather and son shared their music, d perhaps to this tuneful side of his thood he owed his first impulses to ie verses. He must have begun very g, but his real fame came late in

1625 he was sent to Cambridge No must have been marvelously Foote's Health Monthly.

illusions were dissolved. At the imerial housebold one day joy was awakened by the first appearance on the by consumption holding a convention to comstage of history of his imperial highness, the fifth prince. Thereupon the wise men of the Esst returned to their books to find out where they had made their blunder. It was laid down they learned that the evil influences of a crimson sun and lutid sky were averted if rain should full within five days after their first ap-

## A Child's Suicide.

A most astonishing case of self-destruction, the victim of which was a mere child, almost a babe in years, has just occurred in this city, says a recent number of the Cincinnati Enquirer: Little Henry Kuppits, seven years of age, who lived at No. 59 Martin street, because his mother refused him some thing he asked her, left his home, and bidding his sister good bye, walked down to the river, undressed himself and jumped in, ending his childish troubles and his young life at the same time. The circumstances are these Little Henry came home from school, and as usual went to his mother for his afternoon slice of bread and butter. His mother gave him a piece of bread on which there was no butter, but he refured to take it. She told him she would not give him any butter on his bread, whereupon he laid it down and left the house. On the way he met his sister and bid her good-bye, telling her she would never see him again, which was the last seen of him by any of the family. His clothes were found on the river bank back of Goodhue's stone yard, near the Little Miami depot, and the generally accepted theory is that he went down to the river, and, undressing, jumped in and was drowned.

By the way, did you know that for the past eight months your wife has been using the diary you started in January for an account-book with the grocer and butcher ? We saw it the other day, and right under the last paragraph you wrote in it, where you said : "I feel a lifting of my being into a higher life, I feel my feet stepping on a higher plane; the soul of poesy is calling me into a sphere of grander action, and I throw off the trammels and the coarseness of everyday material life and its animal existence, as I rise to obey the call of genius" - right under that it says ; "Two pounds of mutton suct, half a calf's liver, a piece of bone to boil, and a pound of link sausage, forty-five cents." -Burlington Hawkeye,

Half a dozen onions planted in the cellar, where they can get a little light, mity, where his extreme beauty of will do much toward absorbing and corattracted immediate attention, recting the atmospheric imparities that students dubbed him "the are so apt to lurk in such places .- Dr.

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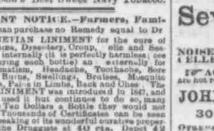
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