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THE ANCIENT MINER'S STORY.

BY WILL CARLETON.

Oh, yes, I'm fixed as gold, sir, as most of folks you see; At least the coyote Poverty had ceased to sniff at me; That mine is worth a million down—that is, it is to-day; What it might cost to-morrow, though, I couldn't exactly say.

A FAMILY FEUD.

"There!" said I, "how do you like the way I have rendered that rod autumn leaf?" "It's capital!" said Simon, absently. Now, I can always tell my brother Simon's tone exactly whether he is attending or not. And this time he was not!

I came there every day to dream and to work, and to build up those castles in the air which reared their ethereal pinnacles in the morning, and dissolved nightly into the thin, gray mist, through which I walked to the little sea-marsh cottage.

Now he's making coffee. And it smells delicious! Dear me, I didn't know before how hungry I was! Here I descended two or three steps. "I wonder what he is like!" I thought.

FOR THE LOVERS OF FUN.

HUMOROUS SKETCHES FOUND IN OUR EXCHANGES.

No Fire Needed—A Great State—She Laughed Too Soon—His Last Song—A Great State. Several gentlemen from different States were discussing the merits of their particular homes.

A SPRING POEM.

The vine on the cot is blowing, The nest is built in the tree, And the apple limbs are snowing.

Humor of the Day. Organizers—Italians. Many "heavy swells" float on the billows of credit. Beware of dried apples. They love not wisely but to swell.—Chicago Sun.

HOW OYSTERS ARE CAUGHT.

Only two ways of catching oysters are practiced in Maryland, namely, "dredging" and "tonging."

There is a postmaster in Texas who has been in three wars and has lived under five governments, says a news item. If he has been married five times we can't imagine why he has been in only three wars.—Houston.