

he only shook his head and shouted, "No, mother, the boys need me, I know!" They carried him gently back to his home, where for weeks his life was despaired of; but with careful nursing and all the comforts kind friends could secure, he was at last out of all danger and gradually regained his strength. Dick Winters was untiring in his devotion to him, giving him the credit for the honors that had been heaped upon him and his beloved school.

Little Tim has relinquished his bootblack stand and has become a schoolboy himself; and in all Benton there is no more popular boy than the Mascot of Elmwood Hall.

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MAN.

When Dame Nature, with work complete, reviewed all her creatures
She selected man from all the host, with his peculiar features,
As a being whose perfections would never be disputed,
Whose manners, words and actions could never be refuted.

 "The rich and the poor shall go hand in hand,
 Justice shall rule this beauteous land.

 Man to man shall be a brother

 And I command ye: Love one another."

Thus saith she and did bequeath to man all futurity,
This man, in her belief, was the acme of maturity.

Alas, poor Dame! Ill went the days since thus she speculated.
'The faith implicit she possessed was to be disappointed.
Vice reigns supreme, the thirst for gold o'ercame anticipations,
Her will ignored, her laws revoked beyond all restoration,

 Yet "the poor and rich go hand in hand"—

 Like captive and headsman to the stand.

 "Man to man to man" is "a brother,"

 Cain to Abel was another.

Justice the land may rule, but 'tis sold to highest bidder,
And men each other love, when by it they gain consider.

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