

PAINTING AND MEETING.

At 10 o'clock the shades of grief by day door. The first sweet music of Spring. The first voice the glancing evergreen. In the land whose glorifying sing.

SCHOOLROOM ROMANCE.

It was all very well for the Claverings. German Fraulein to tell Cissy to sit up and attend, and all very well for the little ten-year-old Minnie to wander away in a moment through one of the windows in the rear of the schoolroom.

"Shut up, Min—girls are such canting creatures, you can't think, Jack." "Are they?" said Mr. Dane, staring at the object opposite to him, which happened to be Cissy.

you were very unkind when I was so sorry for you and meant to comfort you, and I don't like it, and I think—oh, Jack, Jack!" And Miss Clavering, fairly turning tail, fled back into the schoolroom and slammed the door.

Jack Dane repeated it, and allowing her in, seated himself close to her, and added to his list of misdemeanors by recklessly shutting up the inkstand and flinging the German exercise-book into a far corner.

"nonsense, Cissy, when your jolly little tender heart made me the happiest fellow alive!" "You never wanted that stupid three-and-sixpence and Dick's lockets," said Cissy, laughing and crying.

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Good humor is rightly reckoned a most valuable aid to a happy home life. An equally good and useful faculty is a sense of humor, or the capacity to have a laugh at one's own jokes.

Some years ago an enterprising English publisher got out a reprint of the London Times of June 23, 1815. Although it was a reprint, it contained much news, more than their size, form a contrast to those of the mammoth Times of to-day.

NEWS IN BRIEF. — Kansas is \$16,000,000 in debt. — There are over 275,000 school teachers in this country.