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TWO VISIONS.

There close the curving mountains drew, In clast the stream in their embrace, Tith every outline, curve, and hue eted in its placid face.

Deployman stopped his team to watch train, as swift it thundered by; Some distant glimpse of life to catch, Hestrains his eager wistful eye.

Just wakened from his balmy dreams; Be mavelers, beginning and dim, Think longingly of mountain stream.

Ob for the joyons mountain air,
The fresh dolightful autumn day
Among the hills! The phowman there
Must have perpetual heliday!

And he, as all day long he guides His steady plow with patient hand, Thinks of the flying train which glides some new, enchanted land,

Where, day by day, no plodding round Where life thrills keen to sight and sour

Even so, to each, the untrod ways Of life are touched by fancy's glow.

But ever she is its brightest rays.

Upon the path we do not know!

"MY POOR LOYE."

A life was passing away; softly and gally it was glading into eternity. No sement physician watched its decay, wealth eased its painful joltings slong the road to death; yet no murmur posed Clara Lester's lip, no trattorous my that her burden was greater than she could bear came from her loyal best. Pain bad traced many a wrinkle on her fair forehead, but her brows had ever been drawn together in angry im-

She was dying, a sweet flower in the peat garden of poor suffering humanty, fading away like the summer roses; and only the elderly village doctor and ald Margaret, her faithful attendant, knew how uncertain were her days on suth. Long before when the hopelesssess of her case and the imminent danger in which she lived had been made known to her, she had begged that her condition might be kept from her sis-

ter's knowledge. So Eel Urmson, loving her sister derotedly and tending her daily, was kept mignorance of her danger and never sespected the slenderness of her hold m life. But then Clara had been delime from her childhood, and, since that dreadful morning when news came to them that the steamship Compore had been wrecked off the African coast and Captain Lester's name had as peared among the passengers drowned or missng his young bride, Clara Lester, had. a Margaret expressed it, never raised however never associated in Bel Urm-

the wreck of the Causpore, and Capelf she was going to him. As night ceived a telegram from my father, inseeded night, so surely did she take that one step nearer home; and, looking lack, she marked without fear or trembing the rapid progress she had made. But one link of care still bound her soil to earth, and that was her sister -Bel, who was four years her unior. Before Bel had attained her whiteenth year she was engaged to be parried to Lieutenant Heywood; but a alsenderstanding had arisen between them and they had parted

"It is as well to say we tagreed to sparate' as anything else," Bel obsivel with considerable bitterness to braister when the inquisitiveness of a ester had forced her to acknowledge annulment of her engagement; "it hides the ngly truth that he filted me.

"Bel dear, I am sure there is only some foolish mistake between you, and some day Lieutenant Heywood will ome back to you, and everything will be explained.

But Bel had laughed scornfully at Clara's prophecy, and refused to place any confidence in it. Her disappointment had shaken her faith in human podness and integrity. But gradually Clara Lester's influence effected a change; and two years later Bel Urmso had learned to love again, and was

once more engaged to be married. Mrs. Lester had hoped to leave her sister in a good man's care before she was called away, and Bel's engagement had given her much satisfaction for John Harvey was wealthy and a sweredman of education, and, if she could on-

If he to see her married, she would be "If I only could!" she murmured, with that sore longing which only the nck experience.

woach, her chin resting on her hand and her eyes gazing vacantly on the ground. She had been silent a long time, when suddenly she spoke.

"I thought he ought to know that I had loved before, and so I told him the story of my love. Was I right?"-and seturned her dark handsome face to her sister, while her glorious brown the seemed to repeat the question,

"Quite right," Clara answered; "you only forestalled the advice I inlended to give you to-day. And he, bel-what did Mr. Harvey say?"

A blush crept up to the girl's cheeks, and her evelids dropped for an instant

"I will-I do!" she exclaimed. "And John, dear John, as you hope to find I don't think he liked it, Clara-he mercy for your dear ones, whom, like oxed so disappointed; but he said very me, you also may have to leave in the the. Tell me," she continued, as she gently caressed the small fragile hand she had taken between her own rosy

pulms-is a girls first love so unique that no subsequent affection can equal in the first budding of love which canance; "and now, if you will take Bel away, Margaret shall help me to the at be repeated in any after-bloom; but think that is its only charm, for a fid's love is very often very foolish.

house. Good bye, John!"

He shook hands with her, expressing a hope that when he returned he should Like mine," Bel quickly remarked. find her stronger, Then he and Bel walked to the small iron gate which Perhaps it was foolish, but it was true divided Mrs. Lester's miniature garden sed, and a sneer rested on her lips, from Sutton Common, and, pausing id 17" she asked, with a short bitthere he asked-

"Bel, will you write to me while I am away? They had been engaged only a month

and this was there first separation; nevertheless she answered with warm

be in no hurry to come back to me." "Must I write to you?"

"What would you write about-the country or the weather?" she asked laughing. "No; tell me on what day you will return, and I will be conten

poor fellow, tried to hide the fact could not write to you about the state greater tenderness to me. It is of the crops, nor yet about the sanitary

other threw aside without a regret; but slightly-"to me there is something arrived at "The Griffin" and heard of hai I known of your presence here, I

Some girls do not easily forget;" and | He laughed, then turned and looked Mrs. Lester sat up, and, placing her at her. She was standing beside him hands on her sister's shoulders, looked her arms resting lightly on the gate, a anxiously into her face. "My darling, smile on her lips, her eyes watching a if the past still holds any portion of flock of sheep that were being driven the past still holds any portion of your across the common. She was indispuaffection, retract your promise, and don't marry Mr. Harvey. Oh, Bel, as you value your happiness, don't marry that made him feel proud of her; but at all unless you can give your love in she certainly lacked the warm impul-Surprised at her earnestness, Bel like partiality did not blind him to the

so artful and intelligent an order that at certain critical moments it will break dear," she affirmed as she resumed her through all its legitimate fastenings and roll in 'billowy waves' over the arms or shoulders of the 'Romeo of the hour;' but"-looking fondly down on should forgive any roughness in your locks which the unwonted action might

> over Bel Urmson's face as for a few ments she stood silent and motionless before him; then, with child-like simplicity, she put her hands upon his shoulders and kissed him. . . .

had longed for, because of the reunion it would bring to her, arrived, and the first ray of sunshine which penetrated her chamber window rested on her cold calm face and death-closed eye-

Bel Urmson, standing beside the bed time it would exercise his fears and esgazed in stony dismay on the sweet placid face, then turned in wild bewilderment to Margaret and asked-

> Bel lived through the days which preceded the tuneral, her outy companion ing the Rector's wife and Margaret, "Why do you not send for Mr. Harvey?" that lady asked the old woman on the day of Clara's death.

"I do not know where to find him ma'am," Margaret answered. "I have young cheek was pressed caressingly to been to inquire about him at 'The Grifin,' where, you know, ma'am, he has been staying this summer; but he did

riedly as she held out her hand. "I Rector will make further inquiries, and am only a little tired. How do you do, perhaps he will be able to communicate Are you early, or is it later with Mr. Harvey-for he ought to be

here," the lady said.

But the Rector's inquiries were not forming me of his arrival in England

mad projects again," was John Har-vey's mental resolution as he stepped out upon the platform of Sutton Station "I have been only a fortnight away. ment of missing me a little; but it is Bel who must bewail my absence and good-bye at the gate."

ed to a companion beside him, "comin tack grinning like that, and Miss Urmson in such trouble and so ill, poor

left her, a sudden energy seemed to the funeral? Did they find him? No ing over and laying her hand on his, a few days after he comes back as blithe as a young lark. Can't you put see you again. Don't start—the thought two and two together and find the an-SWET?"

"I don't see the force of your arguword should be as binding as his oath ment," the other was commencing, but promise me now, before I die, to when his eloquence was arrested by a touch on his arm.

The interruption came from a gentleman, a stranger to the two porters; he was a man above the average height, with a weary careworn look in his eyes and the bronze of a foreign climate on his face. He had followed John Harvey out of the station; but, attracted by the conversation of the two men,

"I could not help hearing your remarks," he said half apologetically.
"Is the lady you referred to Miss Urmtrusted; but you do not know her as I

"Yes, sir, the same." "And what has happened?"

"She has just lost her sister, sir-Mrs Lester—died only a fortnight ago." The stranger absently repeated "Only a fortnight ago!" and then suddenly reeled against the white palings of the your faith on that assurance-it is a station.

The men went to his assistance, supporting him on either side. "It is hard lines," he muraured-"very hard lines," After awhile he re-covered himself, "Thank you; I am

better now," he said with a faint smile "I had a sunstroke last year, and have been subjected to these attacks ever since; the surprise of sudden news or the hearing of any calamity, a mere triffle will bring one on. Did 1 say anything just now?"

Urmson, sir; and so I am sure it is." "Yes, poor girl! Do you think"hesitating a little-"she is well enough to see an old friend?"

"She has only seen the Rector as yet, sir, but you might try," "I think I will. Much obliged for

your assistance." The porters touched their caps with "Thank you, sir," as he walked away

and then the elder one remarked-"I don't know him; but he is a gen tleman by his speech." Ah, and he has been on foreign

service somewhere! "What foreign service?" the other contemptuously demanded. "A man can't hold his chin up and carry his eyes straight but what he must be in

the army with you." "Well, you need not be so hard on a fellow; you knew a gentleman when you hear him speak, and I know an oficer when I see him walk."

The whistle of an approaching train interrupted the colloquy; but, as the asked. elder man moved away, he delivered a "Fo "I say, Sam," he asked, "would you

"take something," he started immediately for Home Cottage. He was deeply grieved at Clara's death; in an affec-tionate brotherly manner he had grown very fond of Bel's sister.

As he approached the cottage, his attention was attracted by the figure of a gentleman walking before him-he was the stranger who had spoken to the porters at Sutton Station, He several yards in advance of John Harvey not walking in the desultory purposeless manner of a stranger, but like one who, having an object to accomplish, was already in view of the goal

"A fine fellow!" was John's solloguy. "I wonder who he is, and where he is

going?" Almost in answer to the query the stranger pushed open the gate of the Home Cottage, and, entering, closed it

behind him. In a few seconds more John Harvey gained the gate, and, pausing, outside, looked once again on the dear family scene. But Clara's couch was no longer there. Only the small rustic table and wide garden-seat were there; and on a low chair beside the table, her face buried on her crossed arms, was Bel Urmson, The stranger had walked silently and unnoticed across the greensward and standing within a few yards of her, was attentively regarding her. "Belt" he called softly, so softly that

John Harvey but faintly, caught the The girl raised ber head and looked at him, and then, grasping the back of her chair, slowly rose to her feet.

"Charlie!" she gasped. "Is it you?" "Yes, Bel; don't you know me?". and he held out his arms to her. With a little cry of joy she ran to him and he folded her in his arms and kiss-

arms around his neck and kissed him. "Oh, Charlie," she cried, "why didn't ou come sooner?" "I couldn't darling; I landed in Eng-

land only last evening."
"Have you heard," she commenced, and then, bursting into tears, laid her head on his shoulder-her sorrow was still so fresh, she could not speak of it,

tightened round her almost convulsive-Don't cry so, Bel"-and again he stooped and kissed her. "I have come back dearest, to take care of you."

garden-seat; and, seated there, their voices became an indistinct murmur to years before I met you," John Harvey, and he heard no more.

ed Clara Lester to her resting-place in garden that had been indeed a very partitle cruelties they made him suffer. Sutton Churchyard.

Sutton Churchyard.

a short distance, he struck into a small ed in England a fortnight after Clara brushwood and bracken seemed highest paused. and thickest, he threw himself upon the ground; there, sheltered from human observation and in unbroken soli-slightly bent, he seemed hardly to be

But John Harvey never noticed her. With his arms crossed and his head vice is not established.

4. A special stamp of tude, John Harvey struggled through listening to her. the great tempest of his soul. Night's shadows clustered round him, the even- after his arrival," Bel continued; "and ing stars glittered down on him; but when we had laid him beside my dar-

> Ten o'clock was striking when John Harvey returned to "The Griffin," and heed of her. Was it possible that he half an hour later he had left Sutton still considered her behavior to Charlie which may in a like manner be designated by the half and held the head left sutton still considered her behavior to Charlie which may in a like manner be

"I would rather you did not mention my return here," he said to the land- shyly she held out her hand. lady of the inn at parting; "but if that ot be accomplished, you may say I came back for-my luggage,"

Two days after his departure Bel roson held in her hands a letter from him, a letter bidding her farewell, and telling her that, though he could not but gratefully appreciate her endeavor to ove him, yet, knowing as he did know that she had never forgotten her first love, he had decided to adopt the only ourse left open to him and go away. With a pale face and trembling fing ers Bel read the letter; then she folded t up and locked it away in her desk.

At ten minutes to 9 o'clock on the orning of the 30th of June, five years after Mrs. Lester's death, the bell over the porch of the village school at Chiplale rang out the summons. Boys and girls rushed together, pushing, laughing, shouting, and striking out at each other as one or the other gained a momentary advantage in the race to be first in school. Caps and sunbonnets were houg with marvellous rapidity and youthfull recklessness on rows of pegs in the whitewashed wall; then in single file the children poured into the choolroom, and, standing in a semicircle before the mistres's desk, tender-

ed her their morning salutation, "Good morning, children!" "The voice was full and pleasant, and the smile broadened into a grin on the little faces as the speaker left her desk and came towards them. She had a word and a smile for each, for it was the opening day of school after the midsummer holidays, and rules were relaxed and a little license permitted by even so strict a disciplinarian as Bet Urm-

She was standing up, the children gathered round her preparatory to their | that other woman who bore his name dismissal at noon, when the door opened, and the Vicar of Chippendale en"Good-bye, Bel-good-bye, my p

"Good marning, Miss Urmson," he said shaking hands with her and nodding to the children. "I am glad you ave not dismissed your scholars, as I wished my friend to see them. I cannot myself stay to give him any information about them; but, if you will culars life's duties, kindly furnish him with any passic he may desire. I shall feel obliged. Mr.

possession; the coldest, stiffest inclination of her head acknowledged the inremained silent. But presently she saw she too clung to the path of right. by the children's movements that the Vicar was leaving; she heard his retreating footsteps, and, after a pause, she raised her head and said-"Children, you may go."

Quietly and decorously they trooped out of the room; but not until their footsteps had died away did she turn to John Harvey. "Why have you come here?"

"For the simple reason which the schools, and anxious to obtain certain

Mrs. Lester's death. Refusing the should have avoided coming to Chip-landlady's solicitations that he would perdale altogether."

Then you would still shun me?" 'I would; it is the wisest, the only coarse I can pursue." You sent me a letter some years

ag ," she began, hesitating and blush-ing like a guilty child. "I never un-He looked at her and smiled. What coenettes all women were! And Bel, besutiful Bel, was as tickle as the rest.

By gones are best left to slumber," he aid; "no explanation can possibly all roor positions to-day, and, if you ment when the subject is unfitted to Price; ap-Owen, Bowen; ap-Richard,

me what you meant."

Laeutenant Heywood?" she repea-

me to be more explicit."

the cottage, my heart filled with ten- beginning. ment his hand rested on her shoulder- be ever did as an artist. seeing that, I learnt that the maidenly you had to be false to me; but"-with ties for better things. a flickering smile-"perhaps you knew

I was very jealous, even from the first, "Yes," he answered, and his arms of Lieutenant Heywood." It was long since Bel Urmson's face

"It was not Lieutenant Heywood earest, to take care of you."

Who came to me that evening, but my other publication may be marked for opervation, except by written or print-

"So we thought; but we were mis-

"Poor Charlie died within six months

not till he had fought his battle and ling in Sutton churchyard, I was left come forth conquerer did he rise from poor and all alone in the world; and then I came here." Still be remained silent, taking

had been lacking in that maidenly reserve he so much admired? Timidly, such "Do you blame me now?" she asked and then broke down in a wailing pite-ous cry. "John, forgive me, for I have

always been true in my love for you.' He turned to her, his face white, drawn, and quivering. "Hush-don't say such words to me!"-and he passed his hand hurriedly across his brow. "What evil destiny brought me here to-day?"-then suddenly he tood her nand.

forget me, Bel. It is best to tell you at once-you must entirely put me out of your life; for I am married," Fear and astonishment were blended in her face as she murmured-

"I don't understand you!" But, even as she spoke, comprehension came to her. She stretched out her disengaged hand, clutching neryously at him for support, and a low cry-the cry of anguish that tells of the death of a life's bright hope-broke

from her lips. Oh for the right to take her in his arms and whisper comforting words to her-for the right to bid her look up and see the dawning of the day that was to change her night of sorrow into brightness and joy! Holding her hands tightly pressed between his own John Harvey gazed into the pale beautiful

"My poor love!" he whispered. The dear never-forgotten accents brought consciousness to her. Once more Bel Urmson's soft brown eyes

looked up at him; but between them had come the barrier of another womau's love; and, remembering that Bel's lips pleaded for her own release. "In mercy let me go!" she cried. For a second he hesitated, but only for a second; then he too remembered

"Good-bye, Bel-good-bye, my poor lovel" came in a thick horse whisper. There was a quick sudden pressure of her hand, and he was gone-gone from temptation into the path of rectitudegone from the woman he loved to the woman he had vowed to love-gone from what promised to be the beauty of his life to the stern performance of

And Bel did not die. For a few days her scholars were perplexed by the size statue of a king, taken from the vagueness of her instructions and ruins of Nineveh at the time of Sir alarmed at the whiteness and stern- Henry Layard's explorations. It had ness of her countenance; then gradually each duty was taken up with a and when received was stored and netroduction; then she turned aside and firmer grasp as, fighting, struggling, glected, until a few days since. It rep-In the great hereafter, when love ing in one hand a basket and in the shall gain its fulness surpassing even other a fire cone, a portion being cov-the love of women, perhaps Bel Urm-ered with sharply cut hieroglyphics, son's love, checked and kept under on which Assyrian scholars are now earth, because here it could blossom endeavoring to translate. The statue but in sin, will bloom in purity and comes from the temple of King Assursnotlessness throughout eternity.

"ARE YOU fond of rowing. Miss Smiand the twain were out in a boat, "Oh, very fond of it indeed! I think it is Vicar gave you; I am interested in lovely exercise," "Have you rowed "Yes," Miss

as to the importance of choosing such the greater part of their family names, an occupation for life as nature's ininstances resort has been made to profes-sional head and thought readers to in-of the son. In many parts of Wales, —Great Britain dicate the line to which the uniformed this practice is said to be still common stood it; will you explain it to me mind should be directed. But it is so that it is no remarkable thing for a often the fact that a thinking and man to be called Bill O'Jacks, O'Dicks, sensible boy is unaware of any decisive O'Toms, O'Harrys. The Weish ap, fact that the call for a choice occurs not appear as a distinct portion. Thus, about the time in years and develop- ap Hugh has become Pugh, ap Rice, throughout the country. will allow me, I will wish you good make a choice-"not a man, nor a boy. Pritchard, and ap-Howell, Powell. but a hobbledehoy," as an old saw has

Don't go," she said gently. "Tell it. Then listen! On the Thursday that have been better if at the beginning known among his friends as Kit. I promised I would return to Sutton I | they had become linguists, preachers, | No monosyllable name has been so did eturn. At 'The Griffin' I heard of and presidents. Perhaps it was better praific in its derivatives as John. As Mrs. Lester's death, and I hurried to that they were what they were at the a family name it is sometimes found as after having been closed four mont

New Rates of Postage.

On July 1 the following important "I have heard of it at the station. had worn so happy and blissfull a changes were made in the rates of

1. Any article in a newspaper of opservation, except by written or print-2. All newspapers sent from the office 3. The weight of all single-rate letounce each of Icection the ounce or fraction thereof, wood, and, choosing a spot where the died." Her voice shook a little and she increase is allowed for drop letters, whether mailed at stations where there are free delivery or where carrier ser-

> compensation paid to any one person shall not exceed \$30 per month, and "You must provided farther that the regulations for the delivery of these specially stamped letters shall in no way interfere with the prompt delivery of letters

Learn your business thoroughly.

hurry.

undertake. Be self-reliant; do not take too much advice, but rather depend on

Never fail to keep your appointments, nor to be punctual to the min-

Use charity with all; be ever genererous in thought and deed-help others dong life's thorny path. Make no haste to be rich; remember

that small and steady gains give competency and tranquility of mind. He that ascends a ladder must take the lowest round. All who are

Think all you speak; but speak not all you think. Thoughts are your own ; your words are so no more-

Where Wisdom steers, wind make you sink; Lips never err when she keeps the door.

nazir-pal, a famous conquerer who reigned from 833 to 859. B. C., and who was therefore sleeping in his thers?" Miss smithers is a Girton girl, grave when Nebuchadnezzar, was yet

"How is your old friend Jones

Family Names.

Americans must look to England for clinations appear to favor ; and in some first apparently created by taking the this decision probably comes from the tion of several names, in which it does

The tendency in proper names has always been toward abbreviation, a It is foolish to "strike out," "map short name being invariably more pop-"When Lieutenant Heywood came back to claim his own, what could I do but abdicate?"

out," or "arrange" for a boy's future calling by means of his expressed desire at the callow age: the boy will by adding a diminutive to the proper naturally gravitate to his proper line- name, the chief diminutives in this use assists in cleaning the streets. ted puckering her brows in perplexity, if the circumstances do not hinder—
if those who have to deal with him do

ot; another, ing, being found, but so

of Switzlerland is in the schools. Perhaps not lately," he said, and not interfere. It is not difficult to as- rarely that it need hardly be mentioned. lau led. Then, becoming suddenly certain if there is a "bent" in the boy's Using these in combination with proper grave he continued, "I wish you would inclination. If it is decided then the names, from Simon we have Simpkins try to understand me, without forcing influences and circumstances should or Simcox; from Withams, Wilkins, be brought to bear in that direction, Wilcox and Willett. In early English "Speak plainly; I have nothing to fear in any revelation you may make."

But it is best to start. Many make days the pagan was a favorite way of mistakes because they did not understandly, fearlessly her eyes met his stand, and sometimes these early mistakes. and for the first time there dawned on takes extend through a lifetime; but stance comes the Paines, the Paynes, him the possibility that be had been mistaken in the identity of Lieutenant was a good one, Lincoln was a good may fitly be opposed the Christians, havoc among the crops in Califo nia. Heywood; but no-that was not pos- rail splitter, and Johnson was a good the Christies and the Christions, while sible! Nevertheless his manner soften-ed as he said—

tailor. It would be assumptive to say the Kitsons are the descendants of the kitsons are the kitsons are the descendants of the kitsons are the kits

ular prejudice can influence the choice of a name for a child. Reasoning from analogy, one might suppose that as Peter was the leading disciple, and as the chair of Peter was held in high reverence, his name would take prece dence of all others with piously-inclined name was always singularly unpopular, there being, as a rule, about thirty-live took money out of their pockets and dialits to the priests, the name was somtimes given, and we thus have no. only Peter, but Peters, Peterson, Pierre, together with Perretts, Parrets, Peter- other damp places, kins, Perkins, and Parkins,

Other Scripture names are more com- 94 years old, who supports herself by mon. Isaac has given us Isaacson, taking in washing. Ides, Ikeson, and Hicks and Hickson, with Higgs and Higginson. David Austria, is learning to make jewelry in gave us Davies, Davidson, Dawes, a Tyrolese workshop. Dawsons, Dawks and Dawkins. Dantel is still seen in Daniels, Danges, Dansons and Dannells, Simon is found himself a house on the topmost peak of in Sim, Simpson, Simpkins, Simcox, vives in Phillips, Phelps, Philps, Philps. Philpson, Philleox and Philpott. Matthew seems always to have been a balmed among us in Matthews, and suffering severely from drought. Matthewson, in Mattison, Matson, and -Mrs. Burnett, the daughter of Jas. Matts. Bartholmew is now known Russell Lowell, will preside over his among men as Bartolow, Bartie, Bart | home after his return to America. lett, Battel, Battie, Bates, Batsons and Badkins. Thomas received an addi- in the different native languages tional impetus to popularity from the dia, and about 150,000 copies in all. a hundred different forms, among the lumbia River this year will be light. most common being Thoms, Thompson, Tompkins, Thomset, Tomkins, Tomlins, Thomlins, Thomlinson and Thomasett. James was always popular in almost twice as fast as the population. Scotland, and appeared as Jameson and

Be True.

If only we strive to be pure and true.

To each of us all there will come an hor
When the tree of life will burst with fig.
And the rain at our feet the golden dow

rigidly and undeviatingly to the truth. O, what a tangled web we, weave

If we only would believe it, "honesty every stranger who visits the Italian is" always "the best policy." A young court. business for himself, he was wor always able to pay his debts, honesty became so reduced in circumstances as to apply to his former clerk

in a work-house! Be true at any cost, but, if obliged by mail from Dakota, to say what is true and disagreeable, the manner of expressing truth to the the pupils should be bitten while frame which ornaments it. Do not un- abroad. neccessarily say disagreeable things. -It is computed that 750,000 Where truth is not involved, and you go into London by rail every day to have nothing pleasant to say, keep si-earn their livelihood, and leave it at

fault." Concerning this his biographer says; "This confession displayed more greatness than all his victories,'

"Come here to me, you good-for nothing thing," exclaimed a pious farmer, addressing his son. "You ought

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Recent heavy rains have damaged Texas crops.

-The Michigan University has 180

-Great Britain has 700,000 more fe males than males.

-The actual membership of the Mormon church is 79,886. -Forest fires are raging in several

parts of Massachusetts -Base ball clubs are being organized

-One ostrich egg makes a good pan cake meal for three men.

-There are nineteen metals that are worth about \$1,000 a pound.

- Tennessee farmers are at least one mouth behind in their work. -Pittsburg has a bose brigade which

-One-lifth of the whole population

-New South Wales contains more flowering plants than all Europe.

-A silver mine is reported to have been discovered in Hudson, N. H. - Pneumonia caused nearly a fifth of the deaths in Boston during March. - There are 190 college papers in the

United States and none in Germany. -Grasshoppers are creating terrible -Abraham Lincoln's largest fee as a

-France is now getting large supplies of canned frogs from the country -The Penobscot River is now open. -Early fruit and vegetables in Mis-

issippi have been destroyed by a heavy -This country controls three quart-

world.

-An epidemic of sore throat known as tonsilitis prevails in Newark, New it Jersey. -Not for ten years, it is said, were

shad so cheap in New York as they were

-Rev. Von Schleumbach, the great German revivalist, is visiting friends in the South. -- Experiments are being made in the

manufacture of ammonia from the nitrogen of coal. -An inventor in New Haven has persons. So it does in many parts of been toiling for thirty years over perpet-

> -The value of wood used annually in cooperage in the United States is -English papers announce that Ir-

> -There are twenty persons whose

cifer to American college aggregate - Butternut wood is largely used for Pear, Pearson, Parson, Parsons, Pierce, making shoes to wear in breweries and -Portland, Me., has a colored woman

-Archduchess Maria Theresa, of

-An American Philistine has built biblical Mount Carmel. -A malady, which is proving or mark bly fatal has broken out among

the lorses in Moorestown, N. J. -Advices from Calcutta report that favorite, for his memory is still em- the tea and indigo dist its in India are

-There are 250 periodicals printed

sad fate of his namesake, Thomas a .- The Portland Oregonium says it is Beckett, and his name is found in thought the ron of salmon in the Co -Statistics show that in Massachu

> -The land of Holland is cultivated by 145,694 persons, of whom sixty per cent, are owners of their own holdings. -Every Mussulman who makes a pilgrimage to Mecca is honored during the remainder of his life by the title of

-Dom Pedro, the emperor of Brazil, has reigned for lifty-three years-longer than any other living sovereign. was but six years old when called to the -Queen Marguerite, of Italy, con-

Hadii.

-Albuquerque, N. M., has a jail of

passed through a cypress tree at a depth of 65 feet. -Queen Victoria's only survivin aunt, the Duchess of Cambridge, has

for over twenty years, -A tanned bull's hide, addressed to for assistance, and finally himself died a Brooklyn woman, was received at the

-In one county in Alabama mas express it as pleasantly as possible, dogs were so numerous recently that Truth has been compared to a picture, the schools were obliged to supend lest

night, and yet an accident rarely oc

month: -A long-haired elephant, larger and more perfect than any specimen hitherto secured, is reported to have been

the Lena Delta. - The Japanese Government is making copper coin out of the bundreds of old cannons that have been sent to the Oska Mint for the purpose.

-The wine making industry in Ham-

mondsport, N. Y., is rapidly increasing cate there with a plant costing \$25,000.

scient baronetcy having a rent-roll of \$35,000 yearly, recently fell from a bicycle and broke his neck. He was young,

I am not likely to forget."

"Perhaps, Bel, you have not had sufficient time in which to forget. | not do it! '

glanced up at her sister.
"How ill you look?" she exclaimed involuntarily; and, starting up, she her and drawing her to him, "I hate hastly arranged the pillows on the couch girls who throw themselves into their "Pray lie down again! Do you feel lovers' arms-I hate girls with hair of

all its entirely to your husband!

"I am as well as usual, thank you. recumbent position; "but I dare say Margaret would tell you I had been talking too much; so if you will put that shawl over me, I think I will rest a little her-"I think if you were to kiss me, I Bel obeyed, and then, bending over, kissed her.

"I do love John," she whispered;

"and he has no cause for jealousy. But he is jealous—jealous as Othello!" and, with a light careless laugh, she turned away. Jealous as Othello! The words rang in Clara's ears as Be! walked away. Jealious as Othello! Was it true? Was she going to leave her sister in the care of a man afflicted with such a madness? And Bel, with her keen susceptibility and quick proud temper-would she bear with gentle tenderness the endless uspicions of jealousy? Was her love for John so sure, so convincing, that in

I am sure Bel does not love him.

she murmured, squeezing her fingers together in agony at the thought, "She is not gay and bright now as she was then. When she is his wife and I am no longer here, will he be kind to her?" Tears flowed through her closed eyelids and tricaled unheeded down her cheeks as she thought of Bel under cruel treatment. "Clara. , ou are crying!"-and Be. s the pale wet face, while her fresh rosy

tablish his trust?

standing by her side. "No, no!" Mrs. Lester asserted hur-Three years had run their course since than I think?" "I have come earlier than usual," he tain Lester had never come back to his answered, taking Bel's low seat beside more successful than Margaret's had

> and requesting my immediate presence. in Southampton, "I am so sorry." Clara said. hope you will find him better." shall miss you terribly," she said, with "I hope you will pay me the compli-

> > miss me terribly. I shall never forgive her if she is not looking pale, wan, and altogether miserable when I return;" and he smiled. "I shall remain hopelessiv unforgiven then," said Bel, laughing, for I am alw ys in rude vulgar health, and I be-

> > their brilliant bue." Clara looked round at the bright olooming face and signed, "Bel dear, I am so tired; if you will call Margaret, I think I will go in," she said wearily; but, when the girl had 'my life is so uncertain, I may never is not new to me, Promise me-I will

not ask you to swear it, for a man's be always kind to Bel." Startled and surprised though he was

without a moments hesitation he an-"I promise," Still she was not satisfied. "You know she has told you about Lieutenant Heywood. When she is your wife don't suspect her of any unworthy recollections of that former had first paused, and then returned to lover. Promise me. Bel is so thorlover. oughly honorable, so implicitly to be

know her, and you may doubt her." He regarded her attentively, watching the nervous clasping and unclasping of her fingers. "Mrs. Lester, what is making you "Mrs. Lester, what is making you mistrust me to-day?" he asked. is dearer to me than the whole world, more precious than my own life. Place

surety more inviolable than my wordand trust me." She looked at his pleasant honest face and impulsively held out her hands to

care of others, so be good to my dar-"To the utmost of my power I will be good to your darling; I promise." "Thank you," she murmured, as her sister and the nurse made their appear-

"No; you will live on my letters, and

to wait." "On Thursday week, Bel-a fortembled in Bel's soft brown eyes it lessened me in John's estima-

so ludicrous in transmitting sentiment through the penny post. I really could

fact that she was not demonstrative. "Bel," he said, putting his arm round

The color rushed in a crimson flood

That night the end that Clara Lester

"What does it mean? She can't be In a confused half-unconscious state

lips kissed away the tear-drops. "What is the matter with you to-day? Are not leave his address-only told them you worse, Clara darling? Does she that he should be back on Thursday look worse?" she asked, turning ap- week; and Miss Bel says that she doesn't pealingly to John Harvey, who was know where he is and that she doesn't want him." "Poorthing! It is very sad; but the

> been; and finally only the old doctor "I will never listen to any of Bel's

A smile played on his lips at the reminiscence as he handed his ticket to a corter and passed out of the station. The man looked after him in surprise, "He is a cool customer," he observ-

Leve nothing could reb my cheeks of "Ah, but he doesn't know what han "How do you know that?" "By my own sense. Wasn't the Rector and that old woman running the village over trying to find him to attend come to her. "John," she said, lean- Did he attend the funeral? No. But

son of Home Cottage?"

tered, followed by a gentleman. Only that it was hard lines for Miss

> Harvey-Miss Urmson." Startling and unexpected as the meeting was, Bel did not lose her self-

very much this season?" know him if he had suffered an amputation and had only one leg to go on?" information about the conduct of church schools," he answered promptly. I think I need hardly assure you that, a great deal."

Much is said in "writings for youth" 'call" to a particular pursuit. Much of however, has given us a key to the solu-

"you never came to me with the readi- If there is any moral to facts, as to nickname it is fixed beyond all fear of ness with which you flew to him, and, fables, it might be that the best thing abolition, and from a nickname it that an ambitious young man can do is passed by easy stages to a reputable reserve I had admired so much was to do the first thing that comes to him, place among the family names. purely want of affection, I didn't the first thing he can reach by going blame you, child-to be true to him for it, and watch and wait opportuni- ious bit of history, showing how a pop-

"Captain Lester! He was drowned ed words, without increase of postage, of publication, including sample copies all they could to encourage the name, "I know him now," he muttered betaken. He was picked up by an Afritween his clenched teeth—"Lieutenant
Heywood—the old lover—curse him!"
With the imprecation still on his lips
he turned away—turned his back on

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> 4. A special stamp of the value of ten cents may be issued, which when attacked to a letter with the lawful postage thereon shall entitle the letter to immediate delivery at any place containg 4,000 population or over according to the Federal census, within the carrier limit of any free delivery office or within a mile of the post office coming within the provisions of this law, nated as a special delivery office; that such specially stamped letters shall be delivered between 7 A. M. and midnight; that a book shall be provided in which the person to whom the letter is addressed shall acknowledge the receipt; that messengers for this special delivery are to be paid eighty per cent. of the face value of all the stamps received and recorded in a month, provided that the aggregate

as provided by existing law or regula-

Stepping Stones to Success.

Keep at one thing-in no wise Always be in haste, but never in a

Never be idle, but keep your hands or mind usefully employed except when sleeping.

above were once below.

About twenty-five years ago there was shipped to a gentleman in Philadelphila, from a missionary to Syria, a life resents a king clad in royal robes, bear-

ting along?" "He has been coining money up to last Wednesday." "Why did he stop then?" "He was arrested." "What for?" "Coining money."

a plain John, then as St. John, then its derness and love for you; but some one preceded me thither—a young good-looking man, with the unmistakable looking man, w military stamp upon him. He went to mechanical engineer because it was Jinks and Jinkinson. By addition we ers of the corn-fields of the ed her. She did not shrink from his caresses; on the contrary she put her you meet him. Bel"—and for a momore useful work as a mechanic than perjohn. No argument is needed to prove the popularity of Jack. As a The name of Peter, furnishes a cur-

> the continent, but in England, the uni motion. Johns to one Peter. The priests did \$33,714,770.

If you would succeed in life adher

man in the jewelry business was severely censured by his employer for speak-ing the exact truth concerning the ar-ticles which holes with a broom ly censured by his employer for speakticles which he sold. He was told he handle. was 'a fool, and would die in the work-house." But, on the contrary, Buffalo Bluff, Fla., recently, the drill fully prospered. He never wanted for means to live comfortably, and was The employer who had reproached him for his not been outside of St. James Palace

If you have made a mistake, do not curs. consider it a condescension to apologize. The true gentleman is always numerous of late in the vicinity of ready to acknowledge an error and rec-tify a blunder. "Only the mule bites with one end and kicks with the other." The truly great men are the truly humble men. Frederick the Great once wrote to the Senate, "I have just lost a battle, and it was entirely my

to be ashamed of yourself, going fishing another company having decided to k "I didn't go fishin', pap; I only wen down the lane to throw rocks at them

colored boys." "O, well, that's all right, then. Recollect, my son, you must never vioverses fluently in the language of almost

post-office in that city recently. It came

extricated from the ice at the mouth of

-Sir Justin Avlmer, the heir to an

sh, liell" her sister pleaded, a itsel look on her earnest face. "I ight you had forgiven him and for-I have forgiven him," she answered farely, but no exercise of volition can a mortal forget an injury. Does the disfiguring scar remain to keep bily for a while. Time will so obyours that some day you will onder at the insignificance of what

know consider a great wrong."

can never regard it lightly" -and

or it lessened me in John's estima-

so true!--while he---"

could not have been his first love