

THE DEATH OF SUMMER.

BY B. F. SCHWEIER. Wild Autumn winds blow chill and clear across the cloudy, stormy sky...

MARCEL.

From the French of Jules Claretie. BY A. E. C. At twenty Marcel suffered from a strange illness, which for want of a better name is called 'the malady of the century'...

She was almost always sitting up in bed, her elbow on her knee, her head half bent resting upon the palm of her hand...

Martha thought Marcel, it was the name of my mother! He looked at her with a smile, and she bent upon her shoulder, her hair unbound, covering the pillow...

He moved on and thought no more of her name. He would have liked, as he was about to leave the ward, the nurse said to him, 'No, 2, cannot live very long.'...

"You must obey the rules and regulations here and keep quiet," said the officer, while everybody in the room pressed forward.

The hearing of all species of owls known to me is marvellously keen; so keen, in fact, that I know no way of testing it, since it is so much more acute than that of man.

It was without doubt these sentiments which first attracted Marcel and Martha towards each other...

When the young he demanded why God had thus dealt with him, and cried, "What have I done that I should be thus abandoned?"

What the child promised the man became Marcel, who talked to himself that since he was alone, alone he must fight and conquer.

Martha, however, continued to fade. She appeared to be transfused. Her face became ashen, and when she smiled sister Prudence said, one could only weep.

He struggled against the separation that he knew must come then, overcome with grief he wept like a child. Each day he marked her increasing weakness and endeavored to stay the hand of death; vain effort.

Number 2, in one of the wards of the St. Charles Hospital, was a poor girl of eighteen years who was dying of consumption.

HE FELT LIKE SINGING.

By the Warbler From Bad Axe Kept Up in a queer old man, who he sat in the waiting room at the Third street depot with a satchel between his cow-hide boots...

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HE EFFORTS NOT APPRECIATED.

A Chicago man's resolution knocked to the floor. A Chicago man of few evenings ago read an article in a newspaper setting forth the fact that it is the duty of every person to make it lively and pleasant for those about him...

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DGS AND THISTLES.

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NEWS IN BRIEF.

Chilean mine is purchased. The Greek pike was twenty-four feet long. America has fifty-three telephone companies. Southern California produces 180,000,000 oranges a year. Up to June 1200 miles of railroad had been built this year. United States farm mortgages amount to \$15,357,670.00. The cost of a one-man sea-diving apparatus for a depth of 200 feet is \$575. Banner County, N. C., boasts of a new 10-lb baby which weighs 204 pounds. The Queensland government is experimenting with the cultivation of hops and olive. The best cork comes from Algeria. There are 2,500,000 acres of cork forest in that country. The streets of London, if put to an end, would reach from that city to St. Petersburg, Russia. The world consumes 3,000,000,000 pounds of paper a year and is supplied by 4500 paper mills. It is reported from the state of Puebla, Mexico, that rich gold discoveries have been made. A lion in a country circus showing in Norristown, Penn., bit off the tail of his neighbor, the tiger. The cultivation of the grape in France gives employment to no fewer than 2,300,000 persons. A red woman in Jacksonville, Fla., on a farm, a woodyard, a market and a number of drags. Total membership of all religious denominations in the United States in 1890 is given as 25,947,264. The peach yields has seriously affected orchards in portions of Michigan and New Jersey. It is estimated that ten per cent. of all vessels passing through the Saint Lawrence Canal are Canadian. In England one person in every thirty-nine is a pauper, in America the rate is one person in every 630. The total value of unclaimed letters and parcels in the London postoffice is something over \$50,000 a year. Russia has herself contributed \$125,000 to alleviate the sufferings of her famine-stricken peasantry. Near Astoria, Oregon, there is an ancient deposit of clam shells which covers an area of four or five acres. The census says that we have 14,000,000 horses in this country, and that they are worth upon an average \$67 each. The Dismal Swamp of Virginia embraces an area of 1,500 square miles, very little of which is in any use at all to man. Only citizens who are able to read and write have the power to vote in Bolivia and several other South American Republics. A statue of Doctor Gulliton, the inventor of the guillotine, is to be placed in the museum of Arts at Versailles, France. A Riverside (Cal.) man has succeeded in extracting from ten pounds of orange peel oil in the proportion of fifty pounds to one ton of peel. A Duluth (Minn.) switchman has a memory which enables him to walk a long line of cars and give them their numbers in a few minutes. A Paris (France) shop has bought the ruins of St. Cloud for \$500. He will use the materials in the manufacture of paper weights and other souvenirs. A corn-husking contest of 500 ears, for \$50 a side, took place recently in Australia. The winner's time being twenty-eight minutes, forty-eight seconds, and the loser's time twenty-eight minutes, ten seconds. The largest number of sheep held on one owner in New South Wales is 57,000 head, and there are 320,000 owned by the Momba pastoral company. There are nine owners who each hold more than 200,000 sheep. The island of Mauritius contains an area of nearly 450,000 acres, of which 100,000 are planted to sugar cane, 200,000 to rice, 100,000 to bananas, 100,000 to coffee, vanilla, maize and other crops. The Japanese method of cultivating the cucumber is unique. They dig fresh earth to a depth of one foot, and when the plants begin to form vine and are brushed as we brush peas with the brush of two adjoining rows leaning against each other. William Patrick, of Reeve township, Ind., baited a hook with worms and was fishing in the White river. The bait was swallowed by a two-pound catfish, who in turn was swallowed by a sixty-pounder. Mr. Patrick succeeded in hauling both fish. A woman of Lyons, Neb., has a nose four and three-quarter inches long. Mr. Townsend of Anacortes, Wash., made a peculiar catch the other day while fishing. It appears that a dogfish had swallowed the bait and when the plants began to form vine and are brushed as we brush peas with the brush of two adjoining rows leaning against each other. It would be an abuse of language, perhaps, to say that scare-crows are very lazy, but it is undeniable that they are often inefficient. "What is that queer thing over there in the field?" asked a little child, pointing to a scarecrow. "It looks like a man," said his father. "Oh, that's a scarecrow," said the farmer's girl. "Father put it there to frighten the crows away; but I guess, from the way they act, they think it's to let 'em know when dinner is ready."—Good News. MAKE AN unexpected call on a woman, and she will say, "Oh, you should have been here, restorer, as there was full of good things at last yesterday.



WHERE LORD CORNWALLIS SLAYED.

had crossed the Hudson in force, made a hasty retreat toward the Hackensack River...

TRUNKS IN FRENCH.

their cost varies according to the language in which they are weighed. A singular fact concerning language in Europe is that its price varies according to the language in which it is weighed. For example, the last for ten trunks, one weighing ten pounds and another one weighing twenty pounds, would not cost more than one trunk weighing ten pounds. It is hard to convince a man who does not believe that anybody else is as good as he is. WORKING without a plan is one of the best ways in the world to waste your strength. NO MAN can get any nearer to God than he is willing to try to bring everybody else.