

### PERLASTING NOW.

Everlasting Now,  
How beautiful art thou!  
Through the fern greenwood dells,  
When the oaks were golden,  
Hymns rang their honey bells,  
A tune of music older,  
Sorrow and care had swept away  
That melody so light and gay:  
Why did it wake one more day?  
I do not know. But of one sign  
Thoughts long dead and buried,  
Shook their wings, a sunny train,  
And o'er my spirit waivered  
Poured a fresh and childish song,  
One I had forgotten long,  
Nay, not one, a flock, a throng.

Everlasting Now,  
How wonderful art thou!  
In a dainty, ivory street,  
Where the sunbeams glow,  
Showers down odors to my feet,  
And mingled with my flowing,  
Sounds and sights of long ago,  
Roses which have ceased to blow,  
Winters of forgotten snow.  
Stranger faces passing by  
Saw I them no longer,  
Visions of the inner eye,  
Ever are the stronger:  
Come a face quite close to me,  
I have no longer seen,  
Smiled, and vanished suddenly.

Everlasting Now,  
How terrible art thou!  
Wandering by the river's side,  
When the sun was setting,  
Whispers came from far and wide,  
"There is no forgetting,  
Past is present, Now is past,  
What is future and what is past,  
All will be but Now at last."  
Then there shot a keen regret  
Glimmering still with tear-drops wet,  
Lovers' face flower broken,  
Young past but never wrong,  
But better thoughts a throng  
Sprang to life all fresh and strong.

Everlasting Now,  
How bitter-sweet art thou!  
Soul who never can forget,  
Thou must live forever!  
Eyes! with tears of passion wet,  
To me wait forever!  
Canst thou face the Eternal Now?  
Or, as mortal things laid low,  
Dost thou crave an end? Not so!  
Thou! who wastest memory's ear,  
By each subtle blending  
Of the past and the present,  
With the life unending,  
Tune us to that perfect key,  
Giving life its unity,  
Life, which hides itself in thee!  
—Helen and Kayser, Calcutta (India).

### The Sentence of Mehemet

MEHMANZADE MEHEMET, the Sirdar of the auxiliary troops of Tunis, was known on account of the rigorous discipline that he exercised over his soldiers. "If you do not do as I say," he would often remark to the young soldiers, who came to increase the ranks. Thus his army was an army of heroes, who had no fear on the battlefield, but who trembled in the presence of their leader.

The first campaign in which they fought was at Albania, in the battle against the rebel Greeks, and on that occasion Mehemet's men proved themselves efficient. It happened that Mehemet one day ordered eight soldiers to remain in ambush at the "five fountains" of Arts, at which point the Greeks were likely to open their attack. They were to stop any one who should pass by, and they were strictly cautioned not to dismount or fall asleep. The soldiers executed with exactness all their instructions.

A vehicle which attempted, toward midnight, to cross the line unobserved, was discovered by the watchman. The man who had charge of the wagon ran away, abandoning his wagon. On this wagon was a barrel. It was easy to ascertain what the barrel contained, without dismounting and without falling asleep. You could see the odor of liquor escaping from it. And it must have been an excellent liquor, compounded largely of figs and dry raisins. The Giarri (Christians) undoubtedly knew what was good.

The soldiers had not been forbidden, if they seized liquor, to drink it. And really they did not drink directly of the barrel; they merely sunk bulrushes in it, through which they sipped the liquor. It was not the odor of liquor that was so enticing, but the wine in it. It was not the wine that was so enticing, but the wine in it. It was not the wine that was so enticing, but the wine in it.

### Lopped Ears.

Lopped ears are the result of domestication in all animals except the elephant. Not only carnivorous animals, but all animals which are liable to be preyed upon by others, need the erect, mobile, funnel-shaped ear to perceive them of the vicinity of their prey, the other to keep them on their guard against unseen foes; and the constant exercise of the external organ gives tone and energy to the muscles which move it.

The elephant, too, probably came of an ancestral stock that had erect ears, but for ages past there has been no creature powerful enough to cause it alarm, and for want of exercise the muscles which move the ear have long since atrophied, leaving the ear to hang pendulous.

The tendency to lop the ears varies much in different animals. Rabbits lop their ears after a very peculiar method of domestication, and with the exception of dogs and pigs, are almost the only lop-eared animals in Europe and America; but in Oriental countries all the domestic animals are more or less lop-eared, a fact which suggests that they have been much longer under domestication than their congeners in "Christendom."

East Indian dogs have long, pendulous ears, sometimes over a foot in length and soft as silk. The ears of the Indian donkey stand out horizontally; those of the zebu, or Indian ox, droop below the horizontal line, and some breeds of Oriental horses carry their ears nearly horizontal, although the Arab horse shows no such tendency.

### Makes Pure Blood

These three words tell the whole story of the wonderful cure by Hood's Sarsaparilla. When the blood is impure it is fertile soil for all kinds of disease germs, and such troubles as scrofula, salt rheum, rheumatism, catarrh, grip, and typhoid fever are likely to appear.

To purify and vitalize the blood, and thus supply the nourishment which is needed, those who keep their blood pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla have no trouble with weak nerves. Therefore take Hood's now.

Purifies the blood and thus cures these diseases by removing their cause. No other preparation has ever accomplished the remarkable cures which have followed the use of Hood's Sarsaparilla. Be sure to get only Hood's.

Weak nerves indicate as surely as any physical symptom shows anything, that the organs and tissues of the body are not supplied with their nourishment. They draw their sustenance from the blood, and if the blood is thin, impure or insufficient, they are in a state of revolt. They demand

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### BUDGET OF FUN.

Humorous sketches from various sources.

A seaside idyll—And the Messes Art Pins—Among Friends—Didst's All Speak at Once—Transformation, Etc.

They were sitting in the twilight, Where the waves broke on the sand, And an arm was wound around her, Her eyes were turned to his hand; And she said a little closer, "Toward a face sun-kissed with tan, And I should like to see a man."

THE SERVED IN THE WAR. Our Sympathies Always Enlisted in the Intrinsics of the Veteran. (From the Herald, Woodstock, Va.) There is an old soldier in Woodstock, Va., who served in the war with Mexico and in the war of the rebellion, Mr. Levi McIntire. He passed through both these wars without a serious wound. The hardships, however, told seriously on him, for when the grip attacked him four years ago it nearly killed him.

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when these conditions are caused by constipation; and constipation is the most frequent cause of all of them. One of the most important things for everybody to learn is that constipation causes more than half the sickness in the world, especially of women; and it can all be prevented. Go by the book, free at your druggist's, or write B. F. Allen Co., 365 Canal Street, New York. Pills, 10c. and 25c. a box.

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### Dr. Williams' Pink Pills

Plucky Little Schoolin'am. A deep gloom is hanging over the adolescent section of the masculine population of Boston; the cause of which is the near and exorating of the army of pretty and learned women who have brightened the town with their presence since Monday last, says the Philadelphia Times.

A party of about twenty of the prettiest teachers gathered around the dinner table at the hotel the other day, and, among subjects equally interesting, the advisability of corporal punishment was discussed. Miss Mary Duval was decidedly in favor of doing away with such severity, but Miss Eva Vasey, an attractive little lady, strongly urged its necessity.

"How did he take it, Eva, and what did he say?" inquired Miss Vasey anxiously. "Well," answered Miss Vasey, a little reluctantly, "he said to me a few days after, 'Miss Vasey, I let you thrash me that time, but if I had liked I could have thrashed you.' But he was much better afterward and that thrashing did it," concluded the little lady, drawing herself up to her full height of five feet.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cure all kinds of weakness, including nervousness, indigestion, and general debility. They are made of the most pure and healthful ingredients, and are guaranteed to give relief and restore health to all who use them.

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