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THE CROSS UPON THE THRESHOLD.

BEAM PROM THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM. -STORY OF A LITTLE WANDERER. Christmas evel the snow is whirling

Thick and fast along the streets,

And the sky is dark and gloomy,

Wild the wind and sharp the sleet.

Hark! there, faintly down the pathway, Comes the tread of baby feet. And behold through all the tempest

And nenote, through at the tempest,
Glides a tiny, childlike form;
Weary, wanddring, without shelter,
Lost in cold and night and storm.
"Whence art thou, poor little stranger,
Through the night and through the storm?

Far outside, the wide plain stretches, And beyond are hills of snow; High above the black sky low ring, And the river frowns below.

"Whither, whither, in the inidinght, Little lone one wouldst thou go?" But she hears not, and the snow drift Drowns the voice that hids her stay; And, afar along the pathway Speed those little feet away.

Hurrying whither? Blessed Saviour— Speed those little feet away! Feet and hands are cracked and bleeding, Feet, and bands, and head are bare, And the frozen sleet, like jewels, Clusters in her golden hair; Tattered garments flutter 'round her,

Battling with the bitter air Ah! how shrinks the cow ring infant, As the fierce blast chills her through; Feebly dies her voice of wailing, For her lips are still and blue, And the tears cling to her eyelids,

Frozen there in icy dew.

Onward, through the gathering darkness,
Still she totters in her flight;
Weary, lonely, like a Pleaid
Wandering in the outer night.

Is there no one? Is there no one, Keeping for her warmth and light?

Ha! there gleams athwart the corner,
Ruddy glow from happy homes,
And sweet, merry, childish laughter,
Ringing on the bleak wind comes;
For to-night they sport all hopeful,
With the Christmas elves and gnomes

Happy children! Happy parents! Blest the roof that shields you here! Fender father! Gentle mother! Loving sister! Brother dear! Not a frown to mar your pleasure, Every joy and comfort near!

Christmas evel the firelight dances On the pictured parlor-wall,
And apart in cozy chambers,
Gits are ranged for one and all;
While, below, the blazing kitchen
Sends its cheer through court and hall, And, there, gleaming past the curtain, See the glittering Christmas-tree, Hung with colden fruit and trinkets For the fun that is to be! O, the candies! O; the treasures! On that glorious Christmas-tree!

Then, the tables spread for feasting. Pies, and cakes, and comfits piled— Rosy apples, buts, and raisins, Grapes whereon the Tropic smiled,

Heaped together—what an Eden.
For the homeless, starving child! Now, look on her, where she crouches, Close beside the friendly door, While she counts the dancing footsteps As they clatter o'er the floor; They are singing Christmas-carols.
Singing 'till their hearts brim o'er l

And she watches through the window, Little faces like her own.

Beaming with celestial pleasure—
Glossy ringlets backwards thrown;

As the father clasps his darlings,
With sweet words she too has known. Flowery wreaths that deck the mantel Frame this picture, as she peers. Holly twined with buds and roses Types of happy by-gone years For her, too, they wove gay garlands, In the happy by gone years!

O, dear father—O sweet mother. Where are you who loved me so? And her little heart outbursting Wails a oud its wordless woe; For alas! they sleep together, This wild night, beneath the snow.

Tap! upon the heavy casement,
Tap! her hands would make a sign,
"Take me in, kind Christian people!
All these joys, they once were mine!
Herd I die of cold and hunger—" Heads her but the Ear Divine !

Now the curtain drawn more closely, And the splendor fading too, Drowsy bells in hidden steeples Toll the heavy midnight through; All is hushed save distant revel, And the Storm-King's noisy crew ! Now, the bride dreams of her bridegroom. And the bridegroom, too, is blest; Now, the mother hugs her bantling Where it nestles on her breast,

Age and childhood both are happy In that heavenly Christmas rest. But no home receives the lone one, And no mother's fond address Smooths her pillow in the snowdrift, And no father's hand may bless That lost fledging on the doorstep, Yielding there to Death's caress l

Lo! behold a sudden glory! List! soft music in the air! And she rises radiant, lovely. Clasps her hands and kneels in prayer. See an infant form resplendent Standing right before her there On its head, a crown of starlight

Shedding lustre o'er its face l Heavenly mildness every teature All its bearing sweetest grace; White robes, pure and bright as silver, Lightning up that gloomy place! From its brow the tresses parted, Float aside in sunny sheen,

And its eyes—th? deepest, clearest, That our murtal sight hath seen. Full of tenderest lovelight, beaming Summer o'er the wintry scene

"My father's house has many mansions, Far more beautiful than these; Pastures green by quiet waters.

Flowers of glory, living trees No more winter, only summer Where His children rest at ease There, on golden harps, the seraphs Sound eternal anthems high, And the songs of angle-myrids Echo all along the sky, Blessed hosts are there forever

Souls redeemed that cannot die ! There comes neither care nor sorrow There comes netter care no sorton
In that glad, unending day;
But the hand of love undying
Wipes the tears of grief away.
Though the dark world here reject thee,
There, poor wand rer, shalt thou stay.

I am He who, in a manger Lay a helpless little child: Swaddled there in rags and tatters While the heathen lands reviled, Yet the after-ages liailed me, Lamb of God, the Undefiled!

1, too, wandered poor and lowly, Not a roof to shield my head; Homeless, hungry, lost and weary, Often forced to beg my bread; While around, unseen, the angels Hovered ever near my head.

"Mine the words so oft repeated, Little children come to me." Mine the prayers for stricken mortals, Mine the passion on the tree ! By my blood I made the purchase

There, the home prepared for theel" He points, and now, her gaze, in bright ning Sees the Cross shine forth afar, And above it, in the heavens,

Bethlehem's hallowed morning star l

While, beneath, two dearest faces Woo her where the Cherubs are. Hallelujah. strams celestial, Such the Shepherds heard of old, When the choirs on high, exulting, Jo ous tidings there foretold, And the scroll of our salvation

O'er the earth for aye unroll'd. Thus, they found her in the daydawn Kneeling with uplifted eyes, And her hands outstretched and opened, As with glad and sweet surprise While the roseate glow was risint In the blushing Orient skies.

And the sleet had bound her ringlets With a coronal that shone Like to diamonds, in the sunlight, As its beams aslant were thrown: And that drift enwrapt her shoulders With white wings-the angel's own

Thus, the rays that wrought her shadow, Maile a holy strange device, linging it athwart the doorway, Like a cross upon the ice; And a crown of thorny snowflakes

Topped the cross upon the ice ! Cherry Christmas-bells were chiming And the merry crowd swept past,
There it lay, like God's own blessing,
On that happy doorsill cast,
Where the little barefoot pilgrim
Found her Heaven and Home at last!

Christmas in Olden Time.

"Mother! Will the Christ-child come to norrow? will the Christ-child bring bells, and horses? and oh, Mother, think he will bring me a cross-bow, and will Uncle Karl mother, drawing him closely to her breast.

dear Mother." "You will never leave me, my boy?" "Never, dear Mother! Why should I leave before. you!"

"Never never leave me." "Gertrude," said a low voice behind her

and left her alone with his father. "Oh, my husband," cried the wife, laying H. Surratt,

her head on his breast,"my heart is sad tonight, and over weary. Where is our boy, our first-born?"

strong, and unwilling to submit to his father's tary Seward, he says that information was better judgement. God protect him, for he given to him the day before that Surratt information given upon the subject. was young and wayward. I know not was in Liverpool, or expected to be. He where he is, though half my fortune has took the affidavit of the person who gave

Our poor boy! he may be dead, Gertrude" Minister Adams.

to her husband's look of inquiry. It is five ing off President Lincoln, which was con- an interview with the Cardinal Antonelli, years to-morrow since I placed them on the ducted entirely by J. Wilkes Booth and who frankly replied he would give up Surtree for Emanuel, and in two lttle weeks I himself; that he came to Canada just be. ratt on proper indictment and proof, at saw my boy for the last time. I have tri- fore the assassination of President Lincoln; the request of the Department of State. ed always to banish sad thoughts at Christ that while in Canada he received a letter Mr. King, under date of November 10th, mas, for the children's sake, but to-night from Booth, saying that it had become says the Cardinal informed him that Surmy heart seems full enough to burst. God necessary to change their plans, and re-ratt or Watson had been arrested by his grant we may hear of no misfortune hap- quested him to come to Washington im- orders, but while on the way to Rome es-

forebourngs.

prodigal son. after their marriage, their only child. He the breakfast table a gentleman next to minister King and Captain Fox, at Listhirteenth year had submitted to his partion, and he (McCarthy, or, or as he then cabin-boy on board, every effort made by day morning last the accused had been surrender Surratt to the United States if on condition that he will testify again tall the accused was found on Italian territory, other parties connected with the assessment talking with the affiant of an interview with less. For some time the mother was pros- Mr. — at Richmond, when the affiant The Minister thought the accused would tion plot.

her attention, and as their childish wonder What must I call you! What is your proof, but probably only under a stipulaabated, and they ceased to mention their name?" and he answered "...y name is tion on our part that the punishment of brother's name, it was not spoken in the Surratt." This was just before their arrived eath should not be inflicted.

hearts God for the treasures left to her. Even-good account of Mr. Johnson. Awe stricken by its glorious light, and present. dazzled by its suddenness, the children stood the cross-bow, and Uncle Karl was called olic priest, with whom he lived. closely to him. All the children were too happy to notice their parents' abstraction,

and their low voices were drowned in gleeful shouts and animated conversation. Suddenly there came a rap on the door. Gertie, much wondering whom it could be mother stood erect, and the father, his heart stirred by the same hope, looked eagerly ratt. towards the door. It was a stranger, a lad Minister King to Secretary Seward, June

choked voice "Can you forgive me?"

The Case of John J. Surratt.

The President to-day transmitted to the House an answer to Representative Bout-The boy slid down from his mother's lap, well's resolution calling for information relative to the discovery and arrest of John

The documents are voluminous. The first letter is from Mr. Welding, United States Consul at Liverpool, dated Septem-"Gertrude, he lett us freely; he was head- ber 27, 1865, in which, addressing Secreeen spent in vain endeavors to find him. him the information, and transmitted it to

bow, and some other boyish toys, and laid with a man calling himself McCarthy, who them apart Her hand lingered lovingly told him he had been in the confederate over them, and the tears swelled up into service, engaged in conveying intelligence er eyes.

"They are for Karl," she said in answer he had been concerned in a plan for carrypening to our boy, for my heart has heavy mediately, and that he did start immedicaped from the guard of six men. The ately for that place. He did not say wheth. Cardinal expresses great regret at the es-Long did the parents sit and talk of the er he went there, but said that on his way cape. All the orders of the Papal government back to Canada the train he was in was de-Emanual was their first, and for five years layed at St. Albans, and while sitting at for the arrest are inclosed with this corres ent's will. One night in a sudden fit of called himself Harrison) replied "the news to direct Admiral Goldsborough to send rage at the crossing of some unreasonable was too good to be true;" that the gentle-one of his ships to Civita Vecchia. whim he left the house, walked to a neigh-toring seaport town, and there taken pass-read the account of the occurrence, and he Florence Nov. 13th, says he had seen the age on a vessel bound for China. As this (McCarthy) was surprised to see his name Minister of Foreign Affairs, and asked him it is understood there in semi-official tire vessel sailed the next morning, with its new there, and left immediately. That on Sun-

The morrow came, and with a sad face date of september 30, 1865, that Surratt andria and many a fall tear, Gertrude placed Em- had arrived at Liverpool; and again on the prepared for the Christ-child, soothed the with the affiiant, Surratt declared his belief ing been thus instructed. open wound in her heart, and she thanked that he would live long enough to give a

ing same; the children, Karl, Fritz, Gertie, Acting Secretary of State, Huntenunder Franz, and little Dorothea were all ushered date of October 13, 1865, says in consultainto a dark entry, and there joined their tion with the Secretary of War and Judge of corn, valued at \$29,879,315:78,661,799 sweet childish voices in the Christmas hymn. Holt it was thought advisable that no ac-Then the door opened, and in a wondeous tion should be taken in regard to the arblaze of light stoood the Christmas tree, rest of the supposed John H. Surratt at

Consul General Potter, at Canada, on Ocstill, until seeing Grandmother, whose chair tober 25th, 1865 informs Secretary Seward 262,732. had been wheeled in, siting by a table near that Surratt left Three Rivers some time this burst of splendor, they came slowly in. in September, for Liverpool, and adds that in the purchase of forage, but matters wers

upon to explain all its mysteries Fritz Minister King, at Rome, writes to Sectook his new book to have the pictures ex- retary Seward, April 23d, 1866, that Surplained by Grandmother. Gertie sat be- ratt recently enlisted in the Papal Zouaves, led. Between the 8th of December 1862, side the table with a new doll, while little at Sezzse. Mr. King's informant recog-Franz and the two year old baby, soon tir- nized him, and Surratt admitted he was ed with intense pleasure, came to Papa's right in his conjecture. Surratt acknowlloving arms for rest. The mother wander- edged his participation in the plot against bushels of oats, 48,311 bushels of barley, ed round the room.—Karl's eagerness re President Lincoln's life, and declared that 269,814 tons of hay, 8,243 tons of straw; minded her of the pleasure the same toy Jeff Dawis had incited and was privy to it. the cost of which was \$31,308,553,98. had given five long years before. The The informant further said that Surrat, The grain was purchased at certain points, book Fritz enjoyed so much was also one seemed to be well supplied with money under the direction of Colonel Brown, and of Emanuel's, and so Gertrude's eye turned and appealed to him not to betray his se from one boy to the other, her heart whis cret. The informant expressed an earnest and Philadelphia by rail, cairal, river and pered the oft repeated question, "Will he desire that if the steps were taken towards

him, he grasped her hand, and drew her Secretary Stanton, May 19th, 1866, hay, purchased upon the line of rail road, says: The report w s referred to Judge was transported to the coas in 5:55 car Advocate Holt who recommended not to loads. The whole was reshipped from .. e prosecute without due concession, verified above named ports to the depots of the by oath

Secretary Seward, May 28th, 1866, sug- freight paid to these vessels was \$2,570, gests that as we have no treaty with the on Christmas eve, sprang to open it. The Papa! government, a special agent be sent to Rome to demand the surrender of Sur-

of eighteen or nineteen years; they looked 23d, 1866, says he communicated with his correct language: for a boy of Karl's age, forgeting for a mo- informant the day before and received from ment the lapse of time. He stood in the him the accompanying document. He had door way, then with a slow, timid step, ad- at the same time a long conversation with vanced towards the mother and father. him which tended to confirm his belief in Gertrude's the mother's instinct, spoke first, the truth of his statements. He repeated and with a loud cry she fell upon his neck. to him Surratt's confessing complicity in though opposed to the Constitutional "Mother! Mother!" he said, in a hoarse, the murder of President Lincoln, and the Amendment, the language of his Message admission of his mother's guilty participa

are you so sad? why do your eyes look far the sound of your voice, and the sight of a schoolmaster in a small village in Mary demands the admission to Congre

would probably be no difficulty.

Secretary Seward to Minister King, Oct. 16, 1866, directs him to employ a confidential person to compare the photograph that they should dictate terms before with the original, and to visit Velletri for suming their places in the Union." that purpose and to pay the informant a sum of money, amount not named, for the

Secretary Seward further instructs Mr. King to seek an interview with Cardinal Antonelli, and to ask his Holiness whether, in the absence of an extradition treaty, he The mother shuddered. Then rising. The affidavit states that while going from she went to a drawer and took out cross. Montreal to Quebec be became acquainted event of the re-arrest being denied, he would enter into an extradition treaty, and also requesting that Surratt be not discharged until further advised.

Minister King to Secretary Seward, dated Rome, November 22, says he has had

trated by grief, but other children claimed said to him "You have told me a great deal. be surrendered on proper demand and

family circle, and the parents slowly learned to shut up this great sorrow in their own Surratt, landed he was disguised.

Surratt, landed he was disguised. Mr. Welding writes to Mr. Seward under in Naples, but he had gone thence to Alex-

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December 2, 1866.—Consul General anuel's toys on the tree for Karl. If he 10th of October, that Minister Adams had Hale communicates the fact that he had ever returned ahe moaher, lovingly argued. instructed him that he did not consider it obeyed instructions and arrested Surratt. he would be too old for these trifling gifts, desirable with their present evidence of Secretary Seward the next day talegraphed and they would make her Karl happy. identity and complicity, to apply for a war- him his course is approved, and informs Dancing feet and merry voices, greeting her, rant for the arrest of the supposed Surratt him that measures have been taken to bring as she left the mysterious room she had It is further stated that in his conversation Surratt home, Admiral Goldsborough have

> FORAGE USED DURING THE WAR. The forage required for the subsistence of animals employed in the military service during the late war was 22,816,271 bushels bushels of oats, valued at \$76,362,028; 1,518,621 tons of bay, valued at \$48,595, 872 and 21,276 tons of straw, valued at \$425,520 Total cost of forage consumed during the wat, so far as ascertained, \$155,-

Up to 1863 there was much confusion Karl's quick eye soon espied his treasure, he was secreted at Three Rivers by a Cath- straightened out when Colonel S. L. Brown was placed in charge of this especial duty, and his admirable reports record at business of magnitude and importance seldom equaland the 30th of June, 1865, he purchased at d shipped to the depots and armies 2,787,758 bushels of corn, 20,997,289 transported to Portland, Boston, New York lake, making 8567 car loads, 560 barge pered the oft repeated question, "Will he desire that it in the never return!" there was a shadow on the reclaiming Surratt as a criminal, he should loads by canal, and 49 schooner, 26 barque nover return!" there was a shadow on the reclaiming Surratt as a criminal, he should loads by canal, and 49 schooner, 26 barque and 20 propeller cargoes on the lake, if the lake is the lake is the lake, if the lake is the lake is the lake, if the lake is the lake is

> armies on the coast in 2570 cargoe . The The Constitution 152 14.

That's Just Items had The New York Times, in an able article on the situation in the South holds this

"That upon anything short of the surrender of the Union Party and principle will satisfy the present leaders of Southern opinions we do not believe Even President Johnson does not satisfy them; for commits him to the support of the test oath. But the South will have neither. "Forgive? Oh, my boy! Heaven is very tion in the same plot.

The informant was formerly engaged as It refuses to ratify the Amendment, and it demands the admission to Congress of away, instead of at Karl?—why do you your face, and God has sent you home." land, called Texas, and proposes to return whomsever it may choose to send, rebel not answer me, Mother?" "Karl!" said the "Father!" "Father!"

to the United States and give evidence or no rebel. 'We utterly reject his test
The father spoke not, but as his son fell He wishes his name concealed, because the oath,' is the answer of the Richmond Ex-"Do you love me?" "Love you! Why Mother at his feet, he bent forward and pressed the publication of it would endanger his life, aminer a journal which, under its present what a question! I love you most dearly, seal of forgiveness upon his brow. And It is stated in his swo n statement that management, is one of the most efficient the Christmas day rose upon such happi- Surratt remarked in New York, he propos exponents of Southern opinion. We think the South would rather stay ont of Conness in that house as it had never known ed to fly when the deed was done.

Minister King to Secretary Seward, Aug. gress indefinitely than be represented by 8. 1866, says he communicated to Cardinal persons who would swallow the oath, is the Antonelli the information which was sent statement with which the Examiner dishim. His eminence was greatly interested poses of Mr. Johnson's safeguard. - It is evby it, and intimated that if our government ident that the Amendment is not the obdesired the surrender of the criminal, there stacle to restoration. The real obstacle is the aversion of the Southern politicians to everything calculated to insure the pence and integrity of the nation. They remire that they should dictate terms before re-

> Superintendents' Convention, 7 The convention of county superintendents which met in Harrisburg last week was com. plete success. Fifty-three out of sixty five superintendents were present, and nomehealthy and genuinely earnest spirit sievaded the body during its deliberations: 4'lio most important measures considered, and finally recommended by vote for legislative action, were in the state of the state of the state of minimum length of

> chool term, from four to six months 2d. A corresponding increase of the State aj propriation.
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> 3 l. Abrogation of all county profession-

al certificates by county Superintendents for a longer term than five years'.

4th. Uniformity of text books in coun-5th. Reduction of the number of school

lirectors and paying them. 6th. Making the law now existing in ight counties, appropriating \$200 of public money to the aid of county institutes,

general; the institute to be held one week, and teachers be allowed the time to attend. Readers are referred to the School Journal for full proceedings of this meeting, which they will doubtless find interesting. The older members seemed to be surprised at the improvement of superintendents over

those of some years ago. A Washington despatch states that