EMELYAN'S WIFE.

Emelyan was a laborer living in his master's house. Emelyan was going to his work in the fields one day when a frog, upon which he had almost troden, jumped up in front of him. Emelyan carefully stepped over it. Suddenly he heard some one call him. Emelyan turned around and saw a beautiful girl standing hehind him, who said:

"Marry me."

"Mar whe."

"Sealing a beautiful ship with a beautifu

"Marry me."

The girl greatly pleased Emelyan.
"I!" he replied with delight; "but where shall we live?"
"Is that worth bothering about?" said the girl. "It only means that we shall have to work a little more and sleep a little less, and then wherever we are we shall find ourselves clothed and fed."
"Very well, then, we will marry; but where shall we go?"
"Let us go to the city."
Emelyan and the girl went to the city.

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Emelyan and the girl went to the city. The girl led him to a small house at the farther end of it; they were married and started housekeeping. The governor drove out one day, and as he passed their house Emelyan's wife ran out to look at him. When the governor saw her he was struck with astonishment at her beauty, and said to himself, "Where could such a beauty have come from?"

Hos tepped up, called her and began to question her.

"Who are you?"

"The wife of the peasant Emelyan."

"How came such a beauty as you to marry a peasant? You should have been a princess."

"Thank you for your kind words. I am well content to be a peasant's wife."

The governor made a few more remarks, drove away and returned to his palace. He could not get the wife of Emelyan out of his head. He did not sleep all night. He thought of how he should take away Emelyan's wife and get her for himself. He could hit upon no way of doing it, so he called his sevrants and ordered them to find a way.

The servants said to the governor:

"Take Emelyan as one of your laborers. We will then kill him with hard work. The wife will be left a widow and you can have her."

The governor sent for Emelyan to become a man of all work and to live with his wife in the palace. The messenger went and gave Emelyan the message. The wife replied:

"That is good. Go. You can work during the day and at night you can return to me."

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Emelyan went. He arrived at the alace. The governor's foreman asked

palace. The governor's foreman asked him:
"Why did you come alone, without

your wife?"
"Why bring her? She has her house." with your wife?"
They gave Emelyan work in the governor's yard that would have been a hard task for two men. Emelyan set about his work and was afraid he would not be able to finish it, but before night he had finished it all. The foreman saw that he had done all of it and gave him for the next day four times as much.

Emelyan went home. There he found everything swept clean and tidy; the stove lit; the baking and cooking all done. The wife was sitting at the table and sewing while she waited for her husband. She met him, laid the supper, gave him his meat and drink, and when he had finished began to ask him about his work.

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"There is no use talking; it is bad. They give you more than 'you can do. They will kill me with work."

"But you—you must not think about the work. Don't look to the one side or to the other; how much have you done or how much is left. Only work. All will be done in time."

In the morning Emelyan returned to work. He started work, never looking to one side. Lol by the evening it was all finished, and before it was dark he was at home. They put more and more work upon Emelyan, but he always thished it in time and went home.

A week has gone by. The governor's servants see that they cannot kill Emelyan with rough work. They begin to give him skilled tasks, but with this they cannot kill him. Carpenter's mason's, roofer's work—all that they gave him he finishes in time and goes home to his wife and to sleep.

Another week goes by. The governor calls his sorvants and says:

"Do I feed you with bread for nothing? Two weeks have passed, and as yet I see nothing from you. You wanted to kill Emelyan with hard work, and from my window I observe him going home every day, singing. Did you intend to make a jest of me?"

The servants began to excuse themselves.

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"We tried," they said, "with all our might to kill him with hard work, but we could not do it. When he sweeps with a broom he does it without fatigue. We then began to give him skilled work, thinking he would be short of brains, but with that we could not break him down. Where does he get it from? Everything he approaches he does. It must be that there is witch craft in him or in his wife. We our selves are tired of him. We want to give him a task beyond his powers. We thought of giving him an order to build a cathedral in front of your place in a single day, and then, if he fails to be it, his head can be cut off for disobedience."

The governor sent for Emelyan.

"Now, thinking he would be she got in a single day, and then, if he fails to be it, his head can be cut off for disobedience."

The governor had said. The wife pondered.

"You will have to go far—to our grandmother—to our old peasant mother. You must implore her kindness and the devil with it."

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"Get your things together, wife; we must fly—anywhere. If we do not we shall be lost, and all for nothing."
"What!" she asked. "Have you become so frightened that you want to run

come so ringuesce that you way?"

"How can I be otherwise than frightened? The governor has ordered me to
build a new cathedral, and all in one
day. If I do not build it he threatened
that he would cut off my head. Only
one thing is left—to run away while
there is time."

The wife did not accept this suggestion.

tion.

"The governor has many servants, and wherever we go we shall be caught," she said. "You cannot escape him, and so long as we have power we must obey." "But how to obey when it is beyond

me?"
"Little father! do not grieve. Take
your supper and go to bed. In the morning you will get up and everything will
be all right."
Emelyan went to bed. The wife awoke

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"Go," she said; "go quickly and get your cathedral built. Here you have nails and a hammer, and there is only one day's work left for you."

Emelyan went to the city, arrived at the palace and behold! there was a new cathedral standing in the middle of the square, wanting only a little of being finished. Emelyan started to give it the finishing touches where they were required, and by the evening everything was complete. The governor awoke up, looked out from the palace and saw—the cathedral, with Emelyan walking around it, merely putting in a nail here and there. The sight of the cathedral did not gladen the heart of the governor. He was furious at having no opportunity of behavior a feature his wife.

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"Emelyan fulfilled this task also," he said. "We must tinvent something more complicated for him. Invent it. If you do not I will behead you first." His servants contrived that the governor should order Emelyan to make a river flowing around the palace, with large vessels floating on it. The governor ordered Emelyan to perform this new task.

"If," he said, "you could build a cathedral in one day, you can do this also. All must be ready tomorrow, as I have ordered it. If it is not ready your head will be cut off."

Emelyan became more dejected than ever, and returned with the gloomiest of faces.

"Why," she said, "are you so gloomy? Has something new been ordered?"

Emelyan told her all.

"It is impossible to run away," she said. "We shall be caught wherever we go. We must obey."

"But how obey?"

"Oh, little father, do not trouble about anything! Take your supper and lie down to sleep. Get up earlier and everything will be in time."

Emelyan lay down to sleep. In the morning the wife wakes him up.

"Go," she said, "into the city. All is ready. There is only a little hillock left beside the harbor. Take your spade and level it."

Emelyan went and arrived at the city. Phone of the harbor and saw there a hillock, which he started to level. The governor wakes up, looks out and sees—ariver where previously there had been none. On the river vessels were floating on it. Emelyan went to the harbor and saw there a hillock, which he started to level. The governor wakes up, looks out and sees—ariver where previously there had been none. On the river vessels were floating on it. Emelyan for the wessels, being vexed to think that he could not behead Emelyan. He thinks to himself: "There is nothing that he cannot do. What is it to be now?" He called the servants and began to consult with them.

"Invent for me," he says, "a task that Emelyan cannot fulfill, for all that we h

and how one is to bring one knows not what?" The freeshooters were astonished at

the question.

"Who," they said, "has sent you to the profind that?"

The profind that?"

"The governor."
"No," they said, "we cannot help you."

Emelyan, after sitting awhile, got up and went on farther. He journeyed on and on, and came to a forest. In the forest was a hut. In the hut sat an old

and on, and came to a forest. In the forest was a hut. In the hut sat an old crone—the old peasant mother—spinning fax and crying. The old woman saw Emelyan and screamed out:

"What have you come for?"
Emelyan gave her the spindle and said his wife had sent him to her. The old woman immediately became milder in her manner, and began to question him. Emelyan started to tell her all his life—how he married the girl; how he moved over to the city to live; how he was taken on as a man of all work; how be served the governor; how he built the cathedral; how he made the river with the vessels on it, and how the governor had ordered him to go there, without knowing what.

The old woman listened and stopped to weep. She began muttering to herself.
"All right," she said: "sit down, lit-

to weep. She began muttering to herself.

"All right," she said; "sit down, little son, and eat."
Emelyan ate, and the old woman
started giving him instructions.

"Here," she said, "you have a ball.
Roll it before you, and go after it
wherever it runs. You will have to go
a long way—to the ocean. You will
get to the ocean, and there you will see
a large city. Enter the city, and ask in
the farthest house for a night's lodging.
"There you must search for what you
need."

"But how, grandmother, shall I know
what it is?"

"But how, grandmother, shall I know what it is?"

"When you see what people obey better than father or mother that will be the thing. Catch hold of it and carry it away. You will bring it to the governor, he will tell you that you have not brought what was needed, and you must then say, 'If this is not the thing it must be broken in pieces.' Beat upon it and then take it to the river; break it and throw it into the water. You will then get back your wife."

Emelyan bade the grandmother goodby and departed, rolling the ball before him. The ball rolled and rolled and brought him to the ocean. By the ocean was a large city. At the far end of it was a big house. Emelyan asked for leave to sleep in the house and was admitted. He lay down to sleep. Early in the morning he awoke and heard the father going up to arouse his son that he might send him to chop wood. The son does not obey. "It is early yet," he says; "there is

son does not obey.
"It is early yet," he says; "there is Emelyan hears the mother getting down from the oven, and she says:

"Go, my little son; the father's bones
are aching. Must be go himself? It is

are aching. Must he go himself? It is time."

The son merely smacked his lips and slept once more. While he slept there arose a terrible noise in the street and a beating, as of drums. The son jumped up, put on his clothes and ran out into the street. Emelyan also jumped up and ran after him.

"What is that which the son obeyed better than father or mother?"

Emelyan ran out and saw a man going along the street and carrying a round thing on which he beat with sticks and which rumbled. This thing the son obeyed. Emelyan ran toward it, began to examine it and saw—a thing that was round, like a burrel, and had both ends round, like a barrel, and had both ends covered with skin. He began to ask

covered with skin. He began to ask what it was called.
"A drum," the man said.
Emelyan was surprised and he asked that it should be given him. It was not given. Emelyan gave up asking and commenced to walk after the man. He walked all day, and when the man lay down to sleep Emelyan snatched the drum away and ran off with it. He ran and ran and came home to his own city. He thought that he would see his wife, but she was no longer there. She had been taken off the next day to the governor.

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Emelyan reported to the governor:

"He who went there, without knowing where, has brought that, without knowing what."

The announcement was made. The governor ordered that Emelyan should come the next day. Emelyan started to cannounce himself again.

"I have come today," he said, "and have brought what was ordered. Let the governor come out to me; if not, I will myself go in."

The governor went out.

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Judge, I plead guilty; he speaks the truth; I am what I am, and what you see. So old in a dammed, unhallow'd youth That your wrinkled years seem young to me Don't preach—don't lecture; I know it all: The easy canting, the fluent words, The solemn drivel texts from Paul, And a mangled phrase or two of the Lord's ST. JAMES' EPISCOPAL, South and Washington Streets. Rev. J. P. Buxton, Pastor. Moreover, you err if you suppose
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Do you think I never dream of home?
Of a weary man with whitening hair,
Of a missing voice in a vacant room,
And the sobs a-choke in a woman's prayer
That nothing has ever prompted flight,
Swift as my hungry feet could fly,
Fatherward, motherward-that I might
Fall on their necks, break heart and die?

My God! up God! when the masked brows must
Be clothed to a false, forged radiance, while
The bloom of the soul is baked to dust—
And straight through your fabricated smile
Dread ghosts of murdered innocence fliag
Perpetual jaccilias from their eyes,
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When the sweet sanctities set to guard
The inner whiteness from outer stain,
Tricked of their holy watch and ward,
Moan and madden in heart and brain,
And a howling fury hunts and bounds
Wherever a clean thought hides away,
And a dreafful volce of dooming sounds
Through the haunted chambers night

day;
And a something mocks you when you laugh,
And a something jeers you when you weep;
And hellfre lurks in the wine you quaff,
And a colling horror sucks you down;
Through a black and bottomless abyse—
Judge, do you think your legal frown
Can ofgur punishment worse than this?

Can a gur punishment worse than this?

Bahl what an infinite fool am 1

To talk like this to a man like you!

Some day the toughest of us must die—
And we shall be sitted through and through.

Sitted and sorted. Judge, have you thought

That possibly to the Sorter, then,

Something that now is may be naught—
When the coward's shrieks steam up from
men?

Sittin on a cracker box, a barrel or a keg, Chawin on terbacker he has been obleeged to

beg;
Whittlin of a splinter while a-workin of his Jaw,
Sayin what a pity his opinions ain't the law;
Runnin the hull country as 'twas never run

Runnin the hull country as 'twas never run before, Turning out the rascals while he spits upon the floor; the floor; Showin of the president egszactly what to do, Keepin things in general from gittin in a stew; Grumblin over Wall street, monopoly and

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work—
Wit at home a-hoein in the cornfield like a
Givin lak.
Settin hay-congressmen a needed rakin over.
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Givin Gould and Vanderbilt a pointer here
and there.
Showin jest how surely one can be a millionaire.

aire; Payin off the nation's debt as easy as a wink, Borrowin a dime to get himself another drink, Spankin little Chili jest to show her how it feels, in back Great Britain for pesterin our

Sassin back Great Britain for pesterin our Tellseals. Tellin of the czar to let them nihilists alone, Helpin Kaiser William to prop up his shaky throne, Buildin a great navy with an hour or two of guff, Lettin the hull world know that we're rabid,

Lettin the bull world know that we're rabid,
rude and rough;
Gettin off his high horse, though, when home
he goes to dinner,
Dodgin creditors like an ordinary sinner;
Jumps to hear his firstborn yell: "You'd better watch out, dad!
Flour 'nd coffee's plum give out, 'nd mother's
mighty mad."

—Yankee Blade.

mighty mad."

—Yankee Blade.

In hope the plowman sows his seed;
Thus hope helps thousands at their need.
Then failn too, heart, among the rest;
Whatever chance, hope thou the best.

—Richard Alison.

Sakya-Muni, Gautama Buddha, what dost thou proffer of hope or of mirth? "What shall I do to be saved" from the sorrow, passion, terror and madness of earth? What is thy gospel, O prophet of India? What has thou left to me, child of the sun? What is the bain for my pain thou has promised me? What is the crown when the race hath been run?

"What shall I do to be saved?"—Thou hast answered it. "Labor not ever, but beg for the bread.

Sakya-Muni, Gautama Buddha, bending I heed thee, but find in thy law Something that baffles me, doubtful consistency-lo, in the wett of thy wisdom a flaw-Look to It, Gautama! Sakya-Muni, sweet is the builbul, but hollow ber egg.

How shall thy gospel sufflee for the many! If all men are beggars, from whom shall men beg?

—George F. S. Armstrong.

Loss and Gain.

When I compare
What I have lost with what I have gained,
What I have missed with what attained,
Little room do I find for pride.

I am aware
How many days have been idly spent:
How like an arrow the good intent
Has fallen short or been turned aside. N. H. Downs' Elixir But who shall dare
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