A Jingle. There was a crusty sailor As X as X could B. Who at last quite weary grew Of life upon the C, He built himself a cottage Upon the river D. Where he idly smoked his pipe And drank his souchong T; He wink'd his starboard I, He set his nose askew ; And said, if U saked Y-

### Wanting to Fly.

" Pray, what isit to U?"

"I don't care for swimming," said the young wild duck, "I want to fly." It was the first day of leaving the nest, and the mother bird was very proud of the flourish. ing young brood just beginning life. The nest had been made in the coziest of corners beside the river, overhung by rocks, and with wild flowers and rushes bending down upon it. It was so cool and shady there through the hot summer days, except when, quite early in the morning, the sun's rays glinted down between the birch trees on the

The pair had agreed it was time for the children to take to water—at least for some of them—so while the tather bird remained in the nest with those who were hatched later, the mother turned out with the older

Two were already enjoying the water, but just as the other little duckling was going to make a plunge he happened to look up and he caught sight of a dragon fly. As it hovered over him and then glanced away its brilliant gauzy wings glittering in the sunlight, it quite turned his head. And like many another young creature he fixed his mind on something he had not and forgot all about what he had.

Why can't I fly like that? I want to fly," he said again.

"Patience, my child," replied the wise mother; "you will fly some day, but you have no wings yet-only legs. You must use your legs in the water as we are doing, and that will help you to grow properly. If you do your part in the present you will be preparing for the future. You have got to be educated, you know; don't you see?"

he would not listen. He only flopped his tiny stumps of wings and stared up at the dragon-fly. If he had been a child he would have pouted, but as it was he did whatever It is that ducks do when they are sulky, and he turned his back as his brothers paddled

Day after day it was just the same; he would not take to the water because he wanted the air. He moped and moped, and this was all his cry : " I want to fly ; I want to fly."

Of course he could not grow. He was not using the means for developing himself, so he could not be a duck all round. In longing for the future he lost the present. H got smaller instead of bigger, and would have dwindled down to nothing, I suppose, had not a prowling fox one night pounced on him-a poor starved duckling, and a very meager supper after all !

It is no good our longing for the future unless we are preparing for it in the present. Because what we have now is always the training for what we are to have by and by. And ah! it is no use our wanting to get to heaven unless we are employing the right means and making life the training pl ce for eternity.

## Nature's Story Book.

Mrs. Cortwright was reading, and smiled as she read. " what makes you laugh, mamma?" ask ed Ruth. "Listen, dear :

And Nature, the old nurse, took The child upon her knee, Saying, 'Here's a story-book
Thy Father has written for thee.'"

" That's pretty," said Ruth. "Are you sure you understand it ?" ask-

ed her mother. "I understand that-of course I do," answered Ruth, surprised that her mamma should doubt her. " Nature' means all out-doors, and the story-book is about birds and trees and everything you see out there." "You darling child ! you do understand

her little girl a fond kiss.

the story-book," said little Ruth. " All alone, dear? Don't you want some

one to read to you?" for Ruth could not read printed books very well, and always asked mamma or April Lucy to read to her; she said she understood better so. "Oh, I can read easy lessons out-doors,"

she said; so her mother tied on the white sun-hat and the little girl tripped away into the garden.

When she came in, a long time after, she seated herself on a little bench at her mother's feet : " Now, dear mamma, let me tell you about the stories. The first was ants they made hills all along the walks, and were so busy every minute bringing grains of sand to make the hill higher; and there wasn't one that didn't work-not one little naughty ant that said 'I won't ' or ' I don't

want to.' " "Then I saw bees-the bees that 'gather honey all the day from every opening flower ;' they were busy too."

"Like the ants? "They were better than the ants, 'cause they sang all the time-not like the birds but they hummed and buzzed, and it sound-

ed real nice, they seemed so happy. "Then there were the apples—the littlechildren apples-green and small and hard and sour. They are not good for much till they are big men-and-women apples-ripe and sweet. The story book said, 'Little children aren't worth much now, but let 'em be; by and by they'll be grown up, and

then they'll be good for something.' The mother smiled : " I think your book was very interesting, Ruthie, and you can read it better than I thought. Anything ing room one night were some young cav-

"There was a beautiful story about daisies. When I was out this morning they were all looking over to grandpa's, but after turning their faces this way, as if they were sorry to see the sun getting down lower and

want to." "The daisies follow the sun," said mam- seventy at the time.

ma. " just as we ought to keep looking to

Jesus all the time. " Fix your eyes upon Jesus; I guess that is what they were saying, only they did not speak loud enough for me to hear,' said Ruth : " and then I laid down and let the great punkah-wallah fan me."

"You queer child! what do you mean?" "Why, mamma, didn't you read to me about them the other day—the fans they have in India? 'Punkah' means 'fan,' you said, and 'wallah' means 'boys' fanboys. The fans hang from the ceiling, and the boys pull 'em up and down. The trees were my punkah-wallahs; the branches were my punkahs, and the wind was the wallah, and they kept me so cool and nice I went to sleep. I like the old story book,

"I wonder if my little girl knows who wrote it for her ?"

"God. That is why it's so nice," soid the little girl, " and I think He helps me under-

"I am sure He does, my darling; and it's better than any other book for this reason : you keep turning the leaves and never get to the end."

### HERE AND THERE

At Acworth, Ga., a few days ago, two persons, about to enter into the bonds of matrimony stood on a tombstone to be wedded.

A church at Terre Haute has been built in just sixteen days from the time the stone was laid. It is "very beautiful, finished in native woods, with windows of sapphire and ruby glass."

The Lancet states that a German observer has found that cows milked three times a day gives much more milk than when milked twice only, and that the proportion of it is the same in both cases.

An attempt to punish an unruly boy in a Holyoke, Mass., school last week, brought on such a general fight that the police had about. Holding the cage out at arm's to be called in to quell it, and the teacher and two pupils were marched off to the station house.

The Portland (Me.) Board of Health will place an officer on the Grand Trunk train, who will go out as far as Danville Junction But the young duckling did not see and | and examine all passengers and baggage coming from Montreal, using a system of checks to prevent persons getting through.

In Germany the inspection of pigs for trichinæ is more thorough than is generally supposed. The Medicinische Wochenschrift state that in one year there were established in Prussia 20,636 official inspecting stations. Out of 4,000,000 of the animals examined, 2 000 were trichinous.

The Germans have nearly stamped out small-pox. In the years 1870 1874 the number of deaths from the disease per 100, 000 inhabitants in London, Paris, Vienna, Prague, and St. Petersburg was 101.05. In Berlin, Breslau, Hamburg, Munich, and Dresden during the same reriod it was but

The painted rock of S.nta Barbara county. Cal., is 150 feet high, and upon it are many color paintings in a good state of preservation that are thought to be the work of Indians. There are two caves in this giant rock, one at its base and another some sixty feet up, and in each of these are pictures of animals.

The French Government would like to give the army the privilege of wearing beards, but feels the necessity of first consulting several high millitary authorities, as the opinions finds that the conquerors of all ages were about equally divided between the shorn and the unshorn.

The French lady doctors have carried the day. Henceforth the female medical stud ents will be mesdemoi elles les internes, and as such they will be admitted to hespitals on the same terms as their male colleagues. Sixty agniran's to the M. D. degree are at present rejoicing in the vict ry, among them a young negrees, who is said to be one of most zealous students in Paris.

"Adirondack" Murray began a ecturing tour at St. Johnbury, Vt., the other night, and after he had fin shed his discourse lectured his audience because a local newspaper had cal'el his life a wasted one. He better than I thought," said mamma, giving | said he had graduated from the ministry, and for six years had studied to fit himself "I'll go out, now, I guess, and read in | for another kind of work; and that, instead of having "dropped down and out from among forceful men," he proposed soon to appear in a quite opposite character.

There is in the extreme north of Utah a magnificent subterranean reservoir of firstclass soda water, bubbling and effervescing out of the ground in such quantities that all America might be suplied. In the extreme south, on the road to Orderville, is an exquisite circular lakelet that is always just full to the brim with water as clear and as green as beryl. And wherever the judge of a police court. She said in her dewater overflows the lake's edge it encrusts | fence .with a five coating of limestone, so that the brim is growing higher and higher with imp rceptible but cer ain growth of a coral reef. and in the course of generations the lake will become a concreted basin.

The cave out of which Gen. Israel Putnam dragged the wolf is seldom visited, because it is in a stony mountainous forest in a remote corner of Connecticut. A picnic party this summer made the tedious trip, which involved several miles of rough walking. There are pictures in primers of Putnam en. tering the cave erect, with a blazing torch held above his head. The hole is really so small that it can only be explored on hands and knees, and an adult cannot turn round in it. The length is 300 feet, and tradition says that he followed the beast to the further end, shot him between the eyes by their own glow, and was drawn out with him by means of a rope.

Not many years ago the late Lord Strathnairn was staying in a country house in Yorkshire. Among the guests in the smokalry officers, who were narrating tales of various skylarking adventure in which they had lately been engaged. The veteran took himself off to bed, and, his room being overdinner they looked straight up to the sky, head, they shortly after heard the furniture just as if they were praying; now they are in that apartment being moved about. The next morning some one alluded to this at breakfast. "Ha, ha!" said Lord S., "I was lower in the sky. They looked sad, as if not going to let you youngsters say you had they had got to say, 'Good bye,' and didn't 'drawn' a Field Marshal, so I put the chest of drawers against the door." He was over

## A Famous Trick.

Robert Heller, the famous magician, who died a few years ago used to exhibit with delight one trick of which he was very proud. He would step to the front of the platform, holding out at arm's length small bird-cage, in which hopped and chirped a live sparrow. Extending the cage above his head, and grasping it with both hands, he would say,-"Ladies and gentlemen, you see this cage.

It is a real cage, isn't it? You see the bird. It is a real bird, isn't it? Now watch me closely. The moment I snap my fingers, the cage and bird will vanish into thin air. He would the snap his fingers, and both cage and bird would disappear, leaving not

so much as a feather behind. Calvert, a F ench wonder-worker, having hea d of the bird-cage tri k, determined to dis over its sceret. He came to the performance one evening armed with a powerful opera-glass. Just as Heller stepped upon the platform, with the cage in his hands, Calvert called out,-

"Put the cage down on the table, or hold it out by one hand."

Heller made a reasonable excuse for not doing anything of the kind, and immediately caused the cage t odisappear, as usual. The next merning Calvert, who was on good terms with Heller, called upon him at his "Ah, monsieur!" said the Frenchman,

"I have discovered your great bird-cage

"Have you?" replied Heller. "Pray describe it." "No. Come to my performance to-mor-

row night, and you shall see it." "Very well," said Heller. "If you can perform the trick, you are the only living person, besides myself, who can do it."

Heller went to the evening performance, and took a front seat. After the usual tricks with cards and pistols had been performed, Calvert came forward with a bird-cage, in which could be seen a small bird fluttering

length, he said-"Ladies and gentlemen, you will see here to-night, for the first time, the great birdcage trick of the American wizard, Heller. I have had the honor to discover the secret of this trick, and I now perform it before you as my own, when I nap my fingers, the eage and bird will disappear.'

Looking directly at Heller, with a smile, Calvert snapped his fingers, and the birdcage vanished.

At Heller's death the method of making the cage and causing it to disappear, was disclosed

The cage, made of the finest and most delicate wires, were separated into two compartments by a thin partition. Those two compartments were held together by minute but powerful springs, which were made to open by pressing two wires, one on each side of the cage.

The two wires were held by the performer between his thumb and finger, as he extended the cage at arm's length. Each compartment of the cage was so made that when the springs which held them together were loosened, the compartments would collapse, or fold up, irto a very small compass.

Attached to each side of the cage, close by the wires held by the finger and thumb of the performer, were stout elastic cords running up the inside of Heller's sleeves, and fastened at some point above his elbows.

The bird chosen for the cage was one of the smallest varieties of sparrow, and he was placed in the compartment to which the partition belonged.

at arm's length. The elastic bands, being on the inner side of his hands and wrists, are not perceived by the audience. He snaps his fingers, that is, he presses the wires which let the cage fall apart; each side collapses, and the force of the tightly-stretched rubber pulls each section of the cage up the

performer's sleeves. The bird is drawn up with the side in which it was piaced, and, strange to say, is not often seriously injured by the operation.

Every part of this trick requires the utmost skill and the most delicate handling in every detail to make it successful. The fact that Heller performed the trick hundreds of times before attentive audiences, without betraying the secret of it, shows to what an extent attention to details may enable a man to triumph over the seemingly impos-

## " Ladies."

Cultivation alone will not make a lady of a vulgar woman, nor a gentleman of a boor. Innate valgarity will manifest itself in spite of all forms of politeness and etiquette. To a certain class of persons, indifference is the te t of high-breeding. If you educate a man or a woman to insensibility, he in their view is a gentleman, and she is a lady.

A woman was one day brought before the

"Me and another lady was a-having a few words, and she called me a 'hindewidual,' and I ups with a pail of water, and chucked it all over her, and that began the row between me and the other lady. Me and another lady indeed!

The following notice was once put up over the door of a show : "No lady or gentleman admitted into

this show in a state of intoxication." A hand-bill in St. Louis read,-

"One hundred rats to be killed by one dog in ten minutes. None but gentlemen are expected to be present on this occasion." The advertisement of a dog-fight in a Western town read,-

"Tickets admitting both gentleman and lady can be had for one dollar." A very elegantly dressed woman once rudely pushed a man from a crowded side-

walk, saying as she did so,-" Aint you got any more manners than to stand right in front of a lady?" A shabbily dressed woman accidentally

ran against a superb looking woman whose dress and manner indicated the perfect "I beg your pardon, madam," said the

poor woman in the most humble manner. "You clumsy thing!" angrily retorted the elegantly clad woman. Which was the lady?

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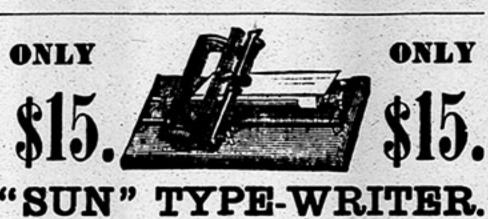
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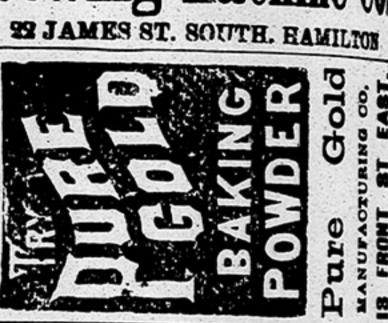
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CHAPTER VII. - (CONTINUED ) It is certainly so. There can be about it. All these accursed locus e settle down in Egypt become our ma

They bring with them, too, their ow in order that they may violate ours unted Toulba Pasha, to which Suleima added with an oath "No doubt about it, and what is wors w not only start business here unaske

they claim indemnities when they fa erein, indemnities which our weak-minde eler always seems ready to pay." " Raising the taxes of our poor until the ther cheat the collectors and get the ba redo on being detected, or elee. pay an People such as these make ver

ed rebels, for there is nothing to make loyal," said Toulba. "Should Allah call upon me to reign over om I will make them loyel, for the fellal te a dog, would lay down his very life for kind master. By the Prophet, would that knew better what it was to have one. id the war minister proudly, and Toulb

sha at once made answer : "That is because he has so many master here are twenty foreign consuls in Egypt deach is a petty prince. They are above Egypt. Their watches regulate even th Lat a Feringhee do what wrong h Il vet his consul will protect him from consequences, whilst the Egyptian i ice injured by the seeking of redress." That is true, for his case is tried, no his own laws, but by those of the ma has injured him, which of course ther no understanding, so that in seeking t cover his stolen coat the chances are tha

looses all the rest of his apparel, ' said

leiman Bey. "By Allah and the Prophet, where is the of discussing these matters further? Car count the sands of the desert or the sea ore? No, no, but we can try to save our ives from being buried beneath them, nev theless. My friends, we must lose no time teaching through trusty but secret emis ries the population of our great cities the ongs and injustices which they suffer and w they can best rid themselves of them Ahmed Arabi, of Orabi, proclaim mysel friend of the downtrodden and the op seed, and as being ready to lay down my in their cause. Should they elect me as eir champion my battle cry will be ' Egypt the Egyptians and down with the Euro an control.' You, my friends, I am well are, are with me hand and glove, whilst allies that we can number without are eady more numerous than all the followof the Khedive. Go, then, and sow in race in order that we reap amidst the

e of victory." so spoke the war minister. Toulba Pasha de answer : " A victory that has been sched for by the unlying tongue of pro ety, for has it not been foretold that the at leader who shall restore Mohammedought been fixed for the thirteenth ceny of the Hegira? And do we not enter on that century in the course of a few

"Inshallah, be it as God wills," replied war minister devoutly; and then he led: "You may tell that prophecy to the peop'e likewise, for if Allah speaks ough his prophet and I am the person is alluded to, I dare not, even if I ild, refuse to obey the behest of the Most . So go away, and lose no time in sowthe good seed, yet be careful that it falls apon stony ground, where the birds of air will see and devour it. With this meel I dismiss you, my brothers, and with the parting assurances that as I soar will soar, therefore remember that ah blesses the birds that remember their

erhaps this warning was not altogether eeded; but be that as it may, the trio ted with mutual expressions of tidelity

CHAPTER VIII.

HANGING AND THE ROASTING OF A PIG. tanother week has passed away and a Dean opera company is playing "The

cer" at the Cairo Theatre to crowded nother case of dancing, singing and fidon the brink of chaos, though to be wobody pursses how close chaos is at d, for the sowers of revolution have perned their abor in darkness and in si-, and no one perceives as yet the strong of knife, dagger and scimitar blades gled with countless bayonet points that

pringing roall around. it very soon a shower of blood drops needed to replenish that crop and it grow the quicker and bear fruit in season, and then as Feringhee blood give it the strongest nourishment these pera, singers and revelers will be aroused their pleasant vision of ease, luxury amusement at the cost of the Egyptian,

sough by a thunder clap. for the present the Frank hotels are ded, and the European quarter of city is as bright and cheerful as any ocratic suburb in Paris, London or New , and only in the labyrinth of dark, , intricate lanes and valleys, where the ar stories of the flat-roofed houses on or side nod towards each other, where occupants of the highest rooms can easily shake hands across the terwinding thoroughfares from their retive verandahs and balconies, are the rings of hatred and discontent allowed to swell into a murmur, and that mur-

is quickly suppressed.

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In a quickly suppressed. orthy about to happen to those who are the headlong pursuit of wealth their entire and undivided attention. be possible that the Europeans, as a the flashing of the eyes, the curling