

**TIRED OF HER LONELY LIFE.**

**A Romance Connected With a Recent Suicide at Niagara.**

The dead body of a woman was found a fortnight ago at the edge of a precipice near the Falls on the Canada side. The manner of her death was shown by a ghastly wound in her head. From the fact that a revolver was clutched convulsively in her right hand it was supposed that it was a case of suicide. Little investigation was made beyond an attempt at identification, which until now has proved unavailing, and the suicide theory was generally accepted. News comes from Cattaraugus county that the victim was undoubtedly Miss Caroline Leavenworth, an eccentric maiden lady, late of Hinsdale, in that county, where she had lived alone for the past fifteen years or more.

Miss Leavenworth was the daughter of Dr. Leavenworth, who was well known in Steamburgh and vicinity many years ago. In her younger days she was engaged to be married to a gentleman who is now a prominent and wealthy citizen of Dunkirk. Obstacles to the marriage arose, however, and thenceforth life had few charms for the unfortunate woman, whose existence at her Scott's Corners home was as solitary as can be imagined. She possessed considerable wealth, and the assessors from year to year assessed her personal property. She did not object to paying her tax, although it was annually increased. Many people believed that the long purse of her old-time lover was the hidden source of her affluence. She seldom permitted even her nearest neighbor to enter her lonely abode, and there was one small, iron-bound room into which prying eyes were never allowed to peep. This she used as a sleeping apartment, and she always locked and barred herself at night. She carried a small hand satchel at her side day and night, and never allowed herself to be separated from it. Besides this, she habitually carried a loaded revolver in her pocket. There was no living being, as far as known, that enjoyed her confidence or to whom she talked about her affairs.

This strange hermit's life was apparently uneventful enough until last spring, when she, according to report, went away and was absent for a fortnight. It is believed by her neighbors that she came to Canada. After her return she surprised everybody by selling her house and lot for a ridiculously small sum. She gave away much of her furniture, books, and personal effects, and went away. There was reason for old friends of the family to believe that she supported a drifter and worthless brother who lived in Chicago. She must have had considerable money when she left, and as none was found on the body, people in Hinsdale think there may have been foul play, but at Niagara it is believed that she tired of her lonely life and came there to end it.

**A WHIMPERING KING.**

**How His Majesty of Spain Opened the Cortes.**

The baby King of Spain, having reached the mature age of seventeen months, was on hand at the opening of the Cortes. His royal legs being yet too weak to support him with the dignity becoming a monarch, he sat on his mother's knee during the entire session. His Majesty responded to the change by grabbing at his mother's hair and her gold and silver buttons. He managed to pacify him, however, and he allowed himself to be taken into the Senate House without a protest. Here there was a mighty gathering of princes, grandees, ambassadors, and legislators, many superbly apparelled and blazoned with decorations and jewels. His Majesty did not seem to like the look of things, and commenced to whimper. The Queen looking regal, indeed in black velvet robes and diamond coronet, had him placed in the nurse's arms alongside of her on the throne dais. He stopped his whimpering for a while, and kept his big eyes fixed on his royal mother's coronet, but when the Queen resumed to read her speech in a dignified and measured tone to the grand assembly, King Alfonso XIII, possibly thinking he was being soiled, moved to another part of the throne. The nurse hurried to pacify him and succeeded for a moment. Then, however, reference was made to Spain's cordial relations with other powers, his Majesty sobbed loudly, and the sobbing developed into a howl as his mother spoke of her friendly feelings toward the Sultan of Morocco. Happily at this critical moment King Alfonso's eye was caught by the glittering decorations on the breast of old Marshal Concha, upon which he gazed in silent ecstasy until the ceremony had concluded. Then when the Queen got into her carriage and clear of all the grand people, she hugged the baby and said he had been a good boy, just as any other mother would have done.

**How to Stop a Paper.**

The following so fully and clearly expresses our views of the subject that we give it without a comment: "You have an undoubted right to stop a newspaper when you feel disposed, upon payment of arrears. Do not hesitate to do so on account of tenderness of feelings for the editor. Don't you suppose he would stop buying sugar of you, or meat, clothing, dry-goods, etc., if he thought he was not getting his money's worth, or desired to patronize some other concern? And why should you not exercise the same privilege with regard to him? And when you discontinue a paper do so manfully. Don't be so spiteful as to throw it back to the postmaster with a contemptuous 'I don't want it any longer!' and have 'refused' written on the margin, and have the paper returned to the editor. No gentleman ever stops it in that way—no matter if his head is covered with gray hairs that should be honorable. If you do not wish to let the arranger see that you do not wish to pay for it any longer, you will write a note to the editor like a man, saying so—and be sure that the arrears are paid. This is the way to stop a newspaper."

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**Christmas Money.**

How little it is compared with our wishes! Not long before Christmas last winter, a lady of moderate means, who had been busily occupied all morning in trying to make a little money go a great way, observed two richly-dressed women talking in the doorway of a Boston store. They were speaking of lace handkerchiefs.

"I wanted dreadfully to get her the one marked fifteen dollars," said one of them with a sigh; "but I'd put her down for only ten dollars, and I could not go beyond my limit."

Ten dollars for one present, and that only a handkerchief! The lady who listened would have thought it nothing extraordinary to make ten dollars purchase a dozen presents, each of which would give more pleasure to the recipient than the expensive lace trifle to the fine lady, already overwhelmed with elaborate nothings, for whom it was no doubt destined. Nevertheless, she could sympathize with the feelings of the speaker, for, after all, it is the limit, whether it be ten dollars or a hundred dollars, ten cents or a treasured quarter, that makes at once the difficulty and the delight of Christmas shopping.

Each of these ladies—she of the full purse and she of the light one,—ad doubtless experienced at some time the delicious anguish of finding something exactly suited to the taste of a fastidious friend, and which proved to cost just a little more than she knew she ought to pay. Both had probably hovered helplessly about the counter where such a precious article was displayed—retiring, returning, gazing, calculating, rejecting, and again returning; unwilling to purchase, and almost unable to get away.

Let us hope, also, that each had known the keen and lofty satisfaction of finally escaping the snare, and finding later, after patient and wearying search, something even more suitable, and a price within their limit! Such a satisfaction is worth toiling for, and not unfrequently rewards the enterprise and resolution of the courageous shopper.

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**Better than a Hero.**

"What a coward the Major Smith is," said Jones to Robinson, "why the very sight of gun powder would make him ill. How did he ever manage to become an officer in the army?" "Don't say anything against Smith," answered Robinson, "he once saved my life."

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