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YOUNG FOLKS CORNER.

The Change.

Out of the long white robes
And into the dainty frocks,
Little blue shoes with buttons.
In the place of the worsted socks
No longer a helpless baby,
Carries its arms all day,
But a restless, impudent fellow,
Bringing with noise and play.

Getting himself into trouble,
That he really has no end,
Hearing "old bairns" in his dress,
For just a moment's fun,
Bursts into fits of mirth,
Which mimics the soft kisses most sweet,
And meeting a hundred misfortunes,
Which babies most learn to endure.

Too soon I shall lose my baby,
As it grows up to be a man,
To welcome the magical power
Which changes the boy to man!
Oh! that the years were slower,
In rolling the months away,
And would that many a reason
My baby a child might stay!

I wonder how he dares,
A single babe can't break,
Or changed to this roguish fellow,
Whose feet are never at rest!
A roguish, gay the sweater
Before 'tis a full-grown rose,
Ah! the love that is born with the baby
Must grow as the baby grows!

Burlington Hawker to a Young Man.

Remember, son, that the world is older than you are by several years; that for thousands of years it has been so full of wiser and better young men than yourself that their feet stuck out of the dormer windows; that when they died the old globe went whirling on, and not one man in ten million went to the funeral. Don't be too sorry for your father because he knows so much less than you do. Remember the reply of Dr. Wayland to the student of Brown University, who said it was an easy enough thing to make projects such as Solomon wrote. "Make a few," tersely replied the old man. The world has great need of young men, but no greater need than the young men have of it. Your clothes fit you better than your father's fit him; they cost more money, and they are more stylish; your mustache is neater, the cut of your hair is better. But, young man, the old gentleman gets the biggest salary, and his hourly, scrapping signature on the business end of a check will drain more money out of the bank in five minutes than you could get out with a ream of paper and a copperplate signature in six months.

Chat by the Way.

Never point to another.
Never betray confidence.
Never wantonly slight others.
Never leave home with unkind words.
Never neglect to call upon your friends.
Never laugh at the misfortunes of others.
Never give a promise that you do not fulfil.
Never speak much of your own performance.
Never fail to be punctual at the time appointed.
Never make yourself the hero of your own story.
Never pick the teeth or clean the nails in company.
Never fail to give a polite answer to a civil question.
Never present a gift saying it is only from yourself.
Never question a servant or a child about family matters.
Never read letters which you may find addressed to others.
Never fail, if a gentleman, of being civil and polite to the ladies.
Never associate with bad company; have good company or none.
Never look over the shoulder of another who is reading or writing.
Never call attention to the features or form of any one present.
Never refer to a gift you have made or a favor you have rendered.
Never appear to notice a scar, deformity or defect on any one present.
Never arrest the attention of an acquaintance by a touch. Speak to him.

Never praise your child for a fault to which you are addicted yourself.
Never answer questions in general company that have been put to others.
Never, when travelling abroad, be over boastful in praise of your country.
Never call a new acquaintance by the Christian name unless compelled to do so.
Never attempt to draw the attention of the company company on yourself.
Never exhibit anger, impatience or impatience when an accident happens.

Words of Wisdom.

It is a sign of wisdom to be willing to receive instruction; the most intelligent sometimes stand in need of it.

One may do a very good action and not be a good man, but he cannot do a very bad one and not be a bad man.

Proud men seldom have friends. In prosperity they know nobody; and in adversity nobody cares to know them.

She who can tell a frightful story to her child or allow one to be told, ought to have a guardian appointed over herself.

Every feeds upon the living; after death, it ceases—then, every man's well-earned honor defend him against calumny.

True to yourself for that which you recognize as right; be ready, not merely to die, for that is easy; but to live, and that is almost always difficult.

The expectation of future happiness is the best relief for anxious thoughts, the most perfect cure of melancholy, the guide of life and comfort of death.

Private credit is wealth—public honor is security. The feathers that adorn the royal bird supports its flight. Strip him of his plumage, and you fix him to the earth.

What madness is it for a man to sacrifice himself to enrich his heirs, and a true friend into an enemy! For his joy at your death will be proportioned to what you leave him.

Wit and Humor.

The war cry of the army of tramps: To Alms!

As the summer comes on, the farmer will find more work to do.

Some of the comic lectures have funny points too humorous to mention.

It is said that lobbyists go to Washington to read the constitution and buy laws.

Motto for a gambler's pocket-book: E Pluribus Unum. (Won, of course, you know).

The boy who rode to market on a load of hogs boasted that he was brought up on the fat of the land.

"Can you give me a definite idea of eternity, Doctor?" asked a lawyer of his pastor. "No, I haven't time," was the reply.

"What's our friend, Colonel _____, doing in Oil City?" asked a man of his neighbor. "He's in the wholesale business—selling oil wells," was the reply.

An old lady in Texas says she never could imagine where all the Sunlight came from until she saw in a New England town a large sign, "Smith Manufacturing Company."

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IMMENSE RUSH OF CUSTOMERS TO RIGHT HOUSE.

The enormous number of customers who patronize Watkins' great stores this season is astonishing. Although about twice as large as other retail houses in town, yet there can scarcely be standing room found at the various counters for the customers who throng these famous stores. So thoroughly are the goods exhibited that it is to their own interest to buy at the Right House, that the increase in Watkins' sales last month over those of November, 1879, was \$3,361.52. While the increase for the last three months over the same period of 1879 was \$4,701.92, and will be better. So well do the public appreciate the value they set at the great resort of the wise and economical that there has been a large and constant increase in the sales every year since 1868. Through every commercial crisis, bad crops, and every other national disaster this house has continued to prosper owing to Watkins' long experience, large command of cash capital, which enables him to purchase his goods from the manufacturers direct, in the best markets in the world, and his watchfulness over the various details of his business. The unequalled amount of his sales, which enables him to sell at a mere trifle of profit, and his constant determination that no reasonable customer shall have any cause of complaint, either about the prices or qualities of the goods, or their treatment in his stores; if they will make any error, want of attention, or other difficulty known to him, he will give them satisfaction. To make room for his numerous customers, he has added to his building an addition of 37 feet to his store which will give him 275 feet long of stores below stair, and altogether 875 feet, or about 51 rods long in the three stories for selling, storage, and manufacturing purposes. Remember Watkins' great sale at greatly reduced prices is now going on. Just see his Blankets, Dress Goods, Mantles, Carpets, etc. Do not forget the stores are Nos. 30 and 32 King street east, close to Hughson street, and the name is

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