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BABY THANKFUL.

Rosinette in the meadow,
Little four-year old;
Picks the starry daisies,
With their hearts of gold.
Fills her snowy apron,
Fills her damped hands;
Suddenly—box quiet;
In the grass she stands!
"What nice flowers so pretty—
Put 'em here! Did God? I
I, half-beaming, answer
With a careless nod.
Dropping all her blossoms,
With uplifted head;
Fervent face turned skyward,
"Thank ye, God!" she said.
Then, as if explaining,
(Though no word I speak):
"Always must say 'thank you'
For the things I take."
O, a little preacher!
Clad in robes of praise!
Would we first say 'thank you'
Baby thankful's ways!

Time to frost and number
We could never guess;
Should we first say 'thank you'
For the things we take?"

Her Little Past.

"What number do you wear?" I asked the shoe dealer as he stood with his back disreputably turned while the lady dressed her foot. "Well, I have always worn B 1," she said with a truthful accent; "but I think I'll take a good large east pair this time, so you may give me No. 2."

The shoes were produced, but no amount of pulling and tugging could get them on.

"Strange," she said, while her fair cheeks grew flushed, and a lurid light gleamed in her dark eyes. "I've been on my feet a good deal lately, and they must be twice as large as usual. Suppose we try 2 1/2."

This shoe dealer went behind the counter and took out a pair of 4's; quickly obliterating the number and substituting 2 1/2, he carried them to the lady. She crowded them on, the strong man buttoned them, though perspiration poured from his face like tears, and then she stood up with agony on her brow, but a determination to do or to die in her expression.

"How do these fit?" asked the dealer.

"Nicely; it's astonishing what a difference a half number makes. These are as easy as an old glove. But if any one had told me a year ago that I would wear a 2 1/2 shoe I would have laughed—I would indeed."

How It Pays to Take a NEWSPAPER.

Some papers are not of much account as to appearance, but I never took one that did not pay me, in some way, more than I paid for it. One day an old friend started a little paper in Brant County and sent it to me, and I subscribed just to encourage him, and after a while it published a notice that an administrator had an order to sell several lots at public outcry, and one of the lots was in my county. So I inquired about the lot, and wrote to my friend to attend the sale and run it up to fifty dollars. He did so, and bid me off the lot for thirty dollars; and I sold it in a month, to a man it joined for a hundred, and so I made sixty eight dollars clearly by taking that paper. My father told me that when he was a young man he saw a notice in a paper that a school teacher was wanted away off in a distant country, and he went there and got the situation, and a little girl was sent to him, and after a while, she grew up mighty sweet and pretty, and he fell in love with her and married her—now, if he hadn't taken that paper, what do you reckon would have become of me? Wouldn't I have been some other fellow, or may be not at all.

Short of Powder.

An Irishman, finding his cash at low ebb, resolved to adopt "the road" as a professional means of refreshing the exchequer; and having provided himself with a huge horse pistol, proceeded forthwith to the conventional "lonely common" and laid in wait. Soon a farmer returning from market with a bag of money appeared, to whom Pat exclaimed, "Your money or your life!"—a remark fortified by the exhibition of the firearm in the usual way. The farmer, who was a Quaker, essayed to temperize, "I would not have the stain thy soul with sin, friend; and didst thou rob me of my gold it would be theft; and didst thou kill me it would be murder. But hold! A bargain is no sin. I will give thee this bag of gold for the pistol which thou holdest at my ear." Pat made the exchange without a moments' hesitation. "Now, friend," cried the wily Quaker, leveling the weapon, "give me back my gold, or I'll blow thy brains out!" "Blaze away, thin, darlin'" said Pat. "Sure there's niver a shrop of powder in it!" The Quaker thought he had the worst of the bargain.

"I am considerably put out," said the Quaker, "and I'll not make light of it."

Golden Gleam.

Nothing sits so hard and rallying as often as intolerance.

A straight line is the shortest in words as well as geometry.

The greatest truths are the simplest; so are the greatest men.

Good manners and good morals are won friends and firm allies.

Let not the stream of your life always be a murmuring stream.

Always there is a black spot in our sunshine; it is the shadow of ourselves.

Many receive their creeds as they do their money, because they find it in circulation.

Do the duty which lies nearest thee. The second duty will already have been clearer.

Many preserve themselves by humbling themselves; the bullet flies over him that stoops.

IT GAVE MY LIFE.

The value of human life is supremely important that anything which tends to its prolongation is entitled to the consideration. Speaking to us recently on this subject, Charles Nelson, Esq., proprietor of Nelson house, Port Huron, observed: "I suffered from rheumatism that my arm withered away, physicians could not tell what I was in despair of my life; when some one advised me to try St. Jacobs Oil. I did so, and, by the continued use of the Oil entirely cured. I thank heaven for having used this wonderful remedy, for it saved my life. It has also cured my wife." —Port Huron (Mich.) Commercial.

Ask your dealer for "Castorine" Machine Oil and see that the barrel is branded "Castorine," as none other is genuine.

Petitions to Parliament should be written in a bold, round, open hand, for which purpose Esterbrook's Blue and broad pointed pens are the best. Address Esterbrook Steel Pen Co., 26 John St., New York for samples.

Manufacturers of Reapers, Mowers, and Threshing Machinery, prefer "Castorine" Machine Oil to any other. It will outlast lard, seal and elephant, and is warranted not to gum.

Thomas Thompson, Farnham Centre, T. Q., writes:—"I have been afflicted with Rheumatism for the last ten years, and have tried many remedies without any relief. A small bottle of Mr. Thomas' Electric Oil, and found it gave me instant relief, and since then have had no attack. I would recommend it to all."

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The pangs endured by the early Christians martyrs were do doubt excruciating, but not so prolonged or scarcely more dreadful than those experienced by the sufferers from inflammatory rheumatism—a disease which is easily curable at the outset with Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil—a sovereign remedy for pain—a reliable curative of kidney, liver and other complaints, and a medicine of the purse as well as the most sanitary kind.

Holloway's Pills are the medicine most in repute for curing the multitudinous maladies which attack humanity when wet and cold weather gives place to more genial temperatures. In short, these Pills never fail to arrest relief, all the disturbances of circulation, digestion, and nervous energy which at times oppress a vast portion of the population. Under the influence of purifying, and strengthening powers exerted by these excellent Pills the tongue becomes clean, the appetite improves, digestion is quickened, and assimilation rendered perfect. Holloway's medicine possesses the highly estimable property of cleaning the whole mass of blood, which in its renovated condition carries purity, strength, and vigor to every tissue of the body.

Rest and Comfort to the Suffering.

"Brown's Household Panacea" has no equal for relieving pain both internal and external. It cures Vain in the Side, Back or Bowels, Sore Throat, Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Lumbago and any kind of a Pain or Ache. "It will wonderfully quicken the Blood and Health. Its healing power is wonderful."

Brown's Household Panacea" being acknowledged as the great Pain Reliever

and of double the strength of any other Elixir or Liniment in the world, should be in every family handy for use when wanted, "as it really is the best remedy in the world for Cramps in the Stomach and Pains and Aches of all kinds," and is for sale by all Druggists at 25 cents a bottle.

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