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before purchasing elsewhere, as I guarantee
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confidence and support.

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THURSDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 28, 1886.

POETRY.

AULD STOCKINGS.

A' things gaed wrang the ither day,
I couldna think, I couldna pray;
"Oh, dear," says I, "this winna doo—
I'll awa and derra stockings."

Noo, ye needna lauch, as 'twere past believ
That a woman sick at heart wi' grief,
In sic a thing could find relief,
As darning stockings.

The grief I mean is just, ye ken,
What wives bring on them noo and then—
A worry about things 'il men
As weel as stockings.

I took my stockings, don I sat,
A while I sighed and whiles I grut;
But then I thought it better that
I darn my stockings.

I looked them o' over, and by anoo,
"Tae see if oo' o' them were dune;
Deed some o' them were unco thin
Auld stockings."

An hour or twa I had tae spend
Before I got me tae the end;
But it's hardly ever "t'ae into the mend"
Auld stockings.

And lang before my task was done
My troubles left me ane by anoo;
And I was glad I had begun
Tae darn my stockings.

Just dae your duty—that's the whole—
It will help ye moo on 'il tae thoo,
Although ye only mend a hole
In auld stockings.

Noo may thee verses last all time,
For that I canna bring tae min'
That Shakespeare even e'er strung a rhyme
About auld stockings.
—Greenock Telegraph.

OUR STORY.

THE WRONG WINDOW.

Sally Dorton was a pretty girl with a
great many pleasant and pretty ways. Her
great weakness was novel reading, and the
absurd ideas resulting therefrom. Seth
Higgins, an honest solid fellow, had asked
her to become his wife, and she was willing,
but she had one request to make that sur-
prised Seth; it was that she should be
and be married. "It would be so romantic
and exciting," "Lope with you, Sally,"
Seth said. "What should that be for?
Has your folks got anything agin me?"
"No," replied Sally.

"You ain't ashamed to take me 'fore
folks?"
"No-o-o," replied Sally slowly. She
really liked Seth very much, but she had
determined that a flavor of the romantic
should add its dear charm to her wedding.

"I think a wedding with all one's kin
folks an' frens an' a big dinner an' all that
is nicest," said Seth.

"Everybody has that," said Sally, petu-
lantly. "I don't want to be like every-
body else."

"It will be just like a page from a novel,"
she said. "I will be all ready at midnight,
and you must come gallowing up like mad,
and we will steal away and be married,
and every one will be surprised."

"And you must get father's ladder off
the garden fence, where it hangs all the
time, and put it up to my window, and—"
"You'd better chain up your dog," said
Seth. "If he bit me once I'd kill him
dead. I ain't going to have no hydrofoly."

"Yes, yes," said Sally. "I'll see that
Majo is tied up, and—and—Seth, it'd be
more romantic if you climb up the ladder
and carried me down."

"Yes, an' more chance of our breakin'
our necks," said Seth. "I don't see what
you possess you to carry on like this,
Sally."

"Then leave me! Avaunt!" cried Sally,
in a highly tragical tone.

"I'm not going to avent a step," said
Seth. "If I could only see some sense in
it all I wouldn't mind. But I don't care."
he added, recklessly. "I'll do it to please
you."

Then Sally was happy. Her life would
not have been lived in vain if it could have
a romance of its own. She had overruled
all of Seth's objections, and made him con-
sent, against his better judgment, to do as
she wished.

The night agreed upon for the elopement
came, and with it a settled rain. Seth was
very dejected, Sally was jubilant. Her
plan was a simple one. They were to ride
to a village twelve miles distant. It would
be daylight when they reached this village.
They would be married and return in time
for dinner. This prosaic ending did not
please Sally greatly, but nothing more
exciting could be agreed upon. She would
have liked to have had her father follow
them, waving vengeance, in which case she
could have "defied him to his teeth."

But, as Sally disconsolately said, "Father
likes Seth too much to make any fuss."
Nevertheless, she decided on pinning a note
to her pillow, telling her parents that she
had gone "with the man she loved," and
that "all pursuit will be vain."

It was after 11 o'clock when Seth started
for Sally's home. The fire of romance
flamed not furiously in his breast. Even
love was at low ebb. He was sorely tempt-
ed to give up the whole plan, but was
afraid of Sally's taunts.

He saddled the amiable and unreliable
Liquar, and took also a decrepit old nag
called "Bally."

"Sally said she was to ride behind me,
'cause I was to be her Lookinvar, or some
other big fool, but Lookinvar or no Lookin-
var, old Laz'rus won't carry double, an'
we'd both get h'isted into the mud if we
tried it."

It was midnight, a dark and dreary mid-
night, when Seth rodeed Farmer Dorton's
farm-house. The rain came down in tor-
rents, and objects could be seen only by the
flashes of lightning. These were quite
frequent, and by them Seth found the lad-
der at the place indicated by Sally.

Another flash, and he placed it against a
side of the house. No light was visible.
Sally thought that darkness would add to
the romance of the affair.

There were almost constant peals of
thunder, and the rain beat furiously
against windows and doors. Seth knew
that Sally could not hear a "pebble"
against the glass, which he had been asked
to throw.

He decided to rap on the window, and
tell her that the elopement must be post-
poned, and that she would get "sopping
wet" if she ventured out. This would
show her that he had kept his word in
regard to coming after her.

He crept slowly up the ladder and
rapped gently on the window with his
knuckles.

There was no response. A sudden lull
came, the wind and rain ceased for a mo-
ment, a prolonged, wave-like glare of light-
ning revealed Seth rapping quite vigorously
on the window.

"Sally! Sally!" he whispered shrilly.
A window ten feet from him was thrown
up, and a frightened voice said:

"Seth! Seth! For pity's sake, come
away from there. You're at the wrong
window! That's pa's room!"

Seth was about to fall off the ladder
when the window went up with a bang,
and a strong hand clutched his neck.

"I've got ye! I've got ye!" cried the
excited and angry "pa" himself. "I see
ye by that crack o' lightning. I'll fix ye!
No us lookin' that-a-way! Ah, ha! That
goes the ladder, and now ye air done for!"

It was too true. Poor Seth's struggles
had sent the ladder flying from under him.
"I'll hang on till daylight 'fore I'll let
ye drop!" cried Mr. Dorton. "I'm bound
to see who 's what ye air. Here, ma, run
an' toll the hired man to turn the doghouse,
an' I'll call him under this window. If
this bugler ever drops into old Maje's jaws
he'll wish he hadn't gone a buglerin'
'round these premises."

Explanations, rapidly followed, and as
Sally had had sufficient excitement, she
consented to be married in the usual way,
and to give up novel-reading; and a fine,
old-fashioned wedding brought her career
of romantic dreams to a very happy end.

Oil Your Boots and Shoes.

The efficacy of oiling depends much upon
the way in which it is done. In the even-
ing brush the shoe clean, and then wash it
with lukewarm water, rather to moisten
than to clean it. Set it where it will dry
slowly. It should not be perfectly dry
the next morning, when the oil is applied, but
feel damp, not wet, however. The best
mixture for oiling shoes is made of one-half
of neat's-foot oil—be sure you get the
genuine article—one-third beef tallow, and
one-sixth castor oil. Mix thoroughly, over
a gentle heat. Depend upon the rubbing
rather than the heat to get the oil into
to express it differently, two parts of rubbing
to one of heat. If the shoes are pegged, as
farmers' shoes usually are, and always
should be, get the oil in well between the
uppers and the sole; it will prevent the
sole pulling loose, or the leather breaking
away from the pegs. Shoes worn at a work
shop should be oiled at least once a week.
It requires only a few minutes to do the
work, and it is decidedly profitable labor.
—American Agriculturist for November.

Everything Fair in War.

Justus H— of Washington, Ind., toward
the close of the late war, was body-servant
for a quartermaster, and after the close,
and when the quartermaster had been mu-
terred out, as Jones tells the story, he re-
quested Smith, as a last service before part-
ing, to take a large box on a dray to the
freight depot and ship it, asking Smith at
the same time "if he could read and write."

Jones answered that he could not, started
off with the box, and on the way to the
station removed the shipping tag, which bore
the name of the quartermaster and that
of the place the box was to be shipped,
and substituted his own name and address,
and by that means obtained a box of new
army blankets the quartermaster intended
to capture or steal from Uncle Sam.

Jones, who is fairly educated, said in
extension of this commercial transaction:
"Mr. Quartermaster captured the blankets
from the government, and I captured them
from him. Everything is fair in war."
—Detroit Free Press.

Why He Oughtn't to Swim.

He sat in one seat of the railway coach,
with his knees outspread so as to occupy
the entire seat, while the cushions of the
next seat was piled high with his baggage
and bundles. A modest-looking gentle-
man walked up the aisle and stopped op-
posite the barricade, expecting, of course,
that the other would remove it. Vain hope!
The fellow in the seat didn't care how many
had to stand so long as he was all right.
Finally the modest one tapped the fellow
on the shoulder, saying: "I beg your par-
don, sir; but I presume you are going to
the sea-shore?" "Yes," granted the por-
cine interlocutor. "Then I advise you,"
said Modestus, "not to go in swimming."
"And why not?" "Why, haven't you ever
heard that a hog cannot swim without cut-
ting his throat?" —Boston Transcript.

Important Advice to Boys.

Say nothing you would not like God to
hear. Ecclesiastes v. 2.

Do nothing you would not like God to
see. Titus ii. 7.

Write nothing you would not like God to
read. Hebrews iv. 13.

Go to no place where you would not like
God to find you. Job xxxv. 21.

Read no book of which you would not
like God to say, "Show it me." John v. 89.

Never spend your time in such a way
that you would not like God to ask, "What
art thou doing?" —Theosophians v. 15.

Bro. Gardiner's Philosophy.

Gin a man credit if you want to start
him on de road to de pop' hobs.
"As it am de roughness of de grindstone
which sharpen's de ax, so it am de troubles
of life which edge up de human mind.
Gray ha'r's am entitled to respect 'only
when the owners of gray heads respect
deirselves."

It doan' do any good to light a candle
arter you have bin eatin' wormy apples in
de dark.

De pusson who judges of de speed of a
mule by his bray moun' complain if every-
body passes him on de road.

De pusson who am nebbber tempted de-
serves no particular credit for obeyin' de
law.

De less advice you gin widout pay de mo'
credit you will receive fur bein' chock-full
o' wisdom.

Men who expect to be treated just as you
treat dem will neither slander nor abuse
you.

Between readin' a man's character by
his bumps or goin' on a picnic wid him,
take de picnic.

What we calculate on doin' fur to-mor-
row wout pay de grocer fur 'aters nor de
butcher for soup-bone.