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THE WEAVER. Throws his shuttle to and froj Up and down the treadles go-What a rattling. What a battling. What a shuffling,

What a senfling As the weaver make this shuttle, Hither thither, send and scuttle; Web into the woof must flow; Up and down the treadles go. See the mystic weaver sitting High in heaven, his loom below; Up and down the treadles go; Takes for woof its King and sages, Takes the nobles and their pages, Takes all stations and all stages? Thrones are bobblus in his shuttle; Armies make blut soud and scuttle -Web into the woof must flow, Up and down the nations go, Calmly see the mystle weaver Throw his shuttle to and fro Mid the noise and the confusion

Well the weaver seems to know What cheh motion and commotion, What each fusion and confusion In the grand result will show. Glorious wonder! what a weaving To the dull beyond believing. Buch no fabled ages know. 'Only faith can see the mystery, How along the aisle of history, When the feet of sages go, Lovellest to the purest eyes Calm the mystic tapel lies, Soft, and smooth, and ever-spreading,

As if made for angel's treading. Every figure has its plaidings, Inwrough figures, fading ever Tufted, circled, touching never Each illumed (What a riddle! By a cross that gems the middle 'Tis a saving-some reject it -That its light is all reflected. That the tapel's hues are given! By a light that shines from heaven Tis believed by all believing That Great God Himsen is weaving. Bringing at the world's dark taystery - In the light of faith and history And as warp and woof diminish' Comes the grand and glorious unish, When bigin the golden ages Long foretold by seers and sages.

Select Family Rending.

A Hidden Heroine. BY M: L. WILDER.

girl at my side was hushed as the sound the old church bell froated out upon the quiet air of our little, quaint, hilly town. It was the death knell, not so much the fashion now, even in such New England is necessary for it to be heard, it always stills the voice and almost holds the heart from its beating till the report is all made. This day we did not speak again till we had slowly counted out for the page-sixtyone. We had been expecting it, and Annie

NEW FACE "She is really gone. That queer, old woman down in that old house which looks as if it had stepped out of some old-fashion-H. RYDER ed story book. Well, she will not be much

"Hush," I interrupted, and so sternly Wishes to inform the public that he has re-moved his business to the shop where Mr. J. Fyfe has for many years so satisfactorily served that the child looked at me, surprised. should not have been so severe, for how could she know what I, her grandmother, did? More softly 1 added: "It is not for us to say that of her

First-class Goods and good "Was she an especial friend of yours; grandma?" "No. child; sho was an especial friend lived ; for them she died to all the rest of

the world. Since they left her home, might have been." Catching a glimpse of the secluded life my words portrayed, the child said :.

"Then why must I not say what every-"Because you are speaking of the most noble women the town ever knew." No wonder the child looked at me questioningly. There certainly was nothing strikingly noble in the appearance of the

and is now unpacking some two thousand faded, silent woman, who had lived quietly in her weather-beaten, vino-hidde home, where the yard had grown wild with JAS. F. KIDNER. the unruly roses of olden 'times, and had scarcely a path because of the pinks and sweet-williams and sun-flowers and hollyof the ground. To scatter the doubts from the child

W. BARBER & BROS. insignificant life, just ended.

forty years ago, in the days when I was happy with your grandfather, and your GEORGETOWN, ONT. mother was one of the little ones about my world took place.

she was womanly and aspiring, with an Finished Book Papers ambition that surmounted obstacles which In her own nature she thirsted for learning, especially since she was to marry John The paper used in this journal is from him spurged her to the acquisition of a fine of housework-she was always faithful to Martha said softly to Elsie: her overburdened mother-and in times Elegant and Substantial Goods. end of her earthly hopes came. Overflowing in Generous Bargains!

A seventh child entered that home, and

Boots and Shoes tried to be, with your poor father."

> I did not know then what, besides the As for Martha, even when her hands death of her mother, caused that anguish. were free again, the never changed her WILLIAMS, You do not know the m

she be, for she must quiet, and comfort, if possible, the other childsen, and wait upon her father. Hours afterwards, when we save to church on Sunday, and I-well, we women had done our duty by her mother's all have grown too old to do much but cold body, I looked for her and found her quietly wait our invitation to the heavenly up stairs, in her own plain room, where so | mansions. I thought mine would come much of her rose-tinted future had been | before Martha's. planned, and where she was then trying to | But Annie, dear, it is well there is a just

Thio baby was on the bed; and she was heroic souls as Martha Anson's represents; walking the floor, with her hands clasped for the world caunot appreciate them. over her head, and with a despair on her John Dalson's fame may ring out here; but suddenly-grown old face that was shock- the high arches of heaven will echo with ing to look upon. Before she knew I was that of Martha. near her, I put my arms about her, and | The next day when I went down to take

the coffin she saw four men and two women But she could not cry; she only said: weeping as if their hearts would break. "Let me along -it must be fought out-the To me one of the men-no hidden light in seoner the better. It is hard enough for a his state-said, as he laid his hand on there further ceremony this he proceeded to do. girl to be without a mother -such a mother | cold forehead : as I had, too; but there are other things "All we are we owe to this sister. You this change means to me-things none of know what she would have been but for us. you will know much about, but which will I shrink from thinking what we might

be hard, hard for me to bear-so hard that I would rather die than live to bear them !" "Followers of your worthless father, Even then I did not understand what quite likely," was my mental response she meant. I thought she must be think- and went back to my home thinking how ing of what she must give up in the way little the world knows of earth's noblest of further educational advantages. May I ones. be forgiven for the uncharitable thoughts

TEMPERANCE CAUSE TO THE FRONT.

John Dalson had graduated from college, and was in his second year in Squire Clay-To the Editor of the FREE PRESS. mit's office, reading law. He went to see Martha that very night, and among other things he said to comfort her that night was, that in a little while he would be able to make a home for her, where he could care for her as she needed to be cared for "No, John," she answered, "that can never be now. See what my poor mother was obliged to leave me. There is another life for me for hears to come." And with all his pleading, with her own heart torn and bleeding, and her soul yearning for his love, she never swerved from the trust her

proaches, harder to bear than his plead-

it-it comes to me-it is inevitable." But he could not see why it must be shuts the drunkard up in hell-then it has thus; and when she put her head upon his been one of the hugest successes this age shoulder to sob out part of her heart-break- has ever witnessed. I thought, however, ing misery, he pushed her from him, bid- most of people stamped with their feet, and ding her stay by those she loved better not with "iron hands," however, the good than she did him, and went away; and people of Oxford believed it to be their duty when she heard the gate close after him, to "stamp out" the nefarious traffic, with she could not look up to see his retreating its din and clatter, that the fiery breath of figure, but fell as one dead. She told me all this by your grandfather's to-law, scorch and blast the lives and

rebelled and thought no other woman's lot it with a large majority. The Woodstock harder things than death to bear. You had "There is little drinking of any kind him all your own. Nothing came between hotels, while the treating system is to life to you. Better have him go from you about 'shebeens' is silly and untrue.

out into the world. Our town was too small to hold him, had he cated to stay, and soon he took one in place of Martha. and could help him up to his ambitious be full of him, and his honor and praise the limit of my space. Yours-truly, . rang through the land, and you know how

great a man he is to-day. Of Martha, meantime, we heard less and less. We only saw the color, and beauty and smile fade out of her face; saw her vivacity go, and her golden brown hair changed to white and knew that she was working for and struggling with the great care on her shoulders, saw her daily shriveling and shrinking. What time had she for

But out of the life thus buried, in due time we saw the boys come grand men, and the girls noble women. When even knees, that Martha Anson's death to this the baby, whose coming had darkened her way, had gone from under her guiding hand, I ventured to speak to Martha of her concerns; and with the strange smile that always seemed like a lie to me, wearing would have thwarted a less carnest soul. it day in and day out as she did, she an-

"It is better the it has been as it has Dalson, the boy who went to college from | been. I have done more for the world than our town. The desire to be a fit wife for | had I been left to follow my own desires. I boked at her, wondering if she had no education; but only by her own exertions thought of self, no remembrance of what could she hope for anything beyond the she would have been as John Dalson's wife. meagre opportunities afforded by our dis- Only last summer my queries had a partrict school, for there was a houseful at her | tial answer. Your cousin Elsie was here home to feed and clothe. Some said she with hie, and Henry Anson's little Marths looked too high for a young woman in her. was also here with her. As the two chil position; nevertheless, between the hours dren were playing in this room, little

"Auntic has some old trunks in the stolen from sleep, she did much of the garret that she wont let me touch; but village dressmaking, that she might have saw her look them over oneday, and I don' money enough to give herself one year, at, see why sho is so careful of them, for they least, at a boarding school. When her only had some old things in them-some wearing, unceasing toil was at last reward | half-made clothes dreadfully yellow, and ed, and the needed amount all lay, for safe | the needle was in a stitch in one of them, keeping, in your graudfather's hands, the just as if some one had dropped it, intend ing to sew some more on it. And there were some old letters that Aunty cried newspapers with pieces marked in them, and the victure of a man."

Those half-made wedding garments The old love letters from John ! The newspapers with the reports of his success for nothing her father was. Perhaps it is papers told of his marriage; another l wicked, but I have always counted it a knew told of the death of his first child bright spot in Martha's life, that he did not She had followed him, while quite likely he had never given her a thought, unless a long time I was troubled with Chronic The mother had hardly ceased to speak it was when thankful that he had not been Rheumatism, at times wholly disabled; I

But not long alone with her gridl-bould hallowed by John's presence I suppose.

What these last years have been to her I do not know. She went out but little

bury it. She did not hear my approach. God to mete out a just recomponse to such

"Cry, child -do anything but look that | honored, I took Annie with me, and about

have been but for her self-sacrifice."

Sin,-Years ago there were some strange reasons given why slavery should be conone such passage. Some strange reasons of the large man was simply frightful, but why the Temperance Act of 1878 should bear it and get out-of the fix as best he those vaporings of the traffic will appear fully grasped the situation, and, though still more ridiculous. Let us read aifer thankful for his seat, determined to punish lines from a circular issued in Oxford Co., the unaccommodating pig for his selfish by-well, there is no name, but we'll say deception. So, when Lynn was reached, the liquor advocates, in 1883. After writ- I the large man put forth his hand for his ing a great deal in favor of the Crooks Act (which grants them liceuse) and commending it very highly because of its pro-

"Oh, don't, John!" she cried with a hibitory clauses, they denounce the Scott Act entirely, though the prohibitions of I -He ought not to have said it; he knew that Act are more excended and should what their father was, and would be to the please them better. Then, at the close, motherless little ones; but his love was they appeal to the good judgment of the elecsellish, as most love is. Nor did his re- tors to stamp out, with an iron hand, all such uncalled for agitations" (?) " and to stand by ings, turn her from her duty, sacrificial a law which has proved uself a success." Yet these same men, years before, bitterly cure a place, and evidently got left in "With six helpless little ones looking to opposed those restrictions, which, in their Boston, for he hasn't claimed it, and now me, what else can I do, John ?" she asked. present estimation constituted it a " suc-"It will not in the end harm you; that I do | cess." O' consistency thou art a jewel. he gave the conductor a wink, and as that as I do. To me alone the harm will come. But what is meant by " success?" If it is official knew the stranger personally, he I will not ask you to wait for me. You meant that the Crooks Act license, a system understood the wink, and promptly re- politician. Yes, sir, a good many. There will go out into the world strong and free, which impoverishes families, creates ani. plied: and in time one more fitted to take a place | mosities between husbands and wives, reby your side will come to you. You will tards the gospel charlot wheels, peoples broaden and progress-I shall stay here madhouses, pleases the devil, replenishes and narrow and wither. I do not choose the grave, plants the dying pillow with thorns, condemus at the judgment day and

the whiskey-devil might no longer, accordcoffin. I was young when he died, and I happiness of their people. And they did Review, which was opposed to the Scott Act "Yes," Martha Anson said, "there are before its passage, said a little while ago.

you and the bue who was more than your great extent done away with, and the talk think her life has been in the world that this way than to to from you hating The Scott Act should be mostly judged on you, misunderstanding you, blaming you its merits, not lied about. Intelligent and for doing a God-given duty." Then she fair-minded men will watch the workings of the Act and its results, without being After a little time John Dalson did go mislead by false statements either within theo wise to-day or without the county of Oxford. I intended to review in the light of the They said she was beautiful and brilliant of the Anti-Scott Act Advocate published

present some of the remarkable statements in Huron, July 25th, 1884, but will reserv heights. Before long the papers began to them for another letter, as this has filled

SPEAK KINDLY

A poor boy went to a house, asking if the mistress would please buy some matches. Harry, who lived there, happened to see the boy, and to hear what he had said. Harry simply said, " Go away."

The poor boy turned away with his natches, looking very downcast. Soon after, Harry thought he should like to have a run with his hoop; so he went and fetched it, but then remembered that he had lost his stick. He must have a good stick for a good hoop. He would go and ask his papa for some money to lary

He found his father very busy reading He made his request, but his father did not answer him. .. Presently he asked again, when his father said, "Go away." Poor Harry now remembered that it was just the answer he had given to the poor boy with the matches, and felt how much better it would have been to have spoken

He still wanted a hoop-stick, and though he would go to the woods close by, and try to break off a branch that would do for stick. He was not long in finding one, but in trying to break he found that it was too strong for him. While he was still trying some one stepped up behind and said, "I think Pcan break it." He seized hold of the bough and broke it off. Harr was surprised to find it was the match-boy and before he could thank him for his kind-

ness he had run away. Harry now thought a great deal more of his rough answer, " Go away," to the poor boy, and he and his father had a talk over the matter, and father and son both owned they had been wrong, and hoped to speak Anti-Consumptive Syrup. It never fails | Youth's Companion. more kindly for the future. Let us all learn the same lesson. - If

do not want to buy of the poor people wo meet with let us at last speak kindly to them, for many of them have sorrowful hearts, and we should not add to their sorrow by harsh words .- Little Friend, Henry Clement, Almonte, writes:-"For

when she died. I was there and saw the tied for life to a woman who could so warp tried anything and everything recommended, but failed to get any benefit until a gentleman who was cured of Rheumatism by Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil told me about mode of life, though six good homes, and it. I began using it both internally and Poor little thing ! Why did you come? some of them elegant homes, held their externally, and before two bottles were used You do not know the misery your coming doors wide open for her. She preferred to I was radically cured. We find it a houselive in the little cottage that had been | hold medicine, and for croup, burns, cuts and bruises, it has no equal.

THE BIG MAN AND HIS BAGGAGE.

It was a day when everybody was tired and wanted to sit down that a large man, carrying a griplack, boarded an Eastern railway train, and after walking through several crowded cars finally found the one vacant seat, seating himself, placed the bag on the cushion at his side. Just as the train was about to start, another man entered and made the same journey in search of a scat As he stopped inquiringly before the large man, the latter said: "This seat is engaged, sir; a man just

stepped out, but will return in a moment; he left his bagging here as a claim to the " Well," said the second traveller, frankly, "I'm pretty tired, and iff you don't object I'll just sit down here and hold his bag for him till be returns," and without

Then the large man, who was bound for Lynn, carnestly hoped that his companion might get off at Bomerville, or Everett, or Chelsea-anywhere but Lyun, or a station beyond. And the tired man thanked his starsfor even a moment's seat, expecting every second to be custed by the owner of the gripsack.

The train moved out from the station. In vain did the large man try to read the stranger's ticket to see what his destination was. Somerville was reached, but the for the different shades of opinion. stranger sat quickly in his place, and the large man grew servous. The train stoppeacefully ahead never budging, and the tinued. And even the Word of God avas large man began to perspire. Then came consulted and drawn from for that purpose. Chelsea, but the stranger held fast to the but generally the best things he gets off are but the keenest eye cannot now discover bug and nover offered to stir. The agony clothes. were given some three or four years ago he saw he could do nothing but grin and not become law. In a few years more could. But the stranger had by this time

bag, but the stranger drew back the same with an expression of surprise, saying:-" I beg your pardon, sin but this is not your baggage:" "But it isn't yours," stammered

"To be sure; but I propose to see it re stored to the proper person. Here, conductor here's a mur who wants to run off with this baggage that doesn't belong to him. Somebody put it in the seat to this man wants to run away with it," and

bog to Boston and store it among the onclaimed baggage "But"-exposulated the large man. "Hold on there," said the conductor showing a poline hadge, "none of this

What kind of a man was it who left the And then the tranger and the conductor next day and identify it. The moral to

this true tale is obvious .- Boston Globe. GEMS OF THOUGHT. To sleep sound, keep a clear conscience Judge charitally and act kindly to each Truth is a rock large enough for all Let the foolishness of yesterday make

Whoever will cultivate his own mind find full employment. Learn to say kind and pleasant thin

when opportunity offers. He shall bave who digs. He who not dig must not expect to have. Never charge a person with a bad mot if a good one is conceivable. Never retort a sharp or angry word. s the second word that makes the quar

If another has been false to thee, do thou increase the evil by being false to. Companions are to be avoided that are good for nothing; those to be sought and

frequented that excel in some quality or day, do thou play true for thyself to mor-Bridgenorth, England, was left open, and The first degree of folly is to think one's self wise; the mext, to tell others so;

third, to despise all counsel. The stronges men are often the most tender hearted! The coolest and sweetest waters flow from under the greatest rocks. Never despear, never be discouraged, however storm the heavens, however dark the way; however great the difficulties and repeated the failure-"Press on !" Do not say the world has lost all its poetry and beauty; 'tis not so; and even if it be so, make thy own poetry and beauty by living a true and, above all, a religious

A boy who has learned that it is manly to be tender to the weak is rarely a cow ard, for the strength and courage of his nature are developed by teaching him to protest those who cannot defend them-

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ainly I ordered back the grim brigade,-They came-with mocking laughter. But when we reached the place, from all about Rose whisperings and chiding; The little birds sang, "Quick! You cares! Out!

My cares came trooping after.

Here is no place for hiding!" A wind-puff blew them higher: ree branches sent them tossing to and fro Brooks dashed some in the mire.

Gainst giant boulders pelting ; some smothered were in wild flowers, dow In flight from sunbeams, melting.

their heads

see what the wild-wood has in store for you The next time stay behind !" WIT AND HUMOR. A vacant lot-dudes.

Coats of arms-twenty-button gloves. Whiskey lowers the man and raises th Why should a blockhead be promoted? Because he is equal to any post.

Reading by lamplight probably accounts

too many want to get there without the Sometimes the dude says a clever things

The road to success is open to all, but

A joker tells of a capitalist so timid that he will not let well enough a loan without A great many people who are crazy to

get into the social swim are drowned before they can get out. The obscure Arab who invented alcoholi stimulants died more than 900 years ago. out his "spirit" still lives. "Shall, J sing for you, Tom?" " Have ou a song with a refrain ?" "Yes." "Well then, please refrain."

An United States paper asks: Why is Blaine like a grand piano? Give it up? Be cause he is neither square nor upright? " See here, waiter, how is it that I find a trousers button in my salad?" "Datama part of the dressing, sah." Why is a cornet player like a signal ser-

vice storm observer? One blows the notes and the other notes the " blows." Daugerous character: Your money of your life! Author: Here it is. Bound it calf, \$1.50. Written by myself. "Are there no statesmen left ?? asks a are dozens of them left at every election. Jones (who catches his pastor out fishing) Good morning, doctor! Are you studying theology? Minister: Yes, Ichthyology.

It is sad to see family relics sold at auction, but the most painful thing under the hammer is generally your thumb nail. OMETIMES THE BIG BILL DODGE FAILS. The other day as one of the conductors and one or two sympathing passengers on a Worcester street car was taking his combined to confuse the large man, and he fares, a man sitting in one corner of the hating to confest to his piggishness, and car complacently handed out a 820 bill knowing not what to do, precipitately fled, It was an old game; one that is often tried amid the frownsland sighs of the observers | The conductors are usually ready for such of his wickedness. But the stranger, with things, but this time change was short and a contented smile, had the bag returned to the man of the patent register had just Boston, where the large-man had to come | rung in a fare on himself, when a drummer standing on the rear platform said : " I guess I can break that \$20 for you." The

face of the big bill man fell in a moment as the drummer handed over a lot of small bills to the conductor. His meanness was useless. He had to pay his fare. "That's a slim game," said the drummer to another passenger, shortly afterwards. I never see it tried, but I want to break it, if possible. A short time ago I was riding on the cars, near Bridgeport, Conn., when who sat in front of me for his fare! The fellow handed him a \$100 bill. His fare was thirty-six cents. The conductor was an old friend of mine. He came along to me and said: 'I guess I am stuck Frank.' Perhaps I can help you out,' I answered. I happened to have with me 131 silver dollars, and I counted out 100. If you ever saw a pleased man it was that conductor It him sixty-four cents change, and then He went back to the sharper, gave gave him ninety-nine cartwheels. The If you want to save your strength, keep fellow swore and threatened, argued and using it. If you want to get tired do nopleaded; it was no use. The conductor had his fare and he had his change. It's a

mean trick, and nothing pleases me better than to see it foiled .- Boston Herald SELF-SACRIFICE. In the Bodleian Library at Oxford is a most touching record of heroism and selfsacrifice on the part of a child-a record to touch one's heart with it's pathos. The tower door of St. Leonard's Church,

the two young boys, wandering in, were tempted to mount to the upper part, and scramble from beam to beam. All at once a joist gave way. The beam on which they were standing became displaced. The elder had just time to grasp t when falling, while the younger slipping over his body, caught hold of his comrade's. legs. In this fearful position the poor lads hupg, crying vainly for help, for no one

At length the boy clinging to the beam became exhausted. He could no longer support the double weight He called out to the lad below that they were both done 'Could you save yourself if I were to

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