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The Young Folks.

TEN ROBBER TOES.

LILLIE E. BARR.

There is a story that I have been told,
And it's just as old as babies are old;
For sweet Mother Eve, as every one knows,
Told to her babies the tale of the toes.

Told to her babies how ten little toes,
Each one as pink as the pinkest pink rose,
Once on a time were naughty and bad,
And sorrow and trouble in consequence had.

How this big toe wanted butter and bread
After his mamma had put him to bed.
And this lying one said, "Spoesn we go
Down to the pantry and get it, you know."

And this wicked toe cried, "Come along, quick;
Let's sugar the butter ever so thick."
And this naughty toe said, "Jelly for me
Top of the butter and sugar, you see."

And this little toe cried, "Goody, let's go,
We'll slip down the stairs so quiet and slow."
So ten robber toes, all tipped with red,
Stole silently out of their snowy white bed;

While this wicked toe, so jolly and fat,
Helped nine naughty toes to pitty pat-pat,
Along the big hall, with pillars of white,
And down the back stairs devoid of a light.

Then this little toe got a terrible scare
For he thought it the dark of a grizzly bear.
And this little toe said, "Nurse must be right
'Bout goblins and witches living at night.

And this little toe said, "A fox may be hid
In the hat-rack box right under the lid."
And this little toe cried, "Dearie me, Oh!
Lions and tigers is coming, I know."

Then mamma came out with the beautiful light,
Caught ten robber toes all ready for flight.
Yes, she caught and she kissed these ten robber toes
Till redder they were than any red nose.

MAMIE.

BY MRS. A. C. MORROW.

"Mamma, I'm so hungry!"

And little Mamie's pale, pinched face was lifted pitifully to her mother's. And the mother knew, by her own gnawing hunger how the little one was suffering, for she herself had not tasted food for forty eight hours. She rose, went to the wooden cupboard in the corner of the room, took a single cold potato from the shelf, and, paring it, put it into Mamie's hand. "That is every morsel there is in the house, child; take it, and run over to the tavern, and see if you cannot get your father to come home. He will come for you, sometimes, you know."

Mamie hurried away, for she had often been to the old-fashioned English country tavern and seen the land-lord's wife frying the eggs and bacon, in the spider, over the fire, in the wide fireplace, and she thought how she would dip her potato into the fat after the woman had taken out the bacon.

As she went in, she caught sight of her father in a drunken slumber; but her earnest appeal that he should come home only half roused him from his stupor. So the little one waited for the meal to be served, and then went slyly to the spider, and dipped her potato in the hot gravy.

"Get out, you young wench!" the proprietor's wife said, coming to the fire, and pushing the child rudely aside. "Go and dip yer tater in yer own gravy."

The father roused then. "What's all this?" he said. He had been a gentleman. Little seven-year-old Mamie could remember when they lived in a home where there were brussels carpets and lace curtains. But step by step the drink had brought them down to the one room which had neither carpet nor curtains.

"What's all this?" he repeated angrily, as he saw his little one's lips quiver.

"I told the youngster to go home and dip her tater in her own gravy."

The drunkard straightened himself up. A look came into his eyes that they had never worn since the day, three years before, when the house and furniture had been sold to pay the rumseller.

"Come, Mamie," he said, catching the tiny young thing in his arms, and holding her close. "We will dip our taters in our own gravy."

He was almost sober now. Going out of the door, he met a comrade face to face.

"Hi, Michael! ye're jist the one I'm a-wantin' to see. Here's the dollar I got from ye the day I was dead broke."

"Thank you kindly, Pat," he said, as he would have said it years before, had he met his companion in a London drawing-room. "We'll surprise the mother," he added, gleefully, to the child.

The mother—poor woman!—was kneeling by her bedside, with the tears raining down her face. It was the first time she had prayed since, long ago, she had lisped her baby prayer beside her mother's knee. But she wailed out, "O God! give my husband back to me! Give him back to me, and I will love you and serve you forever." And even while she knelt, the door opened, and Mamie flew to her arms.

"O mamma! here's papa, and we've got some bread and butter and bacon and potatoes, and he's never, never going to drink any more."

And the husband of her youth, the man to whom she had clung though all other friends had been lost to her, knelt beside her, and whispered, "It's true, Mary; so help me, God!" And the Almighty help was given, and friends gathered about him, and business prospered with him; and one day he led his wife and daughter back to their old home, and installed them there.

As Mamie went gaily skipping from room to room, her father said: "My little daughter is very happy."

Clasping her arms around his neck, and laying her rosy face close to his, she whispered: "Yes, papa. I dip my taters in my own gravy now."

TEMPERANCE.

It is the universal observation that the man who "can take it or leave it alone" takes it oftener than he lets it alone.

Dr. J. M. Buckley expresses a truth which the people of Halton ought to see with both eyes. He says: "Under *all* forms of license the people have every faculty to get drunk, and the young every temptation to drink. License is practically 'free rum,' Prohibition unenforced could be no worse. But it properly defines the business, and keeps our hands clear of the price of blood."

"Strike till the last armed foe expires;
Strike for our children and our sires;
Strike with the ballot's heavy rod;
Strike hard for county and for God."

SHE HAS TRANSPOSED THE LETTERS.

During the past few days many graduates of a prominent institution of learning who are residents in this city have received circulars asking for a statement of their accomplishments since graduation. "Please write," is the request, "the official positions held by you, name the books which you have written, etc., etc. One of the circulars which occasioned these reflections was received by a young matron, who cleverly supplied the desired information as follows:—"At graduation I received the degree A. M. Since graduation I have transposed the letters."—*Buffalo Express.*

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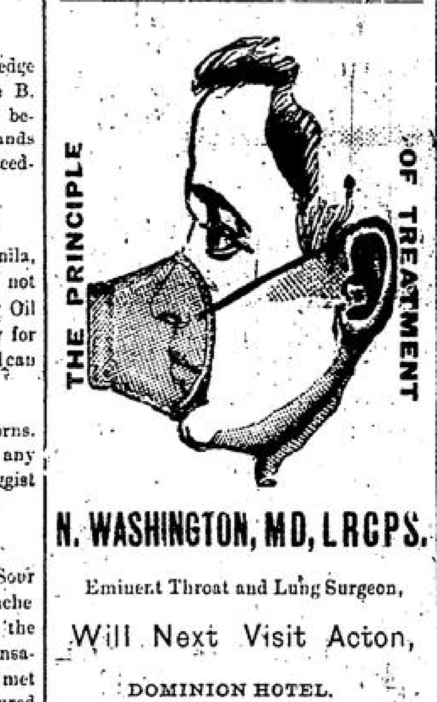

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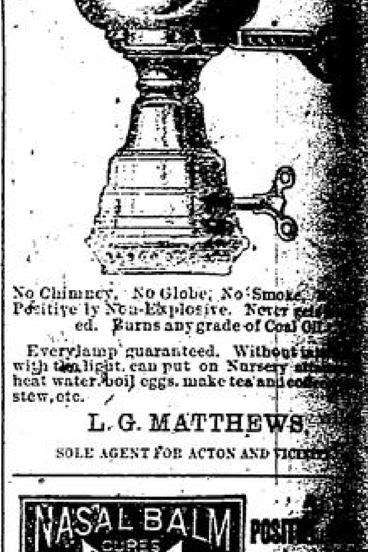

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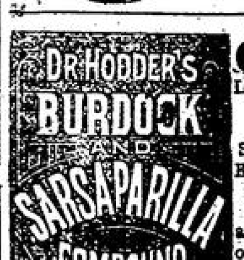

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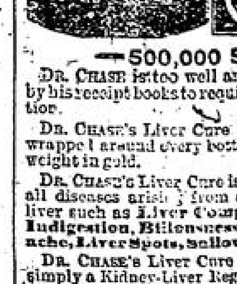

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