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your house. Listen, that you may know it is 1. I will always begin with this tone. It is a song, called, 'I Remember

He played it over and over again. "I shell not forget it," said Gladys. The boy sighed and lifted his lips to those of the housekeeper; theh he kissed the little white hand of baby Gladys, and

For a long time Gladys used, now and then, to be awakened from her baby sleep by the sound of a violin. Listening, she would hear that air -" I Remember Thee." "It is Giscomo," she would say, And tears would fell epon her pillow to think of the child alone in the dark midnight

At last he came no more. "Come here, little fellow," a masician had said to him one night. "You are a. genius. And, in the name of Heaven, how do you come by such a violin !" Then he had talked to the toy, and it had ended in his taking him abroad with him. He had called to see Mrs. Bacon, to

tell her what had happened; but she was away, and the waiter did not think it worth while to remember the message. Fifteen years had passed. In a little room, iu a emall suburban bouse, sat zu o'd women and a young one. No one who had ever seen Mrr. Bacon could have failed to recognize her, though she had aged considerably. The girl was Gladys de Luce. Strauge things had happened since those old days when Mrs. Bacon was her mother's housekeeper. That mother, left a widow, had married a rascal, who had wasted her fortune, and finally broken be heart. Glades had found Mrs. Bacon ber only friend. The old woman had taken her little ravings and kept a numble home for them both in this little cottage, while

children. She was to genius, but had had good masters, and taught patiently To-night she was busy trimming a pretty though simple bouset for evening weer:

Two tickets had been given her for a grand affair. A violinist, said to be unequalled was to appear for the first time in America. "Missus is in a temper," the said to and tickets were utterly beyond her reach; but the bachelor uncle of one of her populs hoping to conciliate; but the lady did not had given her two, which he had intended to use, but could not, being obliged to leave the city on business.

"It was so kind," said Gladys, "and we shall enjoy the music, I know. Oh, Aunty Bacon, do you remember little Giacomo! I believe he was genius. I wonder what became of the aweet little fellow."

"I wish I knew," said Mes. Bacon. do, indeed. I hope it was no harm. He was a good little fellow, and he might have stayed in that big house. His meals would never have been missed by any one; but your wa warn't very apt to take to poor

So they talked over the past, and Giady s felt herself on the verge of tears, as she re-"No, ma'am," said Mrs. Bicon, pluckcalled the memory of those nights in which ing up spirit. "Louly said that my first she was awakened in her warm bed to hear widow, left with a house of her own; and | dow. She had never head any one else

The night of the concert came. Gisdye, his child; and as for sending it to the chaperoced by Mrs. Bacon, took her place poor-house, who could have the heart? in the large room, tilled with fashionable and I thought I'd have him in my room a women and men of society. The lights but; and he'll do mything you bid were bright, the dresses elegant. Great him; and Miss Glady's just tun in; and | pote of plants adorned the stage. Beyond though slighby, he is not dirty; and I've hong a rich drapery of cream-colored velgiven those old clothes muster said I might | vet. It formed an exquisite background have for any poor person, to be made over for the splendid figure and beautiful, dark face of the great musicism, as he advanced enthusiast.

toward the footlights. He played; cone who heard him ever forcot. Thunders of appleuse filled the why should Gladys be set to play with the hall. He played again amidst a rapture of In the reply to one of these, he stepped

forward and turned his face toward the seats in which Gladys and her old friend est-bis eyes met those of the girl across the heads of the other listevers, and sad-"Call Giadys and send the boy away !" | dealy she heard music like a revelation | know the views and motives of the author interrupted Mrs. de Luce. "Realiy, Mrs. from an angel's heart, so sweet, so low, so of it, nor any occasion to retaliate. tender. Not less great for its simplicity For one moment it occured to the house | was that to which the audience now listenkeeper that it would be delightful to give a ed; they did not know the name of the month's warning and speak her mind; composition, but Gladys knew. She had and, to do her justice, it was rather because | heard it in the street below her window cause of her good salary that she refrain- little Giacomo had bidden her keep in mind .- "I'll Remember Thec." Yes, be Mrs. de Luce swept out of the door and | had remembered; for he saw her-he

entered her carriage; the housekeeper was playing it to her, and this was Giabustled into the little room she called her como. Shortly after an usber brought Mrs A fair-baired girl and a dark but beautiful Bacon a card. It was from the grea boy were sitting opposite each other on violinist, begging them to remain seated

That night they drove to their bumble

"But for your gift, I never should have Friday. "Yes : it's lovely," said Mrs. Bacon. been what I am," he said to Gladys; and "And now I'll give you each a nit of cake, then he spoke of the old times, of the little and then Giacomo must run away. Your cakes Mrs. Bacon had given him, and ma doesn't like you to play with little the kindness which had kept him from boys, she's just told me. So you'd better suffering when he was left an orphan. "Did you ever hear me play beneath your window :" he asked Gladys; and she answered: "Oh, yes; I have always rewill go nowhere that they do not want | membered how I used to cry for you there

in the lonely street." "Poor little fiddler," said the great man. poor," said Mrs. Bacon. And it's not | "I can hardly believe it was I! Yet here me, Gia; I'd like you to stay here, poor | beats the same heart; and remember, it is

to you Lowe it all." Weil, reader, you know how this story ends just as well as I do. Imagine : wedding, and make it as silendid as you please, only I will tell you this much; In the elegant home to which Signor Giacomo conducted his bride, there was a place of honor for good Mrs. Bacon.

A QUEER INCIDENT.

I have none. I could go to places I know, and play, and they would give me meney. A Chicago man, according to the Tribune, day in an odd way. A visitor whom he the violin lay, on an upper shelf. After | sent the following to his New York house: some teasing, the nurse maid consented to | - What's the name of Jenkin's head leave her duting of her dwn caps for a | man? Can't recall it. He is here." They Then in the lrousekeeper's room, the boy answer came. It read : "Simpkins." "And, now, Mr. Simpkins it is about time | universal comfort." "Such a little creature ip play tones " for lunch," remarked the Chicago man. cried the housekeeper. Now kiss and .. We'll go over to the club. I want you to Prof. Loisette's Memory System is creat-

times, when every one is asteep, I will enjoy this refrain?" He: "Vary much! pavement before The more you refrain the better I like it."

"It is the essential nature of all wines press despatch from Columbus, Ohio. and spirits to send an increased amount of Years ago one Samuel White, while intoxiblood to the brain. The first effect of tak- cated, slew a man. His character othering a glass of wine or stronger form of al. | wise than in the matter of intersperance, cohol is to send the blood there faster than | was good, and his family connections were common. Hence the circulation that gives | the best. - For these and other considerthe red face. It increases the activity of ations a strong effort, was made, after his the brain and it works faster, and so does | conviction and sentence to imprisonment the tongue, but as the blood goes faster for life, to induce the Governor to pardon than common to the brain, it refurns faster him. Finally a conditional pardon was and no immediate harm may result. But obtained, the condition being that ever suppose a man keeps on drinking; the blood fafterward he should abstain from intoxiis sent to the brain so fast in large quan- carts. October 25, on the occasion of his tities that in order to make room for it the | daughter's marriage, after eighteen years arteries have to charge themselves. They of abstinence, he violated the condition of increase in size, and, in doing so, they press | his pardon and was carried back to prison against the more yielding, flaccid veins for the rest of his natural life. Eighteen which carry the blood out of the brain, and years of sobriety had not quenched his diminish the size of the pores-the result thirst for liquor, and imprisonment for life being that the blood is not only carried to was not sufficient to deter him from indulgthe arteries of the brain faster than is ling this inestiable appearite. natural or healthful, but is prevented from leaving it as fast as usual. Hence a double set of causes of death are in operation. | could place before her father that which

ABJUT READING NEWSPAPERS. I see that Bishop Foss in his address t the class seeking admission to conference

advised the young ministers to give scanty attention to the daily newspapers. But I must certainly disagree with t Gladys gave lessous on the piano to young world-leaves of knowledge : leaves

reads the daily paper I am sure he is grow ing in grace, at least on that spot where i

SOME RULES OF LIFE. Not to obtrude any advice unasked. To aim at cheerfulness without levity. Never to dispute if you can fairly avoid

Never show levity when the people are engaged in worship. Never judge a person's character by

ternal appearance. Say as little as possible of yourself and

wound the feeling of another. Never court the favor of the rich by fisttering either their vanities or vices.

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The battle of Bunker Hill was fought on little- Crown Prince sat up immediately.

Joan of Arc was burned at the stake on The battle of New Orleans was fought | will get out," he added with a lordly wave

NOT RAISED TO WORK. Our postmaster, Col. Hardeman, having to employ a charwoman about the new United States postoffice, singled out a colored lady and offered her the place. She declined it for the reason that there was too much work for \$20 per month, What !" said the colonel, " You could not make the balf of it at anything else. Why. at the north a woman will acrub the floor all day through the month for \$10. "Yes." answered the lady of color, " but dem Yankees is raised to work and we

sp't."-Macon (Ga.) Telegraph. Rev. Lyman Abbott, Rev. Henry Ward Beecher's successor in Brooklyn Taberuscle, in one of his Sunday afternoon talks on " Solomon's Wise Choice," which was the subject for the International Sunday School Lesson for the next Sunday, said: "It is no advantage to be born with a golden spoon in one's mouth ; but of very great advantage to be born with a primer in one's hand. Herein hes one of the benefits of our common school system; for the difwealth, and universal education means

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This glad time of the year." Some of our own have crossed the tide To rest at home to-day. To sing the gew, triumphant song. Over the golden way: We ge, some nearer all the while. Clearer the courts appear. We mem to esteh their matchless joy

This glad time of the year. Twas just one fittle year ago. We thought their always ours, Forgetting winter's swift approach. Stole summer's fairest flowers. We know at chipty chair or crib Is something strangely dear.

Hecalling those who oure enjoyed This glad time of the year. Then let us in those sunny days. Of kindly thought and deed, Bury the past of by gone yours With loving burnest speed: And let the prictous days to come He consucrated bere

To noble effort, which shall crown This glad time of the year. A REMINISCENCE She was gowned in white with amber bead

Wound twice around her throatthroat as fair as 15 bads That in some streamlet foat. Her lerghest was a fluff of curls-Such siry, childleh rings. She was an angel in my eyes, Without the crown and wings

Her hair was gathered on her bead In graceful Payelie knot. blie looked so sweet I really could Have kissed her on the spot. There was a fetching little way About her turn of Stad: Her profile and the l'syche knot Looked Greeian born and bred.

We were alone upon the stairs She leaned against my arm With witching grace, as girls can lean, With such a subtle charm. A fair field and a pretty girl. And do you think I kissed her? Well, not exactly-for, just then. There came along her sister.

VARIETIES. A business man went to the stamp win-

Have you ever watched the warfare Of two wemen over chr-fare? Each affame with generous feeling. Depth of heart and purse revealing: Each inspired with gentle horror. Lost the other should pay for her. But take note—the more insistent Of the combatants persistent, She whose hand most promptly snatches At her pocket-book's stiff catches, She who murmurs : ". Don't be strange, dear ; .. It's all right : I've got the change, dear !"

She-though I am sad to say it-Always lets the other payat. "What are you doing now; Gue?" said one young man about town to another. "O I write for a living." "On the daily press !" "Na; 1 write to father about

twice a month for a remittance." The latest fashion bulletin approunces that ladies in out door costume will be a shaggy as bears. And their husbands will

be as cross as bears when the bill comes in. " Weel, John, how are you to-day?" said a Sooich minister to one of his parishioners on meeting him in the road. "Gey, weel, "gip it wasna for the rheumatism in my lize the rest of us, and old age doesn's come ing continually to acknowledge the salutes | alone." "Anld age, sir," returned John, "I won'er to hear ye! Auld age has nothof the populace. Flinging himself back in

You didn't slander your brother, sh? The Battle of Waterloo was fought on acknowledge the salutes of the people I ed no protect. You knew all the time that

shall not continue to drive with you." The | the thing charged was untrue. "Clothes," said Carlyle, " have given us character and individuality; clothes have made men of us." William Carleton, a much lesser authority, has put the matter quite as well as Carlyle :- " No man," he said. "no matter what his moral or intellectual character may be, can have a complete sense of independence and dignity

TUO MECH FOR HIM. A letter just received from London says little boy. She smiled at intervals on the that the other day a thief broke into a boy, and showed her pretty teeth in a mansion in Belgravia early in the morning, betwitching way. All at once the old man, and found himself in the music room. Hearin the way so peculiar to so many deaf ing footsteps approaching he hid behind a

daughter had a lesson on the piano. From eight to nine o'clock the second that the pretty woman was mad is putting | daughter took a singing lesson.

it mildly. She flounced around with a flosh | From nine to ten o'clock the eldest son of anger blazing in her cheeks, and signal. had a violin lesson. ... From ten to eleven o'clock the other son

took a lesson on the flute. At eleven all the brothers and sisters assembled and studied an ear splitting piece for piano, violin, flute and voice. The thief staggered out from behind the track stopped a train on the Naugatuck. screen at half-past eleven, and, falling at

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Goods in which grandfather used to si And at the Arelight stars. Wo varuished It, and mended Its legs and broken back, And put it in the pariet here DAY'S BOOKSTORE.

Among the bric-a-brac. And often now our callers I'pou the stiff old chair Turn curious eniedmiring cyes Aud call it qualut and rere. To strangers it is only.

A curiotity; Hat it to something more than that. More priceless far to me. It seems a sacred relic. A memory of the part landsome Decorated China Cups and And of the good old man who saik To slecp to ft at last.

> h, well do I remember His bent form sitting there; And how his happy grandchildre Gathered about his chair. And how his bright eyes twinklife. As each bright face he saw ; He told us wondrous fairy takes That filled us all with awe. Even then the chair was sarred

> > To blut and to the cat

That endiled in his lap, and purned . As at the fire be sat. And often now at twilight I see him sitting there. The firelight falling on his face And on his snow white hair.

And that is aby I love it. This chair so quaint and qued Because it brings grandfather tack To those he held so dear.

The Little Fiddler IN MARY KYLE PALLO "Mrs. Bacou! Mrs. Bacou! Bacou!" cried Mrs. de Luce. "Yes, ma'am. bersell, aud smiled, and looked amiable,

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smele in retarn. "Mre. Bacon, my daughter is playing with a dirty, little tenement-house boy." Mrs. Bacon turned red. "Phabe told me there has been a child there for several days, and that you actually allowed Gladys to play with him," coutinuof the lady. "I refused to believe it, but

the asked me to see for myself. He is there. What does this mean, Mrs. Bacon? "My first coutin's second wate's aunt by marriage's daughter, ma'am- began Mrs. "This boy-" gasped Mrd. de Luce.

This boy is that ?"

cousin's second wife's aunt by marriage's the little violinist playing, "I'll Remember daughter lets lodgings since she was a Thee," in the cold street below her winone of them died on her with a week's play that air in all her life. reut owing, a fortnight ago, and this was

for him; and-" "I fail to anderstand you, Mrs. Broom," exclaimed Mrs. de Luce. "If the lodger died, I'm eure it is to be lemented. But child? and how are you care that the dir- | eilence. Encore followed encore. order wasn't catching! Soud the boy

away at once, and tell him nover to come scain. He looks like a foreigner.' "I believe his pa was Eyetaliau," said Mrs. Becon; "but as good a boy and-" Bacon, I thought you could be trusted."

she loved little Gladys so well than be- many a winter might. It was the tune

little benches. The boy was singing a after the rerformance. "Listen! it is so pretty," dried the other | abode in his carriage. He held a hand of day. child, with her blae eyes shining-" so each.

Lot come again, Gia." "I shall be so sorry not to come here,"

said the boy, wiping away a tear: "but I "You're a little gentleman, if you are

"No one wente me," said the child Mrs. Garth doseu't; I heard her say so. And I will never go to the poor-house, "You might get to be cath-boy." Mrs Bacon said; "or you could seil papers." "I could do one thing." said the Loy. "If I had a violin I could play on it; but

I play well euough." "A little creature like you !" cried Mrs. of that city, used the telegraph the other Bacon, "Well, I perer!" "I have a violie," said Gladys. "It is had met frequently in New York stepped all my own. My poor Uncle William gave | into his office. It was business as well as it to me before he died-that and his music | inclination to be exceeding cordial to the books. I shall never learn the violin. New Yorker, but for the life of him he Mamma says the piano is right for girls. | could not recall the visitor's name. In the So I will give you that. Uncle would like midst of the conversation the Chicago man it, because then you can earn money." | was reminded of a telegram he had for-Gladys ran away. Up no the nursery gotten to send. Pulling out a blank he

a moment and get it down. proved his skill.

say good-bye," she said.

Glady's began to sob.

"Good-bye," said Giacomo.

meet some friends of mine there." She (at the piano); "Listen ! low do you

DRINKING AND APOPLEXY. The frish World presents to its readers the following wholesome lesson concerning hold which the appetite for strong drink alcohol and apoplexy :

This is being literally dead drunk."

piscopal dictum, for I think the wise read ing of the daily newspapers is a symmetrical education. While things slip in sometimes which ought to be passed by, the editors of a greet newspapers have the Midas touch and know the gold of promise from the brass of profession. There is no noble sentiment, no true strain of poetry, no sonorone word fit to roll-round the world, no gem of thought but finds its way at last into the columns of the daily press. The newspaper is a fresh photograph of human life -oh, has it not depth of meaning for the noblest sermon? I read often the advertisments of the paper, and find in them the wit, power and also the pathos of life. I thank the daily press for the living sermons it has given me. As on antumn's day the wind shakes the trees and the leaves fall down and make an amethystine and golden floor, so this great tree, the press, shaken every day, shakes down its white leaves upon the

When I see a young minister who wisely is thought the average minister is sadiy deficient .- Pittabarg Despatch.

Never affect to be witty, or jest, so

Never to dispate with a man more than seventy years of age, nor a women not an

Queen Victoria was married on Friday. Kinc Charles I, was beheaded on Friday.

Julius Carsar was assassinated on Fri-

of his hand toward his governess. The Declaration of Independence was signed on Friday.

chatted along for half an hour, when the fusion of intelligence means the diffusion of

THE POWER OF DRINK. A case strikingly illustrating the horrible may acquire over a man is reported in a

. "hat shall we say of the daughter who, in celebrating her own happy nuptials. House a man may drink enough brandy or | had clouded his past, and ever threstened other spirits in a few hours, or even min- his fature ! What indifference to his utes, to bring on a fatal attack of apoplery. weakness she exhibited, what heartlessuess toward his possible fate! And yet her conduct does not differ essentially from the conduct of many whom " society " honors, and who think themselves worthy of all esteem. Tuere are in every walk of life in our country handreds of men in whom the appetite for drink is stronger than the love of fame or mouey, stronger than the love wife and children, stronger than the love of home and honor, stronger than the love of even life iteelf, and before these men society" will pour out wine as generously as if "society" did not know that its vulger display of hospitality and good cheer would result in making wretched drankards of

MILKING WHALES FOR CONSUMPTIVES.

their families,

these men and more wretched sufferers of

In Londou recently my attention was attracted by a buge sign on the opposite side of the street, and also by the number of people flocking into the building. This sign read as follows ; "Whafoid, Infallible Core for Consumption. Dispensing boars, 8 to 10 A. M., 3 to 5 P. M.

Entering the building I was at a los

what to make of the matter, as all I could

see was the criwd and a large tank in the

centre of the room. This tank was some

seventy feet long, thirty feet wide, and as I learned afterward, about thirty feet deep dow of the post-office the other day, says having been constructed at a great expense. | the Detroit News, and called for one hun-While waiting patiently for developements I | tred one-cent stamps, tendering in payment found that the liquid was being lowered or let | 51 in one cent pieces. "These are not out by some means. Soon a smooth black legal tender in any such amounts," growled surface appeared to view, and as the water | the stamp clerk. "Aren't, ch?" said the continued to recede I became aware that a man. "Well, give me one stamp." The captive whale was on exhibition. Sur- stamp was forthcoming. "Now give me a prised at not having to pay any admission stamp." He got it. "Another stamp. fee, I was soon made aware of the reason. Now another." "See here," said the A frame work had been constructed, on clerk, "how many stamps do you want? which the suimal rested, and soon an ex- You are keeping a dozen people waiting." pert milkman was engaged in extracting "O I always keep within the law. Anfor the consumptives whaloid for whale's other stamp, please. Pennies are not legal milk! which was greedily absorbed at five | tender in large amounts. Another stamp." thillings per glase. This plan seems to be | And he shoved out his pennies and puridentical with that of the milkinen in Na- | chased stamps, one at a time, till he got ples, who lead a cow to the door and deliver his hundred. But the clerk was cured. the fluid in the presence of the consumer. Pennies are legal tender at his window in so that the latter can be satisfied that no | barrel lots. illegal dilution is indulged in. I had hardly recovered from my surprise at this uni-

que idea of getting usture's ore emulsion when I was to encounter a severer shock. Joining the throug who were drifting forther down the street toward Southampton Row. The place of atteaction proved to be, however a smaller building, also labelled it a mysterious manner : " Codloids. Authorized agency protected by letters patent

Now what do you suppose codloids prov

"Coschman," said he. The coschman

looked around. "Stop the carriage, coach-

man," continued the little one; " this lady

HER PRETIT TEETH.

In a Vine street car, the other day, say

the Cincinnati Times-Star, were an old

gentleman with an ear-trumpet and a very

pretty young woman, accompanied by a

people who do not know how to modulate

their voices, so loud as to be andible all over

the car: "I only paid \$5 for my opper

teeth. What did yours cost?" To say

ed the conductor to let her out at the next

A CALF SAVES THE LIFE OF A FOOL

A celf which refused to leave the railroad

of Thomas Lanuan, who was found lying

drank on the track a little farther on, and i

would have been crushed but for the acci-

dental stoppage of the rain.

the covering.

rheamatisa and consumption."

plain English means sait!

to be? Why, eggs of the codfish, and wonderfully large ones, too. They were retailed at two shillings per egg, and caten raw with a little sodium chloride, which in

A PRINCE ON HIS DIGNITY. There is an amosing story of the little Gefman Crown Prince, who seems to have inherited some of the pleasing qualities of his father. The prince was driving out with his governess. As usual the Germans | sir; gey weel," replied John cantionaly, cheered the little one, or lifted their hats to him as he passed, to which the young richt leg." "Ab, weel, John, be thankful, prioce replied by raising his bonnet. At for there is no mistake you are getting old last the Crown Prince got bored with hav-

ing to do wi't. Here's my ither leg jist as his carriage he said to his governess: "I am tired now and shall not lift my bonnes | auld, an it's quite sound and soople yet." any more to them, no matter how much The battle of Marcago was fought ou they cheer." "You are a naughty boy," But you did what was just as bad. You replied the governess, "and unless you stood by and heard another do it, and utter-

unless he is well dressed."

From seven to eight o'clock the eldest

station, but cheese the bloomin' band !"

weekly wash a Germantown, Penm, lady We talk-much of duty, of morality, of told her servant to take the horse to the self-denials, of laws and rules for self-gor. | kitchen and hang the clothes on it to dry. ernment; we impress their necessity upon The following morning the household were others, and, if conscientions, we bind them | aroused by the noise, and investigation upon ourselves. All this is right; but, so showed that Bridget had backed the family long as we leave not the joy of well-doing, horse from the stable into the kitchen, and we leave out the soul of which all these are | had tried to cover it with wet clothes, but the animal objected to the treatment

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