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of bliss with the renewing AT the sweet, wild hope which once spein sprang into

THE SONGS OF HOME. The world if full of wondrous song We pause to hearkan and we hear Pornyer sounding, far or neer. Those sweet elbratique, soft or strong. Vot awarter sounds, and far more dear Than to the outward sense can copie, is alonery's music soft and clear. That rings upon the inward car.

The loved, old songs of home. We catch the music of the May. . . The tender voice of bled or brosse, That troubles tuneful through the trees, And faint and sweet from far away The mingled marmur of the sets, Yet sweeter, dearer far than those, Though strong sang scrow the foam

Are echood through life's sliences,

he old, old, tunes, the sweet old words That live grown slight loved to sing. How close around the heart they cling DYOUGH THE TRUOSE LENGTH SHI WHILLIAM Let all the world with music ring. Whore'er we rest, where'er we rostu. Not one can thuch so sweet a string.

As those loved songs of home.

The lared, old songs of home.

Relect Family Reading:

Or to the heart such rapture bring

The Spider and the Ply.

Such a great awkward fellow as Jack Inlated was, with his large hauds, of whose existence he seemed so uncomfortably aware, and his larger feet, that it was little wonder Ellie Wilton's pretty brown eyes danced with mischief whenever they were

thrown into each other's presence. that awkward and augually though he Many an blder and a wiser man had got belplessly entangled in the meshes woven by those small white fingers. How then could poor Jack Halsted hope to escape? CUELPH. The fly, light of wing and swift in motion, sometimes cludes the cunning spider, and the skillfully woven web, but let the blus-

more hopolessly In this case it was Ellie who was the tisements. You have noticed what conning spider, elthough she would have indignantly repudiated the claim of weaving any web; but Jack Halstead would have told another story. Ellie had been connecte from her cradle. The list of her victims had been swelling from the time her little feet had wandered to and fro from schools ber triumphs from the moment that, on the village green, two boys had met in flerce conflict because of her smile yet the same smile lured Jack Halsted to her side as she beckoned him across Mrs.

> River's drawing-room to where she stood "So you really ventured this evening." she said, laughing up into his face. "Yes," he answered, looking strangely ill at pase than his wont in his evening dress. "My practice is not so large but that I could spare a few hours. And

A slight, rippling peal of girlish laughter proceded her reply

"Commanded you?" she questioned

"Do you always promise to obey my com

"Always, Miss Wilton, when it is to m It was out now, all that had cost fier se "Why do men say such rash things? she answered "Some day I shall ask you

to do some simple act, and you will refuse of tears. "I think not," was his grave response when at that moment the music clashed the summons to the dance, and two or

three claimants came cagorly forward for Miss Wilton's hand With her usual perversity, she chose the last and loast cager "I will remember your words, Dootor Halated." she half whispered, as she took

her partner's arm, while some subtle per fume of violets marked the spot where an netant parlier she stood Ordinarily he would rather have faced a yow of marshalled cannon than all these bright eyes, but her fiat had brought him : yet, except for these few words she had vouchsafed him, his very presence had been

unnoticed, except that, toward the close of | purer fingers to snatch the sweet fragrance the evening, she had, indeed, come close enough to say "You don't dance, Doctor What a pity? Then laughed at the absurdity of the magined realization of herwords

After that, Jack Halated quietly made his adieus to his hostess, and went out into the starlit night, walking swiftly and rapid ly from the handsomely built up section of the city into a neighborhood far more

which he stopped, webild, a little patient of the hot summer sun sank to rest for the his, lay ill, and he had promised to call last time in his bed of fire, which seemed again at midnight. But as he entered the to scorch the very earth, the cooling sick-room. Ellie's mocking words and breezes brought healing on their wings mocking laughter were with him, their scho | and the plague angel stole away like a thief drowning the sick child's ory of pleasure at | in the night. his entrance. Ah, here his awkwardness was all unknown, as in many another such a home. The big bands could be very tender as they adjusted the pillow under some hot and weary head, the strong voice And on a purchase of goods being sweet, as it uttered words of hope or comfort the ungainly feet made no dis

> turbing noise as they busted themselves to No one could have told the pang that wronched his heart as he bent over his little patient and carefully gave the poor, tired mother his last directions for the night Only when he had sguin regained the street and the duty strain had relaxed, he looked

as a man who has fought a fight and "What am I, that so mad a thought should have been born within me !" This was his solitary meditation. "Who am I, that she in her dainty grace should come to | British flag waves over more than twelve care for 'me? And yet and yet I have millions, nearly one fourth , the main areas been mad enough to let her smile grow into

my heart " To Ellie the evening had not been quite a success. Samehow her partner's talk wearied her, she even grow tired of the ceaseless round of dancing, but whou, after Other parts of Africa the rooms had begun to thin a little, she looked for the doctor, thinking they might have a sensible little chat together, and that she might make amends for her mom

entary rudeness, she looked in vain The great, blundering blue buttle fly had learned wisdom, and seared out of reach of bed hungry. It was this, perhaps, which | tudis, liurinali, occ made her so restless as she tossed to and fro on her pillow; this, perhaps, which Causala prompted the delicate little missive which Other American possessions The paper used in this journal is from fell next day in Jack Halsted's hands, mak .. Cape Colohy, Natal and Guld Coast .. ing him forget all the suffering of the night before, and faising bim into a very heaven

Ellie was alone that night. There was tender grace about her manner, a quiet charm, as she bade hint welcome, which broke down the last barriers of the restraint he had placed upon himself, and ere ho know it the story of his lave was no longer his own secret, but shared with her who Jina aroused it

Ellie opened wide upon him wondering eyes, as though (conning spider) she had not long known the fatal attraction of her siron song. "Why. Dr Halsted !", she exclaimed 'You don't dance Perhaps you might ob

manuer of its awkwardness as he an "I cortainly should object, Miss Mille and as I could not consent to see you miserable, you will forget the words

deprived of my favorite amusement "

prompted by a love I had hoped might awaken some snewering chord within your hoart." And with these words he left her, all un conscious of the tears of humiliation welling up in the great brown eyes, and the searlet

The old spirit of mischlef had prompted her words, mingled with the half dread what her little world might say when they loarned the truth But he level her: would know she had not meant their foolish lightness; he would again fly within scope of the meshes of her web, and, perhaps after fastening his blundering wings very securely, she would release the knots, and let him know that that - ali! her owr heart, as yet, hardly confessed the truth

But the days merged into weeks, and the little spider waited all in vam, shodding many a tear of bitter humiliation in he own tidy don, but wearing her brightest colors and her gayest air where the world bottle come blundering along, and his might see, until one day a strange rumo struggles for freedom only entangle him

Sad and terrible accounts had lately come of the terrible scourge desolating the South, the pitcous call for help from the suffering once. - Many sout from their abundance, many from their scanty heard a few gave themselves, and of these few

to her heart; and then came the semem brance of his idle words of long ago, and the determination to put them to the test "It is just as well," thought poor Jack, surveying his portmentenu packed and strapped, "that I have not seen her again wonder, if I fall a victim, will she dance as merrily ?"

"He must not, shall not go," said Elli

Jack Halated was one.

A knock at his door was sole answer to his question. He rose and opened it but started back as though he had seen a ghost A very white, a very resolute and a very lovely ghost, however, who entered his room with just a little flush of color creep ing into her pale check, and a little tremor in her tone, as she said .

"You once promised me long ago that you would hold sacrod any request of mine I perhaps have forfested any right to re mind you of it, but you are not one castly to forget, and -and, Jack, don t go! I can

much to say, followed by a womanly burst Ellie what do you mean? Can it ! that my going is anything to you? You have bursed my hope once, dear Take care

how you resurrect it " ",1 mean -1 mean," she answered, "that I love you, that you must give up this perilous venture, even if you never can for give my cruel, thoughtless words I have suffered for them, Jack, for I loved you all

"My darling," he said, and the words sounded like a prayer, as he almost rover ently folded his arms about the pleader's very bard, but I cannot give it up now My duty is none the less clear for the sweet flower of love which, suddenly bloom ing in my path, bide me stay and pluck it God grant that I may return with whiter for my own. Bid me Godspeed, Ellie Your love shall be my armor, darling, in

vulnerable, pray God, against the poison ed air which I shall breathe " And Ellie, looking up into the clear, gray eyer, with their steadfast look of determin ation no longer bade him stay, but neve more would be seen awkward in her eyes This hour had made him her here and he king , even when with his last whispered words, his lest passionate kies, there only romatned an ceho and a memory

Jack Halated's work was over. He had won name and fame, but the cruel destroy er had passed him by Very white and wan he looked, when once more he folded Ellie to his heart. But she, hearing only its faithful beating, rests content, while sacross her brain steals the dim wonder ment whether it was not he who was the

fatthful, patient spider and she the silly fluttering fly

EXTENT OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE The British Empire represents three handred and fifty millions of people and quarter of the whole land of the earth These are statements which one may with pride dwell on and rehearse in detail There are fifty unlikous of square miles of land on the surface of the globe. The being the following, roughly figured

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CREAM OR MILK.

What am I going to do, this vacation? said Tom, laying his books down on the old porch and turning to look at his cousin. Why, I'm going to find something to do that will help mother -- that's what !" "Well, I'd like to help mine, too, if I could get a chance," said Clove. "There is need enough, now that father is laid up

with his broken arm." 'Chance ?" repeated Forn, catching up the word in anick frehlou; "there's got to be a chance for mo. I tell you. . I'm going to spin around this old lown like a top till

find it. "That sounds very fine," said Cleve, with a doleful shake of his head, "but man. places are not no easy to get. I've tried a could not possibly live the rest of my life, little already, mornings and evening. I've at nine ! going !-gone ! Yours, sir, Cash asked at several of the big stores and offices | takes it at nine cents." and nobody wants any help.

> "Big stores and offices !" Tom fall back. m repitition again I might go to the cents for the whole piece "---bank and sak Money begs to let me be President for a little while: I hadn't bids again they will have to take the article thought of that. No, air; that's not the or get into trouble," (throwing down the kind of looking I'm going to do. Mother piece of calloo). "Give me something else, says this world is like a great panful of Ah! gentlemen; here is a fire piece. milk with only a little cream on top. If What can I get for this? What do I hear? Of love, and all its twining tendrils. On! you are willing to take milk you may get

your share; but if you must have cream. you are likely to wait long and fare flush of shame dyeing the lovely check Cleve did not wee his cousin again for fifteen!" several voices. round, trying here and there for the things that paid the bost-but the world seemed uncomfortably crowded. It courred to him that, since Tom also was in search of work, it was strange that he did not scross him somewhere; but, when he inquired, he found that Tom had already ound work. It was very strange, Cleve thought, chagrined, and somewhat envious. that Tum should have been the more suc-

cessful of the two. Cleve was older, taller and, so flattered himself, more prepossessing in apperance and address than roundfaced, blunt, merry Tom. But one evening he went around to the old porch again the matter was explained. Tom had just come home from the woolen mill. "At such dirty work as that !" exclaimed

leve, in surprise. "Well, it earns clean money, and that is more than can be said for all cosy work," laughed Tom, pouring a fresh supply of water into the great bowl before him, and preparing for another plunge. "As for my face and hands, they'll wash ; no danger that soap or water will hurt them. ides, I couldn't afford to spend my whole vacation in looking up something. I took

what I could get , and this is steady work.

Ha worked steadily at it and tileve tramped pretty steadily, asking here and there -asking somebody to see somebody else, and inquire whether a third somebody could not make an opening for him. These embassies necessitated a good deal of waiting and there were other days when poor Cleve was too discouraged to even try. He did get some odd bits of employ. ment now and then copying a few letters, taking the place of a clerk who was absent for a week, and occasionally staying in a doctor's office when that buey man of pills and powders was called into the country. But these occupations were too transient

to afford much profit. He saw little of his cousin until, with the orisp, bright autumn days, school reopened. Then Tom appeared, looking remarkably well to a comfortable new suit of clothes, buoyant, and ready for the winter's

Cleve glanced down at his own coat, where his pale faced, auxious mother had put in a bit of dainty darning that mornng, and over which she sighed out a fear that the garment could not be made to last much longer.

"Did you really carn those yourself? he asked of Tom "Yes, str, besides belping mother, though she says providing these helps her as much a anything," answered Tom trium "Why, it was steady work-you see, and that counts up pretty fast. I say, Clove, that milk mother is always telling about sen't so bad. If you dip in and take your share that will raise a little cream of

HE KEPT IT. NATURALLY ENOUGH.

After Mr Boadds left the station he e perioused a severe shook upon discovering that a packet of bank notes which he was taking to the city was nowhere about his

"I il go to the superintendent a office and

make my loss known," he thought; and he did. "I left a peckage contaming \$5000. in bank notes in a Pullman car not half an hour ago," said Mr. Scadds to the official Which train ?" "The one that arrived at 9 15."

'liave you your l'uliman check !" "Fortunately he had, and this suables the superintendent to send for the con-He soon arrived for he had not yet fit shed the report of the trip, and was in the building

"Conductor" said the superintendent "No. str ' Take a springe hath with topid water just "Porter -didn's sarn-saythting ave before going to bed.

"No. att That is the way belies sleep, and their He was brought "Did you see anything of a small packs ifter the passengers left your car "" "Yee, esh."

"Why, no, sah. It was a lot of money

"I'recisely. Where to it now !" It was produced from an inside pookst. Mr. Boadde' oyee bribbtened when he eaw the roll. "That's it." be diclaimed. He counted the money, and it was all there the entire \$5000.

You haven't turned it in ?"

"Look here, porter," said the superintendent, severely, "I want to know why you did not bring that package to me the moment you put your fingers on it." and an interpreter always at hand, to ex-"Why, sah," replied the man, with an injured air, "I s'posed de gemman had oft it for a tip, sah. That's why; sah."-Harper's Magazine for August.

Old Lady . My friend, are you a Christian? Beggar : Well, mum, no one has ever accused me of working on Bunday.

ON. STILL ON. BY MARY FORRIST. lirave heart, the jagged rocks have written ou The struggles -Ineffaquable and clear. The red lines lie smong thy pulse throles, steal Along the currents of thy pure, pale brow.

To look and listen, and the thoughtful nees And sorrowing lift themselves, and wendering "We'll thank persons not to bid if they. The way and light you walk in. Yes, right on, My good and brave! The whirlpool is leshind, The bidden wills of thy philosophy. The golden harvest, the eternal thropo. Walt on a far green shore; and to and fro

Cleave tile white waves, then, let the could Affont And tone of thousands linger yet behind The blackened rocks, or halt among the shoals And quicksands, indding tempest shock or flood, To lift and whirl them onward. Myriad gyor

Htay not to drink the soft refrain of carth's Deep volced songs, nor daily with her heart The day star gleans before thee, and the cross Uplifts its quivering burthey, echolog on, still

Afteen! Can't dwell going! going ! -he should like to do--the pleasant places kone! Yours, sir. Step up, whoever to a party at the private instance asylum in No one came up. All eyes staring in various parts of the room.

But the bidder could not be made

"Gone, then, at fourteen! Yours, sir

WHAT ADISTURBANCE HE MADE

During a sale the anctioneer was upon

AT AN ADCTION...

"Eight cents a yard - who says ten ?"

"Fil give you ten," came from an o

"I didn't bid on it," exclaimed the

don't want an article," said the auctioneer

"Going, then, at night! -- who says more

"Nine cente," came from an old gentle-

didn't bid," said the old gentleman

"I don't want it -wouldn't give you five

"I'll start at five." "Ten," says another.

"Twelve and a half,' says a third. 'Thir-

teen ?" ories an old lady-"fourteen !"

the stand with a piece of calloo,

nadam ; walk up and settle."

lady, advancing.

than eight?"

-anything you please !"

of that article?" said the old lady, indig-"Harg. I'll take it at thirteen," exclaim ed a voice at the other Bud of the room. All eyes were turned in that direction, but no claimant came torward.

"Who says be'll take it at thirteen?"

"I didn't bid; what do you think I want

'm efraid it's stolen goods !" The auditoneer, now quite provoked sprang down, and was about collaring the old man, when a person right behind him "Don't strike him! It was I that said

The auctioneer turned round, when a big dog, apparently right at his heels, snuffed and barked most furiously. With a sud den spring upon his counter, he ordered the crowd to leave. An anguaintance at our sibow, ro longer able to contain himself. burst into a load laugh, as a genteel little

man passed out at the door, who he told us was a ventriloquist.

A LIFE PICTURE. I saw her in the city cars -a sweet-lippe fair browed, gentle manuered girl of about twenty years. Her form was symmetrical. her check downy and rosy; her nose and chin faultiess , her eyes -oh, how sick my heart grow-she was blind! In her ex pressive face I read her bistory - not that of the outer life, but that of the more important -the beart, the soul, which her physical calamity had beautifleds and although the fatal film overgrew the pupils, yet her eyes, as did her whole face, reveal-

ed the angel within.

After the involuntary prayer I sent up a plothes that she is nervously worn out blessing, for I had but to look a second when the day is over. time to know that the blind girl was happy in living and content with life. Her inexpensive dress was well kept, and received a grace and beauty from the wearer. As we rode along, I fell into speculations about her home and surroundings. That she had some one who loved her I knew, but whether in heaven or upon earth 1 could not divine, until accidentally I saw in ber pale, soft hand a letter, partly escaped painful to argue with your inveterate mark, "Nashville, Tenn.," and read in a nothing for granted, however palpable, but good, brotherly hand, "My dear sister." It was enough , my heart ceased to ache and my attention was drawn to a party of

a mother and two daughters, just entering the car, and taking seate beside ma, It to let him severely alone. needed but a glauce to perceive that they work rich, bad-tempered and ill mannered. Here I motioned to the conductor. He the mere phrase catcher, who is always on stopped the car, and as I went out I felt the watch to trip you up on some techni shilled in passing the fashionable group, and said within myself "You are those who need pity" And my eyes rested a foot ball with a hedgehog than chop logic noment on the bongs face and rayless with a fellow who intrenches himself be eyes of the sweet blind girl, my heart | hind a breast work of evasions, and whose

caught some of her tranquility and joy What were silks and laces to her, whose riches were of the soul?

SLEEP PRODUCERS If you fear a sleepless night, undress the dark Light stimulates and arouse the activities. Darkness is supposed to produce drowsmess. Put some chopped ion in a rubber bag and place it at the lower extremity of the spine. This is par-Moularly quinting to the nerves. Do not use snything except a rubber bag, or you

will surely have a damp cloth and rhou matism by morning Do not use a pillow. Relax every mus oloso far as it is possible. Sprawl over the bed with arms and legs stretched out

Lie on your face materid of your back

methods are scarcely improved upon it this particular. All pressure is removed from the spine by this fleans, and a delic priceless tears, will make him all your tous feeling of restlessuess ensues. Make up your mund that you want to keep awake long amough to hear some one

HE MEANS WELL ENGUGH. Oh ! no doubt , but the question is, why docen't he behave as well- as he means What is the use of a man's being so odd and contrary that nobody knows what to make of him, polese he has an apologist

come in or go-out or to outline the next

day's work. You will drop asleep immed

len't it just as cheap; in the long run to be good-natured and polite, at to be Morde and surly ? And does not a man feel better in his own secret heart when he is conscious of being attractive than The earlier symptons of dyspepsis, heart. him, proclaims that he is offensive? Cer. for one year; also illustrated book on "How burn, and occasional headaches should not | tainly by does, for our thoughts are always. | to Make Mate and Ruge," and one package be neglected. Take Hood's Saresparille to busy sitting in judgment on our own of ink l'uwder, for making its outrons of

And attr within the dopths of the stratige oges Such weight and wildering shadows, such will "Going at ten! Going ! gone! Your And whispers, that the gay ambewreless stay

God's ministering angels calmly float between

Are following out thy loamy wake of toll (Auctioneor getting angry.) "If any one | And purpose, and the consummation cry Will be to countless hearts a benison. Then on, bold swimmer! Palter not for storm Nor for the fading light of ans or star.

MAD AS A MARCH HARE. going the rounds Mr. Stokes was invited San Mateo, and according to his wont selected the prettiest girl in the room as his partner, and kept up a very animated conversation with her. In the course of the evening he said to the doctor: "Do you know that girl in the white dress with blue "Thirteen, then madam; you can have talking to her, and I dennot for the life of malady lies Of course I saw at once she was mad saw it in the old look of her eyes She kept looking at me so oddly I saked her if she did not think she was Mrs Cloveland, or whether she had been robbed of a large fortune, or gilted by the

Prince of Wales, and in various ways tried to find out the cause of her lunsey But "I would," said an old farmer, "only I couldn't. She was too artful." "Very likely," answered the doctor

you see she is not a patient; she is one of Meanwhile the presty housemand went to her fellow servants, and said . "Have you seen the new patient? He s been dancing with me a fine man and bronzed, but as mad as a Musph hare He saked me if I wasn't Mrs. Cloveland, if I hadn't been robbed of a large fortune, and whether the Prince of Wales didn't want to marry me.

He if mad. What a pity, and such a fine young man. ' JESSIE Wass

ENJOY THE PIC-NICS. The pic oic season thay be said to be at its height. Bo many people express them selves averse to this sort of enjoyment, we/ feel sure it to because they have not lowened the wiscat and best method of preparing for it. Therefore we think the following directions may be of use to some. A pic nic is a sort of vacation-in which all the family may join, but do not make the mis take of undertaking too much in a day's outing. Select an easily accessible place, wear plate clothes and don't make yourself sick cooking something to carry. All but the mother usually have a good-time at a pio-nio, and she is so tired getting roady, and then watching the children that they

Try baving a pic nic in honor of mother and let some of the rest of the family make the preparations even if the bill of fare .s.

do not break their necks nor tear their

CAVILLERS. Defend us from the people who will "cavil on the ninth part of a hair!" It is who compels you to re-establish patent facts, and reargue questions that have been

settled for area. The best was to Josl with one of these infinitesimal carquists is Of all the bores our meets with in so niety, the man who demurs to everything, cality, or corner you with a quibble, is the most detestable. We would rather play

main object is not to be convinced. Noth ing can be learned of such people, nothing can be taught them

QUESTIONS FOR A WIFE Do you recollect what your feelings were enmediately after you had spoken the first unkind word to your husband ' Did you not feel ashamed and grieved, and yet too proud to adout it? That was, is and over will be your sell genus! It is the temper which labors incessantly to destroy your peace, which cheats you with an evil delu sion that your husband deserved your anger, when he really must desired your love. It is the cancer which feeds on those unspeakable emotions you falt on the first pressure of his hand and hip Nover forget the manuer in which the duties of that calling can alone be fulfilled. If your hus band is hasty, your example of patiences will childe as well so teach him Your southing will redoom him your software subdue him , and the good natured twinkle of those eyes, new filing beautifully with

"I fear," sadly said the postage stamp, when it found strett fastened to a love letter, "that I am not sticking to facts." "Has the editor road my poem ?" haked

the long hatred young man. "I don't

know for sure," reylied the office boy,

"but he's sick in bed to day."

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