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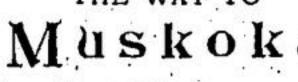
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fbrough life's dult warp a woof Screen Doors and Windows Keen n shining colors of light and love, And the angels stailed as they watched Yet little it cost la giving.

was only a kindly word; And a word that was lightly spoken, Yet not in valu. For it stiffed the pain It strongthoned a fate beset by feare, Groping blindly through mile of tears. For light to brighten the coming years,

Although it was lightly spoken. "Hut Ite clasp was warm, And it saved from harm' A brother whose strongth was fall-

Its lough was tender as angel's wings but it rolled the stone from the kidder And pointed the way to higher things, Though it seemed of little availance. smile, a word, or a touch, And each is easily given,

Yot one may win A soul from sin, Or smooth the way to heaven. smile may lighten the falling heart, word may soften pain's kennest A touch may lead us from ain apart-

Relect Family Rending

The Language of

the Flowers Kenenenenenenenenenenenen

PRING held away over the spure of the Alleghanies. Around Eliza Jane was the breadth of most earth, the pungent odor of cedar, green shoots and wild pink agalogs. Helow the call of the robin came the purring of the mountain stream. stony hed, lapping tender mosses on either side and stirring forms and tiny white violets into active growth.

Eliza Jane, soated on a decaying log, her feet deep in dry brown leaves, was conscious of all this, though her oyes and flagers were busy over the writing. pad resting on her knee. She was writing versos. Back of her consciousnow was a little ellent laugh at the foolishness of such an occupation for, her, a staid teacher in a New England

Ten years had she held the position. Nover in all that period had she so wasted preclous hours. It was as if the past had been suddenly recalled. certain memorable day spont in the Maine woods seemed by reason of her present environment but yesterday. whoreas in truth it dated further back than the monotonous grind of school teacher salved her self respect for such | easy the least you can do is to go after | to day, Malzy-to-day-coming home." a frivolous impulse with the reminder it. that it was vacation time. Work of

ing in the coming winter. effusion in her neat, stiff writing, ly pertinent joke. that other holiday. Again she caught | tetter." the murmur of hope in the swish of

tall maples, drowning the sigh of regret among the dark pines. The bridal white of the dogwood rose against cloudless sky. White, wind swayed Browning Smith. It rends better in anomones, great purple violats and print. You, however, may call me as creeping pologala, thrusting featl heads | you will," high through decaying leaves, all spoke of imperishable youth and love. A comple of lines in her little verses brought a faint tinge of color to Eliza in our gossip column that Miss Eliza Jane's pale check :

And lightning and ballstones and Camo lovo's kiss in the nine woods

She let them remain because, like an echo of the language of which she wrote, they seemed to belong here. Presently the rhymes were completed and, dropping both pad and pencil into the backet that she had brought to carry home such mountain treasures as she might find, she rose and strotched her arms with luxurious abandon. It was wonderful to be free from the oramp and lekenme strain of routine. She breathed long and decity of the invigorating air.

"I wonder, Ellas, do you, too, remamber? But of course not ; you're a man. Idon't myself, except here, where one feels as if actually coming alive again after being petrified. I shall forget my dignity when I go back. It's only the language of the woods

had come after their misunderstand- through the imponetrable fog. vitation she had done so confident she It's business.

thiner bigher up the mountain side, seen in the fog. adding to her blossoms. When she shmost before the words had left his said gently, "Why, the min's dead !" say it !' - Delineator,

could carry no more Eliza Jane paused | lips, or a sleeper had stirred, the lines for breath. The flash of scarlet and struck. For an instant there was a glossy black of a taunger caught her quivering and crashing of timbers, and as not to scare bim away.

him up she realized her own fatigue and retraced her stops to find her basket. Search as she would, she could low, and then silence save for a faint not come upon it. Hack and forth she plashing made by one swimmer, who walked, now climbing afresh the rocky [circled about in the darkness in the incline, now descending with greater hope of finding some floating object. speed. 'At there stray bits of grains In the same stroke his right hand chught on allea shrubs made her touched what he knew to be a dory. realize with disglist that she was cover- and bis left the hair of a man. ing ground already troilden. Herwatch: grapped both, Unving clinial into the Of a heart that was nearly broken, proved the hour late; dinner would be dory, he dragged after him the unconover and her congin anxions at her scious man. Thereupon he ross, and, nonappearance. Of small value in fixelf impling 'a trimpet of his. Lands. the banket could be easily replaced, but Irallood, with aft the strongth of bla the little spinster did not relieb leaving | lungs; but nothing answered save the her inspiration of the woods to the water gently splushing on the wreckmercy of any stranger passing that age way. In the end she was compelled to

> Usually self-mosicssed, she stammerod while explaining this misfortune on her return. Her côusin padséd in setting the warmed-over dinner before her to express her disapproval.

"At your age, Eliza Jane, to take to rhymes. . You'd better atick to tonoh ing. There's some use and more money In that."

"Should any one find it," suggested Eliza Jane uneasily. "Is your name on it? No? Then they'd never lay such nonsense at your door. A school ma'am is not supposed to be hanging verses about the woods like that young man we saw in the

play last winter." Two days later while sipping her Mee Eliza Jane glanced carelyssly over the morning paper. Prominently on the editorial page, was printed a small poem. The title seemed fairly to Jump out of the column at her, "Lan-

guage of the Woods." .The cup clattered na sho set it in the saucer, and Mrs. Hart looked up reproachfully. "Lor', Eliza Jane, what scared you

"My-my verses"-. "For land's sake!" Her cousin ap propriated the pap r. and, adjusting her glasses carefully, ead in a little to the left, as it crawled over its | tone, regardles of all punctuation, the verses Eliza Jane had pencilled in the woods. She cast a suspicious glance at

her relative's bent head on reaching the complet: Anild lightning and hallstones and Came love's kles in the pine woods of Perhaps womanly sympathy for any-

thing bordering on romance held her tongue, for she made no comment then -or ever, till it no longer mattered. "Liston, Eliza Jane," she continued. with growing interest, "here's some remarks by the editor himself. He dosires the author to go down to the office for a check. Do tell ! Money for that rubbish! Not that I want to hurt your feelings. I guess yours are no

worse than lots of others." "Perhaps writing would answer"began Eliza Jane. "Personal application is what it says | delirium "Maley-said you loved meroutine that now enslaved her. The here. If you can make money that said you'd be lonesome-coming home

So Eliza Jane did go and was usher- jerk and in his face a look of bawilderany sort had been probibited on pain ed into the august presence of the edi- ment and pain, which quickly metof nerves, already severely taxed, fail- tor. That gentleman proved tall, broad shouldered and a triffe hald, but with She had inscribed the title above her eyes that twinkled as at some peculiar-

"Language of the Woods," and the "I was right-I felt I was right. But the-" His voice grow tense and simple words, faulty enough as poetry. you have changed a little more than steady. "What right have you to speak were illuminated with sincerity. The your verses, Eliza Jane." The editor language of the woods, unheard for took his visitor by the hand, seating years, now in a different section of the her in the wide armed chair. "Don't country came elear and insistent as on say you have forgotten me-I know

> "le it Elias Smith?" Eliza Jane could senreely make the words distinct for the throbbing in her throat. "No langer Ellas B. Smith, but E.

"You found the basket, but how could you guess-"

"That it was yours? Had I not seen Jane Robinson was visiting our city ! The writing was identical with that in a certain letter I somethnes read this day-above all, which of us could

'Love's kiss to the pine woods of "Don't-please don't." Eliza Jane burled her face in her hands. But even so she could not bide her blushes. They crept up to the very rims of her soull care, from which her hair was brushed back straight and tidled. Illiae Smith took her by the wrists and firmly uncovered her face. Htooping

till his pyos were level with hers, he spoke almost in a whisper to "I had lost you, Ellza Jane, and seemed forever. But in the woods ! shall never let you go."

LOVE'S CRUCIBLE.

The night was extremely dark and foggy. A solitary figure slowly paced

the honce when Eliza Jane accepted the in- get to what I want to say. This time name they could not, and, as he saw

eye, and she held herself breathless so then the liner, almost unconscious of the jar, passed on, leaving in its switt When the green tangle avallowed log wake the broken remnants that one moment before had been a ship. A few cries, unavailing in the heavy

He turned to give his attention to the man lying in the stern. There was a small stream of blood trickling from the side of the man's head, which he exposition of the epistle to the Hobrews torn from his shirt.

the boat westward and began to row, student, at a salary of 2850. Mr being careful to keep the faint breeze Milne has accepted. from the north on his left cheek. All night he rowed without resting,

lifted. Then rising to his feet he eagerly scanned the misty horizon for a sail. "It can't be rowed under four days," thought had struck him, be began look. which will require careful considerang over the provisions, which are a part of the equipment of every dary;

one blecult and two water fare. At this his face lighted up, but fell again | tine on Monday, was severely injured man finding one of them empty.

his lips moved. on for four days-four days-take that | ty off. long to row ashore."

jar still in his hand, he stared blankly | buried in Fairview Cometory : "Two out across the dark heaving waves, days before his death he dedicated a whose crests were dancing up to meet the first rays of the sun.

stood there looking down at the man who would keep him from his love.

ashero-we can't. If I'd give you the chance to go alone you couldn't use it and we can't both get there. A year ago, Bill, you know I'd 'ave-risked my life for yours; but now I'm going home to Malzy. Perhaps sho's waiting for me - and we can't both get home." Afraid his nerve would fall him.

kept his eyes on the dark, deep water alongside, while he slowly reached his hand down to lift the sick man from "Malzy !" muttered the other in ble

The careman straightened with a amorphosed to a look of jestoney and

"You, Bill, you been loving Malzy ? he faltered. "You say she loves you of Malay? What right have you to Interest dome between her and me and steal her I Once more with a determination be

gotten of bate, he stooped to raise the sick man. "Maizy," again rose the manuer, "sald you loved me." Slowly his grip relaxed, and as he stood creet he swayed alightly and

heside the sick man and holding the A. Gifford, Mr. W. A. Webster, of elster who had come in the night. water jar to his lips. Then without Kingston, and Messrs. W. P. Brown,

Toward the evening of the fourth day the dory was moving slowly toward the land which was now plainly in sight oconsionally in his wency stroke to see if he had heared the shore per-

A change had come over his face these four weary days. Youth, lightness, and ambition had died, while now in the aunkon eyes were a quiet hopolesaness, but a steadfast purpose, which made itself manifest in the re nawed efforts be made to world heavy pars each time he had gated shoreward. His feeblostrokes had been noticed by some villagors, and, when the prow of the dory grated upon the sand many willing hands were laid upon its gunwale to draw it far up upon the boach. The earsman saw Eliza Jane laughed bull regretfully. I the dock of a fishing smack which rose | them; saw faces he know; know he

villagors. "I didn't know you, man f What's happened?"

holpless figure lying astern and motion- welf. Won't you?" her sont herself on the sand boulde the ran no risk of mosting with her boy . This weighty matter settled, he turn- feebly conscious Bill, take his head ed to resume his walk. Casting his into her lap and heard her say, "Bill,

TWENTY YEARS AGO. Balled Down from our Issue of 18th August, 1888.

Ditto-At Acton, on August 0 Inrvey Htafford, aged 25 years. Political meetings in the interests Mesars. Henderson and Waldle view of the bye-election pending, ar to be held during the week.

Willow St., for Mr. Jov. A. Speight. An "inch of rain" incans a gaillon water sprend over a surface of nearly two feet, or a fall of about 100 tons on The now bridge at Beardmore's tunnery from the foot of Willow Ht. facilitates teaming, and the bark cars

are unloaded in much less time that formerly. It is somothing over 300 f long, and ly a credit to Mr. Poter McCann, the builder. Ray. D. B. Cameron, former pastor of Knox Church, is publishing an

bandaged as best be could with a strip in a series of about 100 discourses, and it will comprises of two volumes. Happily the care were found lying in | A unanimous call has been made by the bottom of the dory ; and, having | Boston Presbyterian Church to Hev fitted these into the locks, he headed W. J. A. Milne, a Knox College

Measrs. Worden Bros. bave disposed of their livery business to Mr. John when the morning broke the fog had | Williams, formerly of Erin, and well

known in this vicinity. Acton cortainly needs something idequate in the way of fire protection

but whether a steam fire engine or he muttered, and then, as though a system of waterworks is a question Miss Minnie Nickell, of Limehouse

while riding on horseback on the 7th by being thrown over the horse's head He sat for a long time, as though on account of a stumble. It is suprealizing the meaning of the empty far, posed that while on the ground the "Water for one man-enough to live whileh her right ear was torn complete. Sunday :

He looked at the wounded man, who tribute to Capt. H. A. McDonald, of except Saturday afternoon." was moving uneasily. Then, the empty the Salvation Army, who was recently beautiful latter to the Commissioner which breathed the true egivation "I can't give you up, girl. I can't spirit ; but though he had passed away before the roply sent by special mes-He rose slowly and stepped across senger could reach him, he had the the sent to the stern. For a time he sympathy and prayers of Headquarters in lile last fight and victory. Ho left a spotless record in the North-"Bill, old pall, we can't both gut West, and never will the plaintive song 'Some build their hopes on the over-shifting sands,' be heard throughout the Dominion without recalling

the blessed memory of the promoted comrade who wrote it." Mr. Jahez Smith, formerly a resident here, met his death in a saw mill at Port Arthur, by being forced by the log carriage against the saw, which, although not running, its sharp teeth tore and mangled him horribly. The main artery in his right thigh

was out and he bled to death in a few Rov. James Walker, sentor pastor, preached the quarterly meeting sermon of the Rockwood circuit at the Brick Church on Sunday. Nearly all remained for the love feast and many

partook of the sacrament. The Public School estimates for th your passed by the Board at last Salaries..... \$153) 00

Total oss Gavornment Grunt

Halanco Which the Council is asked to raise by | and the like. These are the begin-A successful social was hold in the Methodist school room on Monday oaks. draw his arm across his oyes as though | evening by the Ladies' Aid Society. to clear his vision. "Said you loved Hountiful floral decorations for the bim," he faltered. "God! Was I going | table were supplied by Mesdames to bring to you the sorrow I'd commit | James Matthews and Jennio B. Cammurder to escape? Was I going to take | eron, and Miss Lottle E. Speight. Acton Band played on the lawn, and In another moment he was kneeling | short speeches were made by Rev. G.

bloself drinking he sat down to the Thos. T. Moore and James Brown. The first kiln of bricks of the Milton Pressed Brick and Torra Ootta Co., were inspected by a leading architect from Toronto last week, in company with the stockholders, and were pro- talk of his wonderful accomplishments nounced equal in every respect to the of the past will not do anything startfar-famed Philadelphia pressed brick. ling in the future .- Atchison Globe. There is to be a union Sunday School pic-nie to-day by the Presbyterian and Methodist schools in Thes. O. Moore's grove. Knox solnol will assemble on Bower Ave, and the Methodists on Willow St., and the classess of each grade, beginning with the primary, will fall in line from each school, and will march, led by the band, to the grave.

> Dr. Winn, of Nausagawaya, ba emoved to Campbellville.

PUT MORE IN.

One morning, just before starting to school, little Bobbie, aged six years, "Why, it's Larry !" said one of the was watching his mamma put up his noon lunch. Suddenly he said: "Mamma, I wish you'd lot Katle put For answer the other pointed to the up my lunch instead of doin' it your-

> "It's no trouble, my dear." "I know." "Then why-" "Oanse, mamma, she's got a botter

> > BDWIN'S PHILOSOPHY.

word for the first time. Running to younger than he has for many years, ness man, opened up by the underbrush of a glowing mass of apparently far above him, but bearing across his head dropped his father, he asked him if "my golly" There are hundreds of old people Six Railways of the Canadian | exalens, she pushed her way through, downward with great rapidity, the slowly to bis knees. A moment later | was a bad word. His father said, "It | in this vicinity who heed just such of Northern System, to the In- orgerly filling her hands. From one brightening headlight of an ocean liner, the villagers lifted him tenderly from is a rough word and I would not use strongth-maker and tissue builder as shrub to muther she wandered, some which had raced up unlight and tald him upon the sand. it." Looking very thoughtful for a Vinel, and we ask them to try it They stood in allow wonder looking moment Edwin said, "I wish it wasn't on our offer to return the money if it

Gray barn and draggled meadow,

Hinried green of grass and leaves, The sky an awful shadow. For on her gray face weaver The rain with silver threads. That fleck the mighty puddle. That rattle on the sheds. Where the dell rattle huddle ! Then oh, the haymow woff And deep and dark and warn Mr. Peter McCann has ruled the frame work for another new house on

On aweet hay piled afolt-While overhoud the Storn Hwaops the wet shippies, drive . At onvey makes music wild-We listen: the soul slips Years back and is a child. Homehow as at the start We turn from Life's hot foam,

THE DANN IN THE HAIN.

tlet in the World's warm boart. You, make Earth's beart our home And lie there warm, secure, Yea, as a child of five. Heart clanwed, sereno und poro And glad to be alive. James Opponheim, in Woman's

. . JUST FOR FUN. "D Tommy ! you're too old to cry." "Yes, an' I'm too y-y-young ter have

Young Hopeful -- Mummy, have gooseherries got legs? Mother-No, dear.

Young Hopeful - Then I've awallowed a caterpillar. "You have three pairs of glasses,

The story is told of an old peacant

who, praising her favorite curate to the rector, exclaimed : "Ah, sir! Mr. Drone is quite an angel in elserp's clothing,'

"There will be a four days' meeting ___ The War Ory has paid a beautiful in this church every night this week

> to her doll, whose arm had come off, exposing the sawdust stuffing

fine, but I didn't think you would chew it so fine as that." Upon moving into a new neighborhood the small boy of the family was cautioned not to fight with his now

epattered with dirt. "Why, Willie," said mamma, "! thought I told you to count a hundredhefore you fought!" \ "I did, mamma," said Willie, "and

look what Tommy Smith did while I

ON SWEARING. Cowper was an English poot. He wrote some beautiful hymns. He wrote some lines about swearing which it would be well for every boy

"It chills my blood to hear the blest Rudely appealed to on each triffing Maintain your rank; vulgarity do-

To swear is neither brave, polite, nor

Some who would not swear by the "good gracious" or "morey on me," nings of awearing. The are to profang swearing what acorns are to

"Well," she said, after due thought,

"I 'pose it's all right; papa, but there's many a thing we needed worse."-De-The man who does little olso but

HOW TO PROLONG LIFE. Advice of our Beloved Post, Dr

If there is one desire more strongly Implanted in the human broast than another as we reach maturer years, that desire is to prolong life. Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes when asked how to live long, replied : "Got a fatal

disease and then take care of your-We want to say to the people of Acton who are reaching maturer years if you feel you are not as strong as you used to be you need not get a fatal disease to prolong life, but keep the digestive organs in good condition, and the badlly titues from wasting by taking our delicious cod liver and from

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Oatching sight through the tangle of eyes upward for an instant, he saw, Illil, it's Masy," a wan smile fitted

sometimes dropping back, but always "All hands on deck !" he reared, but, at blu so for a moment till some one a rough word for I would just love to fiells to give satisfaction. E. A. Rob-

appetite than you, an' she puts more

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wat I'm cryin' for.

"Yes. I use one to read with, one to see at a distance, and the third to find the other two.' woman in Buckinghamshire, England,

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> A little girl was overheard talking "You dear, good, obedient dolly! knew I had told you to chew your food

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of god liver off, but no off. Mr. Josoph Blanks, of Ducatur, Ill.