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THE LOFT HOOM Jest say them words a time or and say 'our sort of slow-And straight against my soul a splash of apple scent'll blow. And molt across my for'ed in a dow; All braided up and tied with strips

Poetry.

tawny yellow sky. Jest say 'em, and I'll see the slant . rafters overhead, And smell the plue of shingles set with knots of pitchy-red ; The buzzing of a fussy wasp'll crinkle in the utr. And tufts of chamomile'll sift their

dust into my hair. A breeze'll come, all cool and damp, The moon'll rise and slock its across my kiver-lid; I'll awaller musky honey from quinces gettin' ripe. And hear the rain of autuma ru-bir

down the waterpipe. all the piller-tick was stuffed and pinks was in the mattresses thick as they could get. and sprigs of mignomette. -Harriet Whitney Durbis

Select Yamily Heading

THE RESIDENCE OF THE PARTY OF T When Robin Came To Town By Rose E. Wakefield

The contract of the contract of the YYYIIE first time I visited Johnsville, I thought it surely one of the lind over sighted. The rocky cliffs, I so we were sure of nearly that many fine rolling hills and splendid take they homesteads. It was wonderful views were just made to set off a how ashamed untidy people began to GUELPH | smart, un-to date town, but none of | feel, and the way paint pomed out of the inhabitants seemed to think so. Dan Murphy's paint shop was pretty Their houses were unpainted, their wonderful. After that Uncle New fonces and gardens unkept, and their came to address the town Council, and streets dusty, weedy and treoless.

Every morning as I prepared to walk | cll Chamber. They planned how t from my boarding-house to the little advertise the town, and before a year post office on the front street, I thought four big manufacturing concerns had drearly of the long, but stretch before | located here. Uncle Ned donated C. B. EBBAGE. - Proprietor me. Part of the way there was only a swell fountain for the new park, and broken bit of sidewalk, and all of the guess that's all." Here Robin paused One special morning when the sun | he added with a cheery laugh, never scened to shine so flercely, and

Johnsville's untidy, easy-going ways as very like a fairy tale, but since then were much in my thoughts, I stopped I have been thinking that he did only at a cottage door to pet a pair of roly- | what any bright, up-to-date boy could poly pups. A pleasant-faced woman | do. You see he just made his own asked me if I was a stranger, and corner beautiful, and of course his then, of course, she inquired how I chans did the same, and the first liked Johnsville. Many a time I had | thing the boys knew they actually had answered cheerily, "Oh, your cliffs and a town beautiful on their hands. rocks are splendld," but this day I felt like venturing the whole thruth, so I anld quite seriously:

"Your town has a beautiful situation, but I do wish someone would fix things up a little more." "Fix things up?" the woman repeat-

ed in a dazed sort of fashion. "You," I said energetically, "plant some trees in the streets, out down the weeds, and tidy up the gardens and fences overywhere." For a moment there was silence, and

then, in a meditative sort of fashion. the woman replied : "Yes, Miss, I s'poso we're not very flay, but we're busy gettin' things to cat and wear, and we ain't got much

That was my first and last sermon in Johnsville, and it was some years be fore I again visited the desolate, sorrylooking little Northern town. Then, because I wanted more specimens for my autumn geology class, I bought ticket for Johnsville, and on the fourth of August stopped off at the quiet

Instantly I was struck with the fact that something was different. Why the station had been painted, and I front there was actually a bed of ger anima blooming gayly in the center of a thly plot of grass. Then the bus, that I remembered as a perfect travouty of a volilole, had given place to a modern, up-to-date conveyance. Hvon the horses were better greened, and as we drove along the streets I saw now coment walks, young trees sot out, weeds gone, and around the homes themselves a still more wond rous change.

Fences were mended and painted gardens dug and brim full of thelfts vegetables and flowers, and I am sure I counted two or three dozen houses fairly embowered in vines and flowering shrubs.

I was much amazed at the change in obnavilte, and you may be sure wasn't long in asking the 'bus driver what it all meant. "Ohf" he said, with a haugh,

guess your first visit was before Robin MacIntyre came to town." "Who was ho?" I arked. "(th, he was a sixteen-year-old boy who was sick, and he came here from

the city to stay a year with his next, Mrs. Jackson, on North Street." "And what had that to do with the College the best value in the City, axing up of the town?" I asked our "Why, everything," the 'bus ma his aunt's place, and protty soon th

> gap to attack the whole town. But Robin will tell you all about it." "Is he here yet?" I asked. "Indeed, he is," the 'bus man said a year, feeding on our North sir, he got better, and then a bly cement factory came to town, and they heard it was Robin who'd written the railway people telling them if they'd paint the station, his club would fix

you see Robin and he'll tell you all DISTRIBUTION OF SEED CHAIN And see Robin I did, and after a From the Central Experimental Farm little conving he told me the rest of

the story. "I guess it was Uncle Bon," he said who first made me see that the world needed beautiful things. He's an architect, you know, and when I was fourteen he stayed three months with us. And old he showed me bis of pictures, and his drawings of beautiful houses, and told me about how ble city was laying out parks and boulevards, and planting trees, and , how some day they were going to be the most really beautiful city in America. Over and over he used to say to me, 'Robin boy, don't ever fancy that only useful things count. Beauty counts. too, and you just make your own cornor beautiful, and see if someone else does not eatch the disease.' So I fixed up our place at home, and when came to Aunt Jane's here, it looked so And sleep! Why, sleep'd come as quick dreadful that I got to work mighty Island, Wide-Awake, White Giant, Lawrence annually to pay the interest quick and made a garden and painted Thousand Dollar, Improved Ligowoand worked protty hard for a couple of all white varieties. as months. Then the first thing I know | WHEAT - Red varieties: Red Fife Bert Hawkins, next door, asked me to (beardless), Marquis, Stanley and Cholhelp him fix up their place, and then | see (early boardiess), Preston, Horoco Alf Jones and Martin White fell into and Pringle's Champlain (early beard ine. After that we got our 'Twen- | ed). White varieties: White Fife

tation of us boys waited on the town council, and as nine of the councillors | Odessa, and Mansfield. Two rowed : had boys to our club, of course we got a lot of what we asked for. We, our- Thorne. selver, ordered and paid for a fine civic improvement magazine for the Vine. public library. We painted the fence tourd the town hall, tidled up the school grounds, and helped for a whole month to plant trees all along the town streets. Then we cut down every weed on those streets, and there was a club fine for any member found with a weedy lawn or gardon. You see most slip-shod, untidy places I | our membership was over ninety, and our club had special seats in the Coun-

way was utterly barren and shadeless. "And taxes haven't come up, either," Robin's story struck me at the tim

> Annual and a second but the second beauty A FATHER'S DUTY

utterly forgetful of the gloom without | tral Experimental Farm, Ottawa. the bright room.

Conversation was lively and many were the jokes passed and the funny stories told and finally the talk drifted to sorious subjects. One old gray-haired man spoke "You know that most men bestow the honor and glory of the formation of their characters upon their mother,

and I do not want to detract one atom rom the influence of a mother, but feel that my father really made me My father and I were very dear each other, for as soon as I was able to walk, what he did I did. If my father ant on the top of a rall fence, so did If my father went to town, so did I. It fact we were always together in waking moments, if it was possible so to he. I needed no boy chum to have good time if I had father, and I sha always remember the talks that he gave me about God and nature, and

was his life so pure and true which le me to be a Christian." "When I was a glel," sold an ady, "we lived in Virginia, and that ugo of the world went to church as regular as Sunday came, unless they were ill: and the old people went to Sunday school too. My father never told us to go to Sunday school, and I guess some fathers do not even tell their children nowadays, but ho said, 'come It's time to go to Sunday school,' and

he went with us." One young man said, "I cannot member when my father over took me to church or talked about it either, as it is always business with him. fact he never has time to think of me. or even to listen to anything which Interests me. If I am in need ofmoney I go to him for it, and then he talks and says I am very extravagant; but as to helping me in any of my battles he never has, and sometimes I

have wanted his advice so badly in my struggles." "That is the fault of the world today," sold the first speaker, "there is never any time for anything but the present and the best things of life are lost. Fathers are absorbed in their husbress and the mothers are lost in social affairs, while the child, like Topsy of old, just grows up. I wonder neighbors' boys got up a glub and below many fathers to day over think of the passage, 'And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath, but bring them up in the nuture and admonition of the Lord.' It is not right for the fathers to cast all the responsibility undertakings. And the reason thereupon the mothers, or vice versa, in for is that his ideal is kile case. He

ONT, I a young chap, not yet twenty. But world never glume

AND POTATORS

at Ottawa By instruction of the Hon. Minister of Agriculture a distribution is being made this season of samples of super for earts of grain and patatoes to Canadida farmers for the improvement of seed. The stock for distribution has been secured mainly from the Experimental Farms of Indian Head, Sask., Brandon, Man., and Ottawa, Ont. The samples consist of oats, spring wheat, barley, pozz, Indian corn (for ensilage only), and potatoes, The quantity of outs sent is I lbs., and mach case to sow one twentieth of an acre. The samples of Judian corn, peas and potatoes weigh 3 lbs. each. A quantity of each of the following tribution :-

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les: Selected Loaning, Early Mastadon, and White Cap Yellow Dent, Porators-Early varieties: Rochester Roso, and Irish Cobbler. Medlum to late varieties: Gold Colo, Carman No. I, and Money Maker. The later varieties are, as a rule, more productive than the earlier kinds.

Only one sample can be sent to each applicant, honce if an individual recoives a sample of outs he cannot also | Sharp was somewhat deaf, and before | English workingman. receive one of wheat, barley, pear, through the mail.

Applications should be addressed to the Director of Experimental Farms. Ottawa, and may be sent in any, time from the lat of December to the 15th of February, after which the lists will be closed, so that the samples asked for may be sent out in good time for sowing. Applicant, should mention the variety they prefer, with a second sort as an alternative. Applications will be filled in the order in which they are received, so long as the supply of seed lasts. Farmers are advised to pointment. Those applying for Indian corn or potatoos should bear in mind It was at the close of a dreary day | that the corn is not usually distributed and a group of people had gathered until April, and that potatoes cannot around the open fireside, and with the | be mailed until danger from frost in drawn blinds shutting out the dark- transit is over. No postage is required ness, were soon enjoying themselves, on mail matter addressed to the Con-

> WM. SAUNDERS. Director of Experimental Farms

HOME OWEET HOME Home, what a magic word. wonder, for it embodies all that worth living for. Without a home of what benefit are riches, honor and fame ? Those worldly things are of our loved ones. Life is one gigantic struggle with contonding forces, and it at the threshold that we can with afety lay down our armer with fear of treachery or deception. Every person is the architect of bis own iome to a great extent. No pleasantry ver enters unless invited by you. Croubles will crosp in and abide with you if you do not drive them out. To make a home, is the object in life of all animals, and it behooves us to make the best one possible for ourselves and our leved once. When we come to die we leave nothing but our home. better the home, the greater the success we were here on earth. benets of the field and birds of the air spend all their time in making a home and they are happy. Man is the only animal that attempts to derive pleasure from other sources. When man good off in search of pleasure away from home, he is sure to meet with disappolotment. Who can but notice the throngs that visit constantly the places of amusement, and observe how unhappy the people there are. The miller, on the banks of the Dec. happy, and the king in his castle happy. Let us be up and deing then to make the best home for our loved ones possible. A worldly home for our worldly body, and a spiritual

home for our spiritual selves. THE JOY OF STRUGGLE

A friend mot another, just returning from a long bleyele ride, hot, dusty and weary. The two exchanged a few words, then as the cyclist rode homeward, his friend remarked with shring of his shoulders, "I have . work for my living, but I won't work for my pleasure. What len't easy, I do without." Apparently he shared the feeling of that Oriental monarch who, watching a game of tennie, wondered why the players should exert thomselves to do what they could order slaves to do for them. It will not surprise students of

human nature to know that the young man quoted is not successful in his bringing up their children-lot each | works because he must, but he is indapable of comprehending the toy of Oh mothers and fathers, but espect struggle. But the energy which de-

TWENTY YEARS AGO Items of Interest to Various Headers From Our Issue of December

12th, 1880 Good sleighing a week ago-nor The man who is dead in love with dinself usually has no rivals.

fine new residence on Willow St., thi Mr. Hugh Akine publishes in this leaun a card of thanks to the friends who assisted him in his time of distress

Mr. I. Francis is moving into his

Harvey's mill pond bas risen about 20 Inches during the last few days. of wheat or builey 5 lbs., sufficient by When it is known that it covers about But it may be filled with the light (N) acres it will be seen that a large amount of rain has fallen.

Prof. Robertson, of Guelph, ha stated at a Farmers' Institute meeting varieties has been seenred for this dis- that through careless methods in farming enough wealth in the form o wasted manure goes down the Bt on the Dominion debt.

Confermion services were held at Knox Church on Saturday and Sunday. Hev. John Stewart, of Elora, the inspiration of several of Longpreached on Haturday and Hunday evening, and Roy. Mr. Rae on Sunday morning, in English, while Mr. Stowart preached in Gaelle in the vestry to a dozen or so of the lovers of the oThe trees were blooming and I felt

native topque. Officers-elect of the R. T. of T. Past Councillor-Dr. Lowry; Helect Coun .- J. L. Warron : Vice-Coun .-Kate Lawson; Sec .- Samuel Johnston: Aust. Sec .- Maggie Matthews: Early and Longfellow. Later variet. Fin. Sec. - A. T. Mann; Treas, -Maggie I copied it and sent it to the periodical. Herald-John Rammay; Dep. Herald -Sadio Turton : Guard-Bolla Johnston ; Sontinel .- C. Williams.

Mr. William Sharp, who with ble son lot 23, con. I, was struck by a train east of the 1th line, on Saturday aftergoing over the culvert at the creek, Indian corn or potatoes. Applications | turned and saw what he no doubt | on printed cards or sheets, or lists of thought was a heavy freight coming names from one individual, or appli- up the grade, which was, however, a cations for more than one sample for light engine running at high speed It one household, cannot be entertained. | caught him just as he was stepping off The samples will be sent free of charge | the track. His habit was to walk on the footpath boolde the rails only going on the track to cross the culvert. work at Limehouse for 30 years with - He clasped it, and never in my life Perthabire, Scotland, in 1853, with his gave me more satisfaction." lime-kiln. Mr. Cameron died from all those fine attributes. - Youth's blood polsoning as the result of a Companion. splinter of a rampod of a gun getting in his hand when out hunting. Mr. apply early to avoid possible disap- Sharp was 73 years old, and was a soher, highly respected man, and for many years a member of the Presbyterlan Church.

Rev. J. W. Rau is to preach anniversary sermons for Eden Presbyterlan Church on Sunday.

A woll-attended farmers' meeting ivas hold in the Council Chamber on Baturday to consider the forming of a Parmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Co. Explanations of various phases were given by Messrs, Robt. Dredge, John Ramsay and John Warren. On Tuesday, Mr. M. Gibbonson, quiet, temperate and respectable citi-

zen of Georgotown was killed on the H. and N. W. track near Georgetown. Hon, Jefferson Davis, died on Dec. 10. He held various public positions and commenced the movement which because they are small, will some day led to the accession of the Southern States. In 1801 he was elected "Prestdont of the Confederate States of

Mr. R. B. Johnston leaves on Monday on a trip to ble former home in Mesere, S. and M. Zimmerman W. Nicklin arrived this week from

Mr. Hugh Cameron, Point Edward. and Mr. Angus Cameron, Woodstock. were in town and attended Mr. Wm. Sharp's funeral. Mr. W. Moorhead, the new manager of Beardmore & Co's harness leather bome, was in the babit of getting some tannery, has arrived from Penneyl. one to ctay with his wife and small

Portago La Prairie.

Mr. J. M. Moore, has loft Kelso's orinting office, Guelph, to take the foremanship of the Bolton Advertisor. Staff-Captain McHardy, of the Salvation Army, a former apprentice of the Guelph Mercury, has received orders from General Booth to report in London, England, in January. will probably be sent to Australia. Mr. L. P. Snyder, formerly of Acton, has been appointed manager of the Trader's Bank at Elmira. He went to the bank as accountant a year ago.

St. Alban's Church on Sunday. Bons-In Ollnton, on December 2ad, to Rov. and Mrs. Josoph Edge, a son. Digo-In Esquesing, on December 7th, William Sharp, aged 78 years. Dign-In Rockwood, on December Oth, Maggie, daughter of Mr. Ell By its gradual and judicious use the Stout, aged 21 years, 0 months.

Owing to Rev. G. B. Cooke being ill

from authur, no service was held in

DIED-At Edon Mills, Moshach Hardwell, brother of James Shadrach Hardwell, Hamilton ; Abednego Bard- restortatives. It relieves those to well, Guelph; and three sisters, all whom a chronic state of morbid children of the late Rev. Wm. Bardwell, Nasangaweys.

THE GREED FOR MONEY

The youth who is working for eight dollars a week may he carried away by the greed for money as truly as functions of the system. thereby the man who is worth several millions. | making activity a necessary result If his chief ambiltion is to get rich, if strengthening the frame and giving fally the futhers, we plead with you to lights in conquest for its own sake, be estimates everyone he mosts by his life to the digestive organs which rely more upon these things which do which welcomes hard things for the bank account, if money is a bigger | naturally demand increased substance not perish, for if by pure, conscorated sake of subduing them, has the irre- thing to him than the development of -result, improved appetite. Northup the grounds, and what did they do lives you lead your children to be pure, pistable force which sweeps his life on his beart, he is a victim of rop & Lyman, of Toronto, have given Fur Establishment but offer Robin a good berth in their upright men and women, you have to schievement. Victory is sure to the greed for money and just as much to the public their superior Quinion. offices, and so he stayed right on, and gained riches and home which shall the spirit which rejoices not in con- to be pitied as another victim whose Dy the opinion of scientists, the wine now he's carning oh, a fine salary for not perish, and a peace which the quest alone, but in the struggle that wealth is estimated in seven or eight

BEEK AND THUST

There is never a day so dreary Hot God can make it bright And unto the soul that trusts Him He giveth songs in the night. There is never a path to bidden Hut God will lead the way.

And patiently walt and pray. There is never a cross so heavy But the mail-scarred hands are there Outstretched in tender compassion The burden to help us bear

If we seek for the Hpirit's guidance

There is never a heart so broken But the loving Lord can heal, For the heart that was pierced on Cal-

Dath still for his loved once feel. There is never a life so darken'd Ho hopeless, so unblest,

And enter his promised rost. There is never a sin or sorrow. There is never a care or loss, But that ye may bring to Jesus. And leave at the foot of the cross. -H. D. Blake.

POET AND MAN An English periodical recently disclosed, mainly in the poet's own words, follows poems, among them "The

Pealm of Life," which was written when he was a young man. "It was a bright day," he said an impulse to write out my aim and purpose in the world. I wrote it for myself; I did not intend it for publication. Some months afterwards I was asked for a noem for a popular magazine. I recalled my "Pealm of Life."

Bonis; Chaplain-Rev. J. W. Rao; It saw the light, took wings and flew over the world !" One of its resting places seems peculiarly worthy of record. When the noet was in England he was honored James, and their families, resided on by receiving an invitation from the Queen. As he was leaving the palace opposite Mr. Thos. Somerville's farm | yard his carriage was hindered by a crowd of vehicles. There came to the noon, and was instantly killed. Mr. door of the coach a noble looking

> "Are you Professor Langfellow P Longfellow bowed, "May I ask you, slr. if you wrote 'The Panim of Life?"

Longfollow smiled assent. "Would you be willing to take a workingman by the hand P" "I extended my hand to him," sald He had walked regularly to from his Longfellow, in relating this incident.

out mishap. He came to Canada from | have I received a compliment that brother James and Mr. Angus Cam- This will be readily credited. Longeron, father of Mr. John Cameron, of fellow was not only the poet of Acton. The three families lived for | melody, of sympathetic gentleness and some time near the present Dominion | courtesy, but as a man, he personified

LET US TAKE TIME Let us take time for the good-bye kles. We shall go to the day's work with a sweeter spirit for it. Let us take time for the evening

ful if we have claimed the guardianship of God. Let us take time to speak sweet, foolleh words to those we love. By and by, when they can no longer her us, our foolishness will seem more wise than our best wisdom.

prayer. Our sleep will be more rest-

Let'us take time to read our lible Its treasures will last when we shall have censed to care for the war of political parties, and rise and fall of stack, or the petty imponings of the Lot us take time to be pleasant. The anuall courtosies, which we often omit

look larger to us than the wealth which we covet, or the fame for which we Lot us take time to get acquainted with our families. The wealth you are accumulating, burdened father, may he a doubtful blessing to the son who is a stranger to you. Your beautifully kept house, busy mother, can

never be a home to the daughter whom von have no time to caress.

A LACK OF CONFIDENCE A minister, frequently away from vania, and has been installed in his daughter in his absence. Once, however, he went so unexpectedly and hurrfully that he had no time to make provision for thom. The wife was very brave until night came, when her courngo bugan to fail. After exhausting every reasonable excuse for staying up, she put the child to bed with the injunction to pray especially for God's protection during father's absence. "Yes, mother, we will do that to-night." said the little girl, "but the next time we will make better arrangements." The Delineator.

> There never was and never will be a universal panacea in one remody for all ills to which flosh is hoir. What would relieve one III in turn would aggravate the others. We have, howover, in Quinine Wine, when obtained in a sound, unadulterated state a romedy for many and griovous ills. frailest systems are led into convalorconce and strength by the influence which Quining exerts on Nature's own despondency and lack of interest in life is a disease, and by tranquilizing the nerves dispesse to sound and refreshing sloop-imparts vigor to the notion of the blood, which being stimulated, courses through the veins, strongthening the healthy, animal approaches nearest perfection of any of the market. All drugglets soll it.