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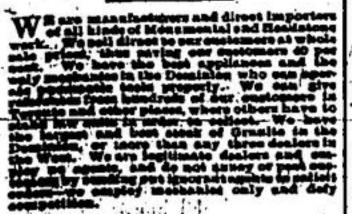
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THE COMING OF THE GREAT QUEST

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And she took her way on the west Then to his door came a little child. Irat and afraid in the world so wil in the dark blg world. Catching it He gave it milk to the waiting cup. And led it home to it's mother's arms. GURLPH Out of reach of the world's slarms. The day went down in the crimson It wish it the hope of the bless

and Conrad sighed as the world ime At Reasonable Prices ed gray : "Why la lt, Lord, that your feet de Did you lorget that this was the day? Ontario A. D. Savage Guelph Then noft in silence a voice he heard: "Lift up your heart, for I kept my

Three Umos I came to your friendly Three times my shadow was on was the beggar with brulard feet was the woman you gave to est; was the child on the home street.

-Edwin Marham.

Family Reading



Delect

HE first day that Silas Manning wrote off Mrs. Simpson's grocery order, she was not slow to note that, for a lad of sixteen, he did mainess in an openimonly up to-date

"You write a splendld hand," she ald in her hearty, energetic way. Chéap Planos and Organs "Do I?" Bl'as replied, modestly. "And you seem to know how spell and where to use your capitals. The last boy in this store always spell ed my rice with an 's,' and I never know him to put a capital except once, when he wrote at the foot of my order. Landsdown Upright Plane, chony case, 'for three c'clook, Sure.' "

Silas laughed. He was better at al most suything than talking, and Mrs. Simpson's praise rather disconcerted

"I reckon," she continued, all un-4 6-octave piano case Bell Organs, some conscious of the young clerk's embarof these instruments used only a few assument, "that you were smart at 5-octave high and low top Organs, "No." replied Siles. "I was a regular splendid tone, good volume \$20.00 plug."

Mrs. Simpson laid down her glasses for a moment, then she said thoughtfully. "I don't understand just how that could be. Sometime when you bring my groceries stop a moment and tell me about it." One week later, on a certain fine

sternoon, Silas chanced to be deliverog goods, and, just at six o'clock, he stood at Mrs. Simpeon's door with a basket of potatoes. "Now," said the cheery, bright lady, 'I want to hear more about that

regular plug.' Have you then to-night "Yes, ma'am," roplied Silas, "this is my last place, and I guess old Dobbin

does not mind if he does not mer his pate for a few moments." Then, sitting down in Mrs. Simpson's kitchen, he let ber draw from him his story.

"Father was a carpenter, and while he lived, we had three dollars a day coming in regularly. Of course I had my chance at school, same as other boys, but I had to work harder than most of them ever did." "How so ?" asked Mrs. Simpson "Oh, you know I never was smart,"

said Silas, lo his matter of fact fash-"But," queried Mrs. Simpson, baye known lots of stupid lade, who

never had a notion what hard work at school meant." "Then they must have stayed at the

Look to your writing and your figur | thoughtful in this little matter. ing, and every part of your work," he would say ! You never can just tell how soon you may need it.' So I! kind of got into the way of working keeper is illustrated in a story told of seventy who, when he was asked if his hope would be but a common-place life is, a disease, and by tranquittaing hard and the other fellows got in the a dry goods dealer. The merchant father lived to be an old man replied hoe. In importance it is decidedly the the nerves disposes to sound and way of calling me a regular plug. was of an excitable temperment, and that his father was up-stalre putting his leading letter. It has no place in his refreshing sleep-imparts vigor to the They said I stuck to my books too on hearing his a-sistant say to a cus- grandfather to bed. There is another tory, but is foremost in philosophy action of the blood, which being care and they all said. I played a | ance such an admission. straight, lively game when I got at it. He fixed blasse on the amistant, and Senator, who was explaining how power in persuasion. It is rich in the making activity a necessary result However, I guess it was well that I said to the customer: did hurry up with my work, for my "We have plenty in reserve, ma'am, school chance was soon gone. I had | plenty upstairs." wo years at high school and then !

--- ADION: "Ape grodery word, Alles Iv asked Mrs. "IV attiven't had any relativity."

Simpson, in her kindly, interested fashion.

Siles hesitated, and then he said though recalling the details of a figh "It was last winter, when work was so awfully scarce, and when ther seemed twenty men for every Mr. Ward advertised for a boy and went down, with just twenty seven other boys, -to apply. Of course never supposed, when I saw the crowd, The beggar passed on. There came a that I would get the place, for I know there were plenty sharper lade than in line. But remehow, when Mr Ward read my ligh school recommend dation, and when I had written and figured a bit for him, he just turned away the rest, and I got the place."

> reblied with just a touch of pride : "The last boy only got six a week but I get eight." "How is that?" Mrs. Himpson laughingly inquired. "I think, after all, you must be emart. Silas."

"How much do you earn a week?

Mrs. Simpson-interrupted ; -and-Silas

"No, ma'am," the boy replied: "I never in the world was smart George Pender, (that's the chap that went before me). When we were little follows at school together, he could get up a lesson while I was thinking about it; but he would not work, and guess he never got into the high school. His father was killed just a couple of months before mine, and, when George had to get a place everybody complained that he could not write or cipher decently. Mr. Ward said I was worth an extra two dollars s'week, and I was glad then that I had worked when I had the chance even i

the boys did call me a 'regular plug.' Now, in the course of this bit of an aftermon's chat with Siles Manning. Vrs. Simpson discovered that his dream was to transplant his mother and the younger children away out to the Golden West. "S une day I will take them all

there," he said, with stordy assurance : and the 'n and there Mrs. Simpson registered a vow that she would help to material ze this brave boy's dream. A latter to a cousin in a growing "That boy whom you describe as

West, and it so happens that next vice. year I will need just such a steady . Haid he, "Who knows the poor old young fellow. I would not think horse may be suffering with a form of twice of him if he had not a good equine insanity, and if so it would be school grounding, for no ignorant cruel to turn him over to a man who and I will help the other children on find out what alls him soon,

wan, and the tidy bome that was speed- | things he said : ly opened there in that western land. soon felt the grip of a lad who had been wise enough to early learn the that. It is dangerous." essons of plod and sturdy persever-

A plodder he possibly was in business as well as in school, but when, on his twenty-first birthday the sign. "Silas Manning, Grocer," appeared on son. the main street of that Saskatchewan town, many a man stoutly affirmed that there was a splendid example of what push and everlasting plod could

A PEW HINTS FOR GIRL

The girl whose manners are pleasing nows the value of little things. is not satisfied with omitting glaring rudeness; she is polite in trifles. it is received, and does not change her

tractive turns up. production of a visit, and always outsit to a brand-new rubber-tired buggy." with her mother soon after being entertained by friends. She does not take attention as

matter of poorse, but expresses her gratitude of the smallest kindness by up, "that is my present to you." an appreciative word. She does not think that the tele phone or waiting until she meets her bostess is a polite substitute for a

letter of thanks. She does not consider it good manners to be pleasant with a special gentle creature you can imagine, and friend and indifferent to other mem | he drew the new buggy along at a

bers of the family. sweet little attentions to the sick and smart horse and buggy.

"And," he added, "I got so I could not the world. No two people are suffi- his protest against being associated stand it if I was not Number Pour or clent for themselves, and it leavery with old and dispidated things?sarrawing and dwarfing to cut one | From Our Dumb Animale. Mrs. Simpson looked interested and self from the outside world.

Remember that love is rather like a "You see, father was always talking pair of boots; the latter lasts many to me about being the oldest in the times as long if wore alternately will family, and you know/there were six others, and there is a chance that love of us, and so often he said, 'if any- may last indefinitely if not worn' too. thing should happen to me. Silas you threadbare at the beginning. If you would need to take my place, and a want to be liked make it ap invariable lad who has not a good school ground- rule to answer invitations without ing, is hampered simoet anywhere in delay, you know yourself how tiresome Ilfe'. So he kept on urging me, and it is not to know whether people are when I would say there's lots of time or are not coming. Your best friend yet, he would tell me that never was will like you all the better for taking. an hour of school life made to waste. the trouble 'to be courteous and PLENTY ON HAND

The thriftiness of a London shop-

THE DOCTOR'S HORSE Dan was a well-bred horse; not my means a thoroughbred, but he had been well brought up, as the saying goes. He had gone at an even gait for fifteen years without showing any lventurous or dare-dayll disposition, beyond a half-hearted inclination to appear skittlest when the weather was cold and after he had been standing in the stable for several days. In the main he was just what a plain

everyday family horse should be, safe and dependable, and he gave promise of remaining that way until the rest of his days had passed. But the unexpected did happen. At the beginning of his sixteenth year Dan had begun to show signs of an uncertainty of temper, a kind of impallance, not to say disgust with his surroundings. find wood, oil and two lamps." Time after time when the old doctor who owned him went to put on the ancient patched harness and bitch him tor was constrained to say that certain opening of this season's l'arliament. davile must have entered into him. almost ended the life of the buggy, if not that of the occupant. However, you know it is said that after a vehicle has resched a certain sgr, or stage of ricketiness it is almost impossible to

destroy it utterly, and thus it was Acton players won on a score of 12 to with the doctor's buggy. Many times had friends of the doc tor assured him that he needed a new fong as himself. However, there were those who thought the doctor had his eye on one of the auto advertisements which appeared in his medical journal.

becoming worse. It was almost impossible to bitch him in the buggy now without a man to hold him until the driver had seated himself and socured a firm grip on the lines, and even then he would start with a lunge that threatened to discuember the venerable outfit. None of the family prairie town in Saskatchewan, brought now dared to drive him, and begged the doctor to get rid of him, but he was loath to part with an old friend 'royal plodder,' ought to do well in the that had done him such faithful ser-

clerk could step into my business would not be kind to him. Still the here. Tell life mother she can open a look in his eyes is more of angry dis-But they did not, and Dan was get

This was how it came to page that ting dangerous when the doctor's son he tide of Silas Manning's fortunes came home on a visit. The morning turned squarely Westward. One year after be arrived be went with his later he and his were en route for the father to the stable to help him hitch broad prairie stretches of Saskatche- up. When he saw the condition of "Father, you should not attempt to

drive this horse with such an outfit as "I know it is, son, -I mean to get rid of Dan right away. I am getting Included the Brick Church, died at orange marmalade was first introduced too old to take such risks."

"But you need another buggy and a new set of Barness, anyway," said his "John," said his father, "what do you think of those Blank autos? They are advertised especially for doctors."

"Not worth scrap-iron price," replied John, decidedly. 'Cost you more to keep than two borses." The doctor said no more and they

drove to the city. When they had completed thell business and were ready to return they went to the feed stable, where She answers an invitation the day | they had left Dan and the doctor or dered blue bitched to his buggy, mind later when something more at | When the hostler brought his horse

the doctor saw that Dan had on She never forgets to write her ap- strong, new harpess and was hitched "Guess you have made a mistake and hitched my horse to the wrong buggy," said the surprised doctor. "No, be haun't father." John spoke

Of course his father was pleased, but who can may he did not think of the auto with the least bit of regret? His surprise and pleasure were as nothing to the transformation of Dan. After that he was the most pleased

old people and inferiors, and full of that the old doctor had a mighty And who can say that Dan did n Do not drop your friends because know his worth, and that he did not you have married the degreet boy. In take the only way he know to register

> AMIABLE There is a kind of consolation,-"cold | back.

comfort" it is called, that is much like a bitter medicina. A young lady went to one of friends-another young lady-in a condition of mingled sorrow and "That horrid Miss Jones has been

eaving that I paint" "Never mind what Miss Jones says, my dear. If she had your complexion she'd paint, too." CUT OFF IN HIS YOUTH

There is a story told of a man bealthy his part of the state is.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

tems From Our Issue of Thursday The first blockade of the railways

and highways this winter occurred Monday morning. Mr. John A. Gordon has been ap pointed Assessor for E-questing at \$150

There were between fifty and sixty ar loads of benilock bark on the ings on Saturday night. Beardmore's teams drow no less than air cords and forty-seven feet at a load the other day.

Krin bla evidently learned the essence of economy in municipal affairs. A resolution was carried that an offer "be accepted for heating and lighting the hall at 35 cents per session, he to

Mr. James Kirkwood, the newlyelected M. P. P. for East Wellington, was introduced to the Legislature by to the dispitated old buggy, Dan Hon. Oliver Mowat and Hon. John would lunge and rear so that the doc- Dryden on February 11th, after the And he ran away twice, one time town ball on Wednesday evening bepulling up against a bank where he tween the crack players of Acton and Limehouse. The players were: Acton -John Harvey, James Matthews, Levi Lambert and James Blacker; Limehouse-Wm. Nickell, R. Wheeler,

8, 4 games being draws. General sympathy is extended to Mr. Patrick Kelly in the death of his barness and buggy, but the doctor had little six-year-old son, Stanislaus, on always insisted that they would last Priday, and to Mr. Warner Nicklin in as long as the horse, and maybep as the decease of his six-weeks' bride on Saturday at noon.

Wan, Erwin and Harry Lal'oldavin.

The special services in the Methodist Church are being characterized by tection of the vessel. success. Rev. Henry Irvine, of Kip- The Chinese have their tombs built But Dan's disposition was repidly pin, preached on Sunday and each in the shape of a horse-shoe, which aftergoon and evening so far this custom is very curious, as it may be

last work was a very enjoyable Quelph, and Reys. Hart and Kitch- every sixe and make. There are huntheir recitations.

hall on Tuesday evening provided by the Baptist Church, which was well to present a horse-shoe to be nailed attended and thoroughly enjoyed, on the portal, which is well-nigh cover-The principal feature was the duetts ed with these tributes. It is said that paying boarding bouse in this town, gust than anything else. Fguese we'll by the Whyte Brothers. Spirited in case any contumacious peer should addresses were given by Revs. W. (). refuse to pay this tax, the authorities Charlton and J. W. Itas. Hov. W. R. have the right to stop his carriege and

> sary of their marriage. Over fifty donor. guests were present. Rov. Wm. Pirritte, for several years nastor of the Georgetown Methodist Episcopal circuit, which at that time

Toronto on Monday. He was a be-

the union was President of the Toronto Conference. .. LINDSAY GRAHAM - In Kiquesing. on February 10th, at the residence of

Lindsay, of Acton, to Jennie, daughter of Mr. Richard Graham. RAMSHAW-In Rockwood, on Febru-

ary 11th, Robert Ramabaw, siged 70 THOMPSON-At Stewartown, on February 12th, Mrs. William Thompson agod 82 years.

Nicklin-In Acton, on February 3th, Sarah Eliza Duxbury, wife of Warner Nicklin, aged 20 years. KELLY-In Acton, on February 12th, Stanislaus Witford Melville youngest son of Patrick Kelly, aged (years and ten months.

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look and sald, "what do you suppose I PARISIAN HAGE is guaranteed by A. T. Brown to destroy dandruff | care for a hen's time ?" gorms and abolish dandruff or money To stop hair from falling and scalp from Itching, or money back.

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otherein perfection. It is likewise first | cence and strength by the influence in peace prosperity, and gives to pleas- which Quinine exerts on Nature's own ure its proper form. It is found in restoratives. It relieves those : to every enterprise and aspiration, and whom a chronic state of morbid without its valuable offices anchor of despondency and lack of interest in close, and that I didn't care enough tomer, "No, we have not had any for setting of this old story, old enough and gives power to the pen. While attendated, courses through the veins. for increese and baseball; but I did a long time," was unable to counter- to be new, -which is told by the New always first in provocation, it likewise atrengthening the healthy, animal York Times as coming from a Bouthern | leads in pardon and possesses great functions of the system, thereby emotions, virtues, patriotism, passion, strengthening the frame and giving Amounteineer, ninety-two years old. patience; pliyand poetry acknowledge life to the digestive organs which The customer looked dated for a from the finneral of their eldest child, or port was ever made without it. It —result, improved appetits. North father was killed by falling from a moment, and the shop keeper did not who had died at the age of seventy-one. leads all others in power, permanency, rop & Lyman, of Toronto, have given scaffold at the city half, and of course seem happy when his seeletant inform- As they discussed their loss in deep and preclousness. | Purpose has no to the public their superior Quining. I had to try and take his place."

ad him that the customer was speakgrief the wife said it.

and how did you get, into Ward's ing of the weather, and had remarked. I said ally all all and the said lately.

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SOME TIME

Some time we're going to do a kindly Or speak a helpful word to som

lone heart. Some time we're going to plant the living send In soil where it will thrite and de ite part. Some time we'll stoop to help a wear!

ed soul That staggers underneath a heavy ome time we'll pause, while rushing toward the goal. To ald a brother on the rocky, road

Sometime we're going to step the censuless grind--This overlasting hurry life we live, and be more loving, tender, true and kind : More thoughtful and more ready to

Sometime well only see the good in He blind to all the worthless and the and recollect our own weak faults Just strive to make the whole world bright and glad.

THE LAW. If we are to have respect for haw to this country the law must be based upon those scutlments which with common apresciption because of their imtice and their fairness.-Charles

E. Hogbes.

THE FINDING OF A HORSESHON Hallors are, for the most part, careful to have a horse-shoe nalled to the mizzen-mast, or somewhere on the deck near 'mid-ships, for the protec-

fairly regarded as a branch of supersti-The tes-mosting at the Brick Church | tion long prevalent among ourselves. The principal gateway at Allahabad affair. Rev. W. H. Harvey, B. A., of is thickly studded with horse-shoes of ing, on the circuit, gave addresses. dred of them nailed all over the great Acton Methodist choir gave an ax- gates, doubtless the offering of many a cellent programme of music. Misses | wayfarer who has long finished his Abbott and Benson, of Everton, ren. earthly pilgrimage. The sacred gates dered several duetts very acceptably; of Somnath, in the fort at Agra, are and Missos Clara Moore and Bertha similarly adorned. The practice re-Leelle delighted the audience with minds us of the old manorial rite at Oakham, in Rutlandshire, England, A concert was given in the town where every poer of the realm is bound, the first time he enters the town tovy blackmail by unshoeing one of A very enjoyable time was apont at the horses. To avert so serious the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Gib. an annoyance, the tribute shoe is genbons, Requesing, last week, on the erally ready, some being of enormous occasion of the twenty: fifth Anniver | size, and inscribed with thuname of the

INSTRAD OF BUTTER

A good many years ago, when into England, some of the dealers loved clergyman and six years after advertised it as "an excellent substitute for butter," so says a British

A Lancabire workingman's wife, seeing such an advertisement in a shop window, thought she would give the the bride's parents, by liev. Robt. novelty a trial. She bought a two-Davey, assisted by Rev. Thos. Gee and pound jar. The next morning she Rev. D. M. Buchanan, Mr. N. F. entered the shop in a state of high in-

"You old villun!" she exclaimed to the grocer. "What did you mean by selling me that stuff? I pretty nearly poisoned my old man with it." "How were that?" asked the inno-

cent shop-keeper." "How were that ! Didn't you say it were a substitute for butter?" "Yas, I did." . . "Well, it is a ground substitute?

used some of it to fry a blf of fish with an' it made us all sick as we could be !"

TIME WAS NO OBJECT A shrewd old farmer named Uncle Harvey was approached by a bright, breesy young man who was selling incubators. The Green Bag, which tells the story, says the watesman gave Uncle Harvey the usual elequent arguments. There was not another such incubator to be found, the prices were remarkably low, and so on.

Uncle Harvey did not respond. The young man talked blinself out and made no impromion. Pinally he said. "you don't seem to appreciate these ingulators." "No," said Undle Harvey. "But just think of the time the

Uncle Harvey gave blee on

will save."

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ever, in Quinine Wine, when obtained in a sound, unadulterated state a remedy for many and grievous ills. The letter "p" is the most important By its gradual and judicious use the in the alphabet, because it leads all frailest systems are led into convalor-

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