

—AND THE WORST IS YET TO COME



## MARCH WEATHER DANGEROUS TO BABY

Our Canadian March weather—one day bright, but sloppy, the next blustery and cold—is extremely hard on children. Conditions make it necessary for the mothers to keep the little ones indoors. They are often confined to overheated, badly ventilated rooms and catch colds which rack their whole system. To guard against these colds and to keep the baby well till the better, brighter days come along, a box of Baby's Own Tablets should be kept in the house and an occasional dose given the baby to keep his stomach and bowels working regularly. The Tablets are a mild but thorough laxative which never fail to regulate the stomach and bowels and thus they relieve colds and simple fevers and keep the baby fit. The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

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## I Was Made of This and This.

(I was made of this and this—  
An angel's prayer, a gypsy's kiss.)

My mother bore me prayerfully  
And reared me sweet as a gift for God,  
And taught me to look shudderingly  
On ways my father trod.

He swore round oaths and drank black gin;  
He held four things to his heart's delight:  
The hills, the road, his violin,  
An open sky at night.

He told strange tales that were never true  
(They buried him long and long ago!)  
It always seemed the things he knew  
Were things it was wrong to know.

He scoffed at walls and a garden plot;  
He held three things to his heart's desire;  
The river's song, an open spot,  
The smoke from a driftwood fire.

I grieve for my mother's every tear,  
I weep for the hurt in my mother's breast,  
But ever and ever at bud o' year  
I love my father best.

—Gertrude Robinson Ross.

## A Magnanimous Stranger.

An interesting incident in connection with Phillips Brooks is related by Rev. W. S. Rainsford in his autobiography, "The Story of a Varied Life." Many years ago, at a time when Rainsford was still unknown, but when Brooks was at the very height of his career, Rainsford had to deliver a speech before a large audience in Boston. For some reason, he was fagged out at the time and had a very bad headache; and when he got on his feet, he declares, "the world went black"; he could see nothing, neither his notes nor the audience; he could scarcely utter a word, much less fill

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up intelligently the twenty-five minutes allotted to him; he "mumbled and stumbled" for a moment or two, and then sat down in a cold sweat, his speech a dismal failure.

The greater part of the audience, one may imagine, was ready to jeer, but at least one man had the big-heartedness to try to encourage instead of to stifle the young preacher. Putting his hand gently on Rainsford's shoulder, Bishop Phillips Brooks asked in a kindly voice, "Will you preach for me next Sunday morning?" That was Rainsford's first meeting with Brooks, but it was the beginning of a devotion that was to be lifelong.

## Tips on Tapioca.

What do you know about tapioca? Well, it is round; it is made of—of—Let Mr. Charles W. Mead help us out; in Natural History he describes how the Indians of Brazil manufacture the starchy, jellylike globules.

The Indian woman, he says, takes a large piece of bitter cassava root in both hands and rubs it back and forth on a board studded with hundreds of sharp pebbles until the root is reduced to pulp. When she has grated a sufficient quantity she presses as much water out of it as possible. For that purpose she uses as a press a long, narrow tube of basketwork called a tipiti, with a loop at either end. She forces the pulp into the press, which she then hangs up by one of the loops, through the lower loop she inserts a long, stout pole, which she runs under some convenient object, which serves as a fulcrum. Then she sits on the free end of the pole, and her weight stretches the press and forces the liquid through the interstices of the basketwork. The liquid is caught in a pottery vessel and is made into cassareep, the favorite condiment of the South American Indian.

The wet mass is taken from the press and spread on a large flat dish of pottery with a raised rim; under the dish a fire is built. If stirred rapidly, the preparation will not cake into large masses but will quickly agglomerate into small, irregular pellets, which are the tapioca of commerce.

## New Experience.

"Now, Malachi Doolan," said the magistrate to the evidently alarmed witness on the stand in a case of burglary, "bear in mind that you have sworn to tell the truth, and nothing but the truth."

"Yis, your Honor," stammered Mr. Doolan, his eyes wavering from the judge to the jury and back again; "it's mesilf that'll do the very best I can; but I hope the gintlement will be a trifle aisy at the start, for it's little used I am to that sort of thing, your Honor."

## The Number of Insects.

The number of species of insects in the world probably exceed three million.

## Jumping to Conclusions.

If you travel on a liner it is wise not to jump to the conclusion that everyone who wears a yachting cap is a steward. A passenger on the Baltic asked a passer-by to get him a chair, and rewarded the man with a shilling for doing so. Half an hour later he heard that he had tipped Sir Thomas Lipton! Sir Thomas has been telling the story himself, which is a sign of greatness on his part. Tennyson and

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