An Even Exchange

In a little town in one of the New England states there stands in the public thoroughfare a drinking fountain that is so deep and cool that after having once drunk its refreshing waters one never forgets them-The fountain was built some years ago in memory of an only daughter, and on the arch are carved the words, "God called her."

Farther down the main road, about a mile from the village, an old fash ioned white house will be found snuggled closely among great hedges of roses. In fact, every description of flower that can be coaxed to hold up its head in the New England climate will be found in this garden and at one side of the house they are so arranged that from earliest spring they spell the words, "God called her," and the panzies nod their wee heads confidently over the sentences. In a corner of the big low ceilinged living room there stands on an easel near the fireplace a fullsized portrait of a little girl of ten summers, with her arms full of blossoms. As you yook closely at the picture you can see something of the wonder the dear eyes beheld so soon after the painting had been finished, and here too you read "God called her." But it suggests a question. if you walk out of the house into the yard toward where the tiny stream winds its way through the garden you will come to a white headstone and again you see the words carved, and you feel stinctively the pleading in them. as though the hearts that breathed them were praying with tearless eyes and trying to understand.

Elizabeth Manning had been only child who had come one spring morning long after her father and mother had ceased to think of such a possibility. She had come with the violets and borrowed some of their blue for her eyes and some of the smile from the pansies. ten joyous summers she had played and danced in the great old house with its wonderful gardens. had laughed and sung the minute she opened her eyes in the morning until she closed them again at night. All about her she had cast rays of happiness and sunshine until one stormy day, after a few hours of illness, they kissed the smiling lips for little hands.

It was a struggle to the man and the woman left so suddenly alone and unconsciously they tried to heal the wound with the thought that God had called her. Because of Elizabeth's love of animals they erected the fountain and because the sight of it made their hearts ache afresh they had the words inscribed on the Even the flowers she had saw fewer and fewer of their friends. church. A number of the ladies had called from time to time, and the minister came often in the eventhe pretty room, with its cheery fingers hangings, was locked from sight.

from the garden greatly agitated. case be dropped and that the prison- General Joffre's Troops Much Strongthe flowers." This had happened papers with satisfaction and The efficiency of the French army and missed the train, and, being several times and one day Mr. Man- beamed down upon the child, who may well claim priority for consid- bound to reach home for work, underning went to the gardener and or- didn't understand a thing about it, eration in any discussion of the com- took to walk the track, About a mile dered him to watch and "catch the except that "everything was all parative value of the European east of Strathcona the express going

"I'll have him punished to the full-

court house. "The thief had been toward the Murphys.

think of the pansies.

was an unusual case, and judging in ten minutes." her by the standards of his own two Just then old Charlie stopped with boys he wondered what had prompt- a flourish in front of the door, and



FISKE O'HARA AND ETHEL VON HALDRON In the Beautiful frish drama "Jack's Romance," at the Grand on Wednesday, Jan. 13th.

to the home."

about it.

Murphy lamented.

selves in speechless amazement as

candy. Mr. Manning let Elizabeth

hold the reins as they drove home,

the happy talk and laughter of his

passengers drifted out to him, he

would shake his head knowingly, and

news, and they trotted along with

him, inside the fence, to ask him

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to the magnitude of the task before

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have dropped to \$30,000

RESPONSIBILITY IN FIGHT

when they had nearly reached his

he asked the little Elizabeth called to them.

"God called her," she answered promptly with convincing seriousness, and gaining courage she went on: "I asked the other Elizabeth for some of her flowers-she had such a lot. I'm Elizabeth, too, and there ain't no flowers where they put my mama," she explained. "Elizabeth did not need them all, and, anyway, my mama is with her now, know, because before they took her away she said God was calling her.

The silence that followed was althe last time and folded the still most oppressive and the wee offender looked from one to another wonderingly. "Why did their eyes all look so shiny and sorry? When she had been a naughty girl mother's eyes had looked like that." The baby lips trembled as she turned toward the pasture and told them the good vaguely, were in someway responsible for her plight and connected with the "other Elizabeth."

"I won't be naughty any more, loved were trained to repeat the mes- | she pleaded. "I thought the other sage, but five years had passed and Elizabeth wouldn't mind, an' Mrs. The old gentleman promised that Aylesworth, of New York and Mrs. the hurt was still there. Gradually Murphy is fixin' my things to take they would bring Elizabeth to church McConnell, of Toronto, have returnme to the 'home' to-morrow," she on Sunday. In the living room the ed home after spending Christmas told them. "Mrs. Murphy says little girl among the roses smiled at their sister's, Mrs. W. Day's. J. until now they ceased to attend there are lots of little girls in the

ing, but at last the Rev. John Wil- happened, but the child found her- been closed for so long Elizabeth run his grist mill. C. Smith is kens came to believe it best to leave self held close to a motherly heart. put her arms about Mrs. Manning's visiting friends in Brockville for a them alone until such time as God The man behind the desk and the neck, who was unfolding the dainty few days. A. Aylesworth spent himself chose to answer the question gardener began to draw pictures on I dresses of the "other Elizabeth," and New Year's at W. Day's. Mr. and that burned in their eyes. Eliza- the window pane, while Mr. Manning | said with a wonderfully happy baby Mrs. W. Day spent Friday evening at beth's dolls and toys were put care- caressed the small head awkwardly sigh, "God called her, and now we A. Day's. fully away, her dainty little dresses and tried to disentangle the curls both got mothers again." were folded tearfully in a trunk, and that would cling persistently to his

The officer of the court was glad One day Mrs. Manning came in when Mr. Manning asked that the Some one has been disturbing the er at the bar be awarded to his and ome one had been stealing his wife's custody. He filled out the New York Scientific American.

Mr. and Mrs. Manning led Eliza- grips with one another. est extent of the law," he stormed, beth out to where old Charlie stood In regard to the human material remains were taken back to Napance, angrily, and the steely gleam in the with bowed head. All the way to the Frenchman, as is well known where an inquest was held, no one bedark eyes made the man very care- the village the horse had heard ne- from the times of the armies of the ling found responsible for his death ful indeed how he answered, because nunciations and threats, but now as first republic and of Napoleon, makes Mr. Haggerty was night watchman for as he admitted afterwards, he the reins were gathered up he felt a good soldier. His dash, spirit and the Benjamin company and was high-thought "the old man had gone clear that things were different; so he marching power are valuable qualiaft."

shook himself vigorously to the great ties. His vivid imagination and susympathy is felt for his wife to the next day Mr. and Mrs. Man-delight of the new passenger, and perh initiative—the latter an important son by the people of the villa ming received a hasty summons to the trotted proudly through the streets tant asset when exercised within rea-

They found Mrs. Murphy over a enable him to cope successfully with Miss Lizzie Brown, The tear-stained blue eyes that washtub wringing her hands both the exigencies of modern warfare.

met those of the old couple had bor- positively and figuratively. She bad The army of the French republic Mrs. Stewart. Mrs. Edgar Walker rowed some of the blue from the sent her small Danny in search of of 1914 is very different from that of spent New Year's at Lindsay, the violets, and the dimples that played the missing Elizabeth, and he had the empire in 1870. This time the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Walker. around the rosebud mouth made one just returned with the information superiority of its arrangements in Alexander Lee and George Woodhou

that "she was no place to be found." peace time has been shown by the and family visited at the home of C. The man behind the desk looked "Un me wid the por lamb's bor smoothness with which mobilization Peters on New Year's day. The Forquestioningly at the little one. It all packed en the officer a-comin' has taken place.

ed this piece of mischief. "Where seven small Murphys grouped them-

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HAVE TO TELL

News From Villages and Farms Throughout the Adjoining Counties - Rural Events, and Movements of the People.

Picton Jottings.

Picton, Jan. 6 .- H. Johnston wa successful in the recent election se curing a nice majority. Many were sorry over the defeat of local option in town. Miss Rilla Smith is teach ing at the True Blue Orphanage school. Mrs. C. C. Wannamaker and little son, Douglas, who visited for two weeks at Maple Doll Farm, have returned to Salem. Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis English were recent visitors at Mr. Fox's. The local talent concert at Cherry Valley on New Year's night was a great success, and a good sum of money was realized.

Bell Rock Budget.

Rock, Jan. 5.—Business quite brisk since the roads are good. Many of the farmers are bauling wood to the adjacent villages, and some are drawing hay. Two new trustees were elected at the annual school meeting, John Grant and J. Meeks, Mr. Grant for three years and Mr. Meeks for two years. Miss E. Cassidy, Kingston, has taken charge of the public school here for the current year. Rev. Mr. and Mrs. M. Benn, of Toronto, are at I Moir's last week. Mrs. James Yorke who was seriously ill last week, is improving as fast as can be expect-. Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Amey spent Saturday and Sunday with his pa-

Selby Doings.

Selby, Jan. 8-The entertainment held in the Methodist Church on New Year's night was a grand success. The school meeting passed off quietly, J. Gollingher being elected trustee. Mr. and Mrs. D. McKim "I ben 'rested," she announced to visited friends at Hillier. The chickan envious crowd, "en I ain't a-goin' en pox is quite prevalent here among the children. Mr. and Mrs. F. "Listen to the poor dear," Mrs. L. Amey spent Sunday with friends at Bell Rock. Miss Mable Ander-It took only a few minutes to ex- son is engaged to teach at Barrett's plain what had happened, to strap school. Week of prayer is being the box on the back of the carriage, held in the Methodist Church this to wave "good-by" to the Murphys, week. P. Lasher has bought the to smile pleasantly to the little girl McGinness property here. Visitors: next door, and to the man who had Miss Beulah Gibson and brother at once given her a stick of peppermint G. Valleau's; Mr. and Mrs. C. Gonu and family at F. L. Amey's; Mrs. Armstrong at Miss A. Wood's; Mr. and old Charlie, realizing the change, derson's; Lieut.-Col. Putnam and wife at Rev. Mr. Cook's.

Bur Creek News.

Bur Creek, Jan. 6 .- Mrs. I Smith, a resident of this place, is ter's, Mrs. McAllister's, in Kingston. Mrs. C. McCullough and Miss Mildred are visiting friends at Havelock. J. Stafford visited his sister Mr. and Mrs. Manning shook hands Mrs. J. McRow on Sunday. Miss I heartily with the minister, whom Long, the former teacher, has been they met in front of the big house. engaged for another year. Miss M. at them as though she were glad, Woodruff has returned from Cole 'home," but there ain't no mothers," and the pansies under the window brooke, after attending the funeral nodded approvingly. Upstairs in of his brother. Charles H. McRew No one really knew just how it the pretty, cheery room that had has purchased a gasoline engine to

> The Late Robert Haggerty Yarker, Jan. 7.-The sad news of the accident which resulted in the death of Robert Hgggerty came as a shock to the friends and relatives on Tuesday. Mr. Haggerty spent the day in Napanee and returning home, troops now in the field and at close west struck him, inflicting such sonable limits are calculated to homes of Messrs. Warner and Lee. New Year parties were held at the In 1870 the leadership was ham- the funeral at Colebrook of the late pered by the defective personality of Charles Woodruff, Sunday last. School Napoleon III., and the supposed exi- has re-opened again, with Miss Long considerations; now we may assume, Mrs. O. Clark, of Petworth, visited the known views of the leaders, that position in the wheel works and will move from Odessa to Yarker. James energy, but cherishes no illusions as Warner attended the poultry show at Kingston on Tuesday. The local students have resumed their studies in the Newburgh high school. Miss M. Foster spent Monday last in Napanec.

King Orders New York World

the London Times, admittedly one American has taken the form of English-speaking world. Last year papers, among them the New York the Times made a net profit of World, are to be delivered regularly \$95,000. This year with three at Buckingham Palace. months of war included the profits. This is the first time in history any

English monarch thus has honored the American press and, although no of-ficial announcement on the subject has of Britain. Canada and the United been issued, the World States enormons sums. They are learns that his majesty's sudden wish spending more money to obtain war to read the World and other transnews, and they are losing advertis- Atlantic journals is largely due to his

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