Aunt Julie rubbed her spectacles. "Ah,

depresses me. I know that tomorrow

ball. I have also an invitation, and I

shall have the pleasure of seeing your

cheeks of lily rose, your neck of alabas-

shall again have the exquisite happiness

ter, your lips of coral, and doubtless .

of clasping your slender waist. But I

and you will find it on returning home.

You see how love renders one ingenious,

since it has inspired me with this clever,

"A clever idea?" said Aunt Julie, shak-

She resumed her reading. The writing

became more and more confusing, and

te ink was very pale. Aunt Julie was

with the shrilling of the locusts. Thus

othe torments I endure. I ought to ad-

das myself to your father or your moth-

ra the words she deciphered:

with confusion of visions.

had discove this letter-

and the most ded of your admirers."

"Who could it , been ?" she said.

Again she searcher memory.

of her efforts.

spell of the hour.

the wrinkles of her had.

laborious readined dulled her mind.

Her memory was rebellious in spite

"Who could it I been?" she repeat-

and little beads of Bration formed in

Hopeful of buture.

The Critic-That not look the

ed a chaplain to one a regiments in India for a toast, who considering some time, at length aimed with

"Alas and alack a dWhat can I

"Who could it haven? Who?"

Aunt Julie fe the letter and me-

instead of putting it in the

bg her bead. "Ah, yes. A clever idea

p conceal a letter in a pocket that

either day or night."

improvisation.

Aunt Julie turned the page.

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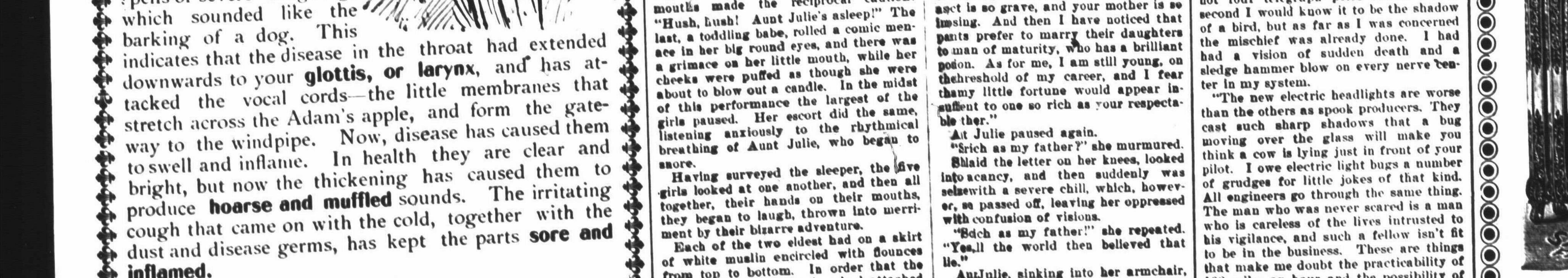
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That it is purposeful and cannot die. For even when the golden bowl is broken, And when the silver cord is loosed for aye, We hold the words that helpful lips have spoken To guide us gently on our rugged way.

And shows us, with a pow'r beyond resistance,

God takes the harvest, man is left the gleaning. And, to mistrusting ones, the Spirit saith, "There is no Life without its perfect meaning,

Sweet lives pass on; the world may never mind

And souls, though bright, may shed no dazzling

BETWEEN TWO NAPS.

Aunt Julie slept. While Aunt Julie thus slumbered in her chair the door was partly opened laughter trilled behind the door. The curly head turned quickly.

"Hush, hush! Aunt Julie's asleep." pressed laughter. Then through the door way, in line, arranged according to size, the tallest first, went five curly headed blond girls. They entered on their toes, walking stiff legged, with their arms extended. Their eyes were wide open, star-

Having surveyed the sleeper, the five

Then the laughter burst forth from all in

Aunt Julie was scandalized and lifted

"Ah, the rogues!" she exclaimed. "They don't know what else to do, so they have rummaged my chests. You little terrors, who gave you permission to take those

There was a chorus of enteraties, "Aunt Julie, Aunt Julie!" The eldest explained, "It is for the chaher youngbrother.

"What charade?" asked Aunt Julie, with interest, and then she added, "Ah, yes, of course! I had forgotten." And, at once mollified, she smiled at the juvenile masquerade.

"Have you found what you wanted?" queried Aunt Julie, amiably. lesque grace, affected polite airs. Yield- if I know t I am sustained by your straw in one of the saucers which lay ing to the desire to imitate, the babe affection or only a promise I shall obliquely across the edge of the ressel made a courteay. Her feet became entan-She was lifted up. Then, when firm on I shall be abe move mountains! The "I now pushed the straw about an inch

a pocket, which she found near her feet, my arm. I strepass in half an hour. and felt in it with care. Suddenly she exelaimed, "See, a piece of paper!" She brought forth an envelope, worn

Aunt Julie, greatly astonished, exclaim-

ed: "A letter! Give it to me, Lulu." She looked at the superscription, "Mademoiselle Julie."

It was for her. A letter! How long had It lain there, in one of those garments of other days, which Aunt Julie had pre- removed her spekes, and, her eyes on served jealously as relice? How long the ceiling whehe flies were again had it been forgotten, unknown, in fact, Perplexed, she turned the letter in her trembling fingers. She perceived a seal of wax on the back. This awakened in her mind a train of thought. Quickly she broke the seal and opened the letter. She

began to read: "Dear Mile. Julie-Fermit my leve for your tender and true"-But a blond curl brushed the cheek of Aunt Julie. The little girls, full of curl-

osity, leaned their heads toward her. She pushed them back. "For shame! You ill mannered chil-

"But what is that, Aunt Julie? Tell

"Nothing that you could understand. The little girls departed, and Aunt Ju-

turned to the peace amber. - Buffalo lie again began to read the letter: "Dear Mile. Julie-Permit my love for with this term of affection. Doubt-The Artist-True but don't you think will reach it tience, generosity and pity in order that

you, dear Mile. Julie erder to look at the signature. There was none. Disappointed, she continued

ber perusal of the letter: great simplicity: began to here you, and my eyes fellowramparts"-

THE LIMIT OF SPEED BY STEAM. But since the ball at the subprefecture, when you twice accorded me the divine An Engineer Says It Is in the Man favor of clasping your slender waist, I

and Not In the Locomotive. have lost my reason, and I have no peace "I read a piece the other day," said an old locomotive engineer, "in which a The writing, up to this point correct | New Orleans railroad man said that 150 and regular, now became confusing, run- miles an hour was one of the possibilities ning in ascending lines and capriciously of future travel. I venture to disagree showing that the writer of this anony- with him, and I'll tell you why. He mous epistle had abandoned himself to doesn't take into account the human machine in the cab. I don't doubt but my poor eyes, my poor eyes!" she ex- 150 mile gait, but they can't build the claimed as she drew the letter nearer to

"Ah, my dear Mile. Julie, how many very little difference between 25 and 50 It is a never raining remedy. It uses recommendately constitutions you of the trouble into which you have nerves isn't very materially increased, any other medicine during that long period. destroyed them. You are so beautiful separate fiber in the body, and the ten- an old lady, whose grand-children owe their that to write to you in a befitting man- sion is so terrible that one is apt to feel lives to ner I should have the genius of Lamar the effect for days. The average man Shiloh's When taken in time tine. But even then I should be frighten- can't stand many spurts at even 65 miles Cure. ed at my audacity, and I should hardly an hour, let alone 150. He comes out of know how to get this letter to you. But such an ordeal 'all broke up,' and jumps writes I have found a way, and I pray you to when he hears unexpected noises, like a S. C. Wells Co., Toronto, as follows: excuse the stratagem I shall employ to hysterical woman. My own theory is reveal to you at least the secret which that the effect is produced mainly that night, when little Tommy was taken with through the sight. You have to look the Croup. It was midnight and snowing. evening you will go to the president's straight ahead, but at the same time you Our house was a mile from the nearest village; see the things whizzing past on both sides I had no one to send for the doctor. I had out of the tail of your eye, and it is as if given Tom nearly a bottleful of syrup of ipecac, something had hold of the optic nerve without effect. He was suffocating. Frantic and was pulling it out like a rubber band. with fear I pulled him out of bed, and, as a That's a pretty clumsy explanation, but last resource, made him turn round and round; it's as near as I can come to it. Many's in fact, I whirled him until he grew nauseated shall find your opera cloak of rose colored the time I've staggered when I got up and suddenly threw up a quantity of phlegm; satin. To it I shall confide my avowal, from my seat in the cab. "That thing of staring straight ahead,"

continued the engineer, "is bound to get on any man's nerves in the course of time, particularly during night runs. One sees queer things, and I've had son e scares in my life that would have turne. my hair as white as milk if hair really turned white that way. The worst trouble is with shadows. It's no uncommon thing for a bird to flit across the headas big as a box car. Of course it's gone in an instant, but in just that heartbeat Do not be too severe on me, and think

"Srich as my father?" she murmured. moving over the glass will make you Shlaid the letter on her knees, looked | think a cow is lying just in front of your into acancy, and then suddenly was pilot. I owe electric light bugs a number of grudges for little jokes of that kind. selzewith a severe chill, which, howev-All engineers go through the same thing. er, se passed off, leaving her oppressed The man who was never scared is a man "Botch as my father!" she repeated. | who is careless of the lives intrusted to "Yes,ll the world then believed that his vigilance, and such a fellow isn't fit to be in the business. These are things AutJulie, sinking into her armchair, that make me doubt the practicability of 100 miles an hour and the possibility of and mout a care, leading the triumph | New Orleans Times-Democrat.

WONDERFUL INSECTS.

ther, therelation of ruin adding itself How Ants Bridged a Saucer of Water

the abjedecay which turned everything sectes," says that Cardinal Fleury told telling all about save a w souvenirs into money and him that he saw ants on one occasion which ed forth hypocritical compas- build a bridge of earth across some bird sion and jurious scorn and led to the lime which had been spread on a tree. painful 'ection of friends. Then fol- On another occasion the cardinal saw lowed thard struggle against wretch- these intelligent little architects build a edness, wh knocks at the door and in- floating bridge across a vessel of water less strue, in which among all her cquaintes Julie was known as "the struction of this bridge, thus showing with a downy." Then, at last wise due her, which in her old days bridge a success; also, that they pos-

she enjoyander the hospitable roof of sessed no small engineering skill. Still more wonderful is the account by But if I man, this unknown corre- Dr. Ellendorf, who writes that he saw spondent, I not heard of her father's ants bridge a saucer of water with a apocryphaletune, or if she at the time straw. He had placed the legs of a cupboard in saucers of water, thus, for a Aunt Jublew her nose noisily and few days, preventing the ravages of the "But I lotou, dear Mile. Julie, and as ever. On examination he found a be able to to good what is lacking and touched the leg of the cupboard; the in my fortur Ah, give me hope, and ants were using the straw for a bridge.

tion, she declared, "And I, too, have o'clock I shakes under your windows. Ellendorf, "and immediately a terrible I shall wear hite carnation for a boutonniere, and sall hold my cane under with hundreds of ants, feeling for the If you deign becourage my hope, place bridge in every direction with the antena handkerchierer the cage of your nae, running back again and coming in paroquet. Ad until we meet, dear ever larger swarms, as though they had Mile. Julie. A I beg you to forgive communicated to their comrades within my extreme auty and to believe in the cupboard the fearful misfortune that the love, tendend true, of him who had taken place. styles himself fife the most respectful

"Meanwhile the newcomers continued to run along the straw, and, not finding the leg of the cupboard, the greatest perplexity arose. They hurried around the thodically place in the envelope. She edge of the saucer and soon found out

Fun In the Greenroom. Bob Palmer, the comedian, had been originally a billsticker, a fact pretty generally known among his colleagues of But the shrillingthe locusts continobstinately atonous, and the the stage. One evening, when dressed golden atoms stilaced in the sun- for the character of Sir Brilliant Fashbeams, sifting the the renetian ion, he strutted into the greenroom with blinds. Aunt Julet the somnolent buckles sparkling on his shoes and a fine diamond on his finger.

A brother actor inquired if his gems She shook herselfed her eyebrows. were real. "To be sure they are. reply, whereupon Ba nister remarked, congratulate you, bob, for I can re-She murmured a n two names, and member when you wore nothing but then, her head oscillain time with the shrilling of the locube old maid re-

when Mrs. Jordan cried out: "Why don't you stick him against the wall, Bob? Stick him against the wall!"-London

are exceedingly slow. It takes from six

Take Care of the Children.

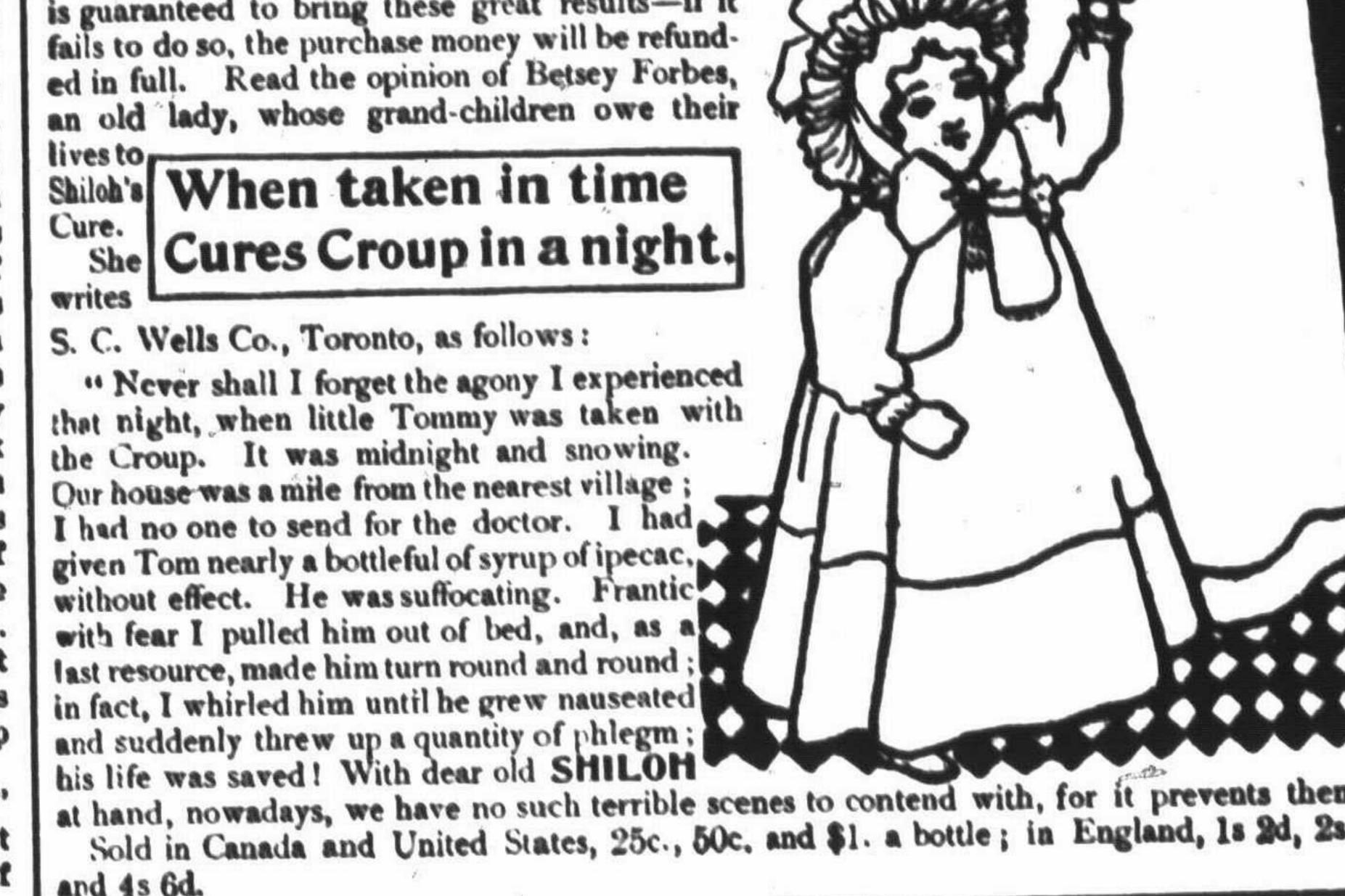
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