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ALONE IN THE CHAPEL. [RIPUBLISHED BY REQUEST.] One night, whilst kneeling all alone, Before my hidden Lord, While o'er my yearning, pleading soul, A strength'ning grace he poured. It seemed to me an angel came And whispered soft and low: "Couldst thou but see my Paradise, Its glory couldst but know! "There, kneeling in ecutatic love,

I bow before the Throne, And see Him face to face, whom thou Dost see by faith alone.

Of joy's ecstatic dart.
That pierces me when Jesus deigns
To dwell within my heart. "And, oh! thy sinless spirit pure Can never know how sweet The peace that fills the erring one Who seeks these wounded feet. "To bathe them in repentant tears As Mary did of yore, And hear that gentle whisper, 'Go In peace and sin no more.

"I do not envy thee thy lot.
Then let us both give praise
To Him who 'doeth all things well,'
Who rules in wondrous wars. "I do not envy thee for oh!

E'en though thou reign'st above. Faith, Hope and Love, my triple dow'r,

Miscellaneous.

A FORTUNATE JEST.

into the possession of a large fortune. or friends assembled about him, and sought to make him believe that thev could make life pleasant for him. was fond of company; full of life; with no restraint save his own conscience; and he was easily led on into the glare and glitter, of convivial enjoyment. His mother had died when he was

but a year longer. And he had no near Once he had loved a beautiful young girl; but his dissipated course had frightened her parents, and they had forbidden him their house until he could truly mend. This had so angered him that he had torn the image out from his heart. resolving that he would never be a slave. And he was living a brilliant, glorious life, he knew-or, at least, he told him-

indulged in. And the circle of friends clung closely.

and, anon, he came to the gaming- table.

One day, after his eyes had become bleared, and his step uncertain, he met the girl he had once loved in the street.

That night he sat down in his own apartments, with his own wine upon the side-board, and his own cards upon the you lie I will send you to prison, under table, and played with his dear friends! the provisions of the laws made and per-The wine flowed freely, he drank deeply, | vided. Is Jim Thomson dead?" and the game went on recklessly. They and late. On the following morning the young

man awoke with a bursting head and aching eyes. By-and-by he called to mind the events of the night. He looked into his pocket-book and into his purse. bers of the party for large amounts. He found the counter-foils, and they told him he had drawn his checks to the amount of

over two thousand.

wine and toasts.

offer a sentiment. "Fill up! fill up?" he cried, "while Here's to our sober and thrifty host! May he be over as sensible as he is at warning. Looked mighty bad for him

this moment!" It was drank with cheers-three times

It was observed that from that moment

"I was thinking, did Tom tell the truth when he said I was sober and "Of course he did! Oh! was ever man soberer, or more thrifty!"

cally, "I shouldn't want a friend to lie | cisc is better. "Oho! Sensible to the last! Fill up!" But the host would drink no more. flesh is heir to. He bade the others enjoy themselves as

they must excuse him. Without him, however, the sports lag ged; and when they found there was to be no card playing they soon dispersed. And after they were gone, the young man sat down alone, and thought;" and "Bober the words. "Soberand thrifty!" and thrifty!" rang in his cars, and he reneated them aloud.

at this moment!" And then, with a cholic stimulants) is good for the system. smiting of his elenched hand upon his without regard to the after effects. bosom, he explained. "Tem did not lis! will not let him lie l' On the following day the youth went sectors to their day branteur the

agraph appeared in the society papers, "We are rather pained to announce that F-B-, the young man who was the inheritor of a fortune little more than two years ago, has lost every penny.

now his bill for less than a hundred pounds has gone to protest." On the next day after this the young man (we will call him Fred) went to Tom Amberly, to whom he had given hundreds and thousands, and asked him for the loan make any verbal response. of a hundred pounds.

"John Thomas!" This time the voice "'Pon my honor, Fred, I wish I had it: but, really-" The youth waited to hear no more. He tried half a dozen others, and with the same result: save that one man, who had won two thousand pounds from him at one sitting, offered to give him five spoke?" said Mr. Belknap, angrily. pounds, but he wouldn't lend him! Then Fred went to his rooms, and sold off his furniture, and gave them up; and

from that time was lost to sight for sevcral months. It was getting towards Christmas time | ful way of yours." that a society paper came out on a certain morning with a paragraph which, to ged, as well as sullen.

a certain set was startling: "We are happy to state that a sad mis- This was said in a tone of command, announcement of the entire loss of Mr. | way of enforcing the order. time been very unfortunate, and, through | not moving a pace from where he stood. some strange mistake, a bill of his went 'Go and do what I tell you. Get your to protest; but he is all right now. The hat and jacket." manager of the bank where his account is kept informs us that he will honor the reluctant air, from the room. young man's check for a hundred thousand pounds with pleasure. All is well called after him. "I'm in a hurry, many good qualities, that ought to be each day to fill a leaf with good things. that ends well."

old friendship. that was the note from Tom Amberly: "Do you remember. Tom, that you once offered a toast in my rooms in honor of myself: and you called me your 'Sober you had not lied !"

ringing Fred led the dear girl of his oldtime love to the altar, and took her hand in wedlock, promising that the night had passed, and that the morning had dawned upon a new and better life.

Uncle Jim.

His Death Gave His Nephew a Close Shave. I was on the porch of the village tav- | night? ern when a tow-headed boy of 15 came self so. He drank deeper and deeper; riding up on an old roan mare to spread the news that his uncle Jim was dead-In short, every vice that a wealthy spend- | killed by a falling tree. It appeared that | shoulders well for you." thrift might find fleeting pleasure in, he the uncle had many friends and relatives in the village, and it wasn't long before a | this threat. a fact plainly enough apparscore of them gathered about the boy and | ent to John Thomas in the tone of his They swore by him; declared him a plied him with questions. He was rather father's voice. Not just wishing to have They drank his wine, and rob- bashful, but he gave a pretty straight ac- matters proceed to this extremity, the bed him of his money; and if a new count and furnished all particulars The boy opened a closet, and singularly source of pleasure could be found, they crowd was still asking questions when a enough, there hung his jacket in full all went in for the enjoyment, and he paid man about 60 years old, lame and bent view. At the expiration of the minute,

and bald-headed, pushed his way in and he was standing before his disturbed "Everybody stand back! I was justice of the peace for fourteen years, and bain't it?"

"Yes, sir. "Mother used to be Sarah Goodhue:"

"Yes, sir. "Now I want the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. If

"Yes, sir." "Did a tree fall on him?" ''Yes, sir." "Beech or maple ?" Beech." "Dead when you found him?"

"Yes, sir." "Be keerful, boy! You are the same as on your oath. Was he stone dead?" "Yes, sir." "Been dead three hours?" "Yes, sir."

particular attention to my next question. But what of that? Before night he The case may go to the supreme court for had drank brandy enough to steady his all we know, and I want every one of you perves, and make him once more happy. I to remember my exact language. Now. Another evening come, and again his boy, look me straight in the eye and anriends were assembled around his board. swer mo without hesitation. Don't ye He had got up a grand supper for them | look to the right nor left, and don't imthis time, and after the various courses lagine I can't see right through you.of food had passed in order, came the Now, sir, did your uncle Jim look natural when we found him or didn't he?-And one of the friends, to whom a Quick! Don't stop to think up a lie."

"Y-ves!" gasped the boy. "All right—that settles it. I am perfeetly satisfied with the examination, and give you the toast of the evening! the prisoner is discharged on his showing. He'd better take this as a great moral at one time there."

Mistakes We Make.

To labor when we are not in condition To conclude that the smallest room in the house is large enough to sleep in.

To take off proper clothing out of season because you are heated. To think the more a person eats the stronger and healthier he will become To imagine that if some work or exer-

To think any nostrum or patent medicine is a specific for all the diseases that

To go to bed late at night and rise at daybreak, and imagine that every hour taken from sleep is an hour gained. To believe that children can do as much work as grown people, and that the more

they study the more they learn. To eat as if you had only a minute to finish the meal in, or to eat without appetite, or to continue after it has been satis- is to be done with him. Aunt Mary?" fied merely to gratify the taste. To imagine that whatever remedy causee one to feel immediately better, (as al-

· ''John Thomas!" Mr. Belknap spoke ! in a firm, rather authoritative voice. It was evident that he anticipated some re- doubt whether it were best to give utterluctance on the boy's part, and, therefore, assumed, in the outset, a very decided

Misfortune has befallen him; so that manner. John Thomas, a lad between twelve | Mary. and thirteen years of age, was seated on a door step, reading. A slight movement | better.' of his body indicated that he heard, but he did not lift his eyes from the book, nor

> of Mr. Belknap was loud, sharp and imthe volume in his lap, and looking up born. with a slightly flushed, but sullen, face. "Didn't you hear me when I first

"Yes, sir." "Then, why didn't you answer me Always respond when you are spoken to. I'm tired of this ill mannered. disrespect- | the floor in hurried self examination.

The boy stood up, looking, now, dog-"Go and get your bat and jacket." take was made a few months since in the companied by a side toss of the head, by F-B-'s fortune. He had at that 'What for?" asked John Thomas,

Move briskly." to give, and begging him to remember ed he out into the passage and up the nutrition." stairs: while the impatient Mr. Belknap Only one of them did he answer, and could with difficulty restrain an impulse

to follow after, and hasten the sulky's movements with blows. He controlled himself, however, and re- Time moved steadily on. Nearly half that I have not thought of in my waking sumed the perusal of his newspaper. and thrifty host.' And I resolved in my Five. ten minutes passed, and John Thomhear of hearts from that moment that as had not yet appeared to do the errand upon which his father designed to And when the Christmas bells were send him. Suddenly Mr. Belknap dropped his paper, and, going hastily to the the delay chafed him considerably; the bottom of the stairs called out:

> "You John! John Thomas!" "Sir!" came a provokingly indifferent voice from one of the chambers. "Didn't I tell you to hurry—say!"

"I can't find my jacket." "You don't wan't to find it. Where did you lay it when you took it off last | Mary's suggestion, and he would again re- | The blessed innocence! but I am glad it

"I don't know. I forget." jacket on, in one minute. I'll warm your eyes would be upon him at the return of turn over new leaves to-day. It is the

Mr. Belknap was quite in carnest in father, with his jacket on, and buttoned

up to the chin. "Where's your hat?" now asked Mr

Belknap "I don't know sir."

"Well, find it, then. "I've looked everywhere." "Look again. There! What is that on the hat rack, just under my coat?" The boy answered not, but walked moodily to the rack, and took his hat

therefrom. "Ready at last. I declare I'm out of patience with your slow movements and sulky manner. What do you stand there for, knitting your brows and pouting your lips! Straighten out your face, sir I won't have a boy of mine put on such

a countenance." The lad, thus angrily and insultingly rated, made a feeble effort to throw a few rays of sunshine into his face. But the effort died fruitless. All was too dark, sullen, and rebellious within his bosom.

whom it is addressed. "Do you go down to Leslie's and tell him to send me a good claw hammer and three pounds of eightpenny nails. And go quickly." The boy turned off without a word of reply, and was slowly moving away, when

always stifles self-respect in the one to

his father said, sharply. "Look here, sir !" John Thomas paused and looked back.

"Did you hear me?" "Yea, sir" "What did I tell you to do?" "To get you a claw hammer and three pounds of eight-penny nails,"

in some way, that you heard me? Haven't I already, this morning, read you in his eyes that contrasted with the utter a lecture about this very thing? Now, want of interest displayed in his manner go quickly. I'm in a hurry." For all this impatience and authority on the part of Mr. Belknap. John Thomas moved away at a snail's pace: and as the former, in a state of considerable irritability, gazed after the boy, he felt strongly tempted to call him back and

"Very well. Why didn't you indicate

give him a good flogging in order that he might clearly comprehend the fact of him being in earnest. But, as this flogging was an unpleasant kind of business, and had, on all previous occasions, been succeeded by a repentant and self-acousing state, Mr. Belknap restrained his indignant impulses."

turns in helf an hour, it will be a won- run right over at once." der." muttered Mr. Belknap, as he came back into the sitting room. "I wish I respect or obedience in him. I never saw like a tortoise, and, ten chances to one, rand. Mr. Belknap saw and understood if he doesn't forget his errand altogether the meaning of that look. before he is half-way to Leglie's. What

was a valued relative, who was paying him willed boy, might now be growing in beauty."

AUNT MARY'S SUGGESTION. his words. "Iv'e tried everything with him: but he remains incorrigible. "Have you tried-Aunt Mary paused, and seemed half in

> ance to what was in her mind. "Tried what?" asked Mr. Belknap.

unimpassioned manner with the boy? and nowadays there are almost as many Since I have been here, I notice that you of one kind of leaves as of the other. speak to him in a cold, indifferent or au- Yes, and as for kinds and styles there are thoritative tone. Under such treatment, almost as many in books as on the trees. some natures, that soften quickly in the but are there any so witty and wise? If "Sir," responded the boy, dropping sunshine of affection, grow hard and stub- you will make a study of the leaves-that

brow of Mr. Belknap

plainly said Aunt Mary. for some time, but sat with his eyes upon better than gilded. Some one has said said he, as he looked at her with a sobered to be learned from a single rose leaf. face. "I needed that suggestion, and That is more than we can say of our book thank you for having made it."

Mrs. Howitt has a line which beauti- to be nearly as good as rose leaves. fully expresses what I mean," said Aunt Mary, in her gentle, carnest way. "It

"For love bath readier will than fear." And if we could all comprehend the wonderful power of love! It is the fire "but tell me why we should turn a leaf that melts: while fear only smites, the strokes hardening, or breaking its un- I do not know," said John. "I suppose "Now don't be all day," Mr. Belknap sightly fragments. John Thomas has if one lives rightly, there is enough in made as active as possible. These, like and then one may turn it over in the Within four-and-twenty hours of that | How powerless the father's words died | goodly flowers growing in a carefully till- | morning. But if it be bad, then one had time Fred was in receipt of a dozen gush- on the air. The motions of John Thomas ed garden will absorb the latent vitality better tear it out altogether." "Only," ing notes, from as many different individ- were not quickened in the slightest de- in his mind and thus leave nothing from said I, "one cannot do that, and there is uals, offering him any help in their power gree. Like a soulness automaton pass- which inherited evil tendencies can draw where the likeness fails, for we can pick

> Belknap's thoughts were soon too busy curious," said John, "that one can never with a new train of ideas, to leave him

in any mood of conversation. commands. Some times he would vield

sire only his good. The fact is, Mr. Belknap had already turn them over, there will also be blosmade the discovery that, if he would govern his boy, he must first govern himself. wholesomeness." "And there will be

that it must be done. as glanced forth, and saw John Thomas coming homeward at a very deliberate But there is great difference in fruits." pace. There was more of impatience in his tone of voice than he wished to betray to Aunt Mary, who let her beautiful, augel-like eyes rest for a moment or two. penetratingly, upon him. The balancing

performed its work. Soon after, the loitering boy came in-He had a package of nails in his hand which he reached, half-indifferently, to

his father. "The hammer!" John started with a half-frightened air. "Indeed, father, I forgot all about it !" said he, looking with a flushed countenance, in which genuine regret was planly visible.

"I'm sorry," said Mr. Belknap, in a

disappointed but not angry or rebuking voice "I've been waiting a long-time for you to come back, and now I must go leaf, for they begin the year wrong end "See here." Mr. Belknap still spoke to the store without nailing up that trelin that peculiar tone of command which lis for your mother's honeysuck! wisteria, as I promised. The boy looked at his father a moment or two with an air of bewilderment and

surprise: then he said earnestly:

down to the store and get it for you in.a minute. I'm very sorry that I forgot it." "Yes-yes," he murmured, halfaloud

"Just wait a little longer. I'll run

"Mrs. Howitt never uttered a wiser say-"For love bath readier will than Quicker than ever Aupt Mary, whose faith in kind words was very strong had expected. John came in with the hammer. a bright glow on his cheeks and a sparkle

a little while before. "Thank you, my son," said Mr. Belknap as he took the hammer. "I could not have asked a prompter service." He spoke very kind, and in a voice of approval. "And now, John," he added, with the manner of one who requests rather than command, "if you will go over to Frank Wilson's and tell him to ches were just opening. come and work for two or three days in our garden, you will oblige me very much. I was going to call there as

too late now."

"Do, if you please," said Mr. Belknap now speaking from an impulse of knew what to do with him. There is no real kindness, for a thorough change had come over his feelings. A grateful look such a boy. He knows that I'm in a | was cast by John Thomas, into his father's hurry; and yet, he goes creeping along face, and then he went off to do his er-

"Yes-yes-yes," thus he talked with And Mr. Belknap turned, as he spoke, | "Aunt Mary and Mrs. Howitt are right. to an elderly lady, with a mild, open Love bath a readier will. I ought to face, and clear blue eyes from which good- have learned this lesson earlier. Ah ness looked forth as from an angel. She haw, much that is deformed in this self-

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How many beautiful ideas are framed into language and float all about from "May I speak plainly?" said Aunt somewhere up the stream of time. Why did some one call the thin lamine of "To me? Why, yes. The plainer the paper which make up a book, leaves indeed it was a pretty thought, for how like the 'Have you tried a kind, affectionate, leaves they are, thin, fravile, perishable, is, the book of nature—you will see they The blood mounted to the cheeks and are marvelously well written upon. And you will not find one that is not illustra-

"Forgive me if I have spoken too ted with finer art than even adorns the pages of our art books. See how well Mr. Belknap did not make any response cut are the edges, and enameled, which is if we could live as long as Methusclah we "No, Aunt Mary, not too plainly," should not be able to find out all there is leaves, although I know some that geem LEAVES IN OUR LIVES. "Well, well," said John, as we sat down to the breakfast table this morning, 'we must all turn over new leaves to-day. "Tis an old saying, father," I answered to-day more than any other day." "Truly, off the trees a worm eaten leaf, but in the Aunt Mary said no more, and Mr. life book it must stay foreyer." "It is

forget. Ohly lust night, in a dream. recalled events to the utmost minutise. an hour had clapsed, in which period | hours for twenty years, and I cannot now John Thomas might have gone twice to possibly by force of purpose bring it back Leslie's store, and returned; yet he was | so fully and clearly. But I did it in my still absent. Mr. Belknap was particu- sleeep, and shall no doubt do it again .larly in want of a hammer and nails, and | What a terrible thing it would be to live forever in a bad dream-never wake un more particularly as it evidenced the in- but never cease to dream on-recalling difference of his son to his wishes and and rehearsing the evil one has done." "But, papa," said Ned, "you have to a momentary blinding flash of anger never done anything bad, you know-so and resolve to punish the boy severely | what's the use of talking about it?"the moment he could get his hands on Now. John, Jr., has great faith in me. bim. But quickly would come in Aunt but Ned has boundless faith in his father. solve to try the power of kind words. is so; for if not life would be a desert to He was also a great deal strengthened in us who see and know our faults. So "If you are not down here with your his jurposes, by the fact that Aunt Mary's said, "Yes, John, I think we will all John Thomas. After her suggestion, first day of spring and nature is already and his acknowledgement of its value, it at work with her new leaves. She wil would hardly do for him to let passion so not turn them over only, but will make rule him, as to act in open violation of them outright, and swing them high, and what was right-to wrong his son by fill them up as they grow. And then we harsh treatment when he professed to de- must not forget that as soon as leaves begin to get large enough for the wind to soms, and with blossoms sweetness and This was not an easy task. Yet he felt fruit also in due time," added John. "if something do not interfere. So I suppose "There comes that boy now," said he, our new leaves must not be quite like book leaves, but more like apple leaves.

> OUT IN THE FIELDS AND FOREST. But I do not like moralizing, especialy of the old Hannah More sort, because there is no end to it any more than there is to a spider's web, so I proposed that power of that look was needed; and it we finish our eating and go out and see nature at her work. What can be finer than a spring day that is full of premonition and preliminaries? It was not vet May by any means, but it was a May day -soft and warm-but above all unutterably quiet. Did it ever occur to you that on some days Nature herself is listeningperhaps trying to hear her own pulse beat? The elms and soft maples were shaking out their infinite plentitude of blorroms. and the English clus looked as if covered with a great crop of hope. I wish these trees would turn over a new

and They ripen a vast crop of seeds and fling them down over all the lawns, and all summer they are sprouting and springing in every nook and corner. and outside of all the nocks, too. I said this to John, and he only answered that if I could have my way there would be a funny world after awhile. Did we not come out "Run along, then," said Mr. Belknap to turn over leaves and amend things? To be sure! But I wish that men would turn over a new leaf, and get rid of their sarcasm and conceit. Ah. but what splendid creatures they would be after

awhile, if we only had the way of it and the making of them. The liles is the finest shrub in the world. It has every good quality. It comes so very early, is loaded with blossoms, is not only sweet, but healthily aweet: is as easily grown as a thorn bush or nettle. I like a flower that takes to the poor people and will grow without extra care. That is the lilac exactly; just what the goranium is in pots the lilac is in our yards. We sat down by the great bushes of purple and white Persians, and watched the young tuits of flowers. There were more flowers than leaves and one or two bun-

Fresh young grass, full of greenness and dotted with blue violets, is fixe, also, for the same reason. They belong to went to the store this morning, but it is every one, and are never stinted in quantity-neither grass nor violets. Then. "Oh, I'll go father-I'll go" replied overhead, should be, first of all, apple "If that stubborn, incorrigible boy re- the boy, quickly and cheerfully. I'll trees. With grass, violets, lilage and apple trees spring is complete everywhere. These do not need to turn over any new leaves, by way of amendment. They are four of the perfect things in nature.

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For it hath ne'er been thine
To feel 'tis love for thee that binds
The Captive on this shrine. "And thou hast never known the thrill

I have my Guest Divine, And while I now enjoy this bliss, I hope one day for thine. "I do not envy thee thy lot,

A certain young man, living not a thousand miles from the city of London, had, at the age of one and twenty, come Immediately thereupon the fair weath-

youth of sixteen, and his father had lived relatives to counsel or to guide him.

He read pity in her sweet face, and saw | I shall take charge of this sarcumstance tears in her eyes; and he tried to steel myself. Now, boy, your name is Tom, his heart; yet he thought of her until his wild friends were again around him. One day he went to the bank and draw out a thousand nounds.

played for high stakes, and played fust Empty, both! And he remembered that he had given his check to various mem-

large check had been given, got up to

the spirits of their host seemed to fail He became moody and abstracted. to do so. By-and-by some one bantered him upon and asked him what was the matter. He answered:

"Because," pursued the host, pathesi- cise is good, violent or prolouged exeron my account ?" much and as long as they pleased: but

And then he repeated: "May he be ever as sensible as he is