BLIND JENNIE'S PATHETIC STORY OF WAYS OF DOING GOOD.

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In a little cast side tonement she liver. . woman "sore afflicted unto tiod," yet who knows not the nature of repining.

Ab not if you ash any child of the neighborhood to tell you the happiest, sweetest, must tranquil person in it, 1 wager they'll shout with unanimity, "Blind Jonnio!"

And it is true as true can be. The light has gone forever from the eyes, a blight rents on the feeble body, but on the peaceful scul and on the mind illumed are lights no doctor's or magician's skill could conjure up, and Jennie, "Illimi Jennie," everybody's friend in Lewis street, basks in eternal sunshine.

A simple little story is Jennie's, a story that I might fill full of bears, I suppose. and much sontimentality. But what ithe use of weeping if Jennie smiles? I it not better to rejuice that the little hereine has found so much good to do in the world which has so little good to offer her?

Sho was struck by lightning many years ago-at least, that is the cause her mother gives of her blindness. This mother, with whom she lives, is a little flighty at times, and that is one of Jennie's crosses, but it is her unflagging industry, going about the streets peddling soap, matches and jimcracks, which pays the rent and brings bread to the poor tenement which the two call home. The bad boys often chase the old woman, taking advantage of her feeble mind, and harass her greatly. There is no crueler beast in the jungles of Asia than the bad boy. and he has not the beast's excuse for cruelty.

After Jennie had been blind some time the disfiguring disease attacked her face. It ate away her mouth and nose and compelled her to wear a thick veil whenever she went out to the church or Sunday school. Doctors said it was a cancer, and attempts were made by kind friends to get Jennie admitted to the Cancer hospital, but the physicians there said that it was no cancer. And so, with that cruelty which sometimes marks the conduct of our hospital attendants, sworn to mercy and kindness, poor Jennie was driven from one institution to another, and none would have her. None would have her! Shame be it on the name of every one!

And so she retreated to the poor little tenement behind another tenement and prepared to live out her life as best she might.

And then began her Sunday school. She did not seek for scholars. They came to her as the sparrows did to look for crumbs upon the window sill. They were the children of the very poor. Some of them were of Hebrew birth. like Jennie, others were Roman Catholics. Others did not know if they had been born to any creed, unless it were the creed of poverty and anguish.

How they crowded into that little room! What comfort they found there under the spell of the blind girl, who seemed to them to talk with the tongue of angels! How they awakened the echoes of a region which usuall sounded to the songs and curses of the drunken and the vile!

third dute a recordality. SPREADING SUNSHINE The latent throug deviced to homen the labor of living and the cares of a house knows is a corporation known as the ACENES OF SARE BEAUTY IN THE DLD.

this dole and Troboring company, Instead. The parent office of the coneven is naturally enough in New York but neverting to its prospectus it has, or will have, autoditory comparing in all the lates either.

It is a charming idea. this odd job company and the man who originated the achieve doorwoon a voto of thanks for his ingennity. Though limited in its Badollitico, its acops of anofalmon is not curtailed, but is as limitless as human wants may normaliste.

her cousin on wash day and remains absent for a week, a postal card to the odd job company at once brings a substitute who will perform all the multitudinous duties of the "down stairs girl" with espedition and dispatch. And so it gos on through every department of the household.

"You send a postal card," says the advertisement calling attention to the company, "and we will do the rest," This remainder, as further specified, includes housecleaning, painting, mason and locksmithing work, cierical work and miscellaneous work, and other things too numerous to mention, but all of the greatest importance in the economy of living in a well appointed house,-New York Herald.

# Making a French Cook.

The making of a man cook in France. is a lengthy and tedious process. When a young man decides to pursue a culinary career he selects his nominal instructor, to whom he pays a fee of \$500. The aspirant is first assigned to the vegetable cook, who teaches him how to prepare the raw materials. When he has mastered this, he is initiated into the mystery of cooking them. This thoroughly learned he studies the way of cutting up raw meat, of preparing fish and how to stuff, dress, truss and lard game and poultry. When he has thoroughly learned this, he is placed before the range, where he receives instruction in the various processes of broiling, frying, roasting and baking.

When he graduates from this department, he passes under the control of the second cook, who reveals to him the mysteries of sauces and soups. The interest of this functionary in his pupil it is necessary to accelerate with liberal and frequent tips. The young man is now turned back to the pastry cook, to whom he serves a long apprenticeship in all that pertains to the concoction of sweets, pastries and ices. This completes his culinary education, and he is prepared to assume the role of a competent cook.-New York Sun.

# John Nihle's Brave Deed.

An old comrade of mine, Sergeant John Nihle, attached to the United States cavalry, was out with a scouting party, and they were surprised by a party of Indians four times their number. They exchanged shots with them, wheeled about and made for camp, some miles distant.

The Indians continued firing, and finally one of the white men was bit and fell from his horse. Quick as a flash Nihle dismounted, dropped on his knee and fired at the foremost Indian, bringing ontory, which often jutted into the sea, him to the ground. Jumping up he placed his wounded comrade across his huddled together for protection against horse, jumped up behind him, and by the Arab incursions. keeping up a continual fire at his pursuers carried him into camp. Congress awarded Nihle a medal and also a certificate setting forth the facts of his heroism. He was the champion shot of the army for several years, his left breast being decorated with medals to the value of \$700, but the one he prizes most is the simple one of bronze awarded by congress

# THE AMERICAN. GARDENS OF SIDON. Worsts in the Talephysics.

PHOENICIAN CITY.

Their Garments and Their Arms.

and lemon trees with white blossons.

MTERNICH,

erald.

traders.

Long distance telephoning has become a little release on its own account and hear stalled into existence a class of operstors who are valuably by reason of the charmons and storpaces with which they cais promotion words while speaking An Ansteni City Noted For Dis Many

tirester and transform-Ployentein as Mr. Papilly It has also developed the fact that the Approxy Today - The Dress of its Propin. Press is honorage is better adapted by the encourses of the tricploma than the Eng-The unificary business of the long The descirops glittered in the light of distance tolophone between Paris and the just rising out, and the air was heavy

London is carried on in the French lonwith sweet odors of hundrods of omige games. It is stoted that the considerable proportion of sibilant or hissing syllables The scene was a picture of marvelous in Luglish renders it a less easy and an If Mary takes it into her head to visit fertility. Orange thickets, yellow and gurate means of communication. white with their double burden of fruit Certain English words are especially

and flowers; lemon, apricot and fig trees, difficult of transmission by telephone. interspersed with the more tropical pain. The word "weldier" is cited as one of and date, all growing in the greatest these. Proper names frequently occur in the midst of an otherwise perfectly huxuriance. At times we saw the queer audible and intelligent conversation shaftlike leaves of the banana, often is which the car cannot possibly catch. feet in length. An occasional mulberry These must be spelled out, involving doorchard explained the presence of an enhiv

terprising silk manufactory near by. Expert telephone operators in the press Every few yards little brooks babbled along, the absolute essential of this lug. service between Paris and London have succeeded in transmitting messages in the French language at the rate of 190 It is not strange that this paradise of

words a minute. This is at a much flowers and fruit is much frequented by swifter rate than ordinary speech .-the inhabitants of the crowded, dirty Youth's Companion. town. No one can ride through these fair gardens and fail to perceive why the

# The Profit In Foam.

worship of the old Sidonians was so Some people deplore the use of foamclosely connected with the grove, and ing preparations in soda water, claiming how from nature's rich profusion about that such additions are totally uncalled them they learned to worship the idea of for and unwarranted, but it must neverfertility, which was the essence of their theless be conceded that soda foam can religion. The ancient Sidon, too, was bring forward several valid arguments not crowded down close by the sea, but in its own favor. In the first place, it away. was situated farther back in the plain, aids greatly in keeping the gas from esand thus was enriched by a ring of emcaping too rapidly from the tumbler. In away, the second place, it undoubtedly adds On the outskirts of the gardens we greatly to the dispenser's profits, for it is away. came to the catacombs of old Sidon, claimed that by adding two ounces of which have been excavated by the

foaming preparation to a gallon of sirup Frech. In the soft limestone rock ex-tend long series of connected chambers the confectioner can draw 50 more glasses than without the foam. which have contributed a few rude Thirdly, we must remember that the statues, several sarcophagi and mumappearance of any article of food or mies to the very few mementos which drink plays fully as important a part as we have of that enterprising people its taste in increasing the appetite and who secured their alphabet in Egypt and carried it to Greece, and thus transwhen we bear all these facts in mind we mitted, with certain changes, the letters shall be inclined to look upon the snowy with which we communicate our 19th foam with more leniency. And, indeed, century ideas. More of the æsthetic art however we may look at it, there is no of Phoenicia is to be seen today in

denying the fact that it has come to stay, Athens than in all Palestine. There in and to stay probably for a considerable the Mycenæ room one can see the richly period of time, so we must make the best inlaid daggers, the beautiful ornaments we can of the matter.-Thomas Warand the facsimiles of the beaten gold wick in Confectioners' Journal. cups which were also manufactured by these artisans of oriental antiquity to

# Story of a Lustrous Diamond.

grace the temple of Solomon at Jerusa-One of the finest diamonds in the world lem. Every ruin of that ancient world. was found not long since in the Brazilian whether in Phcenicia or not, when laid sands. It came in a novel form. A small bare bears ample testin.ony to the skill quartz rock was found, about the size and enterprise of this Semitic nation of and shape of an egg. lying in the sands

along the bank of the Amazon in Brazil. Leaving these old tombs and the This was carried home by a Braziltan thoughts that they inspired, we were peasant, who was attracted by its odd soon studying Phœnicia as she appears shape and light weight. For some time today. On our left extended the Lebait lay in his home with a number of non range, while in the distance rose other geological specimens, a mere curiosity. Happening one day in handling Superior Work. Mount Hermon, clad in snow, glistening like Pentelicus marble in the midday it to drop it on a stone block, it burst sun. On the right was the blue sea, inopen and lay in halves on the block. to which we ere long took a plunge. Be The hollow interior that gave the light fore us the narrow bridle path extended, weight to the stone was filled with blood now through fertile although only half red sand. In this sand lay the diamond, cultivated fields, now over a rocky proma sparkling stone of the rarest quality. The stone was later sold to a diamond Habitations were rare and generally merchant and left the finder exceedingly wealthy .- St. Louis Globe-Democrat. Where Styles In Hats Rarely Change. Dr. Doran tells us that the Natal "fashionables" wear hats a foot high in height, made of the fat of oxen. They first gradually anoint the head with a pure grease, which, mixing with the hair, fastens the hat on during the lifetime of the wearer. The Myantses make a hat of a board 12 inches by 6. They place it on their heads, draw the hair over it and seal it with wax. They cannot lie down without keeping their necks straight, and when they comb their hair, which they do once or twice a year, they have to spend considerable time in melt-

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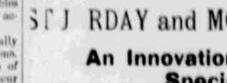
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Two Sundays in Jennie's week-Saturday for the Jews and Sunday for the Gentiles.

One day a little girl came up to the room

"I want to come to Sunday school," she said.

"But there is no Sunday school till after dinner."

Well, I ain't going to have no dinner today, so I guess I'll stay and wait."

You may be sure that she was made welcome, and that she did have dinner that day with Jennie and her mother.

And that is the kind of child who be longs to Jennie's Sunday school. There are fully 50 who belong to it, and who attend either one day or the other.

Jennie's knowledge of the Scriptures and of the hymns sung in the mission and at her home is marvelous. If the words of a hymn whose music attracts her are read to her several times, she remembers them forever after. The singing is one of the great attractions to the little ones.

The members of Jennie's class do not meet at stated hours, but run in whenever they desire.

Ah, what a glorious thing it was that the hospitals turned Jennie from their inhospitable doors! She would have been so useless in those warm and cheerful rooms-a recipient of their alms and nothing else, whereas she has turned her tenement into a temple and filled one of the darkest corners of the city with the light and the grace of God.

Hope Mission chapel keeps its eye on Jennie and her mother and keeps the wolf from entering at the door, as it would do sometimes if they were left absolutely unaided. The good people, who are not overrich themselves, help them out with the rent and the coal man.

A few days ago the missionary went shopping for Jennie, and this was what he bought after paying out \$5 for the rent: Quilt, \$1.50; cot, \$1.25; underclothing, \$1.75; pillow, 74 cents; sheets, 68 cents; two cups and saucers and two knives and forks, 84 cents, and washboard, 18 cents.

"The fund from which we drew these little purchases," said Pastor John B. Devins to me, "was only \$87, but we found that Jennie absolutely needed them? and that settled the matter with

There was a great time when Jennie's Sunday school celebrated Christmas. Such songs, such games, such recita-tions! And then there was a collection may draw taken up to build a Presbyterian church Exchange. in Pratt, Minn., and when Jennie count-ed out the largess of her little ones there was one whole dollar to go to that worthy fund:

I wonder if any millionaire in New York gave so largely of his store as did "Blind Jennie's" children!-New York

John is very modest and as brave as a lion, and as such he is regarded by his which appeared when they threw back comrades at Willets Point .- Cor, New York Press.

# Few Schoolbooks In the Home.

There is one effect of the law requiring towns to provide free textbooks for schools that will operate a little against the public good, though probably not seriously. This is that scholars go out from the schools at graduation without the little stock of schoolbooks as private property common to former years. In many households these schoolbooks comprised in the main the family libraries, and they have doubtless in thousands of instances been sources of information and means of study to "children of a larger growth" in the home circle. Now the books have almost entirely disappeared from the country stores, and the citizen who wants one has to send abroad for it. A Maine man who tried to purchase a textbook the other day in a village containing 40 stores couldn't find one for sale .- Lewiston Journal.

# Navigation on the Nile.

From the beginning of winter to the end of spring-that is, while the Nile is navigable-the north wind blows steadily up stream with sufficient force to drive sailing boats against the current at a fair pace, while, on the other hand, the current is strong enough to carry a boat without sails down against the wind, except when it blows a gale. That is why ancient Egypt did not need steam power nor electric motors for the immense commerce that covered the Nile, nor for the barges carrying building material

# Peeling an Orange.

If one wants to peel an orange, all that is necessary to be done is to cut with a knife a very small circle around the stem end, and then mark dividing lines from the stem to the summit-at points on the surface of the orange. The skin can then be drawn off just as easily as one may draw a finger from a glove .-

### The Queen's Big Book.

The largest book ever known is owned by Queen Victoria. It is 18 inches thick crossed a rwollen torrent in the dark. addresses of congratulation on the occa-sion of her jubilee,-Chicago Inter Ocean. Boston Globe. and weighs 68 pounds, and contains the

On the highways we often met these modern representatives and probable descendants of the ancient Midianites. Tall, muscular fellows, with the dark Semitic countenance and black beard, clad with the striped abba, a square piece of goat hair cloth folded and sewed above the shoulders, the chief garment of the patriarchs and the mantle of Elijah the Tishbite. Underneath they wore the kimbez, the long flowing tunic, their abbas. About their heads was tightly wrapped the silken kefiyeh, crowned with the two heavy goat hair coils, which encircled the tops of their heads like a large, black serpent. About the waist was tightly bound the girdle, adorned with huge, odd shaped knives, or, if he be a civilized Arab, with pistols.

An ugly looking speer 15 or 20 feet long completed the outfit, an outfit well calculated to engender green envy in the heart of an American cowboy. A little detour enabled us to visit the black tents of Kedar, the abode of these perennial campers out. It is a rectangular edifice 15 or 20 feet long, supported on poles which 40 or 50 centuries of inherited experience has taught them to skillfully place at exactly the right angle. This palace of thickly wover goat hair cloth is held in position by strong guy ropes. The sides are raised or lowered at will, according to the position of the sun or the direction of the wind.

Within a curtain separates the women's apartment from the common reception room. The cooking outfit, like the dwelling, is characterized by its se vere simplicity, since fortunately the Arab does not demand a many course dinner, and long years of practice have taught him to dispense with a superfluity of dishes, which is generally more than one for a family .- Chicago Inter Ocean.

# Re Finally Paid the Fee.

A man lately went to a Lewiston clergyman with his betrothed to be married. He drew the minister aside and whispered, "I have no money." "Well, you for hundreds of miles.—Harper's Young People. Peeling an Orange. Peeling an Orange. certificate." "Well, you can have that when you pay the fee. I'll reduce the fee to \$9." "Well," said the man, putting his hand into his pocket, "I may as well pay you now," and he did .-- Bangor Commercial.

### A Sleep Walking Feat.

In the swampy districts of France the men are permatomed to walk over the vet." marshy ground on stilts. A sleep walker on one occ ion buckled on his stilts and Scenes. On awakin he had not the courage to

Bound to Get Even.

hats off.-Philadelphia Ledger.

chuckled delightedly to himself and finally confided to his companion the cause of his mirth.

"You see," said he, "my wife is always giving me things she wants-house furnishings and the like-fora gift. I'm They Open Another New Department--Constantly Increasing going to get even with her.

"I'm going to give her a year's sub-

scription to three scientific magazines I Prices on Flour Away Down--Wonderfully Low Prices in All Departhave to take." And the gentlemen chuckled in unison,

drawing room bric-a-brac to present to their husbands glared frigidly at the plotter .- New York World.

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# No Rival Yet.

World famous Eli Perkins says: After people have gone over all the routes to California once, they settle down to the old U. P. This road will always be the great transcontinental line. It has the best track, the best equipment, the best eating houses, and it teaches the traveler more history

and geography than any other line. It shows you historic Salt Lake and the Mormons, takes you through the great Laramie plains, the Humboldt Basin and the Grand Canyon, over the very stage route that Horace Greeley and just received. Prices are away down.

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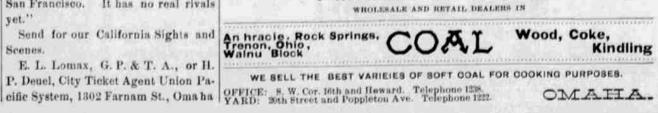
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