

alighted in the city at last.

here! Mr. Derby-my father."

the habit of meeting every day.

you not?" she asked simply.

"But elimbing is hard work."

their plans for the future.

## A CHRISTMAS STORY.

It was but a week before Christmas. and Mercy Varleigh was sitting at the the morrow's journey. Her mother's let him go his way. of the winter afternoon, and although them all. Mercy's mind was fully occupied with trials and perplexities of her own, she could spare a few kindly thoughts to the passers-by. As they went and came her -voung and old, rich and poor, she prayed that they might all have a happy Christmas.

By and by there was a rattle of wheels in the street and then a handsome carriage stopped in front of Mr. Varleigh's house. A lady and a little girl languid-Mercy went to meet them on the thresh-

Mrs. Hardy, kissing her sister. "But Adelaide and I are fond of fresh air, seeved them very kindly, and looked at money in her possession. How are father and mother?"

glad to see you. Walk in." The father had failed eighteen years before and had since been in the emfate had lately fallen. Mr. Varleigh's circumstances were very poor, and it was evident that he could bear idleness no longer. So he had written a letter to an old friend named Powell, in another city, who did an extensive business. Being informed of the old gened, with an air of sincerity: "Are you going, father, and Merey,

may make him feel still more kindly towards us. He lost a daughter of his

Lydis remarked. And then she gianced gentleman approached them saving: at Merey sitting by the window in her Miss Varleigh." well-worn serge dress. Now Mercy was a daily governess,

and had by no means a liberal salary. The sum that the journey would cost was a mere trifle to the rich merchant's Mrs. Hardy had been shopping that

afternoon-buying pretty things for Adelaide's Christmas tree, and bats and balls for her two boys. She had gone and was coming home with exactly five dollars in her purse. A journey to the eity would cost sixty cents. Something to slip that money into her sister's hand up to depart she resisted the impulse. pleased with Merev: that young woman was too straightforward to flatter, and too sensible to be awed by Mrs. Hardy's wealth and grandeur. If, instead of honestly getting her own living, she had hung around Lydia's neck like a millstone, and had paid her for her favors with unlimited bomage, Mrs. Hardy would have felt more kindly disposed

"Good-bye, Mercy," she said: "you will find it very cold in the train to-morrow. I ndvise you to have a foot-warm-

of the curious appropriateness of certam Bible words to the present occasion: "And if one of you say, depart in peace, be ve warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body, what doth it Another text was ringing in Lydia's

ears, as she stepped into her carriagea text that sent a hot flush over her which was very unusual in her quiet like this might come to her sister. cheeks in spite of the frosty winter God !" It did not strike her that it is a

of as liberal people. Mark Hardy used with herself. to say he liked to spend his money in a But alas for Mark! He had not learned need of her aid. Mr. Powell had sent Christmas eve, for crowds were coming washington the right soil if it is to produce a har- twenty-five dollars, and a parcel con- the trains came and went.

that Lydia might have spared a little to vexed Lydia that a friend should do this 'peace' is meant for you." her sister out of her abundance, it was what a sister had left undone. More And truly, from that time, peace en- and great-great-grandfather having servresigned without a sigh. She went up over, Mercy looked provokingly young teres! Lydia's soul, and kept her calm ed therein. Her father was in the Unistairs, sat down and counted her money and bright in her handsome new cos- when she was called upon to begin life ted States cavalry, but went into the pores of leather, thus effectually preventing -not a difficult task, seeing that all she tume, and Mrs. Hardy knew that ease anew. Seeing her so brave and stead-confederate service when the war broke dering the harness soft and pliable, while at possessed was six dollars. And then she and luxury had impaired her own fast, Mark borrowed his wife's courage, out. Mrs. Stewart was a Miss Kinzey, the same time increasing its durability. foolishly fell to building eastles in the charms instead of preserving them. and put his shoulders to the wheel with whose father was a paymaster in the Ward off Ague, Billions fever and many other winter twilight. How delightful it | There are modest streets and cheap such energy that he partly regained his | United States army, and her mother was | ills, by taking a few doses of Ellert's Day must be, she thought, to be clever rents to be found even in fashionable old standing in the commercial world. a daughter of Gen. Whistler, U. S. A., light Liver Pills. Have you no rest, mind fit enough to make a comfortable income neighborhoods; and the Varleighs dis-instead of a governoss' salary! If she covered suitable quarters. Mr. Pow-the earriage and horses were sold; the revolution. Gen. David Hunter and his you well again. only had talent enough, now, to become ell's daughter lived in a fine house, and Hardys were forced to content them- wife are tenderly attached to Miss Stew- Thousands of dollars are now being saved an artist like Frank Derby! She re-membered have, in her school days, she coldly on her fathers protege. But those who loved them best saw that they born in their house. Mrs. Hunter's fahad been the favorite pupil of old Der- when it was ascertained that Mr. Derby. and their children were all the better vorite brother, Major Kinzey, was Mrs. Sam's Condition Powder in the feed of their by, the drawing master. The other the great artist, frequently visited the for these changes. girls had laughed at her sometimes for Varleighs, Mrs. Barland congratulated And to this day Lydia Hardy tells her first child born of white parents on the growth. Sold by all druggists. her courtesy and attention to the old man, who had been shabby in his dress cellent governess as Miss Varieties, and and reserved in manner. They laughed was prepared to treat Mercy as her a Christmas. still more when, on Saturday afternoons, friend. Mercy spent her leisure hours in going | One morning when all the trees were to the drawing-master's home, and min- in the fresh leafiness of early summer. dens? Are ye not to hide each other's istering to his young daughter, who was Mercy was taking her daily walk to the dving of consumption. There was a Barlands' house. It was no surprise to son in that home, seven or eight years the little governess to see Frank Derby older than Mercy, who regarded the coming toward her. But there was kind-hearted school girl as somebody something in the greeting that morning very little lower than the angels. Well, that sent the color to her cheeks. the daughter died; Mercy left school, "I came out on purpose to meet you, and then came Lydia's marriage, close- Miss Varleigh," said straightforward

love me a little. No, I don't mean a drawing master's sen. It was cold and dark in the little little, but well enough to marry me?" chamber, so Mercy locked up her money. Now, Mercy was not wholly unpre- system. See other column

leigh's circumstances. Of late years, wanted to ask you long ago, but I didn't

pared for this question, andvet, when it was asked, it positively took away her breath. There was a short silence

words to each other, and the Hardy's 14th inst. went home the day after the wedding. were too much occupied to see the change | weeks.

quence in her own family. were going on with the Hardy's.

It was a very common-place story. At length complaint was made against after all-the story of a self-willed man | him, and the bishop came here and pawho knew that he must in the end reach | tiently heard all sides, and sustained the bottom of the hill, and yet would Father Daily. But the opposition to left her dreams and went down stairs to not be checked in his career. If Lydin him grew, and became personal and bitten and the duties of life. Her father expostulated, her words only served to ter, until finally the bishop suspended had been reading Mr. Powell's letter make him more reckless, and at length him, and another priest was sent here again, and was hopeful of the result of she held her peace in sheer despair, and to fill his place. Suit in the courts was

lieved something good was in store for that the Hardy's circumstances were as name, and most of which he claimed pleasant one. The travelers rose and Lydia sat alone in her pretty boudoir, the courts, and it has just been remand-The journey to the city was not a very dressed in the darkness of a winter too miserable to weep and too weary to ed for another trial by the supreme morning and started before the day had think. Already the servants were be. court, it being regarded as a victory for heart followed them with silent blessings fairly dawned. But when at last the ginning to be insolent, and the table Father Daily. When he ceased to have sun came up there was such a sparkle was covered with bills. Mark had gone control of the church here, all the sison frosty fields and frozen streams that, up to town to face one or two of his ters left him but one young girl, scarcedespite the cold. Mercy almost enjoyed principal creditors. Lydia had received by 20 years of age. His enemies at once herself. Still, it was with benumbed a letter from bim by that morning's made a furious attack on her character. fingers and smarting feet that the pair post, asking her to come and join him and it was given out that she was the "Mr. Powell told me he was to be and out of health. In the midst of all been married and had children, and lost by unincumbered themselves of their found at his place of business," said Mr. their ruin and desolation the love of his wife by death before he became a fur rugs and descended, not unconscious Varieigh. 'You have never seen his man and wife was beginning, as it often priest. But this made no difference, that they were attracting some notice. Varieigh. Tou have never seen his does in such a case, to bloom afresh, and the girl became a target for the They found Mr. Powell in a well- could not do without Lydis. But he ing stories concerning her character. furnished parlor at the back of his pal- bad quite forgotton one important fact. Finally a young man turned up here ace of plate glass. The merchant re- -that Mrs Hardy had scarcely any and make love to her, and it was report-

and we would not use the coupe to-day. Mercy with a fatherly interest, which Lydia had only five dollars and fifty This roll along until the 13th of No-"Not in very good spirits, Lydia," was heightened, perhaps, by the plain-cents remaining. How could she go ness of her dress. She was too sensible away, even for a few days, and leave a poor substitute for rich materials, but she must, and Adelaide and the boys she took an honest feminine pride in must make the best of their circumlooking her best. Mr. Powell conclud- stances. She shrank from asking a faed his business in a short time. After a vor, having learned only too well that few questions and answers he agreed to acquaintances soon desert a needy engage Mr. Varieigh as a clerk in his es- friend. When she wanted to think. tablishment, and the salary he offered clearly and steadily, about the present. was better than Mercy's father had re- her thoughts went straving back to the ceived from his former employer. past-back to the winter afternoon long In all the land there were not, per- ago, when it was just before Christmas. hans, two gladder hearts than the pair She saw again her father's little parlor. that had been so beavy in the early and Mercy sitting by the window in her morning. Then, too, Mr Powell had shabby serge gown. She saw, too, the told Mercy that he could get her the patient smile of her sister's poor pale post of daily governess in the family of face as the carriage rolled away from us married daughter, so that her cup of | the door.

happiness was full indeed. The father | That five-dollar bill! Then, as now, and daughter started down the street, she had just one remaining in her purse; but had not gone far before a young then, as now, certain Bible words were ringing in her ears; but they were not "I can't be mistaken. This is surely the same words. "Give and it shall be given unto you."

Surely the words of the Great Teacher "Yes: and you are Mr. Frank Derby," she responded brightly blushing, are verified every hour in our own lives, "Oh, how strange that we should meet and in the lives of those around us. For the first time in her life noor Lydia Mr. Varieigh had never heard of Mr. realized how thoroughly our Lord knew wife, but it was a serious matter to the Derby in his life, but he was in that the human heart, and how in his infinite cappy mood which renders a man cor- love, he strove to guard it against the dial to everybody. The three walked agony it is prone to bring upon itself. along as naturally as if they had been in Her head was bowed upon her hands.

and her whole frame was so shaken "I knew you at once," said Frank with sobs that she did not hear the out with pienty of money in her pocket. Derive to Mercy: "you are very little al- opening door. It was not until an arm was out tenderly around her should rs Now, it is pleasant to a woman who that she looked up. Merey was by her is on the wrong side of five-and-twenty side.

as she did at seventeen. And poor last night and told us all. I have come Mercy, who had had her full share of to take you and the children back to the wear and tear of life, was quite town with me, and we will have a hap- in his certificate. the troubles. I daresay you have for sion, at once found bills of indictment remedy, St. Jacobs Oil, in my family, "And you are a great artist now, are gotten our old servant Elizabeth. At for murder against Father Daily and and found it to be so very beneficial our suggrestion Mark has written to her, the girl. Mary Agnes Patracia O'Con- that I will never be without it. It has Well, I believe I'm getting up the telling her to come and take charge of nell, who, up to this time, had passed cured me of a severe case of rheumat-

down, Lydia; all will be well yet." "And your father?" she questioned her head on that kind breast: "don't "The dear old man is at rost, Miss you remember the time when Belmont are now at home here. toward her. And so Lydia hardened been the enemies of his herself, and kept the five dollars in her kindness to our poor Alice. The dear our man is at rost, saiss failed and father was thrown out of his situation? Two been sitting here and delight at the present outlook of affairs, As Frank said this his firm voice thinking how I saw you in need of aid delight at the present outlook of affairs. starved and destroyed. trembled a little. Success had neither and hardened my heart. When I came and doubtless see an easy victory over There are now sixteen broom factohardened his heart nor made him anx- in on that winter afternoon and heard him in the long-pending suits about a ries managed by Chinese in San Franious to forget his humbler days. And that you were going to the city, I had large and valuable property. then, in a few words, Mercy told him just five dollars in my purse, and a but there is a large and respectable porof the changes she had known, and of voice seemed to bid me to give it to you. to pay your traveling expenses. I sti- tion of the people who believe a foul "So you are coming to live here," he fled that voice and deserve to suffer for conspiracy has been conningly worked days of Rheumatism are well nigh numsaid in a gind tone. "You will let me it. Do you know how much money I up for the purpose of defeating Father bered. St. Jacobs Oil enters a rheumhave your address. Miss Varleigh, 1 have got now? Just five dollars and a

hope, and allow me to call upon you." few cents. She gave the required promise and Mercy was silent for a moment. She they parted. Mercy going back to her remembered how, at that time, she had home in a pleasant state of excitement. thought it more than possible that a day "Lydia," she answered at last, "when

It was a happy little party that gath- we get the first clear glimpse of our real ble, termented by the sting of a neglect- this side of the grave." ed duty. There was still enough good | Just as the winter dusk had set in.

The married daughter shed many been a true home, and then followed the ever be brought out. royal way. If he stayed at a hotel he tears when her parents and sister took three hours' journey, and the arrival in fed waiters and chambermaids and 'os- leave of her. She had no parting gift the darkness of the December evening. thers in a fashion that made them stare, for Mercy, but Mercy was no longer in It was impossible to forget that it was that gold, like grain, must be sown in his godchild a Christmas present of and going, arriving and departing, as taining a seal skin jacket and cloth "On earth, peace," sai

shame and disgrace in the spirit of love and kindness? Not only must you not think evil, but always kindness, nor speak evil, but always kind words. Of all the summer clothing, the straw bly as to win their affection. When it Man with all his endowments, is in many

ly followed by the change in Mr. Var. Frank. "There is a question that I without an answer.

strengthen the stomach, purify the blood,

THE STERLING SCANDAL. A Plain, Unvarnished Statement

Facts in the Case.

Facts not escape Merey's notice. But there the Chicago Trabune's Sterling corre-tenant Hunter had to send one hundred only infallible remedy in the world for was not time for the sisters to say many spondent, who writes under date of the and sixty miles to Peoria to get a mar- that prevalent and distressing com-

In order to get at all the probable owned a farm between the Chicago river Perhaps Mr. and Mrs. Varleigh, proud facts, the light of the past must be and the lake, on which his dwelling, a jon. The women who can sew are dyof the match that Merey had made, turned upon the events of the past few log cabin, stood. Of course this prop-

in Lydia and Mart. Certain is it that A good many years ago the Rev. J. scendants. Mrs. Hardy was glad to get away, and Daily came here as the priest of the It certainly seems a remarkable thing said to herself, with some bitterness, that Catholic church. He soon gathered to realize that a lady who is still vigor. To whom if many concerns she was no longer a person of conse. around him a large congregation, and ous should have been living on the spot Years passed away, and Mercy and fine church edifice: a house for the sis- the wilderness where a city of 500,000 and have tried numerous remedies with only Lydia met very seldom. Two little ters of charity was built, a large school inhabitants now stands. Gen. David partial and temporary relief. Warner's Safe hildren had come to Frank and Mercy. started, and several houses were built. Hunter has served his country long and Kidney and Liver Cure was recommended to merchant and dealer in earthenware, and the sons and daughters in Lydia's and he became the owner in his own faithfully. In 1866 he was retired at his left me and I am to-day feeling strong and home had outgrown toys and dolls, and were giving themselves the air of grown real estate in the very center of the been near a half a century in the army. Safe Kidney and Liver Cure is the medicine returns and highest prices for all kinds up people. Grandmamma Varleigh city. His influence was on the side of He was, when only ten years of age, apused to say that children grew up too temperance and for the elevation and pointed a midshipman in the navy by soon nowadays, and did her best to keep | welfare of his people. Some of those | Paul Hamilton, then secretary of the Mercy's little ones in their babyhood. | who were engaged in selling liquor made | navy, and kept that commission until | manently cured by the use of Lybra E. Pixx-Meanwhile, neither the Varleighs nor a personal fight against him, and he in he received his appointment to West HAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND. It is a positive he Derby's knew how badly things turn caused their arrest for violating Point. the law.

instituted against Father Daily to com-There came a certain Christmas eve pel him to deed to the church all the window of a small room overlooking a face brightened when Mercy, seating retired street in a large town. People herself at the table, declared that she better that the Hardy's circumstances were as bad as they well could be. And while hid been paid for with his own money. the gossips were busy with her affairs For years that suit has been pending in at once, and saying that he was nervous daughter of Father Daily, he having and poor Mark was feeling that he most bitter and unrelenting scandaliz-

ed that she was soon to be married. vember, when Dr. Everett was called, and he soon after filed in the county clerk's office, as required by law in all cases of births, a certificate that on that night a male child was born, and that dog, who went again name was Mary Agnes Patricia O'Connell, and that the Rev. J. Daily, who up her father, was the father of the child. and that the child had been named Stephen Vincent. On the 17th of November a basket covered with a blanket Council Bluffs on the arrival of the Chicago & Northwestern railroad train and placed in the depot. The next morning it was opened and was found to contain a dead male child, and to its clothing was pinned a paper, on which was written "Stephen Vincent-to King, keeper of the poorhouse at Round Grove, Illinois.

Evidently the child was alive when put upon the train, but whether it died by dint of sheer force, led the animal to from want, exposure, or froze to death in the depot, is not known. A coroner's that it must have been placed in the car a tussie as Lad, and accomplished his east of Round Grove, and probably at Sterling. From some cause, not now apparent, Marshal Fitzgerald of Sterling, went to the records of Morrison county, obtained a copy of Dr. Everett's lible intelligence and sagacity. certificate that a child had been born here bearing the name of Stephen Vincent, and went to Council Bluffs and de- 82 Jen it to Sterling, and Dr. Everett at once identified it as the child that was born at Father Daily's house on the 13th of November, and was the one described

world's ladder," he answered, smiling. the house till your return. Don't break as his daughter. They were arrested ism, after other remedies had failed. hearing being granted by Judge Brown, they were both released on bail, and

Those who have been the enemies of eating, drinking and sleeping, from one

Daily in the suits now pending, and are atic territory and conquers every subnot willing to believe that his long and ject. That's right. We believe in it. upright life here is to be blighted by so

If the truth can ever be brought out friends, Clitus and Lysimachus; the one it may disclose the fact that the pre- he exposed to a lion, the other to himtended lover of the girl is none other self; he who was turned loose to the than a detective in disguise; that the beast escaped, but Clitus was murdered. have riches enter into the kingdom of ered around Mr. Varleigh's humble ta- selves, it is always an agonzing moble that night. But Mrs Hardy, in her ment in our lives. But it is the most riage, and the result of it has been man fearful thing to wrestle with one's good luxurious house, was restless and irritablessed moment that we can know on charged upon Father Daily, thus ruining both father and daughter, with a view of winning the lawsuit and secur-The Hardys were universally spoken left in Lydia to make her dissatisfied Mrs. Hardy and her charges quitted the great luxurious house which had never believe this is the case, if the truth can

Miss Minnie Stewart, Gen. David beast, Uncle Sam's Nerve and Bone Lintment Hunter's grand-niece, who was married is the Baim. Sold by all druggists. to last week to Mr. Edward Davis, is em-If Mercy had entertained a faint hope enough to make a fashionable dress. It her sister. "Be assured, Lydia, that phatically a daughter of the army, her sent free, address the McIntosh Electric Belt father, grandfather, great-grandfather and Battery Co., 191 & 194 Jackson et., Chi Stewart's father. Mrs. Hunter was the beauty and usefulness and promotes the survivor of the massacre of Fort Dear- that fearful Cholera-infantum, Croup, College Are we not to bear one another's bur
born, which was on the site of Chicago. In the war of 1812 the Indians massa
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Love without return is like a question was known among them that a massathat usually stands at the head.

When it was known among them that a massathings most foolish, he will give all that he
hath for his life, but is reckless and indifferent to his health. He will grapple a thief who to take place, those kindly disposed to- steals his purse, yet will daily with a cough ward Mr. Kinzey and his family deter- and cold, and finally go into consump Mercy, in her teacher life, had heard and read of one Frank Derby, who was and read of one Frank Derby, who was and read of one Frank Derby, who was a terrible fib.

INDIGESTION.

The main cause of nervousness is indiges tion, and that is caused by weakness of the line and warned from the leave the place and take his family. He line and that is caused by weakness of the line and that is caused by weakness of stomach. No one can have sound nerves and lingered from day to day, hoping for trial, and is invaluable in bronchial and lung dered if he could really be the old "Well, then, it's just this. Do you good health without using Hop Bitters to the best, and when at last the massacre diseases. It is a safeguard for all, from the occurred the friendly Indians with diffi- tube to venerable age and health will be reand keep the liver and kidneys active, to carry of the off all the poisonous and wast; matter of the oulty managed to save him and his chil-

dren. One of the elder daughters was gists.

taken into the lake and kept there with It is not the indolent or the easily PILES! PILES! PILES the water up to her neck until the hos worked man that has the necessary A Sure Cure Found at Last. No On tile savages had left and it was safe to amount of leisure for the attainment of

riage license. Mrs. Hunter's father plaint, Back Ache."

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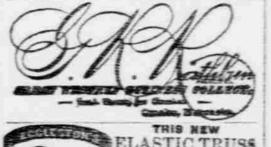
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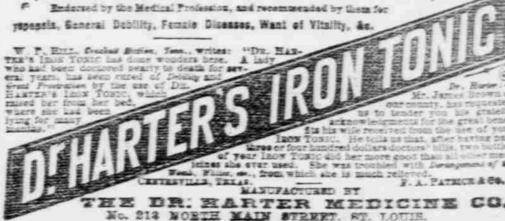
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