

THE SINGER'S GIFT.
BY SAMUEL W. DUFFIELD.
Oh! wonderful gift of song,
When hearts are heavy and sad
To lift and to make them strong,
To teach them still to be glad.
Oh! wonderful gift of song,
Which out of the winter chill
And out of the time so long
Brings birds of the summer still.
Oh! wonderful gift of song,
Like rays of another light,
To wake, in this world of wrong,
The world of a nobler right.
Oh! wonderful gift of song,
To bind in a common love
The life of the low and the throne
With the life of the lands above.
Oh! wonderful gift of song,
When hearts are heavy and sad,
To lift and to make them strong,
To teach them still to be glad!

The Home and True Society.

The true society begins in the home. When two young people love each other, and marry, they restore the picture of the Apostolic Church. They are of one heart and one soul; neither do they say that anything they possess is their own, but they have all things in common. Their mutual trust in each other, their entire confidence in each other, draws out all that is best in both. Love is the anchor which rolls away the stone from the grave in which we bury our better nature, and it comes forth. Love makes all things new; makes a new heaven and a new earth; makes all cares light, all pain easy. It is the true society, the true human life which realizes Fortunio's phrase and Aladdin's palace, and turns the "Arabian Nights" into more prose, in comparison. Think how this old story of love is repeated forever in all the novels and romances and poems, and how we never tire of reading about it; and how if there is to be a wedding in a church, all mankind go, just to have one look at two persons who are supposed, at least, to be in love, and so supreme in their own eyes, that they are not perfect society. It is too narrow, too exclusive. It shows the power of devotion, trust, self-surrender, that there is in the human heart; and it is also a prophecy of something larger than that is to come. But it is at least a home, and before real society can come, true homes must come. As in the sheltered nook in which rolls down from the summit of Mt. Blanc a little green spot, full of tender flowers, so, in the shelter of home, in the warm atmosphere of household love, spring up the pure affections of parent and child; father, mother, son, daughter; of brothers and sisters. Whatever makes this inseparable society; frequent, makes an experiment which may be tried as often as we choose, and abandoned when we like. And this cuts up by the roots all the dear affections of home; leaves children orphaned, destroys fatherly and motherly love and is a virtual dissolution of society. I know the great difficulties of this question, and how much wisdom is required to solve them. But whatever weakens the permanence of marriage tends to weaken society; for permanent homes are to the social state what the little cells are to the body. They are the commencement of organic life, the centers from which all organization proceeds. — *Rev. James Freeman Clark.*

At the Outset of Married Life.

To give yourself away in a true love is the beginning of true humility and usefulness. The man or maiden who opens that golden gate lives henceforth in a sweeter and better atmosphere. Do but be true to your higher instincts; do but cultivate candor and simplicity and fidelity, and I have every hope for you. But never let it pass from your thoughts how much depends upon you now if you would secure not only love, but respect. Every married man and woman passes through a transition after they come to know each other thoroughly, and ever after they love each other more or less. If they are patient with each other's faults, and try to keep the fairest face on all things—try to make the best of all things—they will find a new bond of union in this mutual helpfulness, which is the truest office of love. But if, when they find out that they are not angels, not altogether perfect, they become indifferent and neglectful, then alas for both! Beware of this. The sum of human happiness is made up of numberless little things. It is not the great things—great presents, great occasions or great demonstrations of any kind, which make you happy; but the many nameless courtesies and surprises of affection, the neat looks and kind words and gentle ways and profound respect of true love—it is these little things which, falling drop by drop, like spring showers upon the frozen earth, melt away all that is cold and hard in our natures and make them bud and bloom with full luxuriance.

Fussing a Schoolmistress.

A National schoolmistress in the country was taking down the names and ages of her scholars at the commencement of the term, when, coming in turn to a little white-headed boy, she asked him, "Well, my lad, how old are you?" "My name 'n't Lad," said he sharply: "it's John."
"Well," said the schoolmistress, "what is the rest of your name?" "Why, that's all the name I've got,—just John."
"Well, what is your father's name?"
"Oh, you needn't put dad's name down: he 'n't comin' to school. He's too big to go to school."
"Well, how old are you?"
"I ain't old at all: I'm young."
Among the Zulus, nation of the Caffres, according to etiquette, the mother-in-law comes first in the law, but must hide or pretend to hide, when she sees him. In this country the custom is reversed. It is the son-in-law who does the dodging. — *Cincinnati Breakfast Table.*
"It's time we were coming to our census," as the man said to his wife when neither of them was quite certain as to whether it required nine clip hats and eleven calico dresses, or nine calico dresses and eleven clip hats to go round the family.

LOST ARTS OF WOMEN.

The Almost Forgotten Employments of Darning and Mending.

It is possible that in older times too much stress was laid on the importance of training girls to mend and darn so exquisitely that it would be difficult, almost impossible, to discover that there had been any necessity for the labor; but if there was any error in teaching and exacting such perfect work it was a fault "that leaned to virtue's side," and beyond all comparison better than the wretched "botching" to be found on the raiment of some of the many—of the girls of the present day. Laundresses that wash for school-girls could make strange revelations of neglect of garments and careless repairs were not their lips sealed through fear of losing good customers. When a broken stitch is allowed to go on unheeded for until it has become so large that the stocking cannot be worn without some repairs, and is then drawn up into an ugly bunch—hard enough to blister the feet—instead of being nicely darned; or when a tear or rip in dress or undergarment is pulled together with thread coarse enough to injure the fabric, who is to blame, the mother or daughter? What instruction has ever been given the young girl about looking out for the beginning of evil in her wardrobe? Has she been taught to darn or to mend every rent or rip in the first possible instant after it was discovered, and to do it neatly. Oh no. Her music or drawing lessons, her French and German and dancing, are apparently of more importance than such "menial" work as mending. If a young lady has what, in these days is the rare skill of compelling her needle to assist her in carrying out all the requisitions which will enable her, with scant materials, to keep herself neatly and genteelly clad; if she can turn, re-dress, piece neatly, cover the lack of material by simple and appropriate trimming until she makes an old dilapidated garment look "amain as weel's the new," she will have cause all the days of her life to thank the mother who led her in the way she should go; and what- ever changes or vicissitudes may be sent, she has far less to fear than those who in prosperous days are only fanciful ornaments of their homes, but when the evil days come, will, through their ignorance, become oppressive burdens upon those who must provide for their support. — *Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher.*

Improved Education.

The reign of cram in primary schooling is seriously threatened, and Boston leads the revolt. Henceforth, if success attends the effect, the Boston public school teacher will teach, not simply hear recitations as heretofore; and the pupils will acquire knowledge after the normal method of childhood, by being taught, by seeing and thinking, instead of by the memorizing of words from books. Language will be taught by talking-lessons, with and about pictures, plants, animals, every-day life and experience. Oral instruction will also be given upon form, color, measures, animals grouped by habits, vegetables, minerals, hygiene and the human body. The metric system will be taught from the metric apparatus. No spelling books will be used, the reading books taking their place. In the grammar grade, grammar, as generally studied, has been abolished with the spelling book. In the stead of parsing and other technical work, lessons will be given in composition, in the use of capitals, in letter writing and in arrangement of sentences. Much of the time formerly devoted to geography will be given to natural philosophy and physiology. Oral instruction will be an important feature of all the classes, and in the lower classes the subject for oral instruction will be natural history, plants from May to November, animals from November to May, trades, occupations, common phenomena, stories, anecdotes, mythology, metals and minerals. In the upper classes, physiology, life in the middle ages, biographical and historical sketches, and experiments in physics. This method labors under one serious, we fear fatal, difficulty—the teachers will have to know something. Their knowledge will have to be real "live" knowledge, not dead verbiage; and they will need to know a good deal about the natural, social and industrial life that the children come in contact with out of doors and at home. Such knowledge is not to be gained from books; and it is hard to turn a student into a practical observer. We sincerely hope, however, that the teachers of Boston will succeed in their difficult task, and demonstrate to the rest of the world the feasibility of this promised and needed reform. — *Scientific American.*

When times are dull, wages low, accept the situation and take low wages, rather than to remain idle.

Trades unions are fashionable among the idle who want more pay for less work. The best trades union is a union of body and soul at hard work, for the best price that can be had. If you cannot get four take three or two, or even one, rather than nothing. Every man should master his mind, his body, and his will, and do masterly work to insure better times. Mind your own business, and do not attempt to master other people, or control their wages or their hours of labor. Earn something daily, and then at least one person will see better times.

Relationships are rather far-fetched sometimes both in Ireland and Scotland.

"Do you know Tom Duffy, Pat?" "Know him you Tom Duffy, Pat?" "Know him you Tom Duffy, Pat?" "Shure he's a relation of mine! He once wanted to marry my sister Kate."
General Butler's departure from the Republican party reminds us of one of Prentiss's best: "Put your finger in a bucket of water, and it occupies a certain space. Draw it out, and it leaves no hole."
There are two ways of going through this world. One is to make the best of it, and the other the worst of it. Those who take the latter course work hard for poor pay.
A sweet craft—Courtship.

The Western Rural.

The Western Rural comes to our table from week to week complete in all its departments. In matters relating to the farm, orchard and arden, it is unsurpassed, and yet it does not ignore the family circle. It is a frolic companion, much enjoyed by the women folks and the children, each having a department full of interest to them. The Rural is increasing in circulation and influence, and deserves the patronage of all interested in the cultivation of the soil, or in increased intelligence among the sons of toil.

The first time Artemus Ward entered Toledo, travel-worn and seedy, he said to an editor who was on the street, "Mister, where could I get a square meal for twenty-five cents?" He was told, "I say, Mister," said he "where could I get the twenty-five cents?"

Mr. Horace Howard Furness, of Philadelphia has received from the University of Halle Germany, the honorary degree of Doctor of philosophy.

One reason why more people did not get into the ark is that Noah neglected to advertise in the daily papers. There is a great moral lesson contained in this fact.

All deception in the course of life is indeed nothing else than a lie reduced to practice, and falsehood passing from words into things.

"Marriage," said an unfortunate husband, "is the churchyard of love." "And you men," replied his wife, "are the grave-diggers."

The muscles of the human jaw in carrying out all the requisitions which will enable her, with scant materials, to keep herself neatly and genteelly clad; if she can turn, re-dress, piece neatly, cover the lack of material by simple and appropriate trimming until she makes an old dilapidated garment look "amain as weel's the new," she will have cause all the days of her life to thank the mother who led her in the way she should go; and what- ever changes or vicissitudes may be sent, she has far less to fear than those who in prosperous days are only fanciful ornaments of their homes, but when the evil days come, will, through their ignorance, become oppressive burdens upon those who must provide for their support.

A candidate came in the course of his canvass to a tailor's shop. "What we look for here," said he, "are measures, not men."

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