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Our Young Readers.

THE PANSIES.

What do the pansies think, mamma, When they first come in the spring? Do they remember the robins,

And the songs they used to sing? When the butterflies come again, I wonder if they will say:

Will the pansies tell the butterfiles

How the snow lay white and deep, and how beneath it, safe and warm,

They had such a pleasant sleep? Will the butterflies tell the pansies

And will they talk of the weather,

And the skies be always bine? Speak of the lilies dressed in white, And the daffodils dressed in gold,

And say that they think the tuitpe Are exceedingly gay and bold?

think; I wish I could hear them say:

Just as grown-up people do?

And wish the sun would always shine,

I fancy the purple pansies are proud;
I fancy the yellow are gay.
Oh! I wish I could know just what they

Here comes our dear little Lucy,
The kind little girl in pink,
Who used to visit us every day—
And that's what we pansies think."
—Mary A. Barr, in Harper's Young People.

MARY JANE IN FAIRY-LAND.

"I'm so tired an' hungry!" sighed

Mary Jane, a pathetic little sob rising

She was sitting outside of a grocery-store, on one of the steps—a forlorn,

ragged bunch of humanity, with great, solemn eyes, that looked like a twin

pair of pansies, and tangled meshes of

Mary Jane was a little beggar-girl, and she lived with Granny O'Brien and

one lame beggar-boy. You may think

that they were brother and sister, but

Granny had picked them up on sev-

they would be of great use to her in her

She had picked up Mary Jane be-

I am sure she would have tried to get

whistling boy, with a short ladder un-

She had even decided what those

than any one else in the wide world.

to touch her if she had a "pianny" and

weary limbs, and set out for Fairy-land.

The first part of the way wasn't very

pretty-only great gloomy ware houses.

and ugly, shabby little shoe-shops and

But further on the street began to

grow wider. There were also more

great marble houses as the one Marv

a marble house with a door-bell.

grocery-stores.

guessed what that profession was.

Granny O'Brien's clutches.

down by the muddy river.

in her poor, parched throat; "an'

Granny O'Brien say?"

How they hid in their cradle bed,

And dreamed away the winter-time, When people thought they were dead?

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Jane was going to have. "Why-ee!" said Mary Jane. "this money refunded. must be Fairy-land, sure 'nough." and HERMAN OEHLRICH & BRO.,

she s opped before one of the big manevery open casement. Mary Jane was quite sure that it all came from the golden throne of the queen fairy. There was music, too-clear, sweet,

shabbily-shod feet go up and down in walk about and feed, until weariness or dozen extra rufflers for our gowns. perate one, and desperate means have spite of themselves.

I think they would all have gone out to look at Mary Jane just then, and I know thew would have enjoyed the dance quite as much as she. sank down on the pavement, with a Miss., who thought he did no lose much intellectual and more beautiful life laugh and a gasp. "O, my she said; "wot a dance that

was! I must a-looked like a hand-organ girl, only their clothes is most alwis nicer'n mine," looking apologetically down at her ragged dress.

With bated breath and palpitating heart Mary Jane climbed up the stone steps. She intended to ring the bell, but it was so high up that she couldn't reach it. I am ever so glad that this was so,

for if it hadn't been, Mary Jane might

never have seen Fairy-land, and had her

three wishes, after all. You must know that in this Fairvland were several ogres, dressed in black, who would have sent Mary Jane out again had they seen her come in. Such ogres are a great help to the fairles sometimes, though I think they often display more authority than the fairies have ever said they might.

The massive oaken door was slightly

ajar. Mary Jane gave it a push, and

unfortunates in search of Fairy-land, and had fallen into the power of the ogre in the enchanted castle. But there was one which Mary Jane looked at for full five minutes without the least pity in her heart. It was a marble statue of a boot-black, with his brush in his hand. "Ha! ha! I know who you be!" she

Mary Jane wondered if they were

di'mon's." Her idea of how diamonds

looked was very vague indeed. In Tim-

my's stories diamonds always figured

conspicuously, and these must of course

Straight ahead was a wide staircase,

which shone just like the polished floor,

Mary Jane was quite sure that it led up

As she looked at the marble and

bronze statues scattered about, Mary

Jane's tender little heart ached with

pity. They had, doubtless, been poor

to an enchanted castle.

said, pulling the statue's nose, and making horrible faces. "I guess you won't hit me on the head with yer brush agin fer nuthin'. Jim Smith! I'm awful glad the ogre got a-holt o' you!" Just then a step sounded upon the

staircase, and, with a stifled scream and a wildly-beating heart, Mary Jane sank down behind the statue of Jim Smith. It was an ogre in black, who looked terribly stern, and had fierce, bristling side-whiskers. With a sigh of relief, Mary Jane watched him disappear in one of the open doorways. As she crept out again she felt very

penitent for having treated Jim Smith so shamefully. "It must be awful to be as cold an' hard as a stun," she said, with a shudder. "Poor Jimmy!"

The music had begun again. Peeping in at one of the doorways, Mary Jane beheld a scene that fairly took her breath away. There were fairies and fairies, all about her size, but oh, so us have food more plainly served. Let beautifully dressed! dancing with as us eat to live, not live to eat. This, many handsome young princes. There | with small and convenient kitchens. was a tall lady fairy there, too, who watched the other fairies dancing, and looked at them, oh, ever so kindly! Mary Jane decided at once that this eral occasions, because she thought must be the queen of the fairies.

"O, this is fairy-land, sure enough?" profession. Doubtless you have cried Mary Jane. She had not meant to say it aloud. been very sudden. If it had not been, ling of the dancers.

him into an orphan asylum, or made fairies and princes stopped dancing and some provision against his falling into stared at the frightened little apparition in the doorway. Then the queen-fairy But Granny O'Brien told the neigh- came forward, and, stooping down, bors that little Timmy had been left to kissed Mary Jane's scared, quivering her care by Mrs. McGrath herself. | mouth.

Nobody could dispute her statement, "I came to visit Fairy-land." faltand so Lame Timmy, who had been ac- ered Mary Jane, "an' to get three wishcustomed all his life to care and tender- es from you." ness, was sent out into the streets to How the fairies and princes laughed! beg.

But they were so merry and good-na-tured about it that somehow Mary Jane the streets of the crowded city. A didn't feel a bit embarrassed.

"What are the wishes, dear child?

der his arm, was flitting blithely past, Perhaps I can grant them." smiled the lighting the street-lamps on each block. | queen-fairy. Mary Jane watched the lights as they began to shine further and further down Jane, her blue eyes shining; but, somehow, the three wishes she had counted "It looks like a road leading to Fairy- on her fingers so often in Granny land," she thought; "an' I do believe O'Brien's hut were not so easy to enuit is." forgetting that she had walked merate when she really was in Fairydown it many times, and that it termi- land. "Well, then, I should like to live nated in the dirty alley-way in which here forever an' ever," began Mary Granny O'Brien's hovel was situated, Jane, gazing about her in a sort of rapture, "an' have Lame Timmy with me. Lame Timmy could read, and had That makes two wishes. An then—an' often told Mary Jane the fairy stories he then-won't you please ax the ogre to

had read before he came to live with change the stater of Jim Smith, out in Granny O'Brien. Granny had taken all that big room there, back ag'in?" his precious books away from him, de- The boys and girls-I mean the claring that they made him idle and princes and fairies—laughed more than lazy. Mary Jane accepted the marvel- ever at this; but there were tears in the ous tales without question, and doubt- queen-fairy's eyes. Mary Jane thought ed not that a fairy would some time ap- they were diamonds, and softly touched pear before her and grant three wishes. one which had fallen on her hand.

"They ain't di'mon's, arter all" she

wishes should be. First, a big marble cried, much disappointed. house with a door-bell; second, a "pi- And at this even the que And at this even the queen-fairy had anny;" third, a white horse for Timmy to smile brightly through her tears. I know you are thinking that I am She never left Timmy out of any of making this story too long, so I will her calculations, for she loved him more hasten to the end. Mary Jane's wishes all came

Mary Jane dared not go home to The queen-fairy was a rich and kind Granny O'Brien with empty hands. lady, who love children very much, but She knew too well the strength and who had none of her own. cruelty of Granny's skinny arms. She You may be sure that Granny O'Brien was now quite sure, moreover, that this didn't want to part with Timmy and street would lead her to Fairy-land. Mary Jane. They are both of the opin-Why not go now and obtain her three ion that the fairy threw a spell over wishes? Granny O'Brien Wouldn't dare Granny; and so am I-a spell of gold. A boy whose name is Jim Smith blacked my boots only the other day, so

> granted .- Golden Days. Texas Cattle.

So Mary Jane stretched her cramped, I am sure Mary Jane's third wish was

Westward from Houston the country becomes drier, though there is still through this region one sees many car planet, and a woman's time and the girl really could talk but was afraid accounts, so often repeated, of cattle be- | thought must be give up to it. ing able to "live out all winter, without Southwestern phrase, "on the lift;" The owners appeared generally to hold when hundreds of his sheep died for here. - Cor. Burlington Hawkeye. want of food and shelter, because, as he said, "we git the wool." So those Texas cattle men seemed satisfied with the hides. "Hundreds and thousands the cattle die when the new grass begins to come;" so I was told everywhere. The explanation is that the cattle, weak from long starvation and of the fresh grass. They have no "dry a year. feed" to serve as a corrective, and the in this State seemed to me to be enormously wasteful, yet the industry is a be much more profitable with better methods; and as population becomes

be adopted .- Atlantic Monthly. -In accord with the law, forty-nine erept softly in. She looked around her boys have obtain licenses, and wear in wonder and awe. Such a great, high badges to show the fact, in Rochester, room, with a hard, shining floor, that re- N. Y., to sell newspapers and black Sected Mary Jane's diminutive figure boots. The youngest boy is ten years and everything around her; with crystal old, and the oldest is thirty-five. Some Cor. Thirteenth and K Streets, near lamps shining like clusters of stars above boys who are known to be very bad boys have been recused licenses

A Voice from the Kitchen.

be said to be an age of eaters; to be sure, no one has, as yet, managed to go sphere of a radius equal to the mean through life without something to eat. distance of the sun from the earth (95,but now cooking is fast developing into 000,000 miles), the whole of this proa most complex art. Cooking schools digious amount of heat would be are being established from one end of tercepted; but considering that the the country to the other. while the ma- earth's apparent diameter as seen from tors, look on complacently and approve earth can only intercept the 2,250-milingly. And for what are these schools lionth part. Assuming that the other established? To teach us how to pre- planetary bodies swell the amount of inpare simple, healthful dishes? No, tercepted heat to ten times this amount. ma'am. There is where you are mis- there remains the important fact that taken. They are for the purpose of conjuring up all sorts of complex dishes, special, wined, brandied, what not, till

cooks and gluttonous consumers. Imagine the labor necessary to get up the dinners common now-a-days; and as of heat, solar temperature has not for the eating of them, it is an excellent | diminished sensibly for centuries, if we way to kill time (life is so long, you neglect the periodic changes, apparentknow), but a better way to till grave- ly connected with the appearance of vards, or worse fate, to fill the world sun-spots, that have been observed by with weakly, sickly, whining specimens | Lockyer and others, and the question of men and women. In the good old forces itself upon us, how this great days of our foremothers the cooks had loss can be sustained without producing one day of rest each week and cold an observable diminution of solar tembaked beans; but, sad to relate, we have perture, even within a human life-time. somewhere read that those days are past, | -C. William Siemens, in Popular Let us stand up for a simple diet: let , Science Monthly. will do more to save housekeepers and servants alike from being "tired to death" and leave fewer miserable, narrow-minded drudges than any mechan- L. & N. shops. The case is a remarkaical contrivance man (who is supposed

to know all about the needs of a kitchen) may invent. With simpler food and less gorging Only the organs of speech are paralyzed. No, indeed; she had intended to only would come a healthier, happier race. He is about fifty-five years old, and had, cause of her beautiful, pleading eyes. think it. But the beauty and splendor and, in time, Diogenes' long-sought-for Lame Timmy had been the son of of it all had almost taken away her man might make his appearance. It feet use of his tongue. He went to tion of litmus, and, on tilling it into a Widow McGrath, a neighbor of Granny senses. Her awed voice rose, sweet must be confessed that things do not work as usual Tuesday morning in ex-O'Brien. Mrs. McGrath's death had and shrill above the music and the rust- look very hopeful for any such reform cellent health and spirits, chatting pleasnow. Eating has come to be the grand The music ceased with a crash; the business of life, and the best fellow home. On arriving at the shop he went in town" is the man who gives the costliest dinners. We love our friends dear- men, and talked to them at times until ly because they are so mindful of the about ten o'clock, when he was first inner man, even the stomach, or at least affected. He was speaking to one of the it would look that way to a disinter- men about a piece of machinery, when

> nated plain food is more healthful than startled by the shock, but could not do that which is its opposite. Who ever so. It was some time before the rest of heard of a horse grumbling and growling his way through life a victim? the gout? Whatever else Mary's to be taken home. They accordingly fittle lamb was guilty of doing, conveyed him to his residence, on it never had the nightmare from over- Eighth street, near Broadway. Dr. indulgence at a modern supper table. No, indeed. The animal world has developed neither cooks nor kitchess. A young lady came to us, not long

ago, with the startling intelligence that she knew how to make "Angels' Food." Judging from the ingredients thereof. one would imagine that whatever her success might be in making angel food. she would be pretty sure to make angels laugh, cough and use his mouth and out of many who partook of the heav- work his tongue freely, in fact, everyenly results of the labors in the culinary

We do not contend that a universally simpler and plainer diet would do away with all the ills that flesh is heir to, nor that it would leave housekeepers with no steps to take and next to no work to of these causes can apply to Mr. Calder's do. Housekeeping will always cause tired hands and tired feet, as must be gaing man seldom if ever cretting are the case with any work which men and women perform. But we do contend. and believe it is a self-evident truth. that it would lighten the labor: it would lessen the number of steps to be taken and cause less care both for women and known to work such effects, the pamen. Women would have, not only tient being so affected as not to be able more time, but encouragement to culti- to talk, but wanting to. A singular tivate the mind, that divine attribute case of this kind occurred in this city

animal. The talk of the average woman is largely confined, after marriage, to her dumb. The affliction came on very sudwonderful cooking and the trouble "I have with my servant girls." "What of that?" some excited masculine inquires; "what better can a woman do" Well, sir, if she has a house to keep, the very best thing she can do is to "keep" it to the best of her ability, but need she be forever "gabbling" about it? Let her spare the world the recital of her housekeeping trials and triumphs. How can she do this if she has no time to were called in. They examined the pakeep up with the tide of human events: if she has nothing else to talk about? er of the organs of speech, concluded grow wider. There were also more much low prairie. All along the road | She cannot, unless housekeeping be sim- that it was caused by some form of mencorners. On either side were just such through this region one sees many cat- plined, and, though well done, not be so tal insanity, and became convinced that

Unless we can live with less extensive feed or shelter." They do live so; that and expensive wining and dining, a her into speaking. They returned from is, some of them do. Many die from thousand mechanical contrivances will the consultation, and, sitting near starvation. I saw their bodies every- not lessen the number of steps or enough to the patient to let her hear A flood of light was streaming from where, and many of those still alive the hard work which fall to the lot of were wretchedly emaciated. Hundreds housekeepers. Always with new maof them were, to use an expressive chines comes new work. As it was battery to her. One of them remarked with the sewing machine, for instance, that the chances would be desperate: that is, when they laid down they were which was to make sewing mere play. "for," said he, "in all probability the lively music—that, falling on the de- so weak that they could not get up; but | Madam Fashion got the better of us shock will kill her; and it is a pity to lighted ears of Mary Jane, made her if they were helped to get up they could there, by immediately ordering a half-hasten her death, but the case is a desweakness prompted them to be down | Therefore we say: Let us have a simpler How Mary Jane laughed softly to her- again, when the process had to be repeat- food, more plainly served. Let us eat to be resorted to. The patient at once became interested, and, turning over How Mary Jane laughed softly to herself, and how the little rusty shoes twinkled on the tesselated marble pavement!

If the fairies had known she was there.

Is a gain, when the process had to be repeated to the rest of dead anilive, not live to eat. Let us find some in bed, listened intentity to what they nobler way to man's heart than through had come to drink, and being too weak his stomach; or failing that, let us in that strain for some time, when, to struggle through the mud they had simplify that way and no longer set be- thinking that she was sufficiently seared fallen into the water and been drowned. | for him, at the expense of time, money, patience, or, what is more precious to the same cheerful philosophy with a us, our own life-energy, and our own When the music ceased, Mary Jane man with whom I talked at Corinth, hope of advancement to a higher, more

> The Maintenance of Solar Temperatures. the affliction has never returned. - Lou-An estimate of the amount of heat poured down annually upon the surface of our earth may be formed from the

If, then, we depend upon solar radia- given him as a reference. surfeit on green food kills them. The tion for our very existence from day to whole system and plan of cattle-raising day, it cannot be said that we are only remotely interested in solar physics, and the question whether and how solar enlight, and the actinic rays, is likely to sweep dot room out. I shoost vant to be maintained, is one in which we have see if she keep dot pill. more dense, and the range for cattle is at least as great a reversionary interest circumscribed, these will of necessity as we have in landed estate or other

conception.

Some progressive creature has been Herschel, at 18,000,000 heat-units from telling the people, through the columns every square foot of its surface per of the New York Graphic, how the hour; or, expressed popularly, if coal happy housekeepers are to be "saved were consumed on the surface of the steps." This result is to be brought sun in the most perfect manner, our about by the aid of a mechanical contotal annual production of 280,000,000 trivance, to be evolved from the brain tons, being the estimated produce of all of some man who has nothing else to do. the coal-mines of the earth, would A still better way to save steps can suffice to keep up solar radiation for be suggested. Men must stop eating - only one forty-millionth part of a secdon't be frightened, brother; so must ond; or, if the earth were a mass of

If this is an age of doubt, it may also would last them just thirty-six hours. ority of the people, especially the doc-

ested observer, if such a person could his speech suddenly failed him, almost be found.

department.

fact that it exceeds a million times the heat producible by all the coal raised.

which may be taken at 280,000,000 tons

oun has been approximately computed Texas Siftings.

by the aid of the pyrheliometer of Pouillet, and by the actinometers of women-so much, and so many elabor- coal, and could be supplied by contract

to the solar furnacemen, this supply If the sun were surrounded by a solid space, and apparently lost to the solar one's heart aches, both for the tired system, and only fullized or intercented

Notwithsanding this enormous loss

A Singular Affliction.

A very remarkable case of a man

losing the use of his speech was developed in this city last Tuesday, the victim being David Calder, a machinist at th ble one, owing to the fact that the affliction came on him very suddenly, and no positive outward cause can be found. in the middle of a sentence. He tried No one will deny that what is desig- to speak several times, being apparently the workmen could realize what had happened or understand it. He, howdespepsia, or an elephant with ever made signs, and asked in this way Palmer was called, and Calder was placed under treatment.

case is a most curious one. Such cases sometimes occur in women, and are caused by hysteries or violent emotions of any sort, and have been known to occur from religious excitement. None going man, seldom, if ever, getting excited. He does not drink and has no habit which would be likely to bring on an attack of the sort. The true cause, probably, is some mental decan rement or paralysis of the brain, which has been which distinguishes man from the lower about twelve years ago. A negro girl living on Walnut street was suddenly to all intents and purposes, struck denly, while she was sitting at a table, and every effort failed to make her say a word. A number of physicians were called in and expressed it as their opinion that the trouble was caused by some brain trouble, and that the girl would certainly die. A number of means were resorted to, without success, until in the fourth week of her dumbness Dr. Palmer and another well-known physician tient, and, finding no paralysis whatev. to. They consulted over the matter. what they were saving, began to speak about applying a very powerful electric to be resorted to." The patient at once

thing but speak, and consequently the

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up. Dr. Palmer took his nat and walked

out, saying he was going for the bat-

tery. In about half an hour he re-

turned, and, to his great astonishment,

found the girl, who had been dumb

sitting up in bed and talking at a terri-

ble rate. The cure was effective, and

Not long since a lady called on Mose Schaumburg, to find out if a colored woman who had formerly been a servant at his house was honest, she having "She vas honest, too honest to suit me.

put she vas not reliable." "How in the world can that be? "Vell, one day I leaves a tive tollar source of wealth. It would, however, ergy, comprising the rays of heat, of pill on de floor, and I dells Matildy to the evil has gone on until now panper-

> "Well, did she keep the bill?" "No, she brings me dot pill pack." "That looks very much as if she was If the amount of heat, or, more cor- reliable. "No. she vas not reliable, for dot pill

rectly speaking, of energy, supplied annually to our earth is great as compared vas counterfeit. I vas in hope she dakes with terrestrial quantities, that scattered dot pill, and den I would never have abroad in all directions by the sun paid her dot twenty dollars I owed her; strikes us as something almost beyond | put she's fooled me py bringing me dot pad pill pack, so I cannot say she vas The amount of heat radiated from the reliable, but may be she was honest."- BATES OF ADVERTISING

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SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY.

-Henry Henkle, a Rochester (N. Y.) nventor, is engaged in a project to generate electricity on an immense scale and transmit the electric current to any point desired for illuminating and other purposes.

-German settlers in the Roanoke Valley, of Virginia, have given by their example a wonderful impulse to the fruit growing business. The farmers in Botstourt and Roanake are setting out fruit trees by the thousand.

-All the various mines and cokeworks along the New River, West Virginia, are in full blast, with plenty of orders for coal and coke. Business generally is going along finely, with apparent prospects of continuing to do so for some time. -Mr. John P. Gibson, of Hexam,

England, lately described how he succeeded in taking the photograph of s flash of lightning. He used Swan's plates, backed with red paper. The lens employed was a half-inch rapid symmetrical, with the largest stop but -Coal-tar seems to possess a marvelous potentiality. Already it has been compelled to yield, under the hand of the chemist, earbolic acid, pieric seid,

paratline, all the aniline dyes, artificial

madder, artificial indigo, etc., and now it promises to be a source of quining; a substance called chinoline, closely resembling quinine, has been manufactured from it. It is believed that chemists will soon be able to produce pure oninine itself. -The London Globe announces that the Sultan and the wise men of Turkey are about to enter upon the study of astronomy. Constantinople is to have an observatory with all suitable instruments. It seems that the Turks want to know about this revolution of the plan-

ets and such things. The Moors in

Spain were excellent astronomers and

mathematicians; but the Turks have

until recently regarded astronomers as

wonder-workers, who should be viewed with suspicion. -A mode has been described for demonstrating that yellow color can be formed by combining red and blue. This consists in mixing a red soingion of chromate of botash with a blue some glass cell of a certain thickness, the light transmitted through it is seen to be yellow. Plates of glass coated with gelatine impregnated with chromate, of potash, placed side by side with plates coated with galatine impregnated with litmus, also transmit vellow light. It is found however, that the eves of different persons vary not a little in their power of appreciating the tinge of the

transmitted vellow .- N. Y. Graphic. -The eighty-ton gun at Woolwich has proved its capacity not only to throw a great ball an immense distance. but that its accuracy is remarkable. In one instance the charge of powder used was 370 pounds, and the weight of the shot-the latter being four feet in length and studded with thirteen rows of four stads each-was 1,700 pounds. On the gua being fired at an elevation of seven degrees, the shot first grazed the ground Although every possible effort has at the distance of 4.687 yard, or more been made to find out the cause, no im- than two miles and a half, and then provement has been made in Mr. Cal- went ricochetting along several miles der's condition, and he has not been further. The time of flight till it first able to speak a word since. There is struck was 11.3 seconds, and the report no paralysis whatever of any of the or- made by this vast piece of ordnance is gans of the throat or the tongue; he can | described as having been tremendous. -

N. Y. Sun. The English Relief System.

Moneure D. Conway, in a letter to the Cincinnati Commercial, describes the relief system of Great Britain as fol lows: "Not only is poverty pensioned. but a premium is put upon some of its causes. Were I at this moment to Tay aside my pen and go to the relieving officer of this parish and tell him I and my family were in want, he would either have to show it otherwise or support me. If he doubts my statement the burden of proof rests with him. If he finds me in a house, and I declare the house and furniture belongs to some one else, he must either take up his time in ferreting out facts that would show the imposture or else must give relief. As a matter of fact, when the relieving officer is applied to, his investigation is not and can not be extensive. He gives the applicant half a crown (62 1-2 cents) per week for himself, a shilling for his wife per week, a roll of bread for each of the children, and an order for meat and groceries. These meats and groceries are suplied by contract with large houses, and are much better than most people get who work for their living. Everybody, therefore, in this country, has a right to demand physical support without working for it. t is true that the relieving officer is authorized to make the applicant do some work, and nominally he often does so; but it is a mere apology for work, such as assorting papers for a half hour or other trifle; for were it real or profitetive labor the trades would make a row. Therefore, the guardians support a vast number of lazy people. But there are other singular facts. If a poor man and wife have ten children they may find an important advantage in deserting them. They go off to another part of Loudon or to another town. The guardians of the poor take the children to a comfortable home. They advertise for the deserting parents. They are probably found out and arrested. The man is given a few weeks in prison. When he comes out of prison he may, if he cares for his children, go to the home and demand them (though the home would

my hands.' Then the relieving officer must support that big family. Any fittle money the man can pick up he may keep: he has always an excuse for demanding relief in the stigma of his crime. The more children he has the more he gets. Instead, therefore, of placing a tax on every child brought into the world, which would be the better course, this country virtually puts a pramium on excessive breeding of paupers. And this it continues to do after the folly has been demonstrated a thousand times, simply in dread lest these masses turn to criminals. Twenty-four hours of absolute hunger would turn them into an army of bandits and burglars. To deal with an evil radically is not in the average English nature, consequently ism, decreasing in many districts by flooding London, has risen beyond the provisions of the metropolis for it. The result is an increase of crime. There is visibly growing a great Python in London; and it begins to assume the ingenions fangs and subtleties of a scientific age. It shares the culture of a scientific age. It is dealing largely in American revolvers. All the law and the prophets are for it summed up in two: Thou

shalt love thyself with all thy mind.

soni and strength, and put out of your

way anybody who stands in it."

keep them). Having not them he may

then go to the relieving officer and say:

'Nobody will employ me because I have

been in prison. I have ten children on