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Concerning the oft-mooted question

# Empty Hands.

BY MRS. METTA S. BENSON. Fear not, O hands grown weary, That see no good attained-With only bleeding fingers And palms so torn and stained. -

You've sought the deeps for treasures That vanished into air; You have gathered only ashes From fruit that seemed so fair,

You've climbed the highest mountain For the bloom you thought it bore, And found but a scentless blossom Faded forevermore.

You've tried within the valley The golden grain to bind, And wept to know your hard-won sheaves Were only tares entwined.

You've roamed through tangled forest a For some sweet singer's home, Only to find it empty-The sweet-voiced singer flores.

You've sought for fruit and blossom. For bird and golden grain, And you've but torn and empty hands For years of toll and pain.

But know, O hands grown weary, That hold no well-carned alms, The King, when he seeks His morkers, Will look for desp-scarred palms.

### A Story of the Border.

Leslie Cochrane was only twenty years old when he became a pioneer among the wild woods and wilder dangers of Western Penusylvania. But he had been caught in that net which takes all young -love-had married his girl, a lass of eighteen, as brave and hearty as himself; and together they had decided to seek their fortunes on the very edge of the border. Annie had no relatives left since the Indians scalped her brother, and Leslie's father was not the man to hold his son back from any honorable step be-cause it involved hardship and danger.

Indeed, how superior in some qualities to the people of the present day were those of the frontiers seventy-five and one hundred years ago. Then parents encouraged their adult children to undertake perilous and trying enterpri-es, and were proud to see sons and daughters set their faces to the front to battle with Indians and animals, forests and fate, and establish new homes of their own.

Thus it was that Mr. Cochrane gave on the pursuit. Leslie a horse, and mother Cochrane fur-

sufficed for housekeeping in those days. water, and Leslie Cochrane and wife went out with his wound. a little bedding, a few dishes and kettles, and a dozen carpenter's to ils, the whole after nearly thirty-six hours in a living making but half a load for a horse. grave, he crawled forth, like a hunted Everything else essential the pioneer fox, from its lair. At first he put out his manufactured in the forest. And yet such head to look and listen; and then, disbeginnings must not be despised, for from them, and the families using them, have sprung grand results.

But ah! what a situation for a wound-

side of the stockade a quantity of wood was brought, the corn when ripe was gotten in the keener angulah of fear lest gathered, hay was collected, and every provision was made to supply the demands low the trail to the stockade and succeed

Two or three trips to a distant mill, occupying each a week, were necessary in order to turn several bushels of corninto meal. These mill journeys, the first separation our young couple had experienced, were long and anxious weeks.

The first was safely performed, and a fine grist of religious to the several to cat some of this most unsavory meat.

But the second was not so successful.

He reached the mill in safety, and without observing anything to excite his fears; but as he was starting to return he was warned sgainst bands of the Shawanese known to be lurking in the vicinity.

He, however, set out with all the greater haste, carrying but a part of the grist and

gave an unusual spring to clear a small body. stream. On went the terrified animal at Or, if she failed to discover him alive or a swifter gait than before, but poor Les- dead she could ride to the mill settlelie fell like a dead man into the dushing ment for safety and assistance. current of the brook.

dropped where he did, for the cold bath route. revived him at once, and as he crept down the stream in search of a hiding- food, and bound up the wound in i's place the waters covered his trail from neck, knowing that all depended upon the pursuing Shawanese.

only concealment possible for him to gain, swiftly did she go that, had anybody with one useless limb and such deathly seen ber, she might have seemed like some weakness. But as he was painfully spirit of the woods.

tered upon the scene, and spying the was attentive enough to the instinct of the animal she might learn where it had parted from Leslie. And so it proved to watch him like a cat about to seize a track of the animal she went forward, her senses to watch him like a cat about to seize a track of the sense and it occurred to her that if she was of time, and it occurred to her that if she was of time, and it occurred to her that if she was attentive enough to the instinct of galleries cut out in the rock, and to we should know nothing of that comet's the animal she might learn where it had parted from Leslie. And so it proved to watch him like a cat about to seize a thrilling acterior of the efforts of a poung man to stretch-home wid sparks of fire flying to watch him like a cat about to seize a thrilling acterior. We went to see the famous and time, ten upon him in may or sune, and be digorized to her that if she was attentive enough to the instinct of the animal she might learn where it had parted from Leslie. And so it proved.

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Walking was out of the question, so by the sun, and his splendor would hide bees at the same time in a wagon. to watch him like a cat about to seize a mouse. The position of the leaning-tree almost supernaturally alort to find her

of the tree, as if just about to spring, search, her heart aflame with feelings too when Leslie knew from the beast's sud-intense for words. den change of action that the Indians It was the tread of the horse that nels which are called the galleries, cut

ing as the panther turned around and began to how at the presence of the sew foe. Having traced a victim to the hole of the sew foe. Having traced a victim to the hole of the sew foe. among the roots, the great cat was en. She heard, and in an instant was at his pointed out through the window-like didn't feel such ob de race. What fer tent to destroy all life upon the surface

they intended to follow the horse's trail, fallen to the Cochrane descendants. not knowing that the rider had dropped from his seat and was near them.

Finally, toward night of the second day,

Reaching their destination, a temporary cabin was built, a field of corn planted, and in a few weeks they were fairly at home, though many miles away from the nearest settlement. Their food consisted

The pain of his wounded limb was for-

in killing or capturing the woman who

fine grist of yellow meal was the result. At this moment the faint jarring of

He, however, set out with all the greater haste, carrying but a part of the grist, and thinking anxiously of the peril of his young wife alone in the little stockade.

All day be pushed on, warily, but with the highest speed of which the horse was capable. At nightfall he had to stop, it being impossible to keep the way in darkness. Turning into a thick copse of hemlocks he fed the horse, ate his own lunch of corn-cake and venison, and then

lunch of corn-cake and venison, and then Running to a port-hale, her heart sank tried to sleep. With the early dawn he as she saw the animal without a rider. was off again, goaded on by a growing She unbarred the heavy gate and let in

# Suddenly the crisis came as the horse If not alive she might find his dead

She gave the horse an abundance

the faithful creature's strength. A moment brought him to an over- It was a long and anxious night to poor hanging bank upheld by the roots of a Annie, but the dawn came at last, and large tree, beneath which he crept as the she mounted and rode away; and so,

crawling under the bank another danger As she sped enward, along the faint speared.

As she sped enward, along the faint trail marked by blazed trees, the peculiar An enormous panther, probably attracted by the smell of fresh blood, entice, and it occurred to her that if she with them. We went to see the famous said he'd go right by all de older hosses any time, fell upon him in May or June, president of a paring company.

An lows paper gives a thri

was such that when Leslie had perfected husband and avoid being surprised his concealment as well as he could, there by Indians. As the sun was declining, was still an opening among the roots, she approached the brook where Lastie through which he and the panther looked had fallen, and the conduct of the horse up to the northern part of the town, each other in the face. This state of affairs continued for half of some part of the disaster. Slowly she an hour or more, the creature lashing its rode down the slope, watching on every tail and drawing its claws along the bark | hand to hear something pertaining to her

were approaching.

The poor fellow's suspense was agonizstepped into the stream the poor man

raged at the appearance of a rival to its side. And such a meeting. To each it spening. All round on the floor were should be de of our earth, was about to take place; the Sandwich Islands are put in a strong of shells and balls. The whole of objeck?"

The dead bodies of the royal family of our earth, was about to take place; the Sandwich Islands are put in a strong objeck?"

ther's hide, and for half an hour longer he was on the rack of anxiety lest they should discover his hiding-place.

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In a little time he heard their tread as pressed by the emphasis which he placed they crossed the roots within a couple of "the three strange providences by of yards of his head and hastened away which he was delivered." First, had he falled anywhere but in the stream the our donkeys, and once more climbed the sight was not undeserved:

"Want an item?"

"What is it?" we inquired. mainly of fish and wild game.

During the summer Leslie erected a more substantial log-house, a stable for the horse, and dug a well, surrounding the whole by a stockade as a defence. In
The state was standing over the horse, and dug a well, surrounding the whole by a stockade as a defence. In
The state kinder died down. Then she kinder died down. One of my drillers was standing over the hole, when she soldenly aparted again, an' blast my eyes! if it didn't take that driller right up with it. The stream was pair of eagle's next, where for some time past a than about himself. spurting fountains, such as they have in

> think of that un?" "How long has be been up there!" "About four days and four nights."

he doesn't need any but er." "But he must have frozen to death before this time."

#### The Rock of Gibraltar.

outer and the inner gates, near the landing place. The market is supplied from Tangiers in Africa, Algeeiras ting." be sadly answered. But being described by astronomers, we might be court. and San Roque in Spain. We saw on pressed he went on: the stalls beef, mutten and kid; fishmultet, sardines, soles, crabs and oysters; body puttin' up deir money on de hosses fruit—orange, lemons, dates; and vegetables—potatoes, artichokes, tomatoes, horn out'n five or ten dollars. I went from any part of the heavens, came from of applied to the horn out'n five or ten dollars.

the guide got donkeys, each with a species of little chair on its back, and a man to lead it. Through narrow streets, or lanes, as they are called, we mounted into the part of the rock called the Castie. Here the permission to visit the galleries was shown, and a soldier came for our guide. Then we mounted (still on the donkeys) through the long tunin the solid rocks. At very short intervals there were openings, like small, hollowed-out rooms, with holes for win-

in different directions. Under this balt

a most selemn manner:
"Death missed me by a miracle, three Europe—drink.

A book has been kept since 1856, when tow late.
"Do not sup "Death missed me by a miracle, three times in a single hour."

A book has been kept since 1856, showing the numbers of the mookeys seen, and what they were doing at the time of the observation. There were only four to be seen at the time when the book was begun to be kept; now there are about twenty-one. Sometimes for days together they are not seen. When the part two thousand, or even the next two thousand, containly not so many as twenty, have been recorded, we may fairly consider the chance exceedingly small that during the last two thousand, certainly not so many as twenty, have been recorded, we may fairly consider the chance exceedingly small that during the next two should have marched on the Rhine and should have marched on the Rhine and days together they are not seen. When the paid our risk they had not here are the paid our risk they had not here are the paid our risk they had not been assisted to he can be called the truth, and you will acknowledge it when tow late.

"Do not suppose that the misfortune which over shelms me in the disaster of my country (Wurtemberg) renders me unjust or suspicious. Venice ceded, Austria should have been assisted, and you should have marched on the Rhine and should have been assisted, and you will acknowledge it when two late.

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thing acted, an' there's that air driller right up on top of that hundred fut column of crude ile, and he's dancing about like chaff in a fanning mill. What do you think of that up. "

UNELESS PROPLE.—We see no special some years he has been guided by such indications in the management of his constitute of the manage "He must be very hungry by this time. Doesn't be come down to get something o eat?"

"Why, we uns just put a plate of hash is this stream of ile, and it takes it up to him, you see. And it's mighty handy, as be finds his victuals already greased, an' be doesn't need any butter."

"Anout four days and four nights."

practical utility is concerned. Manifestly they have come to the wrong world; and the somer they leave it the sooner society will be relieved of a burdensome and expensive naisance. Eating and drinking and sleeping constitute their chief employment. With their provender made sure, they are quite sating the stroises bury themselves; that night provender made sure, they are quite satto do anything that is of practical value "Why, man, we've sent him up on the for either world. Fortunately for them-"Why, man, we've sent him up on the same stream bed and bedding, a small stove an' wood, an' we're going to build him a small house, and then he can live there as comfortable as a prince."

His face was as innocent of deceit as a piece of tanned leather, and when he asked to have his name put down as a dead-head subscriber for information he thing valuable to the world is less than dead-head subscriber for information he thing valuable to the world is less than had given, we didn't have the heart to that of an oyster .- Independent.

was off again, goaded on by a growing anxiety to reach his cabin.

But as the horse was drinking at the first brook crossing, something mysterious alarmed it to such a degree that it almost refused to go forward. Peering sharply around, Leslie could see nothing terrible, and attributed the fright to the terrible to see that it almost a part of the part of the part of the part and appear a part of the part of the part of the part and appear a part of the part of th samply arounds. Lesile cours see nothing terrible, and attributed the frigit to the secont of some wild beast that had perhaps been prowling about the spot during the latter part of the night.

Mounting and urging the animal onward, he had scarcely gone a soor of yards when the crack of guns startled the stilence, and he felt a builet tear its way through his thigh. At the same in start the savage war-whoop burst on his ing at him from among the trees.

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ing weak and dizzy, however, and expecting at every leap to be hurled to the ground.

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Two thousand American firms have announced their intention to contribute to going to do about him?

#### The Last Horse.

The whole height of the north front of Brother Gardner had pianned to celethe rock (about 1,450 feet) is seen; and it brate the glorious Fourth by hanting whether the sun may not some day come ooks so grand and so strong that we do snipe on the shores of St. Clair, but when in colfision with a comet, Prof. Proctor Fortuna'e for him was it that he with such reflections she decided to not wonder that the Spaniards do not he reached the race-course the excitement says: "Supposing there really is, I will make an early start along the wild valley like its being out of their hands. As we re-entered the town we passed through noticed as he came down in the evening our sun may one day, through the arrivthe market place, which lies between the that his shot-gun was missing, and he al of some very large comet traveling

"Weil, after I got in dar and seed everyonions, lettuces, celery. Everybody goes over and took a look at de flyers. Bime out that part of the star depths which is to market. We saw the officers' wives by I seed one dat pleased me, and I made occupied by the constellation Taurus; driving away in their little pony car-

"And you bet on that horse?"

"Dat's wot I did, of course. I put up dat new shot-gun agin five dollars, and when de eight horses pranced up to de score, I could feel dat five dollars jumpin."

Sy the sun, and his spiendor would hide as with a veil the destroying enemy. On the other hand, if the comet, arriving from the same region of the heavens, so approached as to fall upon the sun in November or December, we should see it Niagara Falls this season.

The Chicago Times says that Mrs. Com-

right frew all my veins." "Well, did your horse win!" "Not exactly-not unless the anamile which comes in behind all de rest is de Astronomers would be able in a few days winner. When I seed him way back dar after it was discovered to determine its I yelled for de driver to put on de whip, but he never minded me, and a white man hit dis plug hat an awful smash. I believe dat horse was pulled. It down approach to the sun. It would be known seem to me that he was given a fair show. For weeks then that the event which Newdows. But on the floor of each little Den it down' stan' to reason dat his driver ton contemplated as likely to cause a tre- was born in Manchester, England, comroom stood a cannon, the mouth of which would tell me to bet on de hoss if he mendous outburst of solar heat, compeling to this country at the age of sixteen.

But the interval was brief. Again the sharp crack of guns rang out, and the furious creature sprang into the air and fell peavily on the ground out of Loslie's sight.

Then he surmised, from the sounds, that the red men were removing the panter's hide, and for half an hour longer the was on the rack of anxiety lest they are the surmised.

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A ROYAL PROPRET.-The following is Whoever has heard the aged Leslie re. is another like it called Cornwallis Hall, a paragraph from a letter which the late cite this adventure must have been im. to which a long staircase, that we did not Queen of Holland wrote to Napoleon III.

Lesile a horse, and mother Cochrane furnished the "setting out" for a cabin, and the young couple departed into the great woods.

The previous year Lesile had been on soont against the redmen, and arich pair in the Previous reaching the theorem of the finite pairs of the first in the Previous distriction of the previous pears and the previous pears are the previous and the pears formight. You allow the weak to the little pears formight. You allow the weak to the little pears formight. You allow the weak to the little pears formight. You allow the weak to the little pears are the previous are the previous and the pears are the previous are the previous are the previous are the prev

catastrophe of the kind."

Swindlers.

The successful swindler is usually a

How Toutouses KEEP WARM .- Aca powerful one, you see, an' he went up a their young ones. The eaglets go; the hundred feet. You've seen these little old ones stay. We looked through the balls as dance about on top of those little telescope and saw the nest. (in days or seasons) may give useful in-formation to farmers and others. For life, whose earthly history is represented by the title of this article. They are simply idlers and wasters, so far as any practical utility is concerned. Maniisfied. Habits of industry they have not; and, moreover, it is no part of their plan zero, C. Again, on the 1st of April, the

he, "will kiss; yet not one in a hundred knows how to extract bliss from lovely lips any more than he knows how to make diamonds from charcoal." He used to relate his experiences of a good-night's kiss imprinted on the lips of his inamorata after having escerted her to and from a New Eogland forfeit party, where the poor girl, being the belle of the evening, had been kissed, and, as he expressed himself, "slobbered over by all and sundry." He declared that in that one chaste salute he could discriminate of course where two or three hundred people are sitting down to a meal, it is a hard matter to discern one person who has not registered. Still another class are those who ou stopping at a hotel have a fair show of baggage, but which in reality is worthless; this class has many derices, and generally succeeds in victimizing the landlord, even if he be not over-credulous. In fact, for ways that are dark, the hotel awindler is very peculiar.

A Quaker, having married for his wife a member of the Church of England, was

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July let. Charles O'Conor was born in New York, and began life as a newsboy.

destroyed unawares, or we might be made Dr. Tyng, the well-known clergyman aware for several weeks of the approach of New York, is said to be worth half a

The London Truth says that the custom of applying an artificial bloom to children's faces is on the increase.

General W. W. Averill, the famous cavriages, taking their marketings along to win de race. He said he did. He the comet, which might reach the sun at alry raider, resides in Washington, and is

The Chicago Times says that Mrs. Comfor several weeks. For it would then apmodore Vanderbilt will marry a Virginia proach from the part of the heavens high

above the southern horizon at midnight. and whom the Commodore cut out. cousin of hers, who is a young widower, His holiness the other day said to Prin-

The dead bodies of the royal family of and, doubtless, the minds of many stu-dents of science would be exercised dur-to ensure their preservation for many

would remain, after the catastrophe, to "Well, I dunno." "Fortunately, all that we have learned General Joseph E. Johnston is childhitherto from the stars favors the belief less. In appearance he is much the same

cisely in the same way that an insurance company estimates the chance of a rail-

being persistently dissatisfied with every-thing that is said and done by wife or children.

SMILES.-If people will only notice. they will be amazed to find how much a ingly small that during the next two thousand, or even the next twenty thou- But very few consider what an important symbol of fine intellect and fine feeling they are. Yet all smiles, after childhood are things of education. Savages do not smile; coarse, brutal, cruel men may laugh, but they seldom smile. It is painman of good appearances and finished manners; his chief victims are hotel proful to reflect how seldom the poor smile. The effluence, the benediction, the radiprietors and boarding-house keepers, their occupation readering them poculiarly liable to imposition. Not long since a man in New York, when finally caught in the act, openly boasted that for over two years he had lived at the finest up-town boarding houses and not paid one cent during that time for board; paid one cent during that time for board; he was gentlemanly in appearance, well-dressed, in possession of fine conversational powers, and very popular among the ladies. His plan was to call at a first-clase boarding-house, engage apartments, and before partaking of the first meal inform the landlady that "he could not get his baggage over the ferry that morning," "had not arrived at the express office yet," "was delayed on the road by an accident," etc., always framing some plausible excuse so as to gain

they rentured even to walk out, but on the approach of the late cold in February they ensconced themselves anew. One day in March, the thermometer being a foothold, and in the interim making at ten degrees C., M. Bouchard noticed his tortoises bury themselves; that night the mercury fell to two degrees above zero, C. Again, on the 1st of April, the thermometer being at forty degrees in the sun, his most sensitive subject went into the ground. On the 2 it there was a hoar frost. Several other like cases are given.

Assorted Kisses.—A humorous friend of ours used to be particularly enthusiastic on the classic subject of osculation. He declared there were few "sciences" so difficult of acquisition. "People," said he, "will kiss; yet not one in a hundred knows how to extract bliss from lovely

and sundry." He declared that in that one chaste salute he could discrimicate "nine distinct and separate flavors," namely, "onions, tobacco, peppermint, gin, lager beer, brandy, checkerberry, musk, and camphor."—F. H. Brown, in Appletons.

Chippletons.

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