PIRESIDE MISCELLANY.

NEARER THEE.

Let me ereep within thy heart-strings, Nestle there just like a doye-For my nature is to fondle And to live for those I love.

Those I love are easy numbered, For they are but very few; But I lavish my affection With a steadfast heart and true.

Every fibre of thy being I would have it mate with mine, For to lave and be beloved Is the one thing most divine.

Like a dove within its nest-In the sunshine of thy friendship Would I be foreyer blest.

Let me creep within thy heart-strings,

Let me creep within thy heart-strings-Like the tendrils of a vine Would I have our beings mingle And our sympathies entwine.

Fanned by Love's most holy breath. Sheltered from the storms of sorrow, Free from Envy's living death. Let me creep within thy heart-strings

Like the perfume of the rose,

Let me ercep within thy heart-strings

Deep within that sacred temple Evermore to find repose. Let me creep within thy heart-strings-Like some melody divine

Pure as drops of boly wine. Keep within thy spirit's temple One sweet spot where buds adorn-Think of me at evening vespers, Forget me not at morning's dawn.

Would I waken notes of gladness

Think of me in hours of gladness. When the soul is filled with mirth; And in moments of thy sadness Then let thoughts of me have birth.

SUNDAY MORNING.

to go, for this is the first bell.

you are free to stay, if you prefer; visit your mother, to be scolded because take. I don't say that I should go dear sister, to be told of what a scorchevery Sunday to hear a man who was ing time little boys will have who tell always binding doctrines together like lies and are not like George Washingbundles of dry sticks, and thrusting ton, to catch your big brother kissing them at his yearning hearers. I want the pretty schoolma'am on the sly and to hear a sermon that any poor soul to wish you were big so you could kiss who straggles into church, from any by- her too, and-and-why, d-n being a lane or alley, can understand, and car- boy again."-Crescent. ry home with him to his cellar or garret; not a sermon that comes on charnot wheels, but afoot, and with a warm, time ago, on the Sabbath, we wended life like grasp for every honest-ave, our way to one of the churches, and inand dishonest-hand in the assembly, stead of a sermon, heard an address on defaulter or Magdalen; for who bade some missionary or other subject.

penting, somebody who is glad and sor- head. ry, and cries and laughs, and eats and "Come, William, give us something drinks, and wants to fight when they now," said the Parson. are trodden on-and don't! That's "Can't do it." the minister for me. I don't want a "Why not? Is not the cause a spiritual abstraction, with stony eyes good one?" and petrified fingers, and no blood to "Yes, but I am not able to give anybattle with. What credit is it to him thing.' stand me? Were there only such min- must give a better reason than that." feet would only beat a tattoo on the know that." pew floor till service was over; but But, William, you owe God a larger thank God there are! and while they debt than you owe any one else." preach I shall go and hear them, and "That's true, Parson, but he ain't come home better and happier for pushing me like the balance of my cre-

day, whatever you may do with yours. rious condition as he passed on. Don't take away my blessed Sunday breakfast, when we all have time to love one another. Don't take away the who have never been estranged. Who Sabbath bells which I love to hear. is there living that in absence clings Don't take away my human minister, not with increasing fondness to the obwhose God is no tyrant, and is better ject of his idolatry, watches not every pleased to see us go smiling home from mail, and, trembling with alarm, anxchurch, than bowing our heads like a liety or suspense, reads not again and bulrush, and go groaning back to our again every line that the hand of love dinners, till all you anti-Sabbatarians has traced? Is there a fault that is are mad to abolish Sunday-and no not pardoned in absence? Is there a FANNY FERN. wonder.

SCROFULA is a taint or infection in the human organism which weakens the vital forces, and disorders or disarranges the functions of the whole system. This taint or infection is most usually hereditary in the constitution, but it may also arise from habits of life, unwholesome food, etc. In time, if this disease does not show itself in an ulcerous or tubercular form, it induces those other diseases, such as consumption, ulcerations of the liver, stomach and kidneys, salt rheum, dropsy, etc. The best remedy ever yet discovered is "Dr. Walker's VEGETABLE VINEGAR BITTERS." It will cure the disease if not too far advanced, and will tradicate the cause.

Motto for a rejected suitor-He wooed, and she wouldn't. He cooed, but she couldn't.

BOY AGAIN.

A company of gentlemen in Reno, were, not long since, whiling an evening away by singing songs and relating anecdotes, when one asked for the song of "Would I were a boy again;" at which "Old Pi-Ute" (John K. Lovejoy), who was present, broke out as follows: "A boy again! Who would be a boy again if he could? to have the measles, mumps and itch, to get licked by bigger boys and scolded by older brothers, to stub your toes, to have the belly ache from swallowing cherry stones, to have chapped hands and frozen toes, to slip up on the ice, to do chores, to get your ears boxed, to get spanked with a slipper, to get whaled by a thick headed schoolmaster, to be made to stand up as a "dunce" for the amusement of the school, to have visitors to come to school and tell you how miserably weak and stupid you were when you were born, and to ask you what would have become of you at that interesting time in your life if your parents had not been so patient with and kind to you (of course it was all one's Gimps and Velvets of all colors, our Ginghams, fault that he was born and his parents | Lawns, Cambries, Swisses, etc., etc., in great were in no way concerned or interested | variety. We call the attention of GENTS and HEADS in the matter), to eat at the second ta- OF FAMILIES to our fine assortment of ble when company comes, to set out cabbage plants because you are little. and consequently it won't make your back ache much, to be made to go to school when you don't want to, to get spelled down in school, to lose your marbles, to have your sled broken, to be hit in the eye with frozen apples and soggy snow balls, to cut your finger, to eur goods, and happiest when we sell to you. lose your knife, to have a hole in the rear of your only pair of pants when How many pleasant breakfast tables your pretty cousin from the city comes it looks down upon. No need to hurry to see you, to be called a coward if you away to office, or store, or counting- won't fight at school, to be whaled at room. Fathers come leisurely down in home if you do fight at school, to be dressing-gown and slippers, and sip stuck after a little girl and dare not tell their coffee without danger of choking. her, to have a boy too big for you to They have time to look around and see lick tell you your sweetheart squints, IMPORTANT TO EVERYBODY! how tall the children are growing, and to have your sweetheart cut you dead that nothing in this world is so beauti- and affiliate with that boy John Smith, FITHE LARGEST AND BEST STOCK OF ful as a rosy baby fresh from slumber whom you particularly hate, because he Mother, too, has the old girlish smile set your nose up the week before, to be Dry Goods, that comes not often on a week day, for made to go to bed when you know you if it does father has not time to notice ain't sleepy, to have no fire-crackers on it, and that, perhaps, after all, is the the Fourth of July, no skates at Christreason it comes so seldom. It is plea- mas, to want a piece of bread and butsant, after eggs and coffee, to sit com- ter with honey and get your ears pulled, That has ever been offered in Polk Co., is just fortably down by the fire, the center of to keep from the circus when it comes received at a ring of happy faces, and hear the to town when all the other boys go, to church bells chime. Time enough yet | get pounded for stealing roasting ears, to get run by bull dogs for trying to nip New two story building at INDEPENDENCE, Church bells are not, to my car, "an watermelons, to have the canker rash, EST. impertinence." One is a free agent. catechism, and stone bruises, to be I am free to go, which I like to do; called up to kiss all the old women that though I may think you made a mis- you like Maggie Love better than your

WASN'T PUSHING HIM. - Some

you slam Heaven's gate in their faces? After the address was concluded, two eration. I want a human sermon, I don't care brethren were sent round for contribuwhat Melchisedek, or Zarubbabel, or tions; Parson L- was one of the Kerenhappuk did, ages ago; I want to basket bearers, taking the side upon know what I am to do and I want which we sat. Immediately in front, somebody besides a theological book- and upon the next seat neighbor, gentworm to tell me-somebody who is ly reclined our friend Bill K-, a sometimes tempted and tried, and who gentleman of infinite humor and full of is not too dignified to own it; somebody dry jokes. Parson L- extended like me, who is always sinning and re- the basket and Bill slowly shook his

to be proper? How can he under- 'Pooh! Pooh! I know better; you isters in the pulpit, I wouldn't go to "Well, I owe too much money; I church either, because my impatient must be just before I am generous, you

So I pray you don't abolish my Sun- The Parson's face got in rather a cu-

It is said they never love so well doubt that is harbored or believed, however agonizing?-and even if believed, is it not at once forgotten and its object forgiven? Every feeling but one is extinct in absence; every idea that has not for its subject one image is banished as profane.

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