

IN THE NIGHT.

As I enter the shadowy portals of night, To stray in her solitude vast, Pale memory whispers a vanished delight And sends a shiver from the past.

WYLAID.

"Chip, you'd better start at once. Don't be on the road after dark with so much money about you."

The window was high from the ground, and the disreputable looking tramp who had entered the garden heard Mr. Stockwell's remark and came to a stop on the gravelled walk.

Mr. Stockwell had the largest grocery in Lebanon, and Chip Ferris, though only 17 years old, was his right hand man.

He owned another grocery in Milldale, a thriving little village eight miles away, and Chip had just been directed by him to go over and collect the month's receipts from the man in charge.

"Tell Hanson I'll be in Milldale to see him just as soon as I can get out of the house," said Mr. Stockwell, who had been overcome by his old remedy, the rheumatism.

"I've instructed him in the note to turn over the collections to you, and if any stock is needed he can let you know."

The man at the window did not wait to hear more, but went noiselessly to the gate, all thought of begging removed from his mind.

A companion, as ragged and vicious looking as himself, stood waiting for him some distance in the street.

"Who kept you so long?" he growled. "Any luck?"

"I should say so," was the response. "You didn't get any money, did you?"

"No, but we'll soon have plenty if we manage things right."

And he proceeded to confide what he had overheard, whereas the other worthy's eyes glinted.

"Well, that is luck, and no mistake," he said. "If he only a boy it will be as easy as rolling off a log. There he comes now."

ABOVE RUBIES.

As the prince stood wondering at the magic power of the apparently common-place staff, a courier approached in all haste with a message from a distant province governed by a very dear friend of Prince Ali.

The breathless messenger fell on his face before the prince, and after saluting him recovered breath enough to speak, he begged the pardon of the prince for first exacting a promise of secrecy in regard to the matter upon which he had been sent.

In his anxiety the prince read the hand that held the staff and placed it on the shoulder of the exalted messenger, and he, too, was marbled.

As the days went by the palace filled with strange images, and the power of the wonderful staff began to long for the supernatural donor.

"Is that not beautiful?" asked the mischievous girl, smiling almost bursting into laughter.

"It is beautiful, most beautiful," answered the prince, "but her laugh would be to me more beautiful than all."

"And that?" exclaimed the aged man. "Look how natural that courier is about to relate his message."

"Most natural, most natural," sighed the prince, "but the unspoken message is locked in that marble breast."

To several others the strange visitor drew the shrinking prince, and commented on the peculiar beauty of each.

But the prince could not be diverted from the melancholy that possessed him, "Take them away! Take them away!"

"Leave my palaces as I will and I will be happy, perfectly happy!"

"Be it as you say," answered the aged man, "and profit by the lesson."

There was a slight rattle in the courts of the palace, and when it passed all was as it had been; except the strange visitor himself was gone.

The prince of Prince Ali of Bagdad stood for ages as it was erected, except this inscription over the main entrance: ALL SON OF ABULFEIDA, TO THE PRINCES OF THE WORLD.

There is no pleasure which the happiness of a fellow creature is endangered; nor is there loveless in anything where there is either a being or taking from the handwork of the Most High God.

Donald R. MacGregor in New York News.

THE FAIR SEX.

Mrs. Theodora Priest is the owner of the New Jersey Free Zeilung.

Elizabeth Hargart, M. D., daughter of the late Aaron A. Hargart, congressman, senator and minister to Germany, resides in California.

Mrs. Sarah Parker, an American, has gone to Algeria to found a branch of the Marriage Law Reform association.

Mrs. May French Sheldon, who formerly lived in Chicago, but more recently in Paris, is soon to visit the interior of Africa to study the native women.

Miss Lucille Netherland was married at the church of the Messiah, St. Louis, to Edward A. Busch, son of Adolphus Busch, the wealthiest brewer in America.

Mrs. John A. Cockerill, wife of the New York World's well known editor, was severely injured recently by being thrown from the top of a Fifth Avenue stage.

Lady Tennison, who is known to be an excellent amateur pianist, is about to make her first appearance as a composer.

Mrs. M. M. Magruder, French bedstead maker, the nation's first French bedstead maker, died recently.

Mrs. A. H. Perrine, of Randall county, Alabama, owns and manages a plantation in the heart of the negro belt.

Miss Helen Gould, daughter of the millionaire Jay, often devotes a day to hospital visits.

The queen of Roumania wrote a melodrama which should have been produced at the Burg theater at Vienna.

The proposed statue of Prince Baudouin is to be a memorial emanating exclusively from the army.

The state of the Emperor William's health is exciting the most serious apprehensions in court circles at Berlin.

The imperial family of Russia was gravely threatened by an accident which befell Prince George, second son of the czar.

Augustin Daly, the playwright and manager, is a devoted reader of books.

Edward E. Rice, George K. Fortescue, Mrs. Fortescue, Miss Fortescue and five pretty girls have sailed from San Francisco for Australia.

RAINS OF BLOOD.

Shows of blood, though recorded in the oldest time, are now rare at this day.

In the year 1222 a shower consisting of blood and dust fell over quite a large portion of Italy.

In 1225 quantities of snow fell in Syria, and when the rays of the sun melted it it turned into rain.

In the year 1261 Burgundy was startled by the appearance of a shower which came down in drops of blood.

Between the years 1319 A. D. and 1370 fourteen different showers of blood were seen in various parts of Italy.

In the year 1420 Devonshire, in England, witnessed a phenomenon that caused great excitement. It was a shower of drops of blood.

In the year 1596 there was a shower of hailstones in Wurttemberg. They fell to a considerable extent and contained blood in hollow cavities.

In 1531 a three days' shower of blood fell all over southern Europe, and in the last year a local, fresh from the oven, when sliced at the table.

The last time that a gory phenomenon of this nature occurred of which any record is known to have been made was in the year 1802. Then it was that a shower of blood rain fell over that country.

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There is nothing more refreshing at night than a foot bath in which about half a cupful of alcohol and lavender or violet water has been dissolved.

To relieve a sick headache take half a teaspoonful of common salt as soon as the first symptoms appear. It is often more efficacious than any other remedy.

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A new substitute for quinine is known as pantothen. It is an aqueous extract from the root of a plant of that name.

The Ohio State college, of Cleveland, has recently rolled a twenty inch square ingot into a three-quarter inch plate at a single heat.

The camera shows that the star Vega, one of the brightest in the northern heavens, is apparently a double star, composed of two stars, each revolving around a point midway between them.

Experiments are being tried in Germany in making horsehoes of a material, the chief constituent of which is paper.

The details of another butchery by the Mafia have been received. Belgiere, overseer for Mr. Treacher, who was erecting a large number of cottages in Alberia, in the Argentine Republic, in some way offended the Mafia.

The news received at the war department of the result of the efforts being made by western army officers to carry out the provisions of the army appropriation act, authorizing the enlistment of 2,000 Indian recruits, is very discouraging.

The Boston News Bureau says that a scheme is now afoot, engineered by New York and Boston parties, to effect a more economical working of the railroad rolling stock of the country.

There are Y. M. C. A. railroad societies in ninety-eight different cities in the United States and Canada, with 112 societies. The total membership of the ninety-eight branches is 20,982.

Mr. Jay Gould has a lucky penwiper. It was made by his own daughter when she was three years old.

SNAP SHOTS.

M. Darnowski has invented a camera to take panoramic views. It is made to turn on its axis so that the picture of the entire strip of sensitive paper is laid to perfectly clear in its details.

WINTER NIGHT STORM.

The windmill blows that have no leaves. The northeast blast assails these trees, and the windmill blows that have no leaves.

When 'neath the cloud-strewn twilight sky, Where yet a moon's ghost wanders by, The snows form, on yon hillside lone, As 'twere, an arc of some strange zone.

The segment of some circle vast, In its blue, its blue, its blue, In its blue, its blue, its blue, Here only visible to sight.

Hush! in my pale lamp listening To create that which wind fonda bring! A speech I know not yet our friend, As close it whisp'ers to mine ear.

William Struthers in Boston Transcript.

Worse Than Leprosy. Is entailed, and there is no one but one preparator, that does cure that disease, and that is the California Positive and Negative Electric Luminant.

"The Jersey Lily." ANGELINA COTTAGE, L. B. July 2. Gentlemen: ARHO is very unusual for me to use any lotion or cream.

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