

GOODY GRUNSELL'S HOUSE.

By Lucy L. Block. A weary old face, beneath a black mustache...

A dreary old house on a headland slope, Against the gray of the sea, Where garden and orchard had been...

Goody Grunsell's house—it was all her own; There was no one living to chat, Through the doorway...

Goody Grunsell's house—not a memory laid, But a faded and a faded maid...

The house auto nobody home had been, But a pair of pale and shaggy eyes...

The spirit-board, like a dagger's blade, Goody Grunsell covering hid, As if his house had been...

THE MIDWINTER BURIAL. Near the Golden Gate of the Hudson...

Judge Fassett was known to be a man of great wealth, which he had acquired by a long devotion to the profession...

Judge Fassett had two daughters, who were noted for their fascinating beauty, each possessing an individual type...

This recognition in the Fassett family was not on a personal standing, for they knew that they were quite humble people...

It was not surprising that Fred Burleigh partook of this spirit, which he knew was largely reciprocated by many of the upper-tendency...

That was a triumphant day for Dell Fassett. She saw her lover, Fred, win in his class, as he had already won in the upper-tendency...

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After a brief consultation with my companion we decided to follow and see where the remains were deposited...

A more out West says, generally, of a competing establishment, that it stands without arrival.

She welcomed him with all the ardent warmth of her nature. They spoke of their betrothal, and of the bright visions of the day when they would publicly offer their pledged vow of love and constancy.

But, alas! a great change was manifested in Judge Fassett and his proud wife. They received the returned soldier with great coldness, a freezing recognition, that made him feel chilly himself...

To make a long story short, it appears that damaging rumors had been sent from the army against the character of Col. Burleigh. He was said to be very intemperate in his habits, and already a confirmed drunkard.

On one occasion, Judge Fassett and the Colonel interchanged some very uncomplimentary words when they were ordered the latter out of his house...

The estrangement became the staple topic of town gossip, and some predicted that this was but the beginning of the end.

One night, some weeks after the closing events recorded above, I was called into the country to attend a patient who was very low.

Light flashed hither and thither for a moment—then all was darkness, and the house seemed veiled in a funeral pall.

"Oh, pa, pa, how could you be so cruel? What a crime you have committed! And you will be found out, and then—"

"Dell, I must send you to your room if you do not stop your nonsensical talk," said Judge Fassett, in a half-angry tone.

"What to do I do not know. At times I thought that if life was not extinct in the world, might I not have been a murderer?"

"Oh, pa, pa! you do not intend that poor fellow's body shall be buried tonight?"

"Yes, to-night, Dell; and you must not oppose it."

"No, no, never! I never can love another as I loved him. Oh, look at those eyes—they are staring at you, and glared through they be, they seem to be rebuking you for your wicked deed."

"Now get up, my daughter—take your arms away. Why, see! your dress is spotted with blood! You must never wear that again."

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the right kind, by directing the officers of the law to the spot. As we were moving along cautiously among the trees at the base of a cliff, just before striking out into the meadow, we saw the figure of a woman rapidly approaching.

"Mike, Mike, do stop!" She leaped into the seat beside him, sobbing: "Oh, I shall go—I must go and see where my darling is to be buried."

"I'll faith, my young woman, ye hadn't be after makin' so much noise about it."

Next morning Judge Fassett was arrested on the charge of murder. So sudden was the action of the civil authorities that no time was allowed for explanation.

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A wooden box was struck! The populace became frantic. It was lifted upon each other, to get a view of the peaceful form of a dog!

European Navies. According to the last official reports given in the *Borsenzeitung*, of Berlin, the total number of iron-clads owned by the naval powers of Europe is 24.

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A remarkable parallelism has been shown to exist between Melbourne, Australia, and San Francisco, California. They are nearly in corresponding latitudes, San Francisco being in thirty-seven degrees and forty-eight minutes north, while Melbourne is in thirty-seven degrees and forty-seven minutes south.

Western Union Telegraph. The New York Bureau of Correspondence makes the following notice of the new office of the Western Union Telegraph Company, and of the immense business of this mammoth corporation.

Advice to Settlers. At a late celebration of Queen Victoria's birthday in Virginia, Mr. St. Andrew is reported to have given his countrymen the following advice, which is equally applicable to Americans intending to migrate. He said:

1. Come in colonies, and not in single file. 2. Bring money in your purse. 3. Leave your prejudices behind. 4. Don't expect too much. 5. For land or business pay cash. 6. Keep two-thirds at least of your money for working capital. 7. Avoid land-sharks. You can easily find out the reliable land agents. 8. In buying land don't get too much of a good thing.

Said that Detroit Justice: "It is my solemn duty to warn you, Jane Welch, that you are on the high road to degradation. This court is going to send you to the House of Correction for sixty days, but only with a feeling of kindness."

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All Sorts. PARIS has 68,000 dogs, which last year were taxed \$127,000. IOWA put up 1,200 school-houses within the past year.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA produced 7,250,000 gallons of wine last year. FORTY-SEVEN thousand Germans have gone back to Paris to live.

BROOKLYN has twenty beer breweries, making 60,000 kegs a week. NINE million horses in the United States; value, \$660,000,000.

CONNECTICUT has twenty-five silk factories, whose aggregate capital is \$3,450,000. A DEALER in figures says that the reaping machines of the country net a leg a day.

THE "ordinary stock" of the railway companies of the United Kingdom amounts to nearly \$250,000,000 sterling. MR. KILKUPF, chief engineer of the Pacific Mail Company, has sailed 1,786,000 miles in twenty-three years' service.

THE London Metropolitan railway, since opening in 1863, has carried 205,000,000 persons without killing or injuring a single one of them.

THERE are 10,000 miles of railway in Russia, of which 3,488 miles are owned by the state. There are beside 1,153 miles in progress of construction and 1,153 projected.

CAMEL'S hair brushes have been found to be capital substitutes for hospital sponges. Now, let science discover some equally satisfactory way of doing away with newspaper sponges, and its triumph will be complete.

THE city of Rome is said to be honey-combed with about 900 miles of subterranean passages cut through the solid rock, and that these contain the bodies of from 6,000,000 to 7,000,000 of human beings entombed there since the city was built.

DON CARLOS has black hair, brown eyes, slightly aquiline nose, and black beard covering the whole face. He is very handsome. He has an active, powerful frame, and stands six feet three in his boots. He is every inch the old-fashioned hero-king.

THE San Francisco Bulletin, in a late issue, says: Small dealers are complaining that enough of five cent pieces cannot be obtained for the transaction of business. So great is the demand for these coins that premiums varying from 2 to 5 per cent. in gold are paid for them.

THE annual supply of copper from the whole of the civilized world is estimated at between 127,000 and 130,000 tons. The annual tin supply is stated at about 25,000 tons. The best estimates are made by a leading English house engaged in the tin and copper trades.

THE total area of the 37 United States, without the Territories, is 1,950,170 square miles; the area of coal-producing sections is 191,000 square miles, which is about one-tenth of the total. The area of the ten Territories is 995,032 square miles, making an aggregate of 2,945,202 square miles.

John Smith in Luck. A long article of great social interest might be written upon wholesale adulteration of food, but we promise to be short. First—it was at Perre Haute. The father, John Smith, number of little Smiths, all in one day, born to John, four.

THE Republic magazine presents some rather startling statistics concerning the different wars in which the United States has been engaged. In the war of the Revolution (1775 to 1783) 278,021 soldiers were engaged; in the war of 1812 to 1815, 527,675 in the Mexican war, 73,250—making a total of 878,946—while in the war of 1860 to 1865, 2,757,598 were engaged.

A FREE THINKER'S FANCY. Strange Inscriptions on a Gravestone at Buchanan, Mich. Never has anything aroused such universal excitement and indignation of the citizens in the usually quiet village of Buchanan, Berrien county, as has the erection in our cemetery of a monument on which are several inscriptions, indicative of a great want of reverence for sacred things.

Two Rich Men. A New York correspondent of the Cincinnati Gazette writes: The chief holder of personal estate in this city is Commodore Vanderbilt, who is estimated at \$40,000,000, the largest part of which is in railway property.

Mysteries of Vegetation. The Opelonias (L.) Journal gives an account of a white-oak tree, in the parish of Calcasieu, which has in the course of its growth, accomplished a curious feat. The trunk of the tree is 2 1/2 feet in diameter, and rises to the height of about 25 or 30 feet from the ground, throwing out a single branch.

A Cheer Hen Story. From West Chester there comes to us the following sad story of a well-meaning hen: A man by the name of Lot Fithian, of a hen that he had bought was just like others of her tribe, except that she had ceased to perform the functions of a well-behaved maiden chicken—she didn't lay any eggs.

Rachel's Aviaric. Mlle. Rachel, the late great French tragedienne, who, nineteen years ago, visited this country on an artistic tour, had a well-deserved reputation for shocking aviaric; in fact, she would have out-cent into four pieces. As she was at supper one night, in a room of the Hotel de la Paix, she was eating a candle and fetch the important trifle, "Let me do it," maliciously exclaimed Dumas, sending back his servant.

The Men who Can Forgive.—The brave only know how to forgive; it is the most refined and generous pick of virtue human nature can arrive at. Cowards have done good and kind actions—towards have even fought, nay, sometimes even conquered, but a coward never forgives. It is not in his nature; the power of doing it flows only from a strength and greatness of soul, conscious of its own force and security, and above the little temptations of revenge, every fruitless attempt to interrupt its happiness.

A Glass Eater. There is a chap in Staunton, Va., who eats glass. He is a well-to-do physician who describes it, "and secured a piece, about one-third of a broken pane, and brought in several friends to witness the sight. He took the glass and delicately bit on it. The two prongs are each, say 1 1/2 feet in diameter; but, when they become one again, the single stem is smaller in circumference than the two stems measured taken separately.

An Industries People. Every Swiss city and large town has its special industry. Some excel in one branch of manufactures and some in another; but, taken in their entirety, they aggregate a very respectable production for so small a country. The Swiss raise more than enough meat, butter and cheese for their own consumption; they are obliged to import about 1,500,000 barrels of flour per annum from France and Germany.

A Good Paper. We do not often give a voluntary puff to any of the many professed family newspapers printed in the country. There is one, however, that possesses so many excellences as family journal and news paper combined that we cannot refrain from saying a word in its praise. We allude to the Chicago Ledger. Each number is filled with the very choice reading, including stories, anecdotes, sketches of adventure and travel, poetry, domestic recipes, and other useful information. It is printed by the Ledger Company, Chicago, and \$1.50 a year, which is cheap when we consider that the paper contains forty-eight closely-printed columns of good reading. The Ledger is always a welcome visitor to our table. In the language of Rip Van Winkle, "May it live long and prosper!"—Western Economist.

The Pacific Roads. Late agreements entered into between the Union Pacific and Kansas Pacific railways are of deep interest to all branches of business in the country. All the former rivalries and jealousies existing between the two roads have been done away with, and henceforth they will run in harmony, avoiding former delays in transportation, and adopting a more reasonable system of freightage. The transmission of California fruits, especially, will be affected for good. The Central Pacific officers have also united in the general harmony, thus placing these great thoroughfares upon a more perfect and sensible footing than has existed since their construction.

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