

# A TERRIBLE RIDE.

From the Evening Times Buffalo, N. Y.

Along one of the dismal roads in Western New York, a man and wife were driving as rapidly as the darkness and inclement weather would permit.

The rain beat down upon the rubber covering and found its way into every crack and opening. The occupants of the buggy were Dean Jones and his wife, of Springfield, N. Y. Everybody is familiar with the name. He is a well-known starting judge, who has become famous for his impartial and fair treatment of jockeys at the post.

It was about ten years ago when Mr. and Mrs. Jones took that fateful ride that came near costing her her life.

Mrs. Jones' clothes were thoroughly soaked before town was reached. There was no fire in their hotel room and she became chilled to the bone before the little blaze, the attendant started, warmed the atmosphere.

From that time on Mrs. Jones was an invalid.

Her trouble—well, it was about everything with which human flesh can be afflicted. She had a strange, queer feeling in her head, that felt as if several shot were rolling around loose on her brain. She cannot describe the nature of the trouble. Her doctors told her she had water on the brain.

A Times reporter called upon Mrs. Jones, who said:

"Ever since that terrible wetting I received, up to a year ago, I was an invalid. I had terrible neuralgic pains in the head which often went to my feet and arms. It was often in such a terrible state that I had to use a crutch to get around or else slide a chair before me to move about the house. I was very ill for five years, in spells, and never expected to get well. It was a blood disease, I guess.

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# Around the Hearthstone.

WILL THE ROBIN SING THERE?

Will the robin sing in that land,  
That land so fair and so far,  
That lies as our souls fondly dream,  
In the depths of the uttermost star?

Will the violet bloom in that land,  
And the mosses so sweet and so shy,  
All the dear common things that we love,  
In the dim, distant depths of the sky?

Will the children sing in that land,  
All the sweet, simple songs of the earth,  
And shall we rejoice and be glad  
In their music and frolicsome mirth?

Oh! will there be friends in that land,  
Friends who love and rejoice in our love,  
Will they look, will they speak, will they smile,  
Like our own 'mid the strangeness above?

Oh! shall we have homes in that land  
To return to where'er we may roam?  
Oh! the heart of the lonely and sad  
E'en in heaven if we had not a home.

I love not the new and the strange,  
But a clasp of his hand,  
Oh! I would that my spirit could know  
That the robin will sing in that land.  
—Woman's Magazine.

# MUGGINS.

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White narcissus, lilacs and honeysuckle (the white clover ropes may be used, if any flowers in season may be utilized), daisies, spiraea, apple or plum blossoms, roses, chrysanthemums, anything white, but if preferred, pink, blue or yellow for a border or entire drapery would be very dainty. Asparagus vine works in beautifully for a green background.

been brought up to believe that she would be doing a deadly injury to the family if she attempted to earn a living for herself. She had the courage of a dozen men in her slender body, and was only withheld from rash plebeian enterprise by her loyalty to the great Van Galters line.

Muggins was rather nice to Marie. True, he affected her society when she didn't want him and deserted her when she most needed consolation, yet he paid considerable attention to her comfort and I called Muggins, who was to be bathed, healed and lectured.

Van Galters, perhaps, might have explained this partially. Marie had not been anxious to make Muggins' acquaintance. Indeed, Muggins had been obliged to introduce himself. He entered into Marie's room one day and asked her to slip on her slippers. Marie shrieked and Muggins fled down the hall, his mouth full of red morocco. Marie pursued and caught him just outside Van Galters' door.

Van Galters, hearing the scuffle, rushed out and was astonished to find Marie kneeling on the prostrate Muggins and pumping him violently with both little fists. Muggins was snarling like a fend, and his face was screwed up like a withered apple, but protect himself he could not unless he gave up his prey, and relinquish it he would not while life lasted and anyone opposed.

So Marie continued to beat him. Van Galters grasped Marie by one thin little wrist and drew her to her feet. She was crimson and out of breath, and more than a little ashamed of herself.

"I hope I haven't hurt you, Gerard," she said, apologetically. Van Galters could have roared, but he said a good round sum for him. The pup came of a long line of fighting ancestors, and his noble name was Muggins.

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# Beware Of Mercury!

Mr. Henry Roth, of 1848 South 9th Street, St. Louis, was given the usual mercurial treatment for contagious blood poison. He was twice pronounced cured, but the disease returned each time, and he was seized with rheumatic pains, and red lumps and sores covered his body.

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