

TO A STOLEN PORTRAIT.

As you gaze from my library table,
And murmur right and wrong,
And say you're unable
To regulate all of your looks.

LITTLE COLONEL.

I had watched him every day for weeks.
He always stood in the shadow
Of the American express office on Market
Street, and his poor little hunchback was

Some few need to buy from him;
Others more often would give him a
nickel or a dime and let him keep his
coppers.

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The friend when I was aroused by the car
coming to a sudden standstill, and my
guide came and touched my arm gently.

"Poor little colonel," I thought, "we
will have to get him out of this place as
soon as he can be moved."

On either side of the alleyway stood a
mass of little woolly headed urchins,
male and female.

I stepped to the side of the bed. The
little light brown head was thrown back
on the pillow.

"Had to give up business for a spell,"
said the little colonel faintly.

"Oh, darling," I cried, forgetting my
part in this strange scene, "I cannot bear
to see you look so ill."

A radiant smile lighted his face and he
pointed upward. "I'm afraid I can't
do business in the old stand," he said

"You found her by her smile, didn't
you?" said the little colonel. "I told you
you could tell it. My partner has the
sweetest smile in the world."

The shouting of the children came in
at the door and window, and a smile
passed over the face of the little colonel.

"They are mostly black, but they
were always good to me," he whispered.

Then suddenly he rose up on one thin
little elbow and cried excitedly. "Collar
buttons, two for a cent; needles and paper,

Wonderful Little Padlock and Chain.
In a curious old book entitled "The
Wonders and Curiosities of London,"

Turkey Buzzards in the South.
The turkey buzzards that are to be seen
in New Jersey and that appear to be

Removing Tumors Early.
If it were generally known among in-
telligent people that great numbers of

THIS ROOM WAS A WEDDING

Why Cheiro the Palmist Could
Not Sleep o' Nights.

TRAGEDY REVEALED IN A DREAM.

Strange Romance of an Antique House in
Old London—A Seventeenth Century
Crime—Saying Mass in the Cellar—Was
It More Than a Dream?

I am not a spiritualist, but I take
an interest in spiritualism, as I do in all
things occult.

It was some years ago, when I happened
to be staying in London for a few months,
that, out of a whim for living in a very

I turned over on my side.
I had every reason to consider, the
most antiquated in London.

I bought the old lady with the excuse
of sleeping nights and politely requested
at least 10 minutes' grace in the 10 o'clock

At last one afternoon, tired out, I fell
asleep on the little sofa in the parlor.
How long I slept I know not, but I awoke

After this horrible dream I retired to
my bed, and strange to say, never again
did I dream the same thing over again, and

Today, while working men were engaged in
erecting some repairs to a house in the neigh-
borhood of the Strand, I discovered under the

A complaint comes from Russia of
the scarcity of physicians throughout
the empire. The number of medical
men is only one in 6,000 of the entire

There is a well at Scarpa, a village
near Treviso, Italy, which is 1,200 feet
deep, all but 26 feet being out of solid

ing paid a visit to one of two theaters, re-
turned late at night, went straight to bed
and was soon asleep.

Again, came that strange dream, with
all its vividness. Again the same scene
took place before my eyes, but with the

I opened the door and went out into
the street. The brightness of the morning
seemed such a contrast to the gloom of the

It was still early morning. I wandered
the great street and sat down on a seat
in a quiet spot to think out the idea that

I felt determined to put into execution.
Suddenly raising my eyes, I saw coming
toward me a young priest, earnestly read-

I felt as if I had been struck by a bolt
of lightning. The pale, earnest
face of the young priest, lit by the flickering

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THE INDIAN EMPIRE.

INTERESTING COMMENTS BY AN OB-
SERVING TRAVELER.

The East and Future of a Great Country
and Remarkable People—Made Poor by
the Spoilation of Foreigners—English
Language Coming into General Use.

We have traveled more than 2,500
miles in India, have seen its grandest
scenery, its largest and most interest-

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THE PLANET URANUS.

Some Interesting Things a Voyage to the
Gigantic World Would Disclose.

If Uranus, which is a star of about
the sixth magnitude, were a planet like
those little ones called asteroids, which

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A PIONEER SKETCH.

A TOUCHING TALE OF A BURIAL IN
THE WILDERNESS.

The Lonely Grave of Little Ruth, Which
Was Caret For by Some Kindly Hand
For Thirty-Five Years—A Mother's Awful
Grief Alive Again in the Forest.

In the year 1829 a steady stream of
immigration was flowing into the terri-
tory of Michigan. The ever restless peo-

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