

On the wood's wild acres: Knowing the mellow rush Of song is as the flush Of the first day that was, The dreaming, only day, Lost in the sobbing away Of sin and pain, slas!

Sweet bird! the blessed place In what glad world was set With glory face to face, Do you remember yet? His songs their circles truce Without annoy or fret; They seem to interlace The faintly known and met.

O! how the world of song May bloom, and throb, and grow, Or on the pathways long Melodious overflow! Through all earth's noise and wrong, Through all her pain and woe, How sweet, and purely strong, The tires of being glow!

# The Mysterious Diamonds.

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A notable woman for decision of character and strictness of discipline was "Ma'am" Price, as she was called, who taught school in Portland, Me. Polly Price, her daughter, was an active, bright girl, whose nimble tongue was always

ready with every and any body. The school-room was in Mrs. Price's own house, which stood in Turkey Lane, so-called from this circumstance : A man who lived in the street invited the Rev. Samuel Dean to dine with him and partake of a turkey. When the parson came, he found on the table not a choice, twolegged biped, but a Cape Cod turkey-that is, a boiled salt cod-fish. The dignified selectmen of the town christened it Newbury street, but the lass stately people called it Turkey Lane and by that name it was known for more than forty years.

When the British bombarded Portland, Ma'am Price, seeing that Turkey Lane was directly in range of their fire, removed her household goods to a place of safety. Polly was determined to save her pig. A sen-captain at first assisted her. But

as shot and shell came thick and fast, he advised the determined girl to leave the animal, as it was not worth risking life for Pully, however, was advinate, and find them shortly after the vessel had find them shortly after the vessel had "I picked it up fro

to me. Mrs. Price and Polly always de-ianded on the other side. His age was clared most emphatically that the dismonds grew in that bean pod, and I cer-tainly believe the old lady found them is the like that of a horse, by his teeth,

in the pod, as she did. Mrs. Commodore for they were artificial, nor by his locks, for they were dyed, while, by brushing Preble saw her shell out the diamonds, forward his back hair so as to form a and so did Mrs. Matthew Cobb, who lived in the large house on the false crown several inches below the natural one, a certain incipient baldness wes eastern corner of High and Free streets. Mrs. James Deering also confirmed dexterously concealed. "He will never see five-and-forty," Ma'am's story. darkly hinted Tabitha Skimply, who, That is not all. The very day before the old lady died, Miss Sarah Jewett after setting her cap at Brown for many

years, at last, like .Esop's for, found conasked her,solation for baffled hopes in undervalu-"Ma'am Price, did you truly shell ing their object. those diamonds out of a beau-podt Though at most times and and silent, Brown was not unsocial. He enjoyed Hadn't the pod been opened? Was it

whole like the other pods!" "Bless you, Miss Jewett, how could I tell. You know folks don't look at every bean or pea they shell, except there's one that won't open easily. I was shelling and looking at the children to see that they were all in their seats, when I felt something hard under my thumb. I looked into my lap and there were two

little shining things among the beans, and another rolled out of the pod under my thumb when I took it up." Miss Jewett had one of the stones set

in a ring, that is now in possession of William Gould, of Windham; John Campbell, a relative of Polly's, had another; but where the third one is I do not know. When the children carried Ms'am a present, she would frequently take the distion ? monds out of the cotton in which they "Alas!" said Brows, "it was not to be." were kept, and let them handle the precious stones, telling at the same time how she shelled them out of the bean-

and were rejected, as she says, on the pod, and how surprised she was. I suppose if I don't spoil this mystery score of age!" "As for my age," muttered Brown, I shall have a score or more of letters she's old enough to remember it, at any from my young readers inquiring how rate. But," he continued, "I don't mind these diamonds come in that pod. This is not known certainly. What did the neighbors think |

Well, my father said that a vessel arrived at Portland from Brazil, on board of which were several varieties of precious stones. The master of the vessel was an admirer of Miss Polly, and it was supposed that he stole the diamonds from the precious stones on board the ship, and

suggested Jotham, "if you first told us how you came to see the lady !" put them in the bean pod. As he had "But I dida't see her." stolen them, he did not dare to give them "Come, that's a paradox." "A truth, none the less; I found her

"And fell in love with that?

the company of friends, in a circle of

whom, with a bottle of wine to help, he

"It's a wonder Brown never married,"

remarked Peleg Riffle, on one of these

"What a model head of a family he'd

"A perfect pattern of the domestic vir-

es," returned Peleg Riffle. "Upon my

have made," added Jotham Trunnell.

Another sigh from Brown.

would often thaw out perceptibly.

OCCASIONA,

Brown sighed.

"'It's not that I have come to speal of,' I said, 'but a more serious matter.'

"I threw myself upon my kneesstroke I had long preconcerted with my self-and clasped her hand. "'Your image has haunted me fo months,' I began.

"'My imagel' she replied; "why you never saw me till yesterday.'

"But nearly a year ago I found this, answered, placing the locket in her hand

""Oh! my poor grandmother's picture which it grieved me so much to lose?" she cried. "She's been dead these twenty cried. They say I do resemble her, but vears. am not half so pretty."

"I rose and took my leave," concluded Brown, "a sad and disappointed man; and now you know why I've remained a bachelor, and how little Tabitha Skimpley has had to do with it."

### Cost of Transportation Before the Railroad.

That there was no need for new methods of intercommunication, the increasing population made every day more apparent. In 1784 the cost of transporthes, returned Peieg Rime. "Upon my word, Brown, you've sinned against so-ciety and yourself in hiding your light under a bushel." "You," put in Jotham Trunnel, "who should now be setting a bright example of connubial bliss to the rising genera-tion."" the management of one driver. Each mace. He took his position in the same horse carried a pack weighing about two hundred round. In 1789 the first two At first the lion did not perceive him, but, "Can it be true," inquired Peleg, "that hundred pounds. In 1789 the first sawyou once proposed to Tabiths Skimpley, mill in Ohio was built by the New Engwhence, by the Monongaheia, water com-

would kill a lion which he possessed. pany gathered round the pit where the brilliant in its setting and so seductive in quires every station-from six to ten lion was kept. The beast had been there its lines? It is so hard to work, so pleas-miles apart-to furnish travelers fresh three days without food, and was found furious. The iron door of the pit opened, but instead of the athlete, a trembling pure and modest girl who neither firts dog was thrown forward, which timidig took refuge in a corner. The lion, who was at a distance, turned in surprise at the humble intruder. His tail ceased to lash his side, his roar ceased, and he sat with paws extended, contemplating his with paws extended, contemplating his victim. Propelling himself forward upon his belly, he finally made a spring. The dog, however, who had watched him with

few times, made another jump, which was good or evil. Our personality has influ-also avoided. Pity for the dog induced ence; our habits, our modes of thought, tance are to be seen those which are much the bey to order a cord to be lowered for him; and while, the lion was gyrating speech, each circumstance of our individ-twice to the open sea, and then only two tation from Philadelphia to Erie is stated preparatory to a renewed spring the dog uality, makes its mark, and either repels or three hours at a time. The air here is

on turning, his eye expressed a vague inland and Ohio company, about sixteen quietude. He slowly withdrew a few the world. Eating and drinking and the flords never freeze, and I think we iand and Ohio company, about sixteen miles from Marietta, on Wolf Creek, about a mile above its junction with the Muskingum. The crauk for this mill was made in New Haven, Conn., and evidently had miscivings the further in the provement. The lion the contrary, looked straight in his eye and sidelong glance. The Sicilian, on the contrary, looked straight in his eye and watched every movement. The lion the distribution of the place is fishing. The second watched every movement. The lion to do no poor. The people rete. But, "he continued, "I don't mind telling, once for all, the story of my heart, just to provehow little Tabitha Skimpley had to do with it." Jotham and Puleg set themselves to listen, and thus Brown began: "Wouldu't it be more methodical," "Wouldu't it be more methodical," death blow when the bey interposed. He whole being. Woman, in her way gen- men wear large wide ruffs. We have just

strength. He was in the habit of over- her circle the extent of which she herself into this pretty Arctic town night before oming a lion during the performance, cannot calculate. So has that fast and last, and shall make our houre here a which, however, was trained to succumb. frivolous wife, to whom pleasure is as the week longer, while a portion of the party The bey of Tunis, hearing of this, sent breath of her nostrils, her fine clothes finish their northern trip around North him an offer of a thousand ducats if he dearer than her children, and of all sor- Cape to Vadeoe. We crossed the mountrows work and duty the most sorrowful. ains by means of horses and carriages, The proposal was accepted, and on the day appointed the bey and a large com- warped by her pernicious example, so ride of two hundred miles. The law rea vigilant eye, sprang in the opposite di-rection. The lion seemed astonished at missing his prey, but after rolling over a

# Wasters of Time.

The world is full of useless peoplemere idlers, who are of no practical use in through Virginia, from Hagerstown, Maryland, to Browsville, Pennsylvania, ife of the beast. It was accepted, and sometimes amenable to the same charge. The whole being. It is a sometimes offensive, is sometimes amenable to the same charge. The sometimes amenable to the same charge. There are some good-for-nothing women the day before, and for a small sum spent as well as men-too many of them for the the whole day among the mountains gath-

manipulate the little punctilios of what number. It was such a novel sight to

season everything can be grown in this istitude, and yet grass springs up rapidly, often growing an inch in twenty-four hours. They have but two seasons really -ten months of winter and two of sum-mer. Although the season is so long yet A train of four horses could take a ton from Hagerstown and return in a little There Will be Rest in the Eventide.

of the earth so near as to strike the stick from her hand. But save that pig she would, and save it she did.

Mrs. Price came to Portland from one Theother evening the Rev. Mr. Philacter

of the West India islands. She was a sat down at the tea table with a very woman of culture and decision, and very thoughtful sir, and attended to the wants strict in her school discipline. If any of his brood in a very abstracted manner. boy or girl refused to hold up his or her head, a fork was put under the chin. said:

old lady was obliged to suspend her school, as the town was threatened with an epidemic of small-pox. A number of her scholars—among whom were my mother and uncles—were inocalated with small-pox virus and placed in a pest-house. Ma'am Price (in whose experi-house. Ma'am Price (in whose experihouse. Ma'am Price (in whose experi- looked like a billiard ball with hair on ence and judgment the parents trusted, it. The pastor gravely paused for the inwas employed to take care of them. terruption, and resumed : "The Apostle Paul"-

It was customary, before the discovery by Jenner, to inoculate a person with small-pox matter, as a preventative against baum's this afternoon," said his eldest his taking the disease. The patient was daughter, addressing her mother. "She first put under a strict regiaten of diet, had on the same old everiasting black and when the system was properly re-duced, he was inoculated. Being care-fully nursed, the disease was not much skirt made with diagonal folds in front, more severe than a mild zarioloid. A edged with deep fringe; yellow straw patient seldom died, and scarcely one was hat, with black velvet facing inside the

aisfgured by pits. The young patients over whom Ms'am Price watched had long been kept on wa-ter gruel, and were convalescent. Two of them, Stephen and Hugh McLellan, than before, said: moved by a keen appetite, procured, through friends outside, two lobsters. "Went in swimmin' l All the patients had seated themselves Harry and Ben, pop, and stepped on a around the table and were about eating, clam shell," exclaimed his youngest son; when, unexpectedly, Mrs. Price made "cut my foot so I can't wear my shoe: her appearance. She peremptorily for-bade their, taking a mouthful of the lob-ster, saying it would kill them. But they

Scotch snuff it contained over the shell the time faster than a circus man can tish, stirring it with a spoon. The boys ride. I guess he hain't got much sense." were angry, but Ma'am was calm, and they cherished no ill-will towards her. The mother lifted a warning finger toward the boy and said-"sh!" and the

The good lady's house was a resort for father resumed : captains of vessels who had been acquaint-ed with her and her husband when they "Don't bite off twice as m lived in the West Indies. They brought can chew," broke out the eldest son, reher many presents of fruits, shells, coal, eye-stones and vanilla-beans. People troubled with some foreign substance in showed just a trifle of annoyance as he said, was perfect. their eyes would visit her to have an eye- in very firm, decided tones : stone put in to take it out. Old ladies stone put in to take it out. Old ladies frequently ment to her house for sweet- "The Ap stle Paul says"-"There's a fly in the butter!" shricked

Ma'am Price, and were always rewarded air of curiosity, said : for our charity. She would put the eye "Well, but, pa, I really would like to stones in a saucer of vinegar, and we know what the Apostle Paul said." were delighted to see them crawl around, "Pass me the mustard," said the pastor as if they were alive. Old pictures, nee- absently. diework and beautiful shells were shown Then the committee rose, and the sen to us, and stories were told about the ste went into executive session and soon West Indies and the pirates. Tamarinds, after adjourned.-Honkeye. or guava jelly, or some other West India

Interrupted Table Talk.

look back to find, alas!--that the face as started, and preserving that plane, was another's. mark the movement of the earth beneath

"Saw Mrs. O'Gheminie down at Green-

halt." "By what," asked Jotham Trunnell.

about, I saw-"

"Went in swimmin' last night, with

"No-a big dog worrying a little one." proceeded Brown.

animal, as it was not worth risking life for. Polly, however, was obstinate, and fastening a string to the creature's leg, tried to drive it to Bramhall's Hill, a long mile from Turkey Lane. The pig was as obstinate as Polly was determined, and the contention between them delayed their progress. Red-bot slot whizzed by her, shells feil around her, and one bursting flung a huge piece of the earth so near as to strike the stick. The mystery made a great stir at the time. *Fouth's Companison*. shredded gold fell on shoulders of ala-baster, and-" day long the smith may ply his hammer motion it was stated that the expense for while huge drops of perspiration roll

"Hold on, Brown !" interrupted Peleg the transportation of each barrel of flour down his smoke-begrimed brow. He be-to Detroit was not less than sixty dollars, longs to the class that must toil for their "Strong! I tell you it was an angel's while for every pound of ammunition daily bread, and work with him has be-likeness, improved by leaving out the and other material it was not less than come second nature. He likes the mufifty cents .- Harper's Magazine. sic of his bellows and clink of his ham-

some years after the bombardment, the school, as the town was threatened with an epidemic of small-pox. A number of ber wholes of golden curis flowing from beneath a cately constructed pendulum will con-jaunty hat, I would hurry forward and tinue to oscillate in the same direction for her little ones, sympathizing with

> my fate, like that of the Wandering Jew, Foucault, a French philosopher, in 1851; was to 'march! march!' for evermore. "I resolved to accept my destiny. If Monument, and lastly sgain at Yale Col-I could do nothing else, I could at least lege. The apparatus hitherto employed

ments, nevertheless, bear historical inter est, and are related in modern text-books there was in that yelp. At any rate, it a finished and mathematical demonstra-startled me from my revery, and turning tion of this beautiful phenomenon, together with the apparatus for producing "The angel of your dreams!" eagerly the result so as to be proved in a school-anticipated Jotham. about six feet high, consisting of an iron roceeded Brown. tripod and delicate pendulum. There is and vanities of life; the leasons we have ster, saying it would kill them. But they determined to eat, live or die. Seeing their obstinacy, and as the boys were large, being unable to prevent their eating by physical force, she took out her smulf-box and strewed the yellow a silvery voice. A torrent of golden the pendulum, and when the pendulum treases rippled down the speaker's back, is started this is perfectly still. In six

or guava jelly, or some other West India fruit, also contributed to our happiness. I am going to tell you about a mest singular event in the life of this excellent woman. Going one afternoon, during recession her little garlen, she picked a "mess of them. In one of the pols she found three diamonds. What a talk those dia three diamonds. The work in the talk of the table and the terres defined to the site as for the pols she found three diamonds. What a talk those dia three diamonds. The work in the terres defined to the site as for the pols she found three diamonds. The import of the them. In one of the pols she found three diamonds. The import of the three diamonds. The import of the misters of the little dag. "I have called, I said, rising—

valuation, we do them no injustice in November. saying that they are not really worth the

garment they wear or the bread it takes to feed them. Existence thus conducted

the sus goes down in the west, he lays tain a colonel was wounded-his arm ground to be occupied. They seemed to the sub goes down in the week he sout by his leather apron, and washes the sout and smoke from his face, and goes home to enjoy the society of his family. For vate soldier. They carried him across to enjoy the society of his family. For him there has come rest at the eventide. All day the patient mother may toil for her little ones, sympathizing with aunty hat, I would hurry forward and tinue to oscillate in the same direction ook back to find, alas 1-that the face as started, and preserving that plane, was another's. "I began to despair at last. I felt that it. The principle was demonstrated by sufferent to us out soul and body; but as the fact use to out soul and body; but as the fact use of a Maryland the fact use of the night approaches sleep touches their eye-lids with its magic wand—and for weary mother and tired child there has come the rest at eventide. And for us all there will come rest at eventide, it matters not what our occupation may be, nor where our f-otsteps roam. Life with its pitiful joys and bitter experiences, its feverish dreams and empty ambitions, its night approaches sleep touches their eyefeverish dreams and empty ambitions, its hopes and fears, its loves and hates, will fields to the other side of the mountain, No one knew what lay or moved or crept be ended after awhile. As we grow older our trust diminishes, as one by one our friends fail us and our expectations are friends fail us and our expectations are cut off, the apples of Hesperides turn to dead sea fruit within our grasp, and the idols, we all, at times, so wildly worship, lie shattered at our feet. Oh, the follies to learn and unlearn; no wonder we grow

ward, grasped a jaw of the yellow ag-gressor in either hand, like Samson when he rent the lion, and set free the almost strangled victim. "Turning to place the rescued posdle" "Turning to place the rescued posd There is non-competing to place the rescued possible is its instruction even stopped by blowing the in its instruction even stopped by blowing "There" is its can fisteress arms, its true, fasteress arms, and as a true area and enjoyed its areasses, fasteress arms, and as a true areaser and enjoyed its areasser and a

they regard as fashionable life. They know how to spend money. No one can beat them in using an opera-glass or in laying plans for empty and profitless where it is very cold. Cows will not eat laying plans for empty and profiless amusement. In the matter of mere show they are finished experts. And there their usefulness—if usefulness it may be called—ends. They are feminine idlers, around Molde and Bergen, and parpose taxing the world for their subsistence, but returning nothing to it. Estimate all such persons, of both sears, at their true deneva, reaching Nice about the first of

## A Ghastly Picket Line.

Judge Rowe, writing to the Philadel. is a gross imposition upon humanity. By the death of such people the world loses othing, since it has fewer paupers to sup-port. filed in from the road, there appeared to wreath and twine around him. But as the battles of Antietam and South Moun- be a thin line of soldiers sleeping on the the day completely overpowered all of them, officers and privates alike! They rustic Esculapius arrived there ensued a men made a denser rank with those there some weeks of careful nursing, the col-onel galloped off to join his regiment, a consparatively sound man. He subse-

"Dop't bite off twice as much as you

scented beans to put in their snuff-boxes. We children often tensed our parents for permission to carry some presents to was restored the eldest daughter, with an

manifest my devotion by 'marching on.' has been cumbersome, and the results One day, however, I was brought to a obtained somewhat vague. The experi-"By the yelp of a dog. "I know not what mysterious influence" tucky to furnish the scientific world with

