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The Loem.

A WELCOME.

Open the window this cheery morn, Enter, O runshine, rare; Seek out the conch of the invalid, And kiss her forehead fair.

Come in, thou breeze, from the tropic clime, Give hope to the faining heart. Light to the eye, and bloom to the cheek. For these thou canst impart.

Out on the green this golden morn. The children shout with glee,
For the air is warm, and the daisies smile,
While leaflets deck the tree.

Over the pebbles the clear brook falls With soft and silvery gleam; Its tone is sweet as a s riph's voice, That comes in a geoceful dream

Dull is the sense, and co'd the heart, And the lips that fail to sing, With e rih and air, an an hem of joy,

The Story.

Twenty Pounas Sterling.

There never was such a man to bet as Staining. He was always so sure he was right. Our mutual friend Marxwell ought to have sailed for Brazil, but I felt confident I had seen him in the street. Staining said it was nonsense, and he'd bet me twenty pounds to a shilling I was wrong. He had hardly finished speaking when Marxwell, who had not sailed, came up. Staining pulled out from his pocketbook a twenty pound note and handed

and his money,' etc. Another illustration of that wise adage."

"Not exactly for you don't suppose I shall take your money?"

"Yes, I do; and I shall be extremely

unmoved if you make any difficulty." I protested; but presently he said in irritation, "Then be my almoner, and give the money in charity." And he pressed the note back upon me, and left abruptly. There are objections to standing in the public highway with bank note in your hand and a puzzled expression in your face, so the note wa transferred to my pocket, and I went my way pondering, when I was met full tilt by a clergyman whom I very

well knew. "Hulloa!" he cried. "Mr. Smith, both you and I seem to have our minds so much occupied to-day that we cannot take care of our bodies."

I apologized. "No grave matter of mine," I said; "but you look sad. Nothing wrong with you or yours?" "No, thanks; but I have just left a

depressing scene. "A young couple, married in bot haste, have gradually come to grief. The wife and child are ill. Relatives and friends have receded into the remote background. And worse than all, the street. husband"---

"Has become intemperate or has gone mad."

"Nither one nor the other."

"Something worse?" "Yes; for to be dishonest is worse than going mad. And it is such a mere trifle that is needed, apparently, to put all straight, that I groun at my inability at the moment to find it."

"What is wanted?" "Just twenty pounds."

"There's the money which you require. Haste away, and do all the good you can with it."

My friend looked astonished. He even hesitated.

"It is very, very good of you," he

said; "but really--"I have the power to give it away. Good by." And I hurried off. Then I

hastened back to him. "Kindly, on no account mention my

know that of the objects of your bonnty." And he told me. Then we parted. I had only gone a dozen vards when there passed me a young man. with a flushed face, and a frightened.

up to my friend and spoke to him. "whose proceedings have been dubious, and who will, I trust, be rescued by Staining's twenty pounds. Well, if the wheel should turn, and this poor man should ever be in a position to deliver a fellow-creature from such trouble as he himself is now in, by the surrender your own question. Not he-not a bit that is was only through the failure of was the husband saved-saved from over cook-stoves.

of it." This little incident, with plenty of other things besides, was soon swept from my memory by a sudden call to

go. abroad, even to the place where Marxwell did not go-Brazil. Nothing hampered me then; I was a young bachelor, and could start for the antipodes at two days' notice. When I take my wife and children-I forget the exact number-for our autumnal trip, in these latter days of my life, I require weeks' preparation. Alas the change! Away then to Brazil; away to a new life, new scenes, new companions, new hopes and fears; away to

fortune-and the yellow fever! Here occurs in my tale a grand interval of twenty years (my story deals in twenties! I doubt whether I should have come back had not a young English lady one night sung in my hearing an old home ballad, so we'l remembered in connection with some leved ones who in this world will sing no more, that the well-known craving for the na tive land mastered me at once, and

voyage to England. On the way, I had one night a frightful dream. I fancied a terrible enemy had me on my back, and was clutching at my throat. Tighter grew his grasp, and fainter my breath. My startling eyes scanned every feature of my murderer. Slowly and painfully-as I was held in this way, for some times as it "There you are, old fellow. 'A fool appeared-did I call to my mind the face before me. It was Staining, but Staining reckless, desperate. I gasped an entreaty for mercy.

"Give it to me; I want it, I must have it, instantly-instantly!" was the boarse reply.

"What-what can you mean?"

"What!" he surieked in a muniacal freezy. "Wretch, my twenty pounds!" I had quite forgotten about this bet and the twenty pounds; but the dream set me thinking of what rumors I had heard occasionally respecting Staining since I left England, that his money had wasted, that he had fallen considerably in position, and even into poverty. I had written to him several times; but of late years he had not replied.

"Poor fellow," I now thought, "there may really be something in that dream. If his pride will accept it, he shall have that money back, and very glad I shal! be to restore it.'

Back in England. Settled down again in the old country. Main matters disposed of, I began to think of minor ones, and among the latter the discovery of Staining. He was not in the former baunts, and I failed so longto find him that was beginning I to despair, when one night I met him in the

The brilliant artificial light of the ball room may increase the lustre of a woman's bright eyes and of her sparkling jewels; but if you want to see a poor, broken down man, decayed and dismal, in his worst aspect, survey him standing disconsolately under a streetlamp, a drizzling rain descending upon him, and he, with folded arms, presenting a picture of mute despair. So did I behold Staining. I put may hand upon his shoulder. He sprang from

me as though I were a wild beast. "I did not want to run away," he said, hoarsely, "they knew that. I'll face it-1'll face it," he added, tremulously. "Go on, I'll walk quietly enough --- Why -- what -- eh -- surely, can it be -can--'

"Yes, it is Smith, your old companion. Pray be composed. Staining, my friend, what is all this? Come away, and be composed. Staining, my friend, what is all this? Come away, and con-"No, as you wish it; but you should fide in me. You know you can trust me. If you are in trouble, and money can help you, you shall not want." And

I took his arm, and we went together. And then I heard poor Staining's confession, and it amounted to this: When anxious look in his eyes. He caught he had wasted his money he obtained a situation in a merchant's office. The "That is the man," I said to myself, pay, poor enough, was sufficient to keep him; but even now nothing could restrain him from gambling on a small scale on horse-racing, As a consequence he was soon penuiless, and worse-dishonest. He had paid a batting debt out of a twenty pound note which the day before I met him had of twenty pounds, I wonder whether been entrusted to him. Discovery had be'll do it? Smith, you surely know ensued almost instantaneously, and human nature well enough to answer though the luckless man had explained it repaid ere mischief came, and how for I'ze getting too aged to be frown

another member of the vistuous fraternity he could not at once replace the money, he had been discharged, and had reason to suppose he would be pro- that you do not know. But I will tell

poor fellow to the offer I directly made bim. "You can see the fine firm in the morning; though they have allowed a day to pass, I doubt whether they will for precisely the same sum. Yes, at take the money. I believe they are that time Staining was rich, maybe, as bent on my ruin."

I could not believe it; so early next day I was at the office of Messrs. Bay- Mr. Blendon-I have a right to ask don, Blendon & Co., and having been you-to what character do you lay the pole as fifty-three degrees north admitted into the room of the senior | claim?" partner I stated my errand and proffered my twenty pounds.

Mr. Baydon was a sleek old gentleman. There was, so to speak, wealth and ease all over him. He bent his head complacently and replied:

"I can appreciate your kindness to this poor man, and I myself would pass Then he rose from his chair, and his deer that was so torn by the claws of the matter over at once, but my part- face flushed, but he resumed his seat, the tiger that he could have lived but and I cannot interfere." And he was sitting as calmly as when I entered. within a very short time I was on my firm upon the point. Could I see Mr. There was a slight pause, and then Mr. ing a venison breakfast. The deer in Blendon? Yes, if I could call again in Bien lon said:

self, "Biendon, and Robert Blendon, not) of an incident in my early life too? I am sure of it. Still, if it be which I am not called upon to discuss. so, it is very strange. I think I should May I ask if this knowledge is confined crush any ordinary skull that comes in know that face again, however time to yourself?" may have altered it. We shall see who

Back to Messrs. Baydon, Blendon & sire that it should be otherwise." Co.'s office, and then into the presence of Mr. Bleudon.

faded away. I was master of the situa

be given to the miserable wrong doing. Mr. Blendon heard me with some impatience, and before replying, he drew a check to "self or bearer" (I could see him do it) for a hundred pounds. Having given this a clerk to get cashed, he said to me, arranging his papers the

must vindicate the law.'

like this there was no imperative call to | than once. Then I went in. Poor such a course, and that forbearance Staining was lying on the bed-dead. might rightly be shown.

must bear with him." He resumed - Magazine. "You do not appear, sir, to observe the immense importance of punishing delinquency of this kind. I would not take your money on any account. Dear me! If I were to let this man off, I would be ashamed of myself. He ought to be in custody now, and he will be very shortly. I have just overcome some foolish hesitation of my partner. I am always firm myself." (Not always, Mr. Blendon-not when I last saw you. But I waited a bit. A little further into my net, please), "and therefore, however sorry I may be, sir, I must say NO. Dishonesty is a fearful thing, and it must be punished. If I were myself to commit an act of this

kind, and"--Why did he stop? I bowed quietly,

and rising, said-"You are quite right, Mr. Blendon. Dishonesty is a terrible thing, and self up as a phrenologist, and a barber while not for another moment pressing was his first subject. He placed the my request, I know you will forgive barber on a chair, felt of his head for a my calling to remembrance, before I long time, and then remarked: "Willeave, a curious case known to myself. liam, you is too sangaine. When you May I tell it you? Some twenty years | lend money you expect it back. You ago, a poor young couple, not long are bilious. You want to be honest but married, had fallen into poverty. The hasn't the necessary character; you wife and infant were ill. The doctor isn't hopeful; you is bowed down with had ceased to attend because he was grief most of de time; you has an ear not paid. Comforts there were none. for music; you has de worst feet on Even necessaries were wanting. The Kentucky Street; you is de right sort husband was distracted. He would get ob a man to wheel coal down hill for money, he must get money. His young | big wages." William rose up, pitched wife and infant child were well-nigh | Uncle Jim over the stove and under the straving, what was to be done? Stay, stay, Mr. Blendon, I will complete my Mr. Blendon, you know how. I need was advised to go out of the trade, he not tell you that. But in what way was replied: "Seems like I shall have to.

ruin and degredation—saved to become a rich and respected merchant? Whose money saved him? Ah! Mr. Blendon, you. The twenty pound note which "Many, many thanks," replied the rescued the poor husband rested only of this very Staining whom you are about to prosecute, strangely enough you are now; but with his riches he Mountains the tiger ranges further to was a kind, charitable, Christian man.

I have often thought since what admirable advantages are a clear head and a calm temper. In the delivery of the Amoor one may hunt the tiger and the foregoing I had worked myself to a the reindeer in the same forests, and white heat. It was only at the moment not only hunt them, but find them. A tener manifested any strong emotion. ner. Mr. Blendon takes a different view, and by the time I had finished he was

"You have acquired, sir, some knowl In the cat I kept muttering to my- edge (I will not say whether accurate or

and my informant, and I have no de-

ceal that I shall be glad for it to be an All my anxiety for my poor friend | understanding between us that this matter does not go further." (I made tion. Briefly I stated my desire to pay a gesture of assent.) "Well, then, on the amount of Staining's defalcation, that footing, I will say that Mr. Stainand my hope that under the extenuat- | ing shall be entirely absolved and I will | ing circumstances no publicity would even aid him if I can. You must, however, excuse me from taking the twenty pounds. I am obliged to you for of the two are pretty much the same; coming. Good morning."

> the enemy had well covered his retreat, in a very Micawberish mood, waiting and had not left me a morsel more of for something to turn up. Sometimes triumph than he could help.

"You will excuse my answering ed, therefore I hastened to meet Stainsomewhat shortly. It cannot be. It is ing. He was not at the appointed place not the money we care about, but we and after waiting some time I went to his lodging. It was a shabby house, in I declare I was half pleased at the a by street, not easy to find. The land grandiose style of his speech. How lady told me Mr. Staining had come in beautifully he was walking into my an hour ago, and was in his bedroomnot very well, she thought. She and I I ventured to suggest that in a case | went up together, and knocked more My first misgivings were happily not "I do not see it, I can't see it," an- confirmed. His enfeebled frame was swered Mr. Blendon, crossing his legs unable to stand the recent wear and to say, "The man is a naisance, but I of his follies and his troubles. - English

A correspondent of the London News who writes from Jassy, tells a somewhat strange story. Discussing the efficiency of the Roumanian army, he says there was a corps of observation composed of those troops stationed at Giurgevo to watch the Turks, and it occurred to the Minister of War that it would be a good thing to exercise them, and accustom these untrained soldiers to the sounds of battle. So one night he ordered an alarm sounded. He has been heard to say that he bitterly repented having taken so bold a measure, for it took him a week to get the detachment together again. The soldiers have not vet all been found, and some are supposed to be running yet.

AN EXAMINATION. - A good old colored man named Uncle Jim Hill set himbed, and split a panel out of the door as he went out, 'The aged phrenologist SIBERIAN TIGERS.

BY A TRAVELER.

TIGERS in Siberia? Is it possible that there are tigers in that country, which is generally supposed to be the home ten minutes before in the pocket book of the white bear and the Arctic fox? Yes, they hunt tigers in Siberia, and sometimes the tigers hunt the Siberians, and with very good success.

Along the whole extent of the Altai the north than in any other part of the world. Very often he is found as near latitude, and sometimes he feeds upon the flesh of the white bear, the sable, and the Arctic seal, In the valley of when he first saw my drift that my lis- Cossack hunter told me of one day finding a tiger lying dead near a power! a few hours. The tiger had evidently attacted him with the intention of secur his struggles had thrown off his assail ant, and then struck him in the head with his fore feet. The deer can deliver a tremendous blow with his fore feet, and as his hoofs are sharp, they can their way. My friend put the deer out "I believe it to be confined to myself of his misery, and secured the skin of the tiger as a trophy of his day's bunting The skin of the tiger was sent to Mr. Blendon bowed. "I will not con- St. Petersburg, where it is preserved in the Museum of Natural History

along with the antlers of the deer that made such a gallant fight. The Siberian tiger is one of the same species as the royal Bengal tiger, and attains a size equal to that of his Bengalese brethren, though he wears a thicker and warmer coat. The babits the Siberian tiger has no home or abid I departed, and I must confess I felt | ing-place, but wanders about the forest a tiger that has become known by pecu-However, my object was accomplish- liar marks is seen at places two or three hundred miles apart in a few weeks or months, and sometimes he adheres with considerable persistence to an area

of a half-dozen square miles. When married and on good term with his spouse, he is less migratory in his tastes then single; in this respect he is not altogether unlike men, whom he aims to eat, if not to imitate. The valley of the Amoor is so thinly peopled that the tiger does not come so closely officer, as in duty bound, acknowledged in contact with the inhabitants as does in the southern part of Asia. There is an abundance of game in the with an air of resignation, as much as tear, and he was now beyond the reach forest, and consequently the tiger preys upon men rather as a luxury than as a necessity. If he happens when hungry to meet an unarmed man, he kills him, and satisfies his appetite. When once he bas tasted human flesh, he ever after displays a preference for it. The same is the case with the Bengal tiger, who frequently obtains a reputation as a man-eater.

The natives along the Amoor have a

superstitions dread of the tiger. The remains of a man who has been killed by one or these beasts are buried without ceremony, and the subject of his death is rarely mentioned; it is belisved that he is offended the Fvil Spirit. and the tiger was sentto kill him by way of punishment. These natives, the aboriginals, never hunt the tiger, though sometimes, when they find a young whelp they rear it carefully, and worship it as a superior being, until it dies of old age. The Russian settlers on the Amoor have no reverence for the tiger, and hunt him without mercy.

Wanted -The following advertisement is by a modest specimen of "Young America"-"Wanted situation by a strong, active American youth of seventeen, with plenty of muscle, vim. and health. Not afraid to kunckle down to hard work of any kind; is well educated, and has a good knowledge of Latin. Ambition highly developed. and brains to back it. Penetration sharp as the basiness end of the hornet, and check bigger than either. Lawver's office preferred. Highest and best of city references. Any one in search of was at the City Hail next evening to such a bonanza will strike oil-a regustory. The money was obtained, sir- get advice of the police, and when he lar sponting well-by addressing Scamander; D. A. office'

LITTLE children are the lilies of the

WHITE SLAVERY IN EGYPT.

Of course in a country under Mohammedan rule, where the harem system is in operation, slavery as a domestic institution, will exist; and so far as one can judge from recent events, Egypt does not appear likely to prove an exception. Every one remembers how only a few weeks ago the salable portion of the late Mofettish's barem ( estimated at 300 in number in white slaves alone) were "brought to the bammer" in Cairo, and that, too, at the very time that the Khedive announced his intention of suppressing the slavetrade in the Red Sea. His Highness's own example in such matters cannot be considered as altogether satisfactory, when one remembers the vast numbers of women slaves that fill his harems and contribute to his financial embarrassments. I am credibly informed that for two female slaves alone, purchased at Constantinople for the chief ennuch to the Salton, the Knedive paid no less than £30,000. Of course, they were the most beautiful of "houris" -in fact, so much so as to have arouse I the justonsy of the other inmates to an extent which at least compelled their proprietor to send them away. The mode usually adopted in such cases is to marcy the lady, after providing her with a suitable dowry, to some favored courtier, who considers himself much honored by the distinction. This method of disposing of the superfluities of the Viceregal harem, though preferable to the old plan of sewing them up in sacks and throwing them into the Nile, does not, unfortunately, always insure the domestic happiness of the discarded favorite. In one case which came to my knowledge, an officer in the Egyptian army who by been honore in the above way, on seeing his brids the first time after the wedding, found her so unattractive that he refused to live with her, and persisted in his determination, although warned of the displeasure which he would incur in high quarters. The sequel to the story is equally instructive, and throws much light on Oriental habits and customs. The husband was appointed the "wakil" or deputy of the governor of a town far away in the interior, and during the absence of his chief on a campaign had occasion to open the Government dispatches, among which were instructions to the effect that he was himself to be put out of the way, either by poisoned coffee or other means. The the receipt of the letter intended for his superior, merely adding that during the latter's absence the request it contained could not be complied with without detriment to the public service but that upon his return everything should be done as directed. In the

It is said that one reason for the favor which Oragon wool meets in the markets of the world, is that it is almost universally of unusual evenness of fiber. Woolgrowers say that where sheep are kept in moderate condition and never allowed to become poor, the fleece will always be found thus even! but if the growth of the body is checked dy poverty and exposure to had weather, the fiber of the fleece will invariably become knotty, weak and uneven. This fact may be of service to the younger she-praisers in Oregon.

meanwhile I believe the gentlemen

found it convenient to seek employment

elsewhere .- Cor. of the London Stan-

An advocate went to visit his client, who was in prison, waiting to be tried on a charge of robbery. The prisoner, in describing his case and protesting his entire innocence, was overcome with emotion and went piteously. At the end of the interview, as the advocate was leaving the cell, h turned and remarked to the prisoner: "Above all, don't forget to err like that when you appear before the jary.

Whims are harder to remove than sorrows; for time, instead of weakening strengthens them.

Conscience is a terrible publishment to the villain who yet believes in a here

WHEN you are in danger from external edemies, look out. When the peril is from your own unbridled pas.ions