

THE BIDDING MORROW

Albeit at midnight's chime all light from earth  
The feet, and through night's shadows to the  
eyes  
Of us, the weary watchers of the skies,  
No sign appears of a glad morrow's birth.

DIMPLE AND DUMPLING.

There was only one chair vacant in a  
down town barber shop the other day  
when a tall young man, accompanied by  
a lady and a lovely little girl of five,  
entered, and calling the head barber to one  
side gave him a few explicit directions.

By this time the occupants of the five  
other chairs had become vastly interest-  
ed. All eyes were fixed on the sweet  
baby face with its curly halo. It was a  
pale little face, and there were no rose-  
buds on its cheeks, but above them were  
two glorious gray eyes that shone like a  
pair of stars.

"No, miss, I ain't got none at all."  
"And haven't you got a mamma, Mr.  
Barber? My mamma is going to put  
Dumpling into her 'Don't You Remember  
box. Did you ever see a 'Don't You  
Remember box, Mr. Barber?"

"Mamma's got such a funny lot of  
things in it. There's a little bit of orange  
blossom and a little pinafore that Alec  
used to wear. That's Alec over there  
by the window. And there's a little red  
shoe that was our little bruffer's. His  
name was Robin, and he died before  
any of us was borned, you know."

"Mamma says I'm talking too much,  
Mr. Barber; but if I don't talk I shall  
begin to cry. I cried awfully yesterday,  
you know, so did mamma and nurse. That  
was when the doctor came and said  
they'd have to be cutted off. We all  
cried—'cept Cecil. He's eight years old.  
He never cries—'cepting when mamma  
spanks him, then he howls. But at last  
I stopped crying, for Alec said he'd take  
me to lunch with him when we came in  
to have it done; nurse said she'd let me  
sit up till half-past 7 for a whole week;  
mamma's going to get me a silver  
thimble, and cook is going to have  
waffles for tea when we get back. Do  
you like waffles, Mr. Barber?"

"The barber replied in the affirmative,  
and then there was silence for a little  
while."  
"Have you got a sweetheart, Mr. Bar-  
ber? A titter ran around the room, and  
the barber turned as red as his pole out-  
side, but he replied in the negative."

"Alec's got one," pursued the child.  
"He goes to tea with her on Sunday.  
Cecil says he is awfully sweet on her.  
Cecil knows, too; he was under the sofa  
when."  
But Alec waited to hear no further.  
He bolted bodily and waited on the cor-  
ner until the ordeal was at an end. The  
lady arose and whispered some further  
cautions, but they proved of no avail.

"Well, Mr. Barber, if you haven't got  
any sweetheart or papa or mamma, you  
must be a orphan. Are you a orphan,  
Mr. Barber?"  
The man nodded his head and then  
asked his questioner to keep her head  
still, like a good girl.  
"Another name?"  
"Mr. Barber!"  
"Yes, miss."  
"If you is a orphan what does you  
say when you go to bed? You can't say  
'God bless papa and mamma' any more.  
I'm very glad I'm not a orphan."  
There was a dead silence in the room  
after that until the redfaced old gentle-  
man blew his nose. The barber's task  
was almost finished now.  
"What's the matter, mamma? You're  
sryin'."  
"Why, no, I'm not Lena. What  
makes?"  
"Oh, but you are, mamma. I can  
hear you sniffling, and besides, I can see  
your face in the looking glass. There's  
two big tears running down your nose."  
"Now, miss, just please sit steady a  
minute."  
The barber gave a snip, and poor  
Dumpling tumbled down into her lap. Dim-  
pling followed an instant later, and the  
lady gazed ruefully at the two beauti-  
fully curled.

GRAND BASEBALL MATCH.

DICK TURPIN VS. TISCARORAS.  
Admission, 3 Pins.

"Cecil is captain of the Dick Turpin,  
and he said, now that I was going to  
have my hair cut off I'd be just as good  
as a boy. So he's going to lend me a pair  
of his trousers, and I'm to be second base."

"No more snarls in the morning now,  
mamma," remarked the young lady as  
she put it on. But then she drew a very  
long face. "Oh, mamma, it wabbles  
dreadfully."  
The barber then slipped some paper  
inside the lining of the hat and they set  
off.

But just at the doorway the redfaced  
old gentleman accosted them. He had  
his hat on by this time, but he took it off  
immediately and made a most courteous  
bow.  
"Madam," he exclaimed, "there ar-  
two things I want particularly, and you  
can grant me both of them. I want a  
kiss from that little daughter of yours  
and a ticket for that baseball match. I  
can't pay the price of admission, for I  
haven't three pins to my name, but per-  
haps this," and as he spoke he slipped  
something bright and shiny into Lena's  
hand, "to be devoted to soda water after  
the Tiscaroras have been completely  
done up might answer the purpose just  
as well."

The lady smiled and allowed Lena to  
give him the desired kiss, but she handed  
him back the money, and could not be  
prevailed upon to accept it. Then with  
a parting nod to the barber the two  
joined Alec on the corner. When last  
seen Lena was lifted up to the letter box  
to dispatch Dimple on the first stage of  
his long journey, and the redfaced gen-  
tleman, as he lost sight of her in the  
crowd on Broadway, vowed fervently  
that he would see that game of baseball,  
even if it cost a leg.—Acton Davies in  
New York Evening Sun

A Remarkable War Record.  
"I served on General Butler's staff,"  
said Port Warden Comstock, "was over  
four years in the army, but never fired a  
gun, was promoted for gallantry on the  
field and never was in a battle, and, in  
fact, never saw a Confederate in arms,  
and I don't get a pension. I didn't carry  
away any spoons from New Orleans, but  
I've got Shakespeare, Byron and Moore  
in leather that I brought away from the  
Twiggs mansion where we made our  
headquarters while in New Orleans. If  
anybody got away with the spoons it  
would not be strange."

The distinguished family that moved  
out for us left the family silver and  
everything else, and we moved in and  
took possession and used the abandoned  
property as we had, under the laws of  
war, a perfect right to do. We found  
the famous Twiggs swords there. They  
have long been on exhibition at Wash-  
ington. The Twiggs heirs are trying to  
get all these things back, but they'll  
have as hard a time to trace that library.  
I'm afraid, as they will the spoons."  
—New York Herald.

Chicago's Parks and Parkways.  
The parks and parkways of Chicago  
are of a type the outgrowth of her nat-  
ural landscape conditions and the char-  
acteristics of her people. Between the  
great lake on the east and the prairie  
main land on the west is a low, swampy  
tract diversified by sand ridges washed  
up by the storm waves and shifted about  
by the winds. The lake in some places  
encroaches upon the land, and at other  
points extends the shore by the forming  
of sand bars. Upon such a site was  
founded Chicago, and upon such a soil  
has she built her parks and boulevards.

The wide streets were rescued as rap-  
idly as possible from their primitive  
condition of alternate mud and dust,  
graded and laid with the most approved  
forms of pavement. The fondness of  
the people for riding and driving, that  
led them at an early day to provide so  
amply for public ways, caused the fea-  
ture of fine driveways to be prominent  
when the public parks were to be made.  
—Harper's Weekly

Savings Banks' Depositors.  
At the close of the year 1890 the sav-  
ings banks in the United States num-  
bered 880, with savings deposits amount-  
ing to \$1,324,844,506, divided among  
4,238,893 depositors, being an average of  
\$263.04. The depositors in the banks of  
New York state, numbered 1,420,997,  
with deposits amounting to \$550,066,657,  
being an average to each depositor of  
\$387.10. California is credited with the  
largest average sum to each depositor,  
the amount being \$787.74. The smallest  
average of all states is in West Virginia,  
where the amount is \$43.10.—New York  
Recorder.



How Sodadent is Made.  
Sodadent is composed of castile soap,  
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1 ounce; soft water, 4 ounces; and oil of  
wintergreen, anise or cinnamon for fla-  
voring. The accompanying powder is  
composed of equal parts of prepared  
chalk, orris root and carbonate of mag-  
nesia.

How to Eat Cucumbers.  
Cucumbers should never be eaten with-  
out vinegar and pepper. Otherwise the  
large quantity of woody fiber contained  
in them would create indigestion and  
fermentation. Oil and salt should not  
be used. They render cucumbers un-  
wholesome. But here is an excellent  
way to eat them: Peel, then cut into  
slices, lengthwise; sprinkle both sides  
with corn meal, pepper and salt, and fry  
them brown. Cucumbers treated in this  
way make a delicious dish.

How to Use Coal.  
Many a housekeeper complains that  
the coal supplied to her cellar is of dif-  
ferent qualities. This happens very sim-  
ply. When the coal is poured into the  
cellar the larger and heavier lumps roll  
to the sides and bottom, whereas the  
smaller kind stops in the center. If the  
coal is mixed after delivery an even size  
and quality will be insured.

How Waves are Calmed by Oil.  
Owing to its inferior specific gravity  
oil forms a floating film, which defends  
the surface of the water from contact  
with the currents of air, and the friction  
between the winds and the waves is  
greatly diminished, in the same manner  
that the friction between solids is by ap-  
plication of oils.

How to Strengthen the Eyes.  
A simple and excellent plan to preserve  
and strengthen the eyes is this: Every  
morning pour some cold water into your  
washing bowl; at the bottom of the bowl  
place a silver coin or other bright object;  
then put your face into the water with  
the eyes open and fixed on the object at  
the bottom; move your head from side  
to side gently, and you will find that this  
morning bath will make your eyes  
brighter and stronger and preserve them  
beyond the ordinary allotted time.

How to Preserve Milk and Cream.  
Put the milk or cream into bottles and  
place them in a saucepan with cold wa-  
ter, which rise gradually to the boiling  
point. Then take from the fire and cork  
instantly. Again raise the milk to a  
boiling point for half a minute, and let  
the bottles cool in the water in which  
they were boiled. Milk thus treated will  
remain perfectly good for six months.

How to Make Hens Lay in Winter.  
Mix a portion of minced meat every  
day with their other food, and see that  
they have plenty of gravel, old plaster-  
tong or powdered egg shells to peck  
among. The latter may also be mixed  
with their food.

How to Remove Ink Stains.  
Lemon juice readily removes ink from  
the hands. Diluted spirits of niter, ap-  
plied with a feather, takes ink spots  
from mahogany, which should be rubbed  
over immediately with a rag dipped in  
cold water, or a white mark will be left.  
Ink spots in linen fabrics should be wet  
with milk and covered with common  
salt before the articles are washed. An-  
other way to take out ink is to dip the  
article in melted tallow. Ink stains  
may also be removed from white fabric  
by a little salt of lemons, diluted muri-  
cic acid, oxalic acid or tartaric acid  
and hot water. All strong acids, how-  
ever, injure the fabric, and the spots  
should be well rinsed in cold water after  
they are used.

How to Relieve Rheumatic Pains.  
Lime or lemon juice, used in liberal  
quantities, frequently relieves the pa-  
roxysms of rheumatism. One noted phy-  
sician claims that by the persistent use  
of this simple acid for three days (all  
stimulating liquids being avoided) the  
most confirmed rheumatism will relax  
and the tone of the muscular and nerv-  
ous system be restored to its usual char-  
acter. Another simple remedy is to  
bathe the parts affected with water, in  
which potatoes have been boiled, as hot  
as can be borne previous to retiring.  
Obstinate cases have yielded to this sim-  
ple treatment.

How to Cure Warts.  
Touch the wart daily with a little  
inner caustic or with nitric acid or aro-  
matic vinegar. The caustic and acids  
cause sloughs, which wear off in a short  
time; the vinegar scarcely discolors the  
skin. Applying the warts to the con-  
ductor of an electrical machine for sev-  
eral days in succession will also remove  
warts.

How to Purify Water.  
A saturated solution of permanganate  
of potassa will speedily cleanse foul  
water. About a teaspoonful to a hog-  
head should be used. Another method  
is to put a tablespoonful of pulverized  
alum into a hoghead of water and stir  
the water well. The impurities fall to  
the bottom and the water will soon pos-  
sess nearly all the clearness and fresh-  
ness of the finest spring water.

How to Play Baccarat.  
The dealer and each side of the table  
have two or three cards. The object is  
to get as near nine as possible, and tens  
and court cards do not count. If the  
two first cards dealt do not together  
amount to five the player asks for an-  
other. If above five he does not. The  
sole question in doubt is whether a play-  
er whose two cards together make five  
ought to draw a third card or not. Be-  
cause of this doubt French courts have  
ruled that baccarat is not a game of  
chance.

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