

A WISH.

Alone with the evening breeze, I listen to the bird Whose melodies in leaf-crown'd trees At twilight's hour are heard.

THE BINSTEAD FARM.

We all knew when sister Clarissa loaned the thousand dollars which was the accumulation of her six years of teaching, to Sam Binstead, that it was as good as sunk in the sea.

Her hands were all blistered with clinging to the tree, and she had screamed for us till her throat was sore. "I have a fine flock of sheep there," remarked the proud owner, as we climbed awkwardly over the bars.

COAL CONSPIRATORS.

The Law Brands Them as Public Offenders and Criminals—An Outrageous Monopoly. Whether the great anthracite coal combination is beyond the reach of all law is now an issue of vital importance not only to the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, but to the entire coal-consuming community.

WHAT IS DRANK?

A Sample of the Deceptions Served at "First-Class Bars"—Brandy, Rum, Gin, and Bourbon, from the Same Faucet—Interesting Revelations for Guzzlers. A trade circular, issued by Mr. John D. Houlihan, of Buffalo, N. Y., lately came into The Cincinnati Enquirer's hands.

THE COCAINE HABIT.

The Worst Slavery Known—New Revelations of Power. When Cocaine was discovered the medical world exclaimed "thank heaven!" But useful as it is, it is also dangerous, especially when its use is perverted from the deadening of pain for surgical operations, to the stimulation and destruction of the human body.