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### THE TOYS.

My little son, who look'd from thoughtful eyes  
And mor'd and spoke in quiet, grown up wise,  
Having my law the seventh time disobey'd,  
I struck him and dimes'd  
With hard words and unkind'd,  
His mother, who was patient, being dead,  
Then, fearing best his grief should hinder sleep,  
I visited his bed,  
But found him slumbering deep,  
With darkened eyelids and their lashes yet  
From his late sobbing wet,  
And I, with moan,  
Kissing away his tears, left others of my own,  
For on a table drawn beside his head  
He had put, within his reach,  
A box of counters and a red vein'd stone,  
A piece of glass abraded by the beach  
And six or seven shells,  
A bottle with bluebells  
And two French copper coins, rang'd there  
With careful art  
To comfort his sad heart.  
So when that night I pray'd  
To God and wept and said:  
"Ah, when at last we'll with tranqed breath,  
Not vexing thee in death,  
And thou rememberest of what toys  
We make our joys,  
How weakly understood  
They great commandment good,  
Then, fatherly not less  
Than I whom thou hast molded from the clay,  
Thou'lt leave thy wrath and say,  
"I will be sorry for their child-hood."  
—Coventry Pastore in Church Standard.

### HE WAS VERY HUNGRY.

How a Texan Got a Good Meal at a General's Expense.  
Mr. Goss, in his "Recollections of a Private," quotes the remarks of a Confederate about two famous leaders under whom he had fought. This man said of Stonewall Jackson, "If you uns had some good general like him, I reckon you uns could lick 'em uns." When asked whether he had ever seen General Lee, he replied: "Yes; I was a sort of orderly for Uncle Robert for awhile. He's a mighty calmlike man when a fight is going on."  
This story is told of General John B. Magruder:  
"Our General Magruder thinks a powerful heap of what he eats and wears. He allers has a right smart of truck."  
"There was a Texas feller one time who had straggled from his brigade, and he were a pert one, he were, stranger. He were hungry enough to eat a general, buttons and all—that Texas feller were. He saw Magruder's table all spread, with a heap of good fixin's on it, and I'll be hanged if he didn't walk in, pert as you please, grabbed a knife and fork and opened fire all along the line on them fixin's."  
"Magruder heard something in his tent and hurried in and asked that Texas chap what brought him thar. The Texan 'lowed he were hungry. Then the general, stiff and grandlike, said, 'Do you know, sir, at whose table you are eatin?'"  
"The Texas chap, he kept drivin in the pickets on them chick'ns, and he said to the general, said he, 'No, old boss, and I ain't no ways partic'lar, neither, since I've come soldierin.'"  
"What did Magruder do?" asked a Yankee listener.  
"Do? Why, he saw them chicken fixin's were spiled, and he jest put his arm under his coat, pulled his hat over his eyes and walked out. And that Texan he didn't leave anything on that thar table 'cept the plates—not even his compliments."  
"Who were he? Well, no matter. He hadn't no manners, he hadn't. He were powerful hungry, stranger, that chap were."  
A Fortunate Accident.  
"I am lost!" the prima donna sobbed. "My years of hard study have gone for nothing."  
"Alas, what is the matter?" asked her maid.  
"My prospects are ruined, all through a wretched accident. Just as I was approaching the end of my aria a horrid bug flew on the stage and lit on my neck."  
"And you screamed?"  
"I did. What else could I do? It was my last scene and I had no chance to redeem myself."  
The bell sounded and the maid announced a man from the theater.  
"Show him in," said the prima donna. "I may as well meet my fate at once. It is my dismissal from the company."  
"Sense me, ma'am, fur disturbin you," said the visitor, "but de manager wants to know did you run away from your certain recall 'cause you was took sick?"  
"No. I am perfectly well."  
"All right. That'll ease his mind. He says that screech you let out at the wind up was the finest high O he's heard in years and you've got the town crazy over you."—Washington Star.

### RENEWAL OF YOUTH

#### A STRANGE STORY FROM A NEBRASKA VILLAGE.

Villagers Excited Over the Increased Vigor of the Older Inhabitants—Experience of Two "Yets."

From the World Herald, Omaha, Neb.  
A World-Herald reporter was attracted by the evidence of renewed activity of some of the older inhabitants of the village of Bruce, a suburb of Omaha, Neb., and inquired the cause. Mr. Andrew Finkenkelter, who was a member of Company B of the First Iowa Volunteers during the war, made the following explanation so far as he himself is concerned:  
"In July, 1866, while my company was on the march through to Austin, Texas, I was attacked with rheumatism of the worst kind in one leg, at Alexander, Louisiana. Being weak, I was sunstuck and remained unconscious for several hours. Every summer since I have been unable to stand the heat of the sun, and have been compelled to give up my work. There was in my head a bearing-down feeling, which increased until it seemed my head would burst, and it caused ringing in my ears, and palpitation of the heart set in, so that the slightest noise would set my heart thumping. Several times it has rendered me unconscious for from seven to ten hours at a time. In addition to this the rheumatism extended up my entire side until it drew my head down on my shoulder. I lost my strength and flesh and was totally unfit for work."  
"For twenty-eight years I have consulted physicians and taken their prescriptions without deriving any material benefit. My ailments increased in intensity until I was assured that there was no hope for me. During last year I went into the butcher business, but the dampness from the ice used increased my rheumatic pains to such an extent that I was not only compelled to quit the business, but was confined to my house and bed for nearly six months."  
"In November last I read in the World-Herald a case of a man who had been entirely cured from the ailments from which I was suffering, by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. On November 28 I purchased a box. In a week I was astonished to know that I felt better than I had for six months past, and before I had used half a box the ringing in my ears began to lessen in volume and finally left me. The pain from the rheumatism gradually left me, so that within one week from the time I took my first pill I was able to sit up in bed. On January 1st I was able to go out and walk around a little. The palpitations of my heart entirely ceased. On February 9 I was so thoroughly cured that I accepted a position as night watchman in the Forest Lawn cemetery, remaining out of doors from 6 P. M. until 6 A. M. I have gained in weight from 144 pounds, which I weighed in November last, to 172 pounds, which I weigh now."  
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THE RECORD PRICE FOR PICTURES.  
Eleven thousand guineas (something over \$55,000) is now the record price paid in an auction room in London for a picture. This amount was realized at Christie's for Sir Joshua Reynolds' portrait of Lady Betty Delme, sister of the Earl of Carlisle, with her children, a picture which is well known through engravings. It was put up at 5,000 guineas and was secured by Charles Wertheimer, a dealer, for 11,000 guineas.—London Standard.

THE CRATER COLLAPSED.  
The great lake in Kilauea overflowed its banks on July 8, and on the 12th the lava fell 270 feet in 12 hours, causing the banks to fall in on all sides and engulfing about eight acres of the floor of the crater. The falling of the banks was going on all day and far into the night and produced a sight indescribably grand.—Honolulu Letter.

### A NEGRO'S POPULAR BALLADS.

Gessie Davis and His Notable Work as a Writer of Songs.

Few of the many millions of people who have sung or otherwise enjoyed "The Fatal Wedding," "The Light-house by the Sea," "The Maple on the Hill" and numerous other popular songs are aware that Gessie L. Davis, the man who composed them, is a negro. Davis, who is still a very young man, spent his boyhood in Cincinnati, where he became acquainted with James E. Stewart, the author of "Jeany, the Flower of Kildaro," and other well known songs. Davis had considerable talent for song writing, although he could not read or write music, and Stewart, before he died a drunkard in the Cincinnati workhouse, gave him a great many points concerning the business.  
Davis' first song was "The Maple on the Hill." He composed the words and the melody, but a friend, whose music



education was more extensive, wrote out the score for him. By advancing \$20 to a publisher Davis had the song published, and it was such a great success that he decided to make song writing his life work. With commendable pluck he procured work as a chore boy in a Chicago musical college and worked his way through the institution, devoting three years to hard study.  
About this time he fell in love with a pretty octroon girl of Cincinnati, Miss Lottie B. Stark, who gave him the inspiration for one of his most successful songs in a very prosaic manner. She sent him a pair of suspenders upon which was embroidered a good likeness of a lighthouse and a ship. Davis naturally admired the suspenders and looked at them so long and earnestly that he concluded to write a song about a lighthouse and a ship. The result was "The Lighthouse by the Sea," a song that won wide popularity a few years ago and was played by street bands and hand organs from one end of the country to the other.  
Davis married the pretty octroon in 1885, and she has been of great assistance to him in his musical work. They live in New York, and Davis has already written about 600 songs, a number of which have been great successes. One odd thing about the business is that when a song becomes popular it is soon of no value. A great many copies are sold at first, but when the public tires of it the sale ceases abruptly. One of Davis' best productions, "On Board the Morning Star," won a prize in a competition entered by many of the most prominent song writers in the country.

PLUCKY CUBAN PATRIOTS.  
They Are Rapidly Procuring Arms and Ammunition—Consistent of Ultimate Victory.  
The Cuban patriots have an army of 25,000 men in the field and are making such a formidable fight for liberty that the first Spanish reserve has been called out to re-enforce the 125,000 troops General Martinez Campos is ineffectually using to put down the rebellion in Cuba. Santa Clara and Puerto Principe, two of the six provinces, are almost wholly in the possession of the insurgents, who are gaining strength and confidence every day. Just now the Cubans and their friends in the United States are particularly encouraged because of the fact that Major General Carlos Roloff and eight other brave patriot officers recently landed in Santa Clara, Cuba, with the most powerful expedition ever dispatched by the friends of the insurgents.  
Hundreds of repeating rifles, two small cannon for mountain fighting, hundreds of revolvers, 700,000 rounds of ammunition, 500 pounds of dynamite and many other munitions of war urgently needed by the patriots were carried in safety past watching Spanish cruisers and placed in the hands of General Zayas, who is in command of the Santa Clara troops. Nearly 500 men, many of them veterans of the last war for independence, were landed at the same time. The money to pay for all these supplies was raised by the friends of the insurgents in New York, and it is said that these patriotic sympathizers expended about \$80,000 in cash in fitting out the expedition. The arms and ammunition were purchased in the United States, carried to the Bahamas in small boats, loaded on four-schooners flying the British flag and then hurried to the Cuban coast.  
Since the late war for independence began it is said 2,000 rifles, 2,000,000 rounds of ammunition and numerous other supplies have been sent to the patriots from the United States. The insurgents say Spain is out of money and that as her troops will not fight unless they are paid, victory seems certain for the flag with the single star.

### HOUSEKEEPING AT SAMOA.

Mrs. Robert Louis Stevenson says that housekeeping in Samoa was not so idyllic as it might seem. Her supplies came from New Zealand or Australia once a month, so that if she wanted a bottle of bluing or a bag of flour, for instance, she had to send half across the Pacific to get it. The native diet was all well enough for a few weeks, but as it consisted almost solely of fruit and fish it began to pall on European palates. Housekeeping in this South Sea paradise (of romances) had other drawbacks, particularly in the matter of expense, which was fully six or seven times as great. Mrs. Stevenson says, as living on a corresponding scale in San Francisco. As for society, "there's more of it in the square inch in Samoa than in any other place I know," says Mrs. Stevenson, but it appears to be largely of the living picture kind.  
How Jones Proposed.  
Jones—Miss Arabella, do you like cabbage?  
Arabella—What a strange question, Mr. Jones!  
"I know it is a strange question, but please answer it."  
"Yes, Mr. Jones, I am very fond of cabbage."  
"Ah, I am glad to hear that!"  
"Why?"  
"Your liking cabbage goes to show that we were born for each other. I dot on corned beef. Why should not we unite our fortunes?"  
"Oh, Mr. Jones!"  
They will be married next week.—Boston Traveller.

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