MOTHERHOOD.

Dome to my arms, my darling: Come, for the nightfall is near: Come, and thy mother shall send thee To dreamland with never a fear.

Come, and thy mother shall sing thes A lullaby softly and low-Sing thee to rest and to dreamland Ere darker the day doth grow.

And as thou sleepest, my dear one, Visions will come to her eyes-Visions of thee, strong in manhood, Noble and gentle and wise,

Her heart will glow at the picture, Thrilling with joy and with pride, Yet the tears sadly fall as she presses Thee close, little one, to her side.

And she knows that always at twilight, Wherever, wherever thou art, The same little luliaby, darling, She'll sing to thee down in her heart. -Boston Transcript.

Janet's Candlestick.

mmm N her day-mind you, I said In her day-the old lady was something of an oracle. In-

fallible, sir, that's the word-absolutely infallible. In fact, to put it more plainly," said the colonel, "she was always right."

"I have no doubt of it, sir," I said. meekly. You see, I was in love with the colonel's daughter, and under those circumstances a father is not a being to be contradicted. More than that, the colonel was speaking of a matter of family history, and the colonel's family goes back to the time a little before William the Norman made up his mind to come over to England.

"Her particular powers, my dear boy," went on the colonel, "lay with the ronfantic. I've heard it said that all the lovers from all the country 'round used to come to her in their troubles and get good advice. That's what they say," added the colonel, with a wink; "but, between ourselves, Aunt Janet was probably a mischiefmaking, interfering old matchmaker. That is shown by the fact that she still troubles this earth when she should be reposing respectably somewhere else. One has to put up with this sort of thing, you know"-the colonel frowned and coughed and settled his neck into his shirt collar-"one must put up with it when one belongs to an ancient family. And, after all, the old lady is never really troublesome. Picturesque in a sense,

JAPAN'S GREATEST DISASTER.



HOW THE BATTLESHIP HATSUSE WAS LOST.

The destruction of the Hatsuse by a mine ten miles off Port Arthur is the only great disaster that has overtaken the Japanese, and at that it is an accident rather than a piece of naval strategy. The Hatsuse was a battleship of 15,000 tons displacement. She was launched (in 1899) at Elswick at the cost of over a million. The destruction of the vessel has been the occasion of strong protests from naval authorities at the action of Russia in strewing the high seas with mines. The revised figures show that sixty-one non-commissioned officers and 378 bluejackets were killed or drowned on board the Hatsuse, while twelve bluejackets were seriously, and fifty slightly, injured. Seven officers and thirteen non-commissioned officers were slightly injured.

termined that I would seek her and take ghostly counsel from her. I re- just such triffes that many of 2ª waste dency to mislead the drawee, who was membered that she haunted the upper floors.

I went up beyond the floor on which my room was situated and found my- from the coils of what "they say" or of her separate estate taken and used other by silent example as a sufferer, self in darkness. Then, suddenly, "how it looks." Let them be big by him is attacked by his creditors as enough not to bother about such little voluntary or fraudulent, it is held in with the pen, sending forth words that her frame downstairs. She held the candle high, and I thought, looking at her as she advanced, what a presentable old lady she was.

JUDICIAL DECISIONS.

A statute prohibiting employers from combining for the purpose of interfering with or preventing any person, either by threats, promises, or black listing from procuring employment, is held in State ex rel. Scheffer vs. Justus (Minn.) 56 L. R. A. 757, not to be unconstitutional.

An engineer operating a blowoff cock designed to clean the boller, for the purpose of frightening children, is held, in Alsever vs. Minneapolis & St. L. R. Co. (Iowa), 56 L. R. A. 748, not to depart from his employment so as to relieve his employer from linbillity for injuries caused by his act.

An injunction against a boycott of a manufacturer by inducing merchants not to deal with him pending trouble with his employes is held in Marx & Jeans Clothing Company vs. Watson (Mo.), 55 L, R. A. 951, to be in violation of a constitutional guarantee of free speech and of the right to publish whatever one may choose, being responsible for the abuse of that right.

The question whether or not a perdinarily prudent man would act uncross a railroad track so as not to be to be for the jury.

upon the remedy.

The rule that a drawee is presumed workers, a number slightly below the to know his drawer's signature and number sent out last year. hence cannot recover back money paid through a mistake of fact upon a bill Colony Bank of Ga., 56, L. R. A. 920, not to be available in favor of a holder who, by his own negligence, contribperate case; and on an impulse I de- edge a liking for Browning-these are uted to the success of the fraud pracminor matters indeed; but it is over ticed and whose conduct had a ten-

precious moments and more precious, himself free from fault.



Presbyterian Missions. Presbyterians are going to enter Panama. A political straw is the fact

that they select their home and not son in pursuit of a cow which has es- dicating that they regard Panama as their foreign organization to lead, incaped from his control acts as an or- practically home territory. This same der the circumstances, in not looking falo, to enlarge and continue its evanbody decided, at its assembly in Butand listening before attempting to gelistic work. The enlargement decidchargeable with contributory negli- the pastor into an evangelist, and the ed upon was along the development of gence in case he is injured by a train discouraging of the scheme of hiring is held, in Lorenz vs. Burlington, C. the professional evangelist. The Rev. R. & N. R. Co. (Iowa) 56, L. R. A. 752, Dr. Chapman will continue his work and will, it is said, take up various

A judgment of the courts of a state cities in the Middle West, after a camwhere a note is sent for collection, paign on the Pacific coast. An effort holding it barred by the statute of is to be made this year by the Preslimitations, is held, in Brand vs. byterians to raise \$1,500,000 for foreign Brand (Ky.) 63 L. R. A. 206, not to missions and \$900,000 for home misbar a suit upon the note in another sions. These sums will be advances State, where the action is not barred, of \$300,000 and \$100,000, respectively. if, by the laws of the State where These increases are backed by the the judgment was rendered, the cause Presbyterian church itself, and are not of action was not extinguished by the merely the plans of missionary secrejudgment, which operates exclusively tarles. . There are to be sent to the foreign field about eighty-five new

Praising God.

to which the drawer's signature was flower pays its tribute in fragrant incense as its censer swings in the breeze; the tree shakes down fruit from its bending bows; the stars pour out their silver beams to gladden the earth; the clouds give their blessings in gentle rain; yet all, with equal faithfulness, fulfill their mission, So brain matter. Let the man and the If a conveyance by a husband to his one serves by incessant toil in the woman shake himself or herself free wife to secure the principal of money home, caring for a large family; an-

complete working order within for years. The old secretaries, in their old positions, have therefore been retained until such time as the new organizations can be put into working shape. Committees of transfer, to have charge of the enormous interests, and the even more enormous detail, are the most that has been effected at this time in the direction of accomplishment of the fundamental departure.

Helpful Words, Just a word in kindness spoken, To a brother bowed with care; Coming like a heavenly token, Helping him his load to share.

Just a word! Who cannot give it, As we pass along the way? Speak it out! Our Lord would say it If He were on earth to-day. -George D. Gelwicks.

A Help to Others. It is right to love and be kind to our friends when they are kind and loving to us; but it is still better to love and be kind to them even when they are cross and unkind to us. We can help others by learning to love one another and being very patient and kind .-- J. C. B. Stivers.

DANGER IN TRADES.

Calling of Farmer Found to Be Moat Healthful and Safe.

That very many trades and occupations have some specific danger to health has been shown by the mortanty tables of various European countries. On this side of the water, unfortunately, the question has never been satisfactorily investigated,

though in the 1903 bulletin of the United States bureau of labor one may find figures according to which the average life of the factory worker in Massachusetts is only 36.3 years, as compared with 65.3 years as the average life of a Massachusetts farmer. The cause of this startling disparity lies altogether in the different occupations; in other words, the farmer's life is the safest and most healthful, while all other nonprofessional occupations are less so in varying degrees.

Trades in which there is the greatest liability to accident play the most obvious part in making these mortality tables; but there are many occupations in which, although there is practically nothing to be feared from sudden accident, there is, nevertheless, a serious and usually preventable tax on the vitality of the worker. And this danger lies often in the excessive dust of the factory, laden with particles of steel, stone, cloth, or miscellaneous what not, and constantly taken into the lungs of operatives.

In England, where the matter has

and always keeps to the upper floors.' "And "this," I said, pointing to a massive old sllver candlestick on a

sideboard-"this is Great-aunt Janet's candlestick, ch?" "Yes," said the colonel, frowning at

it and shaking his head. "Perfectly ridiculous, of course; but it is said that whenever there is any love affair on hand the ghost of the old lady walks; that she carries the candiestick with which for some threequarters of a century she lighted herself to bed, and that if one of the lovers meets her at that critical time she gives him such advice as lifts him, so to speak"-the colonel made a movement with his hands as though dandling a large-sized infant awkwardly-"lifts him into the lady's affections, or vice versa. But she is always accompanied by the candlestick."

"It might be worth trying," I said, half to myself, and just at that moment the door of the smoking room -opened and she came in.

"Not a bad notion," said the colonel, with a chuckle. "Here, Dora, our friend here thinks of trying to get a tip from Great-aunt Janet tonight, though what he wants to trouble her for I can't for the life of me imagine."

"I do assure you," I stuttered, as she gave me her hand in saying good night, "I don't see what Great-aunt Janet could have to tell me, and, of course, I shouldn't think of doing anything-"

"Of course not," she replied with demure eyes looking into mine. "But it's a pretty idea."

She kissed her father-oh! adorable lips pressed for a moment against the stern, white mustache-and went out of the room; and I found, quite unexpectedly, that I could not sleep.

and I had a dim notion that a cigarette might soothe me, and might drive out of my head certain vain dreams should think that blue-eyed Dora should ever care twopence about me?

darkened house to the smoking room, and switched on the light there and looked about for my clgarette case. I found it, and had just slipped it into my pocket, when the remembrance of what the colonel had said brought to my mind the heavy silver candlestick. I glanced toward the spot where it had stood, and I saw to my astonishment that it was no longer there. In a flash I glanced quickly around the small room and to left to see what people about think I knew, of course, in a moment what that meant.

The ghost of Great-aunt Janet had chosen that night for walking!

Why? Was she such a sympathetic old creature that she had guessed my secret? And could she give me any people take our jokes, how they like help or any advice? I remembered distinctly what the colonel had said; how he had suggested that the old lady came only when she was able tra of a theater, whether they think

It took me a moment or two to find my tongue, and then, fearing that she might disappear before I had had time to state my errand, I clasped my hands and blurted out what I had to say.

"Great-aunt Janet! Sweet Greataunt Janet! Have mercy upon me and help me! I love the dearest girl in all the world-and her name is Dora -and I haven't dared to tell her so before. If you can show me the way-

"Jack, dear, if you would hold the candlestick-

I caught the candlestick-and Dora. After a breathless interval, during which the lovely little face had been pressed close to mine again and again, and I had seen, even by that dim candle light, a look in the blue eyes I had never hoped to see, she gave ...er explanation.

unhappy lover who wanted advice or -or consolation. So I thought I would in these things-and I came out- Cedric and Celtic, length 680 feet, just in case-."-Indianapolis Sun.

OUR SELF-CONSCIOUSNESS.

Always Wondering What Our Neighb rs Are Thinking.

Thoreau characteristically says: "If you want to know a man's faults, locks and passages 80 to 100 feet in ask his friends. They will not tell you, but they know." It is because I discovered, too, that I had left my we believe so thoroughly in America Consequently the increase in beam has cigarette case in the smoking room, and Americans that we interest ourselves in trying to find out our faults. dock construction as the increase in railways, said to a Washington Post One such occurs to us to which it length, seems worth while to call attention. and fancies. For who was I that I This is our self-consciousness-a thing which does a vast deal toward hindering the freedom of the individual. I went down softly through the It is this continual consciousness of self that makes us Americans so fearful of what our neighbors think of us, that hampers us in our thought and that makes us less able to act as our right reasoning would dictate. The Englishman, for instance, sails along, calmly ignoring the whole world. This attitude is provocative of much humor at his expense, but does he not do better by himself than the man who is continually looking from right realized that the thing was gone. And of him? The latter is so busy that he has no time to realize himself. "Mind your own business and endeavor to be what you are made," says the quotable Thoreau.

That is what we need to have drummed into us from day to day. How the cut of our frocks or our coats, what they think of our sitting in the second balcony instead of the orchesto help a lover. That was my des- we are affected because we acknowl- blers.

things. Let them think less about Adone vs. Spencer (N. J. Err. and inspire, help, cheer and bless; another the light of a candie. Down the their own persons and more how to App.), 56, L. R. A. 817, that the bur- by the living voice, whose eloquence length of the corrider there advanced enjoy and profit by and be good in the den is on the wife to establish that moves men and starts impulses to bettoward me the stately small figure of big, interesting world of people and her husband took and used her separ-ter, grander living; another by the Great-aunt Janet; so real that she things which is all about them.-Home ate estate, but that when that fact is ministry of sweet song; another by

> SIZE OF OCEAN STEAMERS. Increased Over Fifty Per Cent During

Quarter of a Century. The average length of ships has in-

creased some 50 to 60 per cent during the last quarter of a century. The dents of the Southern States has been of each day the whispered word, 455 feet of the Britannic of 1874 seem discovered. Some months ago M. W. "Well done."-Our Young Folks. almost insignificant compared with the Marsden, of Philadelphia, and Joseph 702 feet of the latest White Star Liner Wile, of Kentucky, had a lot of cot-Cedric and the 760 feet of the project- ton stalks shipped to Philadelphia to ed Cunarders, The 1,000-foot vessel will have them analyzed, to find if there troublous times for many years. Supassuredly not be long in coming. was something valuable in them. They Berths are even now devised to accord returned to Gonzales, Texas, recently with this standard, and entrance locks with samples of what was found in and graving docks are also being them and exhibited them to a meetlengthened. A few years back 500 feet ing of citizens. were considered an extreme dimension, nowadays this is deemed very moder- from \$2 to \$4 worth of sugar to the the North, a general effort is now to be

the size of vessels. The beam of ships has increased less powder composition, alcohol and more rapidly than the length. The a valuable fertilizer. beam of the Brittanic was 45 feet and a ratio between length and breadth of of average stalks would amount to "I was in love myself, Jack, and I about 10 to 1 was maintained fairly about three tons and that in the South thought there might be some other well until ten years ago, when the Campania was built with a breadth of 65 feet to a length of 600 feet. At ducing that many hundred million dolbe Great-aunt Janet-and I dressed present the dimensions exhibited in the lars. breadth 75 feet; the Walmer Castle, length 570 feet, breadth 64 feet, and other recent vessels indicate a decided tendency toward the establishment of a ratio of 9 to 1. The maximum beam does not yet exceed 78 feet, which is amply covered by entrance width, constructed fifty years ago under the regime of paddle steamers. not had so perceptible an effect on ing stock of American and German reporter:

Only in depth has the progress of naval construction been less marked. our empire is bright. Though we have The draught of the Campania, 23 feet, now only five thousand miles of steam view of life, for since it finds God in in 1898 was no greater than that of roads, it will be only a short while besome vessels twenty years before. The fore the country is gridironed with latest German types have a loaded them as thickly as in the United draught of only 29 feet, while the most States. Japan at this time has scarcemodern British vessels attain to 32 ly any shops for turning out locomofeet, but in neither case is the increase tive engines. One small one in Asaproportional to that of the other dimen- ka is too insignificant to count. The sier's Magazine.

Why She Is Happy.

Bessle-Kitty is going to be married and she tells me she is the happiest woman in all the world. Aunt Jane-Must be going to have

model husband. Bessie-Don't know. She didn't say

anything about him. But you should see what a daisy engagement ring she has.-Boston Transcript.

Many a man goes broke because of the winning ways of women and gamestablished the burden shifts and those sitting in quiet peace at Jesus' feet, claiming that such taking and use drinking in his spirit and then shining were by gift of the wife are held to as a gentle and silent light, or pourhave the burden of establishing such ing out the fragrance of love like a

Riches in Cotton Stalks.

Efforts of Baptists in Western Cuba, port has been had from Baptists of the South, and the trouble has been the double dealing of Spanlards who have professed Christian loyalty and are charged with being something quite The stalks were found to contain

different. Assisted by the Baptists of ate. The length of an entrance lock ton, to make fine samples of paper does not, of course, absolutely limit superior to wood pulp, two pieces of Fully a dozen new men will be sent material resembling celluloid, smokeout at once, and it is the purpose to erect at least four new churches on

each Island during the year. Besides, Mr. Marsden thought that an acre two new schools will be established in Porto Rico and three in Cuba, and half a dozen new fields will be tentatively 70,000,000 tons of stalks were going occupied. The Rev. H. L. Morehouse. to waste that were capable of prowho has just passed his twenty-fifth year in the service of Baptist missions,

and who received an ovation at the an-These gentlemen show their faith in niversaries in Cleveland, returned from their investigations by offering to erect Porto Rico and Cuba in April and rea plant at Gonzales for the converports extraordinary progress throughsion of the stalks into the various arout both islands of Protestant propaticles shown at a cost of \$75,000, with ganda of almost all kinds. a possible increase to \$250,000 if the citizens would take \$25,000 preferred

stock. There is no such plant or industry yet in operation.

Railways in Japan.

Y. Shima, of Tokio, who was sent by his government to inspect the roll-

> ing soul many fair beauties of earth. everything it finds everything beautiful in its time and way.

hearts as ours, weakness is wickedness in the long run. Whoever lets sions. This discrepancy is due to the indications are that before long the himself be shaped and guided by anydifficulty of obtaining adequate depth present repair shops will be enlarged thing lower than an inflexible will, of water in approaching channels and and the matter of building engines, fixed in obedience to God, will in the over the sills of existing docks .-- Cas- cars and other equipment taken up by end be shaped into a deformity and McLaren.

Faith in God.

Methodist Consolidation. Methodists in the East are surprised having the most luxurious crop of at the celerity with which their genwhiskers in the United States. The eral conference disposed of the matter crop adorns the fertile chin of Vol. of consolidation of their benevolences. Tapley, a farmer, and is more than In place of the missionary society, eleven feet in length. When Tapley which does home and foreign work, wants to exhibit his hirsute appen- their educational societies and the rest, dage in all its glory he takes it from there are created three great boards his vest, where he commonly keeps it, for home, foreign and educational attaches the loose end of it to the work. The radical changes here orhinge of a door, and then backs off dered cannot, it is said, be effected within two years, and may not be in mility.

been carefully investigated, over thirty-eight varieties of injurious dust have been cited, and it has been shown that in nineteen different "dusty" industries the death rate from tuberculosis and other diseases of the respiratory organs is more than that of farmers. Such investigations have practically compelled legislative action abroad that has greatly improved conditions and is looking toward even greater improvement.

Dust, in fact, has been found the most assiduous foe of the workman's health, though, of course, temperature and moisture are important, and again often remediable, factors in making certain employments unnecessarily unhealthful. Another series of internal disorders arises from the chemicals handled in making many commodities, lead poisoning and mercury poisoning being common examples of so-called "occupation" diseases.

Finally, there are the diseases, such as anthrax, that may be "taken" by a workman handling some trade material that has not been thoroughly disinfected.

WHEN WELLS ARE POLLUTED.

Arguments of Purity of Deep Water Wells-Tests Suggested.

"The Pollution of Deep Wells" was the subject of a paper before a scientific society, in which was described an interesting experiment conducted by the United States geographical survey and the geological survey of Georgia, acting in co-operation to determine the liability of contamination of the deep wells and springs in the vicinity of Quitman, Ga., by the proposed action of that city in turning the public sewage into an underground stream through a bore hole. To test the matter, the surveys mentioned inserted two tons of salt into the well into which it was proposed to turn the sewage. Samples of water were taken before the experiment to determine the normal chlorin of the waters, and at short intervals during and for some time after the experiment. The report 1 concludes that "on analyzing the samples it was shown that the salt had entered all of the deep wells in town, thereby demonstrating that the insertion of sewage would have contaminated all of the wells, and possibly led to a dangerous epidemic." Undoubtedly the water of wells is often polluted by drainage, and the experiment verifies the danger, which should help health officers in their work. One wonders, however, if there is not a guided to wreck and ruin -Alexander slight fallacy in the conclusion introduced by the doubt if micro-organisms might not be prevented from passing. by the earth filtration, while a solution of salt would be able to permeate the medium. Why not use pathogenic bacilli themselves for a more convincing test?-American Medilcne.

> Old poem: "More rain falls on the just than on the unjust fellows, because the unjust have the just's umbrellas."

Conceit may be only exaggerated hu-

Faith in God gives sight into human life. We cannot understand humanity until we have some real though of course exhaustive knowledge of the Deity. Faith has rare optical powers,

and while it is not an all-seeing eye, it is a much-seeing and a far-seeing one. It not only looks off afar into heaven, but also reveals to the believ-

"The future of railway building in

Weakness Is Wickedness In such a world as this, with such

the imperial government."

Eleven Feet of 'Em.

Pike County, says a Kansas newspaper, glories in the distinction of

lowly and unconscious flower; yet each and all of these may be serving A new source of wealth for rest- Christ acceptably, hearing at the close

Baptists in Cuba.



until it becomes taut.