

THE EVENING NEWS.

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FIVE MINUTES' WORK.

"Here, Lizzie, I wish you would put a few stitches in my coat; it's getting so shabby."

"It's a Frank; but really I think you had best take it to the tailor."

"Take it to the tailor? By George! but that's a huge idea. Why, there's not five minutes' work to be done, and the tailor would charge a dollar."

"I suppose he would, but I don't see how I can do it to-day. Walter is very fretful, and you know he keeps me awake nearly all night."

"Little imp! It does not seem to me there ever was so cross a young one. Always so excuse! Well, you must mend my coat, as you say."

"I will try and find time."

"Try! Just let him squall! It will do him good—strengthen his lungs."

"Then you know that it is ironing day."

"Well, how many more excuses? I'll put it on, rips and all, if you're going to make a fuss."

"Oh, no, Frank, I did not mean to make a fuss; but it's a long job, and one I am not used to; and with my dinner to get, and baby and ironing, I do not see yet how I can get it done. But I'll do my best."

Such was the conversation that passed between a young husband and a wife of eighteen months' standing.

Frank Burton was what the world calls a real driver. He made anything that went through his hands into his own benefit. Everybody liked him because he was so frank, and withal so honest and upright in all his dealings with his customers. He was educated for a business man, lived in society, had made up his mind that he could support a wife, and, according to his reckoning, save something to boot.

Yes, to be sure he could. There were six dollars a week for board, one dollar a week for washing, and then quarters and dimes innumerable for taking his lady acquaintances to ride, to the theatre, to the icecream parlors, balls, operas, etc.

"By George!" he exclaimed as he cast up his yearly account, "that's huge; enough to break a fellow, a thousand times over! It won't do; I'll marry and settle down."

So he applied to Lizzie Forsyth to be his wife, and he was soon in possession of her.

A snug house was rented, and the work of supporting a young wife began in earnest. The five rooms cost two hundred dollars a year, and were prettily furnished. Lizzie preferred to do all her own work. Sometimes by her needle she earned a dollar extra.

Then, as it was a little lonesome for Frank, he brought home several clerks as day-boarders at four dollars a week. Still, with this, he would tell his acquaintances how much less it cost him to live now he supported a wife, and never seemed for a moment to realize that she it was who was saving all the expenses, and that if he had not earned a dollar, her busy hands would have paid the rent and kept him from starving.

So the matter stood when he asked his wife to mend his coat. Lizzie drew a deep sigh after he was gone, and hurried her dishes away as fast as possible.

The coat was of broadcloth and was his wedding garment; but it was well worn out—broken under the arms, the cord and lining in rags, the sleeve linings broken loose, buttons were off, in fine there was nearly a day's work she sat down to the coat with a hearty good will, determined to do her best.

Her needle flew, but every moment it had to be laid down to see to dinner or hush the baby. The hours wore away, and though she did all she possibly could, the job was still undone at sundown. Walter cried incessantly. She looked pale, and his eyes were dim.

She then remembered Frank's words: "Let him squall," and let him cry half an hour or more. Oh! how it worried her to hear the darling cry for mother.

Team swam in her eyes as she thought of her hard day's work and the want of appreciation of her labor. She knew she was making his old coat look almost as good as new. But he would never think of the toll she had put on it. "And what if he don't?" she mentally said. "In my own spirit I know all I have done, and that is enough."

But Lizzie was strong hearted as well as loving and dutiful. She shook off her discontent, and tried to cheer up as possible. Then she worried through supper-getting, and with much managing had all things done by the time Frank came in with his companion.

"My coat done, Lizzie?"

"No, not quite."

"There's a woman for ye, boys. One-half of them would let a man get out of his elbows a week before they would turn aside from any plan of their own. All the ironing completed, I'll be bound, Lizzie."

Lizzie was taking her blanch out of the oven, and the young man did not see the deep flush of pain that flashed over her weary features.

"Will you bring in a pitcher of water please?" she said pleasantly.

"There it is again. When I was a boy I had nothing to do but hand my coat over to the tailor, pay him a dollar, and it was done in a jiffy, and not any grumbling. No water to fetch when a fellow's tired, either."

Lizzie was nervous, was tried with household work and care. She could not endure his badinage, although half playful. She hastily set the coffee on the table, and saying simply, "Supper is ready," stepped into the bedroom and then burst into tears. Her tears did not flow long, though she was deeply and wrongfully hurt in her feelings. Her heart gained in its natural relief, and after pretending that she was getting Walter asleep, (which she actually did), she balled her eyes and came out, washed her dishes, and sat down to the coat.

Frank sat watching her flying fingers for an hour or two, as he laughed and talked to his friend, thinking that he felt that every turn would be the last. At 9 o'clock she had set the last stitch. The coat looked like a new one all around. As she finished she looked up, with still a shade of sadness upon her brow, and said:

"There, Frank, I have mended your coat thoroughly. I guess it will last another year now."

"Quite a job, wasn't it?—longer than I thought," said he, deprecatingly.

"How much clear cash have you made to-day, Frank?" asked Lizzie, in a very earnest tone.

"What do you want to know that for?" was his answer.

"For my own satisfaction. Certainly I should feel an interest in all your affairs."

"Well, I think the shop has cleared twenty dollars."

"How much do you count your own service worth?"

"Not less than five dollars a day."

"How many hours do you labor?"

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