

I hear in the chamber above me The patter of little feet, 'he sound of a door that is opened, And voices soft and sweet.

A whisper, and then a silence; Yet I know by their merry eyes They are plotting and planning togeth To take me by surprise."

WN on the Pacific coast there a beautiful little town, and in that town there is an old brown barn. You come upon it sudden-

and unexpectedly, on your way through the woods to the beach, and what a picture! Just an old barn, soft and rich in its varied shades of brown and rich in its varies shades of brown produced by the mellowing touch of age and weather; and elimbing all over it, slipping through every crack and crevice, peeping under curled and shriv-eled shingles, and in dark corners--masturtiums, in their matchless hues of gold and scarlet, dull red and pale yel-low, and the tender green of their dense foliage. They are like Longfel-low's children, that--

".....climb up into my turret O'er the arms and back of my chair; If I try to escape, they surround me: They seem to be everywhere."

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resented by two little fellows, the two bables, really of this enterprising little crowd of citizens. There was, of course, the grab bag, at so much per grab. Over in a dark and mysterious, yet most alluring corner, and behind closed curtains, the fortune teller held sway —a girl of the dark Oriental eye and garb, recining among rich hangings and cushions, and with all the fascinat-ing engagements and invitations of one who delves in the realm mystic. On either side of the entrance to the fair stood a clown, and a Chinaman. drim-ming up trade, impressing upon all that none need try to enter unless laden with a full and heavy purse. It was a huge success, the children's fair in the old brown barn, financially, and every other way. Best of all was the thought in the minds of these chil-dren, inspiring it—a sweet and simple thought of charity with no idea of gain or praise to themselves. They had happened to hear of a very poor fam-Hy of II, struggling against want and hunger, and instantly every little heart was touched. And it was not the sym-pathy that sits down and folds its hand and says "too bad." But it was the kind of sympathy, beautiful and tangible, that takes form in immediate action and energy. There was some-thing to be done, and they did it straightway off. And the fruit of their husy little brains, tireless feet, and will-ing hands, is a neat and not so very small sum of money to be handed over to the needs of this poor but worthy and is the simaller children were all eventoment in anticipation of the com-

family. The night before the placing of the exhibit, the smaller children were all excitement in anticipation of the com-ing event; one little girl, a mere baby, said

'Oh. I do hope the night will go awful quick

"Oh. I do hope the night will go awrul quick!" "And so do I, and so do I," was the chorus. They could hardly wait, and they couldn't keep still, and they chat-tered and chattered until the dusk came on around the corners of the old brown barn. And some of us wonder if they slept at all, that night, or even went to bed, for that barn was the scene of very busy action at a very early hour the day the fair was to open. This little fair has kept the children busy and off the streets for weeks: they have remained in the shade, with their needle, and paint brush, and scraps of slik: they have guarded and tended their flower gardens; they have worked for a good cause; it has amused and entertained them; they have hot be-come overheated, and they have kept well.

well. Why not the children of other neigh-borhoods try this same pastime during vacation? It works no harm, but tends to good in more than one way. The streets would not become such a play-ground; less mischief would be indulged in; parents would realize less worry; there would be less sickness; and last but not least, the higher and better and truer sympathies of the children would be aroused, if the responsibility of such a scheme rested on their own young shoulders, and instilled in their young minds would be the thought: "They serve God well who serve His creatures." LADY BABBIE.

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By Female Outlaw.

the old Bates house stood on the site. "The sign on your window states that all of your work is confidential-sacred-ly so. I believe," was volunteered by y so, I be he visitor,

by so. It believe, was totalisteted by the visitor, "Oo-o-strictly," and she added, "No confidence has ever been betrayed that was intrusted to me in my work." Mis. Hayden explained that she was not willing to write anything for any one, no maiter how large a fee was of-fered, if there appeared to be any ulterior motive back of the writing. "No, sir," I told one man," she said, " to write a letter like that to anyone would not be right, and besides I would not write anything to anyone and not write anything to anyone aid not be sign, any name to it. I said: "You haven't money enough to persuade me to write an unsigned letter of any

unsigned letter of any to write an kind for you."

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WHERE MEN IN REALTY BECOME MACHINES.

The manager of a New England ma-hine shep employing 600 hands recently had occasion to engage a new foreman for one department and he went outside and got his man. The reason given was that among the 20 men in that depart-ment he was not able to select one who had the all-around knowledge required to had the shop. The others are young men who have learmed no trade, but who can and do, quickly become deft enough to feed it fast. The foreman of a gang of 40 punch-press operatives, in this fac-tor, lately said. "There's not a man on he floor, as far as I know, who could arou the work along for a week ff I got whether be has any executive ability or pot. Every man has got to stick to his pies." In such shops the men are not ex-pass, and pay no attention to anything the more semplicity to enable them to make repairs

or adjustments. If anything goes wrong a man is sent in from the repair Abop and the operator is laid off until hir ma-chine is again in working order.—George Frederick Stratton in The Engineering Magazine.

SOME OF THE JOYS AND SORROWS OF A HOSTESS

Next to the person who never wants to moment, the deadliest guest in the world ceives every new plan with a succharine arily-martyr smile that drives you to the verge of distraction with trying to guess which are succeased by the succeased to have one of that kine. Then there is the sort, too, who knows on hesitate to propose it. A second cous-in of decrar's come to us for three weeks ast spring. She announced holdly the first day of her stay that there was not-ting the really enjoyed like going to the brocket, you know, you have to dine at a painful hour, drive four miles to get the trainful hour drive four miles to get the tra

ing after breakfast that dreadful young person got the paper and read over the list of plays, and announced what she wanted to see. There was really no divert-ing her-we simply had to take her.--Ainslee's for August.

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ETON AMERICAN BOYS INTRODUCE DINNER HABIT

Rich American boys at Eton have Rich American boys at Eton have introduced the expensive restaurant dinners to their school chums, who hitherto have been content with sur-reptilious feasts in their studies or in the local "tuck-shops." When the whole school came to London for the annual cricket match against Harrow school, several parties of youthful Etonlans dined sumptuously at the Ritz hotel, where a special menu was provided for them. The Eton dinner is quite a well-reg-ulated affair and has the sanction of the boys' parents. No undue extrava-

The Eton dinner is quite a well-reg-ulated affair and has the sanction of the boys' parents. No undue extrava-gance is permissible, the menu being simple and the amount of champagne strictly limited. Apart from these res-trictions, the young host entertains on his own responsibility, which gives the dinner that spirit of galety and health-ful enjoyment characteristic of school

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AMES DUFFY of El Reno owns a tioned at Sidney barracks, Neb. One gold watch that belonged to Belle | night he was on duty at the guard

Starr, once a notorious woman desperado in Indian Territory and the southwest. On the back of the case is a monogram, "B. S.," and on the inside the name "Belle." The watch came to Duffy several years ago by express, the package containing this note

Duffy Remembered

"Belle Starr died eight years ago and before she died she willed you this watch." The watch was show to him for he

this watch." The watch was given to him for be-friending Belle Starr many years ago when she was a trooper in the Fifth United States cavalry. In 1876 Duffy, then a sergeant, was with his command at Rawhide Butte. 50 miles south of old Fort Laramie. Wyo. The Indians were hostile and the Fifth cavalry was scouting the 50 miles south of old Fort Laramie, Wyo. The Indians were hostile and the Fifth cavalry was scouting the country. One day a splendidly built man came into camp and asked Duffy for something to eat, saying that he had walked 39 miles and was almost starved. He had drank too heavily and while asleep his horse wandered away or was stolen, leaving its owner afoot. After the stranger had eaten he asked Duffy if there was a chance to get employment.

to get employment. "What can you do?" queried Duffy. "Drive any damned eight mules that can be hitched to an army wagon,"

replied the stranger. The expedition was short of team-sters and Duffy told the stranger to apply to Lieut.-Col. W. P. Hall, quarapply to Lieut.-Col. W. P. Hall, quar-termaster, now a brigadier general. The stranger was given a job at once and for three months drove a four-mule outfit with more skill than any other teamster with the expedition. The new teamster was about as tough as could be found in the plains coun-ity. He carried pistols in his belt, was an expert shot and was inclined to be quarrelsome. One day Duffy discovered that the teamster was a woman. The teamster eried and finally confessed that her name was Belle Starr. A few days later the teamster went back to the base of supplies with the wagon train and did not return to Duffy's command. In the winter of 1877 Duffy was sta-

use when a man staggered in from the darkness, almost frozen, and beg-ged for permission to warm himself

by the guard house fire. "And where did you come from again?" asked Sergt, Duffy, recogniz-ing his friend the teamster.

"They are after me, sergeant, and I int you to let me sleep here to-tht. Fil get out of the country at want daylight.

daylight." Sorgt. Duffy asked no further ques-tions. The fugitive was a woman, and he did not have the heart to be-tray her. He give her a bunk by the fire and the next morning his lodger left Sidney Barracks on a freight train train.

In the forenoon a sheriff rode into the garrison and informed the com-manding officer that he was on the trail of a woman outlaw dressed as a man for whom there was a reward of \$1,500. Accompanied by Maj. Albert E. Woodson, afterward for many years United States Indian event for the E. Woodson, afterward for many years United States Indian agent for the Cheyenne and Arapahoe Indians at Darlington, Okla., the sheriff went to the guard house, where Woodson be-gan questioning Duffy as to whether or not a strange woman had been seen in the garrison the preceding night. Saluting his superior officer, Sergt. Duffy gallantly lied by saying: "No, sir, I have seen no stranger re-sembling a woman in the carrison

sembling a woman in the garrison. Nobody but them that wears coats and

pants, sir, has been around here." The sheriff was reluctant to aban-don his inquiries, as he had followed the trail to Sidney Barracks and was confident that the fugitive must be close around. But only Sergt. Duffy shew the secret of the fugitive and he would not reveal it. Had the fugitive teen a man he might have given in-termation, but he would not betray a woman.

That was the last time Sergt. Duffy That was the last time sergt. Duffy ever saw Belle Starr. In some way in her wanderings in Indian Territory she loarned that Duffy was living in Oklahoma, and remembering his kind-ness, she wished to give him a keep-sake. The watch was her gift.— Guthrie Correspondence Kansas City Times Times

letters to the foreign lands, and read letters to the foreign lands, and read letters that have come from there to persons over here. But the ones on which the money is made are the letters from young men to young ladtes and from the ladtes to the men. Innocent love letters I call them." In her little home Mrs. Hayden lives alone with her "kittles and chickles." and enjoys life as few people in In-dianapolis do. Seldom does she leave the immediate neighborhood of her cot-tage, and she does not mingle with those who live about her. According to her way of thinking she is happier with her cats and chickens, who are her sole delight outside of her work, and anyhow, the cats and chickens are not quarelsome.

quarelsome. Mrs. Hayden has lived in Indianapolis for 14 years, and has been quietly con-ducting her letter writing all these years, and during the last six years she has not been within sight of Washing-ton street. Although she is living with-in 14 blocks of the intersection of Illi-nois and Washington streets, where stands the Claypool hotel, she said yea-terday atternoon that she had never been near enough to see the hotel since

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tle woman living on South East streat, at No. 1018, who follows a profession that is novel as well

as lucrative, says a special to the New York American from Indianapolis. She holds the distinction of being the only woman in Indianapolis who is engaged in the singular occupation of making a paying profession out of the art of

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