

HELEN'S BABIES.

With Some Account of their Ways.

It was an enticing invitation from my only married sister, Helen Lawrence, that moved me, Harry Burton, salesman of white goods, bachelor, aged twenty-eight, to spend my fortnight's vacation at Hillcrest. Tom Lawrence's cigars and claret and horses, a splendid flower garden, plenty of handsome girls, and unlimited leisure for reading—these were the inducements offered me. Incidentally, as Tom and Helen were to be absent on a visit, it was just to keep an eye on the children, who, I was assured, would not give me "the slightest trouble."

Then Toddie "rushed away," and got himself stung by a hornet, and rushed in, sobbing: "Want to be woked. Want shing 'Toddie, boy, one day." "And I had to rock him and sing, line by line, after Badge, some absurd little doggerel about a basket, beginning: "Where is my little bastik gone?" "Said Toddie, boy, one day."

MARRIED IN THE DARK.

A Michigan Matrimonial Mystery—Four claimants for a bride whose second nuptial ceremony was arranged in accordance with the will of her dear departed.

MARRIED IN THE DARK.

About twenty years ago there lived in central Michigan a curious old Benedict named Dolsworth. At the age of fifty he married a girl of twenty, and when the burden of sixty years bore him down his wife was only half his age. Dolsworth was noted for his peculiarities, but the climax came when he found himself on his dying bed. He was worth about \$30,000, and he had a blood relative living, so far as he knew. He wanted to leave his property to his wife, as the pair had lived very happily, but yet he could not leave it without displaying some of his peculiarities in the provisions of the will. Some old men display a mere spirit when making their wills and draft in a provision cutting the wife off with a shilling, if she marries again. This old man wasn't of that stamp. His young wife was good looking, vivacious, fond of society, and it was folly to suppose she would mourn for her "late departed" any great length of time. There are Mr. Dolsworth and said in his will: "In case my wife Celia does not take herself another husband within three months from date of my burial all bequests otherwise made in this will are to revert to the State of Michigan, to be used for building and furnishing a home for old women."

BLUE GLASS.

The excitement over the blue glass cure in Providence, R. I., has not been exceeded anywhere else. The local papers have daily reports regarding the results of the treatment. We select the following from the Press: Mr. Henry O. Wood, bookkeeper, in Wm. A. Wood's pork packing establishment, corner of Washington and Battery streets, has been afflicted with rheumatism for several years. The attacks came on at irregular periods and he was confined to the bed for weeks at a time, and for one whole winter he was unable to get out. Medicines gave him but slight relief, and when the disease seized him he felt there was no escape from the torture except after weeks of pain and careful avoidance of the least exposure. Recently the dreaded disease attacked him in the shoulder, arm and foot. He had previously inserted six panes of blue glass in the office window, and he at once prepared for the attack in a west window. A sufficient quantity had been given to ascertain whether he would be permanently cured, but the good effects, thus far, after only two or three days bathing, convince him that he will regain his strength. He is able, while sitting in his chair, to swing his legs at will in any direction as easily as he ever did. All he lacks is sufficient strength to bear the weight of his body (being a very portly man), to enable him to walk as formerly. His strength is returning slowly, and one person instead of two can now help him from his bed to his easy chair. One peculiarity in his case is that he cannot bear the bath for any considerable length of time, not being able to remain under the rays but a few minutes at a time. As his strength increases he is enabled to prolong his stay in the bath. In this case, as in most of the others, the bath produces drowsiness, and unless the pain is intense, the patient drops off into a peaceful slumber. Mr. Wood's limbs were entirely numb for three weeks previous to taking the baths, and obtaining control of his limbs so soon may be considered very remarkable. The progress of the treatment of heart disease in this case will be watched, and it is to be hoped that the aged sufferer will be permanently benefited by the treatment. Mrs. H. S., who lives at No. 410 Bridgman street, has been taking blue sun baths for a chronic difficulty during the past two weeks with remarkable results. She had been under the treatment of physicians for months, but no relief had been obtained. She continued to grow worse, and was had to be assisted by her husband in getting to her chair. The husband prepared a window with blue glass, and the sufferer was to grow stronger and is now able to walk about the room unassisted. She feels a great deal better and believes she will ultimately be cured. A number of florists, horticulturists and gardeners are experimenting with blue glass, but sufficient time has not elapsed since the commencement of the trials to determine what will be the result upon vegetable life. Mr. Henry Randall, of Scituate, furnished a portion of his house with blue glass, and to give the theory a fair test he planted two beds with tomato seed, under exactly the same conditions, where one would receive the combined white and blue rays and the other the ordinary sunlight. The plants under the light given by the blue glass thrived under the blue glass are more than three times larger than the others and have healthier and more sturdy stalks. Mr. Randall is convinced of the effect of the blue rays upon plants, and will arrange blue glass throughout his hot houses.

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Are there "blue glass" devotees in the metropolis? asks a lady of Chicago, and then she goes on to say: Across the way from my room, which is in the heart of the city, stands a five-story brick block, nameless here, a fashionable tenement house. Up in the fifth story is a window composed of alternate blue and white. The first day of my arrival here being a bright one, I noticed, in addition to this, in several of the other windows frames, either suspended by cords or held in the hand. I was looking at it curiously when a voice in the next room—by the way, is occupied by a couple of medical students—said: "By Jove! 'blue glass' in the upper left hand corner." Raising my eyes to the window containing the strips, I saw what I saw. A lady, very much on the "dressed" side, was sitting directly in front of the blue glass, and then I saw before all these square either man, woman or child. My wonder increased as to the meaning of these things; but the answer was not yet. I was still more mystified upon going out upon the street, for as I passed a melancholy looking individual he murmured in low tones to his companion: "Yes, there's money in 'blue glass.'"

SWORN STATEMENT OF A BOSTON DRUGGIST.

Genlemen, I hereby certify that I have had a career for ten years, and for the last five years have been a member of the Medical Society of Boston. My practice is in the head, brain, chest, stomach, bowels, and in the treatment of nervous, hard and painful cough, severe pain across the chest, and every indication of consumption. I would like to state that I would not give up my practice as rapidly as my head and throat that could not keep them from me. I have tried every remedy that is out of bed, it seemed to me, at the point of suffocation, I would like to state that every means to my means to dislodge the mucus from my throat and head before being able to sleep again, for a period of six years my tonsils were enlarged and so much inflamed that I could with difficulty swallow. I finally consulted an eminent surgeon, and he advised me to have my tonsils removed. I did so, but at my request postponed it. The constant inflammation and bleeding in my throat, caused by the poisonous matter dropping down from my head, had so irritated me, I inflated my lungs that I coughed incessantly. The first week of my illness, while my throat began to show the effects of this disease, so that I was unable to get to my work, I had recourse to the use of SANFORD'S RADICAL CURE FOR CATARRH. After using the first bottle I began to improve rapidly. The first week of my illness, while my throat began to show the effects of this disease, so that I was unable to get to my work, I had recourse to the use of SANFORD'S RADICAL CURE FOR CATARRH. After using the first bottle I began to improve rapidly. The first week of my illness, while my throat began to show the effects of this disease, so that I was unable to get to my work, I had recourse to the use of SANFORD'S RADICAL CURE FOR CATARRH. After using the first bottle I began to improve rapidly.

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