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Ice! Ice! Ice! T







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And mvite their friende to call and cexaming
their etock, being certain to be able to satiofy the

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## SONG OF LIFE.

A traveller through a dusty road

## And oue took root and sprouted up,

Love sought its shade at
To breathe its zaity yows
And Age was pleased, in he
And Age was pleased, in heats of noon
To bask beneath its boughs;
The dormouse loved its dangling twigh,
The birds sweet music bore;
It stood a glory in its place,
A
A little spring had its way,
Anid the grass and ferm,
A passing stranger scoop'd a well,
Where weary men might turn;
He wall'd it in, and hung with care
He thought not of the deed he did,
But judg'd that toil night drink.
He passed again-and lo! the well
By summers never dried,
Had cooled ten thousand parching tongues,
And saved a life besides!
$\Lambda$ dreamer dropped a random thought;
$\Delta$ simple fancy of the brain,
But strong in being true;
t shone upon a genial mind.
And lo' it light became
A lamp of life, a beacon ray,
A lamp of life, a beace
The thought was small-its issue great,
It sheds its radiauce far a
It sheds its radiauce far adown,
And cheers the valley still!
aineless man amid a crowd,
Let fall a word of hope and love,
Unstudied, from the heart,
A transitory breath-
It raised a brother from the dust,
It saved a soul from det
It saved a soul from death.
A thought at random cast!
But mighty at the last!
"STrick ro urn Jinmy."-Two hrothers from
the Emerald Isle, a few days since, parclased
a piece of land not far from the Keneteck and a piece of awr not clear it np. After eutting
vent to work to clan
down a large growth and burning over the unget the falleven trunks together in a pile for the
pur;ose of burning also. The land lay upon
a side hiil. and they eonclucded that if tley could roll a large log which lay near the sum.
mit nud , ,lace it ahoot half way down, they
might file the rest against it, and thas secure the ofject. But how were they to prevent it,
when once under way, from rolling to the bottom and thus defeating their plau?
To accomplish this the obtained a rope,
and making one end fast to the log, one of them ing too far, while the other was to start it.
Fearing that he might not he able to prevent the rope from slipping through his fingers, Jim-
my, who was the Stearman, tied it to his body.
"Starn ing himslf that all was right and tight. Phe. cing bimsif that and was right and tight. Phee.
lim did stant him, and as liog commened
its progress the rope caught in a projecting knot, and began rapidly to wind up. It soon
dew poor Jimmy chock up. First he went
over the they continued their circumgyrations and som-
ersets.-Phelim watched their progress for a moment, and then sung out-""Stick to him Jim-
my - aith you're a match for top half the time."
Popprxs the Questios.". Sally, don,t I like
you?" "Law, Jim, I reckon so."
But, don't you know it, Sally. Don't you
think I'd tear the eyes out of any tom cat that dare look cross at you,",
"I s'pect you would
"s spect you would
"Well, the fact of it is, Sally,I-"
"Oh, now, don't Jim-I feel all overish,
"And, Sally, I want you to--"
"Don't sny anything more, I shall-"
"But, I must I want tou to-
"O hush, don't I , oh-"
"Whant you to-night to get-"
"What, so soon? Oh , no, impossible: Fath-
or and Mother will be angry at me,"
"Ifor, he mad nt you for doing for me such
a favor as to m -"
"Yes, dear me I'm so agitated."
"But theress some mistank, for all I want to
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Qك An editor of a Southern paper by the name of Long, asked Prend to, speak the truth.
Journal, if he never intended that
Prentice. in reply, says, that he shall probably Prentice. in reply, says, that he sh
learn to tell the truth before long.

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pared to execute all orders for work, in my line,
with neatness and dispatch, and at prices which
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| $\begin{array}{c}\text { Cane Uives stutted with Anchovies. Receive } \\ \text { and for sale by } \\ \text { SHAW \& AUSTIN. }\end{array}$ |

Biy the death of Commodore Baron, the
seniority of rank devolves on Commodore Chas.
Conscience tells the abolitionist to steal the
property of one man and cut the throat of the
honest one who would return the stolen goods.
Mifsortune is a fire that melts weak
but renters tho firm purer and strouger.

## THE WIFE'S FIRST GRIEF

| tion supplied, has not at times felt rising in the mind the painfull inquiry, "How long will this ness which is now vouchsafed? I never had animal to which I was particularly attachedand I never had ore, from a cat to a horse, to which I was not strongly sttached -that I did not occasionally pause in my use or caresses of it, and ask, "What will occur to deprive me of it-accident, escape, or death?" deprive me of it-accident, escape, or deata?" duty of sustaining the amusement or the conversation has devolved upon anether, how of ten will the inquiry arrise, "How long will this last!" No sign ofgepture is presented, no token of dissolution \% St ofservable, but there must be a rupture, there will be a dissolution. How will it come, and when? |
| :---: | we have oue farm or two."

The wife shed no tears. She was sorry that or hnsband should loose the social distinction consequent upon some property more than oth.
ers possesed, bat it was a pardonable soling in
her, that the loss of property phaced her more her, that the loss of property placed her mid
upon his level, a.d removed somethingot
appearance of aifference between them.
This, then, was not much of a grief
The sudden death of the first-born_child, $a$ beautiful boy, was the next disturling cause.
was not in the house daring the short siek. ness of the child, hut I attended the faneral mourning to the chbtrich yard. Whenthe clods fell upon the coffin, I thought the heart of the mother would have burst. She leaned over to
look down into the resting place of her child, look down into the resting-place of her cnild,
and the arm of a friend seemed neegessary to prevent her from "going unto hime",
And I said, "It lasts no longer."
The friend and neighbor led her back to her
husband. The gentle look of affectionatesym. pathy which he gave her as he placed her arm
within his, and drew her towards him, that she might lean on his manly strength, shewed me The mother
The mother had ssffered, bat the affection,
nay, the happiness of the wife
Conss nay, the happiness of the wife was complete.
Could a mother be happy returning from the
yet unsodded grave of her only chilid yet unsodded grave of her only chilts,
Death had softened her heart, and fitted it,
for the ministrations of a new affeetion. For the ministrations of a new affection. The father had suffered in the death of the boy as
well and as munh as she, and yet at the mo.
ment of deepest anguish, he had hashed bit own ment
grief
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had sorrow become. It seemed to me as if af-
fection had, never before possessed sueheharms;
it $n$. it needed afflietion to make it apparent as the
sun-light pouring sun-light pouring through creviese into a dark.
ened chamber becomes visible only by the
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 was accompanied with expressions of eftecess They, though naadlin, seememed to ocompensate. sion for the future thas grief for the apresent-
sorrow and deep mortuication might have been sorrow and deep mortufication might have been
folt. But these few instances, joined some unseemed to me a perpetual joy.
Was the woman apathetic? Had she sensitiveness? Was she made to go throug
life with a gentel laugh, and drop itso the grav
with a smile Her anguish at the deation of her son proved the contrary.
The loss of property, to one who had been
poor before, seemed to produce ono grief; and let the reader remember, or, if he does not
know the fact, let him learn it, that the loss of property is more bitterly felt by those who have
from poverty risen to possession; than it is by
those who from infancy to the disaster, had a
The loss of properly produced no grief,
The death of her child ied to a new
tion for, and an enlarged juy in, her hasband.
His unfrequent bot still obvious departure from sobriety, long unattended with rodeness
or neglect, did not offend the pride of the wife. "It will not always last," said I.
"I must moan as a mother," thought she, I
must abate a portion of my social state, and I may, once in a long time, be mortified by some
low indulgence in my husband, but fixed, deep permanent grief as a wife, it is probable I am 1o be spared, as a companion of my own con-
stitution with that of my husband shows, tha
in the course of nature, I shall be spared the in the course of nature, 1 shall be spared the
misery of mourning for his death and be saved the solitary woes of widowhood.
The loss of property rendered neeessary
more labor on the part of the husband, and that lahor kept him more from his home than for merly; but the gentle welcome of the wife
cheered the toil-worn husband, and her delicate cares changed the gloom settling on his brow
into smiles of satisfaction. There was, perhaps more pleasure in the efforts whicras sbe was ma-
king, to produce the evidence of fratifuation in her husband than there was in the mere ex.
change of smiles of welcome and thanks. The whife grew proud of her influence to bring him back to enjoyment, she felt a new consequence
when she found that she could not only recip. in the pleasure of home, but dismiss the pains.
How holy is the office of $a$ good wife, and how pure must be her sentiments, to derive the high.
est gratification by producing the happiness of

It was late in a summer afternoon, and by appointment the husband ought to have return-
ed two or three hours before. The noises of revelry had for a long time disturbed the outer
edge of the village in which the dwelling was situated-some vulgar frolic, hitherto kept in a
distant part of the country, had been adjourned to that neighborhood-but the way of the hus.
band on his return, dill not lie in that course The wife had gone out frequently to watch for welcome-that smile which makes home delightul, which attracts and retains. She looked anxinuusy to the lef, and stretched her eyes
along the road in hope that some token of his approach would be presented; threre was none.
Even the dogs that had followed her out failed to give notice of his coming. She leaned over
the railing with distrustless
hope--be would

