A smile, a fear. A sprinkle, a tear, The blossoms, the chimes, the friends; And night makes way, For another day, Of the life that never ends.

******** HARD TIMES.

BY Y. Z.

"So he's gone at last, has he?" said my wife, with a little, piquant eleva-tion of her pretty brows. "I began to think he was somehow gifted with immortality.

"Dead at last," said J. "And what do you think, Jenny? He has left us

"A hundred dollars!" echoed my wife, clasping her hands together. "Oh! Charles-a \$100!"

Now all this may sound like a twopence-half-penny sort of affair to some of my readers as I am very well aware. But as I am only a clerk on a salary of \$900 a year-a \$100 drifting, as it were, out of the sky, seemed a very neat little sum to me.

Jenny and I were both young people, just beginning the world, with no particular riches, except one applecheeked baby. Jenny did her own work, made my shirts and cut and fitted her own dresses. I walked to and from business every day to save the 20 cents omnibus fares. We did our best to make both ends meetand a tight pull we found it.

So that you will easily see that this \$100 bill represented considerable more to us than its more face value! Old Uncle Moses Manson was mortally offended when his niece, Jenny Clifford, chose to marry me instead of a wizened, bespectacled, old contemporary of his own. He had never spoken to her since, and we naturally entertained no very exalted hopes of any testamentary recollections on his part. And the \$100 bill, therefore, possessed the charm of an agreeable surprise into the bargain.

'Charlie," said Jenny, under her breath, "what shall we do with it?" That is the very question," said I. "Do you know, Jenny-I hesitated a little here.

"Yes?" she responded, interroga-"Every fellow in the bank, except me, has a gold watch. I've been ashamed of this old silver concern more than once. And Seymour has a nice second-hand one for sale that he

will let me have for \$20 if-" "And turn the \$100 into a mere useless ornament!" cried Jenny, with a strong accent of disapprobation in her voice. "Charley, that isn't a bit

like you." "Well, then, what do you suggest?"

"I should so like to give a social party with it," said Jenny, coaxingly. 'Only think how often we've been invited out since we were married, and never have had a chance to return any of the hospitalities of our friends. The musicians, the supper, and all, would come within the \$100."

"And you are absurd enough to wish to eat, and drink, and dance up a sum like that!" I cried. "No, no, Jennette, it is entirely out of the question."
"A new velvet suit for the baby?"

suggested Jenny, pouting a little at the emphasis of my words. "How would it correspond with the

rest of our surroundings?" I asked, not without an accent of bitterness. "You had a great deal better suggest a new winter suit and overcoat for me. You never seem to observe how shabby I am getting." "Nobody notices a gentleman's dress," said Jenny. "I can make

your overcoat look very nice with fresh binding and new buttons—but how I should like a sealskin jacket!"

"Jenny," said I, somewhat dis-gusted, "I had no idea you could be Jenny colored and tossed her head.

"Selfish, indeed!" cried she. "I would like to know whether you have yet suggested anything which was not for your own special benefit and use!" We were both silent. I don't suppose either of us had felt so vindictive before, since our marriage. Clearly, the \$100 bill had worked no great benefit as yet.

"I'll tell you what, Jenny," said I; "let's compromise. Let's buy a new sitting-room and stairs carpet. I saw a beautiful pattern at Moody's yesterday-pearl-gray, with a vine of scarlet moss all over it."

"I don't care very much for new carpets as long as we live on a second floor," said Jenny. "And you don't seem to remember, Charles, that I haven't had a silk dress since we were married. Black silk is suitable for all occasions, from a wedding to a funeral, and I really think-

L'I believe a woman's thoughts are always running on dress," muttered I, somewhat contemptuously. "I'm sure that black alpaca of yours is "That's all you know about the

matter," said Jenny, elevating her nose. "Well, I don't care. Spend the money as you choose. Only, Uncle

Moses was my relative." "And the money was left to me, Mrs. Evarts." said I.

Jenny looked at me with her eyes full of tears.

"Oh, Charles," said she, "how can you speak to me so?"

Because I'm a brute, Jenny,"said I, fairly melted. 'Forgive me, and we'll fling the paltry old \$100 bill into the fire before we'll let it scatter the seeds of division between us."

"No, Charley, don't do that," said Jenny laughing through her tears. "Let's-put it in the savings bank." "Agreed," said I, sealing the bargain with one of our old-fashioned kisses. "And apropos of savings "And apropos of savings

banks, did I tell you about Greene?" "No. What about Greene?" "Why, he and his wife have just moved into the prettiest little Gothic cottage you ever saw, just the other

side of the Harlem bridge, with a lawn and a garden, and space to keep a little Alderney cow." "Rented it?"

"No, bought it." "Why, Charles how can that be? Greene has only two or three hundred a year more than you, and it takes money to buy places in the country."

"All savings banks, my dear," said "Greene tells me that he and his wife have been saving up for years, with special reference to this country home for their children. They com-

menced with a 50-cent piece.' "We can do better than that!" said Jenny, with sparkling eyes. "Please God, dear Charley, our little fellow shall have a green and sunny place to play in before he is many years older! And I'll do without the silk dress." "And I'll make the old overcost | tude. - Thackeray,

last another season, at the very least,' I added. "And we'll give up all such non

seuse as new carpets-"And gold watches." "And foolish suppers and wines and

everything else that isn't absolutely necessary," added Jenny, comprehensively. The next morning bright and early, as soon as business hours would permit, I went and deposited the \$100

in the nearest savings bank. A week afterward Mr. Manyply dropped in, in a friendly way. Mr. Manyply is the lawyer who transacted Uncle Moses Manson's financial affairs -a plump, bald-headed, deep-voiced old gentleman, who always dresses in spotless black and wears a big sealring on the little finger of his left

"So," said Mr. Manyply, "you've invested that \$100, have you?" "Yes," said I, with the complacent air of one who has an account in bank. "But how did you know it?"

"Oh, I know a good many things," said Mr. Manyply, oracularly. "But what's the idea of it?"

"Economy," struck in Jenny proud-"We are saving now Mr. Manyply. We mean to have a home for little Charley-a garden full of roses and pinks and staawberries one of these days."

"And a very landable ambition, said Manyply in that smooth, oily way of his. "How much would such a place cost now?"

"Charles thinks if we waited for a bargain we could secure it for about \$7000," Jenny answered, promptly.

"Buy it now, theu," said Mr. Many-"Here's a check for \$8000." "Eh?" cried I, breathlessly.

"A check," the old lawyer went on, 'signed by Uncle Manson, payable to the order of his niece, Jane Anne Evarts. Ah! you may well look astonished. He was an eccentric old chap, this uncle of yours, Mrs. Evarts -and I have written instructions to keep an eye on the manner in which you invested that \$100 bequest of his. If it is squandered in any foolish way, he writes, 'there is an end of the matter. Put my money all in the hospital for hunchbacks. If they show any disposition to save help them along with this check for \$8000, to be expended only in the purchase of real estate.' My young friends, I congratulate you. And Mr. Manyply's spectacles

beamed upon us like two full moons. This is how we became possessed of our lovely little country home, where Charley thrives like a growing flower and Jenny flits about in a broad-brimmed gardening hat, trimming roses, pruning gooseberries and planting lily-bulbs. And the \$100 bill still lies untouched in the savings bank.

"It shall be Charley's fortune," says my wife. "It would be a shame to touch it after it has wrought us so much good."

And I quite agree with her.

A YOUNG GALLANT'S PREDICAMENT. Saved Himself by Eating Sugar in an Oyster Stew.

An amusing anecdote was recently told by a well known New Yorker about himself. At the time of the story he was in a small salaried position on the clerical force on the same railroad in which he is now one of the mighty.

On my visiting list at that time were several charming young ladies. One of the most facinating lived near a certain fashionable theatre. I owed this young lady a courtesy in return for an invitation to a very pleasurable dance, so I asked her to go with me to the theatre I mentioned. The invitation was accepted, and I bought the seats.

"That done, I found two dollars and some small change in my pockets. I was very absent-minded in those days, so when, during the afternoon, one of the boys asked me for the loan of a two, I did the natural thing-dove down in my pocket and gave it to him -without a thought of how I was to

get along that evening. "Later on I remembered my engagement, and in turn tried to borrow some money, but could not find any. There was an epidemic of hard times among my friends. Luckily I knew of a florist who could be stood off, so I ordered him to deliver a nice bunch of violets. That done, I had only supper to worry about-but with only fifty cents to buy it.

'After the play we were opposite a well known oyster place, when the idea came to me to propose an oyster stew. I knew she wasn't a drinking girl, and, as the stews at that place were twenty cents each, there would be ten cents for the waiter.

"The stews were brought while I was giving her one of my very best stories. She was absorbingly interested, and was seasoning the stew when the climax of the story was reached. As I stopped I saw a dismayed little face opposite. Several fearful thoughts flashed through my brain-among them illness and a cab with a not-to-be-appeased cabby. But the truth: She had put sugar instead of salt into her stew!

"The only way out occurred to me in a flash. "'You'll allow me, won't you?' I said, changing the stews. 'I haven't seasoned mine. I always use sugar,

so I'll take yours.' "And I downed every drop, but I was deathly sick that night."-Ladies' Home Companion.

PEARLS OF THOUGHT.

Want of desire is the greatest riches.

God has commanded time to console the unhappy. -Joubert. To see what is right and not do it,

is want of courage. - Confucius. Partial culture runs to the ornate: extreme culture to simplicity. -Bovee. A life spent worthily should be measured by deeds, not years. -Sheri-

A churlish courtesy rarely comes but either for gain or falsehood.—Sir

A man who finds no satisfaction in himself seeks for it in vain elsewhere.

-Rochefoucauld. Heaven's eternal wisdom has decreed that man should ever stand in need of

man. -Theocritus. We do a great deal of shirking in this life on the ground of not being geniuses. - Rose Cleveland.

There cannot be a greater rudeness than to interrupt another in the current of his discourse. - Locke. It often strikes one as unfortunate

that women are not more capable of letting each other alone. - Lucas Malet. It is the coward who fawns upou those above him. It is the coward who is insolent whenever he dares be

so. -Junius. Let us help the fallen still, thoug they never pay us, and let us len mopolitan breed into a one purpose class, such as the Jersey or the Ayr- at without exacting the usury of gre

Value of Subspilling. One of the advantages of subsoiling is to do away with the evil effects of deep plowing, that is the under soil is . turning the humus of the surface under, and necessarily placing it at the bottom of the furrow below where it will be able to do the most good.

Thousands apon thousands of tons of fertilizer are yearly used by some men who do not even take the trouble to see if it is helping them out in a financial way, or in other words to see if it is a paying investment. If there was such a thing as reckoning up the loss caused by this oversight the eyes of a great many farmers would surely be opened, and the result would be smaller fertilizer bills and larger

Another thing should be done by all using fertilizers, and that is the

Start the Chicks Right. If we expect a healthy, profitable flock of hens, we must not overlook the fact that the care given the chicks during the first few days of life determines to a great extent just what they will be in mature life. Chicks must be kept healthy, and in order to do this a system must be adopted and strictly adhered to. They must come from the nest free from vermin and must not be allowed to become chilled. They must be given the best and most wholesome food, just what is best suited for the forming of flesh and bone. Those that are intended for market require different treatment from the pullets that we intend for next winter's layers. It takes time and patience, coupled with hard work, to make poultry raising a success, but it can be done. - Home and Farm.

A Few Points on Al alfa. When sowing alfalfa seed remember that it weighs about 60 pounds to the bushel and that from 20 to 30 pounds of seed is sufficient for each acre. And if you are raising it for seed it would be advisable to sow a little thinner than this.

As alfalfa does not attain maturity until it has reached its third or fourth year, too much should not be expected of it the first year that it makes a showing. As it is a deep feeder plow the

land that it is to be grown on thoroughly and it would be pretty hard to plow too deep. Alfalfa hay is not in itself a comoleteration so in order to secure the best results when feeding it, it is necessary to use in conjunction with it corn fodder, wheat or oat straw, or roots. Alfalfa itself contains a large

amount of what is known as protein to form blood, bone and muscle, so it is necessary to use these other foods to secure for the animal a proper amount of starch and fat, which is accomplished by using feed analyzing high in carbohydrates. If these are not given the ration is incomplete and consequently a good part of the protein is

Rotation of Crops. While no doubt it is better to change crops, that is, not plant the same piece for a long series of years to the same crop-yet, is it not often the case that a good crop can be raised on the same land for a long time by

proper fertilization. For instance, take the English hay crop, by proper top dressing a good can be secured for years, and where the field is clayey and stony, it

is very desirable to treat it so. We have, for the past few years, made a specialty of the turnip crop, and having one field which seems better adapted than the others for turnips, we have planted it to that crop for a number of years. We began very cautiously, planting at first but a small portion the second and third years, as our neighbors said they should not like to try it and thought we should not get good results, but, finding that there seemed to be as good a yield on the part that had turnips the year before as on the other, we thought we would try the whole field, and for two years have raised turnips on it, and the last year we had an extra crop of good quality, and

the quantity being 550 bushels of market size on the field of about an acre. We plow in a fair quantity of stable manure in the spring, then plow the ground two or three times during the early summer, then about the middle of July make the drills and sow the seed, using in the drills 600 or 700

pounds of commercial fertilizers. We have also succeeded in getting rid of the witch grass, of which the field was very full when we commenced to raise turnips upon it, and it is now one of the easiest fields to cultivate that we have .- H. A. Turner in American Cultivator

The Lessons of Milking Trials. Mr. Primrose McConnell in his interesting report of the milking trials at the London Dairy Show of last October, which appears in Tae Journal of the British Dairy Farmers' Asso-

ciation, includes several statistical statements of importance to dairy farmers. Averaging the milking performances of the competing animals of the different breeds, he brings out very clearly the superiority of the shorthorn or the crossbred of the shorthorn type. These classes have not only given splendid yields as regards quantity, but the quality has also been of a creditable character. A close examination of the individual yields may reveal lessons of more than passing interest to owners of this type

The enormously heavy yields pro

ers do not pay the strict attention to

the selection and direction of their

cows that consideration for their own

interests ought to induce them to do.

Without converting the valued cos-

of cow.

duced by some of the animals and the exceeding richness of the milk of others seem to us to suggest that the farmer possesses a power in developing or controlling the inherent pro-American Trade in Tasmania. pensities of cows which is but too little appreciated, or at all events that is not turned to adequate account. It is obvious that the shorthorn by a systematic process of selection could be made to equal even the Channel Island varieties as butter producers. or they might be cultivated, if so dewhich country manufactures the better sired, to excel the Holstein breed as implements. - Chicago Tribune. heavy milkers. We do not think that the development of one quality at the expense of the others—as must be the case if extremes are to be attainedwould be a wise proceeding for the average farmer, but it is only too apparent that the vast majority of farm-

shire is, much might be done to enhance the value of the ordinary specimen as an all around dairy cow.

The Covered Barnyard. The covered barnyard possesses some advantages, but everyone must decide for himself whether or not the advantages are sufficient to warrant him in erecting one. The yard that loosened without the necessity of I have seen was sheltered by two buildings on two sides and boarded up seven feet on the other two sides. with a five-toot opening between the top of the fence and the edge of the roof. If a farmer should build one it would be advisable, in our opinion, to protect the north and west sides completely. This might be done if buildings were not so located that they would do it, and they would not be in the majority of cases, by building the fence clear to the roof. The cheapest roof would be one that was as nearly flat as possible and still turn the rain. These yards are not such pretentions affairs as some people think them to be. It seems to be a common opinion that they are large enough for 40 or 50 head of cattle and the expense of constructing a yard of sufficient size matter of looking into the composition | to accommodate such sized herds has of the goods they are buying. Buying | caused many to ridicule the covered fertilizers without knowing the analy- |,barnyard as a nonsensical conception. sis of them is practically buying "a pig | Perhaps it is, but not because of its

The one I visited would accommodate about 10 head. Of course it could be made to accommodate more by turning 10 head into it at one time, 10 head at another and so on. It has been suggested that the roof of the yard might be carried higher and a loft made for the storage of fodder, a suggestion which in itself shows that the yard is limited in size. There is a yard, however, in Pennsylvania, we think, that is much larger than the vard we looked at, but it is entirely enclosed, the space that would be open above the fence, as above described, being fitted with windows, which can be opened when necessary, There is also a skylight in the roof. We should call a structure of that kind a building rather than a yard. The manner of sustaining the roof will readily suggest itself. The centre of the roof will naturally require some support and will necessitate inside posts, which will have to be set substantial enough to withstand any force which the stock might bring

against them. The principal advantages that such a vard would afford in the opinion of those who believe that the cow should have exercise, would be in the protection or partial protection of the animal while she is exercising; in preserving the manure from damage by the elements; as furnishing shelter for sheep, and, if plenty of absorbent is used, in furnishing a dry and pleasant barnyard. Cheaper shelter will answer for fattening cattle in many cases when they need shelter, and the feeder is likely provided for in this direction, without finding himself under the necessity of building a covered barnyard. However, now that we have given the principle of the thing, it reremains for everyone who reads this article to decide whether or not he

wants one. - Agricultural Epitomist, A MAINE COAST LIGHT.

It Was in an Invalid's Window, but Guided a Wrecked Crew. A pretty story comes from the Maine

coast. Southport at its lower end spindles off to Cape Newaggen. There is a scallop in the end of the mainland and a corresponding scallop in the little island that lies off shore. And as a result there is a bit of harbor there that before now has been a blessed haven to storm tossed mariners. If one is able to make that harbor there is safe anchorage. If one misses it there is no shelter between there and the mouth of the Kennebec or the

black rocks of Damariscove. There is in the little settlement on the half moon of beach at Newaggen a house in which there lives a kindly featured woman with an invalid husband. One night during a storm she was obliged to be up through many hours of the dark tempest attending to the wants of the sufferer. And she looked out of the window against the whirling drift of the storm and noticed that nowhere was there a glimpse of light. So she set in the window her lamp and there the tiny ray shone

forth. After awhile there was a knock at the door. She opened it unhesitatingly, for there are no criminal prowle

ers down that way.

There, with the storm eddying about them, were five desolate look. ing men, standing in single file, all in oil skins-shipwrecked mariners. They humbly asked if they might come in and get warm. She threw wide the door in wel-

come and in they stamped. By the side of the fire they told that their craft, a schooner bound along the coast to Nova Scotis, had struck on "The Bantam" some miles off shore-had crashed high on the rocks and had crumbled in pieces almost before they had time to scuttle into their dory. Off they had set into the night, having only a general idea of the direction they should row to reach

the Kennebec. At last some uncommon draft or eddy in the storm dragged aside the curtain of snow and showed to them a glimmer of light. They turned their dory's prow in that direction. At last, riding past reefs that roared on the right and on the left, they had surged safely into a snug and sheltered little harbor. There were wharves thereand fishing boats riding at anchorthe harbor of Newaggen. And the cold and hungry men, their oil skins snapping as they walked, had followed up into the fan shaped radiance of that light that shone from the win-

dow of the good woman. They slept that night around her kitchen fire and the next day they rowed away in their dory to Boothbay, reported and were forwarded to

their homes. Had it not been for that little light they would have swept upon a dark shore and-well, would it not have been death?-Lewiston (Me.) Journal.

In Tasmania the trade in axes and saws has been almost entirely monopolized by Americans. It is now the intention to carry on international competition between teams of axmen and sawyers, using British and American tools, with the object of proving

Fore-Armed. "Have you bought your automobile

"No. I'm taking lessons now from a professional acrobat, so that I may dismount with grace when I begin to operate my anto."--Philadelphia The Insane Who Become Sane.

re said to recover their senses.

A Mother's Tears.

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ters and then

large boils

broke out on

my baby's

neck. The

sores spread

down his

"I Would Cry Every Time I Washed

back until it mass of raw ! flesh. When I washed and powdered him I would cry, realizing what pain he was in. His pitiful wailing was heartsaying him when I was urged to give him pig troughs. They fatten on the corn entire crop averaged 115 bushels to the rending. I had about given up hope of Hood's Sarsaparilla, all other troatment and perhaps the men complain with having failed. I washed the sores with justice that "the hens eat their heads Hood's Mediented Sonp, applied Hood's off." Olive Ointment and gave him Hood's Sarsaparilla. The child seemed to get better medium size, and we have about made every day, and very soon the change was guite noticeable. The discharge grew less inflammation went down, the skin took on scale over and a thin skin formed as the scales dropped off. Less than two bottles of Hood's Sarsaparfila, aided by Hood's Medicated Soup and Hood's Olive Ointment, accomplished this wonderful cure. I cannot praise these medicines half enough." Mrs. Guerinor, 37 Myrtle St.,

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Going By the Eye.

Unless one has some other sort of knowledge to contradict it, it is natural to accept the evidence of the eye. part of he energy-yielding processes Therefore the answer which a teacher Therefore the answer which a teacher go on within the brain, or in the ner-recently received from her class of small children was not altogether sursmall children was not altogether sur

prising. "Which is further away?" she asked, "England or the moon?" "England," the children answered

quickly. "England?" she questioned. "What makes you think that?" "'Cause we can see the moon and wo can't see England." answered one of

the brightest of the class. A Hint to Advertisers.

[From N. Y. Town Topics.] Business men who put their advertisements in the big dailies on Sundays must have money to throw away, and therefere, need no advertising. Who is to find or read your advertisement when it is hidden away in "section 17, column 5," separated from other announcements in the same line, and undiscoverable without the aid of mathematics and a microscope? Nobody sees it, even by accident. You are obliged to ask the clerk in the newspaper office to hunt it up for you so as to be certain that it was published. The same advertisement in a good weekly paper -would reach thou-

sands of first-class families and be noticed and regarded by everybody. A Little Light as to History. Tommy-Pop, what is profane his-

tory?
Tommy's Pop — Profane history, son, is-um, ah-well, you know when George Washington cut down his father's cherry tree?

Tommy-Yes, Pop, Tommy's Pop - Well, what his father said to George is profane his-

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One-third of the people who go mad

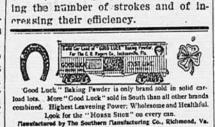
Sensible Poultry. A great many people who have I might mention the experience of chickens are as careless in the matter farmer who a few years ago entered a State Farmer on the subject:

We find it better to have yards of up our minds that hens at large are not much improvement on hogs at large,

and what women can put up with hogs a healthy color, and the raw flesh began to in the back yard? But if hens are varded they must be fed, and there is room on the farm for a garden for the chickens. What shall we plant? We must have les uce, of course. One can cut a surprising amount of feed from a few square feet of lettuce; then there | house to the cook, "I heard a bass is the giant Southern mustard. A few rows of that and you have a green food greatly relished, and in quantity for a numerous flock. Winter onions are egg producers. Perhaps we can find a corner for hemp and sunflowers. Then we must have some vegetables for winter. Cabbage and artichokes come first. Watch the biddles eat raw artichokes if you do not believe they not be expected to obliterate such like them. Then we may raise some carrots to cook and mix with bran for biddy's winter breakfast to make her lay. We can cook them and mix with corn meal to fatten the poultry for market quickly. Probably no vegetable we raise gives less trouble or is more certain to yield well than sugar beets. Then the beets keep well, which ed pamphle: is more than we can say for carrots in this locality. We put the beets through which should the bone cutter and feed raw.

The hens greatly relish the raw be in the hands vegetables and the ducks must have them if you wish eggs in January. The mustard will stay green long after frosts, and when it is gone begin on the beets. The mustard will not appear the second year nor in any way resemble the old fashioned sort. A great many places where the vegetables have been taken off may be sown to the mustard for fall feeding .-Florida Agriculturist.

> Brain Force in Bicycle Riding, Messrs. R. E. and C. Crompton recently presented to the Cycle Engineers' Institute at Birmingham, England, the results of a remarkable investigation concerning the efficiency of the human body considered as a motor. Heretofore the body has generally been treated as analogous to a heat engine, work being obtained from it through chemical action on the muscles. But the Messrs. Crompton believe they have demonstrated that the greater the brain. In bicycle-riders they find that the greatest waste is from the brain and nerves, and not from the muscles. The nerve waste, they aver, is proportional to the number of times that the nerve centres energize the muscles in order to make a stroke, and hence the craving for high gears, which diminish the number of strokes and thus economize the nerve waste. They advocate, instead of high gearing, an increase in the length of the cranks, for the purpose both of reduc-



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