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GOOD-BYE.

Good-bye, a lover whispers,
Standing beside the gate;
'Tis hard, so hard to leave you,
But we cannot alter fate.
Think of me love for aye,
Good-bye, sweetheart, good-bye.

Good-bye dear mother; hold me
Close to your loving heart.
Ah! how it hurts to say it,
To know that we must part;
List, list, the wild heart cry,
Good-bye, mother, Good-bye.

The little wasted fingers
Rest calmly in our own,
And baby's bright young spirit,
Without a sigh or moan,
Steers for its home on high,
Followed by our good-bye.

Bring hither spotless lilies,
Roses and milk white flax;
With loving fingers strew them
Inside the rosewood box,
For maidens, too, must die,
Good-bye, alas, good-bye.

Thus, at each cross and turn,
All through the ceaseless rush
Of restless, busy life,
From morning's earliest blush
To evening's latest sigh—
Good-bye, good-bye, good-bye.

Mariner on life's ocean,
Mourner beside the tomb,
Traveler along earth's highway,
These words thy path illume;
Beyond these changeful skies
There'll be no more good-bye's.

SPRIGHTLY SPARKS.

What renders the vanity of others unbearable to us is the wound it inflicts on ours.

Man cannot dream himself into a noble character; he must achieve it by diligent effort.

If we had no faults ourselves we should not take pleasure in observing those of others.

No life can be utterly miserable that is heightened by the laughter and love of one child.

When a man speaks the truth you may count pretty surely that he possesses most other virtues.

Whatever you win in life you must conquer by your own efforts, and then it is yours—a part of yourself.

Do not be absent minded, requiring the speaker to repeat what he has said that you may understand.

Bashfulness may sometimes exclude pleasure, but seldom ever opens any avenue to sorrow or remorse.

Attrition is to the stone what good influences to the man; both polish some lovely veal hidden beauties.

That leader will fail who acts on the counsel of those whose intelligence and means of information is inferior to his own.

Men may often stoop to folly or even crime with impunity, if they possess sufficient wealth to purchase silence and stifle opposition.

Ignorance is one of those infirmities that are insensible, and, though it be ever so deeply sick, feels no pain or want of health.

A cheerful heart is more to be valued than all the riches of the world without cheerfulness.

There are Americans enough to take hold of hands, and make a girdle about the earth.

It is against human nature to believe any people will persist in wrong and cruelty if they are permitted to enjoy their natural rights.

"Amateur Gardener" wants to know the easiest way to make a hot house. Leave a box of matches where the baby can play with them.

"Isabella."—No, you are wrong. It is not called a dogcart simply because a puppy drives it. Your mistake, however, is not unnatural.

It is difficult, I own, to blend and unite tranquility in accepting, and energy in using, the facts of life; but it is not impossible to be happy.

A young man in Buffalo kept up a correspondence with seven young ladies of good family and position for a year and then married a cook.

When Illinois lightning can jack the boots off a farmer without even scorching his feet, what's the use of Eastern speculators trying to make a corner on boot-jacks?

The great art of conversation consists in not wounding or humiliating any one, of speaking only of things we know, and in conversing with others only on subjects which may interest them.

The bill of a mosquito is a finer piece of work than any jeweler could bring out, and has more science than any patent yet applied for, and yet man thinks only of getting a whack at the insect with his whole first.

To be beautiful, we must put a great organizing and ennobling purpose into the will, and concentrate our thought and affection upon it until enthusiasm wells up in the heart, suffuses the countenance, and rebuilds the body on its own divine plan.

There is seldom a line of glory written upon the earth's face, but a line of suffering runs parallel with it, and they that read the lustrous syllables of the one and stop not to decipher the worn inscription of the other, get the lesser half of the lesson earth has to give.

The longer I live the more I am satisfied of two things. First, that the truest lives are those that are cut rose-diamond fashion, with many facets answering to the many planed aspects of the world around them; secondly, that society is always trying in some way or other to grind us down to a single flat surface.

BAD USE OF PET NAMES.—Generally married people call each other pet names, such as "darling," "daisie," etc. We were amused the other day hearing a young married couple quarreling with each other. The young wife said: "Now darling, you are the most ungraceful wretch in the world. You haven't got any feelings, manners or self-respect. You are totally devoid of all that is good and honest." And her sweet little lips pouted out and and her head stood erect and she sniffed the air like a fiery young steed. How she could say such ugly things of her husband and at the same time call him "darling" is too much for us.

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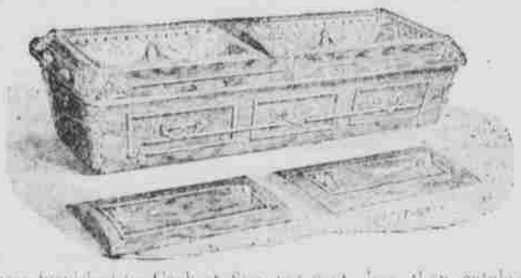

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