THE LITTLE WORN SHOES,

A mother stood by an open drawer, These now are too small to use, And she laid them away, with a careless hand,

A little, worn pair of shoes.

Then she took baby up in her tender

She knew 'twos her rightful place, And the mother imprinted a loving kiss On the upturned baby face.

Little soft golden rings of hair, And blue eyes open wide, A sweet little mouth and a dear little

A baby who never cried But tired of laughing and toys and fun.

And tired of trying to creep, The little head dropped on the mother

And baby was fast asleep. A year rolled on, and the mother's heart Was chastened beneath the rod. The house was still, with no baby voice

For the baby was home with God. The mother tried to forget her grief, But she did not attempt to pray, "She could not love God," she bitterly

Who had taken her child away."

Again at the drawer the mother stood, With a worldly and careless face, But at something she saw a tear dropped And hid in the folds of lace,

The little old shoes she held in her hand, As she stood in the twilight there, "I must see my baby again!" she cried, And she fell on her knees in prayer.

In a sobbing voice she softly said, "O God, thy way I choose! And she tenderly kissed, and she clasped The little, worn pair of shees

The Dead Wife.

GRIEF VERY OFTEN COMES

The hour set for the funeral had come The hearse, with its black plumes, stood at the farm-house door. It seemed a strange and foreign thing among the bright-colored hollyhocks, the commonplace sunshine, the lowing of cows in the barn yard, and the chickens that moved about upon the green lawn before the house. The dersey wagons of the neighboring farming filled the road, for the Garretts were much respected;

Mrs. Garrett, who had just died, wa a "home body" and saw but little of her neighbors, but her husband had grown rich by great industry and close saving and had pushed his children on in the world.

John, his only son, had been to college, and the girls to boarding school, and they were so improved that they seemed to belong to quite another class from their

They had stood with their father at the coffin to look for the last time at the woman who lay there.

"Your mother was a pretty womat when she was young," the farmer had said. It had startled him to see how thin and withered her face was under the white bair.

"Sarah's only fifty," he continued. "She hadn't ought to look so old," he said. He had not thought of her looks when she was alive.

There was a certain sullen resentment under his grief that she was dead. How was he to do without her? She was a master hand at cooking, butter making, laundrywork and sewing. He had never thought to ask her if she needed help. She had never complained, and to complete her work she had risen at four and had gone to bed late at night. Things alway can smoothly. She never spoke of distribution of \$2,000. The following being ill. It stunged him when she figures compose the number of the note: took this cold and sank under it in two days. The doctor said that all her strength was gone. "Sarah had the strength of ten women," the husband said. "Where had it gone?"

He was amszed and indignant. Was this the justice of God, to take away a woman so useful in this world? It was

Her daughters sobbed vehemently She had always been so tender! She did so much for them! They did not, it is true, teel well acquainted with her since they grew up. But between their music and their studies and their young com panions, and other social occupations, their lives had been filled! The smooth ed the folds of her metino gown, a little ushamed that the neighbors should see the order in which they appear on the note that she had no silk dress. She had in- To those scuding in their sisted that each of them should have silk gowns, and had belped to make

Jack, her son, like his father, was shocked to see how tired and worn his unother looked. He had talked for a year or two of taking her to New York She had never seen a great city. But he always had some engagement. He remembered now that she had made enough in the dairy to keep him in speuding money at college. He wished he had contrived that little holiday for her! They all felt now how good and unselfish she had been, and how dear to them.

"Why should she be taken from us?" the old man meaned bitterly. "It is cruel. Why has God done this thing?" And the dead woman lying there, her lips closed forever, could make no answer

save that which toil had stamped upon the thin, worn face that seemed pleading for rest. - Youth's Companion.

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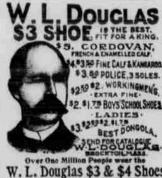
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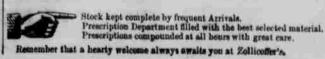
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