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HEART OF MY HEART.

Heart of my heart, the world is young; Love lies hidden in every rose. Every song that the skylark sung Once, we thought, must come to a close; Now we know the spirit of a song, Song that is merged in the chant of the whole, Hand in hand as we wander along, What should we doubt of the years that roll?

Heart of my heart, we cannot die; Love triumph in flower and tree, Every life that laughs at the sky Tells us nothing can cease to be; One, we are one with song today, One with the clover that scents the world, One with the Unknown, far away, One with the stars, when earth grows old.

One, we are one, O heart of my heart,

One, still one, while the world grows old.

Heart of my heart, we are one with the wind, One with the clouds that are whirled o'er the lea. One in many, O broken and blind, One as the waves are at one with the sea. Ay, when life seems scattered apart, Darkens, ends, as tale that is told,

Mr. Whitley though not an old

man was approaching a stage in

life heretofore scarcely realized,

when responsibility was daily as-

suming a graver attitude, in that

the larger half of the children re-

quired better equipment in the

way of dress, and better school

facilities needed if they attain a

maximum along this line, by which

In his youthful days Mr. Whit-

ley met the fair Mary Ellen Wills,

who taught school in this rural

her shrine, she preferred the hand-

some dark-eyed youth, to whom

she finally gave heart and hand,

a gentleman, who in the course of

time became the head business

post of duty so far as business went,

and gave no attention whatever to

the proper rearing of his children.

being often absent till the eleven

wife a deal of anxiety, and grave

As time went on, things wen

dull, Mr. Whitley himself grew

apathetic, his dress not so tidy as

indifference, which caused neglect

Mrs. Whitley was obliged to notify

her N. C.friends, the home was no

longer a suitable place for the now

The second son told his mother

he must go out into the world, and

seek his own living, thus arrange-

ments were made for him and one

leans, the eldest girl and the baby

sister to their kins people in N. C.

disposed of, the fond and strug-

gling mother realizing that these

arrangements would separate all of

broken hearted, passed at an early

Inez was now thrown in charge

of the depleted family, and tho fair-

of tender years, being only four-

The father was now at home,

unfit for work, and unable to pro-

ones about him.

date into the "Great Beyond."

o'clock hour at night, and on sev-

know.

ble in case of need.

INEZ.

THE MOUNTAIN HOME.

CHAPTER I.

To one raised in a flat country, visit to the hills is indeed inspirng-particularly to one possessed of sentiment, and a sense of appreciation of the beautiful, and of self maintenance would be availaknowing how to live in the pres-

It appears to be characteristic of our race to anticipate; always looking to a future, as better than now, elevating, and often beautiful pass a specimen of womanhood, and letting so much that is broad, us by, while we look for something that more frequently than otherwise is never realized. When one's life is behind them,

they behold with a far different vision, from that in the days of youth, it is sad indeed as time without ceasing throws its mantle about our shoulders, and we find ourselves in stronger arms than our own, and know we cannot resist or stay that hand which is hourly bearing us to the realm unknown, which none return.

In beginning this story, some of the pictures that must necessarily be recorded here, or left in forgetful silence. Sixty-nine years ago, a little devoid of those principles of up-

three tots left their home in eastern our Saviour when upon earth. r a visit to relatives re- Mr. Whitley was daily at his siding in the Virginia hills, their route lay via Petersburg, Farmville, Va., and other points only accessible at that time, by the old stagecoach lines in use prior to railroads.

Their destination was reached eral occasions had spent the entire without serious mishap, after trav- night at the store, giving his poor eling a distance of some two hundred miles over highways that apprehension. would now be discountenanced for any traffic whatever, and just why badly in this once bright little such a perilous journey should home, business at the store grew have been undertaken is a thing we have not quite understood.

The town toward which our of old, and there was a slugglish steps were directed was at that of business: under these conditions time known as "Big-Lick, Va.," this name originating from the fact that deer gathered there in primitive days to lick salt which existed in that locality. The place is now grown up girls. known as Roanoke, Va., situated on the Norfolk and Western R. R., a city of wealth, and importance.

joy more highly things that are girl to go to relatives in New Or-'Tis said we appreciate, and enhardest to obtain, and in the present instance, we found this to be true, for we felt quite well repaid for the toilsome journey required to reach this lovely spot. To our unaccustomed eye, the beauty presented to our enraptured vision. on a bright sunlit morning, after our arrival, was indeed sublime.

To describe these everlasting hills with the many hued foliage resting easily as a coroner on each noble brow, would be entirely superfluous, as nearly every one now has seen the grandeur of this handi-

work of God. CHAPTER 2ND.

A HOME WITH GOD LEFT OUT. The snug little cottage where we were being entertained, nestled among the beautiful hills, a fitting place indeed for the erection of a relatives, Inez and youngest brothfamily altar, where the little ones er went into their home where the Dispenser of "every good and

ever become wise? ed at all, save perhaps the usual ered artery of the arm.

found the way to the near by cool ever blooming flowers. spring, but where those loved Now, as this uncle was not a forms would never again meet to youth when Inez married him, he slake their thirst from summer must naturally as the years went heat, nor their merry shouts ring by become non-capacitated for busin the woods around the old pond, iness, and while for many years where in winter the youth of the he provided nicely for his family, neighborhood found such delight the time came when Inez herself in the grandest of winter sports. had to become burden-bearer, and CHAPTER 3RD.

THE NEW HOME.

When Inez, accompanied by the youngest boy of seven years passed from the portals of the once happy mountain home, never again to look upon the beautiful environment, or realize the companionship of the dear brothers and sisters whom was destined to meet no more upon earth, the poor child's heart sank within her, and she yearned for the mother breast, where she felt that her poor little weary heart might find solace, and where the tired head might only for a moment rest in forgetfulness of the deepest sorrow her young life had ever known.

Now, she was to enter a new home, would she find a welcome, would she meet with love in this N. C. country home, presided over by an aunt, whom she scarcely remembered? and where she would find cousins also unknown. community, and at once become Well, whether congenial or otherenamored of as fair and beautiful wise, she must make the best of things no matter what they were, as he had ever beheld, and while for she knew that the old relations there were many worshipers at

of life were forever gone. Something over a days travel brought these dear children to their journeys end, where they were though she might have united with met by loving relatives, in thorough sympathy with the homeless orphans, with whom they felt wilpartner in one of the wealthiest ling to share in every possible way.

firms in the city of Richmond, but The writer on first looking upon we cannot see, neither can we this wan faced, suffering girl, immediately determined within him-This home where the Master self to champion her cause and had permitted eight precious chilby every way in his power to dren to enter, was presided over alleviate the suffering of her dear principally by the piously inclined little heart, thus from their first mother, and but for this mother's meeting, Inez, through all the training, their lives must have been changing scenes of life in which she seemed destined to participate, family, consisting of a mother and rightness and truth as taught by realized that she was never for-

Ambition and determination comblned sometimes accomplish a great deal, and in this instance it that she must help herself, and to this end lent every energy toward fitting herself for teaching: a happy circumstance now came about, by which she obtained a collegiate course, thus fitting her for the resoonsible duties she must at an early day assume, she had by this time attained the age of seventeen, and was now possessed of that bearing and dignity, essential to the school room, and in this role was successful to the extent of providing for herself and little brother the Master always helps those who try to help themselves in the right

As time rolled speedily by, she had quite a number of admirers, who appreciated her true worth, and a charming personality, after a few years she yielded to the importunities of an industrious young Nearly as soon as these four were man of fine Christian character. but whose efforts were evanescent. and after some four years of married life, he met with a most shockthem in this life, yielded to such ing accident; a caterer for a hotel overwhelming conditions, and he went out to meet an incoming train, and being just up from fever hadn't the strength to board the cars, and in making the attempt, was dragged under the wheels, ly well grown physically, was still losing both feet, this caused his speedy death. teen, must bear the strain for those

CAAPTER 4TH.

AT HOME IN CALIFORNIA. Inez, in the sudden death of her husband, was for the second vide for himself, or those helpless time in the few years of life, up against a proposition and in the These intolerable conditions beprostrate condition as suddenly coming known to the other N. C., thrust upon her, was dazed, and unable to think of any future plans, might be daily taught their duty to they were kindly received, and but thus she was asked to her former this most horrible tragedy hastened N. C., home till something defiperfect gift," an essential, non-per- their departure for N. C., a few nite might be devised. An uncle ishable asset, needful under all days prior to setting out for N. C., in a nearby town offered a room conditions: Oh, will the masses Inez had prepared breakfast for over his store, and suggested a the little family as usual, she called small millinery establishment with And yet in this home there was at her father's door, getting no his assistance: this was entered the Master was ever consider response, pushed into the room, into, and proved quite successful, and found him a corpse, having but was broken in upon after a died by his own hand, as was evi- couple of years, by the arrival of

denced by an open razor, and sev- quite a well-to-do (uncle by marriage) from California, who after a lengthy visit, proposed that on his a deserted cottage, those not dead return, Inez, the attractive young had forsaken the once loved little widow accompany him as his home where they had first seen bride. This she assented to, and the light, where prattling baby in due course of time found a devoices had gladdened a mother's lightful home in the Golden State, heart, where toddling footsteps had with its perennial summer, and

> do the providing, this she did by teaching a high school for young

After a couple of years passed in this way. Inez for the second time became a widow, and determined to visit a married daughter in Chicago, also another in West Virginia, relatives in Washington, D. C, and the youthful champion, whom she met in the N. C., home many years, now gone, but whom she still remembered, and fancied it might be the last opportunity to thank her benefactors again for kindness' bestowed on the waif cast upon the cold charity of the world at the tender age in the long

Her premonitions that the present farewells might be the last upon earth, proved true, for on her return to the far western home to enter a nice little cottage, a home provided for her special comfort by a loving son, she received a dislocation of the hip in falling from a buggy, from which some over exertion caused heart failure, and a sudden collapse, thus passed from earth one whose trials in life have not been rold by half, but who will ever be affectionately remembered by the boy champion who espoused her cause when he first looked upon that sad sweet face of the long, long ago. He still has as keep-sakes some beautiful letters written by the hand of Inez in the far away western home, that may be read by some, when he shall have gone to meet her in the

CHAPTER 5TH.

MATURITY AND REFLECTION. The writer is a man of mature years, and the shades of eve are gathering over his pathway. He is no longer enthused by the scenes saken or forgotten by the youth of of childhood, and no more covers eleven years, whom she first met such delights as sprang into his heart at mention of the old "swimming hole" in the good old summer time, and those joyous days days of childhood now forever proved true: Inez had the idea gone. Many of his loved companions have crossed the dark stream of death, and he trusts they are now enjoying the waters of the "River of Life," in the eternal

City of God.
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