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Love's Flower.
If I were blind and thou shouldst enter
Kiss me softly in the room,
I should feel it,
I should feel it,

"You'll pass in your cheeks before morning."
"No, the wind is at my back; no fords, I'll keep going." I went.

CHILDREN'S COLUMN.
Mother's Face.
Three little boys talked together,
One sunny summer day,

AN AFRICAN QUEEN.
The Dusky Ruler of Savages on the Upper Zambesi.
A Picturesque Scene Witnessed By a Missionary.

Medical Virtues of Onions.
A mother writes: "Once a week invariably, and it generally when we had cold meat minced, I gave the children a dinner which was hailed with delight and looked forward to; this was a dish of boiled onions.

Brief Snake Stories.
William Widick and Sam Smith of Bethany, Ill., killed 100 rattlesnakes at one season.
The dog of George Marion of Rensselaer, Ind., began barking at a hole in the ground.

At the Gate.
Beside a mighty city's gate,
Where passed at morn the proud and great,
To seek a sacred shrine that stood
Within the precincts of a wood,

LOST AND FOUND.

Molly and I had it rough for five years. In the first place, we were burned out in the town, and never saved a thing but the clothes we stood in and my team. Then we started again out on the edge of everything, where land was cheap, and it looked as if hard work might count for something.

More than once I fell, but I always got up and went on. I was talking to myself part of the time, hearing my own voice and thinking it was someone else's. I lost my sense of time again but I kept on doggedly.

Behind Uncle John's house there is a high, rocky hill, covered with clumps of bushes, and very steep.
Bonnie and Charlie and Ray had been to "grove-meeting" with Aunt Abbie, and they thought it would be fine fun to have a grove-meeting of their own on the hill.

The Elephant Plant.
At first this was thought to be a palm, but differs in some important points from the palms. It is given a family all by itself, which, though related to the palm family, is the "Vegetable Ivory family" or in botanical language the phyllophaneae, a rather long word for so small a family.

Washington Cranks.
It is generally conceded that there are more cranks in Washington in proportion to its population than in any other city in the United States, writes a correspondent of the Baltimore Sun.

National Floral Emblems.
Many nations and sovereigns have had plants and flowers as their emblems. The rose of England became especially famous during the War of the Roses, after which the red and white were united, and the rose of both colors is called the York and Lancaster; but when these flowers first became badges of the two houses I cannot discover.

First-Class Studies at West Point.
During no year had the class found an easier course of study, and the first-class course was like the others in requiring the closest attention. The class drew strange-looking plans of fortifications; they built theoretical bridges, and practical ones also; they slowly registered the elements of the Spanish language, and daily shocked the professor by their un-Castilian accent; they discovered the analogy between the "Laws of the Medes and Persians" and the regulations of the Military Academy; and they skimmed over the history of the world from its settlement by Adam to the present time.