The Fireside.

THE TIRED MOTHER.

They were talking of the glory of the land beyond the skies.

Of the light and of the gladness to be found in paradise.

Of the flowers ever blooming, of the neverceasing songs, Of the wandering through the golden streets, of happy white-robed throngs: And said father, leaning cosily back in his (Father always was a master hand for comfort

"What a joyful thing 'twould be to know that when this life is o'er, One would straightway hear a welcome from And Isabel, our eldest girl, glanced upward from the reed She was painting on a water-jug, and mur-And Marian, the next in age, a moment dropped her book, "Yes, indeed!" repeated with a most ecstatic look.

But mother, gray-haired mother, who had come to sweep the room, With a patient smile on her thin face, leaned lightly on her broom-Poor mother! no one ever thought how much And said: "I hope it is not wrong not to agree But seems to me that when I die, before I join

TAKE YOUR CORSET OFF.

"O, dear! I don't know what is the matter with me, I am so tired all the time I can't stand anything; I can't walk three blocks. I have neuralgia every little while, I'm good for nothing, and yet there seems to be no disease about me. I wish you'd tell me what ails me." The speaker was a beautiful girl, about 19 years old. Nature had intended her for a magnificent specimen of womanhood. She was not less than 5 feet 7 inches in height, but, with shoulders and hips broad in proportion, she measured only 22 inches around the waist.

Of course, she asserted that she did not dress tight; but when told that in order to have good health she must leave off her corsets she rebelled. "Why, how would I look without a corset?" she exclaimed "I'd be a perfect fright." What reply was there to be to so convincing a statement? But by the light of science her whole body was of a different but of an equally was illuminated, and to the under- common kind. In along the side of a standing vision she was a perfect river with overhanging banks, I came fright as it was. I never see such a suddenly on a common wild duck,

When the limit of the corset is reached, unclasp it and see how widely its clasp can be separated by the action expression for false and artificial reclasp can be separated by the action of the lungs alone. Then if you bear in mind that these muscles have been weakened by non-use, and that with est that on this, as on many other ocfull liberty they would increase in strength, you will be able to imagine an art which Mrs. Siddons might have how much the the corset has lessened envied. The labored and half-convultaught in first class seminaries for Young Lathe vital capacity. I saw a fine illus-tration of this a few days since, when I called upon a lady whose literary labors are wonderful. She received me in a neat loose dress, in which every organ of the body had full play. She rejoiced in her perfect physical freedom. She ran up and down stairs with the lightness of a child, and felt made resounding flaps upon the surmade resounding flaps upon th

pace, but in a very little while she said to discover them." to me: "I can't walk so fast when I've a corset on. I can't breathe, you see.' And so to accommodate her diminish-

in a new corset, and it hurts me so I out a corset."

To me she would look far better, for I could see that her health was failing, her cheeks paling, her nerves starving for the vital breath of God's pure air, which the corset was shutting out of

"We girls are always glad to undo our corsets and draw a long breath at night," said one frank girl to me.
"We don't wear them tight; we can
put our hands under them always; but it does seem so good to get them off WATCHMAKER AND JEWELER and breathe just as big as we can."-Dr. Mary A Allen, in Herald of Health.

ONE BRICK WRONG.

Not long ago some workmen were engaged in building a large brick tow-er, which was to be carried up very high. The master builder was very particular in charging the mason to lay every brick with the greatest care, especially in the first courses, or rows, which had to bear the weight of all the rest of the building. However, one of the workmen did not mind what had been told him. In laying a corner, he very carelessly left one of the bricks a little crooked—out of the line, or as the masons call it "not line; or, as the masons call it, "not plumb." "Well," you may say "it is only one single brick in a great pile of them. What difference does it make if that was not exactly straight?" You will see directly. The work went on. Nobody noticed that there was one brick wrong, but as each course of brick was kept in line with those already laid the tower was not put up exactly straight, and the higher they buit it the more insecure it became. One day when the tower had been carried up about 50 feet a tremendous crash was heard. The building had fallen to the ground, burying the workmen in the ruins. All the precious work was lost; the materials were wasted; and, worse than this valnable lives were sacrificed; and all because one brick had been laid wrong in the start. The workman who laid that brick wrong little thought what a danbrick wrong little thought what a dangerous thing he was doing, and what terrible harm would result from his neglect. My dear young friend you are now building up your character. In the habits you now form you are laying the foundation of that character. Under the state of the

wrong now, may ruin your character by and by. Remember what you are doing and see that every brick is kept straight .- Rev. R. Newton.

MENTAL GROWTH OF CHIL DREN.

Very often we read of cases where

parents are deceived in the character

of their children. The truth is, they grow up much faster than parents are aware. While a mother innocently believes her little girl's mind is entirely occupied with her dolls and pets, in reality the child is weaving romances in which some callow youths is the central figure, and herself the heroine. She may fancy her boy is entirely engrossed with his marbles and his balls, but the lad himself has al ready determined his future career of renown in the pirate's or highwayman's fascinating profession. It is a terible revelation when a surreptitious fliration with the telegraph messenger, or a midnight escapade, shows too plainly where the heart of the child is placed. We know a case in which a boy of fif-I'd like just for a little while to lie in my grave teen was charged with a crime, and finally confessed himself guilty. The surprise and agony of his mother were surprise and agony of his mother were heartrending. "It cannot be," was her cry, "he is a little boy. Why, he is my baby. Every night he puts his arms around my neck and kisses me. It is not possible." Had the boy actually been a babe in the cradle, the mother would have been no more astonished. It is a fiction pleasing to the parent's hearts that their children, too young to know or dream of any evil more heinous than childish peccadillos. But it is a fiction fraught with grave perils. Every mother ought to know if her boy smokes. Yet we can point to a half-dozen boys who puff

THE DUKE OF ARGYLE

if told the facts.

In his last work, "The Unity of Nature," says: "The third case of animal instinct, which I shall here mention, W.M.&D.S. KENNEDY, right as it was. I never see such a suddenly on a common wild duck, a Boarding School for males and females. Squre that I am not reminded of Hi-whose young were just out. Spring-college or business pursuits. Music and Art figure that I am not reminded of Hiram Power's query in regard to a fashionably attired lady: "I wonder where she puts her liver?"

It is easy enough to prove that the breathing capacity is actually lessened by the corset, even when not worn tight. Any one wishes to try the experiment can sit down and begin to draw in the deepest breath possible. When the limit of the corset is reach—

Whose young were just out. Springing from under the bank, she fluttered out into the stream with loud cries and with all the struggles to escape of a helplessly wounded bird. To stimulate the effects from disease, or from wounds upon the human frame is a common necessity of the actor's art, and it is not often really well done. The tricks of theatre are seldom natural, and it is not without reason that tural, and it is not without reason that presentations of the realities of life. It was therefore with no small intersiye flapping of the wings, the wriggling of the body, the straining of the neck, and the whole expression of painful and abortive effort, were realpainful and abortive effort, were real-ly admirable. When her struggles Deduction for two or more from same family or neighborhood. had carried her to a considerable diswith the lightness of a child, and felt no palpitation of heart or oppression of lungs. Later in the day she dressed to go out upon the street with me, and put on a corset. "I do it indeference to the opinion of my friends," she exclaimed. "They complain if I outrage their sense of propriety by appearing without one, but I do penance all the time I wear it."

We started off at her penal brick effect in tempting us to follow, she made resounding flaps upon the surface of the water, to secure that attention to herself which it was the great object of the manœuyre to attract. Then rising suddenly in the air she made a great circle round us, and returning to the spot renewed her endeavors as before. It was not, however, necessary; for the separate instinct of the young in successful bid me I wear it."

We started off at her usual brisk ing effectually baffled all my attempts A Boarding School for Both Sexes

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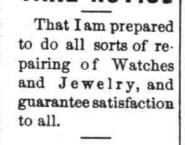
And so to accommodate her diminished powers of breathing we slackened our pace, and soon she commenced to look weary, her cheerful laugh became less frequent, her face began to wear an anxious look, her vital capacity was lessened, and her whole system felt the effect of it. ',I could accomplish nothing at all," said she, "if I were compelled to wear a corset at my work."

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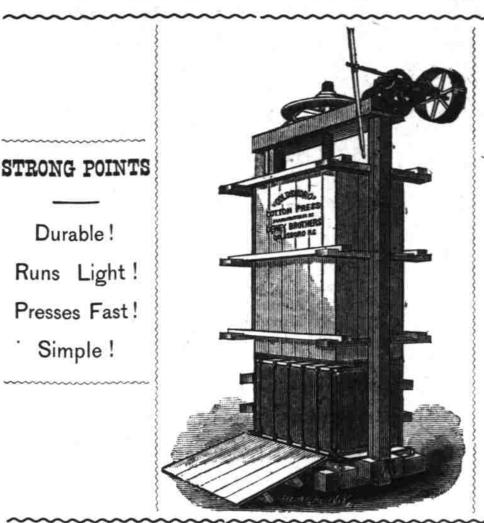
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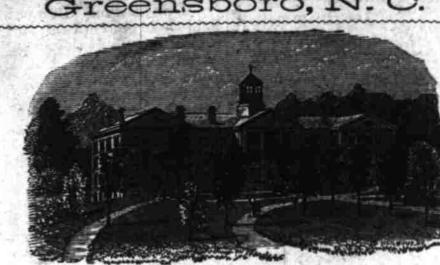
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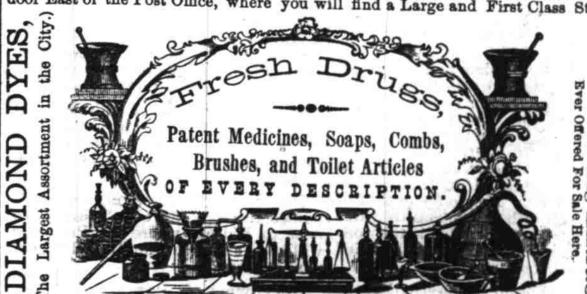
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