SUNSET ON THE FARM. BY WILLIAM LAMBIE,

The winter day was beautiful, with floods of golden light, The sheep came tinkling up the lane, into the fold at night, The cows stood in the stable, all feeding

Paying interest twice a day, in pails that The horses fed and watered, and all the chores are done, And the sky is clothed in splendor, at the

setting of the sun. We read of glorious sunset in cities o'er the sea. I could not go to Naples, but a Naples

sunset came to me. It was the grandest picture ever seen me or mine-Not by Raphael or by Reubens, but by

light divine. The colors were the purest, the brightest and the best, The purple clouds sailed grandly, like

It was not painted for a few, the wealthy and refined, But nature's picture-gallery, for all of human kind.

The glories of that sunset hour revealed a life te come, A foretaste of screner joys when our work with me in my sweet Heavenly home." on earth is done.

THE LITTLE BOUND BOYS DREAM.

A little fair haired child, laid its pale over all. check against a pillow of straw.

It had toiled up three pairs of narrow pallet with one thin coverlet.

It had neither lamp nor candle to lightas his sad eyes closed dreamily.

what a wonderous change came over the the deep ground, treated him harshly.

cious, sparkling stones. The broken floor truly know. upon the glorious spectacle.

if emerging from it, came a soft white the present overpowered him.

mar, "Tell me, who are you?"

too handsome, and your clothes prettier the great and holy God. brother Willy is dead long ago." -

tal brother, my body with the ugly hump soon be with me," not know me."

And now the little bound child's tears it. began to fall.

learned how to read!" "Yes, a little!" find very reverently-for it is God's most

"Do all these, and you shall be the child of your Father which is above,"

little bound boy, with a quivering lip. ace as he replied, "the more you forgive, his dear angel mother,

the nearer you will be to Heaven," In another moment the vision was unearthly radiance.

smile and he thought, "I will forgive 9 o'clock .- North Carolina Gazette. them even though they should beat me."

the form, in melting accents. The yours. And my father used to stoop our battle against the proposed amend- of Como to a scene from "Ten Nights in over, and wear a little black apron, and ment,

"And what else?" "He used to pray and sing very sweetly, but I never hear any praying and singing now," sobbed the child.

"Don't ery, dear little boy, but listen to me, I am your father, your immortal father; that poor, lame body is all gone now, mingled with the dust in the grave yard. As soon as the breath left that deformed body, I was with the shining angels; hosts and hosts of them bore me up to Heaven; and the King of that glorious place clothed me in those robes, white and stainless, and gave me this tall, beautiful-body, which shall never feel corruption. And this was the reason dear little orphan; because I loved Him, and my chief delight was in praying to of thee guard his youth and inexperience Him and talking about him; and although I was very poor I tried to be honest and many times went hungry rather than to do wrong.

"And you, if you never forget to say your little prayers that I taught you-if you will keep God's holy commandments, and trust in Himal ways, you shall soon be

Once more the child was left alone but still the rafters were golden, the walls pearly, the old floor studded with brilliants, and the same soft mysterious light

A strain of holy music fell faintly upon his enraptured senses; it grew louder and dark stairs, to gain its miserable garret, came nearer and nearer at the head of his for it was a little "bound child," that had little bed. And then a voice-oh! far neither farther nor mother; so no soft bed sweeter than either of the others-sangawaited its tired limbs, but a miserable "my child, my little earth child, look upon me-I am thy mother."

In a moment, what emotions swelled en the room, if such it might be called; the bosom of the lonely boy! He thought still that was not so bad, for the beautiful of her cherished tenderness to him long of the same State,) is also a beautiful, round moon smiled in upon the poor years ago-of her soft arms around his bound boy, and almost kissed his forehead, neck, her gentle lips pressing his forehead-then came up the cruelties of stran-But after awhile, as he lay there, gers who, after she had been put away in

He turned towards her; oh what a glo-A great light shone down, the huge rious being! her eyes were like stars, her black rafters turned to solid gold, and hair like the most precious gold; but there Judge Joseph J. Davis and the elequent these seemed all studded with tiny pre- was that in her face that none might so Alfred M. Waddell-noble types of cul-

clow, and gazed with half delighted look but not once did he doubt that this beautiful being was his own dear mother.

figure, that stood by the poor bound boy's "O! mother, mother, mother," he cried at the bevies of ladies, the charming Miss stretched forth his little hands, "let me Davis, of North Carolina; Miss Pugh, of The child shut his eyes; he was a little, come to you-let me come; there is no only a little frightened, and his heart body in this world like you; no one loves hot tears rained down his cheeks.

"Look up; be not afraid," said a sweet "My orphan child," she said, in low voice, that sounded like the harps of tones that thrilled him to the heart, "you Heaven - "look up, darling, I am your cannot come to me now, but listen to me. to speak with you, and tell you to bear know it not. Every day I am by your all your sorrow patiently, for you will side; and when you come to this lonely room to weep my wings encircle you. "What, you, my brother Willy? oh! behold you suffer, but I know that God no, no, that cannot be; my brother Willy will not give you more sorrow than you was very pale, and his clothes were can bear. When you resist evil, I whispatched and torn; and there was a hump per calm and tender thoughts unto your on his back, and he used to go out into soul; but when you give way to anger, wood and chips, but your face is quite drive your mother from you, and displease

know that thy immortal mother often "I am your brother Willy, your immor- communes with thy soul, And thou shalt

is dead and turned to ashes; but just as "Oh! mother, mother, mother," murthat died I went up to the great heavens, mured the boy, springing from his bed and saw sights that I cannot tell you and striving to leap towards her. The he be to his friend, James Donahoe, Esq., about now, they were so very beautiful. keen air chilled him; he looked cagerly for the great attention shown his eldest But God, who is your father, and the around-there was no light, a solumn holy name of Eternity, gave me these stillness reigned, the radiance, the rafbright garments that never get soiled, ters of gold, the silvery beams, the music and I was so happy that I expect my face - the angels-all were gone. And then was changed very much, and I grew tall he knew he had been dreaming; but oh! and stright; so it is no wonder you do what a dream-now strengthening, how cheering, never, never, would be forget

The next morning when he went down sir, yours faithfully, "Oh!" he exclaimed, "if I, too, could to his scant breakfast, there was such a beautiful serenity upon his face, such a "You can go," replied the angel with sweet gladness in his eyes, that all who a smile of ineffable sweetness; "you have looked upon him forbore to taunt or chide

"Well, to-morrow get your Bible, and that listened were softened; and the mother who held her own babe was I am Growing Old." The melody is simholy book-these words of the Lord so choked with tears that she could not eat; and the father said inwardly that "But I say unto you, love your enemies, henceforth he would be kind to the poor bless them that curse you, do good to little orphan bound boy, and he was: them that hate you, and pray for them The child found his way into their affecwhich despitefully use you and persecute tion; he was so good; and at the end of a twelvemonth, when the angels did in very deed take him to Heaven, the whole family wept around the little cof-"Even if they beat mel" murmured the fin, as if he were one of their own. But they all felt that he was in the bright A ray of light flashed across the angel's heavens with his brother, his father and

Death of a Prominent Citizen .- After a gone but still the room was blazing with painful illness of two or three weeks, Major Archibald McLean died at the res-As the little boy fell back upon his idence of Mr. J. C. Poe, in the vicinity of pillow, his wan face reflected the angel's Fayetteville, last Sunday morning, at

Suddenly a more musical voice than Tax on Type. The type founders of had been contested. the former fell upon his ear, This time the United States have appeared in Conhe was not afraid, but sitting up in his gress in the shape of an amendment to miserable couch, he saw a figure that the tariff bill which if it should become a seemed to lift itself to the wall; a ray of law, will prohibit the introduction of forintense brightness outlined all its form; eign manufactured type, and give the its eyes blazed, yet there was a mild twelve type-makers of this country the beauty in them every time they looked right to manufacture and sell at their own figures the material used by 120,000 men, "Little one, I am your father," said This is one of the most infamous jobs ever heard of in tariff legislation, and bears The Boston Gazette says that while she "I alon't think you can be my father," upon its face the handiwork of this great was playing Camille the promptier threw whispered the boy, timily, "My father "Type Ring," Let the press of this State aside his book and wept, the lover allowused to look very old, indeed; and he got and the entire South lift up its voice to ed tears to meander down his powdered hart and wore a crutch; there were marks our Senators and Representatives in Con- countenance, the hard hearted father was on his face, and all over his forehead, and gress calling their attention to this out- scarcely able to go through his part, and his hair was short and white; not long, rage and demand at their hands a vigor. a scene shifter joined a palace by the lake

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A LETTER PROM MR. FELIX CATHANK. Editor Forney's Sunday Chronicle:

Wednesday evening last this creole of Louisiana, after paying for a very poor dinner at a very fine-looking hotel in Alexandria, the State of Virginia, found fifty cents in the silver currency of these United States remaining in his pocket, with the following introductory letter addressed to James Donahoe, Esq., care of Colonel R. B. Coleman, Metropolitan hotel, Washington, D. C.:

FRIEND JAMES: My eldest born son. Felix, is about to visit the city. I pray thee to give unto him food and lodging for the brief space that he will sojourn in the capital city of his country. I beseech from the temptation and vanities which will surround him. Thy compliance will be acceptable to the friend,

MATHEW UNTHANK. Armed with this powerful document the undersigned salied forth for Washington, self cheaply, privately, and radically. by way of the Long Bridge, and was safely deposited at the Metropolitan, where he was welcomed by Mr. Donahoe with a smile which he always has for the world at large and for the Society of Friends in particular. It was easy to discover that there was something going on, and on entering the dining room a most brilliant scene was presented to the eye. The fairy-like forms gliding through the mazy dance was a most bewildering sight for an inexperienced youth. The old North State never sent to Washington a fairer maiden possessed of more winning manners than Miss Mary Merrimon, daughter of Senator Merrimon. Well may Raleigh be proud of her peerless belle. Miss Robbins (daughter of Hon. Wm. M. Robbins, graceful young lady who attracted much attention. North Carolina was finely represented by the courtly Senators, General Ransom, and Judge A. S. Merrimon, also by General A. M. Scales, whose genial face always carries a broad glint of sunshine with it, and by the dignified tured men whom North Carolina knows too, was encrusted with shining crystals, He had doubted-if the first risen was how to appreciate. The daughter of Hon. and the child raised himself upon his his brother, if the second was his father, R. F. Ligon, representative from Alabama, was attired in a dress of ciel blue, which was in bewitching contrast with One spot on the wall seemed too bright A little while he kept down his strong her soft brown eyes, and brought to mind for his vision to endure, but presently, as feeling; but the thought of the past and visions of flowers and sunny skies of Southern climes. As one glanced around

New Jersey; Miss Fairfax and Miss Harris, of Virginia; Miss Ford, of New York; beat quickly, but he found breath to mur- me; oh! mother, let me come;" and the the Misses Shannon, of Louisiana; Miss Virginia Johnston, of Virginia, and Miss Rolb, seemed to be great centers of attraction. Mrs. General Gaines was surrounded by friends who seemed to enjoy brother Willy, sent down from the angels I am very often very near you when you her sparkling wit and ripple of laughter. Mrs. Martin, wife of Hon. C. F. Martin. of West Virginia, looked charming. Her sweet face seemed as serene as a summer sky, and her simplicity, combined with elegance of manner, clicited many compliments. Many lovely young ladies, whose names were not known to this youth, were dancing the Lancers, and as the muddy streets and pick up bits of when you cherish a spirit of revenge, you, the guests promenaded to the supper room no doubt great was their surprise at the feast spread before them. Cold turkey, than I ever saw before; and there is no "Be good, be happy, even amidat all, ham, tongue, chicken salad, fried oysters, ngly hump on your back-besides, my your trials; and if that is a consolation, cold roast beef, fruit, coffee, and tea were

served in the greatest profusion. After this feast and the one that preceded of the mind and soul, I was just thinking if old Mathew Unthank, my father, could only be present how profuse in thanks would son. Noticing my oracle and finding that two hours were past and gone, and that it was now time to get to the paternal roof south of the Potomac, at some future period, Mr. Forney, I will give you the particulars of those heavenly two hours spent at the Metropolitan Hotel: In

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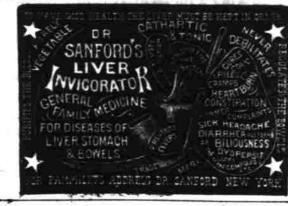
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