

A Sunset. Beside a dusty way a cottage stands, Brown from the touch of many changeful years.

LIFTING UP.

When Susan Robinson was left a widow with three small children, life seemed hardly worth striving for.

It was Friday morning, and the Rev. Mr. Stanfield sat in his study, attempting to write a sermon of consolation.

Reminiscence of Arctic Exploring.

The Arctic exploring expedition which left San Francisco recently in the steamer Jeannette for Behring's Strait, recalls another expedition of the same kind.

There is in Bangor, Me., one of the most remarkable boys in the world, probably. He is a son of Col. Fuller, and is now ten years of age.

A Wonderful Life.

The romantic vicissitudes of the early life of the Countess Solange de Kramer have once more become the talk of the Paris salons.

Relating his Indian experiences, Col. Meadows Taylor tells of his being beset by hundreds of pilgrims and travelers, crying out against the bunias, or flour-sellers.

An Effective Cure.

They were horribly frightened, and amid the screams of laughter and jeers of the bystanders some of them actually began to stammer.

After keeping the whole diplomatic world of Europe in one continuous flutter for more than a month, the origin of the cold war which suddenly struck the Russo-German alliance, blighted its cordiality.

Unhappy Marriages.

The truth is that these too frequent 'unhappy marriages' are the offspring of ignorance quite as much of actual sin or wrong.

The recurrence of the yellow fever plague has stimulated anew the scientific inquiries into its origin and contagiousness, and in this connection the name of Dr. Chaille and Sternberg has been sent out to Havana to make as thorough and searching an investigation of yellow fever in its native land as is possible.

A Terrible Plague.

The description which the Tiflis Vostok gives of the devastation by grasshoppers of Elisabetopol, and other districts of Southern Siberia, is really appalling.

The poorest girls in the world are those who have never been taught to work. There are thousands of them.

Lobsters for the Pacific Coast.

A large quantity of live black and striped bass, eels and lobsters from the Atlantic coast have lately been distributed along the California shore.

The population of Mexico is officially stated at 9,886,777.

ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST.

Tea grown in South Carolina has a delicious aromatic flavor. Anthony Zabriskie, an old gentleman who lived near New York, was struck by an express train while crossing the track and instantly killed.