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"I MUST GO TO WILLIE."

All That Mother Thought of Was Her Boy.

URING the civil war there was a woman in Maine who received a letter which ran thus: "Willie is sick; he is dying." The mother read the letter and looking up to her husband said: "Father, I must go to Willie." "No, wife, you cannot go," he replied. "You know there is a line of bayonets between you and Willie." She did what the Christian mother always does when her boy is in peril. She spread that letter before the Lord and prayed all night. Next morning she said, "Father, I must go to Willie, 1 must." "Well, wife," he said, "I do not know what will come of this, but if you will go there is the money." She came down here to Washington, and the man in the Executive Mansion who had a heart as tender as a woman's - Abraham Lincolnbrushed a tear as he wrote, and handing the paper said, "Madam, that will take you to the enemy's line, but what will become of you after you get there I cannot tell." She took the paper and came down to the line and the picket; she handed him the pass, and he looked at it and at her, and said: 'We don't take that thing here.' 'I know it!" she said; "but Willie, my boy, is dying in Richmond, and I am going to him. Now shoot !" He did not shoot, but stood awed and hushed in the presence of a love that is more like God's than

any other that surges in the human soul in its deathless unselfish-

All that mother thought of was her boy. Smuggled through the lines, she went down to the hospital. The surgeon said to her, "Madam, you must be very carcful; your boy will survive no excitement." She crept past cot after cot, and knelt at the foot of the one where her boy lay, and putting up her hands prayed in soothing tones: "O God, spare my boy." The sick man raised his white hands from under the sheet; the sound of his mother's voice had gone clear down into the valley and shadow of death, where the soul of the young man was going out in its ebbing tide. Raising his hand he said, "Mother, I knew you would come." That boy is a man today, saved by a mother's

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And take from the lips that denied her

This answerless prayer of today-

Take, Lord, from my mem'ry forever

And the one piercing cry on the stair !

That pitiful sob of despair

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So I gather it up where with h. The tear faded thread of my di Telling how, as one night I and writing, A fairy broke in oh my dies me A little, inquisitive facity. My own little gift with the gold Of the sun in her hair and the dewy Blue eyes of the fairies of old.

was the dear little girl that I scolded. "For was it a moment like this," I said, "when she knew I was busy." To come romping in for a kiss -Come rowdying up from her mother And clamoring there at my knee For 'one 'ittle kiss for my dolly An' one 'ittle uzzer for me?'" God pity the heart that repelled her

I put by the half written poem. And the cold hand that turned her away, While the pen, idly trailed in my hand, Writes on, "Had I words to complete it Who'd read it or who'd understand ?" But the little bare feet on the stairway. And the faint smothered laugh in the hall. And the patter and trip of the little bare feet And the cerie low lisp on the silence. Cry up to me over it all. JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY.

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MAN'S MOOD FOR SONG. It Asserts Itself In Almost Every

Phase of Life.

CTAILORS sing. They have a song for work and longs for Devery part of their work, and they have songs of reminiscence and of reagedy and manys farcait songs, some brund songs, songs of repuse and songs in which is packed the desire for a distant lionte-Sublicts also sing, at least in those numer where soldiers are still soldiers. And the line, which is the core and body of any army, is the most singing of deem all. Those men who marched before Casar in his triumph sang a song, and the words of it still remain (so 1 am told.) The armies of Louis XIV and of Napoleon, of the republic and even of Algiers modesongs of their own which have

passed into the great treasury of European letters. They sang in that march which

led men to the assault at Hastings, for it was written by those who saw the column of knights advancing to the foot of the hill that Taillefer was chosen for his great voice and rode before the host, tossing his sword into the air and catching it again by the hilt, a difficult thing to do, and singing of Charlemagne and of the vassals who had died under Roncesvalles.

Song also illuminates and strengthens and vivilies all common life; and on account what is left of our peasantry have harvest songs, and there are songs for mowing and songs for the midwinter rest, and there is even a song in the south of England for the gathering of honey

Indeed, all men sing at their labor or would sing did nor dead convention forbid them You will say there are exceptions, as lawyers; usurers and others. But there are no exceptions to this rule where man is working and working well and is producing and is not ashamed Rowers sing, and their song is called a barcarole. and even men holding the tiller who have nothing to do but hold it lead to sing a song. And I will swear to this-that I have heard stokers when they were hard pressed starting a sort of crooningchorus rogether, which shows that

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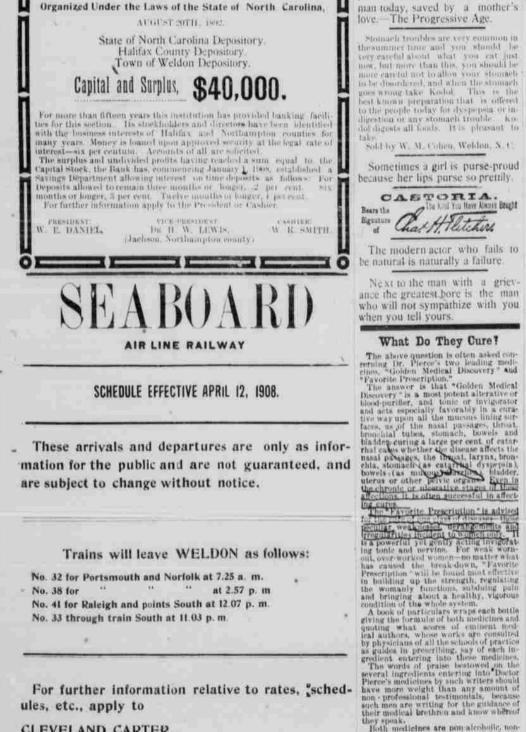
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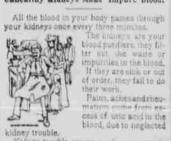
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