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The Chatham Record.

Love's Seasons.
Springtime love is like the flowers,
Born to blossom and to die.
Smiling through a few sweet hours:
Ah, tell me why!

A Duel in a Balloon.

M. Godard had taken with him one day, as his escapade de voyage, a wealthy gentleman, who paid one thousand francs for the privilege of sharing the perils of the expedition.
The weather could not have been more propitious, and the balloon shot up rapidly to a considerable altitude.

low me to put this cord around your body, so that you may remain attached to the balloon.
'Be it so,' said the man, who appeared to comprehend the utility of the precaution.
Furnished with his cord of safety, the man commenced to climb among the ropes with the agility of a squirrel.

Louisiana's Richest Colored Man.
The richest colored man in the United States probably is Toussaint Lafon, a descendant of creole descent—that is to say of French Louisiana blood.
I suppose, says a writer in the Chicago Times, and it originally meant person of pure French or Spanish blood, but born in one of the colonies.
Extended gradually by use, it has come to mean any native of Louisiana, and one even hears occasionally of creole cattle and creole oranges.

CHILDREN'S COLUMN.
A Little Seamstress.
She sat in her little rocking chair, a slinging and twirling her thumbs;
'Oh, everything for my doll is done, and never to mending come!
I haven't a morsel of sewing—Dear Mother, in all the town,
Can't you find me one doll, no matter how small,
Who will wear out her gown?'
—Mary K. Wilkins in St. Nicholas.

COUNTERFEIT COIN.
How the Spurious Money is Made in New York.
Davison for Passing it Unchecked by Italians, Who Are the Principal Offenders.
Counterfeiting United States coins and bills is said to be carried on now as much as formerly, but there have been many changes in its methods and the manner of getting rid of the 'spoor' when made.

The Sardine Industry.
The sardine industry has been for the last forty or fifty years one of the most important of the west of France, furnishing employment to a large fleet of fishing vessels and supporting many thousand fishermen and their families.
Sixty years ago it was at its best, and the fish were so numerous during the season that it was found necessary to employ the regular fishermen with fishnets from the nearby fishing portions of Brittany.

Humorous.
A dead man, Mourn.
A sound conclusion—A dying orator.
A sinking circumstance—a base ball hit.
A leading man—A policeman with a position.