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A Small, Sweet Way. There's never a rose in all the world But makes some green spray sweeter; But makes some bird wing fleeter; There's never a star but brings to heaven Some silver radiance tender; And never a rosy cloud but helps To crown the sunset splendor:

His dawnlight gladness voicing. God gives us all some small, sweet way

PLAYED AND LOST.

A slight, pulc-faced girl sat silently toying with a piece of needlework on the low porch of her mother's house; a handsome young man lay stretched at her feet. On the lawn another young couple were engaged in a game of croquet. The sun's last gleam lighted up Grace Musson's face with a halo of beauty, and Bernard Norton looked at her with undisguised admir-

"There is nothing so lovely as a lovely woman," he said aloud.

The pale cheek of Carice Barton flushed as she quickly glanced at the speaker. It was the third time within the hour that he had referred to her consin Grace's beauty.

'dirace is indeed lovely," she said. "I would give half my life to be as beautiful.

"And I would give half my fortune to have you so."

No sooner were the words uttered than Norton would have given much to recall there; but he had spoken unthinkingly. Clarice shrank as though she had been struck, arose quickly and went fito the house.

"I am in a pretty fix now!" Norton muttered, as he arose and walked across the lawn. "That was a nice speech for a fellow to make to the girl be expects to marry I And Clarice is as proud as Lucifer-highstrung as sho is plain, and that is saying a great deat, by Jove! I never noticed her Inck of beauty so much before Grace came. A pity one can't find all things combined in one woman! Womler if I ought to apologize? Oh, well, I'm going away in ten days and she'll forgive and forget. Absence makes the heart softer. And with this consoling thought he strolled on to jan Grace Manson, whose companion was just taking his loave.

Grace was like a delicate flower sparkling with the dew of merning. She had soft blue eyes, an exquisite complexion and golden hair. Altegether she made a picture of rare beauty and it was no wonder Bernard Norton found pleasure in merely looking at her.

That evening Clarice did not appear in the drawing-room, and Norton was free to devote himself to her lovely Mrs. Barton observed his conduct with displeasure; from the first she had not approved of her daughter's enitor, and wondered what attraction the careless, frivolous young man held for her sousible Ciarice.

Next morning a note was handed Norton. Its contents filled him with mingled annoyance and relief.

"When you receive this," Clarice wie o, "I shall have gone to my aunt for a time. You do not love me, Bernard, and it is best for our engagement to end. B) happy in your own where I remained most of the time,

That was all, and Bernard's selfesteem was scriously wounded by the epistle. But he consoled himself with the thought that he was now free to end of the month made a formal them. He arose to his feet-

met," he said. "Charice saw this and an hour. Really"—
generously set me free." And Grace,
What he would be who had become very much enamored of her handsome suitor, gave him the answer he craved.

Two weeks later Mrs. Barton and Clarice were on their way to Europe, ghost of her former self. Three years and Bernard was trying to submit to the stern decree of Grace's father.

O'Yes, sir, you can marry my daughter," Mr. Manson had said, "if you love her well enough to wait three Clarice for a sa ment she seemed utyears. I am opposed to early marrisges. No girl is fit for wedlock be- in. fore she is twenty-one, and twentyfive is still better."

man," and he did not improve in

Grace was an acknowledged belle every hour. and for a time he was pleased at her gueresa. But there was a secret hit- each other," she said. "It will be termess underlying his pleasure, for pleasure to compare notes of travel." he saw little of his betrathed except In society's whiripool. There would self of this opportunity, and for two be no change in this state of affairs bright, brief weeks he walked, talked, mell their time of probation coded, drove and chatted with the charming and feeling in a falle position, he conservation he had once a ightest, didn't," Freddy replied. - [Judge.

cluded to spend the remaining year in What a blind fool he had been! it

When he bade Grace good-bye be of dissipation had left their mark upon her delicate beauty.

"Ba careful, Grace," he said. "Keep ome of your roses for me until I claim you."

He said nothing of her fidelity; he was only afraid she might lose the beauty he worshipped.

Grace was sorry to lose her lover; she felt desolate for a whole day and cried herself to sleep the first night. But Bernard wrote her charming letters of travel and she soon forgot her grief. She sent him in return the briefest of notes, for the charming Grace did not excel as a correspondent. But one glance at the porcelain picture he carried consoled him

"A fellow can endure weak, insipli letters," he thought, "better than the sight of a plain face across his table three times a day."

Bernard loitered here and therethen made his way slowly back. He was in no haste to reach Chicago until | take me back again!" a few weeks before the time appointed for his marriage, which was to take tion; but she stood coldly regarding place in early autumn. Occ morning in July he rang the bell of the Munson mausion and sent up his card to the ladies. There was a step on the stair, the trail of a garment and a woman entered-a woman of medium height, with a beautifully rounded figure and a face of dazzling brilliancy. She approached Bernard and coedially extended her hand.

··l came down to make your welome a little less inhospitable, Mr. Norton," she said. "My must and cousin are unfortunately at a concert; they were not aware of your return. You are quite well? I do not find you so much changed as I expected."

He looked at the charming speaker a mute wonder.

«I beg pardon-I-I"-he began. Her face was a ripple of smiles as

"Is it possible I am so changed that you do not know me? Have three years aged Clarice Barton so much?

For the first time in his life Bernard Norton lost his composure. He sank into a chair with an ejaculation of wonder.

"Unrice Barton!" he cried. "Why, it does not seem possible! When did you return?"

"Nearly two months ago," Miss Barton replied with her well-bred composure as she gracefully scated herse f. "My dear mother died in Rome last winter; Europe was unendurable after that, so I came back to

"But you are so changed!" Bernard murmured, after expressing regret at Miss Barton smiled sadly,

"The years change us all," she said; they leave their mark."

"Oh, it is not that?" he hastened to "You look not a day older than when I last saw you; but-pardon my boldness-you are wonder mly

Improved." "I am like my mother's people," way and be very sure I shall be in was very beneficial to me. I hope to return in the course of a few months."

They fell to talking of their travels and 12 o'clock struck before Norton thought they had been chatting twenty minu es. At that moment the hall woo the charming Grace, and at the door charged and steps came towards

"Impossible!" he said, looking at "I have leved you ever since we his watch. "I cannot have been here

> What he would have said remained unspoken, for Mrs. Munson and Grass appeared in the doorway. His betrothed was very becomely dressed, but so faded that she seemed like the of seciety had done their work. The check had lost its bloom, the nose was sharpened and the beautiful eyes lacked lastre. As she stood beside terly celipsed by her once plain cons-

The meeting of the lovers was constrained, and Bernard took his depart-It occurred to Bernard that he was ure, promising to call the next day, likely to spend the greater part of his which he dist. Grace informed him youth in the capacity of an "cagaged that he must wait patiently for two more weeks before he could see her often, as she had engagements for

"Put you and Clarice can console

Bernard was not slow to avail him-

was Chrice he loved-Clarice he had always loved. She was the boy's was struck with the fact that she fancy and the man's ideal. It was looked much older than she did at the this cultured, interesting woman who time of their engagement. Two years suited him and not the faded, frivolons Grace. He grew mad with pain and rage as he realized his position.

He walked into the parlor one afternoon, where Clarice was playing softly.

"Do not let me disturb you," he said, as she half rose from the piane. "I am in a mood to have my savage soul soothed by music. Are the ladies

"I think so," answered Clarice. " have just returned from my walk and have not seen them."

She played on softly, her dark, dreamy eyes fixed on space. Bernard looked at her with a brooding passion. Suddenly he crossed over to where she sat.

"Clarice," he cried, "my own Clarice, I cannot be longer silent! I love vou-I have always loved you. Years ngo you cast me off for a foolish whim and I tried to content myself by forming other ties. I know now that I have never forgotten you. Carice,

His voice was trembling with emohim and her voice was very hard as she said:

"Mr. Norton, I cannot excuse this behavior. I loved you once very dearly, but you made no ashamed of that love and I cast it out. I have for three years thought of you as my consin's betrothed, almost her husband, and you insult both her and me by your conduct. I supposed you knew that I am to be married as soon as my term of mourning expires. Allow me to pass."

She swept by him like a queen. The alcove curtains parted and Grace stood before him.

"I have heard all," she said. "Go, and never let me see your face again." She dropped the shining solitaire which she had worn so long into his hand and pointed towards the door. he regarded him, waiting for him to With bowed head he left har presence and went down the marble steps for the last time. He had played for each in turn and lost both.

To the virtues of sailron whole volnmes have been devoted, references to some of the more important of which are given in Canon Ellacom o's "Plant Lore and Garden Craft of Shakespeare," where there is a long article on the subject. The plant was chiefly used for diseases of the lungs, whence came its title of Aulma polmonum; for assisting the cruption of measles, small pox, etc., (in measles it is still occasionally prescribed:) as a cardiac and general stimulent, and as digestive and strengthener of the stomach. To his last (supposed) virtue its use in "meats" is due. Lyte says that so taken it "comforteth the stomach, and causeth good digestion, and sodden in wine it preserveth from drunkenness." It was also used as a love philtre, and it still enters largely into some pop dar receipts for "mak-

The most extravagant notions of its powers were formerly held, and some Clarice answered quietty. "They all old writers went so far as to term it mature late; and the climate of Italy, the king of vegetables. Even so late as the middle of the last century it held a prominent place in our official dispensatories, but it has now come to be used only as a coloring and flavoring agent, being medicinally almost inert, its property (such as it is) being mildly stimulative. The medical council has recently had under discussion the propriety of omitting it altogether from the next edition of the British Pharmacopecia as a useless and expensive drug-[Notes and Queries.

Duelling on Bicycles.

Duelling on cycles is reported to be a new diversion in Spain. Two members of the blerele club of Granada recently met in a knife duel, which is probably the first duel ever fought on wheels. Accompanied by their sergeants they wheeled out some distance on the road to Malaga, to a secluded spot. There posted 700 feet spart, at a sign they wheeled for each other, each directing his wheel with the left hand and brandishing in the right that terrible knife of Spain, "navaja." At the first clash Percz pierced the left arm of Moreno, but at the third encounter Moreno thrust his knife into Perez's right breast. In a few minutes the laster died of internal hemorrhage. - [New York Journal.

They Would Drop.

. Why do the birds in their little nests agree?" asked the pretty schoolma'am of Freddy Fangle, /

"Cause they'd fall out if they

CHILDREN'S COLUMN.

THE STREAMERT'S SONO. What do you think, One summer day, Lainge heard

The streamlet say? "Hat bot bat bat Lough and play !" La'age heard

The streamlet say. Over the stones. In shadow and aun, Lulage saw The streamlet run :

And, running, it seemed To laugh and say : "Lough, little Lalage, Lough and play

Whether Mamma knows If all little girls

Laugh and play." - D. A. Mackellar, in Independent.

AN ULUPHANT'S HEVENGE. Elephants have so much sympathy with deprayed human nature as to think, with Byron, "sweet is revenge." An ancedote of an elephant's revenge, ranslated from the French, is pubished in the Christian Union. Upon one of the plantations was an English everseer named Bennett, an exceedingly cross and disagreeable man, who was employed by the master because of his great capability in directing affairs. Upon the plantation was an elephant named Deurga, that Bennett greatly disliked, and upon whom he often played mean tricks. His curployer, after reproving him several times for his unkindness to the animal, warned him that if he carried his tricks too far, Donega would pay him back with interest. Finally time came when Dourga's patience was tried beyond endurance. He was in the labit of receiving every morning from his driver a large corn cake covered with molasses, of which he was very fond. One morning, as this cake was being carried to him on a bambso hurdle, Bennett, who was passing with a jot of red pimento, threw it upon the cake, and then stopped to watch and mimic the grimaces made by the elephant when he swallowed it. The result was easy to see. The poor animal, his mouth on tire, passed the day in a marsh trying to calm the thirst that was deyouring him, and to appeare the inflammation produced by the fiery dose he had swallowed. When evening came, the hour when Bennett brought the coolies from work, the elephant pounced upon him, picked him up with his trunk and pitched him headlong into a large reservoir or pond of water which was thirty or forty feet deep. Bennett, who knew how to swim, quickly swam to the edge. Dourga allowed him to climb up the bank, when he picked him up again as if he had been a wisp of straw, and threw him back in the water. This was repeated as many times as Bennett attempted to escape, until he was compelled to remain in the water, keeping his head up as well as he The affair would have with sure downing for Bennett if one of the coolies had not come to his resear, and during the month of March. forced Dourga away. The moor elephant never forgot the injury done him, and rarely allowed an opportunity to escape to still further avenge. They are instantly surrounded by a himself upon the overseer. Sometimes he would throw a paw full of sand slap in Bennett's face; again it would be a spout of water thrown

An Indian's Last Hunt.

over him; at another time he would

which he would get out scarcely

alive, so scratched would be be. It

would be impossible to correct Dourga

nett was obliged to leave the planta-

tion, which was not large enough for

him and Dourga together, and his em-

ployer valued the elephant more than

he did his overseer.

Postmaster Peacock tells its that a son of Imlian Billy Jewel, better known as Billy Key West, a young man twenty-one years old, met his death in a singular manner white hunting last week in the India hunting grounds in Dade County. Billy, who is a good hunter, went out and shot a large buck. Thinking him dead he stooped down on coming up to him to cut his throat. The buck in his last agonies made for him and drove his horns into the abdomen of the Indian, ripping him open. After three days, Billy not returning, a party was made up. and, attracted by the buzzards, both hunter and hunted were found dead together-the Indian still impaled on the horns of the buck .- [Key West (Fin.) Equator.

SEAWEED HARVEST.

Where French Peasants Get a Precious Fertilizer.

Each Year They Meet to Reap the Briny Reefs.

The seaweed barvest along the northern coast of France is an important occasion to the agriculturists of that region. This precious fertilizer is protected rigidly by the government, and any one who is found guilty of gathering any of it before the legal permission to harvest it has gone forth, is liable to be severely

The harvest lasts but one week, and is always proclaimed by the townerier in the public squares and in front of the churches after the celebration of High Mass on the Sunday preceding the highest surrug tide of the year, which generally occurs in March.

Eurly on the morning of the appointed day the whole populace, from the peasant possessor of half an acre, with no other help than that of his own family, to the wealthy farmer | was so cute;" but one day when the off the train?" heading his large band of hired help, neat old lady had finished watering tuen out armed with short, sharp her wind-w-plants, the nonpareil saw

As soon as the receding water permits, all fall diligently to work. Soon every rock and ledge is shaven of its brown, slimy flence and left as bare as

the back of a shorn sheen. Then preparations are made for an attack on the reefs, so numerous along the southern coast of the English Channel. Everything that will float is pressed into service. Huge rafts, roughly put together, are constructed, and next morning, with the current of the obbing tide in their favor, are towed by the people in the boats eight or ten miles out from the coast.

Low water leaves them strauded on the reefs and all hands make the most of their time, laughing and singing as had very little sympachy with my a serious one that I hope you have they work, for the seaweed harvest is method of making him comfortable, considered well." Mabel-Oh, dear, niways builed with joy by all classes of the peasantry, particularly by the young people, who get almost as much fun as labor out of the expeditions to

Yet the work is hard and extremely trying, even to the most robust constitution. The worker kneels on the member what a talk there was a while dripping weed, grasps a handful in the left hand and with the sickle in the right, cuts it off close to the reck ion mammiles. Their structure was and places it in a bag. As soon as like that of pearls, each one being an one has cut as much as he can carry, the sack is taken on the back to the raft, upon which it is received by men with pitchforks, stacked and scenrely

In a little time all employed are wet to the skin. But they pay no attention to their discomfort and work gaily on until the rising tide compels them to desist from the work of harvesting, and gently lifts the stran led rafts and boats on its shining surface. As soon as they are well affort the start is made for the shere.

Towing along the heavily loaded rafts is tedious work, and the progress is slow. The wet barvesters are soon chilled to the bone by the keen east wind which prevails in this latitude

rafts and their spoils of seawee | high | Star. and dry on the smooth white beach. crowd of noisy, eager people and all descriptions of vehicles-wheelbarrows with a woman between the handles and a boy harnessed by a rope in the front; dilapidated donkeyhe pitched into a cactus bush, from carry drawn by decrenit old donkeys; or heavy two-wheeled wagons drawn by four, or often six, of the sixeldapple-gray horses of the country, and make him behave. The up-hot harnessed in a long line one before of the whole affair was was that Ben-

All work together, hauling the weed to the fields already prepared to receive it and the spring crop of bacley and patatoes. That it may be success fully used as a fertilizer, the seawcoll must be got into the ground as soon as possible after it leaves its native eiement.

So much hardship is always undergone during the snawced harvest that its close is always marked by a large increase in the cases of pneumonia and severe branchial disorders, which often terminate fatally. However, these facts never affect the popularity of the occasion. Every succeeding year the proclamation of the otiosmenrie" is welcomed with equal enthusiasm and the passenger lists of the grazy old boots are just us well filled as if there was nothing but pleasure in store for their merry crews. - (Youth's Companion,

It is claimed that the largest floating is 381 feet long and 123 feet wide.

A Troublesome Model.

Not long ago I had a nonparelt or epainted finch," a South American bird, from which I was making a drawing. He was a bright little bird, but certainly was not a good model.

I caught him at work one day, "touching up" a drawing I had just finished. It happened in this way: I was called out from the studio to seak to a caller, and during my short absence my feathered friend-who seemed to be a meddlesome fellowpunged into the bowl of painting water to take a bath.

With wings and tail he vigorously sprayed the colored Equid all over the drawing, and before long had changed my picture-a painting of birds-to That comes to her here from a power above: omething more nearly resembling a fireworks display on the 4th of July.

When I came back to the studio he was putting on the finishing-tonehes; but as soon as he enught sight of me he flew out of my reach. I will not attempt to describe to you

my feelings at that time; but I will to learn. emply say that within a few days after this event I presented the feathered model to a delightful old lady who is food of birds and flowers. She thought him "a levely bird-he an opportunity to show her how "cure" he could be. He proceeded to take a bath in the muddy water and spatter it over the clean, white cur-

taste. In fact, whenever and wherever a chance offered he would bathe. If business, the faucet were left running he would get under it and almost drown him- ing nor giving in marriage," quoted self. I have seen him on a cold win. Miss Waliflower. "How heavenly!" ter's day bathe and bathe again, until exclaimed Mr. Larimer, who is a he was so thoroughly chilled that I feared he would die.

On these occasions I would take him in my hands and hold him by the heater until he was warm and dry; but I have always suspected that he and he plainly showed that he much yes, mustic, I have worried myself preferred the "water care" to this drying process, \_ [St. Nicholas,

Necklaces of Mammies' Eyes.

Speaking of things that are not ago about necklaces and other ornaments composed of the eves of Peruvaggregation of successive enveloping layers; their color was from golden yellow to golden brouze, and they were found to be susceptible of a very beautiful polish. As a matter of fact, however, they are merely the crystalline lenses of the eyes of large squids or cuttle fish. In the rainless reigon whenes they were obtained, the e-space of the dead were dried in a sitting posture on the salty sands and nitro beds, often thousands in one place. Being thus exposed to the pul-He gaze, cuttle fish eyes were placed Sometimes the colors in these remark-

elevator "C" saw a fight between a crab and a rat the other day. The rat when a crab exposit him by the head, A ti-ree tug followed, the rat apparaently laving the better of it for a while as he could steady himself by his foothold. The crab used his and charned the water about him. The rails power of enturance finally gave way, and he fell overboard, but he still did his best to release himself. He struggled hard, but the crab held on mutil the rat was drowned, but was so exhausted by the fight that when the rat floated to the surface, the crais swam away. - (Baltimore Son,

Pets for the Young Folks,

Children naturally take to pets, and If given a charge of small ammais a taste for stock raising may be developed at an early age. Of course they must be instructed how to feed and manage at first, and after that they will take pleasure in the work and be on the watch for improvements. A man who gives no thought to his children except to get work out of them will not be apt to keep them on the farm of er they become of age. -I New York Observer.

The new German army tent is divisible into two portions, each of which dock in the world is at Bermuda. It can be converted into an overcoat in case of rain.

My Saint. ify saint is a soint that few may know

In all that she does for us sinners below. the is fair as faithful and faithful as fair, With a bale encircling ner beautiful hairthe is full of wiles and moods as an elf, And yet is the spirit of truth itself. And well for him who his burden can bear in the light of the halo about her hair.

Her face is a mirror where men may read The truth that inspires her, thought and Her life is a life of devotion and care. And the has a halo about her buir Her care is for others and not for herself,

And naught she rocks of profit or petf,

ugh fof her that her goal is v

And she knows not her halo is bright as a All things she does from the splendid love And I who adore her can hardly dare To look at the halo about her bair.

- [W. H. Proctor, in Longman

BUMOROUS.

The man who knows it all has lots

A fat butcher should be an anomaly,

for he is perpetually taking off flesh. "It appears in railroad accidents the first and last cars are always the ones injured." "Why not leave them

A quarter of an inch difference in the width of one's shoes may turn an open-hearted philanthropist into a cranky and self-centred possimist.

Jennnette-Does Miss Boardmanget her levely complexion from her father This was a bit of fun just to his or her mother? Gladys (sweetly)-From her father. He's in the drug "In heaven there is neither marry-

confirmed old bachelor.

She may have a little of this world's pelf, And that's when she has a day to herself

To go out prizing things. "Mabel, this question of marriage is sick already about my trousseau.

Young Wife-What do you think of my pie-crust, Jack? Juck (who doesn't wish to be as severe as the case warrants) -Very nice, my darwhat they pretend to be, you may re- ling; but didn't you get the shortening in lengthwise.

At a small town in Kent a gentleman employed a carpenter to put up a partition, and had it filled with sawdust to deaden the sound. When it was completed the gentleman called from one side to the carpenter on the other. "Smith, can you hear me?" Smith immediately answered: "No,

Skinning an Owl.

Walter E. Bryant gave an object lesson before the California Zoological Club the other afternoon at the Academy of Sciences, on the process of making bird skins for scientific purposes. Mr. Bryant is one of the curators of the maintal and birds secin the orbless sockets of the mammies tion of the scadeng. His audience to render their appearance more atteac- was very largely made up of young rive. For this purpose, each spherical people of both sexes, who came in lens was cut into two hemispheres. with their schoolbooks. The lesson was illustrated by diagrams on a able bodies are in alternate bands, like blackboard. Mr. Payant came forward with a very dry owl on which to operate. He cut into its breast and ran an incision in the direction of the tall feathers, deftly comoved the body from the feathers, skinned the throat and neck, climinated some of the wing hones and dug out the eyes. went down a stringer to get a drink He substituted cotting for the parts removed, and showed how the shell was sewed up and poisoned with arwrap up a specimen to be dried and how to label the same. The name of method of propulsion with energy, the bird, the date when and place where it was found, its sex and age and also the name of the collector, me written on the I diel. Symbols are used to denote the sex, the astronomical sign for Venus signifying the female and Mars the male. -[San Mennelisca Calle

> Spider Thread for Telescopes, The ingenious astronomer captures

a common garden spider and places him on the end of a twig. Then he startles the spater, who immediately drops toward the ground, throwing out a web as he goes. The astronomer, when the spider has got a little way down, produces a double wire, on which he begins to twist the thread. The spider continues spinning. and the astronomer goes on twisting the thread, and, when he requires it, unwinds it from the wire as he would cotton twist. British astronomers, it may be added, eavy their confreres In Australia, for there is a spider which spins a thread of three cords; the British spider's thread contains five cords and is appreciably thicker.