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Love's Aftermath.

Not here, but there, Not near nor far; No night-time then, No moon nor star— No meeting smile to turn to— No breathing luller wait— Good-bye!

THE ARTIST'S COTTAGE.

BY HENRY S. BROOKS.

I have lived all my life in seaport a little town on our north coast. Father was a clergyman, pastor of the First Congregational Church.

There were three of us children, my sister Phoebe and I and Edmund, our brother. I was the oldest, Edmund, or Ned, as everybody called him, the youngest.

We never could understand why Edmund, with all his college education, never could find profitable occupation, but it is certain that he never did.

I can scarcely remember when it was that we girls first took seriously to painting. We were, both of us, somewhat gifted that way.

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Biggest of Sea Lions.

"Ben Butler" is dead. That magnificent specimen of the sea lion who for forty years has been one of the attractions at the Cliff House, floated in with the tide recently.

The men were deeply affected by the scene and stood in silence for several minutes. Then they prepared for his removal to the shore, a task that was by no means an easy one.

Several months ago the Board of Inspection and Survey of the Navy Department was directed to make an investigation with a view of obtaining some practicable substitute for wood in fitting naval vessels.

Edmund returned about two years ago, his dreams of fortune faded, but he still the same dear bright eye.

A French paper tells of a man who ought to be set down as the meanest man of his time. His name is Rapineau, and he is the happy father of three children.

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The commonly called Rainy Tree of the Canaries, which affords a regular supply of water to an island destitute of that blessing, is a wonderful instance of nature's wise provision for man's necessities.

My little spruces became inmates of my den, and afforded me much amusement in watching their little lifelike ways.

Our little kitten, about five inches in length, held in check one morning recently the downtown traffic over the City and Suburban Railroad.

The passenger enjoyed the joke at first, but when it seemed that the kitten did not intend to come out, those in a hurry to begin the day's toil became impatient.

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Humorous.

An arm of the sea—The endless. We can hardly believe that many friends of heart failure when they read their wills.

Together—Which letter is the next one to the letter H? Boy—Dunno, ma'am, Together—What have I on both sides of my nose? Boy—Freckles, ma'am.

"What a perfect poem the count's riel will be!" Debit—"Yes, the count is the only man I know of who can really poetry say him thirty thousand a year."

Charlie—What makes you look so gloom, Harry? Harry—Maud Swindson has thrown me over. Charles—Oh, Harry's right; that woman never lets where she means to when she throws.

Brown—You look over you had the blues, Robinson—So I have. I've lost my beautiful new silk umbrella. "Where did you leave it?" "I didn't leave it anywhere. The owner met me on the street and took it away from me."

Long Life of Wood. The durability of wood timber is something remarkable. Recently, an article in the Virginia paper, one of the pulp supporting the bridge built across the Danube by the Emperor

Where Nicotine Came From. The name nicotine is a reminder of John Nicot, a French nobleman and Ambassador to Portugal. In 1560 he sent a quantity of tobacco seeds from Lisbon to Paris, stating that they were the seeds of a valuable medicinal plant that was just then highly appreciated in Portugal, into which country it had been introduced from America, forty years before.—Figaro.