BY GRACE GREENWOOD.

On a Christmas night, some fifty or sixty years ogo, there was gathered about land kitchen a happy family circle, convisting of a well-to do farmer who was also a magistrate-known far and wide as "Squire Percival" - his comely wife, two for daughters, a nicee, and last but not not feast, a son, just home from Yale for the holiday.

The night without was seasonably cold. and brilliant with moonlight and starlight. The large stone farm house stoop on the brow of a hill, behind a protect ing line of tall pine trees-the only green in the wide valley beneath were heavily blanketed with snow.

The early part of the evening had passed merrily with games, jest and song. But for an hour or two the conversation had taken a drift into the realm of the supernatural. One ghost story had succeeded to another, till, as the "witching hour of midnight" aproached, and the fire burned low, the circle instinctively drew closer, with thalls and shudders of strange spiritual dread, which is yet akin to the keenest and awesome joy, an exquisite terror. The solemn soughing of the winds among the pine, heard in the pauses of ghostly recitals, added its wondrous, weird effect to theme.

Just as young John Percival had concluded a wild German legend, which he along. declared "splendid stuff for dreams," the forward, leaving toward the shore, seek- seem determined to keep the world astir sale. Price, single copies by mail 10 cents, 3 ontside door was heard to open suddenly. All looked round, more or less fearfully, to see standing on the threshold the slight form of a fair young woman, clad and cold, and luminous, like incarnated

moonlight. her arms were drooping wearily. Masses of fair hair fell over her shoulders. but her eyes were dark and with a melanecholy stare. Her lips were slightly parted and almost colorless. She came Into the circle about the hearth, and there paused, standing utterly motionless-a beautiful, appaling figure.

For a moment, all the startled group remained as silent as that scrange visitor -then one young girl caught her breath in a hysterical scream, which was instantly answered by a cry from the pale lips of the "woman in white," into whose eyes rushed a wild keen light. She gazed alout ber is terror and bewilderment, then glanced down upon berself, sunk cowering upon the floor, covering Ler face with her hands and giving way to a childish paroxysm of weeping.

The farmer's wife, a woman of rare rense and presence of mind, at once divined the truth.

walker! he said -"She must be half dead with the cold!

Girls bring some wrappings!" seene, and the kind mother, daughters and neice, devoted themselves to their be wildered charge, who still wept and sobbed under their kind ministrations, but declared that she felt no pain, though her delicate feet were actually bleeding from her long walk up the icy hillside and over

the crust of snow. After having been tenderly put to bed, however, she became sufficiently composed to reply to the few questions put to her. She said she was Lucy Ellet, the neice of the village physician-that she had lately been taken from school, on account of her nervousness, and sent to him for medical treatment, but that homesickness and loneliness had made her worse. She had occasionally walked in her sleep before, but only about the house and grounds at home, and no summer moon-

light nights. "I think the moon bewitches me," she said, smiling through her tears. That night she had before going to bed, looked across the little valley to the pleasant house on the hill, watched the cheerful stranegr to all.

and that was all she knew of her mystegious midnight tramp over the snow and stones and ice. Not a memory, not a his horse; sometimes the carman with his when she found herself standing on the cart; all sink beneath the sand. This is hearth, in her right dress, with so many the earth drownding a man! The earth

wondering eyes fixed upon her. What can you think of me now ?" she snare. It offers itself a plain, and opens scatters our path with sand and ashes, it monned.

"Never mind what we think of you poor child," said good motherly Mrs.

vous chock of the night before, and by does on Saturday. A sense of labor done, the advice of her uncle, who had been of duty discharged, hallows the feeling summoned, consented to remain with her that comes over him, and he is ready to

new friends a few days. Young John Percival was hospitably doxology following the labors of the kind to the invalid guest, not seeming to weary week. perceive that she shrank from his attentions, in a sensitive, disquieted way. Yet when his eye was not on her, she was observed to study his face with a peculiar inquiring expression. She could not remember having seen that face at the fearful mement of her awakening, and she hoped he had not been a witness of that walking trance, which she regarded with

absolute horror. Facility, on the last day of her visit, finding lideself alone with him for a moment, under a desperace impulse, she liars shall have their portion in the lake nent, under a described me that night that small have the with fire and brimstone,"

Rev. 21: 8.) He was toughed by the tremble in the voice and the wistful look in the dark gyes; but he answered honestly: "I can When you have shut your door, never Lat dear that I did see you."

"Thought! why, I thought if ghosts light to see what you are doing.

would always come in such shapes, I would never fear them more."

The shy suile and rosy blush that his playful answer called forth seemed first to reveal to the young collegian the pale fixed vision of the night as a lovely walking ficsh and blood reality.

I never heard of Lucy Ellet "revisiting the glimpses of the moon" as a somon another Christmas night she stood on the hearth of the old farm house, dressed all in white, in the midst of the same the wide fireplace of a large New Eng- family circle, and that she gazed about her and said, I am afraid I am walking in my sleep again," and that she then put up her hands in a pretty deprecating way, and have as much clean water as they will added: "But if I am, John, don't wake drink. After they are killed let them

BURIED IN THE QUICKSAND.

BY VICTOR HIGO.

of Britain or Scotland, that a man a tray- quality of brown sugar, or molasses .perceives that for sevial minutes he has result replacing it when melted off. After 60 is like pitch under his feet. The soles the green ham weighed, it may be safely 80 of his feet cling to it; it is no more like taken out and washed clean in warm sand, it like glue. The coast is perfect- water and while wet sprinkle the flight suon as he has raised his feet, the print jury from vermin. Shoulders sides and 20 that it leaves is filled with water. The joles require much less time salt, being 30 eye, perceives no other change; the im- thinner. After hanging up it is not ne- 48 mense expanse is smooth and tranquil; cessary to commence smoking for 9 or 55 all the sand has the same aspect; nothing more weeks, and only 3 or 4 then in win- 67 distinguishes the sand which is solid ter; 2 a wee sin spring; and ore occafrom that which is not; the little joyous signally through summer to keep the fat crowd of sea paserous continue to leap white and free of rancidity.-Hillsboro tumultuously upon his feet as he passes Recorder.

ing to approach the upland. He is not with rumors of "coming" events. The uneasy. Why should be be? Only the latest and most gigantic thing out is emfeels as though the heaviness of his feet bodied in the following, taken from an all in white, and looking strangely pure Suddenly he sinks. He sinks two or "The sun's atmosphere, says scientific forward. Her feet were quite bare, and logs. His feet have disappeared. The further and further from the solar sphere, copies by mail 25c., one dozen by mail 60c.; sand covers them. He lifts his feet from the | und it is now stretching out forty-five | price in store, half gross; per hundred \$4,50, sand He wishes to turn back; he turns, millions of miles. In the other words, per gross \$6. he sinks deeply; the sand comes to his it has accomplished half the distance benizes, with an indescribable terror, that he the rest of the distance and bridges the is involved in quick-sand, and that under gizantic chasm between the earth and \$4 50; per gross \$6. him the frightful element in which man and sun? Is it a mersenger sent out to cannot walk, and fish cannot swim. He snotch us up as f od for the insatiate throws down his burden, it he has one; monster that keeps himself warm by dehe lightens himself like a ship in distress. Vouring planets and whose fire-eating pro-It is already too late; the sand is above pensities this whole earth would satisfy

and more. If the coast is de erted a gigantic lump of coal for a roaring fur- sclaims against the estate must present them if the solid ground is too far distant, if nace. This column of light at intervals by the first of November 1870, or this notice there are no heroes within call, it is fin- corruscating with fresh brilliancy. So one indebted to the estate are requested to Highest Market Rates, ished, he is condemned to burial. He is decided are its effects that two astrono- make early settlement. sentenged to this frightful interment; mers, one at London, the other at Oxford, long, infallible, implacable, impossible to and neither knowing the experiences of retard or to hasten; which lasts for the other, supposed that the dark glass of hours; which, to every effort that you their telescopes had been broken or put atter, drags you a little lower, which out of range, so strong was the flish of mer and son discreetly vanished from the punishes you for your resistance by a region light upon the vison. It is predicts a doubled embrace; which slowly draws od that before the end of the next year the man into the earth, allowing him all this magnetic light will have got near the time to look upon the horison, the enough to us to make its immediate and trees, the green fields, the smoke of the actual influence upon the earth distinctly villages on the plain, the sails of the ves- felt. It is announced that in consesels on the sea, the birds that fly and quence we may expect to see phenomenas sing, the sea, the sky.

able undertaker. The miserable person next year, they may have an entire new tries to sit down, to crawl; every move- line of experience to explain and exdure. sinks; he feels himself engulfed; he and rough, rade autumn of to-day, may shouts, implores, cries to the clouds, seem like a June marning in paradise, wrings his hands. There he is in the and the earthquake's shock and lightsand to his waist; the sand reaches his ning's storm a placid rocking in the crachest. He raises his hands, makes furious dle with a pleasant billaby' gestures, crisps his nails on the sand, wishes to grasp at that straw, leans on from this soft inclosure, sobs frantically. step by step, so is there a law of continuity, Christmas lights greaming through the than the cheertal mouth; silence. His eyes are still open; is more rapid than that of evil, unless it the sand close them tight. Then the fore- he checked; no growth more certain .pine trees, and longed to be one of the head melts away; a little flying hair is He who is in for a penny, to take another happy party there, though she was a still seen above surface; a hand, still out, expression belonging to the same family, She had cried herself to sleep, she said, pierces, the level sand, moves, trembles, if he does not resolutely fly, will find he and cried herself to sleep, she said, and disappears. Sad effacement of a is in for pound

man! Sometimes the horseman is buried with penetrated with the ocean becomes a

Percival, "we love you already, as just has been laid for the week; the last firmed drunkard, in that neither of them drink this nice ginger tea, and go to stroke of the hammer has sounded; the last blast of the forge and last ring of the The "poor child" got a little natural anvil have been heard; the last shrick of eleep, and in the morning appeared some the planer and last clatter of the loom what less ghostly than the apparition of have rung upon the air: the last type has Christmas night. But she was still very rattled in the "stick," the press has clang pale with a playfully shy, grieved look off the last "morning edition," and rest She was suffering less than was expected begins. Man, tired and worn, never feels from the exposure, but more from the ner at any other time of the week like he understand that Saturday night is a

> DYING .- It is reorded in history that a certain philosopher of ancient times was one day asked :

"Not to be believed," said he, "even when he tells the truth. Young readers, bear in mind the answer of WILL PRACTICK is the courts of Davida wise man, and at the same time rement. son, Forsythe, Guthord, Alamance and Eanher that he who is greater and wiser than | dolph counties;

say you are alone, for you are not alone. "() sir! what must you have thought?" God is within ; and He has no need of

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The man continues his route; goes The astronomors of the present day

for a few days only. If so, how long! He calls, he waves his hat or his hand | will this emissary he in reaching us, and that have never been seen or known beng person. Each minute is an inexor- let them remember that, by this time! ment buries him; he stands erect, he in comparison with which the fitful winter

EVIL -As there is a law of continuity, his elbows, wishes to withdraw himself whereby in ascending we can only mount The sand rizes, it attains his shoulders, whereby they who descend must sink it reaches his neck; his face only is vis- and that too with an ever increasing vel ible now. He cries, the sand fills his ocity. No propagation or multiplication

> Good HINT .- Providence has given no man ability to do every thing, that every man might do something.

The world is a sea of glass; affliction

There is said to be a great similarity SATURDAY NIGHT .- The last brick between a vain young lady and a concan get enough of the glass.

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