A GARDEN STORY.

The story began on a plece of ground, or perhaps I ought to say, in it, where there had been a flower garden for years and years, of the most old-fashioned sort. It always seemed in the spring as if nobody need touch it, as if all the flowers had come up and blossomed so many times that they might be left alone to look after themselves.

She would not have a man about that part of her small domain -not she! Old Mike O'Brien-had been a gardener to a. ford in his native connar, and might be trusted to take the whole care of her short rows of beans and forty hills of potatoes; but she never could let him loose among the flower beds-only once -when she had to spend a great deal of time with a sick sister, and gave him patterns of three kinds of weeds which he might pool; even then, scornful as he was of her directions, she found the top of one of her best lilies, and nearly all the sprouts of her favorite mist-plant lying with the pig-weed and rag-weed on the garden walk.

Sometimes she got very tired; but efter all it was very good for her to spend so much time out of doors, and fear. she had the prettiest sweet peas, and poppies, and marigolds, in town. It was new geranium, or some rare flower

seeds, as thesyears went by. The minister's wife had a very rich cousin near Boston, who lived in a fine place, and was mistress of a hot-house. Miss Dunning had once succeeded in making something bloom that the into flowering, and there had been more than one message and tribute pass to and fro. It was a great triumph, and Miss Dunning was asked to write her course of treetment for the gardener's benefit.

The only pain she ever had all summer in regard to her little garden, was har fear lest she should be indulging herself selfishly. She really did spend it, and had been caught, by the dencons. | housemates?

But, dear soul! she tried in many ways day. There was never a bride or a funeral in Littletown that did not depend, more or less, summer or winter, upon Miss Dunning's store of blossoms. This year she had added to her bene-

factions. She had sent her name to Boston as one kind soul who would give a little child her blessed country week. "No boys," Miss Ann had written in her plainest hand, with two or three underlinings, and if she had picked Boston all over she could not have found a little maid that was more -to her mind than

the one who fell to her share. She had said she would be ready any time after the first of June; and she was a little dismayed to be taked at her word. She wished that she could at least have got her weeding done; but the spring had been very late.

. On the first of June itself, she had gone to the depot to meet the unknown violen, and the little white house was pas in as agraful order for the reception formell Poppy MeAllister as if she had keen Queen Victoria horself.

Three ladies had read 'Miss Dunning's herself of the dear old-fashioned country-woman who had writlen the prim

"I can see just how neat and nice the in her garden. We must keep that place for a very deserving little person, 1 really should love to spend a week with Miss Ann Donning myself!"

"I believe I know just the right child, now," said one of the ladies. "I was at the Blank street hospital, yesterday, and one of the sisters spoke to me about a ckild for whom she evidently had a great affection; a little Scotch girl-at least her father and mother were from Scotland, originally. They had both died and an aunt took Peggy. The sisters sent for her so I could see her. The aunt and the child were brought to the hospital sick, early this spring, and the poor woman died, but Peggy remains behind. Sister Helen asked me if) eduldn't find somebody who would like to adopt her. She said she had been as dear and useful they should hardly know but she needs sun and air now, I never thought of the country week! Do let us She spoke as if she wer send her. Something may come of itse

would be benefactors, and I will see Sister Helen about it. If your Peggy comes back we will try to find her a

Poor, lonely little Peggy! She had be with a sigh of relief. gun to wonder what was going to be- Little the seedling poppies and martome of her and whether there was golds and petunias knew about their thy any place for her in such a big, fate, when they came crowding up to gether through the rich, hard soil of the they her aunt's housekeeping was, footpath that late spring; but this is and and Now, just as she had learned little Peggy McAllister? But she dreamed and shows there and to really love that night about carrying a flower put sister Helen and who nursed the the sunny hospital wards, to stand the sick people yes, and two cr three on the tables boside the bed or in the of the sick people themse. was she had windows, so that all the sick people found that she must go away, though no know how she could really carry so body knew exactly where. body knew exactly where. tried so hard to run errands quic. 'dy and to wait upon every one, since she felt better and had begun to miss h aunt a little less and not to ery about her quite so much. She was a silent, to kind little dressmaker laughed until grave little child and old for her years. She hoped if she were very good and gave no trouble that Sister Helen would foolist. het her stay. It was, indeed, a great tain; but, there! I don't know how I'm sorsow when she was told about the country week visit. They said it would ever going to let you go back again, only be a week, and yet Peggy cried you dear little thing!" she said to Peggy herself to sleep that night. She was to

go on Saturday, and theter Helen was if you like well for but to sply? and the street when she looked out of the felt as if she were going ye cry. home; they had brothers and stators, she that was all dear, Anylone, home her and had seen the poor child sitting her slone on a wide red went in the cars. about Miss Ann Dunning.

Only two beatmen men and Poggy Littletown station; but all the idlers in the village were there to look at them/ The brakeman, to whom Sister Helph had spoken about Peggy, helped her they bloomed well. But the happiest down the car steps very kindly into the day of all was when a long letter came middle of the awesome crowd/ Then Miss Dunning, who was waiting too, pushed her way eagerly forward to say:

"This must be the little girl that has come to make me a visit," and tired, bewildered Peggy looked up with brimming eyes into the homely, pleasant face, and said: "Yes, please," without a doubt or

"I liked her the minute I saw her," Miss Dunning whispered to everybody her one great luxury and pleasure, and the next day, going and coming from one friend after another found a chance | church with Peggy fast held by the bounds, for it occurs only once in a quinc HOSIETY E TOWELS. to give her a rare bulb, or a slip from a hand. "She's so handy and sensible I don't know as I ever shall send her and family relatives, intimate friends, back. She's got no folks. Come here and laborers on the estate. The house is from the hospital."

And again:

"You'd never take her to be a 9-yearold. 'She's forever, a-watchin' me to try and get what I want and save steps. She cousin's gardener had failed to persuade set the table as handy as could be last night, two hours after the come when I was busy cuttin' and bastin' for Miss Farley. You know she was called away to stay with her mother, and has ended up her school?"

After such a promising beginning we need not be surprised that arrangements were made for Peggy's further continuance. And here again were solitary set too much, according to her slender in families Miss Panning, the busy means, in this gratification. She knew | village dressmaker. Poggy, the lonely that there were other ways in which the | child who clung to the new friend with money might do more good, and if a. touble affection, because the little house contribution box passed her by in church | was in a way so much like the two after she had been buying a new rose or rooms in which she and her elderly a named geranium of high degree, she aunt had lived together. What could felt as guilty as if she had directly robbed have been more fitting than their being

Miss Dunning did not prosper this less to give as many people as possible a though money was not too plenty in a share in her joy, and the whole country village where there was a younger and village was the better for her beloved more fashionable person busy at her and the paternal system and influence of water at small expense. flower garden. Sick people and little trade, and almost every one of her custile aristocracy are as conspicuous as on Hotels and villages supplied posies; the pulpit in the old meeting them herself after good Miss Dunning house was adorned Sunday after Sun- had cut and basted them. But she had some good, generous friends, and at any rate never once thought about Peggy, as she did sometimes about the garden four and one-fourth days is the record of seeds, that she was ashamed to look the contribution box in the face. This brings me back again to the garden.

ing herself a most apt scholar under bly redeemed itself.-Chicago Herald, letter together in Boston, and had smiled | Miss Donning's instructions. She had at it a little. The "No Boys" had diverty seen the somewhat neglected hospital ed one of them particularly, and she in garden a few times before she left town, stantly began to make a little picture for and already knew the names of many

She looked up in unmistakable dismay when Miss Dunning spoke; but she went dutifully to the side of the doorstep and little house is, and I know what grows brought the hoe; then she stood still and looked down at the green bit of seedling

> "Hurry up, Peggy!" said brisk Miss Dunning. "It's getting dark, and we arn't near through with what I set myself to do to night."

"Do you want me to kill them all?" whispered Peggy. "Did you see that they weren't weeds. I could find nice little places over there by the fence." "Mercy me!" exclaimed Miss Dunning. with great amazemene. "We can't save every sprout in she garden. I do have

a feelin' for 'em sometimes, but we might just as well let 'em grow up into a wilderness at once." "They would all bloom and be flowers, wouldn't they? asked Peggy, timidly.

Perhaps the poor child felt as if she had been saved out of just such a crowd that how to do without her, but it is really nobody seemed to want. "I wish I could no place for her at the hospital. I thought she had a sweet, wise little face, but it is really put them in little boxes and take them thought she had a sweet, wise little face, but it is the house to floaten. They would grow, and be so pretty in the hospital." She spoke as if she were asking the

"This seems to be the very place," said the first speaker, amiling. They were used to Mrs. West's entirustastic descriptions of people, and to the sensible promptings of her warm heart.

"I am going through Blank street on my way home," said one of Pergy's would be hepefecture. "and I will see must go in, and you can help meaning must go in.

bread to rise before we go to bed. "Tis 8 o'clock now, if it's a minute!" And Peggy carried the hoe back again

and when they went to the what happened to them. Who ever withing had seemed strange shought of saving such lives but quaint would let her, when she waked up in the morning and thought about the dream. it took a good deal of courage to ask Miss Dunning at breakfast time, and

> Peg by felt that she must have been very "It's a reasonable dream enough, cer-

going to take her to the train; but Peggy's wondering face grow your for a could not bear to see children go by an importer then she dropped her head and

hospital window. They were all going "the please do keep of the said, and was sure. Nobody guessed in those yeggy; and yet she gave a thought days how and this little heart was grow at that very monopit to waster Helen, ing. It would have made the tears come whom she might never see again. But quick to all our eyes if we had known Miss Danning hoo jest very good to

A few works later a whole company bound on her solitary journey. We are of flower pets that Miss Denning gathso glad that we know already something gred from her own stores and one or horself were landed by the train at the spew, and seeded them patiently until see who they bloomed for, and whether where she had lovingly remembered in her new country home.

garden is worth tolling over. Think of all those folks in Boston being so pleased to have the leavings. - The Independent. Hats, Carpets, Oil Cloths, Rugs, and

The Young English Lord.

At a coming of age of the heir there is | neortment of a great celebration. This is of course far more of an event than a meet of the fer of a curstury. It is a fount for tenants and assist in the hospitality. There are booths and marquess upon the lawn, an abundant, and the best of humor prevails. All olasses mingle freely, and the upper tenants are invited to the dining room. Aspeech is made by the heir. Cigars often on the steps in front of the house, so that more may see and hear than can be crowded under roof or canvas. The father and mother and other relatives Coffee, Sugar, Rice, Soda, ac. stand near, the flag flies over him, the tenantry and retainers cheer, the brothers and sisters are proud, or envious, who all his grandeur and importance, perhaps more keenly than ever again.

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Badeau's Letter.

Eight hundred and sixty-six miles in a Newark pigeon. It was liberated at There was one pleasant June evening | world by a rigeon for 800 miles or over, concerning these wells. just after Peggy came-I know that it the best previous record being nine to had not yet been decided that the visit was ten days, also in this country. This bird to last any more than a week-when the was batched April 5th, 1884, from some new friends were busy together among German military stock. Before it was the flower-beds. Miss Dunning was six months old it flew in different races right in saying cheerfully that this was under club rules, the great distance of a good growing year; flowers and weeds 1,582 miles, the last race being from alike were springing up as close together | Morgantown, N. C., 535 miles air line, as they could, and just before it was this being the farthest distance young A Proclamation by the Governo dark the good woman told her little birds were ever shipped. During the guest that she might take the old libe season of 1885 it was left at home to do and wage war against a velvely growth as it pleased. This season the bird was of seedlings that spread from one side of put on the road again. It was flown the path nearly to the other. Nobody from Almona, Pa., for the Verinder had taken the time to attend to the dis- prize. It was Blounded in sulny weather orderly narrow ports, there had been so and did not extern first enough to win. much to do with teansplanting and more It was again third in the west this time important things. Peggy's eyes had from Steubenville, Ohio, \$33 miles. The shone at her first glimpse of the garden bird did not come home in good speed, on Sunday morning, and she was prov- but in its race from the south it has no-

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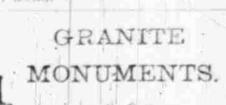


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