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THE SOLDIER'S GOOD-BYE TO HIS SWEETHEART.

The golden son wis setting begond the the monatailas grey.
Wheo two lovers stood alone thoir heal
farewell to say,
 Au with bowed hoed he hold ia his As with bowed boed be hold ia his own
Tbe hasids that had no oold wod doenthl green.
"Look ap, dearest," bie whito lipe talt.
ered, "Couse your teara, be brave and traes,
If it be the will of God I If it be the

## To my country avd you.

Think not, darring, $12 i o l$ lightily from you
I part I part
Griat and undying love all my tatithtal

Tbe heartbreak and $\begin{gathered}\text { portion foll ?" }\end{gathered}$
"Thoogb I am far away my thoughte will
My beart bound to thin
Whe tie
Soon I rill at ou aarth oan zover. Sooo $I$ will stand on the battie feild
And hear the cammot's opeoing roar And hear the canmot's opeaing rour and if If t too the thooir gore;
 I give my life

## Tar's alermas,

And when the erasil igght wee eodes
Ho elapped
Iovg bed she waited weary at hoart
Bat now they were minted enit
sever more to part.
Hoarts eo warculy tree,
Tbolr love wen ever bright sod besatifal Act the flowenklued by morce.

## 4 simgular stery.

The Phlladolphis Bulletin says here is as atory, every word of Thich is true, which is about ae atrange as anything ever eyolved trqu fiction. In a Penasylvania town the propristor of a store received an invoice grod from his asble that he departed from bi asoal enstom and placed a guar in hie slorage room. The young man on dabable he had never handled in protil. The darkness of the room ras a sare prevenitive of sleeping, and, for want of something better to do, the watch So be raleed it and fred it at So he raieed the thick walle of the rapdom, preventing the soand being heard any groat distance. The rest of the night was passedin a desaltory manner, bat when day light atreaked the aky the guard aoor by the early risers in the village. He took dowa the bark and pasbed back the bolte, and saw the villagers sarronoding the body of a man. A bartel cover ed by a board stood in front of the door, and the glass in the trupeom was piereed by a bullet Wbich eutered the man's forebead. It wss therefore conciafive that the man nud been atanding on the barrel and peeriog into reeogvized as obe whoee lifer, bad bren ebrekered, garded as a notorioas cail, than sorrow. The watchman' than sorrow. The watebman did bair didi't tura white, nor did ft is certain that the ovents of the ntakt are athll freeh in his memory.

## THE CLAYTON BUD.

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## VOL. <br> The Wonderful Lamp.

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A little ragged errand boy wa basy one day in the city of Lon don with a piece of chalk in bi gate this verse from th Bible: "Thy words is a lam to my feet." He was so bus with bis work that he did not notice a kind-looking old gentle man, who, after walking slowly past him twice, retarned, an stood behind watching him. "M-y," esid the little fellow repeating the letters aloud, as wrote them with the chalk f-double e-t, feet."
"Well done, my little man, wel done," said the old gentlema "Where did you learn that?" "At the ragged school, sir said the boy, who was half frigh ened, thinking perhaps the old gentleman would haud bim over
to the police fer writing on the gate.
"Don't be afraid, my boy, l'm not going to burt you. So yo learoed that text at the ragge school ?
means ${ }^{\prime \prime}$
"No, sir," azid the boy
"What is a lamp F"
"A lamp ! Why a lamp! I thing that gives light
"And what is the word here "ppoken of ${ }^{\text {al }}$

The Bible, sir."
"That's rigata Now bow can the Bible be a lamp and give light ${ }^{\text {II }}$ " d

## "oept yon aet it on fire" "

## oept you set it on fire." wThere is a better lay then

 that, my lad. Suppose yoa were going down some lonely lane on a dark night, with an uningatedlamp in your hanc, and a box o matches in your pooket, wha would you dof
"Wby, ligbt the lamp, air, aid the boy, aurprized that any question.
"What would you light

"Very me the road, sir." Very well. Now suppose ay, and saw me dropa shilling, hat woald yoa do 1
"Piek it ap and give it to you
"Bat wouldn't you want to cep it yourself $4^{\prime \prime}$
"I should want to; bat ouldn't do it."
"Why not?"
"Why not?"
B-cause that woald be stea ag, and the Bible says we masn' "And
Aud is the Bible called amp becanse it shows ns the
ight way to walk in "" asked the noy way to waik in '"asked the That's just it, my lad. An ow do Jou cood old lamp, ap let it light you through life ${ }^{\prime}$ '

## "Yes, ai

"Because if I am bosest Because no no ebanoe of soit o prison."
"And what elee $T$ "
The boy thodight a mom-ut and then said: "If I mind th div."
"Yes, that's the best reason for axing this lamp. It will sjow you the right my lad. Here's sbiling for yoa. Mind jou ase thits lamp."
-Sir, said the little fo low
off has ragged eap, "I'll miad."
One thing for which David One thing for which David
ased the Bible was-light. $-E^{x}$.

## Cat and mo

## ship.

wovderta! specimen of the feathered tribe in the vieinity of Macon, Georgia, says the St Lonis Globe-Democrat, is a tig
red rooster, owned by Witio red rooster, owned by Wille
Jobnson, of Macon. A year ago Willie Johneon purchantd seve al chickevs, among which wa be rooster in questicn, and car ried them to his home. . ter had not been on the premises a decided fondvess for the house cat. The cat appeared to be in owise averse to the rooster's de cowise avers and the two were soon fast friends. They were constantly together: wherever one went the otber followed They shared their food together When the cat caughta rat she brought it to the rooster, and the rooster never tired of cateh ing flat-heade, earth-wormes, and grasshoppera for the cat. Figrally the eat died, leaving a solitary kitten, which the rooster at once adopted and began to care for. The most friendly rela tions existed between them. But eft a titten, hich the rooster promptly adopted. Wherever he goes the kitten followe, jast at young chickens follow the math er ben. The kitten underatanda the rooster's clack, and it is amne ing to see it ran to him when he makes the peculiar anond which chickens make on finding tood. It in difficalt, however, for him re quires, in consequence of which it is weak and vory muoh emaciated. The kitten and the roost ar roost together on a plank in the fowl house, which they enter us dighi approaches. The roost or then flies up on the roost, while the cat climbs up snd nes tle down beside bim.
Last week was a sad wone in the family of our townsman Mr James A. Watt, for within five daye, the Angle of Death claimthree of it members inclading the father of the family. In the latter part of the week belore Loaisa, a bright little girl o thirteen yeas was taken with diphtheria and rapidly grew woree and died Taeaday morning In the mean the several other ed the disease and, on Tharsday night, Mattie James, aged 6 vears, died. All thia time Mr. Watt himself was lyıng critical and zrief added to the ravages of the disesese and, on Saturday morning, he breathed his last. Winston Dailv.

The following timely and polated trath is copied from an excbange: "A man who pay bo greatly benefitted by the preaching he hears. Too many men are mponging their way throagh the church, but they can't sponge their way into Heaveng:"
The State Probibition Conreation will meet in Greensbor on the 10th and 11th of Decem

## Woman Suffeage.

The spirit and determination the woman sofirage in this country indicates that sdoner or later this question will become a rominent one in American poli-
ica. At the recent election in New York six women voted, after being registered, while a
large number of others were relarge number of othe
fused the privilege their ballots in a
In the territor omen rote" as do their "bas oppressors," aud in many States women are permitted "to hav their say" in school matters.
Althongh the progress towards Althongh the progress towards
woman snffrage has beea slow in woman suftrage has been slow in
this country, it cannot be denied this country, it cannot log denied
that it has made a long stride that it has made a long etride
toward becoming a law ot the land. The great obstacle to it apathy of the vast body of American women themeelves for the possession of the right of suffrage and the instances are comparaively rare where a contented bout demanding the right to vote, or even feeling that she is deprived of any privilege that the Oreator designed she should possess. But the advocates of woman suffrage receive their recraits mainly from other source tor other reasons than that the sex is deprived of any "God-given righta." The tracling of polh depraved elements of society he retañal of publio men to adrocate reforms that thecountry demands, the nomination and election to office of men in leagne with corraption, and the failare to enforce laws for the protection of the individual and society itself, are far more powerfol arguments in, favor of admitting olement of pority than anything else can be. The condition o things that made nection law a necessity is electiong argument in favor of woman's saftrage. If male voter would do their whole duty a dizens at the polis on electio foman euffraze would ocase of woman suf.

## mportant Period or a Man' Life.

From the age of forty to that sixty a man may be considere
the prime of life. His matare trength of constitation renders him almost impervions to the ighest attacks of disease, an Having gone a year or two pa xty, however, he arrives at the critical point of existence. The river of death flows before him and heremains at a standatil Bat athwart this river stands viaduct called the "tarn of life," which, if passed in safety, leads to the valley of "old age," around the river winds and then flow withont a causeway of doubt to ffect its passage. The bridge, ile materials, and it depende pon how it is trodjen whether if bends or breaks. Gout, apo plexy, and other maladies are in the vicinity to waylay the traveler and thrast bim from the pass, bat let him gird ap his loins and provide himself with perfect
composare. To quote a metaphor composure. To quote a metapho
er to a prolonged walk or into the grave. The system and power having their atmost expansion now begin either to close like the lower at sunset, or break down ant, a single fatal excitement may force it beyond its strength, while a careful supply of props and the withdrawal of anl that tonds to force a plant will sus tain it in its beanty until nigh has nesrly sot in.

Perfectly Bellable Fisi tary.
Speaking of carp, says the ashington correspondent of the tlanta Constitation, at least ne specimen of this remariable ish has attained considerable
one. He is a fine fellor, which year ago weighed eight pounda and may now be larger. His ome is in a little pond in the grounds of the fish commissio in Washington. Prof. Baird bas made a pet of bim for two or
three years past. Ho frequently dips him upina net and exhibit him to visitore. The big fish ba andergone this urdeal so ofte hat it has ceased to marmo cistarb him very seriossly He will submit to handling fo veral minates and patiently wait his return to his cozy littlo pond. Two years ago Babcock ponde below it and ponds below it, and thousands of poramona hoh got in Potomac. Among them was big pet carp. his loss oreated ceat gro had becoma attach ed to him for his noble proper

