READABLE RHYMES.

The Golden Days.

mething of Eden's golden hour remains Our earth to bless. "Tis found in golden days When beauty adds to light a softened hazo; evenling all our universe contains. s tho' it were a bride whose blushing gains A deeper charm because her blush betrays To Love, love's secret; while her artless ways eguiling are, and win love's sweetest strains. But holy is this golden hour when found n human lives, made beautiful by years Of faithful love. When two true hearts are bound

s one, with service each to each endears. For such may golden bell's of earth resound nd Heaven's smile, at last, replace carth's

-Mary Mathews Bernes, in Ladependent.

Ingratitude.

ve praised thee, love, in all the ways I know, I've called thee sweeter than the sweetest

I've said all graces unto theo belong,

and yet no trace of passion dost thou show; Ah mel dear maid, love's icher doth not flow Within thy sluggish veins-while on me

throng Most ardent fancies, carnest, deep and strong, hou e'er art cold and doth indifferent grow. onsid'ring how for months I've bought for thee Fans, fee-cream, oysters, bon-bons by the ton, Quaint brie-a-brac, and strings of shiny pearls.

Tis hard to find thee frowning thus on me, When with such buit I'm sure I might have

The sweet affections of a dozen girls! -Nathan M. Levy, in Munsey's Weekly.

The Child Musician.

Ito had played for his Lordship's levee, Lie had played for her Ladyship's whim, Till the poor little head was weary, And the poor little brain would swim.

And the face grew peaked and cerie, And the large eyes strange and bright, And they sold-too late-"He is weary, He shall rest for at least to-night !"

But at dawn when the birds were waking, As they watched in the silent room, With the sound of a strained cord breaking, A something snapped in the gloom.

"Twas a string of his violincello, And they heard him stir in his bed; "Make room for a tired little fellow, Kind God!" was the last he said. -Austin Dobson.

The Lawyer and the Burglar. bou Ben Logis, may his tribe decrease!ice one night from a sweet dream of fees



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nd saw, within the precincts of his room. tiously groping in the midnight gloom, arglar, helping himself to Abou's gold. ading rogues had made Ben Legis bold, juiet-like, he to the rascal spoke: precious friend, aren't you the self-same

wed from sentence of ten years or so such a job as this?" "I am the same," plied the rogue. "You alibicd from blame r the performance of that little job." nd now, ungratefully, you come to rob our benefactor!" angry Abou cried, tess is business!" the cool scamp replied; With cash I bought the good defense you

ad now must rob to get back what I paid!" But now the faw shall hold you in its tolls; prison you'll go!" "Not so; for now my spoils

mply will me enable to employ better lawyer! So, good-by, old boy! Will see you later!" Here the rogue withdrew, and Ben remarked, as he disappeared from YIOW:

his reclamation plainly doth record That legal virtue is its own reward !" -Chicago Tribune.

> A Newspaper Clipping. "Twas a clipping from the paper Telling of some funny caper On the stage; So I read it every letter, Saying that I'd seen no better For an age.

Then I turned the clipping over With no purpose to discover What was there, But in smiling contemplation Of the humorist's creation, Rich and rare.

As I looked I know I started. And the smile from lips departed, For I saw, Printed there in uncut column, Notices of death, sad, solemn, Full of awe.

So, I thought, come grief and pleasure, Meted out with equal measure; You may laugh, For some other one is wailing, For the tear is smiles unfailing Other half. -Columbus Dispatch.

Marriage as a Success.

Tis silly to wed for affection, they say, And wicked to marry for gain; at first sight there seems to be no other way Than single through life to remain.

a plan that is wise and complete. Combining affection and sense:

Tis to wed, if she'll have you, some demoiselle sweet

Who lives on the fruit of her rents. -George Horton, in Texas Siftinga

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