

Ladies' Department.

COMING HOME.

BY FREDERICK CARY.

O BROTHERS and sisters, growing old,
Do you all remember yet
That home, in the shade of the rustling trees,
Where once our household met?

THAT LINE OF DISTINCTION.

Who can be the author of the sentiments conveyed
in the piece entitled "Home Work and Office Work,"
in the RURAL for October 5th? Can they be the
ruminations of man or woman? Whose opinions
are thus unselfishly exposed to the public?

YOUNG LADIES.

Did you ever think what a contrast there is
between the young lady of to-day and the one of
fifty, or even a score of years ago? Then a lady was
one who could take care of herself,—could sing in
plain, musical English, wash, bake, and cook all
kinds of food, milk a cow if necessary, and make
herself useful generally.

A SINGLE snow-flake—who cares for it? But a
whole day of snow-flakes, obliterating the landmarks,
drifting over the doors, gathering upon the mount-
ains to crash in avalanches—who does not care for
that? Private opinion is weak, but public opinion
is almost omnipotent.

THE SYRIAN CHILDREN.

CHILDREN in Syria dress precisely as grown
people, and even the babies do not look like babies,
because their garments are cut in almost the same
fashion as those of their parents. This little body,
with a purple velvet cap and gold tassel, trailing
robes of yellow satin, hands which, in the operation
of dyeing, must have cost her as much pain as that
suffered by the little Effendi in the process of lacing,

BODILY HEALTH.

BEAUTY has its foundation in physical well being.
Health has its laws, which must be understood and
obeyed; and these laws are clearly indicated in our
physical and mental constitutions. They demand:
1. Proper food and drink, in such quantities as
the system is capable of readily assimilating.

A RICH CHILD.—Little Nellie L.—had lost her
father, and her mother was poor. Her sweet temper
and her winning ways gained her many friends.

THE YOUNG WIFE.—"It takes a heroine to be
economical," says Miss Muloch. "For will she not
rather run in debt for a bonnet than wear her old one
a year behind the mode? give a ball, and stint the
family dinner for a month after? take a large house,

SENSIBLE.—Jane Eyre says:—"I know that if
women wish to escape the stigma of husband-seeking,
they must act and look like marble or clay, cold,
expressionless, bloodless; for every appearance of
feeling, of joy, sorrow, friendliness, antipathy, admira-

MATRIMONY AND HAPPINESS.—Sam Slick, in his
"Wise Saws," says that the nature of matrimony is
one thing, and the nature of friendship is another.
A tall man likes a short wife; a great talker a silent
woman, for both can't talk at once.

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hood happy; it is so easy. It does not require
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Choice Miscellany.

THE AFFECTIONS.

This world hath many a home
That's hidden and unknown,
Quite like a fairy cottage
Not built of wood or stone.

POLLOK.

It will require but a few words to relate the life
of the author of the "Course of Time." He was
born at Muirhouse, in Scotland, Oct. 19th, 1798.

Our author left behind him a few short pieces of
poetry that the world has not thought worthy of
notice. The case is different with the "Course of
Time." It has been extensively read. Doubtless
many read it upon its first appearance out of sympathy

Perhaps POLLOK died at a fortunate period for his
reputation as a poet. It is far from being certain
that he would have fulfilled the expectations to which
the "Course of Time" had given birth, in respect to
his future productions. Many poets have written
their best poems at the commencement of their literary
career.

THE CLOUDS.

THROUGH all the works of nature, everything is
beautiful, perfect, and harmonious, that has not been
touched by the blighting hand of sin. The earth
bringing forth her increase; the regular succession
of spring-time and harvest; the waters separated from
the dry land, and the limit established to which they
may go, but may not pass; the majestic movement of
the planets, the suns and systems revolving in beau-

Who has not gazed with delight far away to the
western horizon when the chariot of Apollo was lost

to view, and only his rays, like streams of light,
painted the motionless cumulus clouds that lay pile
upon pile, raising their rugged heads like mountains
against the sky, with crimson, gold, and azure, and
filling with the reflection of his beams the whole
blue dome with a flood of glory? Who has not
gazed with rapture upon such a scene, and dreamed
of Heaven?

How often, too, have we loved to watch the fleecy
cirrus borne gracefully along by gentle zephyrs,
ever changing, yet ever beautiful, and fancied them
to be angels of light looking down with eyes of love
and pity, and hovering over us like guardian spirits.

The clouds that darken the sky are often likened to
mental obscurations, or clouds of adversity. They
veil the heavens at times, it is true, with a thick and
almost impenetrable drapery; but when they have
dissolved themselves in tears over a suffering world,

IGNORANCE produces half the misery and all the
awkwardness of life. The ability to trace causes and
infer effects, saves tears, and hence adds years; and
wisdom is self-possession.

SUGGESTIONS.

PEOPLE that never accomplish any thing always
commence; people that do accomplish something
always begin. People that cannot sleep always retire;

A WRITER'S immortality is proportioned to the
amount of truth he tells; and when he tells the whole
truth, as Shakespeare has done, he will enjoy a perfect
immortality—if such be possible on earth; for, that
we do tell the truth, is all either earth or heaven
requires of us.

A PRETTY, and especially a pretty powerful woman,
we maintain, is a fatality, both to herself and to
others. Witness CLEOPATRA, who killed ANTONY with
love and herself with loving. Indeed it may be doubtful
whether personal beauty be a blessing or a curse,
though, in the face both of reason and example,
women will regard it in the former light.

BECAUSE all the men to whom the world has attributed
genius have come under that class which EMERSON
terms the positive class in society, we are led to the
conclusion, that genius is simply strong individuality—
that the peculiarity which distinguishes men of
genius from other men is, they surpass them in the
vital element of being—in soul.

AND after all, we don't live. We all intend to, or
wish we had, but never do. It is thus half an uneasy
waiting and half a vain regret, so that we die at last
with very little realized happiness.

MIGHT should be the servant of right, but not the
master; for passive right makes but a poor figure by
the side of active might. Hence the former should
dictate, the latter enforce.

A HALF-MEASURE in politics is little better than
none, and sometimes worse; because, both parties
being equally powerful, neither one gains its own
good or conquers the other's evil, and the matter thus
becomes only a postponement.

CONCENTRATION is the soul of achievement. One
thing at a time and one thing for all time—this is
what makes a life successful.

IF WOMEN are less happy than men, it is because
they are less selfish—it is because of their charity,
their sympathy, their sensibility. Things which, in
men, produce but a casual remark or glance, in
women produce an earthquake of nerves. Men philo-
sophize where women feel; and, all sympathy being
instantaneous, they become the necessary victims of
their own natures, though withal, woman's sorrow is
more divine than man's stoicism. Hence it is that
the best Christians are women; for religion is essen-
tially a warm and living attribute—the product of the
heart. Man's highest sympathy is half self—woman's
all charity; man's sufferings are half alleviated
through an arrogant egotism—woman's sufferings are
complete through a divine resignation. Man's can-
kers consume ostentatiously—woman's secretly, like
the coke-pile.

ALL THEORY affects more than it effects. Indeed,
this is the one distinction between theory and prac-
tice.

MOST persons ascribe their adversity to Heaven,
but their prosperity to their own prudence.

NECESSITY makes what necessity demands.

GENIUS, like charity, "covereth a multitude of
sins."

A LITTLE everything desirable is "a dangerous
thing."

ANECDOTE OF WHITTIER.—An anecdote of John G.
Whittier is told by the Boston Transcript as follows:
On a recent occasion he was traveling with a friend
over a New Hampshire railroad, and during conver-
sation, Mr. Whittier's friend, who is also a member
of the Society of Friends, told the poet that he was
on his way to contract for a lot of oak timber, which
he knew would be used in building gunboats at
Portsmouth, and asked him whether he thought it
was exactly in consistency with the peace doctrines
of the Quaker denomination. Without saying any-
thing calculated to decide the question, the two
arrived at their parting place, when Mr. Whittier,
shaking his friend's hand, said: "Moses, if these doers
furnish any of that oak timber these spoke of, be sure
that it is all sound."

MORAL PERSPECTIVE.—Falseness, like a drawing
in perspective, will not bear to be examined in every
point of view, because it is a good imitation of truth,
as a perspective is of the reality, one in one. Truth,
like that reality of which the perspective is the rep-
resentation, will bear to be scrutinized in all points
of view; and though examined under every situation,
is one and the same.

It is as meritorious to attempt sharing in a good
man's heart, as it is contemptible to have a design
upon a rich man's money.

Sabbath Musings.

GUARDIAN ANGELS.

HAS not each one who tarrys here
Some guardian in yon upper sphere?
Some gentle one, some spirit bright,
To guard them in the path of right,
To save them from each danger night,
Cause sorrow from their hearts to fly,
To soothe us when our false friends wound,
To shed their peaceful influence round,
To fill our hearts with worthy thought,
And bless us with its love unthought?
O tell me not from that bright sphere
No guardian spirits linger here;
They do, they pour their healing balm,
And make our troubled spirits calm;
Preserve us from temptations power,
And guard and watch us every hour.
They linger near when sorrow weighs,
Rejoice with us in joy's bright days,
And teach us, through the good that's given,
To turn our waiting hearts to heaven.
Geneva, Wisconsin, 1861. n. o. d.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE.

It is presumed that every one has in view some
favorite object as the end of his exertions in life,—
some fancy which his energies shall strive to make
real in time,—something on which he may rest his
labors as the climax of all his earthly desires. This
thing hoped for may differ as do the tastes and cir-
cumstances of individuals. One will not view life
but from the Hill of Science; another arms himself
with one of the professions and sets out for the prize;
some perceive the goal to be riches, lying through the
labyrinths of mercantile and other pursuits; while
others find it where

Battle's blood-red billows clash
And tides of slaughter flow.

To live to some purpose is well if selfish desires do
not stimulate us in the attainment of the desired
object; if, instead of self-glory, distinction in life is
sought only for the good of the human race. If the
true principles of humanity actuate the mind in its
exertions, it will apply itself in practice to the execu-
tion of those principles, being content to accept distinc-
tion as a natural result. One great man influences
the welfare of thousands of this falls; therefore if
he acts for their best good and dearest rights, he is
naturally respected as a benefactor. And as public
opinion sits in judgment upon the actions of men,
we see why "the good alone are great." He who com-
mands the fear rather than the love and respect of his
fellow men, possesses a fame which affords him but
little pleasure. ALEXANDER, though ruler of the
world, admired the philosopher, and longed for the
independence, of DIOGENES. Truly, he who conquers
only to conquer, occupies no enviable place on the
page of history.

It is because WASHINGTON labored solely for the
good of humanity that his name is loved by his
country, and revered by the world. It is because the
great Italian hero claims his right to be simply
GIUSEPPE GARIBOLDI and the true friend of the land
of the CÆSARS, that the peans of the civilized world
proclaim his glory.

Again, he who lives and toils to accumulate wealth
per se, lives and toils to no purpose. Money is a
powerful lever for the elevation of man's condition
if properly applied, and from this purpose it should
not be perverted. There is enough wealth in the
world to materially benefit the human family if its
possessors would but learn its proper use. The
miserly accumulation of wealth is one of the most
senseless things imaginable. The miser contrives
and calculates, counts and computes, making invest-
ments with as much care and concern as if his life
depended upon the further acquisition of a cent,—
accumulating money with which to make more,—
always drawing it from its proper channels and
heaping up to no purpose; and when death comes he
goes into eternity with his hands empty, and unhappy
with the consciousness of being a public robber.

And this class of men is not few in numbers. The
spirit of selfish gain, we are sorry to say, is the
animus of the exertions of thousands of our business
men; and in its effects on them it tends to harden
their hearts, destroy the finer and nobler feelings of
their natures, causes contentions, makes paupers, and
then oppresses them; destroys communities, and
leads to the destruction of free institutions.

We are intelligent beings, endowed with minds
capable of forming ideas and gaining knowledge. It
is certainly necessary that we should gain a knowl-
edge of business; but let us also learn to comprehend
the great cause of our existence; learn that "tis not
all of life to live" and make money, or glory for our-
selves, but that we should improve what God has
given us, storing up knowledge while here which will
fit us to do good to our fellow men, and which will
prepare us to enter joyfully upon an unending
eternity. LEVITE.

FAMILY RELIGION.

A WANT of familiarity between parents and children
upon religious matters, and a constrained inter-
course between them, is a key to the failure of
many parents in their efforts to train children in the
way they should go, as well as a fruitful source of
infidelity in the child. A want of freedom begets a
want of confidence mutually, the natural result of
which is a loss of religious influence on the one
part, and a want of filial trust on the other. The godly
mother holds in her hands the spiritual destiny of
her child, and may wield a power to save it, of incon-
ceivable greatness. Beginning with the mind in its
most impressive state, she may write upon "the
fleshy tables of the heart" lessons which can never
be forgotten. For the religious influences of a Chris-
tian home, and the godly instruction of pious parents,
there are no substitutes. The want of these is a reli-
gious bereavement for life. The Sunday school is a
powerful auxiliary, and as such deserves the patron-
age and support of every parent; but the instruc-
tion of the Sunday school can never be relied upon
as a substitute for that instruction which God com-
mands the parent to give his child in his own house.
The two may well combine and work harmoniously
to produce the same fruits—the salvation of souls.

In the long run, that Christian will come out well
who works cheerfully, hopefully, heartily, without
wasting his energies upon vain regrets and passionate
murmurings. The bird sings in the storm; why may
not the child of God rejoice too, even though passing
clouds lower?

The best atonement for evil deeds is to set about
the performance of worthier ones.

The News Condenser.

There are 911 sick in the hospitals about Washington. The English cotton mills are reducing their running time. Over 12,000 Confederate soldiers are in the hospitals at Richmond.

SENTIMENTS OF THE PEOPLE.

"RURAL" LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.—Of letters from the People about the RURAL—are very encouraging about these days. Every mail brings us many new subscribers.

A subscriber in Montgomery Co., Ky., writes:—"Glad you have so good a list of subscribers here. Rest assured they are friends that will cling to the RURAL with the tenacity of Nessus's shirt."

M. H. JONES, Randolph Co., Ill., writes for a club of trial subscribers, and adds:—"I expect to send more before long. Shall do all that I can for the RURAL, because I believe it to be the best paper published in America."

Special Notices. METROPOLITAN GIFT BOOK STORE, No. 26 Buffalo street, Rochester, N. Y. Mr. H. D. CLARK of Lima, Mrs. E. ROSS of Brockport, and Mr. H. G. WHITCOMB of this city, each received last week, with books purchased at this popular establishment, an elegant Silver Pitcher, valued at \$25; Mr. J. LEE of Buffalo, an elegant Gold Watch, valued at \$70; besides over 600 other articles of value were presented to purchasers of books.

Markets, Commerce, &c.

Rural New-Yorker Office, ROCHESTER, October 19, 1861. IN FLOUR and GRAIN we are unable to observe any material change during the week.

Wool has again advanced. Speculators are holding for 45¢ 50 cents, and appearances seem to indicate that their wishes will be attained ere long.

Table with columns for 'This week', 'Last week', and 'Cor. week' for various commodities like Cattle, Sheep, Hogs, etc.

ROCHESTER WHOLESALE PRICES.

Table listing prices for Flour, Grain, Eggs, Honey, Butter, etc.

THE PROVISION MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—FLOUR.—In moderate demand for export and home consumption. Sales at \$3.00 per barrel for superfine, \$2.45 for extra, \$2.25 for medium.

11.14. Corn is without important change, with sales mixed with red and white delivered at 70. Barley is very quiet with a good supply offering.

TORONTO, Oct. 11.—FLOUR.—There has been some improvement during the week following the favorable European advices, but the advance checked business.

THE CATTLE MARKETS. NEW YORK, Oct. 9.—The current prices for the week at all the markets are as follows: BEEF CATTLE. First quality, 7.75 to 8.00; second quality, 7.00 to 7.50; common quality, 6.25 to 6.75; inferior quality, 5.50 to 6.00.

ALBANY, Oct. 14.—BEEVES.—The receipts are again quite heavy, but about 4,000 head, or 50 more than last week; and, taking quality and weight into account, the supply, comparatively speaking, is very large.

NEW YORK, Oct. 10.—At market 1,150 Cattle, 900 Hogs, and 2,500 Sheep and Lambs, and 800 Swine.

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THE WOOL MARKETS. NEW YORK, Oct. 10.—An active market still prevails. Importers are without stock, and sales of foreign wools have been limited.

TORONTO, Oct. 11.—Beef, on foot, is lower in consequence of heavy late arrivals from the country, as well as from the Western States.

ALBANY, Oct. 10.—A firm market with a light stock, the previous reported sales having taken all the receipts of the week.

Wied. In Grand Rapids, Mich., on Sunday morning, Oct. 13, Mrs. CAROLINE MOORE, widow of the late Rev. NATHANIEL L. MOORE, of Kelloggville, N. Y., died at the age of 75 years.

Advertisements.

ADVERTISING TERMS, in Advance.—THIRTY-FIVE CENTS A LINE, each insertion. A price and a half for extra display, or 25¢ cents per line of space.

200,000 APPLE SEEDLINGS, 3 years old, for sale. Some will be exchanged for Quince stock. A. BECKER, Penfield, N. Y.

THE NEW STOVE ESTABLISHMENT OF KLEIN & DUTHE, No. 72 Main street, opposite the Orange and Broadway.

960 BUILDING LOTS in a beautiful city of the West, with a population of near 10,000, to be given as Premiums to Subscribers for moral, religious and literary works of art.

AGENTS WANTED.—To sell a new Price Stationery and Portrait Packet. Also, Patriotic and Military Stationery Packets.

APPLE STOCKS.—1,000,000 one year, and 2,000,000 two year old Apple Stocks, at from \$1.50 to \$3.00 per 1,000.

BLOOMINGTON NURSERY, ILLINOIS.—Per 1,000—APPLE TREES, extra 1 to 4 yrs, \$15 to \$20; PEACHES, \$1.50; PLUM TREES, 1 and 2 yrs, purchased choice, selected for grafting, \$2.00.

ANDRE LEROY'S NURSERIES, AT ANGERS, FRANCE. THE Proprietor of these Nurseries, the most extensive in the world, has the honor to inform his numerous friends and the public that his Catalogue of Fruit and Ornamental Trees, Shrubs, Roses, Seedlings, Fruit Stocks, &c., for the present season, is now ready and at hand.

PHOTOGRAPHS AND AMBROTYPES.—The long established Gallery of Hovey & Hartman still presents its many features of attractiveness to all desiring Photographs, Carte de Visite, or anything peculiar to the Daguerrean Art.

400,000 Choice Apple Seedlings 1 year, \$2 per 1,000, packed and delivered at depot, free of charge. WM. F. MACOMBER, Bloomington, Illinois.

NEW ENTERPRISES.—Any desired information about PRICES OF ADVERTISING, and of PRINTING, furnished GRATIS. GEO. BOWEN, Commission Agent, New York.

HUBBARD & NORTROP, POPULAR SALES ROOM, Nos. 69 & 71 Main St., Marble Buildings, ROCHESTER, N. Y.

A CHOICE AND COMPLETE ASSORTMENT OF European and American Dress Goods, Black and Fancy Dress Silks, Broche and Woolen Long Shawls, Broche and Woolen Shawls, &c.

Bleached and Brown Sheetings and Shirtings, Tickings, Denims and Towelings, AT LESS than the present New York prices.

Notwithstanding the general stagnation in almost every department of business during the last few months, it is with much satisfaction that we are able to record the fact that our efforts to maintain our former amount of business have been entirely successful, and in some departments the sales have increased over those of any previous year.

EVERY DEPARTMENT CONTAINS BARGAINS! Which we should be happy to exhibit, confidently believing that they would be appreciated by the most economical purchaser. We are also extensive manufacturers of

LADIES' CLOTH GARMENTS. Every desirable grade of Cloth and Beaver CLOAKS, of the most appropriate and fashionable Styles, are now offered by us in great variety. We are also prepared to

MANUFACTURE GARMENTS TO ORDER. AT A FEW HOURS NOTICE. For those who prefer selecting their own Cloths.

PRATT'S

CHEAP BOOT AND SHOE STORE, 54 State St., Mansion House Block, ROCHESTER, N. Y.

THE LARGEST, CHEAPEST AND BEST REGULATED SHOE STORE IN WESTERN NEW YORK.

Eastern and Home-Made Work CONSTANTLY ON HAND. All kinds of Boots and Shoes

MADE TO ORDER, And the work done promptly when promised.

NO MISREPRESENTATIONS ALLOWED FOR THE SAKE OF SELLING. Parties buying goods at this Store can IN ALL CASES have THEIR MONEY REFUNDED.

PERSONS OF THE COUNTRY Visiting the city and wishing to purchase Good Boots and Shoes, should be sure to find this Store.

ROCHESTER LIGHT CARRIAGE FACTORY, No. 145 Main St., Rochester, N. Y.

CARPETINGS: 300 PIECES THIS DAY RECEIVED! COMPRISING EVERY VARIETY the market affords. Prices varying from 15 to 85 the yard—making the most EXTENSIVE variety to be found in any house this country, in Styles, Colorings, Elegance of Design, and Durability.

CANCER CURE.—DR. N. BABCOCK'S MEDICAL AND SURGICAL OPINIONS, AND TREATMENT OF ALL descriptions removed without pain, and without the use of the knife. Dr. BABCOCK would inform all persons afflicted with Cancer, or Tumors of any description, that by addressing a letter to him, they will be furnished with a circular of his mode of treatment, free of charge.

CHESTER COUNTY FIGS.—The undersigned is now prepared to execute orders for the fall trade, for his stock of pure Chester County Figs. These are selected with care, in perfect arrangements pertaining to this popular branch of our business, and we are every month acquiring more and more popularity in the Manufacturing Department.

LECTION NOTICE.—SHERIFF'S OFFICE OF THE COUNTY OF MONROE. Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statutes of this State, and of the annexed notice from the Secretary of State, that the General Election will be held in this County, on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday of November next; at which election the officers named in the annexed notice will be elected.

STATE OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE. Notice is hereby given, that at the General Election to be held in this State, on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday of November next, the following officers are to be elected, to wit:

SECRETARY OF STATE, in the place of David R. Floyd Jones. CONTROLLER, in the place of Robert B. Johnson. STATE ENGINEER and Surveyor, in the place of Van R. Richmond.

AGENTS WANTED TO SELL FRUIT TREES. We wish to employ a number of experienced and trustworthy men to sell trees, &c., from our Nurseries at liberal wages.

WHEELER & WILSON MANUFACTURING CO'S IMPROVED FAMILY SEWING MACHINES. WITH NEW Glass Cloth Presser and Hemmers, AT REDUCED PRICES.

THE WHEELER & WILSON MANUFACTURING CO. beg to state that they have reduced the prices of their SEWING MACHINES, while they have added new and important improvements. The reduction is made in the hope that the Company will have no more legal expenses defending their patents.

LINE.—Page's Perpetual Ink, Patented July 1, 1857.—Superior to any in use for Wood or Coal. 2 1/2 cents per bottle. Address C. D. PAGE, Rochester, N. Y.

GONE TO THE WAR.

BY HORATIO ALGER, JR.

My Charlie has gone to the war, My Charlie so brave and tall; He left his plow in the furrow And flew at his country's call.

The Story-Teller.

["Written for Moore's Rural New-Yorker."] "THAT CHILD."

BY MARY J. CROSMAN.

LIFE is a mystery, a mingling together of the known and the unknown, the real and the ideal, the beautiful, the terrible, and the stern—a wondrous melody wherein low rhythms of magic sweetness and delicate minor notes of thrilling pathos blend and alternate with the deep bass which is sometimes rough, sometimes jarring.

and the children every morning filled their hands with sweetest flowers to put upon her table. We still wore mourning. It had been our purpose to remove it the year before; but one morning in rosy June, when we were talking about summer dresses of soft, cheerful hues, a letter was handed me written by an unknown pen. It said that a new grave had been made in the far-off West, on the Pacific shore, and a young stranger slept therein to waken no more till the morning of the resurrection.

During the tenth month of their acquaintance they were married. I looked upon my brother-in-law with great pride, but with a nameless, unspoken fear. After a tour of some weeks they returned—Mr. CORYDON renewing his professional duties, and ALICE, in his society and freedom from the arduous labors of the past, seemed supremely happy. We were sitting in the parlor at twilight one evening, when BILLY WEBB, our little neighbor and errand boy, came in with Mr. CORYDON'S mail. I noticed a startling expression of countenance as his eye rested for a moment upon one of the letters.

let's talk a little first—I've a question to ask," he pleaded. "Well, what is it you love?" and fixing his large eyes on my face, he said in calm, measured tones, "Auntie, do you suppose I can ever go through college? CHATTERTON'S favorite expression was, that 'God has sent his creatures into the world with arms long enough to reach anything, if they choose to be at the trouble; are the words true?'"

During the three succeeding years PHIL received a good deal of encouragement and assistance from GEORGE WILTON, our minister's son. He was a young man of fine talents, and had characteristics that would distinguish him in any circle—that would elevate and sustain him in high positions. Added to these was a mastering ambition, a will-power that would subjugate every hindrance in an upward path. The breathings of his spirit upon PHIL'S were a mighty influence. New hopes were born in the boy's soul, whose pinions were strong and tireless; beating through the bars of present circumstances, they would fit away on and on into a future as grand as the pencil of youthful prophecy could portray.

If I should never see him again, I am all right. That is transaction number two. Number three is as pleasant to remember. I sold a lot of goods, almost a year out of date, to a young country merchant, for cash. He thinks he has a bargain; and perhaps he has; but I would have let them go at any time during the past six months at a loss of thirty per cent., and thought the sale a desirable one.

CHARADE. My first, in kitchen, parlor, hall, Is faithful eye to duty; Yet ever in the view of all Has far more use than beauty.

OUR FALL CAMPAIGN!

The Rural, on Trial, at only Half Price!

In response to late requests from Agents and others, we would state that, in order to accommodate those wishing to try the RURAL NEW-YORKER for a few months—and also as a means of introducing it more generally in new localities preparatory to the commencement of a new volume—we have concluded to offer the paper from September 1st to January, or from October to January, at ONLY HALF PRICE.

The Publisher to the Public.

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