PARTED.

Once more my hand will clasp your hand; Your loved voice I shall hear once more; But we shall never see the land, The pleasant land we knew of yore; Never, on any summer day, Hear the low music of its streams, Or wander down the leafy way That leadeth to the land of dreams

Still, borne upon the scented air, The songs of birds rise clear and sweet, As when I gathered roses there, And heaped their glories at your feet; And still the golden pathway lies At eve across the western sea, And lovers dream beneath those skies,

Which shine no more for you and me. No more, ali, nevermore! and yet They seem so near, those summer days,

When hope was like a jewel set To shine adown Time's misty ways, I sometimes dream that morning's light Will bring them back to us once more, And that 'tis but one long dark night Since we two parted by the shore.

We parted with soft words and low, And "Farewell till tomorrow" said; From sea and sky, and sunset's glow A golden halo round you shed; Then as you went, I heard you sing, "Haste thee, sweet morrow!" Parting thus, How could we dream that life would bring Not any morrow there for us?

We parted; and that last farewell Its shadow on our life-path cast; And Time's relentless barriers fell Between us and our happy past; And now we meet when cares and tears Have dulled the parting and the pain, But never can the weary years Bring back our golden dreams again. -From the Domestic Monthly.

FORTY MINUTES LATE.

"The most fearful accident that ever happens on a locomotive?" echoed the engineer, looking round at me. The brave man was a member of my parish, and I was sitting at his tea-table. After a moment's thought, he pushed back his chair, for the frugal meal was finished, and looked hard at his wife. It was a curious gaze of his honest eyes, and the lady met his glances with an almost pathetic entreaty: "Do not tell it!" written on her kind face.

"She don't like to think of it," he resumed, laughing, at the same time he shook back the long hair that tell in waves over the left side of his brow, uncovering a blushing scar, and revealing that he had been dismembered of an ear. "But I am were to be three slow-ups and one dead Pills for Pale People is a remedy comnot so bad a looking fellow, after all," he halt at a drawer. That would give most of pounded especially to meet such cases. but primer tells more, free. said. In fact, he was singularly fine the miles in about sixty seconds. I often These pills are not a patent medicine, but

"It is one of those memories," his wife interrupted, rising, "that one fears to reand he may tell it while I put the boy to minute the poor old creature may break which stimulate the blood and give it that

"It was one of those accidents that nothing can prevent," resumed the engineer. "No foresight can guard against the hidden flaw which the best of steel sometimes hides in its own false heart. The best break on a steamer in mid-ocean. So of a break on a pair of drivers. Now connecting-rod on a pair of drivers. Now it they are fastened in the shops so the men can't wedge them too tight, every station or two. It is this new way of fastening that causes the ringing noise that you now that causes the ringing noise that you now that causes the ringing noise that you now that causes the hig drive-wheels pass you. ever experienced. It worked the most Did you never notice? havoc and scared me more than any other | "Well, I soon began to feel of her wind. I ever went through. I cannot get over | She was not long in making that fireman's

out another as the worst." My friend still runs, as he did that almost fatal day, the fastest train that let the windows alone, though they rattled speeds between two large cities. At one open, and he lost his hat, which the fireman end of its flight, the train is obliged to traverse a long tunnel. Millions of people pass through that tunnel yearly in perfect | seat to replace his hat. The hat was all safety. But if they knew the hairbreadth escapes of the first few years, and especially during its construction, even now they might not always sit so comfortably; but

lessened the dangers. with the agent, and was introduced to me. whoever rides in the cab, he must take a stand up or the fireman's box, if the fellow is good-natured enough to offer it. A big might have interfered," I suggested. officer, like the manager, was different, however, and I gave him anything. To had been turning up lots of good men.

He seemed to think we Americans couldn't not so straight as the English. "'We are forty minutes late,' he said, as he straddled in front of his fire box and consulted his watch. "This occurs about to lose again, for she was heating. Whether Harper, and in "A Conscript's Christmas,"

every day, my man, more or less, and it's the boxes were lugging on the cars or by Joel Chandler Harris, in The Century, about time the blamed practice was

stopped.'
...Traffic is heavy in October, sir,' I said, trying to smile my prettiest. "'Can you drive this machine in on time?"

he kind o' growled at me. for a moment, and then my blood was up. as we dashed into the steam and darkness That was ten years ago, before I had any of that long hole. In there you can't see wife and babies. It is wife, babies, ten years and a ditch or two that takes the daredevil out of a locomotive engineer. At first a man knows no fear, but any of the first a man knows no fear, but any of the long hole. In there you can't see anything but signals. The Sagamore answered me for just one plunge. But the next instant, crash! God help me! The whole side of the cab aforementioned things kind o' tempers him was flying in splinters. I knew what down. He can't keep his pluck up as at that meant. I jumped from my seat in first, do what he will, My wife, by the way, was expecting me to come round with the seat, was the general manager. He had minister to be spliced a week from that very been mercifully knocked in instead of out, -rather showy for humble folks to do. their rod yet, but I knew the strain could The wedding had to be deferred." and he tried to smile as he referred to that too, as I could not find the throttle to shut incident, though it was evident that the her off. It was so queer about that throttle. remembered tragedy was beginning to over- I turned round and round trying to find it; shadow his own manly face, as it had his I kept turning to the left. I thought I wife's before she lett us. "Well, pastor, I had an extra eye just over my ear, and my just frowned on the Englishman, and said: other two eyes were blind. That new eye 'If you'll choose which seat you'll take, showed me a beautiful clear light, but not and let my fireman get in some of his work, the throttle. Round and round that tear-

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"'I will take the stoker's box,' he said; that's English for 'fireman,' you know. And he climbed up, rolling a cigarette and

hold. It was before the days of solid their lives? If they are, as you value trains and couplers. We pulled ten cars. their lives do not delay in procuring a We had a run of seventy-four miles— remedy that will save them. Delays in schedule time, two hours. I was to run it such cases are not only dangerous, but do that for a mile or two; every fast train a remedy prepared with the greatest care does every day. But seventy-four such for the formula of an experienced physician, miles are mighty trying on a machine, now who has used it for years in his daily praccall. But, thank God, it will be no more likely to occur again for the telling of it, nigh on to the end you don't know what are especially rich in those constituents over as I took her out o' the shop-I and life. They are in all cases a neveralways do that with my own eyes; but if I failing blood-builder and nerve tonic, acthad known what we were to try on, I'd ing upon the system in a natural manner given those connecting-rods more attention. We used to wedge them on the wheels; crank or shaft ever forged will sometimes | you have seen the steel keys? Nowadays

the dread of it even now, and probably box too uneasy for my general manager. never shall. Still another man might single He danced like a toy man. Then he closed the window ahead. Then he shut the one at his side, and braced his legs. Then he caught on the baggage-car brake; but Mr. Manager could not let go his clutch on the coal-dust, anyway, so it was put into the tool-chest. Now we were just flying. I never took my eyes off the iron, but out deuce!" he imagines that he is talkof the corners of my eyes I saw how disthe best of appliances have somewhat tressed he was. He undertook to holler something, but I paid no attention. The "When we were ready to leave the depot at —, the new general manager of the division came along down the platform with the agent, and was introduced to me. so well that I was afterward told the pay-I pulled off my greasy cap, and was about to get down, when he said: 'Never mind;' could not keep the dinner dishes on the that he was going to run in with us. Of course, I offered him his choice of seats, as you wouldn't to your own father; for floor. If we had had dining-cars in those

"I expected he would," was the reply. "But as time went on, and our rate grew tell the truth, I was relieved to know his errand was only to ride; for this English well enough the conductor had been scoldgentleman, a kinsman of our big owner, ed as well as the rest of us. No; he told me afterward that he simply sat down and Christmas numbers of Scribner, Harper, said his prayers. But to go on; I said that and The Century contain each a story in make tast time, and he forgot that our we had made up twenty-eight minutes, then machines and cars are heavier, our roads thirty, then thirty-three-being only seven minutes behind. But there we hung. She could not increase her lead, do my best.

"I knew then that we should soon begin engine I could not be sure. Then, too, it the name is given to a woman. In the little 72 Sydney Street, Cor. Princess Street might have been the curves; at all events we were lugging and losing. We fell off I Spurlock and of Mrs. Spurlock in the two Telephone 481. calculated some five minutes, when we latter magazines the faces bear no restruck the tunnel. It was a heavy rail and a straight track there, and I pulled her "I gave him a real Yankee stare back clean out for one more spurt, live or die, authors in widely seperated parts of the a moment, and then my blood was up. as we dashed into the steam and darkness country should have applied this unfamiliar She had sent out some wedding cards but he was senseless. My drivers held we'll show you what the Sagamore can do ful steam hammer, the broken rod, kept

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crashing and tearing out the shreds of the cab on that side. Then the other one twisted, which threw old Sagamore plump into the granite wall. We were all piled up there, dark as pitch all about, and finally still. Now, the curious thing about it all is that with my new eye over my ear I actually read the time by my watch, and Free from odor and porous, we were only seven minutes late. Yes, sir, we had made up thirty-three minutes in the seventy-four miles, slow-ups and thereby giving free ventilation, stops included; and a minute more would have brought us to the station. I just yelled: 'How's that, old English?' and my

new eye seemed to go out in darkness." The new eye was the result of a fearful gash on the side of the head, from the effects of which the poor man lingered on the borders of death for weeks. That postponed the wedding. The peculiar effect of that blow on the head the writer cannot explain, but the fact that he read his watch correctly is substantiated by the conductor of the train, of whom I asked information.

"Were there many injured?" I added, in the pause that followed his conclusion. "Don't ask me—yes. Thank God, I'm alive! Now, Mollie," addressing his wife, who just entered, "I've told that story for the last time, except in my prayers."—Ex.

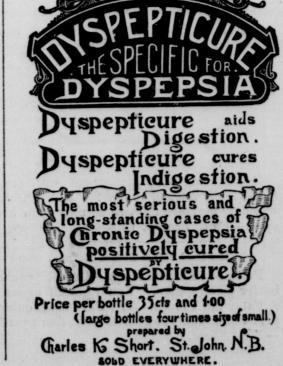
Is Life Worth Living?

The great frequency with which pale, sallow and enfeebled girls are met now-adays is cause for geniune alarm. The not the healthy, robust, rosy lassies, their mothers and grandmothers were before them. Their complexion is pale and sallow We have all three makes in or waxy in appearance, and they are the victims of heart palpitation, ringing noises in the head, cold heads and feet, often fointier could make an feet, often fainting spells, racking headaches, back-aches, shortness of breath, and other dis-tressing symptoms. All these betoken chlorisis or anæmia—or in other words a watery or improverished condition of the blood, which is thus unable to perform its normal functions, and unless speedily enriched with those natural remedies which give richness and redness to the blood corpuscles, organic disease and an early grave is the inevitable result. Is not this prospect sufficient to cause the gravest alarm? Mothers are your daughters sufferlighting it with a funny kind of foreign ing from any of the symptoms indicated above, or from any of the irregularities "I started her easy, felt my cars all get incident to a critical period in remedy that will save them. Delays in her heart on ye. I looked the Sagamore rich, red color necessary to preserve health and restoring health and strength to all who suffer from a watery or depraved condition of the blood or from any of those

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> When the delingous, Castor and Polidx. What does my lady mean when she sighs "Oh, start of the same o When the man of the world ejaculates "the ing English. Oh, no. He is talking Latin again and evoking the devil, designated in the word "dusius." When our rural friends gasp "gosh!" with astonishment de-picted on their countenances, they are simply giving a sibilant ending to the otherwise hard sounding name of the Deity. When the gushing schoolgirl twitters "Goodness gracious," if she would think a ASSISTANT—FRED H. C. MILES. moment and reverse the words she would never use them again lightly. A little study of the true meaning of words might save a great deal of unintentional profanity. -Boston Advertiser.

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