

" Hallo ! what's to pay now Welton ?" "Ah-is that you Frost ?" "Yes. Ye been shootin somethin,' aint ye ?" "I've shot a dog I, think."

ett's I reckon."

Before the farmer could make any further re- his wrath. mark, his wife called to him from the porch, and On Monday, toward noon, the constable came he went in.

up from the village, and read to John Welton an Very shortly afterward a boy and a girl came imposing legal document. It was a summons issuthrough the shed, as the dog had came. Down back ed by William Garfield, Esq., a Justice of the of Welton's farm, distant half a mile, or so, was a Peace and Quorum, ordering the said John Welsaw and a grist mill, with quite a little settlement ton to appear before him, at two of the clock, on around it; and people having occasion to go on Wednesday, at his office, then and there to answer foot from that section to the farms on the hill to the complaint of Peter Brackett, etc., etc. The could cut off a long distance by crossing Welton's officer read the summons and left with the defendlot. The boy and girl were children of Mr. Brack- ant a copy.

ett. When they reached home they were met by It was the first time John Welton had ever been a scene of dire confusion. Old Carlo, the grand called upon to face the law. At first he was aweold Newfoundland dog - the loving and loved stricken, and then he was wroth. He told himself - the true and the faithful - had come home that he would fight it to the bitter end. And shot through the head, and was dying. The now he tried to nurse his wrath, and became more children threw themselves upon their shaggy mate, unhappy than before. and wept and moaned in agony.

On Tuesday evening, Parson Surely called upon Mr. Brackett arrived just as the dog breathed Mr. Welton. The good man had heard the trouble, his last. One of the older boys stood by with a and was exceedingly exercised in spirit. Both the lighted lantern-for it had grown dark now-and men were of his flock, and he loved and respected the farmer saw what had happened. them both. He sat down alone with Welton, and

"Who did this ?" he asked groaningly.

"John Welton did it," said Tom Frost, coming "Tell me, calmly and candidly, all about it," he up at that moment. "He's been losing' sheep, said.

asked him what it meant.

"How would you have me do it ?"

" No, go on."

"First, conquer yourself. You are not offended ?"

And thereupon the good old clergyman drew up

an' I guess he's got kind o' wrathy." After a little reflection, Mr. Welton told the "But my dog never killed a sheep-never ! He's story. He knew the old clergyman for a true man, reared to care for sheep. How came he down and a whole-hearted friend, and he told everything there ?" just as he understood it.

"He went over to the mill with Sis and me," "And neighbor Brackett thinks, even now, that the little boy. He thought he had a right to go said the younger boy, sobbing as he spoke; " and you shot the dog knowing that it was his ?" he was running on ahead of us toward home. I "I suppose so." heard a gun just before we got to Mr. Welton's. " If you had told him the exact facts in the bebut oh ! I didn't think he could have shot poor ginning, do you think he would have held Carlo !"

Mr. Brackett was fairly beside himself. To say This was a hard question for John Weiton, but he was angry would not express it. He had the answered it manfully, loved that dog-it had been the chief pet of his "Truly, parson I do not think he would." household for years. He was not a man in the "Were you ever more unhappy in your habit of using profane language, but on the pre- than you have been since this trouble came," sent occasion a fierce oath eacaped him; and in "I think not." that frame of mind-literally boiling with hot

wrath and indignation-he started for Weiton's. happy than you." John Welton and Peter Brackett had been " Do you think so ?" neighbors from their earliest days, and they had "Yes. He is the most angry and vengeful." been friends too. Between the two families there "A brief pause, and then the parson resumed : had been a bond of love and good will, and a "Brother Welton, with you are needed but few spirit of fraternal kundness and regard had mark- words. You are a stronger mar. than Brother

ed their intercourse. Both the farmers were hard Brackett. Do you not believe he has a good working men, with strong teelings and positive | heart ?" characteristics. They belonged to the same religi- "Yes." ous society, and sympathized in politics. They "I wish you could show him how true had warm discussions, but never yet a direct fall- good your own heart 1s." ing out. Of the two, Welton was the more "Parson!" intellectual, and perhaps a little more tinged "I wish you could show him that you posses

with pride than was his neighbor. But they were true Christian courage." both hearty men, enjoying life for the good it "Parson, what do you mean ?" gave them. "I wish you had the courage to meet him and Mr. Welton entered his kitchen, and stood the conquer him."

empty gun up behind the door. What's the matter, John ?" his wife asked, as he saw his troubled face. "I'm atraid I've done a bad thing ?" he replied

regretfully. "I fear I have shot Brackett's dog." his chair and laid his hand upon his friend's arm, "Oh, John ?" and told him just what he would have him do "But I didn't know whose dog it was. I saw He spoke carnestly and with tears in his eyes,

him coming out from the shed-it was too dark to "Brother Welton, have you the heart and th see more than that it was a dog. I only thought | courage to do this ?"

church on that day, nor did his wife. Two or three times during the calm, beautiful Sabbath, as God bless them all each leaf's a gem he glanced over towards his neighbor's dwelling, In nature's gorgeous diadem. he found himself beginning to wish that he had The orchards that, in early spring, "Ye-e-s. I seed him scootin off. It was Brack. not gone to see John Welton in such a heat of anger; but he put the wish away, and nursed back And with each autumn surely bring

> Their wealth of fruits in golden showers; Like pomegranates on Aaron's rod, A miracle from Nature's God.

> > And may he bless the farmer's home, Where peace and plenty reign ; No happier spot 'neath heaven's high dome Doth this broad, beauteous earth contain, Than where, secure from care and strife, The farmer leads his peaceful life.

> > > Unvexed by toil and tricks for gain, He turnes the fertile mould ; Then scatters on the golden grain, And reaps reward an hundred fold ; He dwells where grace and beauty charm, For God hath blessed his home and farm.

By evening breeze or morning showers;

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Blush rich in fragrant flowers,

CHILD'S PRAYER.

"O, God ! bless father and mother, and sister Mamy, and please make my boots go on easy," was the prayer of a little boy that prayed for what he wanted. He did not use a great deal of ircumlocution to pray for things he did not want. His boots were the things that troubled him most; and it was very natural he should tell his Father about them. To be sure, they were only boots-low, earthly

things, that many good people would not think fit to carry to the throne of grace. Not so thought to his Father with anything that troubled him. Maybe his pinching boots had made him say bad words and put him in a bad humor. At any rate he wanted them to" go on easy," and why not pray for the things he wanted ? How very natural for a child to say what it

thinks, and tell what it wants ! It seems to me, children often have a truer idea of prayer than many grown-up people. They pray for what they desire with a beautiful simplicity of faith and trust. Older people pray more for the "And, if possible, neighbor Brackett is more un- things they suppose they ought to pray for, than for the things they really do want. If they get an answer to their prayer, they are more surprised

> than they would have been had they not obtained Let us pray more child-prayer. Let us pray more carnestly for the things we really want, and not be surprised if we obtain them.-Independent.

"Don'T Give UP, BUT TRY."-A gentleman, travelling in the northern part of Ireland, heard the voices of children, and stopped to listen. Finding the sound came from a small building used as a school-house, he drew near; as the door was open he went in, and listened to the words the boys were spelling. One little fellow stood apart, looking very sad. "Why does that boy stand there ?" asked the

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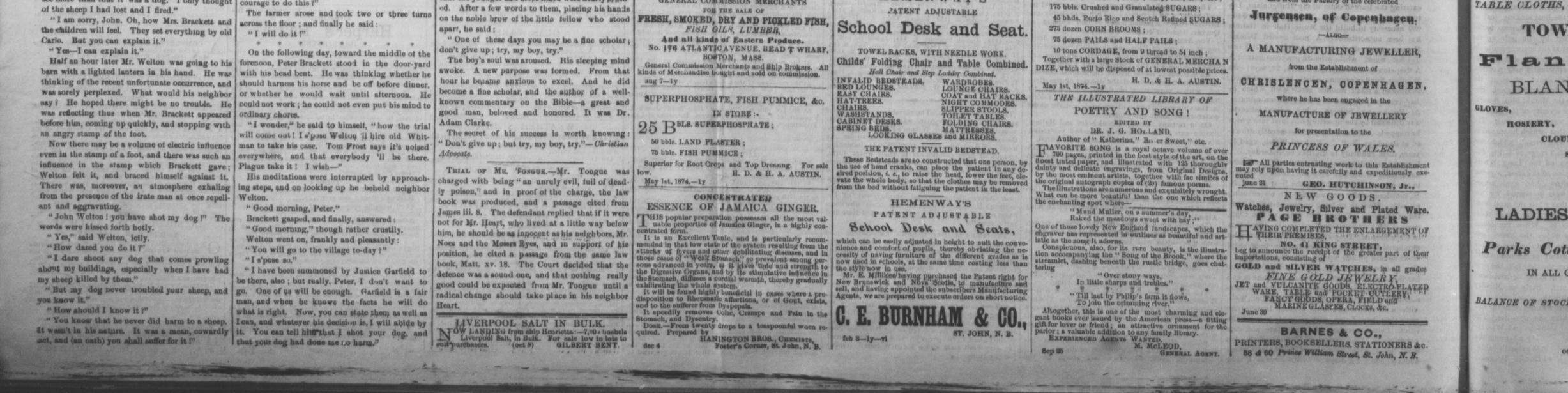
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