## THE RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCER.

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### A WOODMAN'S DAUGHTER.

A woodman lived in a forest wild He was poor as poor could be-His only treasure a maiden child. Bonny and brave was she, And she kept his hearth all warm and bright. And welcomed him home with a kiss at night.

Three robbers passed through the lonely wood, They stopped at the cottage door. "My fair little maid, now give us food." Said she, "I have no more Than a cup of tea and an oaten cake, And father his supper of that must make."

"Go bring us quickly the oaten cake, And bring us the cup of tea.

We're weary and hungry," the robbers spake,-"Twill be little enough for three." " But father," she said, " has toiled all day ;

I cannot give his supper away. The robbers laughed both loud and long ;

"A plucky lass !" they said.

" But give us a kiss, and we'll be gone, And leave you the oaten bread." "Nay ! That," she said, " I cannot do : I keep my kisses for father, too !"

"We could sweep you up my little maid,-You and your oaten cake, And carry you off !- Are you not afraid ?-Where none could overtake." Her cheek grew white with hidden fear : "I know," she said, -" but God is here !'

The father came, with the set of sun, "Home to his cottage door. " I am hungry and tired, my little one ; "What hast thou for me in store ?" "Supper is ready ! Give thanks !" said she ;

"We have oaten bread, and a cup of tea." -Joy Allison, in St. Nicholas for August.

# The fireside.

#### ROB'S MAGIC MIRROR. BY PEARL FORREST.

Rob waked up cross on Monday morning. To be sure there was nothing uncommon about that, ex- though how his minister had found out about him, cept that he was crosser than usual. The first he could not guess. And I think he was right. To thing he said was : "Dear me ; I wish that old be sure, the minister did not know about Rob, but bell wouldn't ring. I don't want to get up." Nevertheless he got up and dressed, pouting all the while.

Breakfast was on the table, and father and mother were taking their seats as Rob came in. you are to make yourselves better, before you can Who could believe that a boy could be cross in such a bright sunshiny room, and with so nice a cannot add to it. All he wants of you is to take it. meal before him? But Rob did not even say and own that it is his work, not yours. "Good-morning," in answer to his mother, but

over to the store. "What is there about that glass ?" he thought as and that they never quarrel. just my own face, same's as I should in any looking- member, "A soft answer turneth away wrath."glass. Don't see's that's any magic. 'Tisn't very Western Catholic.

handsome. Wonder if I do look like that much of the time. Wonder if I shouldn't look better if I kept pleasant.'

Once admitted, that last thought was not to be easily banished. It took firm hold of Rob, and resulted in a stout resolve that he would keep pleasant henceforward. Poor boy ! when any one has a habit of being cross, that resolve is not so easily kept. He fell into the habit of peeping into his glass on all occasions --- not now to look for magical results; he had forgotten all about that-but to see if he looked any better. Of course it was not long before the boys noticed this, and began to laugh at him ; and then, of course poor Rob was furious, and forgot his good resolve.

So day after day went by. Rob thought he had never passed so unhappy a week. By Saturday night he was utterly discouraged. He had been very cross that day, and he cried himself to

Sunday morning he told the whole story, to his mother, with many chokings, and a stray tear-drop or two, in spite of Rob's efforts at self-control. "And there never was so many things to vex me," he ended, " as since I tried to be pleasant ; andoh, dear ! it isn't one bit of use." "Robbie," said his mother, " once there was a man in a boat, floating down a river. He did not have to work at all. But after a while he took up

his oars to row back. Ho tugged and tugged, but still the current drifted him along. 'Why !' said the man, 'the current was not half so strong before I began to row.'

"How foolish !" said Rob. "It was just as strong, only he didn't feel it when he was floating the same way."

"Yes," said his mother ; then she stopped. "But why"--began Rob. "Oh yes, I see ! You mean things were just as bad before I tried, only I didn't notice. But that doesn't make it look any easier,-does it, mother ! And I can't be good ; t's no use at all," wailed poor Rob.

"No, my darling; you can't-all alone," she answered ; and there the conversation dropped, for Rob's father called that it was time for church. It would be useless to tell Rob that the sermon he heard was not made for him. He knew it was, God knew,-and he sent the message, didn't he ? A part of what Rob took home was this : " Some of you are trying to do the work yourselves. You are asking ' What shall I do ?' and you think that

come to Jesus. But Christ's work is finished. You

" Here is a great advantage which a Christian has only this instead : "There, now, mother, you said over others. Others try to cover up their sins, or pretend to think them not of much

selves. In Jesus' presence he dares for himself."

WILLIE AND EVA.

One day Willie and she were playing in the gar-

Then old Father Dromio came, and told her a

In the night he set off alone to the giant's castle.

"Nay, thou canst not do that," said the fairy ;

but if thou wilt do as I tell thee, thou mayest,

"To slay the giant," was the reply.

on the road and left to die.

blows he seemed to laugh at.

(2 Cor. 3 : 18).

like the ' Arabian Nights.'

he came with the butter-pail in hand, and marched Eva ran away to her brother, and a little bird tells me that now Willie and Eva are never apart, he went along. "I don't see anything ever, but So much for a dream, little ones. Always re-

THOU AND I.

BY PHEEBE CARY. Strange, strange for thee and me Sadly afar ; Thou safe, beyond, above, I 'neath the star ; Thou where flowers deathless spring, I where they fade ;

Thou in God's paradise, I 'mid the shade.

Thou where each gale breathes balm, I tempest-tossed :

Thou where true joy is found, I where 'tis lost. Thou counting ages thine,

I not the morrow ; Thou learning more of bliss.

I more of sorrow.

Thou in eternal peace. I 'mid earth's strife ; Thou where care hath no name. I where 'tis life. Thou without need of hope, I where 'tis vain : Thou with wings dropping light, I with time's chain.

Strange, strange, for thee and me ; Loved, loving ever ; Thou by life's deathless fount, I near death's river : Thou winning wisdom's lore. I strength to trust : Thou 'midst the seraphim.

I in the dust.

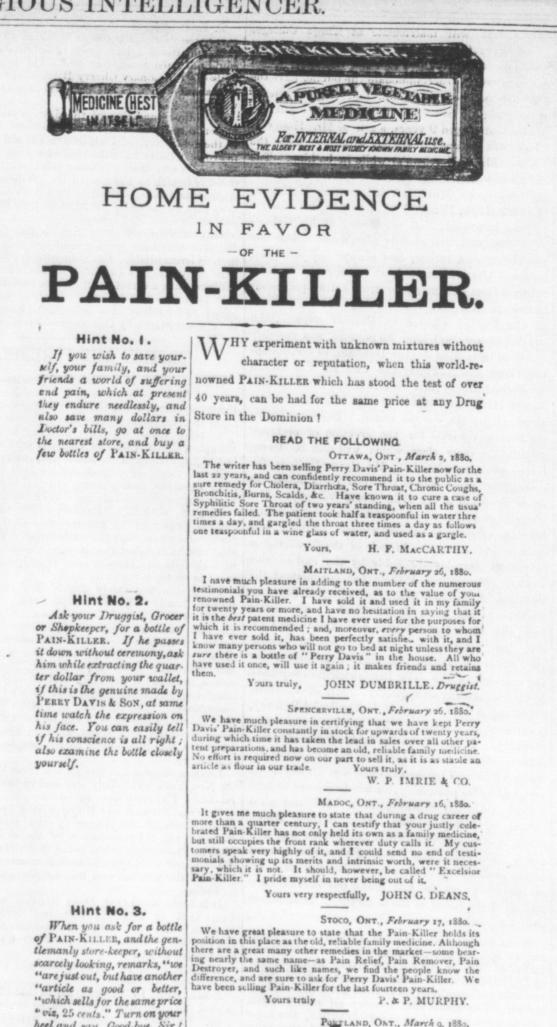
#### HOW TO LOVE GOD.

In a beautiful village, a boy, about ten years old, lay very sick, drawing near to death, and very sad. He was joint heir, with an only brother, to a great estate, and the inheritance was just about coming into his possession, but it was not the loss of this that made him sad. He was a dying boy, and his heart longed for the treasure which he knew never had been his, and which was worth more to him now than all the gold of all the western mines. One day I came into his room. I sat down by him, took his hand, and, looking in his troubled face, asked him what made him so sad. " Uncle," said he, " I want to love God. Won't

you tell me how to love God ?" I cannot describe the piteous tones in which he

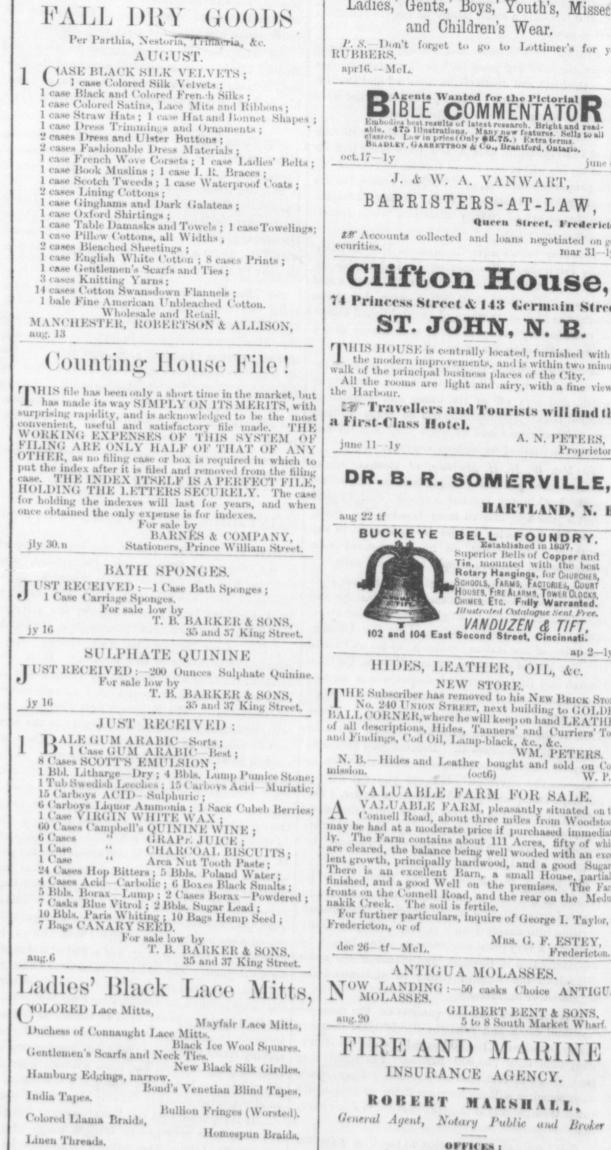
said these words, and the look of trouble which he gave me. I said to him : " My boy, you must trust God first, and then

you will love Him without trying to at all." With a surprised look he exclaimed : " What did you say ?"



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They are coming, Robbie ; Jane is frying them but the Christian knows he may bring them all to now," said his mother ; " wait a minute.

"Yes, 'wait,'" he grumbled, "I always have to wait. I want my breakfast.'

"Robert !" said his father warningly. When father said " Robert !" it was best to be careful; and as the cakes were just then brought,

Robert contented himself with looking sulky while lifted. he ate them. By and by he broke out again : "Father, can't

I have a new ball ?" "Another ball ! Where is the last you had ?"

" Oh, I lost that last week !"

"Then I think it will not pay to buy another for you to lose.'

" O father, I should think I might have one ! All the boys do but me.'

" No, Rob," returned his father ; " not till you can be more careful and more-" " pleasant," he

was going to say, but Rob snapped out :

"I don't care ; you never let me do anything !" and marched out of the room.

"What shall we do with the boy ?" sighed his mother.

"He is growing crosser every day. He needs a face already shows the magical effect." lesson," said his father.

School went ill that morning with poor Rob. He failed in one lesson and blundered in another, was Times. beaten at marbles at recess, struck the boy who won, and was reprimanded by the teacher. He came home in bad humor, but was surprised and mollified to find lying by his plate a pretty pocketcase containg comb, brush, and a dear little looking- ever trotted at a mother's side. But Willie had a glass.

" Oh ! thank you, sir," cried Rob, smiling up at bonny brow, and many a harsh word fell from his his father. "I've wanted one this long time."

"Don't lose it," replied his father ; "Rob, that a blow from his hand, which brought the tears into is a sort of a magic glass, such as you read of in her gentle eyes. Arabian Nights.'

Rob looked doubtfully first at the glass, then at den, and Willie, having caught a butterfly, was imhis father, and asked, "But what will it do?"

paling it on a sharp pin, when his sister remon-

Rob ran back to school, his gift safe in his poc- little clenched fist and cut her lips ; Then she left ket, and his mind so full of curiosity about it that him, and, crying bitterly, went into a summer he almost wished something would go wrong, to house, and sobbed herself to sleep. give him a chance to make trial of its powers.

He had not long to wait. Proud of his new pos- story. He told her that once, in a far away land, session, he made haste to display it to the other there lived a very fierce and cruel giant, who would boys. In spite of his rather boastful air, the boys torture those he caught, and sometimes even kill were all admiring the neat case and the pretty toi- them, and that the people of that land became let articles, when Ben Barlow came up. Ben was very much afraid of him, and the king offered a rethe bully of the school, a rough, coarse lad, who ward to any knight who should kill the giant and took pride in "taking down" his companions. No rid the country of him. sooner had he seen the toilet-case than he exclaimed, "Pooh ! that's nothing great," and, with a quick

movement, tossed it into the muddy street. "For shame, Ben Barlow," cried half a dozen

voices, as Rob, white with anger, ran to pick up the case. It was covered with mud, and scratched by a rough stone, pretty and new no longer.

"You coward !" muttered Rob, shaking his fist at his tormentor, " I'll-I'll-" But words failed, and Rob was not ready for deeds. Instead, he began to examine his case ; drawing out one by one the brush, comb, and glass, to see if each were safe. As his eye fell on the last, his father's words came to mind, and Rob eagerly scrutinized the shining surface with vague anticipation. Nothing remarkable happened, however ; but while Rob gazed, he noticed the disagreeable scowl on the face he saw

reflected. It was not a pleasant sight, and it perchance, put him to flight, and eventually drive changed the current of his thought. him away altogether." "Whew ! I didn't know I looked like that," he

'I repeated the exact words again, and I shall never forget how his large hazel eyes opened on me, Jesus, for Jesus has borne them all. He may conand his cheek flushed as he slowly said : fess to Jesus what others dare not own to them-

"I never knew that before. I always thought that I must love God first before I had any right "That's what I want," thought Rob, with a glad to trust Him." bound of heart. " I'm willing, I know I'm will-

"No, my dear boy," I answered. "God wants ing to have Jesus do it all." So the great load was us to trust Him ; that is what Jesus always asks us to do first of all, and He knows as soon as we trust Not many days after came Rob's birthday, such Him, we shall begin to love Him. That is the way a happy one ! His presents delighted him. From to love God, to put our trust in Him first of all.' hat dear mother there was a pretty illuminated Then I spoke of the Lord Jesus, and how God text, "My Grace is Sufficient for Thee;" from his sent him that we might believe in Him, and father, the much-desired new ball, and a little how, all through His life, He tried to win the trust Bible. On the fly-leaf of the latter were Rob's of men ; how grieved He was when men would not name, the date, and below this text : " But we all, believe in Him, and how every one who believed with open-face beholding as in a glass the glory of came to love without trying to love at all. the Lord, are changed into the same image from

He drank in all the truth, and, simply saying glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord" " I will trust Jesus now," without an effort put his young soul in Christ's hands that very hour, and so "O father !" cried Rob with sparkling eyes, he came into the peace of God which passeth under now I know what you meant by saying there was standing, and lived in it calmly and sweetly to the nagic in my glass. But I don't think it is a bit end. None of all the loving friends, who watched over him during the remaining weeks of his life, doubted "No matter," said his father, smiling; "your that the dear boy had learned to love God without trying to, and that dying he went to Him whom "I hope it will go on till I am ' changed into

the same image,'" Rob whispered very low.-S. not having seen he had loved.

## SHE COULD BE TRUSTED.

"I can trust my little daughter ; I know she tells Willie was as pretty a boy as one would wish the me everything," said the mother, holding up the see; as bright a blue-eyed dimpled little fellow as bright, gentle face, and looking down at it fondly. "Yes, mamma," was on the little girl's lips, but dreadful temper. Many a scowl settled on his her eyes dropped, and her cheeks were crimsoned in a moment. A kiss on the pretty lips, and the pouting lips. Full often did his sister Eva receive mother was turning away.

"Mamma," said the little husky voice, "let me whisper in your ear. Mamma, you trust me-J must tell you everything," and her voice was so low that only the mother heard it. As she bent "Ok, never mind, you'll find out. All you have strated, and told him it was very cruel; but Willie heart fluttering under her fingers, she saw the face to do is to be sure to look into it whenever any- only laughed. Then Eva tried to rescue the poor flush and pale ; she knew, too, by the quiver of the lips, the struggle of the moment.

She would have kissed the lips, the face, and hushed the heart ; she would have stopped the trying story, but she knew that a fault confessed was a fault half conquered, and so awaited to the end. It was a strange, new thoughtlessness the little girl recounted, of a sad step aside from the narrow way of right. She knew better. She had been more than half unhappy on account of it for several days, especially as she could not gather courage to confess it-only the words of trust brought about the confession. Could she say, "Yes, mamma," Very many brave and noble men tried ; but all knowing that at that very moment she was coverwere driven back either with hard words or hard ing a little corner of the heart whero she had hidblows; or, after being tortured, were thrown back den a fault she wished no eyes to see ? Mighty engines were made to destroy the giant,

The mother, sorry for the child's trial, yet glad but they had no power over him ; wounds and of her victory for right, was still sad in thinking of the fault. Other children might have done the same thing-other children might have done worse At last a very young knight offered to try and -but her own fair-faced child ? she could have rid them of the monster. He was laughed at by wept before her as she stood both in gladness and the people as a silly boy, and none cared to help in sorrow-sorrow for the fault ; gladness that she was too true to receive praise unworthily, too strong ON and after MONDAY, the 14th June, the Trains for the right to allow the hardness of the confession As he was going, he met a fairy, who asked him his to overcome her.

She stooped and folded her in her arms, saying, Kiss me, Kathrina ; your fault would break my aeart, but that I believe this hour you have conquered ; you have done well-now I know better Express for Sussex, ... 

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