

NEVER DESPAIR.

Never despair! The darkest cloud That ever loomed will pass away; The longest night will yield to dawn, The dawn will kindle into day!

The Fireside.

PHIL'S EXPERIMENT.

BY SIDNEY DAYRE.

"Have I got to rake up these leaves every day?" asked Phil with a whine in his voice. "Yes, every day."

just what I please all day when I get out of school." He went to the dinner-table with a boy's appetite. "Where's my plate?" he asked, seeing no place ready for him.

and merriment out of place? Indeed, no. When there is a frolic going on, count me in, if you please. Under the head of badness, I include the meanness which makes a boy tell a lie rather than own that he is in the wrong; the malice which prompts him to play a practical joke, and the lack of principle which borrows and does not return.

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