WORK AND PLAY.

Oh why did you call me, mother! I was sitting beside the stream, And watching the play of my sailing-boat As she danced in a bright sunbeam, And I tossed the pebbles in, one by one, Till the water grew strong and high— Then I cheered and cheered, till I almost

I should anger old Bessy hard by !

"But, mother, why will you sit and sew Through the whole long summer-day? You'll come and look at my sailing-boat As she rides in her miniature bay? And when I'm a man, and at sea, mother, I'll not let you sit and sew, But build you a ship, where the men, Shall cheer us wherever we go!

"But I cannot now stay if you won't For I promised our Harry, at three,
To meet him down by the Squire's walk,
To climb the old chestnut-tree. And I hear its two by the minister's clock. And my "top-mast" not yet done; But half-an-hour will finish that— So-a kiss! and hurrah for a run!"

And the boy returned to his sailing-boat, While the mother's eyes grew dim With tears—to think of the coming years, When she could not work for him; And the coat is worn—and the coat is torn And a ship rides out of the bay; But mothers must weep till they fall asleep And work while the children play! Sunday Magazine.

EDGAR'S VALENTINE.

Or how the Tables were Turned.

BY LIZZIE MAY SHERWOOD.

"What do you think of the plan went off together." him."

business, when we attempt to ridicule ridiculing you before the class in a 'The best laid plans of mice and men God's unfortunate creatures. Edgar valentine. Jack is a good fellow. I Drake with all his deformity, has an never knew him to do a mean act beintellect that you or I might envy. fore and I admit I cannot now under-Only the other day I overheard Prof. stand it. I wish you to teach him a Sydney say to Prof. Stuart, 'That lesson he will never forget." Drake has a massive brain. He will make his mark despite his deformity. What matter about the casket when it contains a soul like his?"

"Humph! you grow eloquent in your defense of humpy-dumpy, but all this is not likely to spoil my bit of

"See here, Trueman, when a mere boy, some one gave me a small book. On its first page, prefacing a story were these words-

' He digged a pit, he digged it deep. He digged it for his brother, But for his sin, he did fall in

The pit he digged for t'other. I have never forgotten it, and the older I grow the more I appreciate its force. Be careful. You and I are friends, let me now as a true friend thing. It is far beneath you? Have I your promise" and Herbert Morse held out his hand-Jack Trueman did not take it, but with a scowl and sneer, turned on his heel, and without a word, walked rapidly off in an opposite direction.

Herbert Morse, and Jack Trueman had been warm friends since early boyhood. Now they stood side by side in their classes in the Latin to promise," Jack exclaimed as he School. They expected to enter col- entered the hall the morning followlege together, at the next commence- ing St. Valentine's. "Now for fun' ment. They shared each others con- he added rubbing his hands with fidences, knew each others plans, were delight "We will begin with you mutual friends.

ence," was the deformed person of ment caused unusual stillness. Jack Edgar Drake, a young man who had responded, and greeted Emma Black lately entered the school. He had with some half dozen other girlsbeen given a private examination, "Please pardon us young gentleand greatly to the interest of some men." Emma said with her sweetest and the disgust of others, had been smile, "but my brother Frank over placed in the highest classes. Among there, has given us permission to join the disgusted ones was Jack Trueman. in your sport, and if you wish, add to Being the son of one of the most it, by displaying our Valentines. Are prominent physicians in the city, and | we welcome?" an unusual amount of grace, and good "Yes, indeed" echoed a number looks himself, gave him a dignity and of voices at once. "The more the standing in the school which was merrier "laughed Jack. "Let us be equalled by none. He and his friend expeditious though. Time flies!" as Morse had always stood in the first he glanced at his watch. ranks, and now to be equalled, and Such fun, and laughter as one after even surpassed by that "hideous another opened their envelopes. At monster" as he chose to call Drake, last it came Edgar Drake's turn.

was more than he could bear. Jack intended giving vent to his spleen, by taking advantage of its privilege. Knowing his influence among the boys he felt sure he could persuade them to keep their valentines unopened until they all met the morning following St. Valentines, when they should be exhibited for the amusement of all concerned. His grand combination he had certainly mailed you louder and louder as you near its aim in this plan being to enclose to to Emma! Drake a ridiculous caricature of his deformed body, accompaning it with some cruel, sarcastic lines.

As usual he had first gone to Herbert Morse with his plan, and with concealed his surprise in his admirawhat result we have already seen. tion of the beautiful thing. But so truly does Satan "sift as "Mr. Drake you have carried off wheat" those once in his power, in- the palm surely," Emma said with stead of heeding the wise words of real pleasure in her tone "and strange his friend, he only "hardened his enough the only valentine of mine heart" and was the more determined | which remains unopened has a wrapper

to carry his point. As he expected, the very counterpart of yours. Let his proposition was received with me have your knife please, and we favor. A dozen or more, pledged shall soon know what is within "Jack themselves to help in the fun, but it felt hot and cold by turns, and the must be said in credit to the boys had perspiration came out on his forehead

we have your pledge too."

"I beg your pardon, but I have not seif came to the rescue. even heard your proposal." Drake responded, strapping his books, Jack made the subject of a valentine for explained. "Being a stranger in the you Miss Blake. Let me examine it city I do not expect any valentine, more closely, please? It is admirably in fact I never have been fortunate done. True to nature—cruel nature

you always get a supply. We want caused this poor deformed body of your name," said some one as Her- mine. Some day I will tell you the bert Morse was about to leave the whole story. It is a sad one. We

followed Drake out the door, bestow- shall have put on immortality." ing upon Jack a look of scorn.

you a moment Morse, said as soon as and then meet one who thinks I was they had reached the street, and lock- born for a detective. I believe there ing his arm in that of Drake the two has been a mistake concerning our

"No, Trueman, I consider it serious and intends revenging himself by ment of the old Scotch poet,

"Forwarned is forarmed.' From my heart I thank you," Drake replied, clasping his companion's hand, while real gratitude beamed in his fine, intelligent face.

Meanwhile the students had one after another left the building, with the exception of Jack Trueman and Charles Scribner-a fellow of doubtful principles. Strange to say Jack had now taken him into his confidence, and had just requested his helpsand brush, in making Drake's valentine a success.

a large book store to look over the valentines. He wished to purchase one for Emma Black, a young lady beg of you not to do this cowardly for whom he held a very high opinion, and who figured largely in Jack's numerous day dreams. Selecting one of the most beautiful and expensive, he next purchased a plain, white panel with gilt edges, on which Drake's picture was to be drawn, and securing also two large, square envelopes he left the store.

"Well, we are all here, agreeably

Stevens, as you are the elder." The subject of the present "differ- A timid rap at the door at this mo-

"If I were to judge of mine by the St. Valentine's Day drew near, and size of its wrapper I might expect something fine " Drake coolly remarked opening his pen-knife, and neatly cutting the envelope.

Jack gave a quick, nervous glance as the contents were brought to light, and beheld not the caricature over which he and Charles Scribner had spent hours, but instead, the elegant

"What! Where?" he found himself asking, but controlling himself he tried to hide both his astonishment and chagrin. Edgar, too, successfully

they known the real object of the and hands as he waited the result. As proposal, few if any would have agreed he expected, she drew forth Drake's Valentine. A murmur of disapproval "What do you say Drake?" Jack passed from one to another as the enquired in a patronizing tone, "shall picture was recognised. Then followed an awkward silence. Drake him-

"I am honored indeed by being enough to receive one, but if I should, he added a little sadly, then addressyou will all be very welcome to see it." | ing the group around him he continu-"Here, Morse where are you? ed, "Doubtless you all wonder what have not time this morning. My only "Be kind enough to leave me out sister, years ago, was in danger of a of this arrangement I shall be quite terrible death. I saved her, but—ah busy that morning," he replied as he well what matter when this 'mortal

Then resuming his usual cheerfulness "Drake, I would like to speak with he said laughing, "Miss Blake I now Valentines. You see the wrappers are Morse? Won't it be a capital joke on "I have something to communicate of the same size, and it is also apparent old hump-back? He is so uppish I'd to you Drake that is decidedly un- that our address was printed by the like to take some of the conceit out of pleasant, and it is all the more em- same crayon. You observe, too, the barrassing, since it is concerning my similarity between our names Emma "The plan is all right so far as we most intimate friend. Jack True- Blake-Edgar Drake. Now my private boys are concerned, but the joke you man's proposal, to which you have opinion is that our valentines came intend for Edgar Drake is too con- just agreed, concerns you more than from the same individual but owing to temptibly mean for me to enjoy, or to you think. Indeed it is wholly for one of those unaccountable blunders your benefit. He has allowed the which sometimes occur, this beautiful "Why? your terms are more evil One to sow the tares of envy and gift intended for you, was placed into forcible than elegant. Are'nt you jealousy in his heart toward you be- the wrapper addressed to me, and vice making a mountain out of a mole hill?" | cause of your standing in the school, | versa. It only brings out the senti-

> And now allow me the pleasure of returning to you your property, while

I must beg the same favor." "No, indeed Mr. Drake, keep the valentine as a gift from me, but this," pointing to the caricature in her hand, "I shall always preserve as a souvenir of this interesting morning."

Just at this moment the musical ring of the school bell rang out on the clear frosty air, and the group quickly separated.

When the crest fallen Jack returned to his room that evening, he found two objects of interest awaiting him. One was a note from Emma which

ran as follows:-"Mr. Trueman:-Scribner was an adept with pencil You need not call for me this evening, I shall probably not attend the lecture, and furthur you need not in the future expect me to accept any invitation On his way home Jack stepped into coming from you until you have made a proper acknowledgment to Edgar Drake for the cowardly insult you have given him. Yours,

EMMA BLAKE." The other was a handsome tablet on

which was engraved the lines Herbert Morse repeated to him on that never to be forgotten evening.

"He digged a pit, he digged it deep, He digged it for his brother, But for his sin he did fall in The pit, he digged for 'tother.'

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Nortondale, York. No. 45.—Jumbles. 1. Towhti em ey nca ed gnhtiou. 2. Ferthoree elt on amn oylgr ni

3. Dsnta staf orfethere ni hte yrtblie thwierewh rshtci shu edma su

4. Rfo dgo thah tno viegn su eth iprtsri fo rfae; tbu fo roproe, dna fo vole, nda fo a undnso idnm. LIZZIE A. KERR.

Stanley, York.

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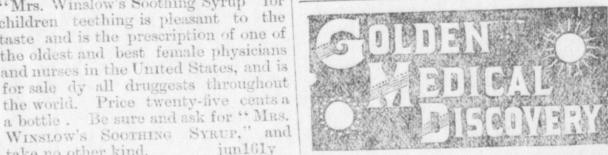
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