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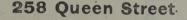
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(Continued from first page.) Let us not, then, in our today, lose sight of the fact that there is a tomorrow somewhere for us, and it may not be far off from us. There is such a thing as making the best of both the today and the tomorrow. The best preparation for the tomorrow that is to come, whatever it may be, is to make a wise christian use of today. Let us do our duty; meekly fulfil our life-purpose, whether high or humble; shine as we can in the Lord's sweet service; and not over-anxious as to what is to be in the near future or the remote, so long as we are doing the best we can for the master today. To be not from her tragile, exhausted frame spendthrift of life in unselfish service might flow the invigorating stream that for the good of others; not to spare our should give new life to her dying child. selves but to spend ourselves to lose life. But we left her at last, sitting in listless not to save it;-thus to live, is best for despair by the little couch, as before, and both the today and the tomorrow, the

This world is all a fleeting show,

now and the forever.

For man's illusion given; The smiles of joy, the tears of war, Deceitful shine, deceitful flow-

There's nothing true but Heaven. And false the light on glory's plume As fading lines of even,

And love, and hope, and beauty's bloom Are blossoms gathered for the tomb-There's nothing bright but Heaven

Poor wanderers of a stormy day, From wave to wave we're driven; And fancy's flash, and reason's ray, Serve but to light the troubled way-There's nothing calm but Heaven.

# An Unsung Hero.

Our Story.

(Continued.) As the doctor, a singularly grave and reticent man. had until now shown no

desire to extend our acquaintance, I was GOLD PENS & PENCILS unprepared for the cordiality of his greeting, but I answered at once in the affirmative. Then you are the only medical man

besides myself on board, and I beg of you to consult with me in a most interesting case. I am not mistaken-you will do me this favor?

As a young and comparatively inexperienced practitioner I could not but feel Everybody delighted. You try us.. flattered by the doctor's manner, and answered without hesitation

Certainly, with the greatest pleasure. Then come, I beg, he earnestly said. There is no time to lose.

As I passed Tom to follow Dr. Claas I noticed that he was leaning forward, as if indistinct words as he resumed his position.

A moment later I stood with my colleague at the side of the sick child. He no longer moaned, but lay motionless and almost pulseless, upon his pillow. The mother sat by him, her dark hair falling loosely, her small hands lying listlessly in her lap, her face pale and tenso with the my line, sir, but feeling sorry for the unutterable grief and pain. Physician poor little chap—and his mother, sir the' I was, and already inured to the sight she seems to hev sot her heart on him to of human suffering, 1 could not meet the look that was turned upon us as we entered. On examination of the little suf ferer I agreed perfectly with Dr. Claas in diagnosis of the case; the child, tho' under the influence of no organic disease, was perishing from inanition. His life's small taper was flickering faintly; in a few days at most it would go out in darkness unless-a sudden thought flashed across my mind, sending the blood bounding through my veins. I looked quickly up into my colleague's face and met his eyes full upon me; a glance of quick intelligence passed from one to the other, and at the same instant one and the same word passed our lips. That word was transfusion! The thought had been simul taneous. To restore the child's almost extinguished vitality, the famishing frame deprived of nutriment by the incapacity of the organs of digestion and assimilation to do their work, must be supplied with fresh life-material already prepared for assimilation. In other words, the warm, ruddy stream of life must be led

I know what you mean, the little woman hurriedly said, her face flushing and paling again, I have read much about it. I remember that it need not be an animala human being will do as well-even better!

Even Dr. Claas was not proof against this. I saw his eyes grow moist as he took the hand gently in both his own. It cannot be, madam, he said, as if speaking to a little child. Compose yourself. We will retire and consider other means Something may yet suggest itself.

It was very hard to convince her that returned to the deck, where Dr. Claas joined me in a long discussion of the subject that had just been under consideration.

Tom, the sailor, was still on duty, pacing the deck at times, or leaning against the foremast, taking no apparent notice of our presence. At a late hour I bade Dr. Claas good night, and retired to my berth, but not to sleep. The piteous face of that mother as we left her, having given the death blow to her last hope, was constantly before me; her plaintive voice mingled with the monotonous plashing of the waves.

For what seemed hours I lay listening to every sound, longing for daylight, tho' it was not yet midnight, but finally eight bells sounded, and the steps and voices overhead showed that Tom was being relieved from duty.

A moment later there was a knock at the door of my room, and in response to my astonished 'Come in,' it was opened; and Tom himself, looking very awkward and uncertain stood on the threshold.

'Beg, pardon, sir,' he said, in a husky whisper, fingering his cap like a bashful boy-'beg pardon, but I made sure you wasn't asleep, an' there was somethin' I wanted to ask ye right away, sir, if I may make so bold.'

So far from being angry with Tom for his intrusion, I was glad of any interruption to my painful thoughts, and bade him enter and close the door.

And now what is it, Tom? I said, when he had done so.

I wouldn't have ye think, sir, that 1 meant to listen to your conversation with the doctor, he began, after, much preliminary shuffling and hitching and clearing of his voice, but bein' where I was, some words came to my hearin', sir an' after that I couldn't but lis'en, feelin' an interlistening to what we had been saying, and est in the little sick chap myself. And I fancied that I heard him mutter some from what I heard I gathered as how there was somethin' that 'ould save his life, if it could be had; an' because it couldn't be had, sir, the poor little chap must die.

Tom made a little half halt here and then continued:

I-I couldn't rightly make out what it was as was wanted bein' a seafarin' man and knowing little of things as ain't in



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direct from thearteries of a living, healthy being into the child's own depleted veins. Only a physician can comprehend the

glow of enthusiastic joy that prevaded our whole being as this theory, then comparauvely new and untried, presented itself efore us with all its glorious possibil-Ries.

The grave face of Dr. Class fairly shone for a moment, then darkened again, and inspection, one magnificent muscular arm, he shook his head gravely.

A magnificent opportunity ! he said, in tone of regret-magnificent! But unfortunately impracticable. Being so near the end of our voyage we have not a livg nimal on board !

A sharp cry interrupted my answer. In our professional zeal we had forgotten hat the mother's ears were drinking in avarything tht was uttered. In an instant a slender arm bared to the elbow hard brown hand. PHŒNIX SQUARE, FTOM, was extended toward us.

to that extent-why, sir, I made so bold as to come an' ask ye what it was that's wanted an' can't be had.

Tom's gruff voice trembled a good deal as he stumbled through his clumsy speech, and he shifted himself from one foot to the other a good many times.

It was impossible for me to feel either amusement or vexation at what might have seemed to some very like presumption. I did not hesitate to explain to theory of transfusion, the obstacles in the way of its application in the present case, and the regret of Dr. Class and myself at the loss of so fine an opportunity.

Tom listened breathlessly, leaning forward, his eyes fixed upon me, his lips moving in unconscious imitation of my own. When I had finished he straightened himself, putting one hand to his curly head with a perplexed air:

'Ay, ay!' he slowly said, 'that was it! I wasn't sure as I got it right end up, sir, but that was it! Ye see it has a powerful strange sound to a man like me; but jest don't run agin no sunken rocks nor sandbars an' I'm all right, sir. You say that the blood of livin', breathin', healthy animal, beastor human, pumped, so to speak, into the veins of a sick an' ailin' creatur', beast or human, will save life, sir?' May, Iom; no man can say will.

May then,' repeated Tom. Wall, sir, and drawing himself up, he bared for my freshly tattooed with all a sailor's taste and ingenuity. Wall, sir, here am I, eight-and-twenty year of age, tough as oak an' tho' I say it as shouldn't mebbe, as sober a man as ever trod deck, an' the little chap yonder is welcome to the last drop o' blood in my veins, so be it might, save him to the poor little woman that is breakin' her beart over him as any man can see.

I sprang from my berth and seized Tom's

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