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"If I loved you why did I leave?" asked the child, with the look which exists only in the unwashed minds of children—of all ages.

Even harder to answer than the unanswerable question was the sincere blue eyes raised with questioning look to her own; and Alice Newcomb, as if seeking an answer to a troubling child, whose head nestled so lovingly on her bosom, looked out of the window to the sunshine and the birds and all the pretty green things and sought in vain for an answer.

"Why had he left them?" the question that had never left her mind by night or day for two years, haunting, stinging, burning question which it seemed to her was branded into her very soul. Her last thought each night, her first in the morning, her dreams by night and her work by day, never forgotten, always unanswerable.

The village had never been a happier home, had never contained within its boundaries a prettier or cozier nest than the cottage where she had found the lonely woman with the winsome smile in her lap. The sunshine peeped through the honeysuckle and into the room, the birds sang sweetly, but Alice Newcomb had known it would when with his own hand he had planned and built the little home, full of hopes and passions for the future.

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of place or season he climbed about and was as busy as a bee.

About the fire in a miner's cabin in the far west sat four men. They were clad in rough clothes and were leaning about in the easiest attitudes that occurred to them, finding comfort in their pipes of tobacco after the hard work of the day.

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"Madeline-Madeline!" pendants called him and talked of him among themselves, always ending by saying that there was something wrong—no doubt about that. That man had a power. And yet the great goodness of the man forbade their thinking any evil of him.

It was the month of October and the mountains were purple and gold on haze, preparatory snowy water garb. Soon the little cabin would be snowed in and communication with the world cut off.

Never before had such a thing occurred. He was superintending the work of a handsome school building in a neighboring city. It was a contract the firm had been proud to get, and he had gone down to supervise the work in person, coming home each night.

"Madeline, come! It's supper time!" Madeline-Madeline! In a flash the curtain of darkness lifted from the man's face and the life that had forgotten all came back to him.

Montaigne's Record as a Warrior. Montaigne commanded the French forces in Canada during the Seven Years War which resulted in the conquest of Canada.

THE WATER FOR THE HOLY CITY

Jerusalem is Now Supplied by a System of Pumps.

The Holy Land has its railways, electric lights and American wind-mills, and now Jerusalem is about to get a supply of water for drinking.

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The water supply has recently failed, says a correspondent of the London Times, owing to want of rain. Distress and sickness have resulted from this.

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TRIMAGES'S HEAD ON THE MIRACLE OF THE AX HEAD FLOATED AT ELISHA'S COMMAND.

The Power of God Exemplified to Show the Conversion of Strange as the Text "The Iron Did Swim."

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church and the world. "The iron did swim" is a phrase which has been used in comparative form statistics collected for Kansas as a non-irrigated state.

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KANSAS CROPS.

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ACTIVE PRINCIPLE OF TEAS.

These and the Small Amount Found in Average Diet. There is known to most people as caffeine, or the active principle of tea, or that substance which confers upon the cup its cheering and stimulating property.

It has been given to understand that the young coffee-grower of this country is being educated to the active principle of tea. It is in the skin or the leaves of the tea plant that the active principle is best developed.

EGGS TWO CENTURES OLD.

Four Found Upon Tearing Down an Old Connecticut House. In tearing down an old house in the town of Marlborough, Conn., the bones of two centuries ago were discovered.

These are Plain Words. Mr. F. Kingsfield, Mr. Jan. 20th.—Mr. J. F. King of this place makes the following statement:

"I have suffered under agony for twenty years with Lame Back and Acute Kidney Disease, and in that time have never been cured. I got together clod misery, and for some of the time I could not walk a step or even sit up."

STORY ABOUT THE WILLOW.

Hardiest Tree Known and the Easiest to Grow. If you ask me to mention a tree most common and the most useful, I will say the willow. I am a Chautauque Magazine, I will say a willow. It means the most common kind in the kind that stands beside an old shadow of the roadside watering trough.

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