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order, and as to expense of operating

exceeds anything to be found in the

United States. But about thirty-three

per cent. of receipts of Indian rail-

ways are required to meet the expense

of operation. What one of our rail-

ways can report as favorable as that?"

THE JAPANESE.

"The Japanese are one of the

cleanest people on earth, personally.

But as much cannot be said of them

morally. They are extremely cour-

teous and agreeable people. We were

invited to visit a Japanese merchant,

with whom I was much pleased. Our

reception was as courteous as it was

cordial. We had to remove our shoes

at the door, and enter and make our

visit in our stocking feet. Our host

introduced us to three of his wives.

I do not know how many more he

had. It will give you some idea of

the elegance of our entertainment if I

tell you the tea we drank was made

before us in a golden teacup.

"The hills, mountains, and volca-

noes of Japan are exceedingly beau-

tiful. The groves which occupy so

much space in Japanese cities are

very attractive. The island sea upon

which we crossed to Nagasaki is as

beautiful as any water I ever sailed

upon.

CHINESE CLEANLINESS.

"Shanghai and Hong Kong are not

filthy, and Saigon, in Cochinchina,

is cleaner than New York has been

in many years. But the people do not

bathe as frequently as in Japan, and

the people are not as clean. The Ce-

lestials are sinewy and have great en-

durance, but they would doubtless

look less sallow and their physical

condition would improve if they were

not restricted to such a monotonous

diet. Rice is wholesome food, but

they live almost exclusively upon

rice, and the poorer class have hardly

enough of that.

THE TEMPLES.

"The dwellings of the natives are

poor everywhere in Asia. The only

fine private buildings are the houses

of foreign residents. The pagodas of

the great cities of China are conspicu-

ously above the hut-like houses of the

people, but they are much inferior

to the mosques and temples of India.

As we sailed from the ports of China

the pagodas were the last objects of

sight, and as we approached Singa-

pore, the southernmost point of Asia,

and passed through the straits of Ma-

lacca to Penang, the temples of health-

ful deities were the first objects to at-

tract our attention. So it was at ev-

ery Asiatic port we entered. As we

sailed up the Bay of Bengal to Ran-

goon, the capital of British Burma,

twenty-five miles within the mouth of

the Irrawaddy, the greatest pagoda in

the world raised its great golden dome

imposingly before us.

Make Your Own Sunshine.

"Oh, dear, it always does rain when

I want to go anywhere," cried little

Jennie Moore. "It's too bad; now

I've got to stay in doors all day, and

I know I shall have a wretched day."

"Perhaps so," said Uncle Jack;

"but you need not have a bad day

unless you choose."

"How can I help it? I wanted to

go to the Park and hear the band,

and take Fido and play on the grass

and have a good time, and pull wild

flowers, and eat sandwiches under

the trees; and now there ain't goin'

to be any sunshine at all; and I'll just

have to stand here and see it rain,

and see the water run off the duck's

back all day."

"Well, I'll make a little sunshine,"

said Uncle Jack.

"Make sunshine?" said Jennie,

"why, how you do talk!" and she

smiled through her tears. "You

haven't got a sunshine factory, have

you?"

"Well, I'm going to start one, right

off, if you'll be my partner," replied

Uncle Jack. "Now, let me give you

three rules for making sunshine: first,

don't think of what might have been,

if the day had been better. Second,

see how many pleasant things there

are left to enjoy; and, lastly, do all

you can to make others happy."

"Well, I'll try the last first," and

she went to work to amuse her little

brother Willie, who was crying. "By

the time she had him riding a chair

and laughing, she was laughing too."

"Well," said Uncle Jack, "I see

you are a good sunshine-maker, for

you have got about all you or Willie

can hold just now. But let's try what

we can do with the second rule."

"But I haven't anything to enjoy,

because all my dolls are old, and my

picture books are all torn, and—"

"Hold," said Uncle Jack, "here's

an old newspaper. Now, let's get

some fun out of it."

"Fun out of a newspaper?" why,

how you talk!"

But Uncle Jack showed her how to

make a mask by cutting holes in the

paper, and how to cut a whole family

of paper dolls, and how to make pret-

ty things for Willie out of the paper.

Then he got the tea-tray and showed

her how to roll a marble round it.

"And so she found many a pleasant

amusement, and when bed-time came

she kissed Uncle Jack, and said,

"Good-night, dear Uncle Jack."

"Good-night, little sunshine-ma-

ker," said Uncle Jack.

And she dreamed that night that

Uncle Jack had built a great house,

and put a sign over the door which

read:

SUNSHINE FACTORY.

UNCLE JACK AND LITTLE JENNIE.

She made Uncle Jack laugh when

she told her dream; but she never for-

got what you must remember: A

CHEERFUL HEART MAKES ITS OWN

SUNSHINE.—The Little Folks.

A family matter: An Austin boy

came home from school very much

excited and told his father that he

believed all human beings were de-

scended from apes, which made the

old man so mad that he replied angrily:

"That may be the case with you,

but it ain't with me. I can tell you

that, now."—Texas Sifter.

THE FAMILY CIRCLE.

A Will and a Way.

BY E. ADDIE HEATH.

"It has been truthfully said, that where there's a will, there's a way," remarked Julian, resting the big book he was reading on his knee, and keeping the place with the forefinger of his right hand.

"I don't think so," returned his next younger brother.

"Why not?"

"Why not? Because so few persons ever attain to what they desire."

"Well, it's just this: They haven't got the will."

"Pshaw, Julian! Look at young Dr. Metcalf. He's smart, has received an excellent education, and is considered by the medical faculty competent for any practice; but he keeps going from one place to another, and never makes enough, anywhere to pay his expenses."

"Do you not see, Wilson, that the very evidence you quote shows misfortune directed education in his case?"

"What ought he to do, then? Run in debt?"

"Certainly not. You mean, I suppose, that Fate is against him."

Wilson was not ready with an answer, so Julian continued: "If Franklin had allowed himself to have tried to become what his father thought he ought to be, a soap-boiler and tallow-chandler, like himself, probably Fate would have been against him all his life. But when he was put to learn the art of printing, and found an occupation congenial to his tastes, from a disinterested boy he became a diligent and studious one."

"What Franklin are you talking about?"

"Benjamin Franklin."

"The one who made a kite to catch the lightning?"

"He not only made a kite to catch the lightning, but he caught it. Let me see," turning back with his left hand a page of the book he was reading, careful to keep his finger on the place where he left off, "it was in 1746 that he made his experiments on electricity and applied his discoveries to the invention of the lightning-rod."

"Yes," ejaculated Wilson, never taking his eyes off the floor.

"You see he didn't have the advantages we possess to-day, but he had the will—that's what makes the man, spite of everything else." Julian brought his left hand down upon the book in a very emphatic manner.

"Nothing else will do it," he continued, turning down a corner of the leaf at the place where his forefinger had been staying. Closing the volume, he made two or three strides about the room, then stopped in front of his brother.

"Look here, Wilson," and he gave the girl-like curls a pull, "do you suppose," looking him straight in the eye, "do you suppose," he repeated, "that if Franklin had not had a will, he would have found a way? He wasn't as big as either you or me, when he went to work in a printing office. His parents were poor, and he couldn't send him to school; but he was determined to know something, so what did he do? Saved the money he earned, stinting himself in every way to do so, and bought books; then read and studied them evenings."

"And never went through the grammar school?" Wilson asked in astonishment.

"No, nor the intermediate, either, I don't suppose."

"How do you know so much about him?"

"Read it."

"In that book?" pointing to the one Julian had just laid down.

"Yes. Not every fellow would walk from New York to Philadelphia, Wilson, I can tell you, just because he is in earnest about getting on in the world; but Franklin did it. And how much money do you suppose he had in his pockets when he arrived there?"

"Ten dollars?"

"Just one dollar, and the loaf of bread he had under his arm. But he went to work and earned more, and his diligence attracted the notice of the governor and other influential men."

"Say, Julian," exclaimed Wilson, his face brightening with the thought, "let's get the boys, and the girls, too, if they like, to come in every Wednesday evening and spend an hour in talking and reading about smart folks. Somebody who's actually done something."

"Not been always going to," interrupted Julian.

"Exactly."

"Prove that where there's a will there's a way."

"If you can," his brother replied, smiling.

"Agreed! 'Tis a capital idea. But wait a minute. Wasn't that a good hit of Franklin's at England and France?"

"Precious takes alive! Are you going to