

THREE ANGELS.

They say this life is barren, drear and cold. Ever the same song was sung of old. And to our lips is held the cup of strife. And yet a little love can sweeten life.

He decided at length that, like Hesekiah, he would seek for a sign from heaven. He would send the object of his adoration a bouquet, an anonymous bouquet of the choicest; she would surely guess from whom it came.

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BEST COLONIAL GOVERNOR.

England So Considered by Claude McDonald Who Never Loses His Temper.

The British empire has intrusted its interests in the far east to a tall, thin, red-headed Scotchman. He is described as a man so dignified that it is "impossible to be near him."

A LITTLE NONSENSE.

Dukane—"Jaysmith is a happy-go-lucky chap." Genswell—"Happy-go-lucky, I should say."—Pittsburgh Telegraph.

"Did you hear about Subbu's garden?" "No. What is it?" "It's so small he had to lay it out in folding-beds."—Buffalo Review.

KNOW THE BABY'S TROUBLE.

The Noble Act of a Motherly German Woman in Soothing a Wailing Wail.

"It's a little odd, when you come to think of it, isn't it?" said a man the other night to a little group about the smoking-room fire, "how eternally true it is that 'one touch of nature makes the whole world kin'?"

BOUGHT AT PUBLIC EXPENSE.

Some of the queer things senators do when they are in the bill.

It cost the country \$1,374,011.96 to run the "United States senate for the year ending July 1, 1900." This included the salaries of the clerks, messengers, private secretaries, capitol police on the senate side, mileage and other expenses, including the contingent fund.

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