

Home Circle.

A WISH.

Now that holidays are over, And we think of many a lover, Missed from round the Christmas board, Wishes cluster thicker and fatter...

WINNIE'S TWO VALENTINES.

The 14th of February. The little teacher hurrying homeward, with the whoops of her sixty freed cherubs still ringing in her ears...

A representation of a female pedagogue, with neck and nose grown long in the service, heeding the warning of Solomon the Wise...

An, no! the vision's with me still— The mossy rock, the frozen rill— The drooping bough a fitting shrine Wherein doth rest my valentine.

I hear again the passing bells— The breath that through the forest swells All blending in a cadence fine With thy sweet song—my valentine.

I feel, once more, the cruel dart From Cupid's bow within my heart; To heal that wound the power is thine, And thine alone—my valentine.

Should memory's phantoms haunt thee yet, If thou dost not those scenes forget, Then go, my love, one precious line, And give it to me—my valentine.

A soft happy light glistened in the eyes and overspread the face of the little teacher as she read these tender words...

But Winnie was a teacher, and in the ensuing days of school-room duty the handsome stranger was forgotten.

in his grave, quiet way: "Don't forget me, Winnie. I shall come again, some time."

Then, laughing softly and blushing a little, she inclosed it in an envelope, and hastily donning her wrappings, again made her way to the post office.

The next day was a half-holiday, and Winnie, standing dreamily gazing out from the window, was wondering what the mail would bring to-day when, all at once, she saw cousin Charlie coming toward the house.

"Well, coz," said he, after the first greetings, "did you get my valentine?" "Yes, you"—scamp—Winnie would have said, but, without giving her time to finish, he continued, "Spooney, wasn't it?"

"No, Charlie," replied Winnie, trying to force a smile through the white lips, "I don't feel very well to-day, and am going for a little walk. Go in the house where the rest are and in a few moments I will join you."

"Winnie—my Winnie, what has happened?" "For one moment everything was forgotten but that he was near her—his arms encircled her; and then, overwhelmed by an intolerable sense of shame, she broke from his clasp and stood—her burning face hidden in her hands—before him.

"Winnie," he said, gravely, "what does this mean? You've got my valentine?" "Yes," said Winnie, looking up at him for the first time (angry now for what was fun from Charlie was an insult coming from him)—yes, Mr. Freeland, I received your valentine."

"Look here, Win," said Charlie, appearing suddenly before them, "I am the author of every bit of this mischief, but if you'll pardon me this once I will never do so again."

"A farmer's wife" wants to know if we can recommend anything to destroy the "common grub." We guess the next tramp that comes along could oblige you, if the family can't stand your cooking.

A little girl in Connecticut was taken by her mother to a dentist, who removed a tooth. That night at prayers she said: "Forgive us our debts as we forgive our dentists."

Advertisement for tobacco featuring an image of a cow and text describing the quality of the tobacco.

TUTT'S PILLS advertisement for Torpid Bowels, Disordered Liver, and Malaria, including an image of a person.

TUTT'S HAIR DYE advertisement for Gray Hair or Whiskers, including an image of a person.

Advertisement for Beautiful Flowers and Seeds, including an image of a flower.

MISSOURI VALLEY Livery, Feed and Sale Stables advertisement, including an image of a horse and carriage.

ARM & HAMMER BRAND advertisement for Soda and Saleratus, including an image of a product container.

Advertisement for Cut This Out, featuring a coupon for a dental service.

ONE PRICE STORE CLOTHING advertisement for Gents' Furnishing Goods, Boots & Shoes, Hats & Caps, Cigars & Tobacco, Crockery and Glassware.

Advertisement for Cream Machinery, featuring an image of a separator and text describing its benefits.

MERCHANTS HOTEL advertisement for Livingston, Montana, including an image of the hotel building.

Montana National BANK OF HELENA advertisement, including an image of the bank building.

Advertisement for Helena, Townsend and White Sulphur Springs Stage Line.

Advertisement for First National Bank of Livingston, Montana.

Advertisement for Threshers and Saw-Mills, including an image of a threshing machine.

N. B. SMITH, ATTORNEY AT LAW AND NOTARY PUBLIC advertisement.

ARTHUR G. HATCH, Attorney at Law AND Notary Public advertisement.

M. H. PARKER, ATTORNEY & COUNSELLOR AT LAW advertisement.

J. J. DONNELLY, Attorney at Law advertisement.

Dr. G. E. & J. M. KUMPE, PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS advertisement.

DAYS HOUSE advertisement for Big Spring Creek, Reedsport, Meagher County, Montana.

GROCERIES - AT - Railroad Prices advertisement for Beele Morehead Flour.

WILSON & ATWOOD, BANK EXCHANGE SALOON advertisement.

SWOPE & ROBERTSON, BLACKSMITHS advertisement.

Advertisement for The Best is Cheapest, featuring Threshers and Saw-Mills.