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THE ANGELS' OVERSIGHT.

We have a little sister.
I wonder if they missed her
When she wandered out of heaven to come so far away.
How could they ever spare her?
I know she must be fairer
Than any little angel they are keeping there today.

Her eyes are blue and shining,
And her hair is soft and twining,
Just like a bit of sunshine all curled in little rings.
But, ah, who would have thought it?
(Perhaps they all forgot it.)
They let her come from heaven all the way without her wings!

—Sydney Dayre in Outlook.

ANTONIO'S MARY.

Dora England was standing in the garden, bareheaded, holding her baby in her arms. She leaned against the balustrade, and her little son kicked his feet against the pink blossoms of the passion vine running a race up the side of the house with a climbing rose that was a wonder even among the roses of Santa Barbara. Dora looked at the little feet and at the rosy flowers and then laughed, and pulling off the shoes and socks held the bare feet up by the flowers and matched pinkness. Then, being a mother, she began to fondle the little things in a most unreasonable way, and it was then that she saw Mary for the first time—saw her come through the gate and into the garden, not walking, but running—running as though that, and not walking, were the natural human gait, a girl of 17, a Mexican, dark and tall and with a tuneful voice when she began to speak.

"I am Mary, Antonio's Mary," she said, "not Maria, but Mary, just like American girls are named. I looked from the house there over to the house here, and I knew that you were the one I had come to seek. I am happy, ah, happy, if this is the little angel I am to take care of. I have so many, many little brothers and sisters, and I beg my mother to let me stay and take care of them. But my mother says, 'Mary, you are a woman now and must make money.' And so, as for me, until now it is in a laundry that I have worked. But how can one love a laundry? When Jose, the waiter in the big hotel, came to get me, I knew that you would let me come to you, for I love the baby, and when one loves one does well, is it not so?" And then, without waiting: "It is a good thing, dear lady, that you are not in the big hotel now. My mother is a careful woman—you do not know what a careful woman—and the big hotel is a bad place for a girl like me."

"A prudent mother," was what Dora thought.

Mary had taken the baby and was looking hard at the mother with big, affectionate eyes. Dora's imagination was making a picture, "She shall wear a dark gown, a large white apron and an enormous black hat, and there must be some red about her, and then on the beach with the baby, with his yellow hair, in her arms, she will be lovely."

"And so," Robert England said to the Sedgeleys next day, "the little Mexican is to become the caretaker of my son, because she has a skin like satin, a low brow and a mouthful of glistening teeth." But he did not say this to his wife. He could not have said that he understood women, but he might have said that he understood one woman. He was never a better lawyer than when he was in his own house, and that high strung little wife of his was as complex a body as 12 men ever were.

So Mary came, and Dora and her husband and the Sedgeleys watched her every morning when she sat in the sun on the sand with the baby on her lap. She would take a handful of sand, and holding it as high as she could reach she would let it slip through her fingers, and when the child laughed she would laugh, too, and clap her hands. She became a feature of the beach life of Santa Barbara. Every one watched for the coming of the tall young savage and the fair haired child. The young men from New York who are the stars in the play life that goes on in the place every winter—an existence that is no more like real life than the Santa Barbara winter is like real winter—and who are very pretty editions de luxe of the Mexican vaquero, with their broad sombreros, their silver trimmed saddles, their rawhide bridles and diabolical Mexican bits, and their spurs weighed down with silver chains—even they looked at her as they rode up and down on the beach.

"Niva and I have been looking at the most beautiful creature in Santa Barbara," said Dora as her husband and Niva's came up to her high cart.

"Now I know you are talking about Dora's fad," Robert said. "A month ago, 'the most beautiful thing' would have signified the most wonderful baby in the world, but now—the truth is, Dora enjoys being on a pedestal. Perhaps she has never been on one before, except for the short time that she occupied one of my making a great many years ago before we were married. But now she has become a sort of supernatural being in Mary's eyes. I assure you, she is father, mother and father confessor all in one. There are no bounds to her devotion. I am sure she would slay one of her small brothers without a pang if Dora ordered the sacrifice."

"An uncomfortable sort of responsibility," muttered Niva.

"Yes," Dora said, "and I hate that. I hate responsibility, and I abhor posing, and my part in this is a deadly pose."

"She is undeniably pretty," said Niva's quiet husband, "and that New York fellow, your friend Dulaney over there, seems to think so too."

"She is beautiful," insisted Dora.

"She is," muttered Niva again, "dangerously beautiful."

What Robert England said was all true. Mary gave Dora her worship, and there was jealousy in the adobe home of Mary's mother and hot battles for Mary.

"It is for the American woman and her one child that you desert your mother," stormed Carmen. "We are nothing to you now," with a sweep of her hand including half a dozen very frightened looking little rats of children. Mary was thinking all the time that she did not like scolding mothers and brothers and sisters who were unpleasant and very dirty.

"Antonio," insisted Carmen to the big Mexican, her husband, who sat smoking his pipe with great calmness, "tell the girl that she cannot leave the house; that she shall never see the American woman's face again."

"I am going now," Mary said. "I shall never leave my sweet lady until she tells me to go. She needs me. She has told me that she needs me."

"She has taught my daughter to disobey her mother. You shall not go. It is my right, the obedience of my children!" screamed Carmen.

But by this time Mary was running down the street laughing. The big Antonio went on smoking, and the neighbors came out of their houses to see Carmen and her unruly child.

"Come back!" shouted the mother.

But Mary always turned her laughing head and cried, "No, no!"

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"May I tell you all about it?" Mary said one morning.

"All about what?" asked Dora, and Mary cried: "Oh, the most wonderful thing has happened, the most magnificent thing. My cousin, who is a widow, mourns no longer. Her house is a fine place, as big as these two rooms. The floor of her house is not like the earth floor of the house of my father. It is a floor of boards, all smooth planks. Last night my cousin came out of her mourning. A great dance she gave to us all. If you could see our Spanish dances! We have egg shells—hollow, gilded egg shells. And, you see, we are to break the shells on the head of the one that is most dear to us. The girls are to break them on the heads of the men, and the men on the heads of the girls. And all the men have broken their shells on my head. And the American man—he, too, has covered my hair with gold. See, see!" and blushing cruelly she held down her head, which sparkled with fine gilt dust.

There were more dances, and this was not the last time that the gold glittered in the girl's hair.

"It is ominous," Dora said to her husband. "I am afraid that Mary has discovered that she is beautiful."

"What is she going to do when we go away?" asked Robert. "What is going to become of her?"

"How serious you are," laughed Dora. "I suppose she will go back to her laundry."

At the end of the season, when the Englands went north again, Dora gave Mary many pretty gifts. When she got into the train, she held the baby up for Mary to kiss and was quite frightened at the look on the girl's face.

"It seems a pity," Robert said. "A good deal might have been done with her, poor little pitiful thing!" And the train moved off, and Mary went out of the station. But she did not go back to the adobe home of Antonio and Carmen.

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When Mrs. England heard of it, she cried a little, and she did not look at her husband's face that day or the next day. Niva Sedgeley told her. Niva was not surprised. And in the meantime Horace Dulaney staid on at the big hotel until the hot weather drove him away.

—Etta Ramsdell Goodwin in Argonaut.

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Cleveland is Growing Old.

[Wash. Cor. Philadelphia North American.]

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Hail, Wedded Joys!

[Spare Moments.]

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The youngster gazed at it curiously for a moment and then asked:

"Do all babies have soft spots on their heads?"

"Yes."

"Did papa have a soft spot on top of his head when he was a baby?"

"Yes," replied the mother with a sigh, "and he has got it yet."

And the old man, who had heard the conversation from an adjoining room, said:

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[Rev. Dr. Frederick W. Farrar.]

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ON MAY 30.

Democrats Urged to Attend the Mass Conventions.

The Democrat conference at Henderson recently attended by a large number of free coinage Democrats from the Second district counties, appointed a committee of six to prepare an address to Democrats urging upon them the importance of attending the mass conventions at the court house on May 30th. The address is given below:

ADDRESS TO DEMOCRATS.

To the Democrats of the Second Congressional District:

For the first time in the history of the country, the voters of the Democratic party are called upon to decide by their votes whether the principle of bimetallism, a tenet of the Democratic party as old as the party itself, shall continue to be the party law, or the modern or English system of finance known as monometallism, based on a single gold standard, shall take its place.

This is a grave question and Kentucky Democrats must assume their part of the responsibility in the accurate settlement of the vital question. The advocates of this modern doctrine until quite recently have been confined to the Republican party, but lately they have found enthusiastic allies in our own ranks.

Last year the Republican party in this State, recruited by desertions from single gold standard Democrats, was able to defeat our State ticket from top to bottom. Encouraged by this success, gentlemen claiming to be Democrats and the same time adherents of the single gold standard, have already announced their purpose to commit the Democracy of this State to their gold standard theories and to adopt at the Lexington convention June 3, a platform conforming to their views and to send a delegation to Chicago, pledged to carry out their theories and to act in concert with the "money barons" of Wall steet.

This scheme we hold to be against every interest of the plain people, not only of our own, but of every State in the Union. The promoters of this gold standard scheme are aided in their policy by the active co-operation of the present national administration, likewise by all the daily newspapers published in the city of Louisville and by the organized money power of the East. These are the powerful influences arrayed against the plain people. Already they are boasting that they have won the fight in Kentucky—"But the race is not always to the swift nor the battle to the strong."

Knowing the rank and file of Democrats are still true to party principles, as expounded by Jefferson, Jackson and every other real Democratic leader since their day, these gold conspirators have determined to defeat the popular will as far as possible in the selection of delegates, and thereby prevent a full and fair expression from all the people.

Having secured control of the members of the State Executive Committee, that the majority has determined upon a return to the old and unfair system of mass conventions at the court houses as the best plan to guarantee that the county conventions to be held on the of 30th this month will be controlled by rings and influences acting under their domination.

Vigorous protest by the friends of bimetalism on this committee against this unfair method of choosing delegates, were unheeded. The advocates of this unfair method well knew that mass conventions was their only hope of carrying out the scheme of the gold standard people.

They of course understood that this system of mass convention at the court house would necessarily disfranchise a large number of Democrats living at a distance, all or nearly all of whom are opposed to the present financial system, could not well attend. We do not believe that it can be fairly maintained that the mass conventions are calculated to reflect the real sentiment of the mass of the Democratic voters of the State. But we appeal to the Democratic voters of the Second congressional district, so far as they are concerned, to thwart the purpose and rebuke the scheme of those who have thus attempted to disfranchise them.

Let Democrats in all the counties of this district, at whatever sacrifice make their arrangements to visit their several county seats on the 30th day of May and to participate in the mass conventions then to be held and to see to it that the delegates to be chosen to the Lexington convention shall be men who will fairly and honestly reflect their will.

We beleive an overwhelming majority of the Democrats in the Second Congressional District favor the immediate restoration of the free and unlimited coinage of gold and silver at the present legal ratio of 16 to 1, as such coinage existed prior to 1873, without waiting for the aid or consent of other nations, and that such gold and silver shall be full legal tender for all debts, public and private. We appeal to all Democrats who hold that this is a sound Democratic doctrine to allow nothing to prevent them from attending their respective mass conventions.

We were told in the early days of the present administration, when a panic was paralyzing every business of the country except that of the money shark, that if the purchase clause of the Sherman silver law was unconditionally repealed, the business interest of the country would at once assume a normal condition and that all the ills we appeared to have would vanish.

Some Democrats did not believe this, but the administration with all its powerful influences forced the unconditional repeal of the Sherman law. We waited for the panic, which was begun in Wall street pursuant to a scheme concocted there, to abate. All the laboring masses of the country, professional men, merchants, producers—everybody out side of Wall street—with pated breath waited for speedy return of the good times, which it was said would forthwith follow on the repeal of the Sherman law.

What has been the result? Have the good times come? Has business revived? Has labor found employment? Has the general paralysis which pervaded the whole country ceased? No! on the contrary the panic of 1893 which was fraudulently and cruelly thrust upon the country by the same influences which are to day attempting to fix irrevocable upon the county a single gold standard is still with us.

As one of the legitimate consequences of the present false financial system a Democratic administration has issued $262,000,000, of bonds, which bear interest from their date, and which would amount before maturity to more than $567,000,000, or a per captia debt upon the entire population of the country of more than $8.

This is the record which the gold standard people of this country have made within the past two years; this is the penalty which the people are to pay for the glorious blessing of "sound money."

It is not believed that the thoughtful men will endorse a financial system which cost them so much. If the present system, which the undersigned believe is vicious in the extreme, is not to be continued, then the voters of the Democratic party—a party which has always boasted that it was the advocate of the whole people—must see to it that the delegates who are sent to the Chicago convention are committed to the repeal of the present vicious financial system.

"State pride" is to cut no figure. Kentucky has already lost a Democratic Governor and a Democratic Senator, and it is freely charged and not without much evidence upon which to base the charge, that these defeats are directly attributable to the influences which have dictated mass county conventions in the hope that the popular will might be defeated.

A Democratic secretary of the treasury has been openly charged with failing to vote for a Democratic nominee at our last State election and with encouraging certain alleged Democratic members of the recent Kentucky legislature to vote against the Kentucky Democratic nominee for the United States Senator. If he has denied these charges his denial has not yet come to our notice. True he consented to say he did not vote for the Republican nominee for Governor in the late election but he does not say that he voted for the Democratic nominee, nor that he did not encourage Democrats in the recent legislature to withhold their support from the regular Democratic nominee for United States Senator. He has contented himself with a species of special pleading which will continue to leave the impression that he has not been loyal to the nominees of the Democratic party who happened to disagree with him on the financial question.

This is the situation as we understand it and if the will of the people is to be reflected in the common State convention they must rally to their county mass meetings and send delegates to reflect their will and with instructions to condemn the deserters and bolters from our ranks, who have given aid and comfort to a common political enemy.

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[Harper's Round Table.]

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"Oh, massa, General, let me stay here."

Lee saw at once that the man was almost frightened to death, and useless as a soldier. It disgusted him somewhat, but his curiosity was aroused and he asked:

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Once they were glowing with friendship and love,
Now those great spirits are soaring above.
Bravely their blood to the nation they gave,
Then in her bosom they found them a grave.

Cover the thousands who sleep far away—
Sleep where their friends cannot find them to-day;
They who on mountain and hillside and dell
Rest where they wearied and lie where they fell.
Softly the grass blade creeps 'round their repose,
Sweetly above them the wild flowers grows;
Zephyrs of freedom fly gently o'erhead.
Whispering prayers for the patriot dead.

When the long years have rolled slowly away,
E'en to the dawn of earth's funeral day;
When at the angels' loud trumpet and tread
Rise up the faces and forms of the dead;
When the great world its last judgment awaits,
Then the blue sky shall fling open its gates.
And the long columns march solemnly through;
Blessings for garlands shall cover them over,
Father, husband, brother and lover;
Cover them over, these brothers of ours,
Cover them all with beautiful flowers.

—*Anonymous.*

Drew the $10,000 Prize.

[New York World.]

Shifra, the wife of Adolph Kohn, of No. 28 Orchard street, was about nine years ago a cook in a family in Yassi, Roumania. That section of Europe is overrun with lotteries.

One day, according to Shifra's story, she succumbed to the honeyed words of a lottery agent, who regularly visited her village, and invested the greater part of her month's wages in a ticket which gave her one chance out of a million or more of winning the capital prize of 50,000 francs.

But when her mistress told her of the seght chance she ran of winning such a prize, Shifra bewailed her precipitancy in having invested so much of her hard-earned money in such a game. When her mistress offered to buy the ticket from her she gladly accepted.

Adolph Kohn was engaged to be married to Shifra's mistress. She had told him about Shifra's purchase of the lottery ticket. He thought little of that, however, until about two weeks later. Then, in the village inn, he happened upon his friend, the lottery agent, who had sold Shifra the ticket.

The agent confided to Kohn that Shifra's ticket had drawn the capital prize of 50,000 francs. He immediatly decided that the servant maid with a power of 50,000 francs ($10,000) would be a better wife for him than her mistress. So he straightway transferred his affections from mistress to maid.

Poor Shifra was won by the unexpected attentions which young Kohn paid her. The courtship was short, even for that country, and within a few hours Shifra had become the wife of her mistress's quondam lover.

Once more chance played the winning hand in this little game. Shifra's mistress had neglected to tell Kohn that she had bought the lottery ticket from her maid. And grief at the loss of her lover made her forbear telling him after the marriage.

On the night of the wedding Kohn asked Shifra about the lottery ticket. He could have strangled her when she told him that she had sold the slip. Neither Shifra nor her mistress knew that the ticket had drawn the capital prize. But the next day the lottery agent announced the good news.

Now to the grief Adolph suffered at the loss of the girl he really loved and the money for which he jilted her were added the sneering jibes of his friends in the village. He could not stand this humiliation and soon left Yassi to come to America.

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