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Poetry.

MAN AND WOMAN.

(By a poet.)

To see, though weary years may intervene
A fond heart by her, and herself its queen,
And be as faithful as the best have been.

Her Joy.

To soothe his cares and soften his distresses;
To think his kiss the sweetest of impresses;
To know that she alone shares his caresses.

Her Aim.

To glory in the comfort that she gives him;
To feel that he believes as she believes him,
And even as ever she receives him.

Her Cross.

To take his suffering from his heart or share it,
And mutely in her lovely breast to bear it,
To shrink no danger for his sake, but dare it.

Her Crown.

To hear the music of his children's laughter,
And hear his wife's wing to higher spheres shall wait her,
To dwell together in a sweet hereafter.

MAN.

(By the Poet's Wife.)

To find a maiden beautiful and sprightly,
Who, I think, may be trusted to sit up nightly
Until he from his club returns unweary.

His Joy.

To find her that of nothing else but kissing,
And her dear's hand to his own hand is missing,
Because one button from his shirt is missing.

His Aim.

To make his first few married months all gladness,
Then introduce some scolding drops of sadness,
And blot out all her good and blase her badness.

His Cross.

To tell his chums about his home dissensions,
And speak of things no honest husband mentions,
And may be trim the story with inventions.

His Crown.

To make his treatment of her daily coarser,
And by his acts to deepen her divorce here,
Then finally—when sick of her—divorce her!

HARTLEY HALL.

STORY.

The Mysterious Lodger.

BY EVA EVERGREEN.

"I don't like it; and the more I think of it the worse it gets!" exclaimed Mrs. Benson, looking up from her sewing; "there was a mystery about him from the first, and now that young man looks him and acts so queer, it looks dangerous. That comes of being a lone widow woman with no protector! I'm sure when he came here so respectful, and offered a good price, and didn't mind if the accommodations weren't first-class, I could never have expected to imagine—"

A sudden ring at the door caused her to hurry "out into the hall." A brigandish looking young man, with piercing black eyes, luxuriant hair, and carrying a mysterious paper roll, stood before her.

"Mr. Brown in? Don't trouble yourself to call him; I'll go up."

Mrs. Benson felt helplessly back, and the visitor went up stairs with ponderous strides. A door above opened and shut, and the landlady, in a state of increased perplexity, returned to her sewing. "The subject of her colloquy, a prepossessing young man of thirty or thereabouts, by name Brown, had engaged lodging for some months before. His pay was prompt, his hours and manners unexceptionable, and his wants few, and the good lady's heart had quite warmed toward him. But after a while he began to stay out late, his passing salutations had, to the widow's ear, an element of mystery, and he had received long and frequent visits from the stranger just admitted. Once or twice she had tipped upstairs after him, and listened at the keyhole, but failing to catch anything intelligible, and fearing detection, she had been obliged to retreat unenlightened.

"I can't feel it my duty to let this go on any longer," she said at last; "there's no knowing what dreadful plot may be hatched in my house. I might be arrested, too, as an accomplice. It's well I thought of that closet—the good-for-nothing wretch! I'll circumvent 'em; yes, and get a reward, perhaps."

Inspired with these mingled ideas, Mrs. Benson stole softly upstairs. The room adjoining her lodger's contained a "closet" from the wall of which some of the plaster had fallen, leaving a small aperture. Crouching cautiously in and bending down with her ear to the wall, she heard Mr. Brown's voice:

"Yes, that will do, leave no trace of suspicion. Did you use poison?"

"Poison!" gasped the lady; "I thought he was a villain!"

"No, I thought a dagger was better."

"What sort of a one was it?" queried the lodger.

"Oh, the regulation kind—Italian with a jeweled handle. I left it so as to complicate you, see; and abridged the girl's mind, I hope she feels comfortable! Ha! ha! ha!"

"Mortified powers!" choked Mrs. Benson; "that's the girl they've advertised in the Herald this week! I've been harboring and abetting it; it's just a miracle that I'm alive to tell of it!"

"Well," she heard next, "how about the will and jewels?"

"They are secure; I'll divide the spoils to-morrow."

"Not forgetting me," laughed Brown.

"Well, is that the end of things?"

"Not quite. I've one more project to develop."

"Why, what an insatiable fellow you are! is it another murder?"

"No, I want to secure an easy, unsuspecting body of middle age to look after the heiress. One with a little bank account that I can withdraw after I get her safe, and have it given out that she is moved to the country."

"Yes, very clever! you are coming

"Benevolent Vigilance is the Price of Liberty!"

Oh, I'll come in a carriage with an invitation for her to spend the evening out somewhere; and if she gets suspicious and makes any trouble, I'll just give her a little 'distilled sleep' and carry her off no less volens!

"First rate, only don't make the dose too big," replied the lodger.

"No danger; and—I tell you what, Brown—"

"Well, what? don't keep a fellow in suspense!"

"I've hit upon the middle-aged person—your worthy landlady!"

Mrs. Benson's heart stood still. How did the wretch know that she had a little money? Breathlessly she listened for the next words.

"Ha! ha! ha!" roared the lodger; "what would she think to hear that?"

"I think she considers me a sort of suspicious being already, but I regard that idea as nothing short of an inspiration, Brown. I'll step in and have a look at her before I go, and also arrange for—"

Mrs. Benson could endure it no longer. The only safety for her life was to have these villains arrested at once, and staggering from the room, she closed the door. In her perturbation she did not hear the other door open at the same instant. The hall was narrow and dark, and plunging forward against something, heard a stifled exclamation, and felt herself seized by a strong pair of arms.

"Murder! murder!" shrieked the landlady, hysterically.

"Hush! hush!" spoke the visitor's voice; "we're only—"

"Oh, I know it all, let me go, you assassin, you distiller sleep! let me go this minute. Murder! thieves! watch! police!"

She wrenched herself free in a frantic effort to reach the stairs, and the impatient carrier fairly over the step. For a moment she wavered on the edge, her arms flung about in the attempt to regain her balance, and then over she went accompanying each revolution with a most ear-splitting shriek, while the two men, with a burst of mingled consternation and merriment, precipitated themselves after her, in however, a somewhat more orthodox fashion. Just as they reached the hall, and the landlady had succeeded in picking herself up, the street door was burst open and a policeman's astonished eyes took in the scene. Mrs. Benson on one hand, her face covered with perspiration and dust, and striving to shriek after shriek with as much persistence and rapidity as her breath would allow; and the constabulary on the other, scarce able to stand in their excess of merriment, holding their hands to their sides, convulsed with paroxysms of laughter.

"What is the matter here?" demanded the public guard.

"Arrest those villains right away!" Mrs. Benson stammered.

"Arrest 'em?" as Brown and Moore went off in another convulsion.

"What for?"

"What for?" stammered the landlady; "a nice reliable set you police are, to be sure! Here they've murdered somebody, and carried off that girl the papers are advertising for, with a lot of money, and—oh, dear! wretched hands—"

"They were going to attack me, a lone widow woman, and distill me to sleep, and take away my hard earnings, and carry me off to take care of that young girl!" and her over run of imagination found vent in a burst of tears.

"What does she mean, anyhow?" asked the officer, evidently mystified.

"Just wait till I get my breath!" choked Moore, with a fresh burst of laughter.

"Distill her to sleep! Oh, hold me!" exploded his friend, hysterically.

"Ain't you going to arrest them before they murder me?" demanded Mrs. Benson.

"Just hold on till I hear their story," replied the officer, grinning; "come, what's the row, anyhow?"

He turned to Brown:

"Well, step in here and sit down; I'll make it clear in two minutes. Just make me that roll, Moore." He stepped toward the sitting room.

"No you don't!" shrieked Mrs. Benson; "my bank book's in there, and I won't be robbed before my own eyes! Stay where you are!"

"Control your own sensibilities, Brown hold the open roll toward the officer.

"This solves the mystery. My friend, Moore, has lately become attached to the staff of a local paper, and is at present engaged on a thrilling romance for its columns. He has brought installments to me for my criticism, and my landlady was to figure as one of the characters. That is the extent of our villainy."

"But what frightened her so?" asked the perplexed officer.

"Eavesdropping, of course! There's an empty room next to mine, with a closet in it, and we were talking over the matter. We came out into the entry at the same time and ran against her in the dark. My friend caught hold of her, but she pulled away, and being right by the head of the stairs, the rest can be summed up in a few words—thumpy-bump, shrieks, gaiters, petticoats—all in an indiscriminate mixture! Oh, what a fall was there, my countrymen!" and the conspirator broke once more into a peal of merriment, in which they were heartily joined by the policeman.

"Something had suddenly enlightened the landlady's mind, and she came forward quite beaming."

"Is that so? Are you a story paper man?"

"Precisely, madam!" responded Moore, with a bow; "and I intended to ask if you could accommodate me with lodgings. I'll pay whatever Mr. Brown does."

"Oh, certainly! certainly!" cried the delighted widow; "so long as you

"Quite so much of a villain, ah? And you shall have complimentary copies of all my productions."

"Well, since there ain't nobody to arrest, I'll bid you good morning," remarked the policeman, in lofty defiance of modern syntax; and bowed himself out, while Mrs. Benson, leading the way herself to the sitting room, inviting her guests in to "rest a bit," and complete all needful arrangements.

Mr. Moore came the next day. The widow's bank-book remained undisturbed and her "savings" gained monthly. Messrs. Moore and Brown are two of the brightest stars on the Thunderer, and the mystery solved, Mrs. Benson has never had another temptation to eavesdropping, and stoutly maintains that she always did, and always had, and always will think her lodgers "the two nicest, clearest folks in the whole city."

Origin of Fashions.

It is curious to trace a fashion to its origin, and discover what particular defect it was intended to conceal. The fatherland of crinoline is Spain, and a Spanish queen first wore hoops to dissimulate unequal hips. A Venus of the boulevards, who committed suicide by throwing herself over a balcony a few years ago, revived the high-heeled shoes, which Louis Quatorze originally brought into fashion, to appear taller than the King of Spain at the meeting in the Isle of Pheasants. A lady who derived prestige from rank, with a bad complexion, scolded her arm. An ugly mark bore witness to the accident. She thought of wearing to conceal this long-armed gloves, which, out of mercy to the plebeian wives of Napoleon's marshals and generals, the Empress Josephine adopted. It was Josephine who brought the pocket-handkerchief into open use. She had bad teeth, and from time to time raised an elegant kerchief to her lips to conceal the defect. The hats slanting over the eyebrows were the result of a lady of exalted rank losing her front hair. Queen Elizabeth's neck was yellow and thin, hence the "stiff muslin mantle." The double veil of white and black tulle was contrived by a "parliamentary" woman with a bad complexion. She used pearl powder to hide her red skin, and the white and black veil to dissimulate the pearl powder, which would have shown on black net. The fashion of wearing wreaths of natural flowers at garden parties, lately revived in England, had its origin, not in striving to mask a defect, but in the desire of a rising belle to crush an older rival, natural flowers being suitable only to bright, fresh youth. This fashion, with plain women predominating over pretty, is sure to be ephemeral. It was borrowed from one set by the late Countess d'Appony when she wanted to exclude from her circle some financiers' wives, whose viages did not bear in the sunlight proximity to natural flowers. The mirror of fashion at that time was Mme. Emile De Girardin, the Tenth Muse, as she was called. She appeared at one of the Countess d'Appony's afternoons in sky-blue gauze and daisies. She took a florist with her, and a little girl to cut daisies in the garden of the embassy. While the latter gathered, the former composed wreaths and bouquets, which were supplied fresh between the dances.

Sex and Salaries.

Mrs. Margaret F. Sullivan, writing in the National Teacher's Monthly on the subject of "Sex and Salaries," says: "The repeated claim that women should be paid the same salaries as men in the schools, simply on the ground of equality of sex, contains more of fanaticism than reason, and, therefore, injures women themselves. That claim is an exaggeration of chivalry, whereas, woman should demand justice. The wiser and calmer policy is to seek the elimination of the sex line altogether, and the adoption of an entirely different standard of wages—the attachment of salaries to specific work, and the throwing open of all positions to both sexes, to be awarded, in each case, by competitive examination, or other fair decision; to the most competent candidate. The idea of a sex qualification ought to be persistent discarded. Women should seek the highest places in the profession, whether principalships or professorships, not on the ground that they are, as good as men, but because they are competent teachers, and, mentally and physically, to fill them."

Value of Accuracy.

It is the result of every day's experience, that steady attention to matters of detail, lies at the root of human progress, and that diligence, accuracy, also is of great importance, and is an invaluable mark of good training in a man—accuracy in observation, accuracy in speech, accuracy in the transaction of affairs. What is done in business must be well done, for it is better to accomplish perfectly a small amount of work, than to half-do ten times as much. Yet, in business affairs, it is the manner in which even small matters are transacted that often decide men for or against you. With virtue, capacity, and good conduct in other respects, the person who is habitually inaccurate cannot be trusted; his work has to be gone over again, and he thus causes needless annoyances, vexation and trouble.

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Sunday Reading.

NEVER SAY FAIL.

THE GRASSHOPPER.
"The wiser
Than sitting aside,
And of-come and sighing,
And waiting the tide
In life's earnest battle,
They only prevail
Who daily march onward,
And never say fail.

With an eye ever open,
A tongue that's not dumb,
And a heart that will never
To sorrow succumb,
To fight and conquer,
To slay and slay,
Who never say fail.

Ahead then, keep pushing,
And elbow your way,
Unbending the envious,
And never say fail;
All obstacles vanish,
All enemies are slain,
In the night of their wisdom
Who never say fail.

WORKS KEPT IN RESERVE BY THE CREATOR.

An editor who can conduct a live paper and keep off other people's toes. A professional politician who thinks an editor's services deserving of any thing but curses.

A schoolteacher who can treat every pupil alike and satisfy all.

A clergyman who can preach so as to keep on the right side of the Lord and all of the congregation at the same time.

A woman with a pretty foot who never lifts her skirts alone high.

A seventeen year old lad who knows half as much as he will ten years later.

A gossip who never supplements his or her poisoned tale with the words "you mustn't tell anybody for the world that I told you."

A local itemizer who never offends. An individual calling himself anonymous, who never curses an editor for carrying a dirty load that he dare not shoulder.

A town free from people who never can find anything so nice, so cheap, and so stylish as can be had in some other place.

A business man who cannot afford to advertise, but can afford to see people pass his door to patronize his enterprising neighbor who sows his seed in the newspaper which is returned to him an hundred fold.

When the great Creator presents the world with these works of his hand the creating of white blackbirds will not be impossible.

THIS LIFE.

The greater this life is made, the more probable is the heaven beyond it. Every one that builds up the beauty of this life is making more visible the steps to heaven, making heaven more probable. No one ever infers heaven from the desert of Sahara. Indeed travelling over that great solitude, it is easy for the heart to feel that earth is a burnt up, a dying out star, like those that have fallen from heaven. It is when the traveller strikes the great zones of human life, and sees the magnificence of verdure and bloom, and the grand works of man in Europe and America, that his soul believes in God and heaven.—Prof. David Swing.

The following were a few of the maxims of that king of printers, Benjamin Franklin:—Trade is the mother of money; be beforehand with your business; spend and be free, but make no waste; prayer and providence hinder no journey; credit is like a looking-glass easily broken; he who looks not before, finds himself behind; keep thy office and thy office will keep thee; they can never thrive who spend their time in beer houses, and gaming houses; God helps them who help themselves.

Conversation is the daughter of reasoning, the mother of knowledge, the breath of soul, the commerce of hearts, the bond of friendship, the nourishment of content, and the occupation of men of wit.

Confidence is not only the life of love and the essence of peace, but it is also the soul of obedience; without it, we feel that the power which rules is tyranny, and that to obey is to be a slave. The secret with all hearty, happy compliance with laws, divine or human, is a loving trust in the law-giver.

Prudence and self-sufficiency naturally proceed from inexperience of the world and ignorance of mankind.—Addison.

Idleness is the dead sea that swallows virtues, and the self-made sepulchre of a living man.

It is not enough to believe what you maintain; you must maintain it because you believe it.—Whately.

Mental pleasures never clog; unlike those of the body, they are increased by repetition, improved by reflection, and strengthened by enjoyment.

Remember that he is indeed the wisest and happiest man, who by constant attention of thought discovers the greatest opportunity of doing good and with ardent and animated resolution, breaks through every opposition, that he may improve those opportunities.

Conscience is a sleeping giant; you may lull him into a longer or a shorter slumber; but his starts are frightful, and terrible is the hour when he awakes.

The height of earthly promotion and glory lifts up no whit nearer heaven. It is easier to step there from the lowly vale of humiliation and sorrow.

An old Chinese proverb says: An unkind word falls easily from the

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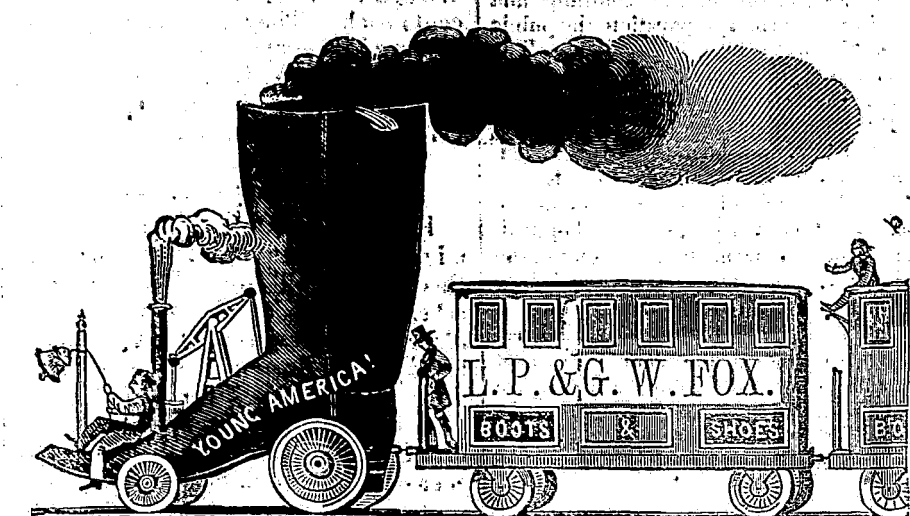
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