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will become of poor little Grace and me? Oh ! one was always before her. One by one, she John, it would kill me to lose you !" and a tear sold all her little articles of value-di sposed of fell wilfully down against her cheek.

ows of a trailing honey-suckle, through the full shaded a cottage window, and touched the face dreary.

gleam. It was a child-like face with its pure, do for you ?"

flower, holding the sont's like a flame shining on his bosom that he might not see how sweet too late to aid her. She died-this brokenit was, then he said :

rapily and shaken out of curl into a knot be-

DRAFTED.

BY MINNIE WILLIS BANES

A sunbeam stole through the dark green shad-

little carment just drawn from beneath the nee-

perfluous addition.

think it could not pick the lock.

she had been making tea.

kissed him for an answer.

embraced him.

Marian.

you.

hind the ear. It was a mouth sentineled by fect us materially." dimples from too near an approach-a soft

crimson mouth, upon which the man she loved asked : might meet the soul that loved him. She was

die, leaning back with a look of rest and satisthe winter is not to be hard. I could get along almost anyhow with you and baby.' It was afternoon-almost six-as the hand The strong man bowed his head over hers of a little French clock pointed out the hour, and groaned. The trial of their lives was upand she had a great deal to tell him. What on them. How should he tell her the awful

little wife has not? Grace was asleen-Grace troth? her ittle seven months old baby-asleep ; and her fittle silver belled rattle, her tooth ring and drafted !"

She started-showed him a white, terrified her sea shells were all scattered about the carpet. Her hair brush and one tiny slipper lay

just under the folds of her mother's calico dress He had told her, and that patient, passionate, greeing to have him." -wood colored field with a white vine mean- earnest heart had been sentenced to its torture. -wood colored heat with a water the mean contact in his arms very still, moaning as one freedom and never bending your neck to any man's yoke would end. "Tis the old story." folded it carefully and Isid it away; then up This was the skeleton she had tried to hide, went the easy calico sleeves to the white pol- and, now how naked, how distinct and terriished eibow, and the little woman counted her- ble-how ghastly it stood up before her! What has bardly any will but mine now, and I don't seif ready for her kitchen-the one room lying a woman's heart suffers-what it breaks with. beyond this. She was the wife of a mechanic was coming to this child-woman.

bread by the sweat of the brow," yet live the her arms and smiled. Marian arose slowly life of the soul on a level above that of the and went and raised her to her bosom. She I told her so. He is always telling her of her body. And this woman was like many an- had given up John as to death, and she felt this faults." other woman throughout the length and breadth | was all that was leit her. The night fell as it and comparative case, and her heart was as John Elmer could have bought his life for a sensitive as a mimosa plant. Her mind was pairry sum; but us had not the sum which not common, nor yet, at that other extreme, could buy it. Three hundred dollars is a pitithat of being intellectual. It was an even mind—a finely balanced one—a mind whose width and depth was wide and deep enough to she could. It was bat little; that which she take in the true issue of the truest life. Hers could not do was killing her. He could make a minute. In fact, Mary, I think I am a for-was a happy home; humble and neat, simple, no provision for wife or child- there was none tunate girl. I have found a man with plenty but elegant in its simplicity. It was made sweet in his power. He would leave them in the care of money, a gentleman of yielding disposition, by Live, and that free, easy independence which of Him who fed the ravens. The mo ning came very generous, who worships me, and is willis experienced by those who live within a cer- when John Elmer was to leave his home-

knowing enough is eaough, and more is a su- felt that it was for the last time. He parted from Marian-oh, what a parting! So wretch-Only one shadow lay neross this little home ed, so sorrowful! It was just like a soul torn -only one cloud reached downward, seeming from the body-he looked into her face-he ready to deluge it with darkness. But Marian saw nothing but anguish; and that strange Elizer locked the skeleton up and turked the stillness which sometimes comes unaccountably key, and though it was still there, she tried to over colldren was upon Grace. He snatched over e ildren was opon Grace. He snatched ings are." himself away-he dared not look back. Mar-

John Ehner came in presently and sat down ion took up her child, close against her bosom, so close that it struggled to get free, and turn- time; it would be only fair." by the shaded window. The soft summer breeze stole gently in through the green honeyed and went in. A rich stockholder remarked at dinner that suckle without, and the white curtain swayed

temple curl of John's black hair which Marian was proud of, was lifted caressingly from his full forehead, gently as her dear hand was wont him-he might have volunteared long ago." Such sympathy had Marian.

to touch it. He was a tall slender fellow, yet Weeks and months passed on. It was drea- band." How dare you, presumptuous girl, Stores are closed, and air of desolation reigns Having permanently located, respectfully tenders finely built, with a full broad chest and slender She had noth- resolve to trample of with Marian: ob. were just such hands as a weary woman would wonderful, and it was hard to make the ends As for Edward he is infatuated indeed if he indeed. The outlaws are preying upon her indeet. The winter was come on, and every gives his honor and his happiness into your vitals, and if a remedy is not soon applied the

all those little things which had made he." rooms Her husband did not answer, but he felt tru- so pleasant when she and John and baby were cember number of the Continental Monthly : ly that such a tender flower needed tender and all so happy together. Then, when there was loving care, o" it would be blighted. He look- nothing left, she sank down in a slow, nervo us flowing folds of a loose white curtain which ed out of the window-the landscape looked fever. After it was generally known hat Mrs.

"I am sure you do not feel well; what can I began to drop in to try and do something for the unhappy woman; but tardy conscience had John Elmer forced her anxious face down up- failed to remind them of their duty until it was shihing in every twenty for his labor. All the

was peace. And yet what matters it? There His speech blinded her perception. She are just such heart-aches and heart-breaks all

"Have your wages been reduced ? I know goes down to the grave broken-hearted; not siting beside a sewing machine with a finished old Mr Hugh is very stingy. Perhaps we can merely one orphan that suffers hunger and cold. get along though, if we are very saving, if One among many is Marian Elmer-only one.

"Well Katie, so you expect to marry Edward "Marian;" he faitered. "Marian; I am after all. I thought you were only flirting with him.

"That was what I intended, Mary, but some face, and then she was very still. It was over, how the artful fellow has cheated me into a-

> "Not so; I'm not going to wear the yoke -Edward is to obey me. He will I know. He pretend that he ever shall have. He don't preend to oppose me in anything. I wouldn't be hired to have him were he to presume to treat me as Helen Norman's lover treats her, and

way

"And do you think that you can have the blessing of God on your marriage when it is en-Bible is authority. Consider what its teach-

"I do-it says "Submit one to another." I suppose I shall submit to E4. a part of the

"Kate the Bible says "Wives submit yourselves unto your own husbands as unto the Lord; Languidly up and down, back and forth. The day, having paid six hundred for his two sons. for the husband is the head of the wife, even "That copperhead Eimer went to-day-could as Christ is the head of the Church . Therenot raise the 'spoudulicks.' Good enough for fore as the Church is subject unto Christ so let the wives be unto their husbands in everything,

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JOSH' BILLINGS ON SHANGHIS .--- The Shanght reaster is a gentile, and speaks in a furrin teng. He is bilt on piles like a Sandy Hill crane. If The following incident is related in the Dehe had bin bilt with 4 legs, he wad resembut the Peruvian lama. He is not a game animal, but quite often cums off sekund best in a ruff and tumble fite; like the injuns tha kant stand pences and shillings. Capt. John Hull was ap- civilization, and are fast disappearing. The roost on the ground similar tew the mud turkle. Tha often go to v sleep standing, and sum times old silver in the colony, worn out plate, batterground like a pick-ax. Their food consis ov korn in the ear. Tha crow like a jackass trubbled with broonskeesucks. Tha will eat as much tew onst as a districk skale master, and are just such heart-aches and heart-breaks all for coinage, and the mint master rapidly grew ginerally sit down rite oph tew keep from tip-over the land. It is not one woman alone who to be the millionaire of the colony, and suitors yu kant git them awl into a potash kittle tu onst. The femail reuster lays an eg az big az a kokernut, and iz sick fur a week afterwards, and when she hatches out a litter ov yung shanghis she has tew brood them standing, and then kant kiver up 3 ov them, the rest stand around on the outside, like boys around a cirkus tent, gittin a peep under the kanvass whenever tha can. The man who fust brot the breed intuthis country ought tew own them all and be obliged tew feed them on grasshoppers, eaught bi hand. I never owned but one and he got choked tu deth bi a kink in a cloze line, but not until he had swallered 18 feet ov it. Not enny shanghi for me if yu pleze; I would rather board a traveling kolporter, and as fur eating one, give me a biled owl rare dun, or a turkee buzzard, toasted hole, and stuffed with a pair of injun rubber boots, but not any shanghi fur me, not a shanghi!-Poughkeepsian.

AN AFFECTING APPEAL -A country reporter sends the following sketch to his paper: A lawyer out west was defending a bandsome them to forbear. "There, son Sewall," said young woman, accused of stealing from a large the magnanimous old money maker, "take and unoccupied dwelling in the night time, and these shillings for my daughter's portion. Use thus he spoke in conclusion: "Gentlemen of her kindly, and thank Heaven for her; for it is the jury, I am done. When I gaze with enraptured eyes on the matchless beauty of this peerless virgin, on whose resplendent charms suspicion never dared to breathe; when I behold her radiant in the glorious bloom of lustrous loveliness, which angelic sweetness might envy, but could not eclipse; before which the stars on the brow of night grow pale, and the diamonds of Brazil are dim, and then reflect upon the utter madness and folly of supposing that quate means for protection, and the larger por- so much beauty would expose itself in the cold. ciety is fearfully disorganized, and we no lon- pose, gentlemen of the jury, my feelings are too ger appeal to the statutes for the redress of a overpowering for expression, and I throw her wrong. Lawless bands roam at will and the into your arms for protection against this foul coolest manner possible. The despera loes bid fair same of this lovely maiden, whose smiles. defiance to all authority, and they mock at all shall be a reward of the verdict which I know

> MARRIAGE & LA MODE NOUVILLE .- An old Dutch farmer, just arrived at the dignity of justice of the peace, had his first marriage case. He dished it up in this way. He first said to the man:

> "Vell, you vants to be marrit. do you? Vell, you loves dis voman so goot as any voman you

"Yes," answered the man.

hearted wife of the conscript, with John's name "Marian, wife, I have unpleasant news for and that of the baby on her lips. She said she you ; can you listen to me now ? It will ef- was going to meet them in a country where all

REVERENCE IN A WIFE.

"BY AUGUSTA MOORE.

"I thought how all your grand talk about

"They have agreed to kindly tell each other of their faults, and help cach other to overcome them. I think this is a most excellent

"Well, I don't. I am free enough to tell ing that I should always have my own way, tain limit, and feel content not to go out of it, dark and rainy-cold, and oh ! so dreary. He who is, in short, unable to hinder me from having it.'

and let the wife see that she reverences her hus-

There is a romantic incident in the early his tory of Masschusetts, which has been often told Money was scarce, and in 1652 the Gen-eral Court passed a law for the coinage of six-Elmer was destitute and sick, a few neighbors pointed the mint master, and was to have one ed tank ards, buckles, and spoons, and especial-

ly the bullion seized by the buccaneers then sailing the Spanish Main (for all was honest that came to Hull's melting pot,) was brought in for coinage, and the mint master rapidly grew came from far and wide for the hand of his daughter. Among them was Samuel Sewall, who was the favorite of the plump and buxom Miss Hull, the miat master, roughly gave his consent; "Take her," said he, "and you will find her a heavy burden en ough." The wedding day came, and the caption, tightly buttoned up with shillings and sixpeaces, set in his grand-father's chair till the cerem vay was concluded. Then he ordered his servant to bring n a huge pair of scales. "Daughter," said the mint master, "go into one side of the scales." Mrs. Sewall obeyed, and then the mint muster had his strong hox brought in, an immense iron -. bound oaken chest, which the servants were obliged to drag over the floor. Then the mint master unlocked the chest, and ordered the servants to fill the other side of the scales with shillings and sixpences. Plump Mrs. Sewall

bore down hard upon her side of the scales, but still the servants shoveled in the bright, fresh pine-tree shillings, until Mrs. Sewall began to rise. Then the mint master ordered not every wife that is worth her weight in silver." And Master Sewall took Mistress Sewall and thiry thousand pounds (not avoirdupois,

but sterling ) [From the Louisville Journal.] Deplorable Condition of Kentucky.

The sad condition of our State is now an bject of much solicitude. It is without adetion of the territory is overrun by marauders and given up to plunder and despoliation. So-is hiding itself amid the snowy pillows of reblessing of God on your marriage when it is en-tered upon in a spirit so utterly the reverse of what it requires? I suppose you admit that the attempts to bring them into subjection. A you will give." ruthless warfare is waged. The knife is red

with the blood of innocent victims, and the fire-brand of the bold incendiary is applied with feelings of exultation, and the blackened ruins of many homes attest how well the work is and has been done. Trade is destroyed .-But few signs of prosperity are to be seen in many portions of the State. The inland towns are no longer full of the bustle of business - have never see?" on every side. Men are forced to fee for their disease will become hopeless. Lands are fast of a titter. depreciating, property is going to destruction, and everywhere stalks the form of ruin. It is truly time that some plans were devised to afford protection to the people, and to stay the hand of desolation. It is time that disorder was banished from the Commonwealth, and law and authority firmly established.

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ble was near or a hope had failed her. He sat thing was going up; her house rent had fallen hands. very quiet, with the soft, scented air blowing due, and she was in need of wood. Strange Katie, angry at such plain talk, abruptly over him, and looked about the sitting room what changes are wrought in so short a time. turned from her companion and walked rapidly It was very pleasant-Marian's pretty little From modest ease, Marian was coming to want away.

trifles were scattered here and there—pictures —it might be to suffering or starvation—she of her drawing hung in modest frames made could not tell. She left her baby and went out few months Edward walked in a trance of ser-

John Elmer sighed and put her from his knee, sure of his kiss. He was dead, and Grace wind. and rose up and followed her into the kitchen. was fatherless. But Marian's grief was silent. No silver graced their table, but the plain She rose up and took up her burden, and queensware dishes were spotlessly clean-the table linen like snow. A freshly gathered bo-tle one. But it was hard work to live. She quet stood by John's plate, composed of honey- got some little work to do, but she could only master General, an extraordinary amount of suckles and late roses, and a few leaves from rent one room now, and barely keep them in carelessness on the part of the letter writing Marian's only honse-plant - a rose geranium. food. Sometimes they had no fire for an en-The fare was simple but savory. Marian pour-tire day. Even Marian's health suffered, and eight thousand were received of dead letters e. I John's tea, and watched him drink it fever- the child took a severe cold that ended in the during the last year; many of which contained ishiy, but he would not eat. what is the matter, dear, are you sick?" thought she had suffered her full measure of ables. Some of them were misdirected, others

derly up in his face, saying: "I know you work too hard, dear. You country should be saved ? She was dying of fering occasioned by these lost letters is incalu-

of pine cones and shells against the wall. to hunt for work. She had her sewing ma- uous and imaginative bliss; then down he came, There was the oval mirror in its dark polished chine, and she could sew. She had not count- and never more did he ascend the bills of joy frame that had often reflected her face-there ed the difficulties. Her husband was a drafted He was, as Kate had said, quite unable to con was her low rocking chair she sat in every e-vening and rocked their baby to sleep-her to do. They gave their work to the families and he loved her too tenderly. She had over work basket, with an end of edging hanging of Union volunteers. Marian looked in their him the immense advantage of loving him very by the side. Then he looked at the rattle, and faces and wondered what they meant. Was little. She could tear his heartstrings every **SAMUEL KETTERMAN**, BEDFORD, PA., BEDFORD, PA.,

in smilling, with a pink flush on one cheek ; and the room cold, her pride began to give way aged them something as a tigress might manage to despair. One day came a letter to Mation. her young. Edward was allowed to have no "Why, John! You here? You came in so She read it tearlessly, but it was the wedge word in the matter. In a few years the poor for the purpose of paying debts, whether the silently I never heard you. Tea is ready for that, driven sharply in, divided the already bro-"Why, John ! You here? You came in so She read it tearlessly, but it was the wedge word in the matter. In a few years the poor ken heart. It was from a companion of John's provoked with him for this piece of indepen- ty, ninety or more cents below par; a dollar was offered at \$1,500, without being able to She came up close to him as if to draw him telling how he had been unable to bear the dent action. She liked him; she made him cancels a dollar's worth of debt, contracted even with her. He took her hand and drew her to rough usages of war, how he had fallen ill, and very useful. She had not thought he would in the good old days of specie for which men BEDFOUTON TANK Respectfully solicit consignments of Boots and with her. He took her hand and drew her to his knees he looked long and gently into her of Merchandise for AUCTICN and PRIVATE Sale. She take the looked long and gently into her clear ivy blue eyes, and then he asked her: He should have written her hefore her head and died. He should have written her hefore her head and the head at the head a clear ivy blue eyes, and then he asked her: "Do you love me, Marian?" Playfully drawing his face against hers, she He should have written her before, but had been separated from John on detached service during his sickness. Then it spoke of his gal-they knew not what they were doing, avenged lautry, his close observance of his assumed du- their father. They broke their mother's spir-She drew him closer and shuddered as she ties, etc. But what mattered all this to Mar- it and her heart ; and yon bent, gray, mumian? He was dead-he was gone-she could bling old crone in the almshouse is all that never be held in his arms-never feel the pres- She sowed the wind; she reaped the whirl-

# CARELESS WRITING.

We note from the recent report of the Postwhat is the matter, dear, are you sick: thought sine had sobered her bill measure of ables. Some of them were insuffected, others asked she. "Only tired," said he, with a weary look. The had sobered her bill measure of ables. Some of them were insuffected, others and only treasure was not directed at all, others unstamped and the solution. What was country to her? were seturned to the writers, but the great ma-force more in other, Marian went in and sat down on her husband's knoe, and looked ten-derly up in his face, saying:

Now IS THE TIME TO PAY DEBTS .- There must be something radically wrong with the fruits alike are in demand. It matters not, cumstances by any manner or means. cancels a dollar's worth of debt, contracted even secure a purchaser.

brought him \$1,000, and his expenses were money for the farm. will allow of a profit double that of last year. change.

And what is a year or two of economy now-economy of the most rigid kind, that shall cut Don't LIKE HIS LOOKS .- A sheriff was homestead is free from incumbrance ; when all vantage be taken of the times in which we now husband.

Why has a clock always a bashful appear- looks, therefore he avoided thee, and bath deance?-Because it keeps its hands before its face. parted from the house by another path.'

Then to the woman : "Vell, you do love dis man so better as no man vou ever see?

Lady hesitated, and he reneated . "Vell, vell, do you likes him so vell as to be his vife?

"Oh, certainly," she answered with a kind

"Vell, dat is all any reasonable man can expeet. So you bees marrit; I bronounce you man and vife."

The man then asked the justice what was to pay ?

"Oh, notting at all-you are velcome to it if it vill do you any goot."

A BIG THING IN OIL .- The Oil City Remster farmer that does not now free himself from debt. notices a report that \$1,000,000 has been of-Never in the lifetime of the present generation | fered and refused for the Smith farm, which is will such another opportunity present itself - located just above the Reed and Criswell well, Every cultivated product of the temperate lat- and adjoins the lands of the Cherry Run Peitude bears a highly remunerative price. Ev- troleum Company. It embraces fifty acres and ery domestic animal that roams over our fields, or feeds on the contents of the granaries, finds The farm yields the owners a royalty of \$1,500 a ready purchaser. Animals, vegetables and a day; consequently they are not in needy cir-The

in the good old days of specie for many parts FARMERS WHO DON'T READ THE DESIGN A few years ago 't took, in many parts - The worst instance of ignorance, resulting FARMERS WHO DON'T READ THE NEWSPAPERS. lar. Everthing else that the farmer produced from not taking the papers, we have heard of by his toil and care was equally low in price. lately happened the other day. A farmer want-Then, indeed, were hard times, and a crushing ed to sell his place, and asked \$3,500 for it. load of debt settled down upon the shoulders Another farmer offered him \$3,000 in gold for of all-for the great mass of western farmers it, but be would not take it, insisting that he "If there were no skeleton there ?" thought never see his dear face again. She would remains of the once lively and beautiful Kate. came here poor in money, only rich in faith must have his price. A few days after, a buyand hope. If a man's crops and stock last year er came along, and gave him \$3,500 in paper brought him \$1,000, and his expenses were money for the farm. Had he taken the \$3,000 \$500, this year his receipts will be \$2,000 while in gold, the principal with the premium at this his expenses, allowing them to have doubled- time, would have amounted to \$7,800. Some which they have not done in one case in ten- men are born wise, and some otherwise -Fa-

> off all the loxuries of life, compared with the year of happiness that shall follow when the On arriving at his house, he saw the Quaker's wife, who in reply to the inquiry whether her the stock and machinery are the property of husband was at home said he was; at the same the land-holders; when there is no account of the grocer's, nor the dry-goods merchant's, nor blacksmith's I it will be a glorious epoch when the people of these prairies own their farms, and this we believe may at once be, if proper ad-

Nay, triend, 1 prototsed that not like thy thee. He has seen thee ! He did not like thy