

We Are Changed!

We feel our love has long grown cold,
Our hearts still warm to keep,
And yet we dare not own
That, day by day, a silent change
Has o'er our spirits grown.

"UNDER THE STUMP,"
or, Samson Kepper's Courtship

Any shrewd observer of men or manners
would have immortalized his name
by explaining, clearly and satisfactorily,
the reason why Mr. Samson Kepper
remained a bachelor at two score.

The clasp of the arm about her waist
tightened.
"Ah! hem! and if—it was me?"
"You? hal there's no danger of that,
I guess," said Lucretia, trying to laugh
it off.

Another movement of the arm and
Lucretia's head lay on the widower's
shoulder.
"But I am in earnest," exclaimed
Mr. Brooks.
"Oh, I didn't suppose—if that's the
case," stammered Lucretia, pretending
to struggle a little.

to be crushed under an avalanche of
roofs and clay. Mr. Kepper, however,
sat still, and was soon lost in another
reverie, from which he was aroused by
an extraordinary occurrence. It after-
wards appeared that Joe Syms, the
hired man, who was at work repairing
a fence near by, had twice or thrice
cast his eyes in the direction of the
fallen tree.

At that moment Mr. Bunker ap-
peared, and inquired for his brother-in-
law. Both looked in the direction of
the stump, and seeing nobody, Joe
suddenly exclaimed:
"I bet Kepper has been ketching
under the butt of that tree."
Mr. Bunker thought that it could
not be; but Joe assuring him that the
last time he saw Mr. Kepper he was in
the hole, and they both ran to the spot.

"My will, I know it," said Samson,
walking off.
"Where are you going?" asked
the anxious Bunker.
"Go to inform Mrs. Brooks that she
has permission to go to the devil."
"My dear brother, I meant—"

WHAT FINERY COSTS.
Some Dollar-Marks Showing Miss
Fluff's Unfitness to Become a
Wife.
Said I to a much experienced
mamma: "First tell me about clothes.
I mean those dresses that are actually
required by a girl who intends to go
everywhere and look smart?"

HORSE NOTES.
-A mile race-track is to be built at
Niagara Falls.
-Bob Johnson, 2,224, has been
shipped to Germany.
-Fancoat will be given a chance to
beat 2:20 next season.
-P. F. Foy has decided to sell Dick
Organ; record, 2:24.

FASHION NOTES.
-Veiling and various laces are used
for young ladies' dancing dresses.
They are invariably made to clear the
floor, and are considered far more
stylish and appropriate than trains for
the ball-room.
-The fashion of veiling flowers in
tulle has now spread to jewels. Pearl
and precious stone necklets are to be
worn under the gimpes or chemises of
high dresses, and for low bodices
the necklaces will be veiled in tulle.