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Poetry.

From the New York Tribune. Two. High on the hills Lord Heron he dwells; alind sings on the moors below, Watching the bees on the heather bells, Merrily swinging to and fro Young Lord Heron has left his state, Donned a doublet of ho iden-gray, Stolen out of the postern gate;

A silly shepherd to wander away. Rosalind keeps the heart of a child. Gentle, and tender, and pure is she Colm the shepherd, is comely and mild Tending his flock by valley or lea.

Never a swain has whispered before What she hears at the close of day; "Rose of roses I love thee more-"More than the sweetest words can say!

"Though I seem but a shepherd lad, . Down from a stately race I came; "In silks and jewels I'll have thee clad,

"And Lady of Heron shall be thy name." Rosalind blushed a rosy red, Turned as white as the hawthorn's blow, Folded her kirtle over her head,

And sped away like a startled doe "Rose of roses, come back to met

"Leave me never!" Lord Heron cried. "Never!" cchocd from hill and lea; "Never!" the lonely cliffs replied.

Loud he mourned a year and a day, But Lady Alice was fair to see; The bright sun blesses their bridal day, And the castle bells ring merrily. Over the moors like a rolling knell

Rosalind hears them slowly peal, How she mourns—'I loved him well, "Better I loved his mortal weal.

"Rest, Lord Heron, in Alice's arms! She is a lady of high degree; "Rosalind had but her peasant charms; "Ye had rued the day ye wedded me!"

Lord Heron he dwells in the castle high, Rosalind sleep- on the moor below; He loved to live, and she loved to die; Which loved tracet the angels know. A. W. H.

Selections.

The Second Marriage.

BT WARREN WARNER, EQ, OF THE INNER MAN. A busy day in the assize court, at Chesal, by alte

voice and glistening eye, "for his sake"and she glanced at her aged companion-'who will else be helpless." "The blessing of those who are ready to and lose all by a second marriage! Such was always present in the sick chamber .--perish will be yours, sir," said the grand- was the case with Mrs. W .: to the astonish- It was evening, darkness had for sometime perty had been otherwise disposed of, they ment of everybody she threw herself away fallen, no light had yet been taken into the would of course, return a verdict in accorfather, with meek solemnity, "if you will

nercy. We have no hope of withstanding a person of no fortune, of mean habits, and starlight which faintly illuminated the room. land. the masterful violence and wrong of wicked altogether unworthy of accepting as a hus- served, as Mary Woodley softly approached and powerful men except by the aid of the husband. Silas Thorndyke, to whom she on tiptue to the bedside of her, as she suplaw, which we have been taught will ever thus committed her happiness, had for a posed, sleeping parent, but to deepen by swore positively that the late Mrs. Thorn-

walk in the paths of peace and right." no sooner did he feel himself master than Gently, and with beating heart, Mary Wood-The cornestness of the old man's language his subserviency was changed to selfish inand manner, and the pleading gentleness of difference, and that gradually assumed a ley drew back the bed curtain nearest the husband about a fortnight before her death. the young woman, forcibly impressed me, and coarser character. If discovered that the window. The feeble uncertain light flickered Silas Thorndyke, John Cummins, Elizabeth albeit it was a somewhat unprofessional mode | property, by the will of Mr. W., was so se-

of business, I determined to hear their story cured against every chance or casualty to paleness, of her parent, the eyes recognized her, and a glance of infinite tenderness from their own lips, rather than take it from the use and enjoyment of his wife that it the scrawled brief, or through the verbal not only did not pass by marriage to the gleamed for an instant in the rapidly darknew bridegroom, but she was unable to ening orbs, the right arm essayed to lift

medium of their attorney. "You have been truly taught," I an- alienate or divest herself of any portion of itself, as for one last embrace. Vainly! Love, love only, was strong, swered, "and if really entitled to the pro- it during life. She could, however, dispose

perty you claim, I know of no masterful of it by will; but in the event of her dying stronger than death, in the expiring mother's nen that in this land of England can hinder intestate, the whole descended to her daughyou from obtaining possession of it. Come ter, Mary Woodley. to my hotel in about an hour and a half Incredibly savage was Thorndyke when

from hence, I shall then have leisure to hear he made that discovery, and bitter and inwhat you have to say. This fee," I added cessant were the indignities to which he taking the two guineas from the hand of the subjected his unfortunate wife, for the attorney, who still held the money ready avowed purpose of forcing her to make a for my acceptance, "you must permit me to will entirely in his favor, and of course disreturn. It is too much for you to pay for inheriting her daughter. These perseculosing your cause; and if I gain it-but tions failed-of their object. An unexpected, mind, I do not promise to take it into court quiet, passive but unconquerable resistance, unless I am thoroughly satisfied you have was opposed by the, in all other things, daughter's arms. right on your side-I shall expect a much bowed and submissive woman, to this deheavier one. Mr. Barnes, I will see you, if mand of her domineering husband. Her you please, early in the morning," I then failing health-for, gently nursed and ten-

bowed, and bastened on. derly cherished as she had been, the callous Dinner was not ready when I arrived at brutality of her husband soon told upon the the hotel; and during the short time I had unhappy creature-warned her that Mary to wait, I more than half repented of having would soon be an orphan, and that upon ber had anything to do with this unfortunate firmness it depended whether the child of suit. However, the pleadings of charity, him to whose memory she had been, so fathe sugggestions of human kindness, re-as- tally for herself, unfaithful, should be cast serted their influence; and by the time my homeless and penniless upon the world, or new clients arrived, which they did very inherit the wealth to which, by every prinpunctually at the hour I had indicated, I ciple of equity, she was entitled.

had quite regained the equanimity I had Come what may, this trust at least should momentarily lost, and thanks to mine host's not, she mentally resolved, he betrayed or excellent viands and generous wine, was, paltered with. Every imaginable expedient for a lawyer, in a very amiable and benevoto vanquish her resolution was resorted to. lent humor indeed. Thorndyke picked a quarrel with Ward, her Our conference was long, anxious and unfather, who had lived at Dale Farm since

satisfactory. I was obliged to send for the morrow of her marriage with Woodley, Barnes before it was concluded, in order to and the old gentleman was compelled to thoroughly ascertain the precise nature of leave and take up his abode with a distant the case intended to be set up by the dc- and some what needy relative. Next Edfendant, and the evidence likely to be adward Wilford, the only son of a neighboring and the court was very early filled. Mary duced in support of it. No ray of consolaand prosperous farmer, who had been be-

tion or of hope came from that quarter .-trothed to Mary Woodley several months be-Still the narrative I had listened to, bearing fore her father's death, was brutally insulted as it did the impress of truth and sincerity and forbidden the house. All, however, in every sentence, strongly disposed me to failed to shake the mother's resolution, and believe that foul play had been practiced by at length, finding all his efforts fruitless the other side; and I determined at all haz- Thorndyke appeared to yield the point, and

ards, to go into court, though with but faint upon that subject, at least, ceased to harrass hope, indeed, of a present successful issue. his unfortunate victim.

passed the remainder of his days in happi- another, Elizabeth Wareing, one of Thorn- of the will of Ellen Thorndyke, now pro- parent had not yet quite elapsed-was now ness. But how frequently do women peril dyke's daughters, or Thorndyke himself, duced, by irresistible evidence. That done, fresh, and of fine quality, and the pale I believe, was your bail on that occasion, however much the jury might wish the pro- lilies of her face were interspersed with and the matter was. I understood. comlend your aid in this work of justice and on a man almost unknown in the district- dying woman's apartment; and the pale dance with their oaths and the law of the such things as perjurers, forgers, or adverse so?" The first witness was Thomas Headley, a

prove a strong tower of defense to those who short time acted as bailiff on the farm; and defining the shadows thrown by the full, dyke, whom he knew well, had cheerfully been deliberately read over to her by her Thorndyke.

> Mary Woodley. "And so I will," said sleek Silas, rising up and looking round upon the auditory .--greeted this generous declaration; and he heart, and the arm fell feebly back on the

bed clothes Mary Woodley beat down in sat down again a little disconcerted. I asked this burly, half-drunken witness eager grief. for she felt instinctively that the but one question: "When is your marriage dance of Elizabeth Wareing!" hitter hour at last was come. Their lips with Rebecca Thorndyke, the defendant's met, and the last accents of the mother murmured, "Beloved Mary, I-I have been

true to you-no will-no"-----, A slight tremor shook her frame; the spirit that looknever."

"That will do, you can go down." ed in love from the windows of the eyes

departed on its heavenward journey, and client was uable to produce Elizabeth Warethe unconscious shell only of what had once to the will in court. No suspicion that any I will not deny that this narrative, which opposition to the solemn testament made by I feel I have but coldly and feebly rendered the deceased Mrs. Thorndyke would be atrequired, had left that part of the country bly-case-hardened as, to use an old bar pun, we barristers are supposed to be, nor Every effort had been made by the defendwill the reader be surprised to hear that ant to discover her abode without effect .-suspicious, graver even than those which It was believed she had gone to America, pursued, the "small hours," the first of them beth Wareing's attesting signature should at great trouble and expense, obtained the judge, and he immediately exclaimed.at least, surprised me in my arm-chair. I be admitted.

> mand and broadly hinted that the witness France with a respectable English family, ed murderer, as well as forger, and I rewas purposely kept out of the way.

"Will my learned friend," said Mr. P-I was betimes in court the next morning, with one of his slyest sneers, "inform us and Mr. Barnes, proud as a peacock of figwhat motive the defendent could possibly ering as an attorney in an important civil have to keep back a witness so necessary to suit, was soon at my side. The case had him."

"Elizabeth Wareing," I curtly replied, excited more interest than I had supposed, Woodley and her grandfather soon arrived. and a murmur of commiseration ran through the auditory as they took their seats by the lord," I exclaimed, "I have an affidavit of ashy hue, in spite of his efforts to appear side of Barnes. There was a strong bar the plaintiff's attorney, in which he states easy and jubilant, and for the first time the deceased Mrs. Thorndyke, and of John arrayed against us, and Mr. Silas Thorn- that he has no doubt of being able to find since the commencement of the proceedings Cummins, attached to it?" dyke, I noticed, was extremely busy and this important witness, if time be allowed I entertained the hope of a successful issue. important with whisperings and suggestions him for the purpose, the defendant, of course, to his solicitor and counsel-received, of undertaking to call her when produced."

course, as such meaningless familiarities A tremendous clamor of counsel hereupon

Respected as a widow, comfortable in cir- obtain a moment's private interview with got up, Mr. P----- said, simply with a view with undeserved calamity and sorrow .-- somewhat. I pressed my question, and at young woman, with a tremulous, hesitating cumstances, and with a daughter to engage mother, until a few minutes before her to effect, and he concluded averring that he The black dress which she still wore-the last she replied, in the same low, agitated her affections, Mrs. Woodley might have decease. Until then, under one pretense or should be able to establish, the genuineness orthodox twelve months mourning for a voice. "Yes, I have been." "I know you have; Mr. Silas Thorndyke

"Yes."

delicate roses, while by her side sat Mr. promised-arranged-at all events the John Wilford, as happy in look as if no prosecution was not pressed. Is not this "Yes-no-yes."

"Yery well, either answer will do. You

"You will know presently. And now,

put to you, as you will be compelled to

answer it to God at the last great day .---

What was nature of the drug which you or

he mixed with the medicine prescribed for

A spasmodic shrick, checked by a

The profoundest silence reigned in the

"You must answer, woman," said the

The witness looked wildly round the

court, as if in search of counsel or sympa-

and panic-stricken, and seemed to lose all

"can this be? What can it mean?"

"IIe-he-he," she at last gasped, "he

A movement among the bystanders just

"The defendant must not leave the court."

"Now, Mrs. Tucker, please to look at

"That, I believe, is your son's hadwriting."

judge, sternly, "unless you know your an-

court as I reiteratad the question.

verdicts existed, to disturb the glad world. Altogether we were decidedly less interested smith, residing near the Dale Farm. He than on the former occasion. Edward ived also, I believe, with Mr. Thorndyke, Wareing, I must not omit to add, was as his housekeeper, of course, when he was greatly to our surprise, present. He sat, in the business as a concoctor and vender heavy hangings, and the mussive furniture. signed the will now produced after it had in apparent great unity, by the side of of infalliable drugs and pills?"

It was late in the afternoon, and twilight "He was held to be skilful in the prepawas gradually stealing over the dingy court, ration of drugs, was he not-well versed upon the countenance, distinct in its mortal Wareing, and witness, were the only persons when the case was called. The special jury in their properties?" present. Mrs. Thorndyke expressed confi. answered to their names, were duly sworn, "Yes-I believe so-I do not know .--

dence that her husband would provide for and admissions were made and put in as on Why am I asked such questions?" the previous occasion. Thomas Headly, the first witness called in support of the pre- woman, answer the question I am about to tended will, underwent a vigorous cross-ex-"And now," said the defendant's lead-

ing counsel, "let me ask my learned friend the late Mrs. Thorndyke?" if he has succeeded in obtaining the attendesperate effort; partially escaped her, and

I was of course obliged to confess that stood fixedly gazing, with staring eyes into we had been unable to find her, and the my face. "I don't know, Mr. Lawyer, perhaps judge remarked in that case he could receive secondary evidence in proof of her attesta-

tion of the will. A whispered but manifestly eager conference here took place between the defend- swer will criminate yourself." by Edward Wareing. There appeared to

be an indecision or hesitation in their hesi- thy, but encountering none but frowning intions, but at last Mr. P---- rose, and and cager faces-Thorndyke she could not

"In the discharge of my duty to the de- presence of mind. fendant in this action, my lord, upon whose fair fame much undeserved obloquy has mixed it. I do not know---. But how." been cast by the speeches of the plaintiff's she added, pushing back her hair, and presence here to day of the witness Eliza both Wareing. She had gone to reside in An officer placed himself beside the wretchin the situation of housekeeper. We shall sumed the cross-examination of the witness. now place her in the witness box, and, having done so, I trust we shall hear no more this letter. (It was that which had been

of the slanderous imputations so freely lav- addressed to Mary Woodley by her son.)ished upon my client. Call Elizabeth Wareing into court." A movement of surprise and curiosity "may not, upon reflection, be deemed a safe agitated the entire auditory at this anwitness to subject to the ordeal of a cross nouncement. Mr. Silas Thorndyke's natuexamination. But to settle the matter, my rally cadaverous countenance assumed an

"The body of this will has been written by the same hand. Now, woman, answer. Was it your son-this young man who, you perceive, if guilty, cannot escape from justice-was it he who forged the name of

"Not he-not he!" shricked the wretched woman. "It was Thorndyke-Thorndyke Mrs. Wareing appeared in answer to the call, and was duly sworn "to tell the truth; himself." And then, with a sudden revulthe whole truth and nothing but the truth." sion of feeling, as the consequence of what she had uttered flashed upon her, she ex-Twelve common jurors were called and of words. The hubbub was at last terminated forty years of age, and bore a striking re- claimed, "Oh, Silas, what have I said!what have I done!"

"Yes."

"If she will return, I will be a father to her." amination, but I was unable to extract No look, no sound of sympathy or approval anything of importance from him.

eldest daughter, to be celebrated?"

Mr. S----now rose to state that his been her mother remained in the sobbing ing and another of the attesting witnesses ant and his counsel, occasionally joined in from its carnest, tearful tenderness, as relat- tempted, had been entertained, and the wo- with some ostentation of manner addressed discern in the darkness-she became giddy ed by Mary Woodley, affected me considera- man, unaware that her testimony would be the court:

where she had relatives. The defendant had counsel-speeches unsupported by a shadow pressing her hand against her hot temples, pointed to forgery, were envoked by the sad history. Much musing upon the strange filed an affidavit setting forth these facts, of evidence-I have to state that anxious circumstances thus disclosed, and profoundly and it was now prayed that secondary evi- above all things to stand perfectly justified cogitative on the best mode of action to be dence to establish the genuineness of Eliza- before his neighbors, and society, he has, at this moment attracted the notice of the

I of course vehemently opposed the destarted up, and hastened to hed, well knowing from experience that a sleepless vigil is a wretched preparative for a morrow of ac-

"It appears more than probable," I re and defeat, had just terminated, and I was marked on dismissing my clients, "that this walking briskly forth, when an attorney of will is a fabrication; but before such a quesrather low caste in his profession-being tion had been put in issue before a jury, some producible evidence of its being so principally employed as an intermediary should have been sought for and obtained. between needy felons and the counsels practiging in the Crown court-accosted me, and As it is, I can only watch the defendant's presented a brief; at the same tendering a proof of the genuineness of the instrument upon which he has obtained probate-one fee of two guineas marked upon it.

or more of the attesting witnesses may, if "I am engaged to morrow, Mr. Barnes; I exclaimed, a little testily, "on the civil fraud has been practiced, break down under side, besides, you know I very seldom take a searching cross-examation, or incidentally, briefs in the Crown court, even if proffered perhaps, disclose matter for further investiin due time, and to-morrow will be the last gation."

day of the assize in Chester. There are "One of the attesting witnesses is, as I plenty of unemployed counsel who will be have already told you, dead," observed Barnes: "and another, Elizabeth Wareing, glad of your brief."

has. I hear, to day left the country. An "It is a brief in an action of ejectment," replied the attorney-"Woodly vs. Thorn- affidavit to that effect will, no doubt, be dyke, and is brought to recover possession made to-morrow, in order to enable them to of a freehold estate now held and framed by give secondary evidence of her attestation. the defendant." though, swear as they may, I have not the

"An action of electment to recover nosslightest doubt I could find her if time were session of a freehold estate; defended, too, I allowed, and her presence would at all avail know, by a powerful bar, for I was offered us."

"Indeed! This is very important. Would a brief and declined it. Mr. ----- leads. and you bring me this for the plaintiff, and you, Mr. Barnes, have any objection," I at the last moment, too! You must be added, after a few moments reflection, "to make oath, should the turn of affairs to-mor crazed."

"I told the plaintiff and her grandfather," row render your doing so desirable, of your rejoined Mr. Barnes, "that it was too late belief that you could, reasonable time being to bespeak counsel's attention to the case, allowed, procure the attendance of this and that the fee, all they have, with much Elizabeth Wareing?"

great diligence and success. The issue of

"Not the slightest; though how that would difficulty, been able to raise, was ridiculously small, but they insisted on my applyhelp us to invalidate the will Thornkyke ing to you-Oh, here they are." claims under, I do not understand."

We had by this time reached the street, "Perhaps not. At all events do not fail and the attorney pointed to two figures to be early in court. The case is the first in to-morrow's list, remember." standing in attitudes of anxious suspense near the gateway. It was dusk, but there The story confided to me was very sad, was quite sufficient light to distinguish the and unfortunately, in many of its features, pale and interesting features of a young fe- a very common one. Eller, the only child male, dressed in faded and scanty mourning. of the old gentleman, Thomas Woodley, had and accompanied by a respectable looking carly in life married Mr. James Woodley, a old man with white hair, and a countenance wealthy yeoman, prosperously settled upon deeply furrowed by age and grief. his paternal acres, which he cultivated with

"I told you, Miss Woodley," said the attorney, "that this gentleman would decline this marriago-a very happy one, I was inthe brief, especially with such a fee."

formed-was Mary Woodley, the plaintiff in the present action. Mr. Woodley, who had "It is not the fee, man," I observed. "for I was somewhat moved by the appealing denow been dead something more than two jection exhibited by the white-haired man years, bequeathed the whole of his property, real and personal, to his wife, in full confiand his timid grand-daughter, "but what chance can I have of establishing this perdence, as he expressed himself but a few son's right-if right she have-to the estate hours before he expired, that she would amshe claims, thus suddenly called upon to act ply provide for his and her child. The the village surgeon, was invariably of a dispute its validity, nor require proof of Ward were scated in the court besides Mr. without previous consultation, and utterly value of the property inherited by Mrs. sedative sharacter-aggravated and confirm- Mary Woodley's identity, I intimated that Barnes, as on the former abortive trial, but ignorant, except as far as this I perceive Woodley under this will amounted, accorded the fatal disease which was hurrying her hastily scrawled brief will instruct me, both ing to a valuation made a few week's after to the tomb. of the nature of the plaintiff's claim and of the testator's decease, to be between eight the defense intended to be set up against it?" and nine thousand pounds.

Frequent private conferences were now are, with barely civil indifference.

tive exertion of mind or body.

held between Thorndyke, his two daughters, and Elizabeth Wareing-a woman approaching middle age, whom, under the specious arose amidst breathless silence to address pretense, that Mrs. Thorndke's interesting them. I at once frankly stated the circumailments rendered the services of an expertances under which the brief had come into ienced matron indispensable, he had lately installed at the farm. It was quite evident of advised preparation, the plaintiff's case much greater degree of intimacy subsisted of the court above would, I doubted not, at between the master and housekeeper than their relative positions warranted, and from

some expressions heedlessly dropped by the woman, they suspected them to have been once on terms of confidential intimacy. Thorndyke, I should have mentioned, was not a native of these parts, he had answered Mr. Woodley's advertisement as a bailiff, and his testimonials appearing satisfactory, he had been somewhat precipitately engaged. A young man, calling himself Edward,

the son of Elizabeth Wareing, and said to be engaged in an attorney's office in Liver- claim-has succeeded, by the grossest brut- for some time unhappily existed, and purpool, was also a not unfrequent visitor at Dale ality, the most atrocious devices, in bending suade her to accept his, Wilford, senior's, Farm, and once he had the insolent presumption to address a note to Mary Woodley for mally tendering his hand and fortune!- | need not interrupt me, I shall pursue these sum which the excellent man tendered. A This, however, did not suit Mr. Thorndyke's views, and Mr. Edward Wareing was very merely adding that I, that his lord-hip, that ate his exertions, and the rest I placed in witness box, one on each side of Mrs. Headly for perjury—but I saw by the pubeffectually rebuked and silenced by his pro-

posed father-in law.

The woman Wareing touched possible by to defeat the equitable, the righteous claim self, an exhortation which produced its court was that the witness stood out in sympathy or remorse, exhibited considerable of the young and amiable personat my side, effect in due season.

tenderness and compassion toward the in- is genuine, and not, as I verily believe"-1 valid, made her nourishing drinks, and ad- looked as I spuke, full in the face of Thornministered the medicine prescribed by the dyke-"forged." village practitioner-who, after much delay

"My lord," exclaimed the opposing counand pool, poohing, by Thorndyke, had been sel, "this is really insufferable!"

called in-with her own hands. About three His lordship, however, did not interpose, weeks previous to Mrs. Thorndyke's death, and I went on to relate, in the most telling a sort of reconciliation was patched up, manner of which I was capable, the history through her instrumentality, between the of decceased Mrs. Thorndyke's first and husband and wife, and an unwonted expressecond marriages, the harmony and happision of kindness and compassion, real or ness of the first-the wretchedness and stimulated, sat upon Thorndyke's features of the nist-ine which characterized the second. I but slight expectation of invalidating the, already seemed at if about to swoon with recollections of my life. every time he approached the dving woman. narrated, also, the dying words of Mrs. The sands of life ebbed swiftly with Mrs. Thorndyke to her daughter, though repeated-Thorndyke. Infolded in the gentle, but ly interrupted by the defendant's counsel, deadly, embrace with which consumption who manifested great indignation that a seizes its victims, she wasted rapidly away, statement unsusceptible of legal proof should and, most perplexing symptoms of all, violent be addressed to the court and jury. My adretchings and nauson, e-pecially after tak- dress concluded, I put in James Woodley's out enabling me to use that knowledge to a

inghermedicine-which, according to Davis, will, and, as the opposing counsel did not good purpose. The plaintiff and old Mr. the plaintiff's case was closed.

The speech for the defendant was calm lost much of the interest which attaches Mary Woodley, by chance or by stratagem, throw discredit on the death bed "fietion," associated in the mind of the spectator at my suggestion, and she seemed to recover had he remained in England. Mappily for

ensued, and fierce and angry grew the war She was a good-looking woman, of perhaps sworn well and truly to try the issue, and I by judge recommending that, under the semblance to her son. She rapidly, smoothcircumstances, "a juror should be with- ly and unhesitatingly confirmed the evidrawn." This suggestion, after some demur, dence of Headly to a title. She trembled, devil!" replied Thorndyke, with a gloomy

of the court exclaimed, "My lord, there are more questions to ask, turned hastily to doing so." to both the mother and daughter, that a failed on that day, another trial, under favor only eleven men on the jury," and by the aid leave the box. of this venerable, if clumsy expedient, the "Stay-stay, my good woman," I exno distant period of time, reverse the pos- cause of Woodley vs. Thorndyke was de

claimed, "you and I must have a talk tosibly at present unfavorable decision. "My facto adjourned to a future day. gether before we part."

.She started and looked back at me with learned friends on the other side," I contin- I had not long returned to the hotel, frightful carnestness, and then her nervous ued, "smile at this qualified admission of when I was waited upon by Mr. Wilford, glances stole toward Mr. Silas Thorndyke. mine, let them do so. If they apparently senior, the father of the young man who There was no comfort there-in his counteestablish to day the validity, of a will which had been forbidden to visit Dale Farm by nance she only saw the reflex of the agitastrips an only child of the inheritance be- Thorndyke. His son, he informed me, was queathed by her father, they will, I tell them ill from chagrin and anxiety-confined to tion and anxiety which marked her own.emphatically, have obtained but a temporary his bed, indeed, and Mary Woodley had retriumph for a person who-if I, if you gen- fused, it seemed, to accept pecuniary aid rash move he had made, and would have counsel threw up their briefs, and a verdict tlemen of the jury, are to believe the case from the father or son. Would I endeavor given a great deal to get his witness safely was at once returned for the plaintiff. intended to be setup as a bar to the plaintiff's to terminate the estrangement which had and quietly out of court.

It was now nearly dark, and observing that it was necessary that the court and to his selfish purposes. My learned friend by accepted both the mission and the large while under examination, I requested that lights should be brought in. This was done observation, for the present, no further, part of the money I gave Barnes to stimul. Two candles were placed in front of the you, gentlemen of the jury, will require of the hands of Mary Woodley's grandpapa, Wareing, a few others were disposed about him the strictest proof-proof clear as light with a friendly admonition to him not to strong and bright relief from the surround- dence for the Crown.

Summer had passed away. Autumn had ing shadows, rendering the minutest change come and gone, and the winter assizes were or play of her features distinctly visible. once more upon us. Regular proceedings ment of Woodley vs. Thorndyke was once any telegraphing between him and the witas I fully believed, fictitious will. We had agitation and ill-defined alarm.

"Pray, madam," said I, "is your name however, obtaided a good deal of informa-Wareing or Tucker?" tion relative to former history, not only of She did not answer. I repeated the the absent Mrs. Wareing, but of Thorndyke

himself, and it was quite within the range question. "Tucker." she at last replied, in a tremu of probabilities that something might come lous whisper.

"I thought so, and pray, Mrs. Tucker, robbing your lodgings?"

Mary Woodley had, fortunately for herself,

Not once during this last illness could and guarded. It threw, or attempted to to female comeliness and graces when ers of the court handed her a glass of water splcen, and would have blown out his brain.

"Ilanged me; that's all, you accursed was agreed to. One of the jurors was whis- I observed, excessively, and on the exam- ferocity. "But I deserve it for trusting in my hands, and observed that if, for lack of pered to come out of the box, then the clerk ining counsel intimating that he had no such an idiot; dolt and fool that I was for

> The woman sank down in strong convulsions, and was, by direction of the judge carried out of the hall.

The anxious silence which pervaded the court during this scene, in which the reader will have observed I played a bold, tentative, and happily successful game, was broken as the witness was borne off, by a loud nurmur of indignation, followed by congratulatory exclamations on the fortunate Sleck Silas, I could see, repented of the termination of the suit. The defendant's

All the inculpated parties were speedily in custody, and the body of Mrs. Thorndyke having been disinterred, it was disthe mind of the deceased Mrs. Thorndyke freely offered purse and service? I instant- jury should see, as well as hear, the witness bichloride of mercury, of which a considerable quantity had been detected in the body. I was not present at the trial of Thorndyke the bench and jury desks. The effect of lie prints that he was found guilty and exc-Mrs. Throndyke's health rapidly declined. —that the instrument upon which he relies allow his grandchild to make a fool of herwas, if I remember rightly, admitted evi-

> Mary Woodley was of course put into immediate possession of her paternal in-Mr. Silas Thorndyke was, from his posi- heritance, and is now-at least was about had been taken, and the action in eject- tion, thrown entirely into the shade, and four months ago, when I dined with her and her husband at Dale Farm-a comely, prosmore on the cause list of the Chester circuit ness was thus rendered impossible. This perous matron, and as happy as a woman court, marked this time as a special jury preparation, as if for some extraordinary with a numerous progeny, an easy tempered case. Indefatigable as Mr. Barnes had and solemn purpose, together with the pro- partner, can in this (according to romance been in his search for Elizabeth Warcing, found silence which reigned in the court, writers) vale of grief and tears expect to not the slightest trace of her could he dis- told fearfully, as I expected, upon the be. The service I was fortunately enabled cover, and I went into court, therefore, with nerves of Mrs. Elizabeth Wareing. She to render her forms one of the most pleasing

> > A Marriage or a Duel.

There is a deal of talk in the Parisian world about a marriage which has just taken place. It is the denouement of rather a romantic adventure.

Sir Edward S---- a baronet, 2S years of age, of an agreeable appearance, fine family. were you ever in trouble in London for with an income of 25,000 livres, was terribly afflicted with ennui, and with that Eng-

I thought she attempted to answer, but lish malady, the spleen. Nothing surprisno sound passed her lips. One of the ush- ing in that. Byron would have had the