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There It is-look!

One would not guess That once they were blue, They are so faded-An, I am too!

Changes have come, love, Since they were given. They are dead; I am here; He is in Heaven. They were a small gift,

Triffing, I know: But they were given me Long years ago. Down in the shadows Of the old yew

He and I parted: There's where they grew I was to give them back When we next met-Fifty long years ago-

Put them back, Jennie, Put them away, They have been there

This many a day,

AVENGED.

The old clock in the wall rang out five melodious chimes, as Cora Smith softly closed the kitchen door, and ran into the little bedroom for her blue scarf. CONVEYANCER,

ready."

the potatoes for breakfast, and we must toll-worn, weary life.

prisoned bird's at the delay.

the garden path toward the stile, where lips and blazing eyes.

the soft, brown eyes!

"Neil, Neil," she said, almost unconsciously, aloud; and little Madge clasped approach. her sister's hand closer, and looked up in her face.

ter Cora?"

fervent grasp.

good man's wife, when the beautiful parlor of her stately home. spring comes. I shall leave you, and How her hands trembled and her eyes auntie, and uncle, to be all his. But shone as she listened! you can share it."

were almost there—nearing the edge of you shall hear my answer."

want to meet stranger's there."

hands, it surely was not the fair, sweet guardian could utter a syllable. maiden of a moment before. But the A white, ghastly, shivering figure stood has long since answered.' spasm passed, and, without a word, she by the library window. arose and glided noiselessly away, and Madge followed her in silence,

all died out of the west, and the dew lay like summer rain on the grass at his feet. His eigar was smoked down to ashes, and

"She isn't coming to-night," he said mentally; "that is certain. The scheming auntle up yonder managed to prevent it this time. Oh, well, it saved a scene! I will drop a loving, farewell note, and so it ends-a summer's amusement. Ha, hum?" and Neil Rowan strolled homeward, singing, half-unconsciously, "I won't have her, I know-I won't have her, I know-I don't care a

for, ere the insane light gave place to mountain-top, where is builded the city of the New Jerusalem.

years were counted. Eight times the grass had grown over the little grave in the lonely, country graveyard, and again the October winds rustled the scarlet

stroke died away; "he is wondering and every summer beautiful Madge why I don't come, and I must make Smith came down from her city mansion, haste. Madge, little Madge, are you and lingered in the old home a week, going with me to-night? I am all trimming the grasses and planting bright flowers on the mounds. Bright Little Madge, the twelve-year-old sis- beautiful Madge Smith, the heirest of ter, came flying through the hall. | all Uncle Smith's hidden wealth, the

mind if he does have to wait a little for school, to reign queen of society. you: you've waited for him many a Beautiful, strangely beautiful, with that time. Come quickly, and I will help cold, white, high-bred face, those wide fathomiess, glittering amber eyes, a fig- you see. I could tell you a story anent So sweet-tempered Cora Smith untied ure matchless in symmetry and grace, that." the blue searf, and tripped away to the accomplished, polished, and the heiress forgotten task as merrily as her little of great wealth, no wonder that lovers, sister, albeit her heart beat like an im- old and young. knelt at Madge Smith's myself to listen. shrine. Strange wonder, the world said, The west was all affame with the that all were scorned-not gently and and began: autumn sunset ere the sisters closed the with words of pity and apology, but cottage door behind them, and ran down spurn from her very feet with scornful somest ugly woman I ever saw-"

plenty of gossip just now. Only a few seeks since a new rival appearance from the seem of action. Neil Rowan, merchant and millionaire, entered the list of Marge Smith's adores—not for beart wealth, strely, Madame Grundy acknowledged graciously. He had enough of his own. It was genuine love that this blase man of society felt for beautiful full Marge. And a wonderful change had come over the fair haly since his appearance. Bright before, the was brill, liant now—sparkling, witty, bewildering; and the wordlooked on in manze to see the flush stain her white cheeks, and the bright smile that lighted her eyes at his approach.

At what time was Adam married? On his wonding the word of the country, word of the country, word of the country word for the most problem, and the word of the country word for the most problem, and the reputation, I found, and the word of the many the country word for special to the country word for them, and the word of them all with phearts since then, and left them all with phearts since then, and left them all with a firm, the great healer. He had forced, and on detecting, as I thought, a time that wondering Nay, how should be? Sweet a constitution, and the word of the country word for the country, word for the many the country word for the many than the country word for the many the phearts since then, and left them all with a firm, the great healer. He had forced an interest the country word for the many than the country word for the country word for the many than the country word fo

"Do you love him so very much, ais"Do you love him so very much, aisCora Smith, and the summer in the
lunking purpose to add me to her list of A swift, hot color came into the girl's man. He had broken half a dozen silly cheeks, and then she pauses, suddenly hearts since then, and left them all with holding the hands of little Madge in a Time, the great healer. He had flirted "Love him! love him, Madge! better ens innumerable, and left the past all than all the world-better than my behind him. And now he came and youth, my life—aye, sometimes I fear laid the first pure, real love of his life- sense, quoted the spooniest passages of better than my hope of heaven! And I time at this woman's feet. So he told the poets and made as great fools ouram to be his wife, little Madge, this her, one autumn night, in the grand selves as the two greenest lovers could

this is our secret, little sister, and only "Wait," she said; "I will give you drawing the light scarf over her shoul- ment. You will come; I will answer the baby at home, I wouldn't stand that. appetite. ders, she tripped silently on. They you then. Be in the library at ten, and At times, when Kate's fine eyes-her

Even as she spoke the figure arose, and had not she given it all but in words?

And the guardian's voice, speaking feigned.

fellow, for I expect her every moment." just the subject for a grand flirtation, and pleasure-Just for one mement Madge Smith's I assure you I have acted my part well; heart stood still in awful fear, for she but for anything further-bah! But he what you would saythought Cora was dying. That white, is exceeding me, so by-by till I come "'Let me beg of you- I interruptghastly face there in the twilight, that again," and she tripped lightly through ed, anxiously. motionless figure, those tightly locked the half-open door, ere the amazed "I know what you are going to ask,"

into the room. them. It is my answer."

"But you gave me hope; you led me claimed. on, you have given me greason to think you love me," he cried, passionately. whispered, reaching me one and cover-"It is the one love of my life! I have ing her face with the other." centered every hope and thought in you, sake, do not wreck my life!"

were black and glistening.

think my prayer would be so fully ordium. answered. When I saw the hue of death, the white agony on my only sis- think? ter's cheek-when I saw her writhe in speechless agony at the words she heard love is life, and the rude blow that woke avenge her, God being helper. Again, when I heard the thud of the earth upon his wife, in the act of holding by the her coffin, I vowed that vow. God has hand a strange lady, and addressing her brought it about even sooner, more com- in words of earnest appeal. plete, than I had thought. If I have given you one hour of such agony as she suffered, I am content. If you could live and suffer it for countless

Two hours afterward, the sharp ring of a pistol rang with starling distinctness through the crowded drawing room. All sprang to their feet, save Madge

TURNING THE LAUGH.

"Never stake your wits against a little home.

"Why?" I asked, "are their wits so much sharper than ours?" "I can't say exactly," Bob replied, "but they have so many more of them,

"Tell it." I said, putting another lump of sugar in my cup and setting

Bob slowly stirred his tea, took a sip "Kate Burgess, who was the hand-

"A contradiction in terms that," I interrupted.

"Not in her case," insisted Bob: "you carried. would have owned it yourself had you The teacher: "What is wisdom, my

"I met her casually at a watering place," he continued, "whither I had gone, partly on business, partly on pleasure, about a year after my marri- cause they are born in Holland.

"Chance threw us a good deal together. We talked all sorts of sentimental nonhave done.

good man's wife, when the beautiful parlor of her stately home.

I shall leave you, and auntie, and uncle, to be all his. But this is our secret, little sister, and only you can share it."

Then her hands relaxed their bold, and drawing the light searf over her shoulders, she tripned eightly on. They will come; I will answer the stately home.

I shall leave you, and all animals? Because he gladly gives the bit out of his mouthand listens to every at the state was flirting desperature to his out of his mouthand listens to every at the state and orange the attacks of all animals? Because he gladly gives the bit out of his mouthand listens to every at the state and orange the attacks of the wise.

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eyes, it had to be confessed were fine- of ages. away. Another step forward, and then waiting. He paced the room impatient- givings lest I had made an impression pills in? In eider.

"'Yes, yes,' she faltered, 'I know

rights. she persisted; 'it is a question my heart

self. After all, it was likely to prove "Not so, my friend," she answered no laughing matter. Everybody would lightly; "I spoke the truth. If you call mea villian; and Ahna-what would his lazy revery was broken by the cry of overheard :ny words I need not repeat she think? I dreaded to reflect upon it. "'I beg you to permit me- 'I ex-

"Yes, take my hand, Robert,' she

"I hung back confused for a moment, Madge Smith, and for my sake, for God's Then, in sheer desperation and with spurn anything, for there is no man that

"I turned and saw whom do you

"My wife," said Bob, dramatically. "You can imagine the scene," he shop beverage. But are strictly medi-cinal in every sense. They act strongly upon the liver and kidneys, keep the bowels open and regular, cleanse the blood and system of every impurity. Sold by druggists, \$1.00. At Thomas' drug store. continuad. "A husband confronted by

somewhere and could think of nothing vanity and vexation of spirit." are made better to say. "But she didn't strike-didn't even after win." This is a direct fling at the Crowded with Brief Articles, call me caitiff or villian, names I would Congress of the U. S.

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shown my miniature to her friend, who D. Thomas. was thus enabled to recognized me at -Any man may do a casual act of first sight. A letter from Kate, speakwoman's said Bob Wimple, as we sat of her new beau, and asking Anna to good nature, but a continuation of them "Auntic says you've forgotten to get wealth he guarded so well during that sipping our tea one evening at his cosy come and share in the fun she was hav--One of the best rules in conversa

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What did Lot do when his wife turned and C. T. Horn, Lehighton.

eat, and the other eats too long. Why is the horse the most humane of of the virtues of the wite of foois and one of the virtues of the wine.

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er's grate full (grateful).

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for I do not like to meet him "

"Marry her?" he repeated. "She is just the subject for a grand firstion, and I assure you I have done this thing well. But for anything further—bah! I am going back to town to-morrow, and this is our last meeting; so be off, old fellow, for I expect her every moment."

And the guardian's voice, speaking feigned.

"I feared you were not coming this to let go. So does dyspepsia. Brown's evening, Rob—Mr. Wimple. I mean, to let go. So does dyspepsia, and makes it lose its cruel grip. Mrs. Schmidt man, and leave us all." assure you, Miss Burgess," I Baltimore, were both cured of dyspepsia began, 'nothing ever gives me more by the use of Brown's Iron Bitters.

Neil Rowan waited until the light had

the whip-poor-will.

straw who has her, I know," The farewell note came to Cora Smith the following night, but the fever-bright eyes never rested on the creamy page, reason again, death scaled the white e clids. To such natures as this girl'r, youth, snapped the slender cord that bound her frail spirit to carth, and out of the depths of her awful grief, the kindly hand of death led her to the

Day by day, week by week, month by ages, I should be better content. Good month, so sped the time until eight night."

were two others, and the headstones eye never changed, her smiling lips duet till both sank exhausted.

prepare them before you go. Never Three years before, Madge Smith left

he was waiting-in other words, where Ay, Madge Smith was an enigma and hazel-eyed, sweet-faced Cora Smith's mystery to all who knew her. No city lover was walting for his lady-love, warmer friend, no brighter companion as she had many a night waited for him. did those of her own seek for. But Almost every evening they met there never were those lips seen to smile, or at the stile-their "trysting place," he those wonderful eyes to soften, in resaid, just half-way between her home sponse to any lover's; no glacier was and his boarding house. He had pro- more frigid than she to all men. All, posed it, and she was nothing both to did I say? Nav. Dame Rumor had accede—it was so pretty and romantic. plenty of gossip just now. Only a few Then, Auntle Smith was not at all weeks since a new rival appeared on the pleased with this dark-eved young scene of action. Neil Rowan, merchant of being a sort Democritus, a laugher On his wedding Eve. stranger, and, though she had not for- and millionaire, entered the list of at mankind and their follies. She had bidden him the house, both lovers knew she preferred "his room to his company." Madge Smith's adorers—not for her she preferred "his room to his company." Where is happine wealth, surely, Madame Grundy ac-And so, always with dear little Madge at knowledged graciously. He had enough her side, she daily tripped down the path through the leafy woods to the this blase man of society felt for beautihalf-way trysting place where she met ful Madge. And a wonderful change her handsome, dark-eyed lover, Neil had come over the fair lady since his ap-Rowan. How her heart fluttered to- pearance. Bright before, she was brilnight as she thought of him! and the llant now-sparkling, witty, bewildering; warm love-light deepened and darkened and the world looked on in amaze to see

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Why is door in the subjunctive mood? swelled neck, and the results of colds was dearer than his life? Ay, she was secured the vanity which made me Because it is wood—or might, could or and inflammation, use Dr. Thomas Eclectric Oil—the great pain destroyer. two men on the seat, Cora. We do not life to him. The world had seemed old, think myself more successful than should be. stale, flavoriess, until he met her, the dozens of others who had similarly. Why is a milkman like Pharoah's whole life is but a day repeated. There-hadow of the wood; "it is Nell's friend, ever stirred the slumbering passions of laughting at me. But he laught feet profit out of the water. shadow of the wood; "it is Nell's friend, ever stirred the slumbering passions of langhing at me. But he laughs test profit out of the water.

Willis Dean. We will wait till he goes, his heart. How bright the future who laughs last, says the proverb, and seemed! He was so sure of her answer; we'll see who that shall be, I said to tion as it resembles truth. myself.

the sound of his voice came on the twi- "My beautiful, my queen!" he said, "At last she grew, or seemed to grow, but for a little thing. the sound of his voice came of the twiany beautiful, my queen to the twisoftly. And just then he heard the light melancholy. The more vapid my —To count but few things necess.

"And what of this love affair, friend ripple of a woman's laugh in the adjointy. The more she appeared affected is the foundation of many blessings.

Nell? When is it to end, and how? Are ing room. Her laugh; he knew it among by it. It reminded me of Deacon DarCanach by Octobra.

A white, ghastly, shivering figure stood by the library window.

"For God's sake, Madge Smith, tell me you were jesting?" he cried, as brilliantly, glowingly beautiful, she glided into the room.

A sure cure for bolls, burns, sores, cuts, flesh wounds, sore nipples, hard and soft corns, chapped lips and hands, come to this? I had never dreamed of liantly, glowingly beautiful, she glided into the room.

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more than a lover's energy I seized the She was very pale now, and her eyes proffered hand and began an incoherent speech, intending to explain all and "Neil Rowan," she said, slowly, "I make what amends I could for my conhave prayed for this hour for eight years, duct. But the sound of an approachbut never in my wildest dreams did I ing footstep cut me short in the ex- hath not his place. I confessed my inability to guess.

> "'Strike, Anna, but hear me!" drug store. eried, starting like a guilty thing. "I had heard words to that effect Testament the familiar words, "Ali is

have considered moderate under the circumstances. After giving herself

ing, was the cause of my wife's sudden appearance. "The business and pleasure which had itherto detained me were both specific."

When are little secrets like the sails T. Horn, Lehighton. of a ship? When they get wind.

greasy? When the rain is dripping.

How many sticks go to building a crow's nest? None, because they are all carried.

The teacher: "What is wisdom, my

all animals? Because he gladly gives the

-Hard words are like halistones in summer, beating down and destroying what they would nourish were they melted in drops. the wood, and the stile was but a step And the night came, and he was there looked languidly into mine, I had mis- What does Queen Victoria take her

-Fiction pleases the more in proper--He who lives but for himself live -To count but few things necessary

Nell? When is it to end, and how? Are you really in earnest, and do you mean to marry the girlp?

Cora Smith's hand closed upon the arm of Madge till she shrank in pain while they walted for the answer. Nell Rowan laughed softly.

And the guardian's voice, speaking feigned.

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