

HOLDING THE REINS.

The night was clear, the sleighing good, The cutter seat not wide, She snuggled close beneath the robe To her fond lover's side.

They're married now, perhaps because She was so helpless then, She loves him well, and he loves her— Well, in the way of man; And yet in all their sweet delight One sad thought makes him wince; She held the reins that winter's night, She's held them ever since.

MRS. DUSENBURY.



URLED like a kitten in the depths of Mr. St. Maur's great easy chair, half lost among the crimson cushions, sound asleep, and never dreaming what a frown was distorting papa's brows at sight of her.

Upon—my—word, really, upon—my—word, he managed to say at last. She started up at the sound of his voice, her dimpled cheeks pink with slumber, her dark fringed eyes bright as newly risen suns, and her soft black curls in a pretty disorder. "Why, papa, is that you?" she said, yawning behind rosy-tipped fingers, and lazily dropping her white lids again, as though disinclined to be roused from her nap just yet.

bury, he divided his attentions between the dinner and Miss St. Maur, and was evidently as much bewitched as it was possible for him to be. "Capital, capital matters couldn't have gone off better, after all," Mr. St. Maur murmured to himself, after his friend had gone, walking the parlors and rubbing his hands together in great glee.

witchingly than ever. How entertaining she was and how delighted Papa St. Maur was. And then, in a few days, Moneybags came again, and this time he brought Miss St. Maur the most magnificent present with him—a set of rubies that made her pretty eyes sparkle with delightful vivacity.



FARM GARDEN.

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FARM DRAINAGE. Where water after rains stands for a long time in the furrows and slight depressions in the ground, and on lands where the shoes of the farmer, except in periods of drought, are habitually clogged with sticky mud, and the hoofs of animals as they sink into the yielding soil make cavities that maintain their shape for days, oftentimes holding water, the necessity for drainage of some kind is too clearly indicated to admit of any doubt.

FARM AND GARDEN NOTES. The way to spoil a hog is to overfeed him with corn. Cook the small potatoes and feed them to the poultry. Allow at least one foot square to each fowl on the roosts.

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