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Did She Do It?

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gotat $A$ man with good fortune, gooud oun. gota man with good roctune good con




##  "Hank, Clara 1 dort bo so giads-HE is       moman of ropporty, but 1 nadid tlearaed to  thought tuat tho worhd went by tho way or    datee tor masor, doent to the inventom or patent manting manchinen, and dibeoverem of inallilibe pit deatructivees, and ancer he han harapruxd and dictutco and laid down Into Dist pockotito pay tho expento of carry-  nealin toor the monen went thongh I Dover  <br> "The honey-moon, auity <br> doen hat four or inve years, wheu there's no <br> children or any othor serious dispenationa of Providence; if he had lived mueh longer, as I was going to asy, 1 nhould certainly as I was going to mas, 1 should cortainily hava let him hear my mind about it. Sover ma world," <br> anele, aunty?m <br> altogether in the way of booky and philonophy. He nover cared a fig for the pubWo good, which Wian one virtue in hims; but Intead of that he had a provoking turn for enlightewing me. Whenoyer I net down clat about my neightors, my property or my indoors domestio affurs, he was sure to brauch of to the Greelk, Romant, Trojaus and wild Indians. You might Taye doratood him, my dean, after going through sod's, like a good girl, you can talk like yoonely, tre protity much or a phillooophe be had bean eyying grammarr and English

##        his npearaco withan boot on on on foo too tand   seeing into the trikek, and rateing them fo it as they deserved, he expressed his astonishment, in their prosence, at the curiou cbemical phonomenon presented by his Maccaboy. There was a sensible man for you ! He was kind-hearted and pencenble though, I wouldn't be recalling lisis faults if I liad not your good so much at heart- but between you and me, Olara Burney, the only real satisfaction I had of that mar thage was in receiving the ten thousand dollars paid me as his life insurance.

"But my uncle Cripps?
" Well, he was altogetlo of a man, and he got his credit for amart cess from another sort of people. His
aculty was for eating, and he had as mucl learning on that anbject as Mr. Didenhoovor and about pyramids and hieroglyphices,
nd Mr. Crumpsey about steam wind-mills. never knew it, though, before we wer quiet young man, though rather too fleshy
ut when wo were preparing for our fin dinner-party, the way the long words rolled
from his tongue was bewildering. After awhile I got used to them, and at last
conld even go through them tolerably well could oven go through them tolerably wel
myself-what do you think, Clara, can b ner Broneburg, Hinterhausen, Hottenhein
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"What do they mean, aunty?"
"Why nothing but sour Dutch winos, to be sure, and, to try you in French, what
the meaning of cotolothes en papilloten"" "Cutlets in curl-papers, isn't it?" pshaw ! what a giggler you are, Clara, buc I see you know well enough. Ihad deter
mined not to marry a book-worm again book-shelf that cansed mo -uter troub than husband Didenhoover's whole Hibrary Evory volume was about eating, from tha Cook's Oracle down to tho Cook's Alma
nac, and every 'Jay your uncle rummaged it from beginning to end, to find somethin new to tickio his appotite. Then ther
were dinners to be given this week and were
suppers the ne next, and if our cook happened finger in every pie myself. 'My dear ' he would any, 'such an exquisite compoun requires the delicate hand of a hady,'
'my love, it can have no flavor unle your excellent judgment is exerelsed upon wearing myeelf to akin and bone. I must not only find the wherewithal, but I mast
macrifice myeolf into the bargain. It a eacrinee myself into the bargain.
gravates me yot to think of it."
"But, I suppose, aunt, you found, his
company and converation rather more congenial than thone of my learned uncle
Didenhoover?
always too tired poitering about the kitek eD and pantry and atore-room, and acourlog the market-hounes in nearch of tit-bith to have muen laelination for, company of any kind, and an to hin convernation, as was always th the same straln, I mostly
tried to puta atop to it, for fear it would tried to putastop to lis for fear it Wour to
leare were plenty, though, that did find him congenial and agroeable enough, for the houso
was always fall, and the table crowded. If a word foll from hin lippe, thero was alwayn
 nlee, quiet sort of a man-would let me talk away a whole hour wlehout diaturbing me-but when be began to entertain comrecelved, Filh, Ah , Crippt, you aro droll wag Pl-'that was a good thing of
yours, Crippa, about the aliced tongue, or, devilod kidnoys wau rieh-let'a hear it again-glorious "-aftor he had been com-
plimented that way during three or

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4 Lenve that to me, olild. The one you
want is of the quiet, good-matured sort, one wave is of the quiet, good-natured sort, one
who will have sense enough to make, or
take care of a living, but in other matters will do just as you say; who will not know
one dish from nuother, will only bo able to tell a largo book from a amall one, and will
never speak more than a dozen of words at a time,"
"But is there any probability that $I$ sh
over meet with fuch a person "Why not? It was to give you an op-
portunity that I brought you here, initead of taking you to Cape Mny or Saratoga.
Among the one or two hundred peop hero it would be strange if almost any taste
could not be snited ; aud there wia be a could not be snitod ; and there wid bea
better chance to ftod people out than if thero were a thousand coming one dav and gone
the noxt. You, of course, will be notrode noxt. You, of course, will bo mir.
duced to every body, for though say it
myself, there's not many like you to be mysel, ny where, and you will bo at no
found-you havo uncommon disoernent for
loss-yout her one so young-it runs in the family. Still,
you might possibly bo imposed upon, and the best plan wilb for mo to look round
among the gentlemen, and fix upon on hit comes nearest the mark. I can tel
him at a glance, so don't give yourself any con cern. I'l begin at once during break
fast, and if you feel me nudge you, jukt watch my cyes, and IIl give you a sign
with my head-to-that you may know whom I have deolded upon. Then we'
ouly have to get an introduction, and the ouly have to got an introduction, and the
whole amaic can soon bo settled, for wit The a man wo can have our own way,"
the dialogue we have record ed was the chamber of two ladies, at a greeabio watering-place, and, fortunately harry the fair interlocutors, in preparing cor their first appearance at the publio ta-
ble, until the advioe-giving wai conoladed. The seats were nearly all ocoupied whe they entered the wide door-way of the eat
ing-room, and the elder lady advanced along the far-stretching line of chair back with the air of one habituated to the move ment, elevating, with her right hand, a pair
of spectacles in heavy, ehased gold framos, folded quizzing-glass fanhion, and attached on rioh chain thrown over hor ahouldera kin carrying in the other a silky white nap
ansy an equally manay vilver ring. She wan evi dently a woman of mubetance, tn a meta
phorioal ua well as a literal fense. By the time thoy had reached their places near the Coot of the table, the information had eirchated hair way down from the upper end
that there the rieh Mra. Cripps an her beautifal niece, and heireas prosump tive, Miss Clara Burney.
The entrance of the two ladies was im ilso a now comer, who had emerged fron an apartment opening into the eame lobb
with their own, and who paised down with their own, and who pansed down tb
oating -room simaltaneoualy with them seiver, though on the other side. As then was nothing in hif ajpenringe to denote
etther the dignitary, the dandy or the na bob, lie was allowed to make hin way with out a second look from any one. He way
rather young than middle-aged, wain of the rather young than middie-agod, wan of the
modium siza, and nothing about him look od beyond the common medium, though vory hitrie more attention to his person, air
and dions mighit havo rendered him rathe handhome, finitead of merely "well enough. His ueat at the table was oxactly oppoait
ato it, he cant a single glaneo, at hes, and
nother at her graceful charge, and then looked neithor to thu right por lef, bat

| his broad and butter, Clara had met bis |
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| oeges, and reeetved an indistinot impressio |
| that they were dark and fine, though sihe | that they were dark and fine, thoogh she

was not aufficiently ftruck by them to gues. Hos whothor they wero gray or brown, but
Mrs. Cripge, after seating herselfe Mrs. Cripps, ancer seating herself, examined
him as far as she conld above an atcamer, and mentally resolved to look of coffoe, the old lady raised her glasses and began her prodetermined survey of the
company. It was unastisfactory until i returned to ber neighbor opposite, and the
the expeeted nudge was given,accompanied
by a very peculiar and perceptible move
ment of the head. The gentleman seemed
at the moment, to be oxamining the table-
cloth, and there was a strange quiver of
his eyelids, with an awkward twisting of the corners of his month, which certaniny,
to others besides Mrs. Cripps, might liave Mrs. Cripps was an oddity, and Clar Mrs. Cripps was an oddity, and Clara
was the first beauty who had appeared at
the hotel during the eeanon- that is, the first very pretty young lady of considerable
fortune and fashion, for to be constituted

## a beauty the na of one or both of these ndjuncts would be impertively necessary to the most beautiful in the world. "Reanty

when unadorned (is not) adorned the
most," in our day, whatever it may have
been in that of Mr. Jumes. Thompson.
Their arrival was, therefore, particularly
welcome. Mre, Cripps welcome. Mrs, Cripps found soveral a longest standing, and the morning was
spent by leer and her nlece in receiving in. troduotions, during which golden opinions were won from all sorts of people by the
sprighty, accomplished, bright-oyed and sididates for her notice, howover, wa not the quiet gentleman of the breakfasttable. Mrs, Cripps, much to hior impa-
tience, did not see him again natil dimner, When be was again her vi-a-ait, looking as
modest and harmless as she could have demodest and harmless as she could have de-
sired. She was gratified to observe that he ate sparingly, and of the dishes most oonvenient to his hand-a proof that he
was free from one of her three cardina failings. She had kept him so closely in
her mind all the morning that alue now folt familiar enough with him to call upon h
services.
IIl trouble you, sir, for a veal-patty,"
"They aro potatoes, ma/am" said th stranger, gravely, taking up the knife on So dinh beforere him.
di, nir",
"Not
Not at all," ho repliod,
subdued tone, as he helped her
They are veal-patties-you had better "yotatoes," nir-youll relish them more than "All th
Mrs. Crippe looked at him earnestly, and or incredulousness was exhaled beforo the nerenity of his countenance. She jogged
Clara with her elbow, and unconsoiously allowed a smile of self-gratulation to rest on her face.
"That's
"That's the very man for you,my dear!" chamber door had elosod upon her und her aicee, after thoy had retired from the dinnertable ; "I knew this morning that he
was one to be examined into, but I didn"t suppose he could come no very near the mark as not to know veal.pp
tatoes. What do you think
"I don't know what to think of that, sunt, but a man with such a head can hardy be a fool."
"Pahaw!
ohild," nahaw there't nothing in heids, lady, dogmatically "that'/ just a romantio notion yout got into you at boarding-school. I know it's a com
attle hear, Hille wit
"I don't mean the size of his head, dear
"Then you mean ths whape, 1 gong.
whioh is equally nonsensical. Who could
have told by the alhape of my husband Cripp's head that he would want his ham
boiled in champagne? or that he would be o. hard hearted as to roat a goone alive, that In my young days, some people ha notiou: that there was great meaniog in the way the hair grow out-that whoove
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widen
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third
widower; now, hore an I, a widow the
chird time, and nine grows low down all
bo way acrose Another ugg was, that
hooper had it growing in two twirlis on
Whoper had ft growing in two twiris on
cop of their headr would see two kingdoms:

Mr. Crumprey had a double crown, as they
called it, and he never saw any ling dom at all, for ho never set foat out of this ocun-
try, and as your geography must have told you, America has never been a kiugdom
since the Revolution. That ought to be "gnify any thing." how do you know that ho is ingle?" "Of course he is-has le got the don't,
care look with him of a married man? ave too much experience of all manner of men not to be able to judgo of thant. But
onatisfy you, I'll aak old Mr. Dyor, whom saw shaking hands with him very hard,as "And don't forgot to ask his name,
aunt-we ought at least to kuow the name pending" Mrs. Cripps did accordingly question old
Mr. Dyer, and learned that the gentlomas was a Mr. Page, that he was unmarried, was "a worthy, respectable, orderly man."
Forther than that slie being satinfied that her own sagacity wa The next morning Clara was promenading attended by a midehipman named Weat over, whose warrant was of very recent
date, and who was much admired by th oxtremely young ladies, on account of his Beivg the only officer of the day, ho hai ettached himself to Miss Burnoy, as th only suitable beau for the only beauty,
and was indulging her witb a very vocifer ous discourse, when Mrs. Cripps, who had
been watcling with some anxiety the smiles of bor viece, exclaimed to a lady
near her, "Just listen to young boatswain! it is easy to tell that he alks up been on shipboard by the way ho forward to puta a check to his dangerous el "quenco. mo, Mr. Wentover," said she,
"don't you feel very much smothered, this. coasting weather, with having that thick blue cloth coat buttoned up to your chin ? Howed hard that you officors can't b like common people. Don't you envy that genitleman they call Mr. Page, sitting there
on the settee, looking so cool in bis suit of Do you know him ! "He had an introdnction to me this
morving, ma'am-he seems a dry, poor "reaturo",
"Then
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"Then do introduce Clara and me to
him-we wish to be acquainted with him for that very reason. We'll go with you
"My dear aunt Y" said Clara, drawing "Huah, ohild, he won't know auy better," returned the oid lady, and holding
Clara with one hand she noized
信 the mildehipman with the other, and drew them up to the confused-looking Mr. Page, Mr. Page, Mrs. Cripps-Miss Burney," aaid the midahipman, and then, as no
elso, spoke, Mrs. Cripps oven being at "auy political nows in your papors, Mr.
Page?-pray, what's your opinion of the Pago?-pray, what's your o
third torm prinoipal ?"
"That it is $\mathrm{n}-\mathrm{a}-$ quodilibet," answered
Mr. Page, looking up over his brood Mr. Page, looking up over his broad brown
Into the fice of the quentioner, without raising his head. He had resumed his seat ter maling his bowa.
The midehipman looked as much posed
as. Mra. Crippen and then reaponded, bulently, "I thiuk it a humbug, sir-a decided humbag.
padded breast of his threw forth the well padded breast of hia blue coat, and struck
the perpendicular froutlet of his cap intoa still atralghter line with his nose, the laughing eyes of Clara were met by those
of Mr. Page, with a comic exprewsion of mock appeal that at once placed him on an
more deflite point in her eotimation. Mra, Cripe definite point in her estimation. Mra.
Criperved the glance, and conatrued it in her own flushlon.
"Dpn't warry Mr. Page with any hard
questionn, Mr. Weatover," intorposed she, In a tone of protecting kindness; " "he's not one to puzzle his brains about politics or
any thing elise, 1111 venture to give my word ; are yon, Mr, Page?"
No, ma'am, " answered Mr. Page,
meekiy, and, to Clara'c. apprehonsion, his opuntouance grew still more comical.
With a contamptouss look
Mr. Wemtover remiuded himeelf of an engagoment, and Clara alko made a mave, Crippswas reoolved not to lose the vuntage
ahe had gained.' She therefore placed her.

