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Poetry.

A SUMMER DAY.

Sunshine over the meadow lands, Kissing the crimson clover, And sunshine haunting the lily cups.

Select Tale

Better Than he Seemed.

A quaint old town was Hereford. Its buildings were antiquated and its inhabitants clung so tenaciously to the traditions of their forefathers.

In one of the houses at the outskirts of Hereford, Louis Berner had found a temporary home with a stevedore named Perry Hawkins.

Shortly after the event just narrated a young man named Lewis appeared at the bank of Mr. Tipton and deposited several thousand pounds.

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Mr. Tipton knew this fully well, therefore she never sought to gainsay its truth, only she extenuated his mistake as best she could.

The daughter of Sandhurst Tipton possessed a courageous mind. She neither screamed nor wept at the consequence of her unfortunate prank.

"Tie your horse and climb over her this instant," she called to her sister; "I believe I've killed a poor fellow. How perplexing this is to be sure."

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a cambric handkerchief about his temples.

Cecily, in conformity to her summons had scrambled through the hedge, and was doing what she could to bring the stranger to consciousness.

"He's handsome—don't you think so, Gussa?" she asked gazing on the pale face.

Her sister made no reply, but clutched at her *cinquillo* and replied it to his nostrils.

It happened that Cecily a few moments spied a letter on the ground near the book. In an instant she had caught it up and with womanly curiosity was examining the inscription.

Cecily pressed her hand upon her brow, as if in thought, and handed the letter to Augusta.

"Where did we hear that name?" asked Cecily. "I am certain we have come across it somewhere."

"In the newspaper," replied the sister. "Don't you remember, a few days since, the announcement of Count Bernier's son being implicated in that French plot, and the flight of young Bernier to Belgium?"

"True enough," responded her sister. "Wouldn't it be romantic if our stranger and young Bernier were identical?"

Augusta pushed the letter in the young man's pocket none too soon for he opened his eyes and gazed languidly at his fair companions.

"Do you feel much pain?" inquired Augusta. "I really cannot express my sorrow at having been the author of your accident. It is very strange you did not here us."

"I was asleep, ma cheroiselle," he replied, in a low voice that had just enough of the French accent in it to establish its nationality.

A half hour later and the sisters were sitting beneath a tree, with Louis Bernier telling them the story of his life.

In one of the houses at the outskirts of Hereford, Louis Berner had found a temporary home with a stevedore named Perry Hawkins.

Lewis complexion was habitually pale, but upon the present occasion it was whiter than usual, and the newly healed seam across his forehead was still visible in a crimson line.

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low years past had heard of you notice to

Mr. Tipton and grasped Colonel Hea at his club.

"What are you waiting Mr. Tipton?" she asked.

"I was simply examining the more attention please tell me

training over it was just today is on a horse, when man Friday

previous to his previous, they days and I don't was at all new

How dare you to his feet, and I with face

"because I'm my self," replied Cecily.

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