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WHO COMES HERE!

Who comes here To startle the deer, That fly down the sunny glade

Where Mand and May Are met to-day For a chat in the dappled shade?

What Mand and May Have got to say I cannot pretend to tell ; Nor why they creep Where shadows sleep In the heart of a bosky den.

The cause to assign To a mischievous, winged lad, Who troubles hearts. With smarts and darts,-

Whose conduct is very bad ! For Mand, you see, It seems to me,

Has a letter to read to May ; And May's imprest With interest In a sweet sympathetic way!

And when you see Two damsels agree,

You may swear by Venus' doves, The secret tether That binds them together, Is a little affair of loves!

Who comes here, The dears and the deer Surprising and startling thus ? Whoe'er he may be, He's not, you see. Revealed to unlucky us!

A milking lass Perchance may pass-Or a lad from the cattle-run-The woodman bold, Or the shepherd old, Or the keeper with ready gun!

" Who comes here?" I'm not quite clear, And the artist won't let us see, But I should not feel Of surprise a deal

If the maidens confessed 'twas he !

Select Miscellang.

THE GREEN LANTERN. I think I am safe in saying that Paul

ttle boys atschool together, up to the period of which I am going to tell you, Unfortunately we had always been in

some sense rivals. We were nearly of the same age-our tastes were somewhat similar-our circumstances in life much alike, and we were in the same classes and studied the same books.

Probably it was more because I applied myself closer to my studies than he did that I outstripped Paul, and under all circum stances where scholarship was concerned bore off the palm. Naturally, he was quite as clever as I was -a little more brilliant. indeed-but be lacked application, and we all know that to become a scholar requires time and oatience and hard study, even it one is a genius in the beginging.

Paul had one decided advantage over me. He was handsome and graceful, and all the girls in the vicinity made him aware of it. He was self-conceited, naturally-and the adulation he received made him vain. No. thing makes a tool of a man any more speedily than to have the . women to make too much of him.

Gay and gallant, and courteous, he was to them all-but he coveted the love of only one. Florence was a sweet little brunette of two or three and twenty, and all the young men in town were in love with her.

She had only lived in Marley two years. Her native place was Philadelphia, but her tather's health requiring a change of air they had come to Marley and established themselves in a pretty little cottage out on

Florence was accomplished in no ordinary degree, and she had traveled a great deal, sistance. which is after all the best way of educating oneselt.

In Philadelphia she had moved in the first society, but she did not hold berself above taking part in our rustic merry makings and at the huskings and apple bees, and dances, she was the life of the whole

company.

To do Florence justice, she encouraged none of her suitors; was kind and courteous-nothing more.

As for me, I had been a beauty worshiper always, and when I saw Florence Wayne I met for the first time my ideal woman. My heart went from me and never came back again. In my wildest dreams I had never imagined ever so faintly that such a glorious vision ever came upon me in dull, prosy old Marley, where nothing ever did

happen year in and year out. I had seen very little of the world, and was shy and awkward, and the passion I felt for beautiful Florence did not tend to make me less embarrassed in her presence. I prided myself on my punctuality and in-The fact of it was, the sight of her confused me to such a degree that I was always making myself ridiculous before her, and if she by a hearty laugh at my expense.

*Once I summoned up courage enough to through. By day we used balls as signals, good buggy, and might have enjoyed my. self if I had not been so awkward.

disk. W. SHIREISUN 600, To try "hole and not approximate think mindles about our requirement of T.

As it was, I had trod on Florence's dress, her face, and did a score of other things which I would have died to prevent.

She made me so terribly conscious that I had hands and feet that must be disposed of some way, and how this disposition was to be accomplished was the question.

Paul Stanford leved Florence also, but his love did not make a fool of him as mine did of me. He was always just so polish. ed and brilliant, and could say his wittiest things with the dark eye of Florence full upon him-just as well as if she had been a thousand miles off. Oh, how I envied him his easy, quiet nonchalance, and how chafed and irritated I was by the patronizing sir he assumed towards me.

But at last fate gave me a chance to do Florence a service -- to prove to her that I was not a coward, though I might be an awkward clodhopper.

Marley was a seacoast town, and it was to avail himself of sea air and bathing that smoked his cigars in my private room, and Mr. Wayne had removed thither. Almost every fine day he and Florence were down on loint Pleasant beach-Mr. Wayne bathing, and Florence reading to and wath. ing him.

The attachment between this father and daughter was very strong-possibly because Mrs. Wayne had tried hard to be both tather and mother to his girl.

Sometimes when I could get up suffi cient courage to do so. I would go down to the point and join them, but these occasions were rare, because I could not make sure that Florence wanted me to disturb them often. True, she always smiled, and made room for me on the rock where she found a seat, but she did not smile much, and she me fancy she was dreaming dreams in my side. which I could have no part.

Stauford was not so particular. He was down at the Point almost every day when the Waynes were there, and the smell of his eight and his light laugh floated land ward together on the sea breeze.

It was in July that the manufacturing company in which all my property, was in vested, failed and left me very nearly pen nitess. It was plain that I must go to work. and I was courageous enough to be willing to take hold of anything which offered

But the times were dull, workmen plenty, and work scarce, and in spite of all my ettorts, nothing presented itself for me to do.

I was gloonly and down hearted for the steamer come jest at this time," growled most part, and everything looked cheerless Stitson : "wom't old Giles"-refering to the and apprehensive. In this mood, one gray driver of the express-won't he swear at September day, I strolled down to the being stomed?" Stanford hated me from the time we were Point. I had not expected any one would path, I saw Florence in a water proof train. But there was no time to notice it have a new black lace shawl also, dear Lord caught out in the surf the gleam of Mr. Wayne's red bathing suit.

Even as I gazed, and before I had spoken to her, a sharp cry broke from Florence. and I saw with dismay that Mr. Wayne green lantern I had hung from the standard am feeling very grateful. Give me, I pray had got beyond his depth, and not being a moment ago, the red lantern was flying Thee, an humble heart and a new green able to swim the undertide which was very strong at that point, was sucking him under in spite of his determined efforts to resist

In a moment I was buffeting the waves, and though I am a strong man and an extra good swimmer, I must confess that more and letting fate dispose of both myself and the helpless burden with which I was trying to reach the shore.

But the sight of Florence standing on the sands, her face white as death-her arms extended towards us.gave me strength. and by ano by, more dead than alive, I succeded in laying the old man at his daughter's feet. And I would have risked my life over and over again for the sake of

hearing her say again as she did then-" William Morton, may Heaven ever bless you? You have saved all I have to

Paul Stanford was on the spot almost and very profuse in his protestations of sympathy. He had witnessed the danger gripe of my throat relaxing -- then there fell of Mr. Wayne from Colney's Hill, a quar- a period of comparitive silence and coolness, ter of a mile away, and had come with all and ever so dimly I realized that the train haste, but too late to be of any material as- had run on to the wood track and had He hoped, however, that stopped. Miss Wayne would not refuse him the pleasure of supporting her father to the

And so by his superior tact and address was dying to ask for, the privilege of accompanying them home.

But Wayne remembered with gratitude the service I had done him. Three days afterward I received a letter from the President of the Shore Line and Point Pleasant Railroad, saying that I could have the situation of station agent and signal tender at Bachly's Bridge. The salary was a liberal one considering the duties to be performed, and I was indebted for the offer of the situation to Mr. Wayne, who was a personal friend of the President.

Of course I accepted the position. I was in need of employment, and this place would pay me a better salary than I could hope to earn anywhere else by manual labor alone. It was a trust of responsibility, but tegrity, and had no fear in regard to being

able to do my duty. The management of the switches came ed in the bridge to allow vessels to pass you that I am happy.

invite her to ride with me. I had as fine and if the draw was open two green balls a horse as there was in the country, and a were boisted from the standard a few rods below the draw. If it was closed and all the engineers. By night red and green struck her bonnet with my el low in getting into the carriage, switched the whip into lanterns were substituted for the balls. For I had an efficient assistant, who knew "all the ropes." I saw Florence not unfrequently -she

> the carriage did not come for her from the cottage, I drove her home in my buggy, and had the felicity of holding her soft hand a moment in mine as I lifted her your hat go to any place out of the way. From the time I took posession of the railway station, Paul Stanford had begun to right side toward the belt. Don't be in a manifest a sort of friendship for me. I hurry. Draw her gently, lovingly upon

> though it seemed real enough. And indeed what particular object he could have a little life down your left arm and let it in feigning a friendship for me which he know its business. Her left hand is in your did not feel, I was at a loss to imagine.
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> I received his advances with a coldness which would have repulsed most men, but full of electricity, thought and respect. it seemed to have no effect on him. He

read his papers there, and talked to me in a genial, off-hand way-so thoroughly trien lly that at times I was ashamed of myself and my suspicions. Thinking it over now, I know that by 'hook or by crook" he managed to worm out of me all the secrets of my business-

if indeed they might be called secrets; but

at that time I did not take notice of his in-

quiries, so gradually were they put. Meanwhile, I gained the confidence of t'e company-was trusted with large sums of money, and was generally thought well of. Mr. Wayne invited me to dine at the nerves dance before the just created alhis house, and Florence sang and played for me, and I would have been perfectly trimmed flower; the heart forgets its bitter. happy if Stanford had not made his aphad a way of looking out to sea which made pearance and beguiled Florence away from

> was Friday, and it was in March-just as the clock pointed to ten-the hour when the Hallidon Express was due-I heard whistles of a steamboat, three sharp whistles a strugling colt! Don't muss her hair, and one -- a signal that the draw must be opened.

I seized the green lantern and out Stitson was already there, for he had been settling the switches and hanging up the all right signal. "base her down, Stitson," said I- and

we took the red lantern down and hooked on the green one in its place. "It's cassed inconvenient having this

be there, but as I turned an angle of the so I heard the whistle of the approaching If you grant me my request, please let me cloak and hood, in her old seat; and I -we were fully occupied with getting the I kneel before Thee to-night feeling per steamer through. By some mismanage backed, which took up time, and glancing heavenly bijou, composed of white satiu, up I saw with horror that instead of the with coral estrich tufts. For this favor I out like the eye of doom !

"Great Heaven!" cried Stitson, following my glance-"the red light is up and world, like other women, but make me exthe train will go to ruin, and the company'll ceedingly gentle and aristocratic. When

send us siter em to-morrow !" Like lightning shot through my brain style of beauty, and let there be plenty of with fearful rapidity the thought of the puthings, ruffles and flounces, for I dearly than once I was on the eve of giving over switch! If I could only reach it in time love them all. Oh, Lord, let business de-I could send the train up the steep grade of tain my husband at H---, for he is not the wood track, and before they reached wanted at home at present. I want to be the end of it, the engineer would be able come acquainted with the tall, dark eyed to stop. I flew over the rough ground and foreigner, who is stopping at Colonel Longlaid my hand on the iron rod of the swallows opposite. Bring about an introswitch. I had the key in my pocket, I duction, I beseech Thee, for Mrs. Long turned it quickly and flung back the lever! swallow wou't. Bless my children, and And simultaniously a hand grasped my please send them a good nurse, for I have throat and a voice I knew well hissed in

en, I witt kill you first !" I grappled with him, and we fell to the ground together And the fierce thunder of the on-coming train drowned all sound immediately-very much out of treath and sense! A hot sulphurous breath of flame and smoke swept over me. I felt the

I put out my hand to touch the head of Paul Stanford-he, who had sought my life -but great Heaven! There was no head on his body! My fingers were clotted with he managed to secure for himself what I something warm and sticky-and overcome by the terrible revelation it made to me 1 lost consciousness.

When I came to myself, I was lying on a settee in the station, and a great crowd filled the room,

I told my story-by degrees- as I could remember it, and I could see that my listners believed it. It was settled beyond doubt that Sanford

had changed the lights, he had been seen to do it by one of the employees of the road, a stupid fellow, who did not think of any harm coming from it.

His object was plain enough to me. though I never spoke of it to any one. He hated me -he was jealoue of my gaining popularity, and he wanted to ruin me in the estimation of the company and in the estimation of Florence and her father.

But he was dead, and when I thought of the fearful manner of his death, I torgave him freely.

THE WHOLE ART OF KISSING -People tract bliss from lovely lips, no more than was right, two red balls signified the fact to they know how to make diamonds from charcoal. And yet it is easy, at least for us! This little item is not alone for young beginners, but for the many who go at it like hunting coons or shelling corn. First, know when you are to kiss. Don't sit down to it; stand up. Need not be anxious to get often went to the city-and always came into a crowd. Two persons are plenty to into the office for her ticket. Once when corner and catch a kiss. More persons spoil the sport. Stand firm. It wont hurt any after you get used to it. Take the left hand of the lady in your right hand. Let

Throw the left over the shoulder of the lady, and let the hand fall down upon the had strong suspicions that it was assumed, your shoulder, and a handsome shoulder strap it makes! Don't be in a hurry ; send right. Let there be expression that-not like the grip, of a vice, but a gentle closp,

Don't be in a hinrry—her head lies care-lessly on your shoulder! You are nearly heart to heart! Look down into her halfclosed eyes! Gently, yet manfully, press her to your bosom! Stand firm, and Provdence will give you strength for the ordeal, Be brave, but don't be in a hurry. Her lips almost open! Lean lightly forward with your head not the body. Take good aim; the lips meet; the eyes close; the heart opens; the soul rides the storm of troubles and sorrows of life (don't be in a hurry), Heaven opens before you; the world shoots from under your feet as a meteor flushes across the evening sky, (don't be afraid) tar of love as zephyrs dance with the dewness-and the art of kissing is learned. No noise, no fuss, no fluttering and squirm ing like hook impaled worms. Kissing One dark, foggy night-I remember it don't hurt; it does not require a brass band to make it legal. Don't job down on a beautiful mouth as if speering for frogs! Don't grab and yank the lady as if she was scratch down her collar, bite her check. squizzle her rich ribbons, and leave her mussed, rumpled, and flummuxed! Don't flavour your kisses with onions, tobacco, gin cock tails, lager beer, brandy, etc. for a maudlin kiss is worse than the itch to a sensible woman. Here now you have your recipt, free gratis for nothing.

AF ASHIONABLE WOMAN'S PRAYER .-Dear Lord, have mercy on my :ou', and please let me have the French satin that I saw at Stewart's this morning, for with black lace flounces and overskirt, that dress He opened the draw, and just as he did would be very becoming to me, I know. fectly happy, for Madame Emile has sent on board of her, she toiled, and had to be me home such a lovely bonnet! A most silk, with point lace trimmings. Let me not grow too fond of this vain deceitful the winter tashions come, let them suit my neither the time nor inclination to look after them myself. And now, Oh, Lord, "You mean to thwart me ! but by Heav. take care of me while I sleep, and pray keep watch over my diamonds! Amen.

Forgive thyself nothing, and others

Short-sighted people are always close ob-

Capital punishment-ten thousand a year

It is said that the Siamese twins belong to the United Brethren.

It is said, ironically, perhaps, that blacksmiths lorge and steal every day. No man more resembles an honest man

than a thorough bred rogue. There have been 302 American authors by the name of Adams.

A New York jeweler keeps three hun dred men constantly engaged on order work.

Wendell Phillips says the ancients knew

how to make sherry cobblers three thous and years ago. The next House of Representatives in 000 trees have been planted and are now Ohio will consist of one hundred and eleven growing there.

members, or six more than the last House, It is estimated that a hundred million

half that number read Freuch. Minister Low has not yet received his instructions as minister to China, but will in a few days when he will sail for Europe.

had not been the kindest hearted girl in existence, she would have indulged in man dering of the "draw" which had been fixfair counds.

A STORY WITH A MORAL .- A VOUNG will kiss, says the Lynchburg News, yet man paying special attention to a young lauto one in a huundred knows how to exone of his visits.

Being invited in the parlor to wait the lady's appearance, he entertained himself as best he might for some time, and was becoming very weary, when a little girl about five years old, slipped in and began to converse with him.

"I can always tell when you are coming

to our house," she said. "Why, when you are going to be here, sister begins to sing and get good, gives me cake and yie, and everything I want, and she sings so sweetly when you are here, and when I speak to her she smiles so pleas. antly. I wish you would stay here all the while then I would have a good time. But when you go off sister is not good. She gets mad, and if I ask her anything, she

slaps and bangs me about. .Morat. - Parents wishing their ill-natured daughter married, should keep their small children out of the parlor when stran. gers are there.

-A man living thirty miles from Chieago but not far enough to escape the contagion which rages among the married people, is indicted for wife murder. His name is Smith, and he is a clergyman. He had taken out his life insurance policy of three thousand dollars, and an accident policy of six thousand dollars, on her life, An "accident" happened soon after. The two were crossing a stream in a buggy. The buggy upset, and when the reverend gentleman arose he could see nothing of his wife. He, therefore, went for help to a house a quarter of a mile distant and the body of his wife was afterward found in the stream. It has since been proved that the depth of the stream was but seventeen in, ches, and corsequently it is inferred that Mr. Smith killed his wife by holding her under water, for the sake of the insurance .-Forest Republican,

-On last Tuesday moroing, about eight o' cleck, the citizens of Oil City were shocked and not a little excited by the finding of the lifeless body of an old and respected resident of Venango City, Dr. J. A. Lobaugh, under the bigh sidewalk that leads to the river bridge. When the body was found it was quite cold. There was no marks of violence on it, but on examining the head the traces of a severe blow, that had the appearance of having been made by a stone were found. It was first thought. that the doctor had been foully dealt with, but, afterwards it was found that he had been under the influence of whiskey the night previous, and a theory was then formed that he had fallen off the sidewalk to the ground, a distance of perhaps six feet, had struck his head against a stone, which produced concussion of the brain. - Forest

-The Oil City Times has been cularged to an eight column sheet, and greatly im-

-Of seventy women who went to Oregon from Massachusetts two years ago sixty. nine are married. -Washington had a colored fashionable

wedding recently, which was attended by many persons both white and black. Dr. Mary Walker is showing herself in St. Louis in Pantaloons and military look-

It isn't stealing to take liquor in Massa. enhants, because it is not legal property, and u. b all owns it.

ing overcont.

A dandy on shore is disgusting to many people, but a swell of the sea sickens every body. A new and dangerous counterfeit ten dol-

lar greenback has just as peaced in Cinci-A fond wife threw a bottle of hair re. newer at her husband's head, at which he

said: We must part-the dye is cast." "Did you know I was there?" said the bellows to the fire. "Ch! yes, I always contrive to get wind of you," was the re-

Bo Why are wheat and potatoes like the idols of old? Ans .- Because the former have ears, and hear not, and the latter eyes, What is that which the rich man

wan's, the poor man has, the miser spends, and the spendthrift saves? Ans .- No. A story is told of a young man who was

going west to start a jewelry store. When asked what capital he had, replied, "A crowb ir. A Mississippi Judge has just decided that the intermarriage of whites and ne-

gross "is lawful in the State of Mississippi,

the law of the State to the contrary notwithstanding. Iowa plants every three years a forest of three million of trees, and within considerable tess than a half dozen years, 25,000,

The old building in Richmond known all over the United States as Libby Prison, people read the English language, and only has recently been leased and is now occupied by parties engaged in grinding sumac and bones.

Be Why are sheep the most dissipated animals in creation? Aus. Because they William M'Cankle, a prominet merchant gambol in their youth, spend most of their I at last.