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## HE HAS BUT ME.

One bright evening two men were seen walking on the outskirts of Paris. One carried a pickaxe and the other a gun. A large spaniel followed, apparently weary with the day's duties. As they walked gently along, the men

conversed earnestly.
"I tell you Jeanette will marry Claude," said the one bearing the pick-

"And I bet you she will marry "Why, it was but yesterday that she

danced four times with Claude. "While to-day she gathered the

"You are very obstinate, Andre."
"Not more than you, Father Simon," responded the young man. "Of one thing, however, I am very certain. The girl will never marry Jean."
"There I think you are right. The lad is not handsome, and inclined to be stupid," responded old Simon, sad-

"Well, she must soon decide," con tinued Andre. "She is now nearly eighteen, economical, careful and pret-

ty; a treasure for any man."
"That is so, and I wish I was a younger man, that I might swell the list of her admirers; who knows but I could have a chance?"

They were at his instant inter upted by a pure and lovely voice singing a gay song, and, looking up, the two men saw the subject of their conversation busy gathering a bunch of wild flowers.

"Why, Jeanette, when one speaks of the angels their song is heard," exclaimed the old man.

"Were you speaking of me, Father Simon?" she inquired, artlessly. "Who else could occupy thoughts?"

"Come, tell me what you were saying," continued the girl, as she culled the last daisy in her path.

"Well, we were contending a point; namely, the question of who you will marry. One of us says it will be

"Yes? And the other?" "That your choice will fall upon Claude.

"Which of us is right, Jeanette?" inquired Andre. "Who knows?" she replied, with

merry laugh, as, placing the flowers in her apron, she ran on before, singing the second verse of the song their coming had interrupted.

"Did you see how she smiled when you mentioned Pierre?" inquired Father Simon.

"Notwithstanding, I still adhere to the belief that she will marry Claude. Shall we bet?" said Andre.

"As you will. Suppose we say a good dinner?

And so it was arranged, as they shook hands and turned towards the Jeanette, the subject of their dis-

pute, was an orphan; her mother had tled," added the young girl; but first my captain called me brave, and I was died in giving her birth, and her fa- I must receive your promise to do just ther had sacrificed his life in the effort as I bid you." to save some friends from the flames

of a burning village.
"Should I die," he said to those surrounding him, "I bequeath you my

The poor fellow, by his bravery, succeeded not only in saving his friends, but in arresting the flames; he, however, fell a victim. The families saved from ruin accepted the lega-

cy. The curate educated the little girl, and it was agreed that she should pass one month of each year with twelve of the families who were best marriable to extend hospitality. When she part. had reached her fifteenth year, it was determined that a dot or marriage portion should be given her. The poor could contribute only eggs, chickens, to her cottage, and there bade fare-and other matters, while those on well. whom fortune had smiled gave liber-

Jeanette talked and laughed with Claude and Pierre, but no one could discover that she evinced any prefer-

It might have been a matter of some surprise that she had three decided aspirants, had the reason not been easily explained.

with illness; the physician was many miles off and the night so fearfully stormy and dark that it was almost impossible to leave the house. Regardless of all risks, Jean started at once, but had gone but a short dis-tance when his usual ill-luck befell thought. him; his horse stumbled and threw him, thus dislocating his ankle. Pierre then set out, and Claude attended the

Early in the morning Jeanette revived, and was pronounced out of danger. Poor Jean, notwithstanding his own intolerable suffering, had remain-ed at the foot of her bed during the entire night. On learning that the more frequently. Her friends found and self-p danger was passed, he fainted. On the her in church kneeling before the imfollowing day Jeanette vowed to mar- age of the Virgin, and the altar sa-

ry one of the three who had evinced cred to the Blessed Mother was always such friendship fos her.

Some days after a ball was given to celebrate her recovery. She looked the very picture of happiness and beauty, and was, of course, attended by her three lovers.

Towards the close of the entertainment the trio, by appointment, met in a secluded spot, having decided to come to some determination regarding their hopes of becoming the husband of Jeanette.

"This must end," said Pierre, "for

"True," responded Claude. Jean was silent and sad. "Have you nothing to say?"
"Yes," replied Jean; "I have

we all love the girl."

proposition to make."
"What is it?" "Jeanette, you know, can marry but one of us,"

"No one will be fool enough-to dis pute that fact," said Claude. "There are two too many in the field; let us fight, and whoever is victorious shall claim her as fairly his."

"I have something else to suggest," said Pierre. "Let us play for her,and the game decide her choice. Are you both willing ?"

"The result will be the same to me, no matter what we do," replied Boileau; "as, no matter what course is taken, I must lose. I, however, prefer a fight, because I have the chance of being killed, which is preferable to life without the woman I love."

"Well, let us draw; fate shall decide," replied Claude. A cent was thrown into the air, and the decision made that they should

The following day the three rivals met in the cemetry, the place appointed for the combat. The proper preliminaries were observed, and the battle about to commence in good earnest, when Jeanette suddenly appeared. Her cheeks were pale and stained with tears. "I know all," she said, "and

there must be an end to this strife.' "And so there will be, if you will let us alone for about an hour," exclaimed Pierre, provoked at the inter-

ruption. "Hold your tongue. When I choose to have the matter end it will do so, and not until then," responded Jeanette. "How could you give me so much trouble? So you were going to fight, and perhaps kill each other, in order to gain my favor? Foolish fel-lows, not to remember that had one of self." you been spared, he would have been hateful to me, owing to the loss of the others."

"I did not think of that," said

Pierre. "Woman-like, I would have dearly loved the dead or wounded," continued Jeanette, "and your trouble, if victorious, would have been for nothing

but a frown." Jean sighed, and regretted silently not to be either dead or wounded,

"The matter can be amicably

A unanimous promise was instantly given, and Jeanette resumed:

"I love you all now as though you were my brothers; but the day in all probability will come, when I will choose one of you for my husband. In order to decide the question, you must each leave the village and remain into the air with delight. away three years. On your return, you will tell me in what manner you occupied your time during your absence. He who loves me best and merits me the most, I will accept-will marry. Now let us shake hands and

And so it was arranged. The un-derstanding being concluded, the three faithful subjects conducted their queen

It was a bright summer morning when the friends set out on their journey, determined to abide by the promise faithfully pledged.

The curate, who had known them from their birth, celebrated mass for the benefit of their souls; and the whole village bade them God-speed.

After the departure of the three young men, Jeanette lived as she had One night, two years before the story always done, rising with the sun, sing-opened, Jeanette was suddenly seized ing with the birds, gathering the sweetest flowers, doing good to all, particularly the poor, and toiling faithfully to add to her little store. At times the shadow of a faint cloud would gather upon her fresh young face, and she seemed absorbed by some secret

> "She is thinking of Pierre," murmured old Father Simon, her neighbor; but sometimes Andre contested the point, deeming Claude the subject of her thoughts. No one mentioned

adorned with flowers, which were the young girl's peace-offering. The three years had almost expired, and the travelers were hourly expected.

"I am sure Pierre has become great man," said old Simon.

"And Claude a milionaire," respond-

ed his friend Andre. One day, quite in the middle of summer, three traveless stopped at the only inn the village contained. The first arrived in a carriage, the second on horseback, and the third on foot. The first was followed by a servant, the second wore the uniform of a "chasseur d'Afrique," and sported epaulettes and a cross, but as to the third, he appeared poor, and his garments were threadbare. They were the three old friends, Claude, Pierre, and Jean. The news of their arrival soon spread, and the population, en masse, turned out to welcome them. Claude's carriage was much admired. Pierre's uniform pronounced magnificent. As to Jean, no one paid him the slightest attention, for it was easy to see that travel had

been to him of small profit. Jeanette arrived, as rosy as a cherry, and looking more beautiful than ever. "The three years have now elapsed, said Pierre, "and we have returned, hoping you have not forgotten your promise, dearest Jeanette.

"I remember, and will keep my word," responded the girl. Jaan raised his eyes timidly, look-ing at Jeancite and then upon Pierre, who seemed radiant with the hope of

conquest. "All must promise to bear no enmi-ty towards the one I choose," said Jeanette. Good! I promise for myself and the

rest," replied Pierre, twisting his moustache confidently.
"I must now hear the experience of each," resumed Jeanette. "You

Claude, shall commence." "When I left the village," said Claude, "I had but a few hundred francs. Fortune, however, favored me. I speculated and soon doubled my capital; before the expiration of the first year I had increased it immensely; and, to make a long story short. I am master of a leage fortune, which I now lay at your feet. I could have married my partner's daughter; girls have smiled upon me by the score; I have seldom been weakgenerally faithful to all my vews and

"Bravo, Claude!" exclaimed Andre, "I always bet on you."

"And you, Pierre, what have you done?" inquired Father Simon. "Well, about five leagues from the village I met a detachment of sol-diers," said Pierre. "They were on their way to join the regiment in Africa. You know I always like fighting, so I volunteered. In every battle I felt that Jeanette was beside me and spurred me on to glory. I received three balls and several sabrecuts, but earnest. In a word, I toiled on in the service, and finally won the revard of this cross and these epaulettes. I am now a lieutenant. My sabre, day. my cross, and epaulettes, I offer geant

claimed old Simon, throwing his cap

"Jean, have you nothing to tell?" questioned Jeanette. 'My story is neither long nor cheerful," replied the young man, sadly. "I was not happy before I left this village, neither have I been so since. At first I tried to work; invested the little I possessed in commercial pursuit, and soon lost nearly all 1 pos-sessed; the little that remained I put into a purse and retraced my steps; since then I have remained near enough to Jeanette to see her often in secret. I am now teacking a school of young children. I have nothing to offer, consequently ask for noth-

When they had all finished, Jeanette said she would like the night to re-

fleet, before deciding. The next day the village appeared like a great festival. All were abroad, dressed in their best attire, and each face was radiant with smiles. A meeting-place had been arranged, and at the appointed hour Jeauette approached dressed as a bride, and accompa-nied by the curate. She looked very lovely, and a murmur of admiration and love was heard from the many friends who had assembled to learn her

"My child, you have decided?" in-quired the priest, and his voice trembled as though with fear. Jeanette raised her eyes, and all were silent; poor Jean, or if they did, it was to her face was pale, but illumined by a quote his usual ill-luck and want of look of deep feeling. Her three lovers stood before her. Pierre, serious, dig-Jeanette danced less and prayed nified, but confident; Claude, grave more frequently. Her friends found and self-possessed; Jean, sad and

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"Do not fear," she said. "Take my hand; it is yours, for nothing had the power to draw you away from me

wards Boileau, who became pale as

-not even hope.' Boileau caught her proffered hands with his own, and covered them with tears and kisses.

"You, Claude," she continued, "have your wealth, and Pierre his glory, while Jean-he has but me."

#### THE THIEF'S VICTORY.

A good many years ago, one of the most notorious thieves in the United States, had a confidential conversation with a gentleman who is now one of our most efficient detectives, and expressed a desire to reform. you wish so much to live on the square?" asked the gentleman. "Because," replied the thief, "I have a wife and children to whom I am very much attached; they have no idea of the mode in which I make my living; the children are growing up, and are beginning to wonder why I leave home so often and what I do: and if I am ever to reform, now is the time." gentleman warmly approved the idea, and to further it, loaned the man several hundred dollars with which to begin an honest business. The reformed man at once broke off all his old associations, lived a perfectly honest life, would have no dishonest persons call on him, devoted himself for years closely to business, raised his family respectably, did a good many acts of unostentatious charity, and died not long since esteemed by all who knew him. His children are doing well and highly respectable. The money advanced was long since repaid.

Mr. Higgins was a very punctual man in all his transactions through life. He amassed a large property by untiring industry and punctuality, and at the advanced age of ninety years was resting quietly upon his bed, and waiting calmly to be called away. He had deliberately made every arrange-ment for his decease and burial. His pulse grew fainter, and the light of life seemed just flickering in the sacket, when one of his sons observ-

"Father, you will have but a day or two; is it not well to name your bear-

"To be sure my son," said the dying man; "it is well thought of, and I will do it now." He gave a list of six, the usual number, and sank back exhausted up-

on his pillow. A gleam of thought passed over his withered face like a ray of light, and he rallied once more. "My son, read me that list. Is the name of Mr. Wiggins there?"

"It is, my father.' "Then strike it off!" said he, emphatically, "for he was never any-where in season, and he might hinder the procession a whole hour. At dark a respectably dressed man applied at the station for lodgings, sayog that he had lost \$320 during

"Robbed?" queried the sermy cross, and epaulettes, I offer geant. "No; not exactly." "On the Jeanette, and if she will accept them, street?" "No; not exactly." "Been gambling?" "No; not exactly." The "Of course you will, my boy," ex-aimed old Simon, throwing his cap to the air with delight.

"Of course you will, my boy," ex-sergeant kept pumping him, and the man finally said, "I'll tell you—'twas over at the races. You see, I was just fool enough to think I knew all about a race horse, when the truth is, I don't know a race horse from a lame turkey buzzard, hang me!'

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In England a poor curate, unable to live on his salary, supported himself by repairing watches. This was re-ported to the Bishop as a disgrace to the cloth. "This must be put a stop to," said the Bshop, indignantly, and he stopped it by giving the curate a place worth \$2,000 a year. A fellow who hid under a sofa at an informal Boston missionary meeting says that the thirty-five ladies spoke twice of the down-trodden heathen, and more than a hundred

times of a new kind of hair dye. An English writer accounts for the remarkable honesty that prevails in Iceland on the ground that there is nothing on the island worth stealing except the geysers, and they cannot be

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