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THE LAMP AT SEA. BY LONGPELLOW.

The night was made for cooling shade, For silence and for sleep; And when I was a child l laid My hands upon my breast and prayed, And sank to slumbers deep. Child-like as then I lie to-night And watch my only cabin light.

Each movement of the swaying lamp Shows how the vessel reels; And o'er her deck the billows tramp, And all her timbers strain and cramp, With every shock she feels; It starts and shudders while it burns, And in the bineed conderts turns, And in its hinged socket turns.

Now swinging slow, and slanting low. It almost level lies, And yet I know, while to and fro I watch the seeming pendule go, With restless fall and rise, The steady shaft is still upright, Poisoning its little globe of light.

O, hand of God ! O, lamp at peace ! 0, promise of my soul : Though weak, and tossed, and ill at ease, Amid the roar of smiting seas— The ship's convulsive roll—

I own, with love and tender awe Yon perfect type of faith and law.

A heavenly trust my spirit calms ! My soul is filled with light! The ocean sings His solemn psalms; The wild winds chant; I cross my palms; Happy as if to-night, Under the cottage roof again, I bear the soothing summer rain.

HOW SHE FOUND HER TONGUE.

BY B. P. SHILLABER.

"Been up in the country?" I queried, as I met my friend Burner in the street. a few days since. I hadn't seen him for some time, and he ooked sun-burnt and rough as if he had been exposed to the country sun. He informed me that he had, and that he had been to visit Tom Somers, a mutual friend of ours, who had moved away from town many years ago. After inquiries concerning his visit and his enjoyment during the warm months, conversation reverted to our old friend. "I was never more surprised in my life,"

said Burner, "than I was to see him in the depot at Ramshead. I had quite forgotten that he was located there."

"His wife's-yes, yes," continued Burner; "singular woman that; did you know her?" "Yes," I replied; "she is a little, bustling, talkative thing ; full of fun and chat, and making her house merry by the music of her voice. Nince little woman."

Burner looked at me a moment, and burst into a laugh, to my great wonderment. I requested him, in a tone of chagrin, to inform me what the deuce he was laughing at.

"Talkative !" said he, when he could checkrein his cachinatory colt; "I found her anything but that, I can tell you. I never knew the lady when she lived in town, but a more taciturn body I never saw than I found her." "Indeed," I remarked; "then there must have been a change, truly."

"I met Summers at the depot," continued Burner, "and he was very glad to see me, inquiring after his old friends, and you with the rest. Through all his joy, however, I saw that there was a vein of sadness; and when I alluded to his family, he appeared embarrassed, and

the cause of your trouble, that I may share it dried up, and I think that language may yet be with you, or possibly alleviate it." He hesitated a few moments, and then said, with considerable emotion :

"Well, Burner, old friendship is stirring within me, and I shall do at its prompting that which I thought nothing would wring from me. You remember how happy I was. There was not a man in the world who had more friends,. than I had. My home was a happy one-my wife pleasant, my children handsome and intelligent. You never saw my wife, Burner ?" My name in the connection sounded like an wrathful expletive-"burn her." Somers continued :

"When we moved up here things went on in known, and about whom, and me, there had ance was renewed, and I visited her several times; made no concealment of my intimacy me, but she declined. She wished to make no new acquaintances, she said. There was a frequent visitor at my house-a relative of my that it was not right between May Brennon and myself. She repeated the old gossip with addihinted at criminality, as that nasty-minded class always will, who, having small virtues of their a mystery !" I looked at the hand again, always will, who, having small virtues of their conceits regarding their neighbors, imputing lasciviousness and wrong where the strictest having spent the day in business at a town a few miles from this, when, by a strange chance, a short distance from town I met Miss Brennon. It was a pure accident that brought us together, and she turned back with me, taking my say a few pleasant words about old times. I saw some one pass by us as we stood there, but was indifferent as to whom it might be, and bidding my companion good-by I went home, as happy as a lord in anticipation of meeting the ones there that I loved so well. I met with a cold reception. My bane was sitting with my wife in council, and I read judgment on the face

"So you've come, Mr. Hypocrite, have you ?"

"Certainly, my dear, I have come," I replied, "though I can scarcely see reason for the ap-

creature on whose account and in whose company you have all day been absent from your

home ! You cannot !" "I have been away all day on business," said I, as calmly as Socrates. "I was return-ing home and encountered Miss Brennon. We walked together a little way, and then I left for my pleasant home, and certainly I did not expect such a reception."

I felt aroused at this stractly at Mrs. Somers upon myself, but the reflection upon Miss Brennon was too much for me, who knew her pure with your wife. It is a matter that you may character and exalted worth. "It is a falsehood !" I shouted. "and your informant is a malicious and malignant falsifiseer ?" er !" The relative gathered herself up to go, but before she went I gave her a lesson on lying and tale-bearing that she has not forgotten yet. She has never crossed my door since. As soon as she was gone I turned to my wife and said: "As for you, madam, if you cannot make a better use of your tongue, you had better never speak again.' I was heated, in a passion, and scarcely Your hand, please; thank you. The lines are knew what I said, but the unkind words entered into her soul. I left the house and did not return for a long time. I found her calmly and undisturbedly sitting where I left her, but she spoke not. She arose and performed such duties as were required of her, but she did not she was as it were, spell-bound. speak. In vain I addressed her; she made no reply. I grew alarmed. I begged her to speak to me. It has continued thus ever since. - Not one word has she uttered to me or any one .-My home is as dismal as a tomb, or I would have invited you there." He ceased his story, and I told him how much interested I had been in it. "But," said I, "have you tried no remedy to cure this disease, jumped about the room with the wildness of a for disease it must be ?" He told me he had not. "Then," said I, "take me home with you, and if I don't cure her, strike the spurs from my heels as an unworthy knight." I went home with the poor fellow, and found things pretty much as he represented. I was introduced to the mistress of the mansion, who received me with a profound bow. "A delightful home, madam, this of yours," said I, glancing admiringly out of the window. I looked towards her as though expecting a re ply. She merely nodded her head. "Are there many such in this vicinity among the hills ?" I persisted, looking her in the face. She colored as though she were confused. found subsequently that I was the first stranger that he had dared to take home for several years. I saw by her organism that she was not naturally a bad woman, and divined at once and had kept her vow until brought to utter one that she had vowed perpetual silence at the unkind words of her husband, and that it only tongue again. The children were delighted, needed but a single word to break the spell that and ran all around the neighborhood telling everybody that their mother could talk, and rested upon her. I continued my engineering, making all maneverybody rushed in to ascertain what it meant. For a time it seemed as though anarchy and ner of domestic inquiries regarding the children, of whom she appeared very fond, but confusion had become installed on Tim Somers' could not elicit a word from her. I next alluhearth-stone, to make up for the silence that had so long brooded there; but he bore it all good humoredly. I left them a week afterwards, the 'An auld wife's tongue's a fackless matter,' and | and in the course of our remarks made some reflections in a playful way upon the slight happiest couple you ever saw, and my midnight excursion to Rattlesnake Hill was frequently blemish in one of his eyes-the only fault in "I saw that he was hurt, and hastened to his really handsome face. I saw a feeling like alluded to. "Did you really go there ?" Mrs. Somers remedy the evil that I had done. Taking him | chagrin flit across her brow, and a moment afasked before I came away. "No !" said I, imitating her emphatic accent ter, when I praised him, a pleased expression "Tom, I assure you I would not wound your effaced the cloud. "Tom, I assure you I would not wound your effaced the cloud. "Aha!" said I to myself, "here is pride and of the same monosylable in reply to my incan- John. It was some time before it was per-

Somers swearing that my seership was the best ever known; and my maggic had wrought a happier effect than that of all the fairies he had seen exhibited at the museum.

> "Good-bye," said Burner, as he finished his story, and he left me, well satisfied with the manner in which he had spent his vacation.

What a Lady Thinks of Hairy Faces.

A female writer in Xenia, Ohio, is making a rusade against hairy faced men. Hear her What expression of kindness and mild humanity can be observed in a face covered with hair from the nose down ? Not any. As well might a poor rat look in the grizzly muzzle of Scotch terrier for mercy when about to be caught in his crushing jaws, as to look for an expression of human kindness and sympathy n the face of a hirsute man.

lightens up the countenance with adorning sweetness, indicates a kind heart, and radiates gladness to the hearts of others, encourages the desponding, soothes the afflicted, cheers the sorrowing, disarms the wrath and kindles up genial sympathy and reciprocal regard .----But a smile cannot drop out from the face of a man "bearded and moustached like a pard." You suppose, from the agitation of tall grass, that some animal was crawling through it. So you may infer from the whisking of hair that a smile was burrowing along there somewhere out of sight. The smile of such a man cannot be distinguished from the grin of a ribbed nose baboon, which had burnt its mouth with a hot chestnut.

The lips are capable of indicating a variety of passions and emotions. They can express kindness, good humor, sweetness of disposition, sorrow, firmness and decision of charac ter, or they may manifest scorn, contempt, loathing, anger, and threaten like loaded revolvers. The chief expression of the best traits in Napoleon's nature were in his mouth and chin, which he could clothe with so much sweet winning, mute, persuasive eloquence as to render his look irresistible. But when lip and chin are covered with hair you might as well look for expression in the hole of a bank swallow in the gully, overhung with a tuft of grass.

The passions and affections have their places in the face, firmness in the upper lip, mirthfulness near the corners of the mouth, and the ffections in the edges of the lips, etc., hence the philosophy and delight of kissing; the more intense the passion, the more soul-thrilling and enrapturing the kiss. Behold that lovely woman; with a form shaped by the hand of harmony, regular features under clustering ringlets, bright eyes beaming with intelligence, well arranged pearly teeth, a soft and delicate skin, a mouth like Cupid's bow, a neck like ivory, a bosom like alabaster, and the undulations of love like snow, her lips like two rose buds, moist with evening dew, and her cheeks "Where the live crimson through the native white, Shooting o'er the face, diffuses bloom, And every nameless grace."

Radiant with beauty, she is surrounded by an atmosphere of love, as a rose exhales fragrance. Just think of one of those hairy-faced fellows attempting to kiss her-see him pulling up his by his patient good feeling; and died, a few "chevaux-de-frise" of bristles to reveal his cav- | years since, leaving behind him an independ. ernous slit of a mouth. Bah! it's abominable | ent fortune and an unblemished name." the idea is disgusting-get out-scat! "Give me an ounce of civit, good apothecary, to weeten my imagination." chanan was 68 years old on the 5th day of Whom do moustaches and beards become? November, 1859. Brigands, privateers, fillibusters, and especially old on the 19th day of January, 1860. Simon Cameron is in his 60th year. professional executioners. Jack Ketch, the hangman, would effectally conceal all expressions-causing him to look as grim and unre-23d of April last. Lewis Cass is nearly 87 years old: lenting as death, in whose service he officiates.'

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"Many years ago there lived; in the goodly town of Burlington, Vt., a merchant who kept the usual assortment of a country store of the olden time, embracing every article of merchandize usually called for in the country; from s jack-knife to a cooking stove, from weak uniseseed to fourth-proof French brandy, from a skein of cotton-thread to ten-dollar silk, and from woolen yarn to twelve-dollar broad cloth: Our merchant was a gentleman of the 'old school;' social, but dignified; polite and cheerful that no 'shopping' or tediousness of customors was ever permitted to bring a shadow over his manly and intelligent countenance.

"A gentleman who was not personally acquainted with our merchant, offered to bet ten dollars with one of his friends, that he could go to his store and so annov him, on business natters, as to disturb his equanimity and ruffle his good humor. The het was accepted ; and soon after breakfast on the next day the gentleman who offered it went to the merchant's store and commenced operations. The stock of dry goods was large. He commenced moderately by examining small and light articles from the drawers. Then came the shelves: and the linens and the cottons, the worsted and the woolen goods were all called for, taken down from the shelves; spread upon the counter, and deliberately examined. Of course, nothing suited; some articles were too fine, others too coarse; the color of this was too glaring, and of that too faint; the price of some things seemed rather high, and others seemed a little faded or shop-worn. Nothing was satisfactory. The articles were placed back upon the shelves, and then our customer had them taken down for re-examination, and with the same result. Three hours were spans in this way, which elicited nothing from the merchant but smiles and pleasant remarks ; when his customer said, 'Please hand down again that roll of twelve-dollar broadcloth; I want twenty-five cents worth of it;' and he threw a quarter of a dollar piece upon the counter. The merchant took down the cloth; placed the quarter on the corner of it, took the scissors and cut out a piece of cloth of the exact size of the coin, folded it in a paper and delivered it, with the inquiry, 'Anything more this morning sir?' The customer responded with a superb 'No,' but was immediately asked, 'What liquor do you prefer, my friend ?' 'Brandy, sir.' 'I have some genuine old French rambler, please step this way,' said our merchant. 'Arsa,' calling to his clerk; 'clean tumblers and ice-water.' They were soon present, and as our merchant and his new customer imbibed, the merchant observed, I always feel happy at getting a new customer; give me a call whenever you want anything in my line.' The customer started for the door. at which he met the gentleman with whom he he had made the bet. 'There,' he observed, 'is your X, fairly won; confound the creature; there is no get mad in his nature.'

"Our good merchant insured a new customer

Ages of our Public Men .-- President Bu-

Vice President Breckinridge was 39 years

Stephen A. Douglas was 49 years old on the

John C. Fremont was 50 years of age on the

Caleb Cushing is in his 60th year.

Robert Field Stockton is 49 years old.

Franklin Pierce is 54 years old.

hand ?"

pretty much the same pleasant way until there same to the village a lady whom I had formerly gazed upon it as though I were a wizard enbeen a little gossip in old days. Our acquaintwith her, and invited my wife to accompany wife's-who poisoned her ears with suspicions tions, spoke of my visits to Miss Brennon, and are lines in it that meet and diverge, and come own, and depraved fancies, conjure up impure purity might not see occasion to blush. I was eturning home one summer evening on foot, arm. We walked slowly, as the weather was warm, and stopped a moment on the rustic bridge yonder to look down into the stream and

that had too many times lately turned unkindly towards me,"

was the first salutation.

plication of the name to me." "You cannot! you have just left that vile

"You did not," said she sneeringly; "but you are found out, sir. You stood upon the his hay-mow. At daylight I aroused the famibridge with your arm around the strumpet's | ly by knocking at the door, but I greeted them waist and kissed her !"

unsealed.' A day passed, but nothing transpired but manœuvres. I have never tried so hard to make myself attractive is on this occasion, and felt

that I had succeeded when on the second morning she greeted me with a smile, and extended her hand to me as I came from my chamber.-I chatted and rattled on about the town and its splendors, told of new improvements, changing fashions, crinoline and lovely bonnets, all of which were listened to with evident interest .-Still she wouldn't speak, confound it ! I tremimprecation upon his wife, and the Burner a bled for my spurs. Something must be done. "Mrs. Somers," said I very suddenly, "will

you allow me to look at the palm of your She extended her hand very readily, and I gaged in some trick of necromancy involving the fate of the household. Looking into her

face, I relinquished her hand and sighed deeply. She looked surprised, and seemed as if expecting me to say something. "You may well be surprised at my conduct, but your surprise would be overwhelmed could I dare tell the motive of it. I cannot do so without compromising others. I may say, however, that in your hand I disern a power that may be employed for immense good. There

rubbed my forehead, as though I were perplexed, and went out abruptly. I saw her face depicted in the glass as I passed out, and it bore the expression of great wonder.

"How far is it to the top of Rattlesnake Hill, Somers ?" I asked at dinner, as we sat at table.

"About fifteen miles; why ?" he replied and asked.

"Because I am going there to-night. I must be there precisely at midnight. I am going to gather a charm from the old Ratler's cave, through which I hope to obtain a treasure that will compensate for all trouble and danger." "You cannot go," he said anxiously, "the

way is one of peril. It is full of ravines and pitfalls, and the serpents are very numerous." I saw that his wife shared in his uneasiness, and her looks said "Don't go!" plainer than

words could speak. "So much the better for my purpose," said I 'were it not attended with danger, that which I seek would be valuless. I shall go, and more than this, I shall walk." Somers and his wife exchanged looks, which I interpreted to mean, "Well, isn't he a queer one ?" and after a few moments at table I left

the house, telling Somers that I should be back by the morning. I accordingly struck out stoutly for Rattlesnake Hill, accompanied by his uttered blessing and his wife's inarticulate benizon; but when I reached the first brook. I made my cane into a fishing rod, and indulged till sunset in the finest sport. The trout never bit with more avidity; and, having caught a goodly string, I carried them to a farm, house not

far away, and had them cooked for my supper. Late in the evening I returned to my friend Somers', and enjoyed a fine night's rest upon with a simple shake of the hand, gazing ab-She looked troubled

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disposed to change the subject. I had no other object in view in visiting Ramshead, other than the change of scene, and not intending to remain there but a day or two : but meeting Somers led me to think that it would not be a bad thing to tarry there awhile, seeing that there was a bountiful pond of water in the vicinity, as I had seen from the cars as I came along, and a deep wood denoting game. Somers used to be great on those things, you know. I hin-

ted at our former sporting practices, and mentioned my half resolution to stay; but. instead of manifesting any interest in the subject, he sighed deeply, and replied : "Burner, I haven't taken a pole in my bands,

nor put a gun to my shoulder for five long years, and I never shall again."

I looked at him with astonishment, but I knew that he was sincere. I fancied that I saw atear in his intelligent eye, and my heart grew stronger towards him than ever. I then quite resolved to stay, and ordered the porter of the hotel to carry my baggage-my valise and gun -up to the house, which was close by. My rod-cane I carried in my hand. Taking Somers on my arm, we followed the porter, and a few moments later found us seated in my room with a little rummer of clarot negus between us-an

excellent lubricator for a dusty day. "Well, how are you prospering, Somers ?" I asked, wishing to penetrate, if possible, the mystery that enshrouded him, deeming that it might be some business difficulty in which he was involved.

"Doing capitally," he replied ; "havn't lost a dollar since I came here. People have knick-named me 'Lucky Tom.' How wrong people udge in measuring men !"

"What do you mean by that?" said I, as I saw the cloud creeping over his face, as you have, while standing on the mountains seen a shadow flitting across the meadow.

"I mean," said he, "that in measuring us, they take but one feature into the account, and upon that base a hypothesis of happiness, or luck, as the case may be."

"Are you not happy ?" I asked, in a tone calculated to win his confidence. "I am far from it," he replied; "indeed, a

more miserable man is not to be found in these parts."

"In what regard ?" "My wife is dumb," he almost sobbed, in an-

swer to my question. "Dumb!" I repeated ; and thinking to rally

him, said in a jocular manner, "Well, that is a very singular thing to be sad for; I know many husbands who would be too happy to have such a calamity happen to them. Burns says, ded to her husband and our old acquaintance there's no contention in a house where perpetual

silence is the bond of unity." by the hand, I said :

feelings willingly. I am no less your friend "Aha!" said I to myself, "here is pride and of the same monosylable in reply to my incan- John. It was some time before it was than I ever was. Now I wish you to tell net affection at any rate; those springs have not tation, and we had a good laugh about it. Four original that he meant John I, chapter II.

"Somers," said I, "please leave me a moment sometime know, but not at present. Have you not heard of my wonderful development as a

He said he had not, but, without explaining, I pushed him out and closed the door. I knew that he would listen, however.

"Mrs. Somers," said I, "my mysterious move ments are fast growing to a climax. I last night plucked a dragon's tongue from the mouth of a rattlesnake's den; I laughed with the midnight echoes, and stood face to face with the darkness, in order to gain what I sought .-brought nearer together, and it needs but one word of yours, in response to an incantation that I shall utter, to make my mystic charm complete. You must say Ics, or all is naught." "I looked wildly as I spoke, and I saw that

"And this is my incantation," I continued. "You swear that you hate Tim Somers." "No !" she almost shrieked

Poor Tim had been listening. Fearing harm to his wife from my supposed lunacy, hearing the question I had put and the response, he

rushed in frantic with joy, clasped her in his arms, kissed her over and over again, and madman. She did not seem to comprehend what she had done for an instant, but when she remembered that she had spoken, and divined the meaning of my cabalistic efforts, she came near fainting with emotion.

"Thank God I the spell is broken ?" she said. "the hideous spell that has bound me to silence and sorrow so long." "The mystical word having been spoken,"

said I, "that brought the diverging lines together, I am free to tell what I sought at midnight, on Rattlesnake Hill." "What was it ?" they both asked in a breath.

"A woman's tongue !" I replied ; "and, since I have found it, never allow any triffing cause to silence it again." My theory was correct with regard to her not

speaking. She had vowed perpetual silence, word by stratagem, which had unsealed her

> Deal gently with those who stray. Draw ack by love and persuasion. A kiss is worth a thousand kicks. A kind word is more valuable to the last than a mine of gold. Think of this and be on your guard, ye who would chase to the grave an erring brother.

"My breathren," said a good old backwoods preacher, "I'm gwine to preach you a plain sarment to day-a sarment that every wtomen can understand. You can find my text in the five verses of the two-eyed chapter of one-eyed

Character.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN attributed his success s a public man, not to his talents or his powers of speaking-for these were but moderate--but to his known integrity of character. "Hence it was," he says, "that I had so much weight with my fellow citizens. I was but a bad speaker, never eloquent, subject to much hesi tation in my choice of words, hardly correct in language, and yet I generally carried my Character creates confidence in men point. in high station as well as in humble life. It was said of the first Emperor Alexander of Russia that his personal character was equivalent to a constitution. | During the wars of the Fronde, Montaigue was the only man among the French gentry who kept his casteal gates unbarred ; it was said of him, that his personal character was worth more to him than a regiment of horses. That character is power, is true in a much higher, sense than that knowledge is power. Mind without heart, intelli-gence without conduct, cleverness without goodness, are powers in their way, but they may be powers only for mischief. We may be instructed or amused by them; but it is sometimes as difficult to admire them as it would be to admire the dexterity of a pickpocket or the horsemanship of a highwayman. Truthfulness, integrity, and goodness-qualities that hang not on any man's breath-form the essence of manly chtracter, or, as one of our old writers has it, "that imbred loyalty unto Virtue which can serve her without livery." When Stephen of Colonna fell into the hands of his base assailants, they asked him in derision, "Where is placing his hand upon his heart. It is in misfortune that the character of the upright man shines forth with the greatest lustre ; and when and his courage.

6th day of January last: John Bell is 62 years old. . John J. Crittenden is 73 years old. Alexander H. Stevens will be 58 years old next February. James L. Orr was 47 years old on the 12th of May last. Jesse D. Bright is in his 47th year. Augustus C. Dodge is about 47 years old. James Shields is 65 years old. Isaac Toucy is 61 years old. Henry A. Wise is in his 53d year. R. M. T. Hunter is nearly 70 years old. Robert Toombs was 49 years old on the 7th of July last. John M. Read is over 60 years old. Daniel S. Dickinson is 56 years old. Horatio Seymour is about 50 years old.

John E. Wool is 55 years old. John Slidell is in his 56th year. N. P. Banks was 49 years old iff January.

WANT OF VENTILATION .- The following ex: periments, illustrative of the evil effects of imperfect ventilation, are from Blackwood :

A sparrow left in a bell-glass to breath over und over again in the same air, will live in it for upwards of three hours ; but at the close of the second hour-when there is consequently still air of sufficient purity to permit this sparrow's breathing it for more than an hour longer -if a fresh and vigorous sparrow be intronow your fortress ?" "Here, was his bold reply, duced it will expire almost immediately. The air which would suffice for the respiration of one sparrow suffocates another. Nay, more; if the sparrow be taken from the glass at the close all else fails, he takes stand upon his integrity of the third hour, when very feeble, it may be restored to activity ; and no sooner has it recorered sufficient vigor to fly about again, than if once more introduced into the atmosphere from which it was taken, it will perish immediately. Another experiment points to a similar result. A spartow is confined in a bell-glass, and ht the end of about an Hour and a half it is still active, although obviously suffering ; a second sparrow is introduced; in about ten minutes the new comer is dead, while the original occupant flies about the lectureroom as soon as liker

> "The victory is not always to the strong," as the boy said when he killed a skunk with a brickhai.

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