

THE WIFE'S REVERIE.

O heart of mine, in our estate... Our sweet estate—of joy assured? It came so slow, it came so late...

And a mouth like a Cupid's bow. Nellie Wyde, the second woman who loved Montague Garthorn, met him now for the first time...

"I must put on a pretty dress to see him in, Miss—"  
"Garthorn."  
"O, you are his sister. How kind of him to send you for me!"

On the estate of Count Fernando Carnati, about a mile outside of the beautiful city of Naples, stood a humble cottage, the abode of a poor basket maker.

archduke. I will save your father in time. After several weeks of continued success, the season ended, and Rosina was free to go where she would.

Penance. Of all our winter health resorts, the medical pre-eminence is justly due to Penzance. Torquay comes nearest in value through its protective screen of hills...

NEWS IN BRIEF. A recent census of the Black Hills shows the population to be 6,550. Gymnasiums are being provided at all the great barracks in Great Britain.

His two Loves.

Two, and Montague Garthorn loved them both. It does not seem possible, nevertheless it is true; and, stranger still, they both loved him. He was not worthy of half the good things the Fates showered on him with such lavish hands...

What less could Montague do than assist her to alight and carry her parcel up stairs? and then, not finding any one waiting for her, he could not do less than offer to carry it home. And in that little walk how his heart went out to this child, who had not an idea beyond the moment's pleasure...

It is nevertheless true that Oxford and Cambridge care little to exercise a large influence over the professions. In fact, the profession of medicine is as an instance in point. The study of medicine, more than that of any other profession, is based upon a large extent of scientific knowledge...

Well, my pretty dear, how are you to-day, he said, addressing Rosina. The maiden made no reply, but turned her head away. Receiving no answer, he turned to the old man.

None, cried the count, unless you accede to what I now propose to you. Give your attention, that you may hear all. I have long regarded your daughter with much favor, and would like to make her my wife. I will not press you for an answer now, but will give you two months to decide.

Natural Ornaments in Winter. Now that the hedges are no longer green, and the trees stand black and bare on the landscape, it is the time to seek for endless variety and beauty...

Growing Taste of Americans. A Frenchman writes to the New York Tribune to urge American manufacturers to cultivate beauty of design. He says that in the qualities of fabric, fineness of color and perfection of stamping they equal the best of Europe...

Concerning the curious superstition about thirteen at dinner, we have just come across this singular incident in a recent English book. Some years since, poor Albert Smith gave a supper of thirteen that discredited the superstition in a remarkable manner.