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MELLORA PRIORA."

.... a thrash in my garden And the second the topinost spray ; a discover the loudest a pute rank at the close of day.

is a set in a cot snow white, a sign is even the gayest mass, at the fall of night.

and a child in her chamber. and the tree, bit on the tree, bit the spirits, Wheney comes it that burst of give

1. 3 thank - for the day just over, Numbrin on the Past to rue? a the pay of the living Present? An word 1 rould be like you?

in a monoton the thrush has ended, In a moment the shild lies down ; is a noncert has sleep descended, And covered them both, God's own.

End I lie and tuss on my pillow. 1 he three the whole night long; And I hear the hour from the distant tower furth like a doleful song.

ale, me, for the child's free spirit ! Ah me, her the bird's gay tone ! Guisgenter we men inherit. ma the light, free heart has flown

NO FAULTLESS LINE.

f am Lucy Denham. I am asked to write the story of these events. It secure to nor, looking back, that it all tegatione autumn night. I remember I was sitting in the twilight by myself, the lattice window wide ard explained. open, the huge dusky beech-trees that fringe the road standing out darkly against a bright evening sky. Then, becau to dream.

(was thinking how many reasons] that when one does that it is a sure sign d untappliness. It may be so; I am not wase enough to decide. My mother had used when I was six, and I mmedutely found another in Mrs. Payne, her step-sister. I had lived with her and her son Richard, in this dear old ionfleen years. Richard-how he found time; amid the cares of superintending a large farm, to father and brother to me, until, through things through a medium of contented peace, and to recognize the great comforter and guardian of human life -

Then | remembered the change that me that night quite an unimportant had come over him during the last few There was some scarcely perceptible difference in his manner when pered he spoke to his mother, a greater difference still when he spoke to me. If anything, his voice was kinder ; but still it had a new ring in it which gave me a part of the beginning.

Suddenly I began to cry. I took myself severely to task. I saidonce Latey Denhard

as good. There-I needn't praise her more than that. But I want you to do something for me. She is young-very young ; and I want you to know her, to be her best friend, for my sake, and

and-useless

glad to tell him-

"I will," he said.

.

to give her some of that dear old-fash-

He was quieter now. He answered,

"As beautiful as my sister Lucy, and 1

oned steadiness that 1 love so well. you ?" Will you do this for me, Lucy ?" I will not pretend that I was glad ; I will not even say that I answered willingly. But I owed him more than that: so I murmured at last-

stroking my bair-

"I will try. Who is she ?" He seemed relieved by my promise. "Didn't I tell you ?" he said gaily. "Queenle Godwin. You don't know her ; she came back from Germany only a month ago. I knew her before she went. She was a chit then. You will be great friends, I know. No one could

help loving Queente." "Here is aunt Mary !" I broke in gladly, as Mrs. Payne came in sight.

And we hurried forward to meet her. We three walked back together. By this time the stars were out overhead and the ground was dark with shadow. I was so busy trying to fancy what Queenie Godwin was like that I did not

listen to them talking, till Richard said: "What does little wisdom say ? Let us hear her." I confessed my inattention : so Rich-

"You must know," he said, in his quiet kind way, "that my father was once in great trouble. It was a matter staring across the darkening room, I of ruin. A friend saved him by the

and come over to me. sacrifice of himself. This man's name -all honor to it-was Templeton, His hal for being happy. I have been told son is now in trouble; I am afraid there is some disgrace attaching to the affair. stories under the trees." But my good mother wants to offer him an asylum with us until the trouble in Madrid-where he held some business appointment-has blown over. Now yce know, Lucy, you are one of us you have a voice in the matter. It is of things we imagined not. collage called the Wood Farm, tor a very grave thing to bring into a house-And then I thought of hold a man who has disgraced himself.

Shall he come ?" Of course I said that whatever they teach me and pet me and be at once thought I thought. But, when they would not have that, I confessed that ins gentle schooling I learned to see all to my mind Richard ought to help kim. "Just what I think !" said he. "Mother, tell him to come as soon as he likes, and stay as long as he likes." So that was settled. It seemed to

was excessively polite in his manner towards women, lazy and luxurious in matter. I did not know all. his habits, and inclined to talk in rather Before he went to bed, Richard whisa high-flown strain which offended me. "On Sunday we dine at the Mill

House, and I shall claim your promise." . .

out afterwards not to have been so un-I can liken her to nothing but a real as dreams usually are, I was asleep in the parlor, Suddenly I heard pain that I could not explain. It was pansy-one of those dark purple pansies with that soft velvet bloom, that rich varying color which no other flower

Richard say-"I had no idea of this, I would not "I had no idea of this, father's son, possesses. She was not dark, according to my notion of the word, nor yet fair

voice steady; but it shook in spite of and I am sure Richard would say the seem to bring any gladness-and that Norwood Templeton, and a dull red was Norwood Templeton. He moved stream dimmed their bright blossoms, I said it to comfort her. She looked with a light step ; he never complained at me with such a sad lost look in her now of the duliness of his work, but and went straight to his room, locking beautiful eyes; but she saw through would talk hopefully of his prospects of himself in. He had scarcely arrived,

setting up for a lawyer himself in a few "Ah, do you think so ?" she said doubtfully; then, before I could an-But But the storm burst one April night. swer-"But I will try to be useful too. I was in my bed-room, with my candle burning-I too had lately contracted will learn what things Richard's wife should know. Teach me, Lucy, will the bad habit of long reveries. That vanced, and, charging him with the night I must have sat for two hours murder of Norwood Templeton ar-

I promised, to quiet her. I knew as after the others had gone to bed. well then as now that my beautiful There came a rattling against my drooping flower would never learn to be window panes, as if mould from the otherwise than beautiful and fragile garden was thrown against them. I opened the window and looked out. So, when Richard asked at our gar-

As soon as I could distinguish objects Norwood had been found dead, shot in den gate, "What do you think of her. in the dark, I saw a woman's figure the chest, with a discharged pistol in standing in the path, and a whisper his hand. Lucy ?" and seemed half to dread my answer, lest it should blame her, I was came up to me-

"Lucy, come down; it is I-Queenie." "She is worthy of you. But, Rich-Putting out my candle and wrapping he saidard, be always very tender with her." a shawl round me, I crept down-stairs without making any noise to disturb And so the Sunday was over, and my any one in the house.

The moon had risen from behind the first and greatest trial had passed. trees, and it threw a strong light down down. She was so innocent, so childish in upon the garden. Queeme was standher quaint way, that I found myself ing motionless, waiting-so absent that she did not hear my approach. back against the wall.

treating her as a beautiful plaything. At first she would come in the morn-When I touched her and whispered ings and watch us at our work in the her name, she turned, and, throwing herself into my arms, wept so violently that I could scarcely hold her. Preskitchen or dairy, sometimes playing at helping us. But she soon saw that she ently she grew quieter, and then I whishindered us, though we humored her fancy to the utmost; and then she pered -

would trip in during the afternoon and "When you are able, darling, tell me what is the matter." pretend to learn to sew. This suited

her better; but, after about half an When we got near the Mill House, she interrupted, in her quick impulsive hour's work, she would begin to look way, some commonplace of mine-"Do you know why I came to you touneasy, glance up frequently at the blue sky, and at last throw down her work night ?"

"See how beautiful the day is! Why In my heart I thought that it was on weary ourselves with dull stupid work ? of her strange eccentric doings, and Come into the wood, and let us tell that there was no special reason for her strange visit. But, while I hesitated Sometimes I would consent, so little what to answer, she went on-

could I refuse her; and in those days I "There is my home. I have seen began to notice in her eyes a strange many happy hours there and in this wood. Somehow I think I shall not see shadowy look, as if she had thoughts we never understood, as if she dreamed many more. Lucy, put both your hands in mine. Look at me-so; let the light Then there was a change in our little fall so that I may see your dear old face ousehold, Norwood Templeton came. plainly. Now will you believe me when He soon made himself at home, and tell you that, whatever happens hereafter, up to this hour I am innocent in seemed not at all conscious of the embarrassing nature of his position. He thought word and deed ? Will you kiss was a tall slight young man of about me, and say that you believe me ?"

was a tall slight young man of about Of course I kissed the sweet pleading twenty, somewhat fair, and with a handsome face, save for a weak effemiface held up to me in the moonlight. nate something about it, which I thought I detected. For the rest, he "One more question, Lucy. Would Guinevere have been so very bad if she had refused to marry the king when she had seen Lancelot ?" Humoring her still, I replied seriously:

"It would have been better than what she did; but she would still have It must have been a day or two after been a faithless blind woman." No sooner had I spoken than the this that I had a dream which turned truth flashed upon me. I was so angry

with her that I stammered breathlessly: to Richard I" "I can never marry him," she mur-

have believed it of your father's son, mured-"never. I am not worthy of How the hot blood tingled in my veins! I never felt so indignant 1fore. I turned on her flercely, hundred Mongolians to be sent back to "Tell the truth-you love another! the Celestial Kingdom, in accordance You are perjured as he is; you are with the solemn covenant made by the worthy of the coward ingrate, Norwood various Chinese companies with each Templeton !" of their members. From November 17 As I uttered the last words, already

Boyhood of Eminent Men. In the afternoon Richard came in, Dr. Abbott was for half a century

Miami avenue, Chicago, and informed He recently talked about school-boys as when two men entered and inquired for him that he had seen a rabbit rue under follows: a barn in an alley near by The infor-"Lewis Cass was a very wild boy. I called him down-Mrs. Payne was out-and, when he refused to give them

a private hearing, one of the men adto me and asked me if I would take his pedestrian. He was on his way down "Certainly, but wny do you ask?" 'Oh! the youngster is headstrong and rested him. He seemed too bewildered hard to manage. I am an officer, and can govern soldiers, but that boy is too some other event to take any notice of this: and, when he went away with

the one in authority to pack up a few "What does he do?"

"Plays truant, runs away from his work, steals off without permission to go a gunning, fishing and swimming, and is full of all kinds of pranks." -

Well, send him to me and I'll else to tell. I pressed him. Reluctantly what I can do with him." Well, miss, yon must know it sooner "The boy was placed under my

charge. Several months later I met his or later ; but she who it's all about is father and asked him how his son was dead too. She was found dead in the getting along. 'Well, sir, said he, if hall by the servants when they came Lewis was half as fraid of the Almighty as he is of you, I should never have any The next moment Richard, who had more trouble with him."

ust returned, had hurled him violently In relating this incident Dr. Abbot fairly shook with the laughter which 'What?" he yelled furiously. "What did yeu say. She dead-Queenle? the recollection of Major Cass' answer excited. Oh " and he fell down senseless,

It is scarcely necessary to add that, Mrs. Payne came back while we were controlled by the preceptor's extraortrying to restore him, and then there dinary power of discipline, the strong awful licks against the peace of mind of that humble hare, and he had not been notive energies which led young Casa into all sorts of boyish mischief were directed to nobler objects. The results of the wise management which quickened the ambition and roused into action the faculties of a powerful nature are recorded in American history. It membered that he had forgotten somewas, however, intimated that at Exeter thing, and he came back for it A big the future statesman evinced more cat followest close after him, making talent for practical affairs than for the the hair fly at every jump, and as he details of scholarship,

In speaking of the school-boy traits fence and was lost to view. of Daniel Webster, Dr. Abbot men-"And now," remarked a woman who tioned an unexpected fact. He said had a hoe-handle in one hand as she that "Young Webster showed an inopened the back gate with the other, superable aversion to declamation. As 'if you loafers have got through fooling 'the boy is father to the man,' it might around here you'd better take yourhave been supposed that the lad who selves off before I get any madiler, or was destined to be pre-eminent in orayou'll want a cure for the headache!' tory would have exhibited an early They had got through. fondness for declamation, but no per masion could overcome his natural

tiffidence." Those who have staid in Venice have Dr. Abbot remarked that "There was learned what it meant to be dependent popular miscpprehension with regard for water upon an army of men, who, to Webster's scholarship. It was genewith barges, fetch a daily, or rather rally believed that Webster was a dull nightly, supply of liquid, rarely fit to and unsuccessful pupil, but such was drink, across the lagoons, from a stream not the fact. His mind rarely seemed emptying near a place called Servola. These old travelers, and those who have to be occupied with his studies. His large, lustrous, thoughtful eyes were yet to visit that much-visited city, will years ago, gazing about the room, or looking out be glad to learn that the inauguration of the window: but at recitation the of the Venice water works, by which a pupil who appeared not to be engaged studious preparation always acquitted the romantic city, took place on the nimself well. He often showed a far 23d of June last, and fully realized the better grasp of the subject than those expectations of all concerned in this who were more familiar with the minor points of scholarship. piece of hydraulic engineering, which While Dr. Abbot was telling these

tones be earnNO. 4.

NEWS IN BRIES.

Soon after dinner a boy who was very -Cleveland (Ohio) has measles in the epidemic form,

-Kansas City now claims a populaion of 100,000.

-There are 2,000,000 acres of deer parks in Scotland.

-Sly Dubuque girls carry their noon unch in a music roll.

-- Cotton ties are again being manufactured at Pittsburg.

-France will not decrease import that something was up and joined the duties on foreign cattle. - Texas increased her assessed pro-

caravan. It wasn't ten minutes before twelve men and a score of boys had surrounded the barn, and then a serious perty \$73 000,000 this year. -Olive oil is becoming one of the

consultation was held. Men got down great products of California. on their knees and thrust head and -Florida expects to raise 3,000,000

shoulders under the barn. Boys got boxes of oranges this season. down and peeped and poked. Fwo -There are 25,000,000 workingmen women came up and began to throw

out of employment in Chicago. -The Moravians have just been cele-

A crowd instantly looks for a leader brating their 427th anniversary. This crowd soon found one. He was a man who said he had spent the best -Over 800,000 cans of fruit were put

up at Conneaut, O., the past season, portion of his life driving rabbits from under barns. He ordered everybody to -Another silver mine is reported to get down and cry "scat!" but the rabbit have been discovered in North Georgia.

caught on. Then everybody got poles -Over one hundred thousand persons and clubs, and everybody poked and pounded. The rabbit was too fly. pay taxes on real estate in New York -The aggregate losses by the Hock-

For thirty minutes the crowd, grow ing valley strike foot up over \$4,000,ing larger every minute, put in some 000

-The Armstrong well in Pennsylva nia is flowing 7500 barrels of oil per budged a foot when a boy came along day. with a terrier dog. Boards were pulled

off and the dog ordered to go in and win renown. He went in, but it been received at Abilene, Texas, this wasn't over a minute before he re- season.

-Gardening is practically taught in nore than 20,000 primary schools in France.

-A whale eighty feet long was reached the alley she took a skip over a washed ashore at Bolmas, Cal., a few days ago.

> -Three billion wooden toothnick's are now anually made in this country it is said.

-Pennsylvania spends about \$9,000, 000 yearly in providing for free common schools.

-Threats of lynching are driving Mormon missionaries rapidly out of Tennessee.

-Fifty thousand men will be em ployed on the Panama Canal during the dry season.

-New buildings of the value of \$42, 000,000 have been erected in New York this year.

-John B, Gough delivered his first temperance speech in New York forty

-The postal service of the United States costs the Government this year, real piped water supply is carried into \$46,225,900.

-The new capitol at Bismarck, Dak., is said to be the finest Territorial Capi itol in the West.

-Three hundred thousand dozen of is internationally interesting. The coueggs were destroyed by fire at Water tract for works has been carried out by the Public Works Company of Italy-Ia. recently. -The French Minister of Agricult-Messrs, Breda & Co .- including the construction of the reservoir and filter beds at Morenzo, on the main hand, and ure is in favor of reducing import du ties on cereals. -Jersey City has a debt of over \$13. the laying of the pipes under the Laguna to the city of Venice of a total length 000,000, and there is nearly \$7,000,000 of somewhat over four miles, of a in taxes onpaid. diameter of 31.5 inches, and the laying -Andrew Carnegie, the Pittaburg of the total length of mains in the thormillionaire, owns more newspapers that oughfares and canals, of about sixteen | any man in the world, -James Rilly founded the Universa lists in England in 1760 and John Mur were taken at eighty-five places across | ray in Boston in 1770. -The assessed value of real and personal estate property in the State of New York is \$3 014 491 372. -Petroleum wells to the number 2890 were put down in 1883, against 3260 in 1882 and 3852 in 1881. -Indiana employs 5400 men and \$2. 000,000 in getting 25,000,000 tons of coal out of 206 mines yearly. -It is estimated that the wool clip of this year will amount to 300,000,000 pounds and be worth \$85,000,000. -A new counterfeit five-dollar note national currency, is reported to have made its appearance in New York. -The garnet districts of Arizona and New Mexico are looked upon as the possible diamond fields of the future. -A telegraphic dispatch was latel sent from Kansas City to Scotland and an answer returned in forty minutes. -A father and son are under sen tence of death in a Louisiana prison, and for separate and distinct murders Artzona's Name, -One hundred and one thousand oranges were borne this year by trees The name by which this Territory is on an acre of land in Plant City, Florknown was first borne by a mountain ida.

Meanwhile all sorts of fancies persons had been floating in my dizzy ad-my dream, the figure last night in the wood, the Spaniard who wanted Norwood to fight a duel. Need I dwell longer on these fearful cenes? I have been plain enough. It only remains to tell that before night Richard was at liberty and the Spaniard in custody; that the latter confessed his

crime, and considered that he had acted fairly towards his enemy in allowing him a shot at him. He suffered the penalty of the law.

as another scene.

The cause of poor Queenie's death was a mystery. The doctors disagreed about it. For myself I cannot say whether it was the heart-disease inherited from her mother, aggravated by the excitement of that fatal night and morning, or whether a deeper, stranger must be sought for the flight of her pure spirit from its fair tenement.

Richard mourned as strong mer mourn. But he could not bear to stay where he would see daily the objects which would remind him of his And he at last agreed to go to Canada. His mother and 1 accompanied him; and here, as in old England, good fortune waited on his patient labor.

That is all; and I am glad it is told. RICHARD'S POSTSCRIPT.

begin a search for the jewels and money

a stick would not reveal the treasures.

and in such cases the Mongol dames

would daintily deposit their cigarettes

creation. The money found, the ear-

rings were the next prize, and if by

chance a little piece of cartilage ad-

hered to the bit of silver and jasper, the

living hands would pluck it away as if

were not men of sentiment.

it were a sweet morsel of prime roast

went to work in a matter-of-fact way,

moking cigars furnished by the friends

of the deceased. Their hands were

their tools, no matter how repulsive

looking were the contents of a coffin.

Beginning at the feet, these men pick

out of the coffin every bit and sliver of

bone, carefully mashing any soft sub-stance between their fingers to make

sure that not even a trace of bony

structure remains in the land of the

white devils. The bones are then

cleaned after a fushion, and if it is

found that even a joint of the small toe

is missing, the grave, the could and the

ground are thoroughly searched. When

all the bones have been found they are

wrapped in pieces of muslin, each part

of the body by itself, and then the

whole is placed in a little zinc-lined

box, which is ostensibly the package

Italian Chestouis

ter by the fire's heat from below.

the chestnuts are dried and the outer

skin has been cracked off by the heat,

the flour goes to make chestnut bread

and cakes and porridge during the

which goes to China.

bone-pickers plainly

They

They

My darling Lucy has forgotten to tell how one day i found out her secret, how I learned what she had so nobly "You cannot, you dare not be false borne for my sake, and how proud, but how ashamed 1 was at the knowledge.

Chittese Dead

much out of breath halted a man on rincipal of Phillips Exeter Academy.

Undor a Barn

out suggestions.

Water In Venice.

mation wasn't so very startling, to be One day his father, Major Cass, came sure, but it was enough to affect the

town of an errand, but no sooner had he heard the story than he followed the boy at a run. A boy who saw then. running followed after, and as they turned into the alley two men suspected much for me."

things, the other explained to me that

The man had evidently something

used to flatter yourself that if ever Slight, but beautifully made, she trouble came to you you would bear it all the drooping grace, as she had the bravely and in silence; and now you deep coloring of that flower, which is are crying when only the shadow of a disappointment begins to touch you." ome one came between me and the and lashes even seemed to remind one

"Hallo, little wisdom I All alone ? Why, you were so busy with your light, but not brown. She wore her thoughts you didn't hear me speak to you twice-in no low tones either ! coil drooping against the warm white of What deep plots are you devising for her neck. our good now, eh?

And, country over to me, he put his hand caressingly on my wet cheek be tore I could prevent him. "What," he said, drawing me gently

to the light - "you've been crying, Lucy !" And he looked steadily into my eyes, "Come-tell me what is the matter little sister 31 "Nothing is the matter," I answered. dinner.

anding. "I grew foolish, I suppose, in the twilight. I really don't know myand put both her hands in mine. self what made me ary. I don't mdeed."

"You are happy here?" he asked diustogly.

I modded. "You don't feel lonely ?"

"No, no," I answered eagerly; "please don't take any more notice of my found ness. "Is my mother in ?" he asked sud-

"No; she is gone up to the Mill

House to talk to Mrs. Godwin. She saw I noticed it, she saidsaid she was coming back before dark." "Let us walk through the wood and meether," he said, "I have something Richard should be in love with me." am thinking how strange it is that

to tell you as we go." "In a lew moments we were in the

"You are so pretty and so good," she deep cool wood, the grand trees lacing said, with nalve flattery. It was hard, harder even than I had overhead and nearly shutting out the thought; but I answered quietly-

"Why ?" I asked, astonished.

dusky blue sity. "Do you know what it is to be in love, Lucy ?" he began. very dearly."

It was such a strange sudden question to ask a young girl that I hesitated from sheer surprise. He noticed it. "How foolish of me !" he said, laughing merrily. "Of course you don't

How should you ? But you have read promised him? After dinner Queents beckoned me about it w "Yes," I answered quickly ; "I think I know."

I wondered, yet guessed, what was stream. cohing, 1 found 1 was trembling. 1

tried to be calm ; but I could not. "I will tell you, Lucy," he continued, in a lower tone, putting his hand on my shoulder. "It is to lose all interest in your own life and in every what do you do with them ?" one'selse, except one. It is to risk the existence of every hope you have ever held on the will of one person. It is to leave behind you all the calm theories by which you have fashioned your life, nd to live in a glad, feverish, wonder-

ful dream, without laws, without order, with only a sense of some one's existence in whom your life is lost. It is better than that-worse than that ; and - I cannot tell you after all P

I searcely knew him; he spoke doubting expression stole over her counpassionately, pressing my poor shoulder till at ached again. He, who was altenance. ways so quiet and cheerful and steady, signed. stued to have lost control of himself. I began doubtfully, for I felt how learning a new piece of music, or read bold it was of me to hazard an opinion on such a subject.

"Do you think all love is like that ? To here in a silent adoration of only one; for hours together, doing nothing at all to blend sweet thoughts of that one but thinking." I thought of Richard ; I pictured this with the commonest duties of your life; frail beauty the wife of industrious prosaic Richard Payne, and I was silent. until the smallest of them gains a new charm in your eyes ; to-

"Don't think very badly of me, Lucy," she continued. "Try to re-"I know-I know!" he broke quickly, "I once thought that such member that they have petted me alwould be my love " Then he stopped, ways, because I am delicate. They are but tresently went on, "But, oh, Lucy, Cy, when your love is for one who atraid I shall die as my mother diedhas only a little of earthly bloom upon suddenly, of some mysterious malady her, whom you may lose in an hour, as which the doctors think I inherit. And you lose the violets which you pluc-and put in your breast only to kill them then, Lucy, you can understand the kind of love that must be !"

turn his thoughts. I tried to keep my

Templeton." had He spoke sternly, and there was a hard tone in his voice which I had never heard before. her emblem to me. Her eyes had the "What would you have ?" replied a soft tint of its richest petals; her hair

lazy voice. "I confess I am not made light, and I beard Richard's glad voice of some shade of the same flower, so for fighting. I suppose some men like it, or they wouldn't do it : I don't. Why should I risk all sorts of horrible soft and dark were they, and yet uot black, so bright and silken in another pains when I can avoid them by simply

refusing to chance them ? Besides, the hair waving low over her forehead, the man was mad ____ " Richard interrupted him harshly

"If this letter is true, you made him Woman as I am, it was some moments before I could withdraw my eyes so. Oh, Norwood, Norwood, you have so much pity for yourself, had you none from the bewitching sweetness of her for him when you killed his daughter?" face to notice her dress. It was of the "How horribly you talk !" said the other plaintively. "I didn't kill her. I didn't even ask her to come away. Here er same deep color; and it fell round her in the same full graceful folds. Before we had spoken a word I had yielded. She would come. I pointed out the She had won me to her side without a folly of the step. But she was obstistruggle. The rest was settled before nate ; she followed me to Madrid. Then

she began to fret about her father, fell We stood together in her bed-room ill, and died. It was a most unlucky ready to go down. She came up to me, business for me all through. refused to accept the brother's challenge, Will you let me kiss you ?" she said he yowed he'd ruin me and then mur winningly, "I have often heard of you,

der me He has done the first. I came and thought I should not like you. But here to prevent him from doing the you are different, oh, so different from other. But, if you will not have me, what I imagined you !" turn me out, and I must take my chance I laughed as I kissed her. I guessed

in London.' that Richard had frightened her with When Richard spoke again, it was accounts of what he called my wisdom. with a world of pity and scorn that he She was looking at me in a serious suid-

thoughtful way, with a pretty little pucker on her forehead. When she "For your father's sake I say stay if you care to do so. You shall hear no more of this at any rate." "Do you know, I am wondering ? 1

Then there was a dead silence, Templeton began to speak but the other apparently stopped him. I thought in my dream that Richard was struggling with waited.

the horror and disgust he felt for the fault of this man. At last he spoke, gently but firmly. "For your own sake though, and for

"I am only his sister, who loves him all our sakes," he said, "you must get something to do. I should deserve the blame of all sensible persons if I al-lowed you to remain idle without trying when he saw the idirection from which "And you will be mine too, Lucy, will you ?" she whispered. "You will lowed you to remain idle without trying soon find out how much I need one." to get you employment. What do you I said "Yes" freely. No one could have refused her. Besides, had I not

"Oh, I suppose I must get into har ness again sooner or later ! I will do what you like," he answered wearily,

from the room, and we went out into without a touch of gratitude ; then, as if tired of a discussion which did not concern him-"Of course I am much the garden, which ran down by the mill-"Now tell me," said Queenie, "what

obliged to you for your kindnass. And now let us talk of something else." "By all means," cried Richard cheerdo you like best to do ?" "How do you mean ? ' I asked. "and when I hear of anything else "Well, when you have two or three ily : hours before you to spend as you like,

will let you know." Then the voices died away: and when I awoke it was dark, and I did not I was amused at the idea of my havknow whether I had been dreaming or ing two or three hours to spare at a time, and I told her so ; and then I dewhether they had been talking in the

scribed my day's duties, and how we room. Some days afterwards Richard came spent our evenings together, Mrs. Payne and myself sewing while Richard read home with an offer from the village lawyer of a seat at the articled clerks to us, or told us his day's experiences, desk in his office. I -uspect that Richtill bed-time, and then I generally sang ard paid for the stamp and provided the one of my few old songs to make them money for the premium. Norwood Templeton grumbled padream musically," as Richard said. She looked at me wonderingly, and a

thetically at the prosaic nature of the employment, but ended by accepting it, and all went well for a time. .

"How industrious you are !" she . . "And how idle I am! Do you The winter had come and gone, spring began to make Redthorpe Wool know I sometimes spend a whole day gay again. But it brought no bright-ness to us at the Wood Farm. For ing a poem or story? Nay, worse; now and then I have a strange fit, and I wander away somewhere by myself some weeks I had seen a sad look steal over Richard's face as he sat with us

now and then in the evenings. I tried to comfort him silently; and he knew it, and thanked me silently too with rateful eyes. But he would not speak. I knew the source of his trouble though I did not guess all the reason. I had only to look at Queenie to see that things had changed with her too. At one time that shadowy thoughtful gaze

so I am the useless thing you see me." "Hush, dear !" I said. "You are very well as you are. To every one is turned to me with such a woeful very well as you are. To every one is turned to me with such a woeful fear given a different duty, from each is ex- in it that my heart bled for her. But "Is she very beautiful ?" I asked, to pected a different work. I would not she would not speak either.

would deepen and deepen, until ahe was wrapt in some pleasant dream which sent a soft smile rippling round her mouth. At another time it was by

have you different from what you are : Only to one in the house did spring

until yesterday there have been resurhalf repenting them, she gave a low cry, and, breaking from me, ran swiftly into rected at the City Cemetery about one hundred and eighty coffins, with their the house." decaying contents and this number

When I was certain that she was will probably see a large increase before safely indoors, I walked home quickly, determining to put things right in the the year expires. Yesterday Ah Sam was digging up the women's corner in morning, though I felt that trouble was the plot. Five living Chinese women near for all of us-how great I little were ready to welcome the planted ones back to light, and whenever a cover

would be knocked off the decaying cof-Here ends my own knowledge of the fins these Celestial beauties would vents I have recorded. What I mean eagerly bend over the contents, without say is that up to now I have related regard to the direction of the wind, and only my own experience. The rest has been gleaned from different sources, of the late lamented. Generally the and I put it down here as plainly as I bodies proved to be swathed in so much When I can, considering that I have had to colcloth and blanketing that poking with lect the facts from somewhat meagre

and disjointed evidence. . . . While I was fast asleep the morning

upon the coffin's edge and dive into the broke brightly over Redthorpe Wood. horrible mass with their fingers. The The east was still dusky red, and a first article looked for was generally the coin which is placed in every Chifew stars yet twinkled in the paling blue, when a man trod down the newly naman's mouth so that he may get to heaven's gate with sufficient toll to awakened primroses, brushed the dev purchase admission. To search for this from the drooping elm-branches, and by

in the depth of a grinning skull and to his presence broke the sacred stillness find it was pronounced as good luck by these dames, who were said to be resthe morning in those quiet glades. It was Norwood Templeton, walking pectable married women, as otherwise quickly as with a purpose, until he they would not be permitted to enter came to a fallen tree, on which he the burial plot set apart for the lords of

seated himself, and, lighting a cigarette, Even the birds were hardly awake yet, and, the deadly stillness growing irksome to him, he began to hum a tune, that his voice might keep him company. Once he stopped, when there was a

pork. Then the jasper bracelets would be disengaged from the bones of the hand and forearm, and, this done, the it proceeded, he looked disappointed professional bone-picker would begin and resumed his humming. nis work. These

Presently with a cry of delight he sprang to his feet. Queenie Godwin stood before him. Wonderfully fair she looked that morning, the dew glistening on her soft hair; and, when she looked up at him, a light came over her face, hiding the dark circles under her eyes,

which told of a sleepless night, softening the quivering of her sensitive mouth, and sending a flush of life into her pale fair cheeks.

> "I am here," was all she said ; but how much was conveyed in the words ! "And being here," he responded gaily, placing his arm round her and drawing her to him, "all that I possess or care for in the world is with me."

This was the first time they had met in secret. Those were the first words of love he had dared to speak to her.

I do not know what they said afterwards. It may have been a pleasant hour for each of them. It was the first and the last they spent together.

Richard, going out to his work at six, The poor people who live among the mountains of Northern Italy are greatly

and yielding to a desire to see the casket that held his jewel, came suddenly upon helped by the chestnut harvest. the two lovers; and, when he would do not have the abundance of food with have retired, they saw him, and rose trembling. Then he came forward. which we are favored, and therefore prize the nuts. The chestnut harvest "Go home, ' he said briefly to her. lasts three weeks or more. When the

When her slight form had disappeared down the path, he turned to the other. his eyes ablaze with wrach.

"You traitor !" he cried, seizing him. But the man who had eaten his bread cowered before him ; so that Richard felt disgusted at the vileness of the creature and, hurbing him, from him, then they are ground in a mill, so that he strode away.

٠ Ten minutes afterwards two shots barren season, when there is but little rang out together, startling the birds fresh food to be got by the poor. The hundreds in the wood ; and then dried chestnuts are builed whole likethere was a crashing of branches as wise, so that, in one form or another, some one sprang away, followed by still-ness—a silence more horrible than be-fore; for among the blue hyacinths lay throughout the land.

est, and his eyes lighted up with a glow The San Francisco Chronicle in a which these agreeable recollections kindled. It was only obvious that age recent issue says: There are just now any externed the boues of several had not wholly quenched the fires of earlier manhood.

The Old Liberty Bell.

The following is an interesting acunt of the origin of the old Liberty miles, of a diameter of 11.8 inches. In bell which is about to be shipped to New Orleans from Philadelphia; The the course of laying these mains they trip of this venerable and cracked piece | canals and twice across the Grand Canal of metal will be the second one it has -work which involved considerable ever made since its reception in Phila- difficulties. The work also included delphua. In 1751 the Pensylvania As- the construction of an engine house emblyauthorized Isaac Norris, Thomas and reservoir at St. Andrea, the erec-Leech and Edward Warner to procure tion of a pair of fifty nomin 1 horsea bell for the State House. Accordingly, under date of November 1st of that the water to all the principal buildings year, these gentlemen wrote to Robert Charles, of London, stating their order commenced early in January 1881 and commenced early in January, 1881, and and authority, and applying to him to was consigned, to the entire satisfaction get them "a good bell of about 2,000 of the concessionaires, on the 23d of pounds weight," which they fancied of June, 1884. The concession was might cost £200 or more, including originally granted to Mr. D. C. Dalcharges. In the letter is inserted; "Let gairns, C. E., of Palermo and Penge, bell be cast by the best workmen in 1876, upon provisional plans and and examined carefully before it is studies then deposited, and the works shipped, with the following words well have been carried out on the definite shaped in large letters around it, viz: plans presented by him on the 23d of 'By order of the Assembly of the June, 1877. The company to which the Province of Pennsylvania for the State property now belongs is the Societe des House, in the city of Philadelphia. Eaus pour les Estrangers, of Paris, And underneath: 'Proclaim which was formed for the purpose of 1752.1 liberty through all this land unto all carrying out this scheme in January, the inhabitants thereof.'-Levit. xxxv, 1879. 10.*

In due course of time the bell reached Philadelphia, and under date of March 10, 1753, Mr. Norris again writes; "In that letter I gave information that our near the celebrated "Planchas de Plabell was generally liked and approved ta," on its southern boundary. Arizoof, but in a few days after my writing I had the mortification to hear that it was cracked by a stroke of the clapper the present name. Some say it is a corwithout any other violence, as it was ruption of Arizuma," first given to the hung up to try the sound; though this ountry by the early Spanish explorers. was not very agreeable to us, we con-Others maintain that it is of Pima oricluded to send it back by Captain gin, and means "Little Creek," Still Budden, but he could not take it back others hold that its derivation is from on board, upon which two ingenious workmen undertook to cast it here. When we broke up the old metal our all bosh, and we are more astonished judges here generally agreed it was too when these "derivations" are beleived high and brittle, and cast several little to be true and correct by gentlemen who make pretensions of letters. A bells out of it to try the sound and strength, and fixed upon an ounce and few days ago we gave the only true etyhalf of copper to one pound of the old mology of the word. It is not an etybell, and in this proportion we now mon. It is a derivation-a compound of two latin words, viz: "Aridus" and have it."

The casting was done by a native of "zona", Aridus-dry, from "areo," the late of Malta, named Pass; "and a to be dry. From this root also comes son of Charles Stow." It was discov- the word "arid." which signifies dry the word "arid," which signifies dry, ered that too much copper had been exhausted of moisture, parched with used, and so a second casting was found heat, as, for instance, an arid waste, to be necessary, and in the first week of This is without doubt one of the roots, June, 1756, it was rehung in the belfry, the prefix (Ari) of the word Arizona. its weight being 2,080 pounds, the base There is no difficulty in the way as to of the woodwork of the steeple was so the suffix This is plain enough to any decayed that it was taken down and a one who has studied word analysis. small belfry atone covered the bell, "Zona" or "zone" simply mean a girdle or belt, Hence we have the different zon-Since then, however, the steeple has been reconstructed as it originally es or girdles on the earth's surface-two frigid, two temperate and one torrid, to stood. In 1777, at the time the British were expected to occupy the city, the mark the average heat from the sun' hell was removed to Bethlehem. It rays upon certain portions of the earth. occupied one of the wagons of a train of Hence the suffix "zone" or "zona," 700, all under the charge of Colonel and we have the word Arizona, whose Polk and detachments of North Carolina and Virginia troops, At Bethle-hem, September 33, 1777, the old bell meaning is simply "a dry or parche belt of country." is a misnomer, as far as the greater pormet with its first accident, the wagon which carried it breaking down, but tion of Arizona Territory is concerned. Old Madelra Wine fortunately it sustained no - injury After the evacuation it was returned t The finest of old Madeira wine is

fruit is all gathered in, it is spread the State House people, and some years afterward was cracked, this ended its above the open rafters that form the roof of every kitchen in these Italian career of usefulness. Justices of the Supreme Court at cottages, there to be dried during win-When

Wise men are instructed by reason cured is interesting. Before the Revolution a few old mercantile houses in men of less understanding by exper Alexandria imported a large supply of Madeira, and some of this is still in ience; the most ignorant by and the best by nature.

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-It is estimated that the average ha, however, was first called "Pinera." daily consumption of eggs throughout Authorities differ as to the origin of the United States amounts to 45,000,-

-Oil is now extracted from the seeds of grapes in Italy. Young grapes yield most, and black kinds more than white.

-A New Jersey girl, it has come to two Pima words, "Art" a maiden, and light, donned her brother's clothes and "Zon" a valley. In our opinion this is voted in his name at the recent election.

-The total production of cigars in this country, as estimated by one of the largest manufacturers, is about 3,000, 000,000 a year.

-The English Postmaster General says the condition of the English workingman has not been improved during the past fifty years.

-Oskaloosa, Iowa, is said to have a spring that will tan skins either with the fur off or on, in from twenty-four to twenty-eight hours.

-A Gutenberg Bible was sold in London, a week or so ago, for \$19,500. There are said to be but two copies of the book in this country.

-There were 1,664 pictures exhibited in the Royal Academy fast year, of which 203 have been sold at prices ranging from a guinea to £1,000.

-Judson W. Lyons, colored, has been admitted to the bar at Augusta, Ga. He is the third colored man thus admitted in that city since the war

-In a population of 623,000 in Consecticut there are 6000 persons who are more than 80 years of age. Of this number twenty-one are centenarians.

This name, however,

-What is claimed to be the largest grain elevator in the world has been erected at Newport News, Va., by the e found on the tables of several of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad Company. -A crematorium is to be built in Wa hington, and the way it was pro-New Orleans by the cremation Society of that city, which has purchased 23 building lots of ground for the purpose. -The Pequot Indians, whose tribe now numbers less than 500, have apprivate cellars in Washington city. pealed to the United States authorities The Honorable Josiah Lee, of Balti- to protect the graves of their ancestors

The Honorable Sostan Lee, of the against relic hunters. Aldxandria importations, and at his death in 1853 it sold at prices ranging ter, Va., is the double cemetery in its will few bottles of this wine that still resuburbs. On one side of a stone wall othez

