

guests, which a servant couldn't do and which no other visitor would do; and | to see him again; nor did I feel any regret; for whenever he noticed me at all, that she should like to keep me not only two weeks but two years. it was in such a teasing way that I had

My sisters had each a regular outfit for hard work to appear indifferent. When the occasion, but mamma said that I need. I was fresh and in good spirits I ached ed nothing. I suppose she was right, for | to say something sharp and unmaidenty, I had a sprigged muslin for the warm and when I was tired out the tears would days, made out of a dress which Josephine be scarcely be kept back. I think I reworn the year before, and for cold ally enjoyed his absence, when, behold,

degree, those little she-devils, Kitty and reached by a hidder. While her aunt Emma, came up and offered their conwas enjoying the view, Kitty accidentally knocked the ladder down, and walked gratulations : at which piece of silly nonoff as unconcernedly as if withing was the sense everybudy commenced laughing amatter. gain.

It was not until an hour or two after, The doors and passage-ways were while I was pouring a flood of eloquence crowded with servants and waiters, who in her listening ear, that she started up, seemed to enjoy the miserable joke as interrupting one of my best metaphors, much as their betters.

picce, and they were too cheap. At length one was found at seven dollars, with which my companion at length professed herself satisfied, and decided to take it .---'I suppose,' said she, on going out

that I don't really need it, but it was so beautiful I could not resist the temptation. A beautiful shawl at the door of a store A beautiful shawl at the door of a store midst. Nor is the other part of the picture, uext caught Carolino's attention. 'I the bideous crawling creatures," produced must certainly go in and look at their and sheltered in the darkness that finds a

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crushing and stunting the developement of her energies. Around the edges, over in Il-linois, in Iowa and in Kansas, the fragrant "bedge" that Dr. Holmes speaks of, has grown up in the shape of luxuriant free iustitutions and flourishing industrial enterprises, leaving Missouri like a desert in their

not entirely understand. I half resolved not to go down to dinner, and then I remembered that Angelica was gone, and that no one would be willing to play for the dancing, or to bear poor Mr. Blakeman's pettishness; so, instead of indulging myself in an unhappy evening alone,

I made my prettiest toilette, did my duty thoroughly and cheerfully, and was

to mine.

weather I had a green silk made of one of late in the evening he reappeared accom-Georgiana's, They were pieced a trifle, panied by a younger sister, whom he to be sure, for they had originally been called Angelica, and was both pretty and low in the waist, and I wore nothing good natured; and bringing a man serwhich didn't button to the throat; but I | vant, three saddle horses, and two dogs. had a good supply of crimped ruffles to Oddly enough, everything was changed wear with them, and I thought then, and | for me from that moment. Angelica think still, that they were very pretty. | (she insisted upon my calling her by her

Mrs. Kenton appeared delighted to see | first name) took turns with me playing me, and although my sister smiled at my the piano, and while she was at the incredulty in thinking her sincere, my strument I danced with her brother. She heart went out to meet her. Perhaps she also occasionally took my seat at the whist didn't mean it at all but I imagined she | table, allowed herself to be beaten at chess did, and that put me at ease at once. I by Mr. Blakeman, and aided me in the still believe I was right, for she gave me nursery games. One of the new saddlea little room which had belonged to her horses was kept for my sole use, and the daughter Agnes, a lovely child, who died two splendid dogs were never so happy when she was only ten years old. There as when trotting by my side about the grounds, or curled up at my feet while I was her portrait exquisitly painted, and with a heart full of love looking out from | studied my dictionaries and grammars. the meek blue eyes and voicing itself in Mr. Crotton was as teasing as ever when the curves o. the delicately moulded lips there were listeners about, but he defend-There, too, her bookease-carved rose- ed me adroitly against Amelia Monkton wood with glass doors-some of the most | and the Alians, who seemed to grudge worn volumes in which were mature me even a look at his face, and seldom enough for girls of eighteen. There, also, failed to share the library with me for at were her writing desk and her work bas- least a part of my three hours confineket with the needle in an unfinished leaf, ment.

just as she left it. The chambermaid Sometimes he read letters, but more frequently he read with me Italian and told me that I was the first person who had occupied the chamber since Agnes | German poets, instructing me respecting the force and point of the diction, quo died, and although I was a little awed, and perhaps a little frightened, when I | ting kindred passages from other writers, first went into it, I think its tranquil at- and explaining such imagery and allumosphere and the memories of generosity | sions as 1 didn't fully understand. At | and himself in a walk to the Crags. and self denial which thronged about the such moments there was in his manner a beautiful picture helped me to bear mingled deference and tenderness which patiently the annoyances which I expe | wholly won my confidence, and I some times looked up suddenly from my book, rienced during my stay.

For there were annoyances which I half doubting if he were indeed the same could not avoid, and which were at times | person who shot so many sparkling arhard to endure; although I ought not to rows at me in the presence of the other complain, since they occurred in conse- guests. My wardrobe began to look scanty quence of the favor in which I was held by those persons whom I admired and but, although Amelia Monkton and the loved the most. The very first night three Allans sneered at my one evening after my arrival at Firgrove Mrs. Renton dress, I should never have thought of came and sat down by my bed. For a asking mamma for anything. Mrs. Ren-

few minutes she was silent, and I knew ton must have hinted to her the proprieby her looks that it made her sorrowful ty of sending me some more garments, to see me in Agnes' place. So I put my for soon after she had added a postscript arms around her neck, and asked her to to one of my letters, I received a handlet me be, as far as I knew how, all that some silk, cherry and black, beautifully Agnes would do if she were there instead trimmed with lace; a marcon-colored of me. Mrs. Renton did not answer im- merino, with nice velvet ribbons, and a quaintance, when you moved so quietly mediately; she wept silently, but I don't stout walking dress, with extravagantly about sending peace and sunshine through think there was any bitterness in her heavy boots. Amelia and her compan- the discordant elements of my sister's ing, for she was very quiet. tears. Bye and bye she kissed me withious sneered again at my preparation for out saying anything of Agnes. Instead of alluding to her, she told me that some dropped into Mrs. Renton's private sitof her guests were selfish and exacting, ting room, while she was looking at the rion. and demanded more than their share of articles, explaimed, upon seeing the boots, attention ; that others were feeble, and that they were just the things I needed had a claim upon her, while she desired and that he would ask me to try them in to keep a little time for Mr. Renton, and an excursion to the Crags, a high bluff to look a little after the twins, Maggie | which commanded a lovely landscape .-and Annie, "One day," she continued Accordingly, the next morning, he made "my dear, you will know what all these up a party for walking, but he led uspurposely I have since ascertained-

perplexities mean" I laughed and answered that I should never have a house of my own, for I was such wearisome hills, that everybody was never have a house of my own, for I was such a such a second second and the second sec mamma despaired of seeing me married, and after that he politely set the rest aside. I enjoyed these walks perfectly. and I was quite content to remain papa's, darling for that was the title which he because Mr. Crofton was at once so gentle always gave me.

Mays gave mo.

ewarded by a precious half hour with nd exclaimed : Mrs Renton in her room before retiring "I wonder if Aunt Talbot has gone

home yet!" The Monktons and Allans departed, And she started off on a run to release and two other sets came and went, but the poor woman from her captivity. my hostess still found some excellent I had determined to make a formal claration" out on paper in due form .-reason why I should remain, especially declaration of love on the home trip-not She had managed to get it : but just beafter Angelica left. For two weeks we to the imp of mischief, Kitty, but to fore the boat landed she, apologized for Emma Talbot; for, though I, Miss Emma | taking it, and gave it back to me, saying, had an old gentleman who wanted somebody to read to him every day, so I gave is so desperately in love with me that I as she did so, that "she thought she had really must marry the poor thing or she better return it, as I might have occasion him my three hours of translations, a will go raving erazy. Such things have to use it again." good exercise for me and pleasant for him, since I always selected something happened. lively if not positively comic. Next an So, after innumerable boxes and trunks

aunt of Mrs. Renton arrived, who was were safely on board, my beloved Emma nearly blind. Usually, during her visits promised to go on deck with me. Mrs. Renton was her constant attendant. I will here mention that Harry Talbot She walked, and drove, and sat beside (who was escorting three cousins) and my her, describing everybody and everypeerless Emma were twins, and, as a nat ural consequence, looked very much alike, thing about them, and furnishing her with all those little hints and suggesthe more so as Emma wore her hair in tions which in conversation are telegraphshort curls, after the fashion of the presed by the eyes. But I took her place, a ent day. Before oming on deck, she had some great relief to h.r and no hardship' to'me,

especially as Mr. Crofton sometimes asisted me for an hour, thus giving me time to run about the garden and fulfil my promise to mamma.

and obey me, &c. To my surprise the deck was clear; so I had been at Firgrove three months when papa wrote me that he could no I went back and found her waiting for cares of life are forgotten. A sweet temlonger spare his darling. Mr. Crofton me: but I was surprised to find her per has a soothing influence over the brought the letter to me in the library, wrapped up with a thick veil over her minds of a whole family. Where it is and stood waiting for me to read it, after face

Kitty was standing near her with such serve kindness and love predominating which he wished me to join Mrs. Rent n a look of roguery in her eyes that I knew "What does papa write ?" he asked, as I began to refold the sheet. happy victim of her practical jokes. " He writes that I must go home rectly, for he cannot spare his darling

any longer." Then Mr. Croften said gravely and swer, Kitty said she had a sudden attack enderly, " Neither can I spare my darl-

of getting more cold. I made no more ado, hut took her to the deck. As we highest power. They are tests of char-passed through the saloon I imagined I acter and disinterestedness. They are Notwithstanding he was so serious, I heard the sound of smothered laughter the straws upon life's decentful current, thought he was making a sport of me .---My cheeks crimsoned and my eyes flashed and I said, "When you have teased me several times, but immediately thought that show the ourrent's way. The heart heretofore, Mr. Crofton, it has been on it must be the creaking of some of the comes all out in them. They move on the

indifferent subjects. To make sport of machinery of the steamer. I lod her to a seat, where we had a cantly. They indicate the character and me now amounts to an insult." fine view of the scenery on both sides of destiny. They help to make the immorrion," he answered very gently. "I the river, and seated myself beside her tal man. It matters not so much where in my most graceful attitude. I had we are or what we are. It is seldom that much, ever since the first week of our ac- practiced it before starting-until I learned, acts of moral heroism are called for bave loved you, God alone knows how it perfectly.

She seemed to know what was com-

I had heard a great deal about the dishouse. I ought to have spent this aua winter campaign, but Mr. Urofton, who tumn at Aspenholt, but I could not leave agreeable task of "popping the question," and, with my usual forethought, had pieyou, I cannot part with you now, Mapared my speech beforehand. Let me try to make you love me."

"Now," thought I, "is the time." So He took my hand as he spoke and looked full into my eyes. I think he I sommenced :

"Emma, these waters remind me of life; saw there an answering fervor, for at sometimes it glides smoothly, and somethat moment I became conscious of my own affection for him -an affection which | times it is disturbed by storms. Emma" And here I stopped, having forgotten had been strengthening hour by hour for many days. He must have seen it, I the next clause. I felt in my breastam sure, for he snatched me up in his pocket for my speech. It wasn't there, nor in any of my pockets. through such tiresome paths, and over arms, and carrying me straight to Mrs.

Now what was I to do.' Suddenly Renton's sitting room, he exclaimed, remembered having read in some novel I expected that Mrs. Renton would be that deeds were better than words : so I overcome with astonishment, and per- got up closer to her, and put my arms

haps anger, but she embraced me quietly around her waist. She did not resist, and so entertaining. It was delightful to and warmly, and said, "Three months but was seized with an uncontrollable fit v. . . . .

Harry afterward told me that Kitty shawls. I never saw any precise had the next room to mine at the hotel them ' 'New kind,' said she to the clerk. and as the partitions were thin, she heard

me telling my chum my love-secret, and 'Yes; miss just imported from France, heard him advise me to write the "dewarranted to surpass in firmness of texture and durability any now extant.---Will you have one ?'

'The price ?' 'Seventy-five dollars, miss; and cheap at that. 'Caroline was startled at this announce-

ment.' Now, reader, do you blame.me for hat 'That is high,' said she. ing women? Although I cannot help 'Not for the quality. Just feel it-see it (and you see yourself that there ain't a how soft it is, and you will not call it exparticle of conceit in my nature), if I say, pensive ' 'I did not think of getting one to day, however, I think I must. You may charge it to my father.' No trait of character is more valuable The shawl was folded, enveloped and in a female than the possession of a sweet handed to me by the clerk.

'I suppose father will scold,' said Carotemper. Some can never be made happy without it. It is like the flowers that line : 'but it is such a beauty.' spring up in our pathway reviving and We reached ere long another dry goods alterations to make in her toilet, so I cheering us. Let a man go home at night store, the placard which, 'Selling off at

went up to see if there was any place wearied and worn by the toils of the day, cost,' proved so seductive that we at once where I could gain her promise to love and how soothing is a word dictated by a stayed our steps and entered. Caroline good disposition. It is sunshine falling rushed to examine the silks; the first upon the heart. He is happy, and the specimen offered, which, to my unpracticed eye, seemed of a superior qualtiy was cast contemptuously aside, and she desired to see the very best they had in store. Some were shown her at two dolfound in the wife and mother, you ob-

lars and a half a yard. What with the shawl and silk, each of which made a bundle of no inconsiderable size, I was pretty well weighed down and began to be apprehensive of the consequence in case my companion should make any more purchases. She, however. relieved my anxiety by saying that she intended to purchase nothing more. She over the larger ones in arithmetic to its was only going to step into a jeweller's to have a locket repaired. Accordingly we repaired to the store of a fashionable

jeweller. The looket was handed over with the necessary directions. But this was not all. A lady at the dial of character and responsibility significounter was engaged in examining a very costly pair of earrings which she was desirous of purchasing, but demurred at the price, at last she laid them down r luctantly, saying, 'they are beautitul, but I do not care to go so high as twenty-five

dollars,' 'Let me see them, if you please,' asked Caroline. They were handed to her -She was charmed with them, chiefly, I imagine, on account of the price, for they had little beyond that to recommend them. 'Now I must absolutely go home, said she,' without purchasing any more. For once she kept her word, and I was released my attendance. But the thought that she had expended one hundred and thirty five dollars in a single morning's shopping, and on objects none of which, by her own cofession, she stood in need, could not help recuring to me, and I de-eided that until I could find some more

A man's own conscience is sole ribunal, and he should care no more for rapid way of making money, such a wife that phantom "opinion" than he should fear meeting a ghost, if he crossed the church-yard at dark.

The entire progeny of treason, the most loathsome and venomous (f all the vermin that afflict the earth, the multitudinous offspring of ignorance, and all the creeping orms which oppression brings to life, have tound a place and protection beneath the shadow of slavery. Happily for Missouri, a deliverer has come to remove this incumbrance from her

lace beneath the great "stone," wanting

osom, and let the sunlight and the winds of freedom perform their holy office in her behalf. Radicalism has taken hold upon the 'stone," raised it from its bed, and is about rolling it away from the State forever.-True, there is wild cohfusion as this process goes on. The entire community of conservatism is in agony and trepidation. The slimy and hideous creatures which so long have dwelt undisturbed in their fastness, deeming the State their own, array themselves for battle, but their resistance will be in vain. The stone will go over, and the State will be free.-Missouri Democrat, Jan. 15.

A SCITCH WIDOW .- The clerk of a large parish not five miles from Bridgenorth, Scotland, perceiving a female crossing a churchyard in the widow's garb, with a watering can and bundle, had the curiosity to follow her, and he discovered her to be Mrs. Smith; whose husband had not long been intered. The following conversation took place.

'Ah, Mrs. Smith, what are you doing with your watering can ?'

"Why, Mr. Price, I have begged a few hay seeds, which I have in a bundle, and am going to sow them upon my poor husband's grave, and have brought a little water with me to make them spring.'

'You have no occasion to do that, as the grass will soon grow upon it,' replied the clerk.

'Ah, Mr. Prince, that may be-but do you not know my husband, who lies here, made me promise him, on his death bed, I would not marry again till the grass had grown over his grave, and having a good offer made me, I dinna wish to break my word, or be kept as I am.

non A Gentleman who had married a second time indulged in recurring too often in conversation to the beauties and virtues of his first consort. He had, however, barely discernment enough to discover that the subject was not an agree-

able one to his present lady. "Excuse me, madam," said he, "I cannot help expressing my regrets for the dear departed."

""Upon my honor," said the lady. "I can most heartily affirm that I amas sincere a mourner for her as you can be." "GOING, going, just a going !" oried out an austioneer.

"Where are you going ?" asked passer

by. "Well," replied the knight of the hammer, "I'm going to the Zoollogical Gar-dens, to tell the managers that one of their baboons is losse."

Neversend word to the Printer to would be altogether too expensive a luxhurch-yard at dark. ury for me to indulge. How far I am stop your paper until you are sure you do woman should give a kiss as a right you may judge by Frank Palmer's not owe for it. Pay up. Then you can humming bird runs his bill into a honey-suckle-deep but delicate. At all events that is the reason order your paper stopped with a good why I didn't propose.

amount being 137,232 tons, received at New York. The quantity of maple sugar raised last year was about 25,000 tous.

SUGAR CONSUMPTION .- The total juantity of raw sugar, foreign and domesic, consumed in the United States during

1863, was 284,308 tons, against 432.411 tons in 1862-showing a decrease of 148, 103 tons. Cuba suppled the greatest

quantity of any other foreign country, the

Rather the real heroism of life is, to do all its little duties promptly and faithfully.

over the natural feelings of the heart .-there was mischief going on somewhere, Smiles, kind words, and looks characterize the children, and peace and love have and I offered a mental prayer for the untheir dwelling there. I requested Emma to take off that un-LITTLE ACTS GREAT .- Little acts are becoming veil, but before she could anthe elements of true greatness. They of neuralgia, and must keep it on for fear raise life's value like the little figures

if they don't hate in return.

Woman's Temper.