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I love the earliest grass, That dons its mantle green And ventures with such fearless eye Dissolving snows between.

I love the unfolding bud That like a babe awakes, When Spring beside its cradle-sheath Her watch maternal takes. I love the ivy-plants,

Where the Christians worship God. I love the snow-drop pure That bides the nipping air. And bendeth like a docile child

Aspiring through the sod,

To climb the sacred Temple walls

To say its evening prayer. I love the brooklets small That glide c'er hill and plain, And full of gladness sing His praise Who broke their icy chain.

I love the moss and fern Whose undistinguish'd gem Scarcely a busy throng regard, Yet God remembereth them.

I love all living things, That share our Father's love And by their beauty lure our souls To seek His home above.

Good Storn.

## HUSBAND'S SECRET;

THE MYSTIC LETTER.

BY W. O. EATON.

"O love! what is in this world of ours That makes it fatal to be loved?"-Don Juan.

They passed from before the altar of God wedded pair, in the presence of a few friends of the bride; and though there were not wanting those among the spectators who uttered subject. evil forbodings as to their future life, the bride, at least, was happy.

A year before, while Grace Dane was earning a fair livelihood in the Northern city, as a seamstress, chance made her acquainted with Henry Mowbray, a wealthy young merchant from the West, who had come for a permanent residence to the city in which she lived. Acquaintance ripened into friendship, and love and marriage followed in its train.

But little was known of Mowbray's previous history. He was sad and reserved in general. But he was known to be a man of means and be contented—won't you?" for it a home in every household.

Do not waste away with Coughing, when so small of a stainless mercautile reputation. The few an investment will cure you. It may be had of any respectable Druggist in town, who will furnish living kindred of Miss Dane were residing in while the tears coursed down her undeceiving self, at the age of twenty, in making her choice; press it, rather. and as she was fascinated with the address and he loved her.

He was a tall, erect, swarthy, dark-haired man, with an almost feminine mildness in his dark-blue eyes, yet a firmness of mouth and a manliness of carriage which commanded respect from all.

Grace was a blonde beauty, with golden hair, you will know all." and a face and figure which formed as great a contrast with her husband's as one could well charge of it while you are gone?" imagine. A fawn by the side of a lion. She was all ardor, truthfulness, and fondness, and for that." seemed to live upon her smiles, which were sad ones at the best; and ere long she saw to her sorrow that he was subject to moods of gloomy abstraction.

"Can it be that he repents his choice-and is tired of me?" sighed she, examining herself in a mirror. "Does he think he has married beneath him? Or-can he ever have loved another ?"

In time her face took the dismal hue of er wretched.

One day when he had seemed more than usually gloomy, and was absent from home, she went into his study, and on the desk there found an unfinished letter, commencing thus:

"DEAR HELEN: I have a sad disclosure to make; secret long on my mind. You may reproach me for it, but I have loved, and still love another .-After all that has transpired—"

The sentence was incomplete, as if the task had been too painful to be pursued, or the writer had taken time to consider about it, and in his agitation of mind had left the letter ex-

"Dear Helen !" murmured the wife, pale, and striving to suppress the tumult of her agonized heart. "It is what I have often suspected. This Helen must be some former city, the residence of a cotton-merchant named the North," continued Worthley, in a whisper.

regarding her. About to disclose, perhaps, that he is now married. But he still calls her dear Helen! Now, I am indeed wretched .be rid of this torment of suspense. To be jealous with cause and be kept in the dark is the worst of miseries. I could not feel such anguish if I knew all. Shall I ask him?-No! I have too much pride to beg a secret which he willingly keeps from me. I will leave it as it was, and say nothing."

Replacing the letter as it had lain, the unhappy young wife left it with a shudder, as if she had discovered a corpse there.

Before his usual hour, Mowbray returned home that day, and repaired hastily to the study, where he found and seized the tell-tale document.

"'Tis as I thought," he murmured, with a sad smile, gazing at the writing. "I left it by mistake; and it was mis-addressed, too. This shows how my mind wanders. It is useless. I will destroy it."

Tearing the sheet to pieces, he paced the apartment in great perturbation of spirit.

"O God! what a discovery. Oh that it had been made before. Too late! Too late! And I have sacrificed an innocent being. Would that I had died before I ever came hither .-My good name will be blasted, and she-I must not think of her! I will reveal nothing before I go. Go I must, if I would not add to the misery I have caused. When I have arrived in M ---, I shall know better how to act. But how shall I ever hold up my head again? And what defense will be believed?"

Agitated as Mowbray was, he did not observed, when he met his wife, that there was a marked alteration in her look.

She, however, noticed the increase of his gloom, and though she partly attributed it to the imagined suspicion on his part that she had read the letter, she still resolved not to refer to it, unless she was questioned upon the

Her unhappiness and suspicion were greatly augmented when in the evening he said to

"Grace, love."

"What would you have, Henry?" "I wish to tell you that I am going on a long journey to-morrow."

"Are we going, Henry?" she asked, with a faint smile and fluttering hope. "No, love. I go upon business, and it is of

such a nature that I should be but a poor companion for you while it lasts. You will try to

"I must," she answered, in a broken voice, Canada. She was left almost entirely to her- face, unused to hide emotion, ever ready to ex-

"You are unhappy, Grace. But I think it personal appearance of Mowbray, she did not may be some relief to you, to know that it hesitate to accept the man who told her that pains me, this necessity, as much as it can you."

"And is it a necessity?" she quickly asked, regarding him with searching eyes.

"Assuredly. And though it is a matter which I cannot explain to you, I will say this much-I feel it is for the best. And one day

"And your business here. Who will take

"Ralph, my head clerk, has all directions

"How long shall you be gone?" asked she, gazing at him hopelessly and doubtingly. "I cannot tell you. But in a short time I

shall know, and shall write to you." "You know that I love you?" "I am sure of it, my dear Grace, as sure as

that I love you." The young wife said no more; but on the morrow, as they were parting, the conviction stealing upon her that she would never see jealousy. An accident confirmed it, and made him again, she held her finger up and said gravely:

> "You will never return to me." He hesitated, and replied only: "It rests with God. Good-bye."

The carriage rolled away, and she was left alone. Young, beautiful, surrounded by luxury, yet feeling the full meaning of the phrase:

"a life of splendid misery." With what poignant significance came the words to her "If every heart's unwritten care Were stamped upon the brow,

How many would our pity share

Who move our envy now!"

The chamber of a dying woman! It was in a richly-furnished mansion in a Southern lover or present paramour, and he is in trouble Maurice Worthley.

The sufferer, it was apparent, was not from the last stage of her mortal career. The glare of day was softened by curtains which rustled Oh that this letter was finished !- that I might | gently with the mild and fragrant airs of autumn. The noiseless steps of a few persons in the room, their tender solicitude and attentions, their grave glances and low whisperings, denoted their anticipation of the dreaded hour.

"Has he come?" murmured the patient. "Not yet," was the mild reply of a young lady who was bathing her temples.

"Perhaps he will not?" suggested the sufferer, with an inquiring glance; and as she turned to watch the look of her attendant, she revealed an extreme beauty, exquisite even in the decline of death, such loveliness as, when the spirit leaves it, never permits the bereaved ones to be reconciled to their loss.

Worthley, who was present, stepped silently to the bedside and answered:

"I do not doubt that he will be here. He must have received my letter long before this and the words were very urgent. He must be here to day. Keep up a good heart."

She smiled thankfully for the hope, and closed her eyes for a moment. Suddenly she opened them, and eagerly exclaimed:

"I hear some one coming up the walk. I must be he. Look!

In another moment the door was opened and, covered with dust, Henry Mowbray en tered the apartment, and proceeded straight way to the bed, placed his arms around the sufferer, and their sobs were intermingled.

"Blessed be God that he has permitted me to arrive in time, my dear Helen!" exclaimed Mowbray; "and I owe great thanks to you, Maurice, for having sent me the tidings."

Worthley bowed, but sad nothing.

"O Henry, Henry, when we last parted, I little thought you intended to abandon mo. I never gave you reason, and I have loved you till the last."

The agony of Mowbray, at this reproach, could only be expressed by loud sobs and inarticulate sentences.

Worthley tried to soothe him, and whispered in his ear:

"Beware that you do not tell her that you are married-if it is so. None have heard of it bût me." 👉

"I have been wrongly judged by you all, it seems, and I have myself been the victim of a cruel artifice. If you feel able, Helen, to hear my explanation, I will make it. If not, I will wait till you are stronger."

"No, no; let me hear it now. I am strong enough Henry, and it will make me stronger to hear your vindication. I feel that you have been wronged, and that you love me still."

"When I left you, as you knew, I was called in hast to the West, to visit a dying mother. Detained much longer than I expected, I wrote several letters to you, directed to the care of your brother Ambrose, then in this city, as I supposed. But I never received a reply to them; and afterwards heard that you had left with him to his home in Cuba. On this I wrote to him, and not long after received this letter from him, which, as you will see, upbraids me for having abandoned you, and states that you died in his arms, and of a broken heart. I thought this true, and wondered that he had not received my letters to you; but as his next and final reply to my inquiries was one of denunciation and apparent doubt, I pursued the inquiries no further. And since that time, until I heard from Mr. Worthley of your presence here, I have been left to feel that I was the victim of unavoidable mischance, misapprehension, and the despised survivor of the wife whom I have ever fondly loved. But as I find that Ambrose grossly deceived me as to your death, I believe he must have intercepted and with held my letters to you-thus carrying out old antipathy he conceived from me from the first. For you know, Helen, how he

opposed our marriage." She faintly murmured her surprise and conviction that her brother was the guilty party; and while she glanced over the letters, Worthley took Mowbray aside, and informed him that his brother-in-law, Ambrose Percy, had done all he could to prevent the return of Helen; but she, impelled by a desire to see her husband once more before she died, though she had often written to him, but never received an answer-the letter, doubtless, having been kept by his enemy-had once more come to M-, and besought him to leave no means unemployed which might ascertain her husband's whereabouts and bring him back to her, ere she was summoned to the grave.

"I had long before heard of your marriage in Though it is best for her that she should re-

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main in ignorance of it. She can be spared, at least, that useless wound. And, pardon me, Henry, if the letter I wrote to summon you hither contained a severe reflection upon your conduct. I, too, was in the dark." "Alas! we have all been in the dark," re-

plied Mowbray, regarding his wife with unutterable anguish. "Look at me, dear Helen, and tell me that you feel assured of my love and sincerity." His wife made several vain efforts to speak,

for her mortal struggle was beginning. Hope had nerved her, and her long-suffering spirit, now satisfied regarding her husband, seemed impatient, to fly from its frail tenement. At last she succeeded in saying, feebly:

"I have nothing to forgive, Henry, I am going, very soon. Pardon my doubting. We will meet with God!"

With the parting kiss he gave her, Mowbray inhaled her last breath. Her eyes looked fondly on him, closed, and he felt a slight pressure of her hand.

"Helen!"

She spoke no more. She was dead.

Even he had . thought it best, she was beyond his power to reveal his second marriage. The hand of death had anticipated the reci-

The hour was not wanting in a new pang and a new surprise for Mowbray, while he was mourning bitterly over the loss of his first love.

The door was again opened, and a lady entered, with a wild and palid look of inquiry. It was Grace.

Overwhelmed by dispair, she had formed a hasty resolve to follow her husband, and had succeeded in readily tracking him to Mwhere she had arrived in time to see her rival

She approached the couch—the secret still mistery to her-and gazed upon the lifeless oveliness of one who had loved her husband first, but naught the more fondly. Mowbray was too much absorbed in the contemplation of the dead, to notice the approach of the living wife.

and, quickly drawing her aside, made a hurried explanation of all, and it was a balm for her lacerated heart more precious than life

Worthley guessed intuitively who she was,

Retiring to another apartment, she awaited the presence of Mowbray, and in that interview exonerated him.

"They never loved who loved but once,"

she said, quoting a saying which had often been debated upon her; "and you were the victim of a villian's hatred, and unavoidable mistake."

The reunion of Henry with Grace was an unexampled one, but attended with no reproach. They live still in the city where the beautiful and unfortunate Helen died, and Grace keeps her grave bright with native flowers throughout the year. Her eldest born is named for Helen, and the family feel that she smiles upon them from above, where loves are imperishable as the souls that give them birth.

As to the fratricidal Ambrose, he did not long survive the sister he had murdered by peicemeal. He was shot in a duel by one to whom he had admitted his villainy, and who had denounced him publicly as one not fit to live.-N. Y. Mercury.

Old men's eyes are like old men's memories; they are strongest for things a long way

If you see a man in the habit of slapping his pocket, you may set him down as a coarseminded, vulgar, miserly curmudgeon.

A parent's forgiveness of a daughter when, her heart is broken, is pardon after execution.

Very often men cut their love-tecth, as they do their wisdom-teeth, very late in life. It isn't desirable that time should mellow

people who are too soft already. There is often quite as much to be educated out of young men as into them.

It is a great thing in this rainy world to behold a day that doesn't look like a night.

Some of our tongue-valiant men never draw. a bead, but imbibe a great many.

There are generally a good many more steps to love than in it. They say that the ground is the only relia-

ble bank, but it is broken every day. Vanity is a greater slanderer than malice.