

SUNSET SONG.

Is it a dream? The day is done. The long, warm, fragrant summer days...

Down from immeasurable heights. The clear notes drop like crystal rain...

Sing Me to Sleep

THE little fishing village lay enwrapped in a gloomy mist. Over the sea it hung like a gray curtain...

It was the other kind of way, the weak way, and she had to learn different. There are times when a man must show himself a man...

But there was one man in Keston who did not see the fog or feel its moisture. David Greet swung open the door of his house and looked out...

He strode away, and Jane Greet brushed the tears from her eyes. "Well, she's with me—his mother—anyway; folks can't talk to any great length..."

The sound of his footsteps fell sharply in the silence. The fishers were all in, so were the laboring people. Each tiny house turned upon the darkness...

Margot was sitting where she had left her, still sewing. "What are you going to do?" asked Jane; and a harshness had crept into her tone...

With a sure foot he traversed streets and turned corners. When he found the house he wanted he passed just a moment at the door. That was not the pause of hesitation...

There came a day when Jane Greet met her with an odd look on her withered face. She had not mentioned the name of the girl's husband since that dark night...

The first footstep took him into the one lighted room in the house, for the front door gave upon it. It was occupied by two women—one, slight and bent as a withered bough...

How well she knew the song! He sang it with a little break in his voice; and she knew who had put that break there...

She was quite a young woman, tall rather than otherwise, dark skinned and dark eyed. About her was a regal air that seemed to fill the small room and dwarf all it contained...

Love, I am lonely, years are so long. I want you only, you and your song. Dark is life's shore, love, night is so deep; Leave me no more, love, sing me to sleep...

For a moment after the deep voice had died away she stood there, one hand pressed close upon her breast, shaken by the conflict between pride and passionate regret...

"I think I must have a heart, for I can feel it break," she said, when there was none to hear her. But the rumor was a lie and he came back...

He waited again, and again the needle went in and out, his only reply. After a pause, "She says she is not going back to you," said Jane Greet unwillingly...

"I have done well, and has come back right, Margot," said the old woman. She looked at her daughter-in-law with uncomprehending eyes...

Without raising her eyes, "I am not coming," said Margot Greet. These were her only words; she could not be induced to speak again...

"Oh, you are a wise woman, Margot," she said, "to keep away from such a fool. No one but a fool would lose all his money in going security for such a man as John Stanton is..."

David turned away, breathing heavily. "There's the weakness of strength and the weakness of weakness," he said. "You can give in to a woman because you're stronger than her, and stand the way I stand about..."

Then she arose and put away her sewing. She did not set it on the little table, as she always did, but rolled it up and with a curiously impatient gesture set it away in old Jane's drawer...

"That's finished with," said she; yet the sewing was not nearly done. Afterward she put on her hat and the shawl which she usually put over her head when she ran out she crossed upon her arm...

That was curiously quiet, and there was a fog; it was but one short year since Margot had quarreled with her husband and gone away. She found her way through the streets and round the corners just as surely as he had done...

David's pane made a little disk of light, which greeted her kindly, yet it hurt, for it reminded her of the yellow gold in her breast. But he was singing, this time in the light; and she paused to hear...

Sing me to sleep, and let me rest, In all the world I loved you best; Nothing is faithful, nothing is true In Heaven or earth but God and you...

"Don'ts" in House Decoration. A New Orleans woman who has gone in for house decorating—a field, by the way, which seems peculiarly adapted to women...

The important things to be considered in decorating a room are: "What it is to be used for." "Size." "How lighted." "Who the people are that will occupy it."

By the Beard of the Prophet. A new form of oath was administered in Special Sessions yesterday, when two Arabs were before Justice Wyatt...

Preserving Flowers. "Professor Constantine Gregory, of Naples, has invented a new chemical process for the preservation of flowers and foliage..."

But Proof Corn Crib. A correspondent to the Indiana Farmer asks how a corn crib may be constructed so as to be proof against rats...

A Little Free With the Judge. Congressman Bankhead, of Alabama, has a weakness for gambling stories. One that he tells is of a time when a spasmodic attempt was being made to drive gamblers out of Mobile...

Water For Ducks. The writer has had many years of experience in raising ducks and has been more or less successful in the work, although preferring other lines of poultry...

Word Tricks. Behold and curtail a word meaning situated in the East, and leave a flower. Behold and curtail a word, and leave to corrode...

The Farm

Keeping Butts. A New York dairyman writes that he has kept butts successfully both in summer and winter by simply filling it into jars...

How to Detect Spavin. When the buyer suspects that a spavin, large or small, is present, yet finds lameness absent, possibly due to continuous exercise or some preventive measure adopted for the occasion...

The Cow Stables. The stables where the cows are to be kept should receive first attention. They should be made sufficiently warm, should be well lighted and should have means for ventilation...

Shredded Fodder Comes to Stay. Well shocked fodder will not damage much if not shredded for weeks, unless it is a very wet season. A very important item to be considered is the condition of the fodder when shredded...

Putting Away Potatoes. One of your correspondents recently proposed a method of housing this useful crop. I want to suggest that all discussion on that subject is out of order...

Turkey Raising. Turkey Bulletin (No. 200) by the Department of Agriculture, now on the Government press, contains the following three general rules for selecting stock...

Hens Eating Eggs. Egg-eating hens are a nuisance, and after many years of experience in poultry raising the writer feels that when his hens are discovered at the trick the best way of stopping it is to kill the hen...

Lessons From Swiss Dairying. It is possible for us to draw many lessons from Swiss dairying. Probably this industry in Switzerland is the oldest occupation of man there...

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New York City.—Evening coats that are made full and ample below fitted yokes are among the most fashionable...

Novel Yoke Effect. A new skirt model made up for a young girl displays a novel yoke effect. The skirt has two narrow box pleats as a panel front...

Little Fan Heads. Smart new hatpins have the heads made in shape of a spreading fan instead of in the familiar bead shape. In jet, silver or gilt they are extremely modish...

A Late Design by May Manton. The coat is made with the yoke, which is cut in two portions and fitted by means of shoulder seams, fronts, back and sleeves...

Shirred Mousquetaire Sleeves. Fancy sleeves have already become established facts and are necessary to the fashionable gown. These very graceful ones are quite new and are peculiarly well adapted to all the soft and pliable materials of the season...

How to Fit a Sleeve. The long shoulders of the moment sometimes give a lot of trouble to the amateur dressmaker. The correct way to fit them is to put the underpart in first. Tack the full portion of the sleeves into small pleats and make them perfectly fit the size of the armhole...

Up-Ended Tucks. One dress in chain dore attracted all eyes. The fulness of the skirt was held in about the knees by means of puffs. A coat was the great feature. And of this little coat, which opened over a waistcoat of white crepe...

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