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-: POETRY:-

Where are Wicked Fulks Buried?

"Tell me gray headed sexton," I said

forks laid? I have wondered the quiet old grave

stone I read of no evil that men have done.

The old sexton stood by a grave new ly made,

on a spade; I knew by the gleam of his eloquent

to reply.

"Who is to judge when the soul takes its flight? Who is to judge 'twixt the wrong and

the right? Which of us mortals shall dare to say my arm, and burst into tears

died to day? ther we speed The better we learn that humanity's

As charity's spirit, that prompts us to

Rather virtue than vice in the lives of our kind.

these stones: The evil men do, let it die with their

bones.

HER FAIR, FALSE FACE

It all comes back to me now, the false to me-false to every vow.

I tell you my story, and the story of others as well; but I must tell you it in my own way, so I will be gin at the beginning : -

I was only twenty-five when first met Arelie Cameron, and she was then a beautiful girl of eighteen -a simple, gentle girl, I believed, who knew nothing of vanity or ambition, or anything that women of the world hold dear.

I was naturally romantic, and, like the 'Lord of Rosna,' my greatset ambition was to be loved for myself alone; not that I had very much to tempt a woman with, but I family, and my mother's fortune-a considerable sum-became mine at her death.

I never told Arelie Cameron this I let her think me a struggling lawyer, and as such I wooed and won her. I made her my wife, and took her to a rose embowered cottage, dream of delight; and if my dissatisfaction was felt by Arelie she nevpest of passion and bitterness was a word. rising within her toward me, and why? Because another had fallen in in the one chair where all night 1 love with her beautiful face-another had reviewed my dishonor, 1 rang to whom she never mentioned me the bell and Jane came in. nor her own marriage. This I "O. Master Guy, do not take it so learned afterward, and more than hard !" this-for I learned of stolen meet- In that moment her humble symings by moonlight, of kisses and pathy was more bearable than that and caresses between my wife and of an equal would have been, for as ber lover.

I believed I had tested her love eyes. enough, and I went away for a few "I will survive it, Jane." days; my intention being to tell my 'Yes, yes, my boy. Along with people of my marriage. I did so, your mother's name you have her and received their assurance of a strength." welcome for my beautiful wife; and "She has dishonored a proud fingers, which I saw at a glanco was king." then, with high beating heart, and name, Jane. I feel worse than had pulses thrilling as I pictured how I borne my father's." the glad light would leap to Arelie's When I had inherited my mother's eyes when we met, pictured her de- money I had to take her family and Arclic stole out without bearing flight at:the costly dresses and jewels name as mine, and it was a pronder I had ordered, her childlike astonish- name even than my father's. So, well, and went out into the grounds, ment at the beauty and elegance of while my brother was Vernon Flem- walking up and down in deep tho't. the new home to which I would ing, I was Guy noward. bring her.

when it would open.

And studied the epitaphs, old and me. Perhaps she had seen me and them had known or ever heard of not wait for wealth and position But on monument, obelisk, pillar or no; the footstep was slow and fact; and along with this were the I did not dream that at this monument, servant in my father's family, whom given him up. with his chin on his hand, his hand her keep my secret for a while. As would inherit all the vast estates of me back her face which was very pale, I strictly entailed

anxiously. "Is your mistress ill !" had fled with Arelie's falseness- You would stead my wife from What is the matter, Jane ! For went back to what ? God's sake, speak !

That our neighbor was wicked who 'O Master Guy! Master Guy!" even stronger than the memory of I saw a pistol gleam in the air 1 "In our journey through life, the fur. a word to me ; but she left this for I must tell it. von."

pected the fatal truth.

She wrote --

"I made a fool of myself when I ful wife of my brother? to me whem I knew my darling was were making believe poverty. for I the woe most bitter the woman I satisfaction, that you really are no loved brought to me-the woman more nor less than what I believed gone, would save him. whose false love made me what I was only pretense, and so I have As I came up the avenue again, my and the reason why L its master my soul we never shall, I say instead the soushing good by "

disorder there. It must have been they call it ?" well meditated on, and no sudder | Beautiful enough! Ah, heavens!

love died hard Our moment 1 feit mine. was the youngest son of a wealthy I must seek her-1 could not live A sharp cry left my lips. My loathed the thought of her.

and our honeymoon was to me a wrestled with my agony; the midnight bells rang out, and still 1 sat gazing into darkness. Later still,

When morning dawned 1 atill sat

she spoke the tears filled her kindly

It was June ; the red roses but you are to keep this place, and meet her again. bloomed fragrant as they twined if my-if your mistress comes back, "You will spare me, Guy? You Baby's a little lady, ground the columns of the rustic remember she is your mistress still, will not betray me?" she cried, verande and mixed their rich per- and that this place is hers. I will clasping my arm. fause with the faigt odor of hysciath send you money to keep everything I shook her off.

Almost mpatiently I rang the from home-an imperative summons dare to attempt as father's life

was coming to the door berself. But before-an absolute stranger, in few short years ? beavy-slow and heavy even for tidings that my father lay at the menta pair of eyes-Vernon's eyes

she opened the door something in the Flemings. For they were 'You must not tempt me to leave

"What is it, Jane?" I inquired bitionless for every hope of my life save me from this man ?"

I went to pass her, but she caught old seres, but the memory of that boside as "But I will send a bullet darch, if tout, home-coming is back with me now, through your cowardly heart " she cried. "She has -gone without the horrors that followed Therefore felt a sharp, sudden pain in my side,

Her hand trembled as she drew was propped up with pillows in the port of a pistol, and I remembered out the note bearing my name, bed, his face ghastly. Ab, yes : death no more. Poor old soul I she more than sus- bad most surely placed his hand up. When I awoke to consciousness I on bim. He looked at me with eyes was what I am now-the lonely Mechanically I opened the latter: in which a strange lustre gleaned inaster of this vast estate, for I had but not even at the first reading did A cry broke from my hps. That, been too late to save my father's life, Therefore, good deeds we record ou I realize what had befallen me. The place, that strange testeding of the and as Vernen had raised the revolve. IN J. W. SEIP. woman I wetshipped, the wife I moseles, I had eeen once before in or the trigger had canglit in an overadored, had fled from her home to India. My father had been poisoned harging bough, and the other bullet organ name. The A 21 points in P M I have labored as sexton this many a suother! The words of the note al- by one of the most subtle drugs had entered his own heart. most stunded me. A woman I be-known to science-its effect, indeed. I never married again People

> writing them, made my soul sick horror a speakable. But why was it what Vorgon's wife had been to my thoughts reverted to the beauti- me.

had heard a hint of things you had I knew the anti-lote but was it too afterward I looked upon her dead When I think even now of that done before you met me that did late to use it! Scarcely beeding the face, all its beauty marred, all its eat sorrow of my life, and of find now, too late, however, for my aptidote, which if he were not to far she had led

whose false love made me what I was only become, and but the stateliest than that I never loved you, and came slong the shady path below; the light of weman's eyes, nor wonthat i worship the laver with whom a tall graceful woman, I saw at a by a smile on her hys wealth and position, for he does not glanes with something strangly farmer and a jury composed of dream I am a wife. It is not likely miliar about her carriage. She came A jury composed of eleven basis that you will seek me. I know you out from the dense shadow, and as ness men and an old fellow from too well for that. So-un recoir, I she did so may brother overlook me, across the crock retired to the jury was going to say, but remembering and his eyes felt on the buly as well, room. The foreman, when selected, which I hope from the bottom of who at that moment stepped into remarked that he thought the prin-

"That is my wife. Guy," he said, tiery for five years, I rushed up the staries, but there "Is she not beautiful enough to That ain't loop coough, said the was very little sign of confusion or make pardonable my mesalliance as old follow. "Lets put it on him fur

decision come to Ah. Heaven ! Yes, for that moment I saw the pershe had gone caimly, almost sys- feet features, the crown of wavy bair, out on a bench, "I'm with yer." tematically, about her elopement. the crimeon curving lips of the wo-I sat down stunned for the time man I had loved. The dark eyes of ty?" being. I had loved her, and my my false wife were looking into

without her -- the next 1 scorned the eyes did not deceive me. Clad in thought, angry at myself for its en- silken robes and costly lace, Arelio tering my mind. One instant I steed before me. Stood before me would follow her and reclaim her- only for a moment, and then I saw bring her back to the path from her lips grow white, her face grow which she had strayed—the next 1 pallid, heard the low, frightened cry. saw the passionate, pleading look; the prisoner should go up for ten The night passed on, and still 1 the next moment she had fallen at years?" our feet.

My brother looked at me.

er gave the slightest sign of it to Jane brought me a cup of chocolate, by the way you looked at her. I "You have frightened her. Guy, me; but I know now that a tem- which I drank mechanically without think you must be crazy. You did He is my son in law an' I have been doing."

He lifted Arelie in his arms and carried her to the house, while I fol. kansaw Tanveler lowed, almost doubting the whole occurence. First I went to my fasther's room and gave him the droom I had gone for, then I went down to the library to seek Verson and tell him Arelie's story; and I entered by the side door, and came face to caused it to be given out, sire, 'res face with Arolio, who held an open plied Fenelon, "that your majesty letter in her hand,

my father's will, for he owned other wealth besides the entailed estate.

At this instant a servant entered, my ansawr. I left the library then as when the aweep of a dress told me Or gray, like his dear old tall: "I am going away, Jane," I said ; some one was near, and I turned to

ren up so it is, and if I ever return I will Do you think I would be a party

thought came to me then, as I stood The next day I sailed for the new was a perfect devil then his temper at the door with sunshine around world, intending to remain for some was roused "Most me here tome, of the borror that awaited me time. I had only been out one morrow night," I mid, and I will short mouth when a letter came give you my decision, but Arelie. "Where in this field are the wicked bell for the second time, and glane- to return. It contained the news of again, and as sure at there is a Gait ed at the windows to see if my darl- Vernon's marriage to a beautiful above me, I will hadd you ever to ing's face was smiling down upon dark-eyed women whom none of the law! Oh woman! could you

June, I thought. Jane was an old point of death-the doctors had dark with sudden-bern jealous ra e --were fixed uponing, but Arcle I brought to the cottage, bidding! At my father's death my brother must have seen there. She pushed

my bushend. Guy noward " she That his heart was instructing his lips not o d, struck a chill to my heart. I went back again, perfectly am- cried "Verson, where are you, to

> me, you scoundred I'd heard Vere-It sooms foolish, after all, to open ou's voice cry, as no leaped forward

then as 1 fell 1 thought I heard a I went first to see my father. He woman's scream, and the second re-

But I never have buried a bad man lieved pure as a lify had penned almost unknown, savely some one call me a misanthrope, but never! them, and the thought that i could sho had seen another with it thank God, a cynic, and wonder why have loved a woman capable of My heart grew cold with borror- it is so but none ever dream of

1 never married, though I was st became your wife, I would never "My God!" I cried. "Am I too liberty to do so, for after my recovery Arelie went away, and four years

oner onght to be nept to the ceniten-

"Ob, no, that won't do." "Wall, then," stretching himself

"What, you going to haug the ju "That's about it '

"My dear sir, we are auxious to get back to our business."

"Then send him up for ten. "But that would be a great ins

'Then squat an' make yourselves comfortable,"

Have you any special reason why

Think I have," throwing a quid of tobacco at the spittoon.

"Will you please name it?" "Yes, fur it won't take me long.

not seem to know what you were supportin him over since he was married."

He went up for ten years. -A-

When Fenelon was almoner to Louis XIV, his majesty was astonished to find one Sunday, instead of a numorous congregation, only himself and the priest. "What is the reason of this ? 'asked the king. "I did not attend chapel to day, that "What do you intend to do?" she you might know who come to worsaid, the paper dropping from her ship God, and who to flatter the

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