SUMMER NIGHT. Gray mists arise From dew-wet flowers, That lend their fragrance to the night; And languid float on breath of summer An incense light.

A pale moon shines On weary grasses, That bend their heads with mournful grace Then sinks behind the white clouds floating, And veils her face.

Heat quivers oft In lightning flashes Along the soft gray northern sky. And illuminates the grand old forest In shade near by.

A bird sings out In broken stanzas From yon tall bush with blossoms fair, Dream songs that, sung in drowsy snatcher Arouse the air, And echoes find

ien music, soft descend from regions high, ake the sleeping, sultry breezes oftly sigh. --F. S. Ward, in N. Y. Independent.

A SEREPAL UTILITY GENERAL UTILITY Woman. BY MARGARET LEE [Copyright, 1893, by the Author.] by the Author.] by the Author.] that has see here half a day?" as ked to any M at the saddress day?" as ked to any M at the saddress day?" as ked to any M at the saddress ing a room full of his nearest and dearest. He was haid up with a prained ankle, and spent his time in a product ankle and spent his time in a product ankle and spent his time in a product ankle and spent his time in a product and be and product and be and be and be and be and be and be and product and be and be and be and be and be and be and product and be and be and be and be and be and be and product and be and product and be and product and be and product and be and be

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she small and pretty?" queried 'Doès she wear a dark brown dress?'

"Yes, yes, yes!" said Tony, laughing. "Oh! we know all about her," came

norus. 10 on," cried Tony. "Let me know t von do." what you what you do." "I thought you were absorbed in lit-erature," remarked Tony's aunt, from

erature," remarked Tony's aunt, from a far corner. "So I am, aunt; but human beings interest me, too. Why not? I notice that this girl goes out, rain or shine, always alone. Sometimes she walke guickly, and her expression is birght and rest/fil. Then again, her step is slow, and her face very sad." "I can account for that," said Jennie. "She was nursing Mrs. Robins, and had a very hard siege of it.-up all night and on duty during the day." "Is she a professional nurse?" "No; that is the trouble," explained Fanny. "If she were a professional anything she would be at least sure of a living. She is an orphan, left to her own resources, and has no special train-ing."

anything she would be at least sure of a living. She is an orphan, left to her own resources, and has no special train-ing." "And is she a lady?" asked the annt. "Yes. She has good friends. Mrs. Allen, next door, rents her a room. She goes to her meals at the house of another friend. She works at anything she can get to do, and I suppose she pays her modest expenses. She can trim bonnets, make dresses, mend, and even cook, if necessary. We mether socially before we learned these facts." "And since then?" asked Tony, in a clear voice, regarding his sisters quiet y and steadily. "We occasionally see her, at the houses of her mother's friends," said dennie. "She is very retiring, dresses very prettily and looks as if she be longed to a past generation." "Oht well, anutie, if yon don't know just what I mean, I am afraid I can't make you. Miss Barton is shy and dig-nified. If she feels like the other gifs about her she certainly does not act or express herself as we do. Of course she nothing to say when public amuse-mentare the topic, because she has nothing to say when public amuse-mentare the topic, because she has nothing to say when public amuse-mentare the topic, because she has nothing to say when public amuse-mentare the topic, because she has nother the time nor the money to—" "Exaction," Take them in," suggested Tony.

neither the time nor the money to—" "Take them in," suggested Tony. "Exactly," went on Jennie. "I was trying to avoid the slang, because I wanted to convey a proper impression of Miss Barton. She listens engerly, but takes little share in general conver-sation. She dances gracefully: she was playing the plano, on one occasion, for some one to sing." "The fact is," interposed Belle, "that she has no more to do with our ways and ideas than the man in the moon." "She isn't in it!" said Tony.

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"Where are you all off to now." cried Tony, seeing his sisters putting aside their bits of embroidery. "Ohl we have hours of formal calling before us, and three receptions." "I thought you were going out to-night." He sighed and glanced at his

before us, and three receptions." "I thought you were going out to night." He sighed and glanced at his row we are." "We woa't be home till morning," "We woa't be home till morning," "We are very selfish," sald Fanny, "Oh, you ean't decline on my ac-count. I only wish I could hop along with you. Don't forget to come in and let me look at you before you put on your wraps." "No indulge in day dreams." "Nover mind dreams; they don't sponsal? That's real. I know all about you, and I love you. I can't add to that statement. I tell you what; these people are very considerate, and "I am wondering if am awake or "Then, I may come?" "Yes."

let mé look at you before you put on your wrapa." "No, indeed!" The door shut after the girls, and fare their slight figures in their with a source in the source in the

ays had filled his mind. "I don't suppose you were aware of my existence," he said, simply. "Yes, I was. I have seen you on the street, and heard of you from Mrs. Allen." "But you never really thought about me" "She isn't in it!" said Tony. "Now you have it," said his aunt, me." "Oh, no, indeed! I had no time. I am a general utility woman." She blushed and spolce very seriously. "I fear that my fancy will suffer. I can-not indulge in day dreams."

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her own stoop and disappeared in the **HIS MOTHER-IN-LAW.** yestibule. "By Jove!" he exclaimed, "I'd like to

She Was Not the Hard, Unforgiv ing Creature He Expected. shake them!" "Shake what? whom?" asked his

She Was Not the Hard, Unforgiving Creature He Expected.
"Yoa've come, have you?" said my mother-in-law in a deep voice, as she shood on the throshold grindly surveying me with eyes that shone like hard, green ish-blue gooseberries behind her speciales. For such modern trifles as eyes glasses were as unsuited to my mother-in-law's fine Roman nose as a point lace collar would be to the Verns di Milo. I could feel her glance penetrate to the very marrow of my bones; al stood facing her.
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We mother in-law had not the least idee who I was. I had cheerfully intended to take her by surprise; but now that the eventful moment had arrived, ay derson shows him, was oxing out at the ends of my finger.
My name is Richard Dalton. I was not absolutely uply, a sublime auderity, and pockets not particularly we had no board the source of the went of the town.
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Netle had looked admiringly upon me had aques board and here and whether a blue to the moother had arelitating whether here the signifying that the end of a mont mi "Shake what? whom?" asked his aunt. "Why, those sisters of mine. They don't behave themselves. Why should they snob a girl because of her pov-erty?" "Why, indeed? I doubt if they could do as well, if left penniless. Ahl Tony, this is a very insincere world?" "I'll bet you!" "To be sure, they and Miss Barton can have few ideas in common. I sup-pose she is resting after hours of tedi-ous sewing, and they are rushing off to display their new gowns and exchange bits of gossip with their well-dressed, talkative friends. So far as happiness is concerned her heart may be lighter than theirs." "Thope you are right, Aunt Lizzie,"

talkative friends. So far as happiness is concerned her heart may be lighter than theirs." "I hope you are right, Aunt Lizzle," and Tony turned to his cepy of Life. Miss Barton had ascended two flights of stairs, entered a hall bedroom and taken off her hat and jacket. She sat down in a creaky old rocking easily why she cried was a problem to herself. She was accustomed to loneliness: reading was its antidote. She understood the treatment accorded her by her meigh-bors. It was very weak and silly to fret; for her time was all to be occupied for weeks to come, and what more could she desire? Suppose she had no work—no means of paying her board— then, indeed, she might be excused for sobbing like a baby. But she was fully aware that when she was without engagements she never dreamed of cry-ing; she went out and looked for some dinner would be rendy in the close, heated dining-room, filled with table boarders, where she gladly presented herself at six o'clock every evening. Having deelded that it was hunger. Having deelded that it was hunger. Having deelded that it was hunger. Mark over and being healthy of mind and body, she opened a draver, helped herself to crackers and chocolate, and while slowly enjoying them notised a letter on her dressing-table. It was if y DEAR TERSING as draver, helped herself to crackers and chocolate, and while slowly enjoying them notised a letter on her dressing-table. It was if y DEAR TERSING as the means and to dy reind price as the readers, with affection. "MATHA TOWNSHERD." Miss Barton felt her checks warming with delightin anticipations. Fortun-ntely, if the world is afflicted with hurges. Towal rockers with affection.

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"Oh, Dick!" cried Nettic, clasping her hands: "what are we to do?" "Hangred fi I know!" was my rather blank response. "But don't cry, dar-ling, I'll go and see her myself." "You, Dick?" "I, myself!" "She'll have nothing to say to you-" "She'a have nothing to say to you-" "She'a have not of doors." "We'll see about that." "But, Dick, you don't know-you can't have any idea-how terrible she is," sighed Nettie. "St. George conquered the dragon, my love," I asserted, cheerfully, "and I mean to conquer your mother. So pack my valise, there's a darling, and I'll be off before the landlord comes back from Liverpool."

Miss Barton felt her cheeks warming with delightful anticipations. Fortun-ntely, if the world is afflicted with purse-proud people, it is blessed with warm-hearted, thoughtful, human men and women, who keep the balance on the right side. On the Wednesday evening following, Miss Barton found her hostess con-versing with a tall, slight, attractive man, whose age was rather balling owing to his fairness and bright ex-pression. She presented him to Miss Barton, and observed that' the girl blushed prettily and seemed rather more shy than usual. "I am going to lecture Mr. Townsend, Tessie. He's always late; and if it pleases you Mr. Matthews will take

Liverpool." "But, Dick, if he's troublesome, what

"But, Dick, if he's troublesome, what can I say to him?" appealed poor little frightened Nettie. "Tell him I've gone out of town and shall be back in a few days," said L confidently. But valiantly as I spoke, my mental sensations by no means corresponded with this bold part. I was beginning dimly to realize what a very unwise step I had taken and also persuaded poor Nettie to take. Tessie. He's always late; and if it pleases you Mr. Matthews will take you in to dinner. I couldn't give you a nicer neighbor." Mrs. Townsend furned away, and Miss Barton raised her eves to meet

step step 1 nut taken and taken property of the totake. And I was secretly making up my mind that if Nettie's mother refused to receive us. I would ship myself off to see as second mate or third purser, or something of that sort, send my ad-vanced wages to my poor little wife and commence the world over again in the facility.

and commence the world over again in this irregular fashion. But when I walked resolutely up to my mother-in-law's door she greeted me as if I had been expected for the last week or so. "You've come, have you?" was the

salutation. "Well, yes," I admitted, "I've come." "What on earth detained you?" said

he. In my mind I cast about what to say and settled on the first convenient ex-use that came into my head. "The train was delayed at Bogle one" settle

"I AM A GENERAL UTILITY WOMAN." those of her new acquaintance brim ming with laughter. "Mrs. Townsend is perfectly innocent of a joke, Miss Barton; but I hope she has told you the truth." "She always does."

cuse that came into my head. "The train was delayed at Bogle town," said I. "Well, come in, now that you're here," said she, "and get warm. It's awful cold weather for this time o' year, isn't it?" "Yes," said I, with an assenting nod. "Let me see," said ny mother-in-law. as she took a steaming platter of ham and eggs out of the oven and lifted a shining coffee pot from the stove; 'how old are you?" "One and twenty," said I. "Do you think," said she, pensive! feeling of her chin, "that you are able to talec care of the place? There's a great deal to do, you know, on a farm like this. Do you think, so," said I, won-dering what on earth my mother-in-law meant. "You are married, I suppose," said "She always does." "She is just the sweetest woman I lenow. I almost deelined this invita-tion, but my affection for her settled the question. I am doubly repuid for the effort. I have been wishing to meet you in this way for weeks?" Miss Barton's diffidence became per-fect silence. Mr. Matthews found it easy to tell her the thoughts that for iays had filled his mind. "I don't suppose you were aware of

law meant. "You are married, I suppose," said

he. "Oh, yes," said I, swallowing the hot offee and winking my eyes very hard.

coffee and winking my eyes very hard. "I'm married." "Can your wife make herself general-ly useful about the place?" sharply de-manded the old lady. "Certainly she can," said 1, beginning vaguely to see my way through tho mists of perplexity that had heretofore obscured my brain. "How old is she?" asked Mrs. Martin. "Eighteen," I answered. Mrs. Martin frowned. "What does possess girls to get mar-ried, now-a-days," said she, "before they've left off dolls and patchwork?"

"What does possess pirts to get mar ried now-adays," said she, "before they've left off dolls and patchwork?" I looked thoughtfully down at the pattern of my plate—a pink Chinaman crossing a carmine bridge with two very red willows drooping at the far end of it, and some impossible streaks of water below—and made no direct answer.

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And with equal curtness I responded: "Anything." "Come, I like that," said my mother-in-law, rubbing her hands. "At least you are not afraid of work. Do you ta-

you are not afraid of work. Do you ra-derstand cows and horses?" "Well, not much," Towned. "There were no cattle in my last place." (Which was very true, for I had been a elerk in a bank.) "But I have not the least doubt that I could soon learn, if you would kindly show me what is ex-pected of me." "Can you cut wood?" she asked. "Certainly." said I, reflecting to my-self that any fool might do that. She asked one or two questions more which I answered with the blind fatuity which attends youth and confidence. She seemed pleased with my willing-ness to undertake anything and every-thing.

thing. "And now about wages?" she said bristly. "What will you ask for your own services, and those of your wife-by the month?" I fitted the tips of my fingers reflect

I fitted the tips of my fingers reflect ively together. "As we are both rather inexperi-enced," said I, "we'll agree to work the first month for our board; after that you shall pay us what you think we are both worth." "Hum-hum!" said my mother-in haw, "that's is sensible proposition--avery sensible one, indeed. Well, send for the young woman at once. In the meantime I'll show you over the place and explain to you the nature of your duties."

and top of the interest of your duties."
So I hired myself out to my mother in-law as farm servant, without further ceremony, and immediately wrote and posted a letter to Nettie.
On my return from the post office 1 met a burly young man meditating at a spot where four roads meet.
"Cap you tell me, sir," said he, "where Mrs. Abel Martin lives?"
"Oh, yes, sir, I can tell you," I responded, affably. "But if you are looking for the situation, I may as well tell you that it's filled."
The burly young man made some remarks, indicative, in a general way, of his opinion of the fickleness of womankind, and departed, whilst I returned rejoking to the old farmhouse. "Here's a very nice beginning," said 1 to myself. "It is now my business to give as much satisfaction as possible." Fortune favored me in more ways than one. My mother-in-law sprained her ankle on the second day, and I had the satisfaction to hear her say to old Miss Priscilla Perkins that she didn't know when she had taken such anotion to anyone as she had to the new man.
"He's good looking, ain the?" said my mother in-law. "Bu the's areadful handy about the house, and he ain't one bit afraid of work. And you ought to have seen the oysters he stewed for my super last night, and the cup of ten her made; why, I don't miss Jemimu Styles one bit. If Nettic could have stayed single till she met such a mana sa this?"
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"My usar, am." "But, Diek—" "No buts, my darling," said I cheen fully. "Let us be 'Julius Cæsar' over iggain. 'We come, we see, we con-iggain. 'We come, we see, we con-

quer." To chart, we see, we can And I dragged my unwilling little wife into the back room, where my mother-in-law lay on a sofa nursing her ankle. "Here's my wife, ma'am," said I, "and I hope she'll give satisfaction." Mrs. Martin jumped up, spite of the wounded ankle. "Nettie!" she cried, in blank annace meet.

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"Oh, mother, mother," faltered Net tie, throwing both hands around the old lady's neek, "please forgive me this time and l'il never, never elope again," "Please, ma'am, we'll be good," added I. And my mother-in-law relented of the spot. How could she do otherwise? "Henrietta," said she, "you've been a maughty girl-there's no denying that. But your husband seems a handy man about the house, and I'm tired of living alone. So take off your things and go to work getting supper. As for you, Richard"-

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STUPENDOUS ERUPTIONS. Have Created by Some of the Larger Volcances. Few people of this country imagine what terrible work a volcano of the regulation size can do when it once gets fully aroused. In 1838 Cotopari threw its fary rockets more than 3,000 feet above the crater, and, in 1857, when the blazing mass confined in the same mountain was struggling for an notiet, it roared so loud that the awful noise was heard for a distance of 000 miles. In 1707, says the Philadelphia Record, the crater of Tunguragua, one of the great peaks of the Andes, flung out torrents of mud and lava which dammed up a great river, opened new which flowed from Vesurius in 1857 and passed through the stream of lava which flowed from Vesurius in 1857 and passed through the Valley of Terre del Greeo is estimated to have been 835,000,000 eublic feet of solid matter. In 1700 Actan poured out a flood of metded stones and ashes which covered by ont from 10 to 40 feet. On this is censin the saming mountain formad Mount Rosini, a peak two miles in circle from the burning mountain formad Mount Rosini, a peak two miles in circle the of the and the of the destruc-tion of Pompeii, the scoria, nave, etc., from the burning mountain formad Mount Rosini, a peak two miles in circle the size of the volcano itself, while in 1000 Actan disgorged over twenty times its own mass. Vesuvius in the size and into Syrin, Eyryt and Turkey. It hurled stones of 800 pounds weight to Pompeii, a distance of six English miles, during the cruption of Yo A. D. Cotopaxi once projected a block of stone containing over 100 cubic yards a distance of nine and a half miles. SIGNIFICANT NAMES.

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They Are Sumetimes Singularly Changed by Matrimony. Now and then a family is found where the parents have been animated with a desire to give their children "names that mean something," as in the case of one where the children were numbered instead of named. In other instances the first name had been bestowed with strict reference to the significance of the last name. An English journal records that, not long since, a clergyman in Notting-hamshire, in baptizing a baby, paused to inquire the name, and was told by the father: "Shady, sir, if you please." "Shady!" replied the minister, "then it's a boy, and you mean Shadrach?" "No, sir, it's a girl."

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"No, sir, it's a girl." "And what do you mean by giving it such a name as Shady?" "Why, sir, if you must know, our name is Bower, and we thought as how Shady Bower would make such a pret-ty name."

Shady Bower would make such a pret-ty name." This recalls a case of a young lady in a western state who bore the romantic name of Ivy Green-or bore it until she was married. Her case was more fortunate than that of the daughter of a gentleman named Rose, who bore through her girlhood the name of Wild Rose; but, having married an excellent young German of the name of Katz, was fated during the remainder of her life to sign herself Wild Katzi **A Wholesome Lesson.**