Whence came this miracle of grace Where only barrenness had place? Who wrought this wonder from the Whose guerdon lavished it around?

The gardener is a woman frail, Her arm is weak, her face is pale— She spake, uplifting thoughtful eyes It brings to me, as you, surprise. Naught had I that was rich or fine, Only the drudgery was mine, The weary toiling in the mold, In wet and dry, in heat and cold.

Heaven sent the rest, no work is lost: Through drought or flood, or fire or frost,



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There had been the usual run of stories about the campfire, when the lawyer spoke. It was a late fall camp. Hunter's yarns had run riot. Inventions had become exhausted.
"I am no sportsman," he observed, "but I have had some fun occasionally, when I was younger."

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In a second he had the usual close at tention accorded to the quiet man who unexpectedly becomes talkative. After a moment, some one's pipe went out and stayed out.

"It was buck twenty years ago. I was practicing in C——, in northern Ontario, where clients were scarce and poor as myself, and where a law practice took one out collecting rents from farmhouses ten miles apart, by roads terrifically rough—one wheel up a bowlder, the other down in a rat.

"The county towns adjacent are Owen Sound and Barrie. Several times a year I went to both places on circuit. Owen Sound was a pretty wild place in those days; plenty of young Englishmen spending the quarterly allowance they got from home the first week it arrived, and plenty of young fellows in banks and law offices trying to keep up their end with much less money. Shrieber Bolton of Barrie, and myself usually went every three months or so to the Sound together. We knew all the men about town and always counted on a fairly good time while court was in session.

"On one occasion we reached Owen Sound pretty well played out. We had had to stage it from Menford, twenty-four miles. So, when the first day's work was over, we refused all invitations and settled down after dinner to a quiet smoke at our hotel.

"However, about nine o'clock some chaps came along and fairly routed us out. There were Merrill, teller in one of the banks, and Arnold, the son of a wealthy brewer, both well-known young fellows in the place, and whom we had met frequently before. They would not take any refusal. Go to Dinny Dinoon's we must, before the night was over; we were only there once in a three-month, and so on. Dinny kept a saloon with cardrooms and billiards, I think. Presently some one said cards. We tried to get out of the game." Bolton played very little and never for money, and I did not care to play that night even for small stakes. But it was no use, and the upshot was that we soon found ourselves in a small upstairs room, with a bottle or two, and the prospe

thereof.

"Years before, when a line of boats played between C— and Chicago, the captains found themselves in C— two or three days out of each week; there was tall playing, and loo was the game. Well, in those days I had played



deal for a youngster, but I had, time of which I speak, forgotten ame entirely. As for Bolton, as the game entirely. As for Bolton, as he subsequently told me, the only thing he knew of loo at all was a providential but of advice he got years before from an old uncle, to the effect that there was to lake the missy' (that is, girls, the two or three cards left over which the person next the dealer has the privilege of substituting for his own hand) every time, and the other was to leave it every time. So Bolton left it alloane every time and played along tranquilly, standing, to be not much out or in when the game was over.

"I saw that a low limit was fixed, a forty-five cent one, and we started it. After a bit it all came back to me, but I lost and gained about evenly. After

edge.

"The situa tion was pregnant. Here was Bolton, who was gently keeping out of it, and to whom, therefore, it was unnecessary to convey any warning; here were three young rascals de-



liberately laying themselves out and setting up a game to fleece two innocent comrades, and here was I, knowing the whole trick beforehand, and fully prepared with the biggest sort of revence.

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"The point was this: Whenever they dealt, they knew of course every earl in my hand and in the 'missy' and so did I in their hands and in the 'missy;' but what they did not know was, that I knew. So when I had the best hand I went in, and when one of them coul! best me I simply stayed out. There were always two of them in, of course, one to decoy me; so I stood to win every time.

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"And when I dealt I took care that they should see neither my hand nor the 'missy.' Consequently I knew all their cards and they only knew each other's and the game was entirely in my own hands. I had a dead sure thing. If you had seen those men look at each other! I was not to be bluffed out or lured in unless the cards warranted it and I won stratcht along of course. I had them hard and fast; they were helpless and could not understand it at all. Side-glances of inquiry became open astonishment and lengthened, with their faces, into pure dismay. They were the most sold men I ever saw, yet not daring to stop, and uncertainly fearful of me. Rats in a trap were enfranchised citzens compared to them. They could do absolutely nothing but play on and lose their money. It was their suggestion, you see, their cards and their own set hey money. It was their suggestion, you see, their cards and their own set ng zame It was fun, I tell you.

"Well, along about midnight, Arnold was strapped, and borrowed of Hocking, and by four in the morning they were all cleaned out and I had Merrill's I O U for forty dolliurs.

"Next morning I woke up Bolton early and told him. He was in bed and rolled off in helpless paroxysms of laughter about the floor. He had seen the whole thing of course far better than I had and he simply rushed back to Barrie to tell the story. He was a capital story teller and for years afterward my appearance in Barrie was the signal among a certain set for prolonged laughter.

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the signal among a certain set for pro-longed laughter.

"Bolton would not share upond took only his own money back. Merrill came around the next morning and paid up the forty dollars. I left Owen Sound that night and never saw any of the three again."

"You don't mean to say you never told them!" exclaimed the lawyer's doughter.



Muss Bright—It's very simple. The materials are a cellection of newspaper portraits of bishops and burglars. The gentleman who can tell one from the other can marry the girl he is playing with.

Mr. Adorr (sadly)—At last I see there's no hope. You do not love me.—Puck.

They were waiting for a State street

"I don't know," said the other, "but I guess he gave up the idea. Why should a man do such an idiotic thing?" "Perhaps he wanted to qualify him-self for a position on the police force." —Chicago Tribune.

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"Never knew such hard times, old boy. We're conomizing at our house now just like other folls."

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Traners (to collector)—I'm sorry I
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Office Boy (interrupting)—There's a
man outside to see you, sir.
Traners—Well, what does he want?
Office Boy—He wants to collect the
bill for a tombstone.—Brooklyn Life.

She Knew tt.

Teacher (to class)—Can anyone tell me why the lyre-bird is so named?
Silenee reigned for quite a time, when a little five-year-old eagerly raised her hand.

Teacher—Well, what is it, May?
May—Ain't it tecause he tells such awful lies?—Harper's Young People.

Where Woman's Taste Fails.

Where Woman's Taste Falls.

Manes—I believe Tom intends to retire from the world and live in seelusion permanently.

Taylos—What makes you think that?

Manes—I just overheard him tell his
wife that she might buy his next sugply of neckties for him.—Chicago Record.

A Serious Derangement.

Physician—Don't look so downcast, my friend. Brace up and let's see what I can do for you. Why do you think your mind is in danger?

Patient—I don't think—I know. I attended a farce comedy last night and laughed at the jokes.—Chicago Record.

Cou'd Pies Her Friends.
Little Ethel—I wish I could get quainted with Susie Sweet, but I can't She's awful exclusive.
Mother—Exclusive? Why, I never even heard of the family.
Little Ethel—Didn't you? Her mother keeps a candy stand.—Good News.

Wee Womes.

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Mother—How did you like that little girl you got acquainted with?

Little Dot—I didn't like her a bit. She's jus' horrid' She talked so much about her dolls that I didn't get a chance to talk about my dolls.—Good News.

Fobbs (the miser)-I wish I were

Snapples.
Hobbs-Why, Snapples is suffering

daughter.

"Not much! far better joke as it was."

"Ohl good gracdous!" she ejaculated gaspingly. "Think of keeping it!"
Her father laughed.
"I eo peet they are like the man who was le'lled by lightning, still wondering what struck them." he said.
The fire burned low as one pipe after another was slipped into the pockets of rough serge coats and soon candles glimmered out of the tent cracks.

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