

FOREBODING.

I should be so lonely without you, dear. Why, even now, if you be not here...

I should be so lonely without you, dear. Kiss me again, so I know you're near...

A GLOVE BUTTON.

How It Furnished an English Traveler a Short Story.

Everything happened exactly as it does in those charming novels, which, of all literature, are my favorites.

"Depend upon it," said I to myself at once, "she's going to stay with the Blairs."

Unhappily, she did not seem inclined for conversation. She was accommodating, but not disinterested as to the window.

Something did. The lady put down the paper and gazed in a puzzled manner at her left glove.

She tried to button the glove. The glove was not too large; she could not button it.

I love a dainty woman, and a woman whose life is spoiled by an obstinate glove button is just the woman for me.

But she did not. A sudden smile—a smile of illumination—spread over her face.

Had it not been for the look of the thing I would have kissed her on the spot. As it was—and notwithstanding my interest in racing—I allowed the Huntsman to drop and fastened my eyes on her.

Her white teeth gleamed radiantly between her parted lips, as she gently drew on the right glove.

She tried the first button. She stepped to think. A curious expression stole over her face.

Then it struck her, and in an instant her face fell all a-laughing, and I burst into a loud peal.

She looked up in momentary indignation. In swiftly succeeding fun, in irresistible sympathy.

"But what am I to do?" she asked. "Well, if you don't mind," she said.

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PATRIOTIC PIGEON.

After Four Years of Captivity in Berlin It Returns to France.

Many instances are on record of tenacity of memory on the part of carrier pigeons, who are said never to forget their first coo.

One day a pigeon from one of these balloons was captured by a German soldier of the besieging army.

Here the French pigeon lived, apparently happy enough, for four long years. But it did not forget its fatherland.

One day a door of the great dove cote was left carelessly open. The French pigeon flew out.

"All right, all right," said I. "We've another hundred—a whole splendid hundred—miles to go."

"I'm afraid," I returned, "that I am being a little hasty, but—"

"Unless I'm hasty," she interrupted, with a laugh and a blush, "I shall be carried past my station."

"You are not going to go out there!" I cried, aghast. "You're not going even to the same station?"

"I'm very sorry, but the next is my station," I thought for a moment. The plot was not exactly what I had expected.

"By my husband," said she. "For a moment I said nothing. The train was nearly at a standstill."

"Yes, there is George," said she. "Oh, you've not given me the hairpin!"

"I wonder if those Blairs are nice?" There was regret, longing wistfulness, in that whisper. George was outside.

"I could but hold up my hairpin with a romantic air. And the lady was gone!"

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THE THEATERS.

M. Gor's retirement leaves M. Monnet-Sully as the senior actor of the Comedie Francaise in Paris.

PARIS theaters took in \$5,000,000 in 1904. The Grand Opera heads the list with \$2,500,000.

AN English melodramatist proposes to make his hero rescue the loved one from "a position of horrible danger" by means of a flying machine.

A COMPANY of Chinese actors is to appear soon at the Nouveau theater in Paris in a piece called "Le Dragon Vert."

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CHARMING LITTLE DEN.

Hints That May Prove of Value to the Girl Who Needs One.

Every girl wants some spot, be it never so small, for her very own. Confidences are not easily exchanged in a room where she is constantly subject to interruptions from the friends of her mamma or her big sister.

Such a den has been created by a Brooklyn girl, with her great-grand-ma's brocade curtains for a starting point. The room, a second-story hall room in a wide, old-fashioned house.

The door leading into the hall was taken from its hinges and one of the wide curtains hung in its place from a pole of cream enamel and gold.

Opposite, nearly the whole length of the room, stand low book shelves of oak filled with rare and dainty editions of her favorite authors.

THE ENGLISH IVY. Training the plant so that it always looks fresh and green.

Old plant growers do not need to be told of the good qualities of the English ivy for a successful indoor climber.

Planted in ordinary potting soil in a medium-sized pot it is ready to commence a growth which will continue for years, if only it is supplied with water and kept free from insects.

It should be trained in such a manner that it can be taken down and restored again to its position, and this can be done by the use of a good strong cord or a wire.

It is more or less subject to green fly, as are nearly all other plants, and it is liable to harbor scale insects.

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ESTATE OF REBECCA YEAGER, late of Black Creek township, deceased. Letters of administration upon the above named estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment and those having claims or demands to present the same, without delay, to David Deets, Chas. Orion Stroth, attorney.

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