little of that "guillotine flash" in her

" Because you belong to me! don't you ?"

The last two words were in a pleading, caressing tone, and Hetty's eyes and heart softened. She felt dazzled, bewildered, fascinated. She yielded to the arms that clasped her, and let her head drop upon his breast, regardless that her colffeure was a miracle of Monsieur Pennquier's art.

And yet a strange, distrustful feeling mingled with her happiness. This was not like the love of which she had so fondly dreamed.

" It is all settled, aunt," said Richard cheerily as he put them into the carriage. "We are to have a wedding before

spring." The expression of delight on Mrs. Vandervere's face surprised Hetty. In spite of all the flattery and praise she lavished upon Richard, Hetty had a fancy that her aunt had, in the bottom of her heart, no great love for him. Why she wished so much to see her his wife she could not tell.

Hetty created a sensation at Mrs. Clymer's soirce. She was fresh and bright, and her beauty was of an uncommon type. She was surrounded by a throng of admirers; but she thought as she looked at them all, that her aunt was right .- no one of them could compare with Richard. She wondered, with a humility that was new to her, why he should have chosen her.

But, as they were leaving the rooms, she overheard a whispering which annoyed her a little.

' Vandervere has caught an heiress at last," one rather dissipated-looking young man was saying to another.

"It's time too," responded his compaulon. "It's a game he has been trying for the last ten years. And he's run through with what money his father left him. I don't suppose he's got money enough to pay for his cigars."

Money! That had never occurred to Hetty as a reason for Richard's devotion to her. She understood readily enough that it made her of value in her aunt's eyes; but surely Richard was too noble to be influenced by any mercenery motive. She dismissed the suspicion at once as unworthy. If he had no money, what did it matter? She had enough for

Richard was not a particularly ardent lover: but he was a very impatient one. He was anxious that the marriage should take place immediately, and almost grew angry when Hetty resolutely refused to consent.

She was too happy as she was, had not had enough of gayety, and was not ready to settle down into being a dignifled matron, she said. The truth was, that she shrank from the marriage with a feeling of dread for which she could

One day, two months after her engagement to Richard, the servant announced a visitor for her; and she went down to the drawing-room, to meet- Elkanah Eastman,- Elkanah, thinner, bonier, more Yankeefied than ever, she thought, after her first thrill of delight at meeting him had passed; for she was delighted, more so than she would have believed possible previously.

But Elkanah was gloomy and ill at ease. He evidently had something on his mind which was not easy to utter. It came out at last.

"Hetty," he said, "I have a very thankless task to perform. I shall cause you pain, and make you hate me, and possibly do no good; but I cannot see you rushing into lifelong misery without trying to save you."

Hetty had felt an undefined presentiment of evil when he began; and, in her suspense, her heart almost ceased to beat when he paused.

"The man whom you have promised to marry is not what you think him, Hetty. He is thoroughly dissolute and unprincipled. Do not get angry till you have stopped to think. You know I can have no unworthy motive in this, Hetty. I have given up all hope of winning you myself,-I know I never had any right to hope at all,-and if he were worthy of you".

"If you have come here only to slander my future husband," said Hetty, "the sooner you go, the pleasanter it will be for me."

And Hetty raised herself to her full height, and from her eyes flashed a glance meant to annihilate the presumptuous young man.

"Hetty, only listen to me patiently," he persisted. "I can prove to you that Richard Vandervere's life has been"-

Hetty swept out of the room, and left lilm alone.

In truth, poor Elkanah had not displayed much tact in the telling of his tale; and he left the house with a consciousness of this heavy upon him.

" And yet," he thought mournfully, " Hetty loves the man, and nothing would have convinced her."

As for Hetty, she was too angry to be conscious of any other feeling.

She was rushing up to her own room, when, as she passed the library-door, the

sound of her own name, in a loud and an angry voice, arrested her steps.

"I tell you you must bring the little devil to terms. I have lived as long as I am going to on the miserable pittance that you dole out to me. If the marriage doesn't come off within a month, I'll take steps to prove the will a forgery, or at any rate to prove undue in-fluence. I can do it easily, and you know it; for everybody knows that my uncle meant to make me his heir .-When you got up this scheme to marry me to this girl, I supposed she was a simple little countryfied thing, who could be managed easily; but the moment I saw her on the cars,-where I followed your shrewd idea of scraping acquaintance with her, and getting into her good graces, before she saw anybody else,-I saw that there was a good deal of Tartar to her. If you'll make her marry me right away, I'll risk but that I can manage her ; but I am not going to stand this shilly-shallying."

It was Richard Vandervere's voice; and Mrs. Vandervere was trying in vain to quiet him.

Hetty felt faint and sick. By a great effort, she summoned strength enough to creep up to her room, and lock the door behind her.

Her thoughts came rapidly. Elkanah was right. Richard Vandervere was thoroughly unprincipled, and he cared for her for the sake of her money. And heraunt was linked with him in a plot against her. She was all alone and friendless.

At last a way of escape dawned upon her. Elkanah had told her that he was going home to Derby that night at six o'eloek.

She reached the depot in time; and almost the first person she saw there was Elkanah,-Elkanah, the picture of despair as well as awkwardness.

She slipped her hand into his. "Elkanah !" she said, "forgive me, and take me home. I have found out that it is all true-what you said ; and I want to go home."

Such a light as came into Elkanah's eyes! Hetty never forgot it.

I may as well end my story here, since Hetty's New York experience is ended.

I will only add, that, when anybody ventures to insinuate to Mrs. Elkanah Eastman that her husband is not handsome, she always says that she " fell in love with him on account of his ugliness and awkwardness," and that she "wouldn't have him a bit handsomer for the world."

A Texas Courtship.

THE following, the most remarkable courtship and marriage on record, we take from the Waco (Texas) "Examiner," of June 29th :-

M. C. Shakespeare, a farmer residing in the northwestern part of this county, and possibly a distant relative of the renowned bard of that name, called on the Rev. J. H. Richey, in this city, at two o'clock yesterday afternoon and said:

"Parson, do you know all the ladies In Waco ?"

" No, I don't know half of them," replied Mr. Richey.

"Do you know a widow lady named Mrs. Ward, who is employed in the fam-

ily of Dr. McGregor ?" "I have not," said Rev. Richey, " the honor of her acquaintance; but why do you ask ?"

"Well," said Mr. Shakespeare,"I don't know her either; I never saw her in my life, but thinking maybe you knew all about her, thought I'd come and ask you. I'm thinking about marrying her."

"I should think," remarked Mr. R., "that you would refer that matter to the lady herself."

"I will, so I will," said Mr. S., "but not until I have first seen Dr. M'Gregor," and so saying, he turned and walked away.

About three-quarters of an hour later Mr. Shakespeare again stood in the presence of Mr. Richey.

"I have seen Dr. M'Gregor," said Mr. S., "and he says he has known the lady for sixteen years and she is all right." Then exacting from Mr. Richey a promise that he would wait in his office "a little while," Mr. S. walked off, saying he would " call on the lady." And he did.

"It's all right, parson," said he walking into Mr. Richey's office less than an hour afterwards. "I've seen the lady, and she says it's all right. Quick as I can get a pair of licenses I want you to go up and tie the knot."

At 4:30 o'clock Mr. M. C. Shakespeare was married to Mrs. Nancy Ward, Rev. J. H. Richey officiating, and the newly wedded pair left at once for their rural home. Mr. Shakespeare has a good farm and is well able to make his wife comfortable. Mrs. Shakespeare is a good housekeeper and is otherwise well qualified so make him a good wife.

Two hours and twenty minutes, dating from the moment the would-be bridegroom's first inquiries were made, is the

precise time occupied in the accomplishment of this alliance. The original Shakespeare never imagined anything half so expeditious, his approach to it being-

She is fair and may be woord. Woman, and may be won.

The Quaker's Trade.

TRADE thoroughly learnt is sometimes more valuable than the possession of wealth. We will prove it with a story to the point.

A great many years ago, before steamboats or telegraphs were in use, a wealthy young gentleman paid marked attention to a Quaker's daughter, and after a time, when the climax had arrived that they desired to be married, the young man found that he had to pass through the ordeal of getting permission from her father; so with his suit he approached the old man. On all points of ability to support a wife, and respectability of character, the old Quaker was quite satisfied, but he had to ask the young man one question :

" Dost thou know a trade?" Being rather crest-fallen, the lover re-

plied in the negative. "Then thou must learn one before thou marries my daughter," was the

answer.

Not to be nonplussed, he went and looked about to find a trade that could be most quickly attained, and selected basketmaking, and after satisfying the old man that he could build a basket well, his sanction was given and the happy couple married. They took their honeymoon trip along the Mediterranean sea, and were shipwrecked, losing everything but their lives, escaping to an island, on which he supported himself and wife by the trade he had so recently learnt for about eighteen months, when succor arrived and they were restored to their friends.

A Fair Division.

A NOBLEMAN residing in a castle in Italy was about to celebrate his marriage feast. All the elements were propitious except the ocean, which had been so boisterous as to deny the very necessary appendage of fish. On the very morning of the feast, however, a poor fisherman made his appearance with a turbot so large that it seemed to have been created for the occasion. Joy pervaded the castle, and the fisherman was ushered with his prize into the saloon, where the nobleman, in the presence of his visitors, requested him to put what price he thought proper upon the fish, and it should be instantly paid him.

"One hundred lashes," said the fisherman, "on my bare back, is the price of my fish, and I will not bate one strand of whipcord on my bargain .-The nobleman and his guests were not a little astonished, but our fisherman was resolute, and remonstrance was in vain. At length the nobleman exclaimed:

"Well, well, the fellow is a humorist, and the fish we must have, but lay on lightly, and let the price be paid in our presence."

After fifty lashes had been administered the fisherman exclaimed :

"Hold, hold! I have a partner in this business, and it is fitting that he should receive his share."

"What, are there two such madcaps in the world!" exclaimed the nobleman, "name him and he shall be sent for in-

stantly."
"You need not go far for him," said the fisherman; you will find him at your gate, in the shape of your own por-ter, who would not let me in until I had promised that he should have the half

"Oh, oh," said the nobleman, "bring him up instantly, he shall receive his stipulated molety with the strictest jus-

This ceremony being finished, he dis-charged the porter, and amply rewarded the fisherman.

A Remarkable Phenomenon.

We are informed that a gentleman

residing in Wakulla county, by the name of Cox, who is cultivating a farm, upon arising one morning last week, was surprised to find that during the night his residence had been changed from a region where water could not be seen and was situated on the border of a lake: When he retired the evening before his house was far away from any pond, lake or river, but upon going out next morning his surprise may be imagined when, instead of his garden, an immense sink, fifty or sixty yards square, filled with water, running up within eighteen or twenty feet of his residence, met his gaze. During the night this transformation occurred, leaving not even a vestige of the tallest pine trees which were standing in their majesty only twelve hours before. These sinks, however, are not unfrequent in the country. It has only been a short time since that a sink occurred near Lavender's Mills, more remarkable than the one alluded to above, in that it occurred upon the very top of a hill-one of the highest points of land in the county. Will not some one explain these occurrences ?-Tallahassee Flore-

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