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'Do you love her, uncle?' 'I am tur old to indulge in the laxury of rhansodies,' he said with a laugh, but I'll tell you this Then, I am very fond of the girl and very well satisfied that you'll approve of nily thirder'sad !.

The spenkers were Theodore Bligh and his uncle the elder Mr. Blight The subject of the talk was an young girl, to whom the uncle was engaged. and to whom the nephew was a stranger, Madge Dundee, or Bonnie Dundee, as she was called.

recovering his normal expression of be found herself in it, but the next instant pale, and insufficient, and well, the man mismant judifference as he spoke, and then he added: 'I hope with all my heart that you'll be liappy.

'Youwill meet her to night at dinner. Mr. Bligh said to Theo. 'She is coming with her brothers and some friends of theirs to see her future home. He did meet her that evening.

nervous about introducing me to you.' Miss Dundee said, quickly making way for Theo to take a seat on the sofa by her side, 'he's more than half afraid that you wen't like me, and if you don't it will make him very unhappy.' So the spoke, in a girlish, almost childish outspoken way, without seeming to consider or to mark the effect of her words either on the man she addressed or on the bystanders. I should have known you as Theo anywhere I'd seen you,' she Bligh when you're \_\_\_ She paused composure and resumed, 'when you're as

nie Dundee subtle, or only sweet simple, Miss Dundee.' that she asked him this, in that winning did she, with her Scotch name, come softly resting on the vowels that is a how she had come by that face and that of this mischievous opportunity? expression;

became the most devoted friends.

came a fine art in her hands and when him, let what might come of it. she was following it she could not stay Theo,' she said again, with that same tion and love as Mr. Bligh lavished pier, Theo?' upon her, and as Theo offered at a rehis uncle's nephew. It was a new sen- him.

its being wrong or reprehensible in any way to gather these roses of love and She was not false or fickle in reality.

she was only intensely fond of the exand being only worshiped in the sight

Theo has been talking this morning ing of leaving us soon, before he goes, dear, we must let him know what day he is to come back and hail you as an aunt."-It cost Mr. Bligh more than a slight effort to make this speech with apparant ease, for during the last few days he had not been blind of sight. But he succeeded in doing so, and only he himself suspected the pain his own words gave him.

surprised solemnity in a moment, and could not for her name's sake break her against or comment on the conduct of laving her whip with a frank caressing word to his uncle! genure on Thee's arm as she spoke.-Oh, don't think of going, Theo; I can't

The men's eve met for a moment as Madge spoke, and in that moment each read that the other knew all about it.

He knows I love her, poor Theo moaned in his hearts and 'He sees I know it, Mr. Bligh thought, with not the old pleasures.

Dundee.'

The other was from his uncle, and while now.

The other was from his uncle, and things clearly at last. To recognize the love of one man in

the presence of another man who has a right to feel jealous of it, is to be in a Well, uncleadou't generally submit position of the greatest danger and their choice in such matters to their delicacy and difficulty. Poor Madge sho recovered herself, and, with the generosity of a woman, sought to put them well with one another without

just as my brothers do, and I have 'I think Mr. Bligh has been rather fallen into the way of ordering him a brother.

> It was torribly trying work for them all, weighted with the discoveries they had recently made about each other .-It became insupportable to Mr. Bligh after a short time, and so he sauntered out into the garden, and Theo and Madge were alone.

Her spirit rose with her sense of danger, as does that of all finely organi zed natures, and she turned to him went ohe would be exactly like Mr. bright and brave at once, though he had grown to be very dear to her, and abruptly and colored a little, but a mo. though she knew that he was suffering ment after she forced herself back into horribly on her account. 'It seems to me,' she said, 'that we're all very weak old as he is, I was going to say, but I and wrong to lot a shadow settle over remembered that young men hate to be the last visit you'll have with us, notil reminded of their youth, and so I bun. I am an old married woman, with house gled and blundered. Can you forgive hold cares on my shoulders, that will crush down my love of visits.'

'Theo!' She threw such a world of revoice of hers? And, by the way, how proachful tenderness into the tone in which she uttered that one word, that with that touch of accent-that way of the man she addressed trembled visibly. His resolve, when spoken coldly and specialty of Irish women's pronuncia- harshly, shocked and surprised her out tion of words that they want to caress? of the brightly prudential tone she had As he asked himself this, he looked at fully intended to adopt. Why had Mr. her more observantly, and wondered also Bligh gone away, leaving them the prey

'Yes ; for Heaven's sake, don't speak In a remarkably short time the two to me in that way, or you'll drive me mad!' and then he got up and went to Bennie Dundee was not a more insat- the window; and poor Madge saw that table coquette. She was not a heartless his face had grown very pale, and that fool, ready and willing to play fast and an expression of hopelessness had settled loose for the sake of gaining a little no- upon it. She could not bear it. He day fixed for their marriage, that Mr. I say? She is married, you have stayed they were to throw poker dies, and to fifthy slough, the home of willows, altoriety; but she was that oven more dan- had been so thoughtful for her always- Bligh ventured to speak decisively to too long. gerous thing, a woman afflicted with so gentle, and devoted, and sympathetic such a passion for pleasing that it be- that she telt as if she must comfort

the right to such attentions, and admira- to see you so. Can't I make you hap- finally answered him.

He turned round quickly and caught

sation to her, and she enjoyed it to the 'Madge, do you love my uncle?'

He had tuken ber hands again, and be his wife. was looking down into her face with a 'He is the younger man-and-von gleam of such intense pleading affection are right. He tried to say it calmly, that for a moment he was the world to but it was an awful blow; and again, as

but I didn't, you see ; and we Dundees him. never break our word. And-oh! you Let things go on and I shall forget

ne!'
Forgive her. It was easy enough to say he would, and to m ke an end of you too.' this miserable scene; but it was very name with all her heart in her voice what she was.

Oh, don't think of going, Theo; I can't as soon as he could, Theo Bligh made what time would tell to themselves. spare you—we can't spare him, can an end of it, by going away. The two Six mouths passed, and then The men had no verbal explanation on leave. Bligh received those letters of which taking, but they parted as comrades mention has been made. One was from who had been wounded in the same Madge, and contained these words : fight might part. And then Theo found Your uncle has promised to explain that, though existence was not embit- everything. I need only say that I shall tered to him, the savor had gone from always be your faithful friend, Madge

in a taper.

be given.

of many women keeping right, and of future loomed before him. many others going wrong?

for I was so fond of him,' she said to uncle's hand.

prophesy evil things concerning Miss my wife." Dundee's warmth. Just as she lived I have borne an awful grief and disloved; and though it made her danger. You have stayed too long. ous, it never made her despicable. And somehow men understood this, and so fostered her other foibles, because of were; and you must go back, and she their gladness that she was free from must never hear you have come, or she greater ones

her. Very earnestly and gently he

afraid are you?'

Half frightened, she drew back from child, he said for my own honer. not awarded to the fagrant flirt. in, and 'I am engaged to him, she 'I like you so much bot know, she nie Dundee who would have I

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said, energetically-it does seem so hard 'Yes, but you have made me love you; that one can't express all one's little yeu knew your chance, and you have gradations of feeling in words I like used it. If you love him, let me go you so much but it's dark to me now without another of those appeals that without him, she added, with a sudden you know how to make so maddening; passion that carried her cut of herself, if not Madge, Madge 200 10 and convinced him that she could never

the strength of his manhood was shaken, 'If I had known you first, she sobbe !, Madge wavered, and strove to comfort

had better go after all; but forgive him, or grow indifferent to him ; I know myself-I shall live it down.

'Kou need not, poor child, for he loves

Yes, I know that,' she answered with hard to do it. Had she not spoken his the rockless openness that made her

only a minute ago, leading him on by After that, so much of the world as the tore she used to tell his secret to knew the Blighs and Danders had a her in the hope that she would be fresh and delightful source of wonderbrave., and avert eventful misery from ment for a time. The marriage between the necessaries of life. them all? And now she was telling him the owner of the Chare and Made was Going! Theo going! exclaimed that if she had known him first she broken off, and still they were friendly; Miss. Dundee, lapsing from fun into would have loved him best, and that she and still neither would listen to one word the other. Time would tell, people said It was a ghastly state of affairs, and sapiently, reserving their belief as to Six mouths passed, and then Thee

he felt, to try and do anything good or contained a free forgiveness. (this was definite; for he could never find a woman only implied, not coarsely volunteered.) to share his glory or smile upon his and a full account 'Come back and win success, who could put Bonnie Dundee what I have lost, and as I love you as out of his mind; after her other women my son, so will I love her as my daughdid and would always appear to be ter. That was something like an invi wanting in something. She had the tation from a defeated to a successful

who has been shown upon by a star, righting themselves in the clear and never feels that there is much warmth glad way that was made so open. Theo give me your answer. had by this time taken a situation in a He banished blmself so effectually mercantile house in New York-a 'It was selfish of me to say I wouldn't that he heard no tidings from the Chase situation of trust, which he could not spare you, for it mest be dull for, you for six months, and then he ventured to hastily quit, or place another man in have letters forwarded to him; but be, in it, which he could not endanger by fore these letters are read, a retrospec his absence for a year at least. But life about as I do them, forgetting he isn't tive glance at the Bonnie Dundee must was bright to him again, and he bore I will throw the dice with you-my the delay bravely, having illimitable hand against a hundred thousand dol-She bore his departure very bravely, faith in the girl he loved and in him-Remember how many other interests self. Had she not gallantly won this were claiming ber attention at the time, faith, by avowing her love for him, and and remember the ardent, impression- losing the richer man and the better bide the hazard; able, changeable nature of the girl, position by the avowal! Had she not, There was a good deal of the woman, of her own free will, written to him She had the faculty of feeling intensely those few sweet words of promise? each should select a friend; and that

At last he was free-free to go home

her lover, with that disarming frankness And now you know what my next

light, and dancing, and flowers, and appointment but I'd bear it again rath- tette were to proceed to the party, to the sweet sounds, so did she love to be er than have to tell this to you, my boy. where if Miss -- lost they were to cele-

'Good heaven! is she dead?' 'Not dead, but as lost to you as if she

women.

loved Theo desperately; as it was, I her, and was friendly with her in the and the umpire stood overlooking them. hurdled upon that portion directly in spectful distance, on the score of being her hands, as she was standing near to didn't dare let myself. You're not after-years; and though her fickleness The diec box being set bofore him, front of the mansion. In fact, there Only for your happiness, my poor the debt. And so postical justice was and with the thumb clasping the side he roundings elegant without incurring something else.

better woman if she had not been so thorough a one.

## A Louisville Romance.

A Louisville (Kentucky) correstiondent of a California paper tells the following improbable story :

There lived on opretending establishment, surrounded y trees and flowers a voting lady who was celebrated for her beauty and accomplishments. She was a blonde, with blue eyes, white teath, and a heavenly smile, had the prettiest hand and foot that ever was seen, and was tall, lithe and elegant. Her wit was elegant, pointed and sparkling, and her mind as superior as her feet, and her suiters were as importunate, sf not as many as Penelopa, like whom she was continually wooed and never yet won. In the midst of her success came the war, the end of which found her family impoverished and herself reduced to want for

But she was still the same proud, imperious mistress of hearts as before, and she refused in quick succession the many offers of matriage that were now made to her. She had not thought of matrimony as a resource, but had other and totally different prospects in view. She proposed, in fact, to teach a school.

A fellow townsman, a gentleman o wealth and position, and a pachelor, had long been a silent worshipper at her shrine. He had houses and lands. estates in the country, and lots in the city, stocks, interests and investments wherever they would pay, and his drivate establishment on-street was simply palatial. Seeing how the case stood with her whom he loved with his whole soul, he resolved, after many self community and much reflection to ask her to be his wife.

'Sir,' said she, in answer to his proosal, I do not love you, and I cannot

said he, and in one week from to day Upon his return, on the day set, she

n a cottage; you are desirous of having tollers, particular kinds of seeds, and my hand, and I would like very much to be fich. I will make you a proposition. lars! Is it a bargain?"

'It is, said he. And thereupon they pledged to each other their words to

It was arranged that but three persons should be let into the secret; that for the time, and of getting over things. Small wonder that he could live concent the two selected friends were to select a line. Is not that last characteristic the secret edly through the present, when such a third. Miss--- named the Rev. Mr. pastor of the fashionable church on -street, as her friend; Mr. -chose It brushed the bloom of the beach and win his bride, and obtain personal the Hon. Mr. --- a prominent member

roughly when he went away, for that absolution from his nucle for those sin of the bar, as his; and these two made veiled idolatry of his had been very which love had made trim commit. - choice of Dr. ---, an eminent profespleasant to her; nevertheless she bore Fate favored him now. The steamer sor of the Medical College, the friend of painted it bravely, and made the best of that was a fast one, and in a fortnight he both parties. By these gentlemen the a man which remained to her. 'I am so sorry, was down at the Chase, grasping his prelimicaries were arranged, and the programme was this:

The Doctor was to give a party at his but u which women of her calibre know so move will be, he said, when the greet house on a certain specified Friday eve-This will be my last visit with you well how to use. And Mr. Fligh hear- ings were over, subduing his own glad- ning at which were to be present all the but ing her, did not wonder that his nephew | ness as much as he count, out of respect | best people of Louisville; the front vir. had been scorched by the flery ordeal for the sorrow by which his uncle had \_\_\_\_was to have a license in blank ready through which he had been passed. | bought it. 'What is the matter?' he to fill at a moment's warning, and, was There was this about it, that it was added in alarm, seeing a change in the to hold Mr .- 's check for \$1000,000; such clean fire that even her own sex kind cordial face that was bent on him. and the Rev .- was to be in waiting ganed could not despise and condemn and You know I have come to ark her to be to perform the ceremony, if ealled on so to do. The dice were to be thrown in Hon. Mr .- 's study whence the quin. | who | brate the wedding, and if she won, they were to mingle with the guests without number of such cruel mortals is annually

At precisely 9 o'clock on the eventful will be tree to herself, pitiful and over met in the Hon. Mr. - 's study, scene worthy of the artist's peneil. It was only about a week before the kind and-like a woman gen rally shall By agreement of the parties themselves The pond in the foreground was once a It did not kill him, and it did not tleman cut a Queen and the lady a Jack properly expend d, has changed it into spoke, beseeching her to open all her send him to the bed, a convenient lo- and now came the tug of war. He was an ornamental as well as useful sheet of heart to him, and to tell him if any cality to which fiction-writers frequently cool, calm and pale; she was statuesque. water. It is not necessary that a man other image had ever displaced his, consign their jilted heroes, But it imperious and collected. His lips were should devote so extended a field to to count the cost of failings or success. pathetic cadence in her voice, 'you have And Madge listened to him thoughtful- dulled his life, and robbed him of his compressed; hers were formed into an ornamental purposes only, for few farm-It was a new sensation to her to have been so kind to me always; I can't bear ly, and analyzed her own emoltons, and belief in the goodness and fidelity of extended arc, spanning the whole mouth ers could afford it; but t may be used and completing the bow. The twain as a meadow or pasture, and if sheep 'If he had come first, I should have Notwithstanding which he forgave sat on opposite sides of a small table, are kept upon the farm they might be

gave it a shake and threw two fours and | any extra expense. Farmers and two duces. Putting aside the fours, he ular are prone to imagine-that they can threw again, and threw another four.

Then throwing the two remaining dice, he threw two fives. He had filrown therefore, a full—three fours and two advisable; but a little forethought if And now came Miss — 's turn. It planting of trees and seeding fown had

was a thrilling moment, and the rustle of her silk diese in the stillness of that room sounded like the tree tops in the wind. She began by drawing off her ditional execuse. And after all it is the right glove, exposing a hand of exquisites of nking that is flesessary. The war beauty and delicacy, on the tordinger of who thinks learns to desire, and their which sparkled a dismond. They, tak- desiring learns to act, out boursely and rest ing up the box quickly, she gave long shake in the air, and, turning down upon the table, she threw-notl ing! A thud thereupon passed over her face, and the arc of her lips assumed still more bow-like curtature. But orthing dautites site at once retook the box and thre gain-this time turning up four deuces! and the fifth cocked! Terrible mischauce! Miscrable luck! Again she threw, and threw two deuces and two trays. Putting all the dice back into the box, she had left but one other. and last throw, upon which now tested her only chance. For the first time since she sat down she spoke asking for a glass of water. Having drank a tumblerful, she sat for a moment pressing together her eve-brows between her thumb and forefinger, and then, all of a sudden, she snatched up the dice box and shook it vehemently, and threwthree fours and two sixes, and won! And did she take the money, you ask me? I answer most emphatically she

Here endeth my second lesson. Beautifying Country Homes.

Strange ideas enter the minds of nany persons when the subject of beau ifying home surroundings is mentioned in their presence. They will usually utter the far too con mon and absurd remark that such things are costly, and is is only the rich who can afford them. It certainly costs no more, as a general rule to build a house ten rods from the highway than one as many feet from it; and lawn mowers are brought to mind; and while we are ready to admit that a good lawn cannot be made nor kept in firstrate condition without these implements. still a grass plat, large or small, occasionally mown, is far better than none. Even a meadow or pasture in front or near a dwelling might add scmething to its general good appearance.]

The far too common style of arrangement of country homes, is to place the mansion within a few feet of the public road, the barn a few rods in the rear, and the intervening space is filled with wood

and

ing sun. But we are thankful that the decreasing

The broad acres of meadow or pasture evening the players and their friends dotted with handsome trees, give us a cut cards for the first throw. The gen- ders and frogs; but a very little labor,

The drift inspector in an English togs D au 6 ment-one of the old stamp of martidet sergeants who was the terror of every recruit sad the remorseless tyrant of the awkward squad, was putting firing party through the function Having offened the ranks so is to adm the passage of the supposed carriage between them, the instructor ordered the odl le men to rest on their arms reversed. aid to him:

still these latter unsuitable and inappro.

Sir, you have wealth and I am poor, printe locations are being occupied alhe walked slowly down the lane formed you live in a p lace, and I, as you see. most every day. If lawns are named, by the two ranks, saying as he moved to iow, I am the corpse I Pay attention Profes al Having reached the lead of the party, nearly he turned around and regarded them steadily with a scrutinizing eye for moment or two, and then remarked, in a most solemn tone of voice : Your sads of ages is right, and your eads is right; began and you 'aven't got the look of regret that ando? you ought to 'ave !' ..... A shit wood lo seitredil

> A stery is told of two travelers who were assigned to the same bedroom in a crowded hotel. Before retiring and of them knelt down to pray and comis divige fessed a long catalogue of sins of all piles or necessary outbuildings. If there rising from his knees he saw his fellow to soul

? What's up ?" "Oh, nothing" and d reply; "only I'm not going to law et vself with such a scamp as you latere yourself to be," will and shadeb off

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with his story of un arrow escape. The late aurora borealis was generally

red, but was not generally understood. Avoid slang, my son; don't say to and ) had earned his contempt, he never paid Mr. - placed his finger over the top are many ways of making home sur- "swell" when it's as well to any

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