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A PIECE OF RIBBON.

BY MARY REED CROWELL.

It was a pretty piece, too, of rare combination of two utterly dissimilar colors. It was narrow, not three-fourths of an inch wide

And that was what Archer Delevan was caressing so fondly; the ribbon that still bore the traces of having been tied around Maude Leicester's white throat by her dainty fingers

It was not so much of a romance after all, the story of that ribbon, only inasmuch as Mr. Delevan nursed and cherished it

"Well, Maude, after a two years' siege, I have won the guerdon of victory. See!" Alma Verener held up her hand, where a cluster diamond ring sparkled in the morning sunlight

It had been a pitiful story, that of Maude Leicester, who had been compelled, through the wickedness of her father, to leave her native city and bury herself in a new world

Delevan for herself, and losing him to Maude Leicester. "I am perfectly aware how distasteful the allusion must be to you, Miss Verener

He did not make it a question, but rather an assertion. His ears were tinkling with that news—"married!"

Then he turned around and walked back. "Will you be so kind as to send the parlor maid here?"

His tones were still full of excitement, and Miss Verener wondered in dumb silence what ailed the man, as she rung for Jenette

Alma Verener never knew why that piece of ribbon betrayed her, or why, in the splendid parlor of Dell Evan, there was framed, in a costly golden frame, a simple lover's knot

THE CURSE OF DRINK.—The appetite for strong drink in men has spoiled the life of more women—ruined more hopes for them

THE SLANDEROUS TONGUE.—The tongue of slander is never tired. In one way or another it manages to keep itself in constant employment

MARRIAGE OF MUTES.—The marriage of Mr. Haynes, of Raleigh, N. C., a deaf mute, to Miss Bunker, of Mt. Airy, also deaf and dumb

The Philadelphia Tragedy. Mr. Thomas Parker, who shot his wife in Philadelphia on Wednesday morning, and then blew his own brains out, killing himself instantly

There are various kinds of dignity, and if some are more exasperated than others, some are very lovely, and among the greatest charms of womanhood. There is in particular that soft dignity that belongs to women who are affectionate by nature and timid by temperament

WOMANLY DIGNITY. There are various kinds of dignity, and if some are more exasperated than others, some are very lovely, and among the greatest charms of womanhood

All Sorts of Paragraphs. From a report just issued, it appears that the American Bible Society consists of 2,125 life directors and 43,000 life members

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WILLIAMSTON FEMALE COLLEGE, WILLIAMSTON, S. C. THE Third Collegiate year will open Oct. 6, 1873, and close July 2, 1874

PENDLETON FACTORY. THE WOOL CARDS at this point are now ready for the business of the season. The patrons of these Cards may expect prompt attention and GOOD WORK

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