

MISCELLANY

Before and After.

GENTLEMEN BEFORE MARRIAGE. My dearest duck, my sweetest girl, I love you most sincerely...

AFTER MARRIAGE.

You always talk of plays and balls; You are forever flirting, and making calls...

LADY BEFORE MARRIAGE.

I feel a very solemn sense Of all a woman's duty, To keep within the door yard fence...

AFTER MARRIAGE.

Bill! come down stairs; I know you can! The baby has the colic; The way you shirk your duties, man...

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breath—a tune whose burden was "Love, still love."

Plainly, Mr. Harry Grover was very little disposed for work that morning. And when, at 12 o'clock, Judge Cornell came in, there was but a hopeless chaos of papers on the table...

"Why, Grover, you haven't accomplished a thing this morning," said the old Judge, glancing keenly around through his antique silver-bound spectacles.

"Well, you see sir, I've been rather sorting the papers over," said Harry, a little sheepishly, "and I've written two letters this morning!"

"One was to old Miss Experience Browne, about that lot she wanted to sell me—a regular clipper—giving the old hag a piece of my mind; and the other—"

"Ahem—that wasn't exactly a business letter. Now, Judge, suppose you and I look over these ejection papers together!"

The Judge smiled slyly. He had an idea as to what the other contained. Every one in town knew how hopelessly Mr. Harry Grover was in love with pretty Ariel Browne.

"It's just as well for the lad to marry and settle down," thought the old gentleman; "and Ariel will certainly make as sweet a little wife as mortal could wish for."

Miss Ariel Browne sat in her window, busy with a complicated piece of bright-colored web-work, that ladies call "crochet," when Bridget tapped softly at the panels of the door.

"Please, Miss Ariel, a letter." "A letter—and for me! Dear me, Bridget, who can it be from?"

"Faix, then, and it's meself that doesn't know; but Lawyer Grover's office boy brought it, and an impudent young spriggen it is, too—"

now that I was an old maid, because I had never had an offer. I just wonder what Ariel would say. I guess I won't tell her; she would only laugh at me—

"Mr. Grover!" "Show him in, Biddy, I am quite at leisure to receive him."

And our hero, entirely innocent of the pending storm that was awaiting him, walked into Miss Experience's awful presence, with a bundle of title deeds in his hand, tied with the official looking red tape of his profession.

"Good afternoon, Miss Experience." "Ain't you ashamed of yourself, Harry Grover?" ejaculated the spinster, in a deep, stern voice.

"But, Miss Browne, will you hear me a moment? I don't want you to marry me. What has put this strange fancy into your head?"

"You don't want to marry me? Then what in the mischief does this letter mean, I'd like to know."

"May I look at it?" Harry took the letter and glanced at it. Its contents threw a new light on the unaccountable state of affairs.

"Excuse me, ma'am, but there has been an absurd mistake; this is the letter that was intended for you. The other was written to your aunt on business, and by some unaccountable blunder got into the wrong envelope!"

"But, Harry!" she said, with a roguish dimple at the corner of her mouth, "you must confess that Aunt Experience's note had rather an unpleasant style."

"I was a careless reprobate," said Harry, frankly, "but you see Judge Cornell was watching me."

And that was the end of all this misunderstanding between Harry Grover and Ariel Browne, thenceforth, forever.

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