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## POETRY



For the Camden Jourral．
MARIAN WENTWORTH，
In a sinalr rinage nut many milps from
the town of B－，and near the bank of
the river Colleralo，was a most romantic spot＂visited often by thic dadies whien tired evening that my story coinmences，all was Iranquit，except the buzzof fhe hum ming
bird as it extracted the sfeets foom the
wid honey suckle，that twinining around two widd honey suckle，that twining around t
or three trees，formed a natural a rbor， or two steps from which a spring，issuing from a rock，completed the beauty of the
landscape．In a feiv minutes the branch girl apparently aly age，stepped in front of the spring－hier bo net，which had fallen bark，displayed a pro－
fusion of light brown ringlets，ber eyes werefull hazle，her complexion was dazz ling ${ }^{1 / 2}$ fair，and a fastidious judge might have thought the röscs in her cheek tou ly formed－she remained slanding fo some time in the attitude of one who fistens for the gound of an approaching fogtstep． but sodtien：$\%$ with an explession of impa tience，she tiringtas ifto retrace her steps，
when a rusting among the reees altracted

## nineteen and twenty was by her side－he

＂For even in，the trannuillost olimes gainst her hil ravet the blossoms＇pometimes， spring at the appointer time，iminediately disappeared as shie looked ip and observed
the expression of melancholy in his coun． tenance，sail＇why，what has happened
Fraak，to make you look so sad！I am sure it is very unusual．＂Bur younc
mnour managed to change the conve
with wit replying to her question． Marian Wentworth（for such was th
name of our heroine）wâs the daughter after having gequirets，sufficient wealithr re
tircd from busiaess，and th ving alf hanghters，both beautiful and accomplish col，they were，as may be supposed，the
igning belles of $B$－But Marian accepted the ndiffesses oof Frank Seymour a young man or high respectabily，and


I shall not attempt to tlescribe the agnony
she experienced $\begin{aligned} & \text { when she was told dy hr } \\ & \text { lover．Only one that has been placed in }\end{aligned}$
lon similar situation can have the leastitilea of it！But a week after，when he saw her
fot：ahe last time befure his departure，the change in her appearance plainly indica－ eed the sufferings she thad endured－h
fiesk vas mpale hat the bue veins we
istincily visible．The delails，of all th was said during this interviev might be
liresne to nor reudss．Frank promifed
that he woutd return at the first opportu－
mity and hat she should receive intelli－ rity，and that she should
ence if he did not return．
For a week afte her lover left，Marian＇s fe was despaired of，but youth and a strung constitution finally prevailed．As soon as she was able，the physicians at－
vised her parents to travel with her on the continent，until her healit became resto

We next see them in Florence，where ful girls had been much spoken of young Italian nobleman Signor Gambasine who became quite captivated with Mari，
an＇s sweet countenance and－manners，and an＇s sweet countenance and－manners，and
although she gave him Ho encouragement，
but the contrary，he paidi her marked at but the contrary，he paid her marked at she was engaged．As soon as she discov． ered $i t$ ，she persuaded her father that sh home；and he，willing to gratify her，felf Florence a few days after，but traveffe
till the ensuing fall．
It was only a few weeks after their re It was onlya few weeks after their re
turn，and Marian and Julia were in the drawing room；the latter was seated by
the window and talking of every thing she could think of，with the hope of amusing
Marian，who was reclining on the longe． Marian，who was reclining on the lounge were however suúdenly recalled by Julia who exclaimed，＂sister．Marian，as I－live here is Signor Gambasine ridvaneing up th
avenue，where．could he have droppe from？＂一She interrupted herself upon ob serving the effect her words had produce upon her sister who was deadiy pale，ani
arose with difficulty from the sofn，＂Julia， I cannot see him，this evening－if he e
quires，say that am too indigposel．＂． She was so much agitated that she coul
scarcely give utterance to these words； with difficulty reached the toor a few and a young man of fashionable appear
ance entered．＂Ah！Signor Gambasine，＂ said Julia，rising，＂this is quite an unex－ pected pleasure－we did not hear of your
being in our town．＂＂I only airived this morning，and hastened to pay my respects ＂and hope your sister＇s healilh was benefit
ted by her travel．＂＂Sister Marian＂
health has been delicate since her return health has been delicate since her return，
and she is quite indisposed this evening．＇ The conversation soon took a differen
turn，and Julia described with animation the scenes she had witnessed，and the dif ferent places through which she had pas sed，and Signor Gambasine found that he had remained twice the length of time he
had intended，after hearing he could not see Marian．
Every day found Gambasine a visitor at Mr．Wentworth＇s－and Marian often ex－ cused herself from seeing him by the plea
$\qquad$ aged；and on the first opportunity，he pro－ posed．Her rejection was kind，but firm，
and on his asking if her heart was al解 him that she would always regard him as her friend．It was now near nine month since Frank had left，and no tidings had
reached them，but soon their anxiely was reached them，but somed almost into a certainty，by news
changer changed almost into a certais，Hap ourl＇s company had been surprised and cut to pieces，althongh fighting bravely，
with the exception of a few，who were aken prisoners．It was supposed that the
rave frank Seymour and Captain H．had fallen．Marian received so great a shock by this intelligence that the physicians
dreaded a relapse．It was a mournful ght to see so young and beautiful a crea－ wre clothed in widow＇s weedgit
More than a twelve．month had elapsed ly obstacele to his gaining her fater soce


