

QUESTION.

When you are old, and I am old, And passions of a storm are burning members, And life is as a tale that's told, And only worth what love remembers.

What does it mean to me, What is the meaning of it all, The chastened word, the vanished sweetness, If dark oblivion's night shall fall Forever on its incompleteness?

When you are dead, and I am dead, Our faces lost, our names unspoken, Shall then the mystery be read, Can Heaven blind what Earth has broken?

In clearer light and fairer day, With finer sense the impulse proving, Unfettered of this hindering clay, Oh, what must be the joy of living.

ISABEL;

From Shop to Mansion.

The Romantic Story of a Dress Maker's Rise in Life.

BY MRS. F. M. HOWARD.

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CHAPTER I. "That how was a little more to the right—a half inch, say—think I should like it better." The girl was a tall, imperious-looking woman, and the girl who addressed her looked up at her with a rich expression in the full-length mirror.

"Dear me, what an awkward boy you have tied!" Mrs. Monteith petulantly twitched the strings of the bonnet spitefully, as she took it off her head defiantly, "since he can not stay for the wedding."

"Quite likely he is going to look up a suitable present for Lily," said one of the elder ladies, nodding her head sagaciously, "since he can not stay for the wedding."

"I'm sure I don't see any need of using Mme. Arnott's needle, and another thing, you can't be so particular in your expression to supply the whole shop."

"For shame, girls; you can't help seeing that Isabel is tired and worn out with waiting on those trying customers."

only too readily have followed Mme. Arnott's advice, and retreated to the work room. She was so small, and her dress was sometimes hung, but one of them, a bright young lady, who was evidently about to become a bride, claimed her attendance.

Two gentlemen came in with them, a tall middle-aged man, who had been addressed as "Uncle Harvey," and a younger gentleman, evidently the bridegroom-elect. It was a pleasant task to wait upon the gentle girl under the rasping examination of the day, and while Mme. Arnott smiled lavishly on the elder ladies of the party Isabel brought out the daintiest and most exquisite models of the millinery art; for the inspection of the younger lady, who received her attendance with a sweetness and grace which soothed and comforted her in spite of herself.

"Isn't that hat perfectly lovely on Lily?" said one of the ladies. "I never saw any thing more perfect than that hat. It is really a gem, as bonnets go, and was further adorned by the pure, gentle face which it framed."

"Mrs. General Lansing ordered one just like it for her daughter; you know they speak their homogeneity through, and are exceedingly particular," said Mme. Arnott; she was all smiles, as these customers were looking at her best goods, and Isabel was redeeming herself in her eyes, as she watched the young bride-to-be with interest.

"How do you like it, Uncle Harvey?" and the young lady smiled gracefully on one too, interrupting the gentleman in a brown study.

"Oh, I really am not a judge of millinery," he replied, rather absently. "Besides, the absurdity of asking me for an opinion when I am here."

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happiness as well as her own in her hands, and the question whether or not she would fall in the trust committed to her was a serious one.

"Dear Isabel, I am so glad for you," said gentle Lottie Ford, rising and limping over to her side, where she stood caressing the waves of Isabel's dark hair, as she whispered softly: "It is worth more than gold or diamonds."

"Yes, Lottie," replied Isabel, in a whisper also; "yet that seems to be the last thing they think of. If I could not have felt that she was good and true, I would never have consented."

"I observe that the ring fitted, Miss Grant," he said, gravely, taking her hand; there were too many curious eyes about to indulge in such but commences.

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KILLED BY ELECTRICITY

FOUR MURDERS ELECTROCUTED AT SING SING PRISON.

There Was a Terrible Shock and Then a Boy—Nothing to Terrify the Spectators—The Men Died Without a Struggle.

SING SING, N. Y., July 7.—The four miserable murderers—Slocum, Smith, Wood and Jungigo—were put to death very early this morning in the electrical chair, the first named at 4:20 a. m., and the others later, at intervals of about half an hour apart—Jungigo, the last victim, receiving the deadly lightning stroke at 6:07 a. m.

All of the men were awake when, shortly before 4 o'clock, the priests and the chaplain appeared. Chaplain Edgerton spoke a few words of comfort and was near, but the other men that the wardens were to Smiler's cell, while the two priests busied themselves respectively with Slocum and Wood.

"The apparatus showed again a satisfactory strength of current. The electrician advised the warden of this fact. The warden went to the great room, which was quickly unlocked behind the door, and he was met by the warden and the two priests, Father Creeden and Father Lynch, then the two guards.

Shall Not Go to Jail. CHATTANOOGA, July 8.—Athens, Tenn., is in a great state of excitement. During the session of the Circuit court today, Judge Arthur Traynor presiding, Col. T. M. Burkett, a well-known lawyer, was pleading for a reduction of the fine imposed upon a client.

Monster in Human Form. NEW YORK, July 9.—A newspaper reached this city today from the State of Chihuahua, Santa Rosa, Mexico, which contains a startling story of cannibalism in Brazil.

Total Accident. CHARLESTON, S. C., July 9.—Mr. Daniel McWiny, a well known citizen of this city, attempted to cross the city railway track ahead of an approaching horse car this afternoon at the corner of King and Morris streets.

Money Value of a Wife's Affections. DENVER, Col., July 4.—A verdict of \$100,000 damages, the largest sum ever awarded in America upon the suit for alienation of affection, was returned yesterday by a jury in the district court in this city.

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FERTILIZERS! IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS of an act of the General Assembly, ratified on the 9th day of February, 1889, I will be in the court house in Manning, in the office of the clerk of the court, the first Monday of each month, for the purpose of allowing persons coming of age since the last general election to register, and to attend to any other business pertaining to my official duties.

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