

Faded Fancies. From the Providence Star. She read the valentine. 'twas deep and analytic. And sovered a splendid victory o'er every carping critic. But much I fear her logic clear and all her words and sense. For when she talked or botany, and leaves and grass and rhinoceros. I only saw the roses that mirrored in her blushes. And when she spoke of history and turned its similes to jest. To me its only mystery was just what the dear girl's age.

ODDS AND ENDS. Latest Facts, Fun and Fancy. A SUMMER SONG IN SECTIONS. Just as it is. Now the wealthy merchant wears it. In his best common straw. While his junior clerk appears in a noble mackinaw.

THE HOUSE OF THE MARSH. The young man drew back, muttered "I beg your pardon," and, turning to watch the rain, began to hum something, without any time to over his discomfort. I was sorry directly but my duty to-day was to be a friend to the man. He was in the midst of more dangers than you possibly know of, more probably than I know of myself, more certainly than I can warn you against.

Listen to Your Wife. The Manchester Guardian, June 28, 1885. At one of the "Windows." Looking on the woodland ways! With clumps of rhododendrons and great masses of May blossoms!!! "There was an interesting group."

CHAPTER IV. In spite of the rain and the mud, Mr. Rayner was in the brightest of humors; and his first words dispelled my fear that he had overheard the warning Mr. Reade had just given me not to stay at the house but to catch the first train as he came under the roof of the dock shed.

Princess Beatrice's Wedding. From the London Truth. Several months ago I announced that the wedding of Princess Beatrice and Prince Henry of Battenberg would take place at Wappingham Church during the week before Goodwood.

CHAPTER V. "Oh, Mr. Rayner, aren't you rather hard upon the ladies?" I said, laughing. "Not a bit, as you will find out soon enough. However, if you can't get on with them, why don't you go to the country, and give me your opinion of it. We were walking the garden gates by this time, and as we walked down the path, I saw a woman's figure among the trees. It was the storm had left the evening sky so dark and heavy, so well lighted that I could plainly see the very sharp shadow of the trees over the lawn, and I could not recognize her, and could only guess it was Mrs. Rayner's, as they do not look that way, but went on my arrival, chatting till we reached the house. He left me in the hall, and went straight into his study, while I, before going upstairs to take off my coat, went into the schoolroom to see if any of the boys were there. The French window had not been closed, and I walked in to see if whether the rain had come in. The sky was still heavy with rain-clouds, so that it was quite dark indoors, and while I could plainly see the woman I had noticed among the trees, I could not distinguish her face, but she came near enough for me to distinguish her figure. I saw that it was not Mrs. Rayner, but Sarah the housemaid. I recognized her at once, and I was very glad to see her, without acknowledging it to myself, rather in view of this woman's character, so full and so shiny, and had such big eyes and such a curious, frizzled manner. She was only a few steps from the window when I stood completely hidden by the curtain, when Mr. Rayner passed quickly and caught her from behind. She did in a term or cry out, but only stopped short with a start of surprise.

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CHAPTER VI. "What is an epistle?" asked a Sunday school teacher of her class. "The wife of an apostle," replied the young hopeful. "I'd like to be a rustic lad. How nice I then would feel. A stone brute on my heel. An Indiana man has applied for the position of "Sexton" of the Post-office Department. This is a tough walk. "James, did you divide your paper of chocolate with your brother?" "Yes, certainly, mamma; I ate the chocolate and gave him the motto—he is fond of reading, you know."

Princess Beatrice's Wedding. (continued) The Princess will be "supported" by the Queen and by the Prince of Wales, and she will be escorted to her Majesty's carriage by the Duke of Edinburgh, (three), Prince of Wales, (two), and the Grand Duke of Hesse, (two). I understand that the Crown Prince and Crown Princess of Germany will not come to England for the wedding, but that they will be invited to all the Princess's relatives. The Empress Eugenie has been specially invited by the Queen to attend the wedding, but it is doubtful whether she will be present, as she is going to Carlsbad next month and after her "cure" there she intends to proceed to Arenberg, her beautiful villa on the Uter See, near Constantine.

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