"Bless her" exclaimed the old woman, "what a load will blifted off her heart this night,"

line few minutes I had entered my uncle's house, and in

la sew minute Mr. Urquhart himself.

strolle Allan, I said, in a low voice, "don't speak loud,

strolle Allan, ha has come home." tels found—he has come home."

is found no man thank flod!" exclaimed my dear old uncle, aThank doo, in his eyes, "break it gently to her, my

Milenterred the sitting room I thought I had never seen are coust look so beautiful, but it seemed the beauty of death. by cousin look so beautiful, out it seemed the beauty of death.

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The last the sombre folds of crape against her white throat

The last her knees on the skirt of her dress. rhen I saw the source on the skirt of her dress. Mabel, I noand up to ner amount of the distribution of the distribution of some sort. I tribute to the distribution of some sort. I tribute to the distribution of some sort. her had news of some sort. I tried to say a few words to he but couldn't, so I went over to Marion, and sitting down bribut couldn't, no hand in my own, toll, and sitting down beide her, took her hand in my own.

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"Marion, dear cousin, I said, "the people in the village of wanting you so much just now; there are quite a number of the children sick, and they are all crying for you."

me chiade don't talk about it just now," said Marion, wearily, *perhaps when the years have gone by, I may be able to take

"But you must rouse yourself, little cousin; I am just going to ask you to come with me to see a sick man in the tilize, who wishes to see you."

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*[cannot go," said Marion sadly, the tears starting to her

*[cannot go," said her black dress, "not yet, not yet."

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oly dear, I said, as hearly as a count, we the poor man has wife or any one who loves him to take care of him, and he add for you. Will you not come, dear?"

*|suppose so," said Marion, rising slowly from her seat,

of I don't think I can do any good."

Marion, dear," I continued hesitatingly, as she stood with "Marion, dear," I continued hesitatingly, as she stood with berhand upon the handle of the door, "could you—put on—another——?" but the door closed before I had finished.
"th, Charlie," said Mabel, "how could you ask her?"
"Because, my darling, it would hardly do to welcome her instandin a dress like that."

The joy of my loving little darling when I told her was

pite indescribable. in a few minutes Marion reappeared, and I noticed that she is taken off the black dress, and put on a dark gray one. Nating was said as we walked towards my house, only Marion an heavier on my arm, and shuddered convulsively as we

cosed the bridge. When we arrived at my house I drew her into the parlor gi closed the door. Then I broke the news as gently as I wild. At first she hardly seemed to understand what I was ulting about, but when she heard that her lover was alive, gehid her face in her hands and cried for joy. All the while determined so excessively that I had to tell her Hugh was from well, and must not be excited. Mastering her joy as that mastered her grief, she stood up and said she was full, well-behaved baby in the world—except his own.

ready. I preceded her up stairs, and opened the door. Hugh had heard her footstep, light as it was, and was sitting up looking eagerly for her.

"Hugh, my dear fellow," I began, but Marion pushed me hastily aside, and glided into the room. In another moment they were clasped in one another's arms. Not one syllable was spoken, their joy was too deep for words. I closed the door, for no one had the right to look upon such a meeting.

Soon after, Mabel and Mr. Urquhart arrived with a carriage to take the invalid home, and then we all went up stairs. Of course there was a great deal of hand-shaking, but I was surprised when Mabel, with tears in her eyes, went up to Hugh and gave him a hearty kiss. Of course I kissed Marion to make all square, and there was a great deal of laughing and fun. Then Hugh told us all about himself since that eventful evening.

"It was very dark, you know, Marion," he said, turning towards her, with a tender light in his eyes, "when I left your house, and all the way to the bridge, I was thinking how happy I was, and how unworthy of you. When I reached the bridge I could not see anything at all it was so dark, so I felt for the railing, and having found it, supposed, of course, that the bridge was all there. When I got about the middle I stepped right into the water—half of the bridge was gone. I tried hard to get up again, and shouted for help, but the water was very swift and cold, and I got very numband could hardly keep my hold, and then I became unconscious, and lost my hold. I have no idea how far I was carried down the stream, but I was picked up by an old shepherd and his son, who were searching for a lost sheep, and the two carried me quite a long way up into yonder mountains, and were very kind to me. have been delirious almost ever since, so of course they could not find out the place from which I came. I made believe I was much better this morning, and came away, though they tried hard to make me stay till I was stronger. Since then I have been wandering about in the snow, till I found Charlie's house about an hour ago."

Then I told how miraculously my life had been saved, and many were the exclamations of wonder which interrupted me during the recital.

I thought Hugh would be very ill, but a few days' careful treatment at Uncle Allan's, with Marion as nurse, set him all

About six months after Marion and Hugh were married, and their excellent example was followed by Mabel and myself about five minutes afterwards. Every one said they were the two loveliest brides the country had ever seen. Mr. and Mrs. Raeburn reside with Uncle Allan, according to the conditions, and Mabel and I have a snug little house on the opposite side of the river; but there is nothing to hinder our seeing each other, for there is now a new stone bridge in place of the old wooden one

There is a baby in each house now. Marion's is called Charles Gordon, and ours Hugh Urquhart, which so delighted Uncle Alian that he frequently declares it is the most beauti-

Mews of the Week.

THE DOMINION.—It is probable that a Civil Service Commission will be appointed to enquire into the working of the various departments.——Sir John A. Macdonald declines to be nominated for West Toronto.——Further changes in the Ontario Cabinet are rumoured. Mr. Fraser of South Grenville will be made Provincial Secretary, while Mr. Pardee will have the Crown Lands, which department Mr. Scott now manages.——Mr. Langeller of Laval University has been unanimously chosen by the Observation of the content of the cont by the Liberal party to represent Montmagny in the Quebec Legislature, vice Mr. Fournier, who has resigned his seat; he will probably be opposed by Mr. Landry.———Sir Robert Hodgson has been appointed Lieut.-Governor of P. E. I., vice W. C. F. Robinson, resigned.

United States.—Tweed has been sentenced to twelve years' imprisonment, and a fine of \$12,750.——The excitement in the United States over the "Virginius" executions has subsided, and hopes are entertained of an amicable adjustment of the existing difficulty.——The steamer "Morro Castle" has brought intelligence to New York of the execution in Cuba of forty more patriots, resident on the Island, who were implicated through correspondence which was selzed by the Spanish authorities.

Considerable sums of money have been sent to New York by the Spanish Government to hasten the completion of repairs on the "Arapiles."——Since the year 1862, this season has been the most disastrous experienced by the Gloucester, Mass., fishing fleet. During the year 24 vessels, with an aggregate tonnage of 1,287 tons, have been lost, and 152 lives sacririced.

GREAT BRITAIN.-An Immense Home Rule demonstration took place in Dublin last week, 60,000 people being in procession. -Advices have been received from Cape Coast Castle up to October 31. There had been a fight of some two hours' duration, in which the British forces had the best of it, the Ashan--Mr. Disraeli made a political speech at Glasgow on Friday. He predicts a conflict in Europe between the temporal and spiritual powers, fears anarchy as the result of it, and suspects treachery from Irish Home Rulers. tees retreating .-

FRANCE.—The members of the French Cabinet tendered their resignations to President MacMahon last week, but he refused them, and they subsequently expressed their intention of remaining in office until the interpolation concerning delayed elections is disposed of.———A plot for the establishment of the Commune in Lyons, France, has been discovered, and several arrests have taken place.

SPAIN.—All members of the Spanish army reserve have been ordered to report in person at the depots of their re pective corps within a fortnight.——With the exceptions of two, all the Intransigent officers at Cartagena have been arrested for complicity in a plot to surrender the city to the National troops.

On Saturday night the besieging force heard a terrible cannonade and fusiliade going on in the city, and it was believed the forts had opened fire on the military, who were attempting to liberate their leaders.

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