CORAL'S WEDDING-DAY.

It was Coral Hyde's wedding anniversary—her first—and it was Christmas Day as well—a sort of dual testival.

The old houseks pers on the western aborts of the Pacific laughed at the assiduity with which she sought wild redberries and feathery tringes of silk-white elematis to deck her little one sorned cabin in the Redwood Forests.

'It's all nonsense,' said one. 'The berries lose their color right away, and the elematis reed-pots burst all apart, and make such a litter as never was! Mrs. Hyde'll get sick of such sort of things before she's been married as long as we have!' Besides, added another, 'this California country ain't like down East. Not but what it's a good place to stite in, and very signtly among these hills, but one somehow misses the frost and snow. Christmas don't fairly seem like Christmas here!'

'Christm is is Christmas everywhere,' said Coral, with the pretty positiveness that belonged to her nature. 'And it is my wedding day, too!'

So she gathered wild mosses and branches of black-green mistletoe and the scarlet mountain-berries that glowed as it they were touched with fire, and made her little house beautiful. And she hung up a now-scene—evergreens all mantled with white and a cabin dnited up, all save the shine of one window across the steely river—on the wall, and worked a 'Metry Christmas,'' in shaded wools to put above the mantel.

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And so she dicked the house for Christmas and took out all the little presents she had secretly contrived for Alax s, passing them in careful review to make sure that no stitch had been omitted, no finishing-touch lett out. And then she locked at the turkey, all stuffed and skewered for the morrow's oven; ehe bowl of ruby-red cranberry saure; the cainty minec-pies, which she horself had chopped and seasoned according to her moster's receips; the sölid 'New England' pudding baked in the tirpan, with plums and lumps of oleaginous suct and blanched almonds scattered along is crust.

Everwing is all right,' she said to her-

But Alexis did not come. He was a baggage-master on the train which ran daily between San Francis h and S nta Cruz. Of course, there were allowances to be made for all possible and impussible detentions; out even taking at these things into consideration, he surely should have been here. Coral thought before the purple sunlight which was now shrouding the mountains had darkened into such an occidental glow.

"He has sopped in Santa Cruz." said Coral to herself, a suddentide of jealousy surging up in her heart. Clytie Vail is visiting her cousin there—Clytie, his old sweetheart, with her blue eyes and redgold haar! Of all colors red is the most hideous for the hou at hair; and I don't see how any man ally can lancy one of those washed out blonds! On, I see it all now! She has

any man aby can lancy one of those washed out blond s! On, I see it all now! She has persuaded him, with her wies and fascinations, to stop in S.nia Cruz; and now he will not be back until after tes, and I am lett here alone, just as I was last week! And upon the anniversary of our weddingday too!

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It is strange upon how slender a founda-tion a woman can build herself up an edifice of misery. And Coral Hyde became mis-erable all at once—miserable and vindictiva and inexorable. She had always entertained a secret aversion to Clytie Vail: now she was certain that this siren was trying to undermine her witely happiness; and Alex-is blind, mad, intatusted as all men become in the toils of these sweet-voiced coque.t.s.

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And the profound dark grew into a violet blackness, studded here and their wih stars, and the madrons thickets waved softly in the air, and the scent from the sweet bay-tree flastel up the valley, and the little clock on the mintel, all wreathed around with spiked holly-leaves, struck nine.

see it he don't; and—But where be ye gwine?

softly in the air, and the scent from the sweet bay-trees firsted up the valley, and the little clock on the mintel, all wreathed around with spike d holly-leaves, struck nine.

'I am to have no Christmas!' said Co-al, with a choking sensation in her throat.

'Very well. Since he has so chosen, so let it be. And he knew—he knew how much I bad counted on this, the first anniversary of our wedded life. But it he thinks more of Clytic Vail than he does of me—'

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And, with the quick, passionate impulse of a griev d child, she tore down the silent fringes of clematis, the clusters o' polished redberries; the wreaths of gray moss, and flung them in a heap upon the floor. And then she locked up the house, put the key in her pocket, and with only a shawl flung over her head, she went up the lonery mountain road, past the great powder magazine, across the bay-tree woods, into Pipeclay Clearing, where lived Mrs. Atwell was one of those unmethodical, shiftless hous-keepers who are always behind in their calculations. Late as it was, she had only just sent out her frecklefaced little boy to catch the ckicken for the morrow's feast.

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'I did reckon on havin' a turkey,' said Mrs. Atwell, in her spiritless whine. 'But our turkeys they're so dreaftal wild. They roost up in the trees, and hunt the meddera all day, and there ain't no catchin' 'em So we'll have to put up with chickens. Atwell he was raised in Rhode Island, and he s. ts store by a reglar Christmus-Day dinner. But it's hard on me since my Chinaman went away, and I've had all the work to do.'

'I'll help you, Mrs. Atwell,' said Coral, rolling up her dress sleeves and looking around for a kitchen apron. 'Are these raisins to be stoned P'

'Ain't Mr. Hyde come home?' said Mrs. Atwell, staring at her guest.

'No,' said Coral, seating herself by the

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sat stoning raisins for the pudding, which
was as yet in its chaotic elements on different cupboard shelves, and thinking, with a
certain angry satisfaction. how be wildered
and probably how vexed A exis would be
when he came home and tound the door
fastened. the house dis-ried, no light to
or greet him, no witely smiles to welcome him
"Very we'll'she kept repetting to hirself. Then hined not have stopped in
spend his Caristmas where he pleases! I
am no dupe! It he wishes to be free, I
shall claim a like privilege."

The chicken wis captured at last, and
duly decapitated. The pudding had findly
been compounded by Coral, and the old
clock on the kitchen window-sill struck
eleven.

our suet and blanched almonds scattered along its crust.

Everything is all right, 's he said to herself; and there she stood, in the glow of the Christmas Eve acuset, waiting for Alexis occome.

But Alexis did not come. He was a baggage-master on the truin which ran baggage-master on the truin which ran into-what hideous spell is transforming all my life.'

there was a little peace. 'Accident?' she gasped.

'We ain't heard nothing. We never hear nothing! said Mrs. Atwell, in her injured tone. There's nobody to tell us.'

'On Broad Gauge Road, said Atwell, 'just t'other side of Santa Croz. Oh, don't look so scared,' as Coral grew white and staggered up sgainst the wall. 'Mr. 'Hyde ain't burt; but one of the rails got warped, somehow, and the train went off the track, and ever so many were hurt. And the passenger-car too afire, and everyone would ha' been burned to death it is hadn't been tor your busband Mrs. Hyde He flung his overcoat over the burnin' panel and put it out; but he got pretty badly scorched about the face and hand; and when the messenger came away he was helpin' the women-folk and quietin' the scared children and doin't the work of three men at once He'll get promoted a step up on the line for this night's work, now see if he don't; and—But where be ye gwine?

'Home?' said Coral, who had caught in

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'Well, I never!' said Mrs. Atwell, looking helplessly after the flying figure as it vanished into the purple glow of the California midnight. 'And she said she was goin' to spend Christmas with me!'
But Coral Hyde never stayed her footsteps along the dim, madrons staded road until she stood once more in her own little house where the holly and clematis and radiant redberries were all heaped on the floor where she had flung them two hours before in the paroxysm of her jealous past sion. With trantic heart she lighted up the lamps and drew aside the curtains to make the little house smile its brightest Caristmas welcome; and then she put up all the wreaths and festoons just as they had been before, and made all speed to prepare the little supper to do fitting honor to Alexis and to this first anniversary of their wedding day.

And then she knelt down and prayed a

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There comes Atw-ll now,' whined his wile; and the children are not abed! What will he say?

But Mr. Atwell probably was used to this disjointed state of things, for he only nodded good-naturedly to the two women as he came in, while the swarm of children, taking, courage, began to question him whether he had met Santa Claus.

'Spose you've heard of the accident, Mrs. Hyde? he said to Coral, as soon as there was a little peace. 'Accident?' she gasped.

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Havelock, Nov. 23, George W. Keith, 84.
McAdam. Nov. 21, Harvey E. Harris, 27.
Bridgewater, Nov 11, Arthur Fralick, 23.
Yarmouth, Nov. 23, Mary L. Stoneman, 68.
Campbellton, Nov. 5, Allan McKindrick, 79.
Freeport, Ang. 19, Deacon I saiah Thurber, 74.
Lower Stewiscke, Nov. 18, Henry Densmore, 48.
Fruro, Nov. 18, William H., son of Charles Ross, 18.
Victoria Beach, Nov. 18, Mrs. Emmeline Morry, 78.
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21, his sater Fren.*, 19.
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