

Love's Mishap.

BY JAMES DEVON.

'Twas in the pleasant month of June
And day had fled the approach of night,
A passing cloud obscured the moon,
The stars had hid their borrowed light
The evening zephyrs gently blow,
All nature seemed set red to rest
'Twas just the time when sweethearts, true
Indulging dreams, in love are blest.
Quit: slowly through the silent park
A loving pair, in converse sweet,
Am'rously wander in the dark
Until they find a lonely seat.
Then nestling in each other's arms
Life's ills forget, in raptures great.
What vows are made, what kisses past,
Words are too feeble to relate.

AN INTERVAL OF 20 MINUTES.

The clouds have passed from o'er the moon
The stars shed forth, their cold, clear light,
The lovers sigh—they fain would stay
Times march, and lengthen out the night;
A luscious kiss; another; now they rise,
Why turns he pale? Why seems she faint?
Oh, why those looks of blank surprise.
Their eyes have caught the words

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Literary Notes.

The COLONIST has received a copy of the new exponent of farmer's interests, *Patrons Advocate*. It bids fair to take a leading place among the periodicals of Manitoba. Both the editorial and mechanical work are of a high order.

One of the most valued of our exchanges is that old favorite *The Graphic*. We have noticed that of late a great change has come over the character of the illustrations in it. They seem to be very much finer than of old. Most of them are fully as good as the best half tone engravings.

The May number of the *Dominion Illustrated* monthly has reached us. Each number of this capital magazine seems to be better than the last. We think we can confidently say that its success is now assured. This number contains a number of very attractive articles, two or three of them being particularly bright and instructive. Manitobans will be glad to see that this province is not being neglected by the editors. A splendid sporting story entitled, "A River of Geese," by Mr. E. W. Sandys is given as our portion of the May number. It describes the writers experience while hunting in Manitoba.

Canada's justly celebrated journal of humor and caricature *Grip* has been sending out some excellent numbers of late. The one now before us is dated April 30th, and is fully up to any we have ever seen. The illustration which occupies the front page is a very timely and well executed one. It represents a young lady, we presume Miss Canada, drawing the attention of a lad who stands by her side—the rising generation—to a monument on which is carved the bust of the late Hon. Alex. McKenzie. The picture with the verse which follows it is entitled, "We honor the honorable." Here are the lines, they are very true and appropriate:

"His ample service to the land was this:—
Beyond, above the toils he undertook,
And those he finished—be not one forgot—
He gave the world an answer in his life
To that snug lie of this degenerate age—
'An Honest Politician cannot be.'"

Just what it means to have a man of Mr Howells' literary skill, long experience and wide personal acquaintances with authors, at the head of a magazine, is shown in the May

number of the *Cosmopolitan*. When Mr. Walker was asked if the advertisement of having Mr. Howells associated in the editorial management of the *Cosmopolitan* was worthy the large salary which a man of Mr. Howells' ability commands, he replied that he was not seeking an advertisement; that mere advertisement counted for very little, but that he wanted the *Cosmopolitan* to have the benefit of Mr. Howells' literary skill and mature judgment in making it the leading magazine of its kind in the world. An examination of the table of contents of Mr. Howells' first issue, seems to justify the confidence placed in his editorial ability. It contains a posthumous poem by James Russell Lowell; a contribution from the famous novelist, Henry James; a story by Frank Stockton; another by Hamlin Garland; "Mechanical Flight," treated by Prof. Langley, head of Smithsonian; essays by Theodore Roosevelt, Murat Halstead and Edward Everett Hale, are some of the things of interest, while in the same table of contents are found the names of Edmund Clarence Stedman, John Hay, Brander Matthews, H. H. Boyesen, Marriion Wilcox, Gertrude Smith, Edgar Fawcett, Sarah Orne Jewett, Lilla C. bot Perry, Luther G. Billings and Thomas Wentworth Higginson, Mr. Howells himself concluding the number with a farce. Even more unusual than the list of authors, is that of the artists whose work illustrates the number. It includes Walter Crane, William M. Chase, C. S. Reinhart, F. S. Church, Wilson de Maza, Frederic Remington, E. W. Kemble, Dan Beard, George Wharton Edwards, Henry Sandham, Charles Howard Johnson and Louis J. Rhead.

Immigration Notes.

On Thursday May 5th (Arbor day) Manitoba received 258 new settlers.

On May 6th there were 355 immigrants registered at the Dominion sheds at Winnipeg.

Seventy-two Russian Jews, bound for the Souris district, where they intend to start farming, passed through Winnipeg on Sunday, May 1st.

The customs officers report that seventy immigrants arrived in Winnipeg last month from the United States. This does not include those who came over in parties.

The last of the colonist excursion trains, which have been run by the C. P. R. this spring, arrived at Winnipeg on April 29th. It consisted of thirteen coaches, having on board about three hundred persons.

A party of young men, eighty in number, members of the self-help and East End Emigration Society, of London, Eng., were on board the train which arrived at Winnipeg on May 1st. A number of them are settling in the Brandon district.

Fifty lads, of ages ranging from 13 to 17, left London, England, for Canada about the 28th of April, under the auspices of the Children's Aid Society. The society is paying their expenses. Most of the boys have Winnipeg for their destination.

The *Regina Standard*, in the closing paragraph of a late editorial on the emigration question, makes this remark. "We may ro-

peat what has already been pointed out by others, viz: that tenant farmers and farm laborers, being already accustomed to agricultural pursuits, cannot fail to prosper in the Canadian territories, where free lands and vast opportunities await them.

Among the arrivals of immigrants at Winnipeg on April 21st, was a party of Germans, on their way to the colony near Yorkton, Assa. They came from that part of Germany from which forty thousand people left in a few years for Brazil. The Allen Liao agent, Mr. Berg, who was in charge of them, states that they found the climate of Brazil to oppressive and prefer this country for that reason. He believes a great immigration will shortly commence to this land from that district. The government of Germany has also refused to assist any more to settle in Brazil.

Pleased with Prince Albert.

The following testimonial was given to Immigration Agent Muir by the delegates who composed a party which recently visited Prince Albert;

PRINCE ALBERT, N.W.T., May 6.

We, the undersigned delegates from Oxford county, Maine, before leaving Prince Albert desire to express our opinion in regard to this district as to its advantages for mixed farming and stock raising. After travelling over the greater part of the Northwest Territories and visiting the Calgary and Red Deer country, which we found to be a very pretty locality, we came down to Prince Albert and after inspecting the greater part of the Carrot river Stony creek and Shell river country, which we found to be the best section of country we had seen in the Northwest, we concluded to settle here. There is plenty of good land, timber for building purposes and good water, and from samples of grain and roots seen by us in different parts of the district, this wheat section is well adapted for mixed farming and stock raising, and for the benefit of intending settlers would recommend the Prince Albert district as a good place to make a home. We kindly thank the agent and citizens generally for their attentions and information while here. (Signed), T. W. Child, F. A. Russell, Edward Murphy, Cornelius Murphy, A. H. Pice, delegates from Oxford county, Maine, U.S.

It is said that by a late scientific discovery pure butter can be made for less than five cents a pound. This is more surprising even than the astonishing statement of an American paper that good bread has recently been made by a chemical process from saw-dust. Now for canned beans from old shirt buttons, dried beef from old boots and shoes, and fresh sausage from tanbark.—Owen Sound Times.

The Dominion Express company have just issued a new tariff sheet between Liverpool and this country which came into effect on April 27. The rates have been reduced to the same charges as are made on parcel post packages, and by this change the company expect to control most of the business. The charges are 30 cents for the first pound, 10 cents for the second pound and 20 cents for each subsequent pound up to seven,