LITERARY.

SORROW.

In my chamber said the dreary, I sat listening to the wind. It was midnight; I was weary Yet no rest my soul could find,-Ltstening, pondering, sometimes hear

('Twas my fancy, nothing more) Sounds so strange that I sat fearing ily to greet him. Trembling to my very core; For I heard strange voice calling As the tempest shook my door: But the voices was the falling

Of the rain and nothing more. I was sad, by hope forsaken; Desolate I stood alone; For the angels bright had taken, Taken to their distant home, One who had escaped from Aiden Our sad world a time to roam, Whom I, sinful, sorrow-laden,

Fondly thought to call my own. And at times I heard a singing 'Mid the tempest's direful roar; But the singing was the ringing Of the wind, and nothing more.

Long I watch'd her, fearing, tremb ling. Yet unwilling to despair;

Succouring me beneath my care; For my soul was fill'd with sorrow As I saw her slow decay. Still I trusted that to-morrow Would be better than to day;

But to-morrow and to-morrew Each became a yesterday, And her spirit have with sorrow, Loth to leave me, loth to stay.

It was midnight; she was sleeping; Loud without the tempest din Raged in fury. I was keeping, Keeping my sad watch within, When I heard in distance seeming, Music mingled with the storm.

Twas no fancy, for as leading O'er her form so thin and worn, I could see a sweet smile playing As the music nearer came; And I heard the angels saying They had found their own again. And they took her; took her smiling,

To the regions of the blest, 'Where the wicked cease from troub And the weary are at rest.'

A Life's Experience. Or Marring a Dead Lover.

Continued.

'Ask his name, Suzan,' I said, wondering much who could be asking for

'It must be for you,' I said to Mrs. 'We shall soon see, my dear,' she

replied, and presently Susan re-entered, bearing a card. 'Alfred Lee!" I read in amazement.

'How could he know I was here?' "You know him! said my relative, in delighted amazement. 'I am so glad! I have often thought how much I should like to see him. Suzan show him in.'

I would fain have remenstrated; I had a strange dread of meeting him again, but I could offer no reasonable excuse for refusing to see him, and I assented. In another minute he was in the room; the same graceful form ed; the same gentle ease and manner, fascinating every one around him. He talked of everything likely to interest us; touched kindly upon my sad loss; inquired after Willie; promised us a box at the opero on an early night, hoped I should resume my singing les sons; and, in short, made himself so agreeable, that Mrs. Rurton was loud in his praises after he had left us.

that spoke as loudly in my heart that increased he began to urge me to let night and return to Cornwall, to Wil- my voice be heard in public. He res lie's home and mine? It was not to presented the large fortunes made by be, and the days flew on and found Alf. Lee, whom duchesses manœuvred that most of them led, till I began and courtesses plotted to entice to their to waver. 'But I don't like the idea parties, whom Royalty even had deign of it,' I said to him one day. ed to honour wi hd stingu shed appros I don't ask you to go on the stage, bation, lingering behind my chair as Hester,' he replied ; but it is a life GLASSWARE, I sang whatever he dictated—now a like mine I offer you—a share of mine, simple song, now a grand scena by some if you will only say the word.'

gifted composer. eyes that it frightened me; and when he sang to me, it was always some 'I would marry no one from gratisong in which he could pour out in tude alone,' I said; 'I must love my music the feeling that his lips might husband.' mot utter. And yet he said not a word; and I, strong in my love for Willie, cared not, though all the world had fallen at my feet in adoration.

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To be continued.

er would praise him, and say how happy he ought to be in possessing me: ing his work and being paid for it; and I, the pupil, becoming unconciously more and more under his influence.

One evening he came at an unusual LODGINGS at the. hour, with a grave face, and was ushered into the drawing-room, where I sat alone, dreamily playing over some of Willie's favourite airs. I lose hast-

'Sit down, Hester,' he said, (he always called me Hester,) I have some thing to tell you.'

'To tell me?' I said. 'Yes,' he replied; 'have you heard from Mr. Thornton lately?

From Willie! Then his news was about him. My heart beat to suffocs ation as I answered, 'No, not for some time.'

He bent his eyes upon me with a peculiar glance; I remembered it long for Herring, Cod, Caplin and Lance afterwards. He meant them to ex SEINES, put together-Roped, Corkpress pity. but it was triumph that ed and Leaded in the most approved numerous Customers for their patronage and act most powerfully, yet sooth gazed upon me. I saw nothing, felt nothing, at the time, but that he was going to speak of Willie. 'What is it?' I gasped.

Hope, fond hope, the truth dissembs he replied; but I feared you might hear it too suddenly from some one

He drew a paper, damp from the press, from his pocket, and unfolded it. 'Willie is dead !' I shrieked.

'I hope not,' he auswered. I snatched the paper from his hand Begs to intimate that he has recently res and read, 'Total loss of H. M.S. Tri- ceived a large assortment of the latest PICTURES, dent with all hands,' in large letters, improved and very best quality of Stoves and fainted.

on the sofa, and Mrs. Burton bending GOTHIC GRATES.

a blow for her!' voice of Alfred Lee. 'I will try and Matches, Kerosene Oil-best quality, CLES, too numerous to mention. obtain further particulars, and call Kerosene Lamps, Burners and Chimnies again to-morrow.'

lie's name appeared in the list of the Tinware etc. drowned. Hope had buoyed me up American Cut Nails-all sizes- by till then; while there was the slight- the ib, or keg. est chance of his being saved I had not given way; now I sank under my terrible bereavement, and for many weeks my life was despaired of. Brain fever set in with yiolence, and when] awake from a deliruim of long duration it was to find myself once more with out a protector-Mrs. Burton had died suddenly of disease of the heart, I was in a strange lodging, but Suzan was at my side.

'Where am I' I asked. By degrees I learnt what had transpired during my illness.

'The gentleman has managed everything,' said Suzan.

'The gentleman?' I said. 'Yes, him as taught you singing miss!' she replied.

Alfred Lee. Had he been my friend in all those dark hours of suf- of the arm. Any Machine you can't M fering, when there was, as it seemed, none else to help me? It was very kind, and yet I shuddered at the thought of being indebted to him for

anything. 'And does he come here?' I asked. 'Oh, yes, miss, every day, and he'll be so glad to see you better, miss.'

I gained strength rapidly, and the first day I left my room I saw him. and handsome face I so well sememter. Then he spoke to me of his love, spoke with burning passionate words such as I had never heard from Willie's Sewing Machines neatly repaird. Wars lips, and besought me to be his wife. I could not consent; I feared him more than I loved him, I could not speak 134 SIGN OF THE GUN-134 the consent he implored.

> I will wait, Hester; I shall win you some day, if only by my patience.'

I remained where I was, with Suss Why did I not listen to the voice an for my servant, and as my strength Have now received their spring stock, of public singers, and the enjoyable life ELECTRO PLATED WARE. CUTLERY

'No, nor that,' I said. I knew that he loved me, though he Well, without me, then, if you had not spoken; he would look at me will,' said he; 'I could get you splens with so deep a passion in his dark did engagements, and in time perhaps HAWLEY

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