POETRY.

BACHELOR HOUSEKEEPER.

He is a bachelor pro tem., His wife's away ; And meanwhile you can make a mem-Life isn't play.

He sleeps in all the beds in turn, 'Twould make his wife's face set and stern, If she could see how things are mussed, Since she went off in placid trust That things would stay where they were left.

While her dear hubby was bereft.

The bureau drawers are half-pulled out, With shirts and socks strewn all about The floor, because he tried one day To find a shirt she'd put away.

The parlor hasn't once been swept His old cigar stumps he has kept Upon the centre table, where There chanced to be a small place bare.

Out in the kitchen in a pile. Are all the dishes gathered while Her indolent, though loving spouse, Has been a bachelor keeping house. The pile will grow without a doubt, As long as the supply holds out, Then he'll brace up when need confronts And wash the whole lot up at once.

The whole house has a musty air Of stale tobacco ; everywhere, Newspapers litter up the floor-And I could tell you of much more, Which, if his dear wife knew of it, Would make her fall down in a fit.

Oh, things have gone to wreck and rack While she's away, And you can bet when Life won't be play.

SELECT STORY.

SEVILLE TOWERS TRAGEDY

By the author of 'The Gypsy's Revenge,' 'A Woma Scorned,' etc.

CHAPTER V.

CONTINUED.

June 25th .- A week has passed, wretched week. Mrs. Seville is now always prowling round the schoolroom. Alec is more troublesome than ever, and Gwen and Nora are hourly becoming more sullen and disagreeable. I feel that a climax must come. If I could only gain the girls' confidence and make them my friends, get rid of Alec, and propitiate Mr. make a step in the right direction. Ah! Miss Curtis' room." I have it! Mr. Seville is always at home

the business, and I draped and showed childishly trusting. Her faith in her my taste. It seemed as if at last I had lord and master is unbounded, and yet he got into my right position. It suited me, is daily growing more devoue, more rest- service of the Presbyterian congregation, for I had plenty of time on my hands, less, and less satisfied to be from her of which Rev. Mr. Ross is pastor, was held though the result seemed as if I had side. Silly fellow ! as if a girl of my at- on Sabbath, Sept. 3rd., in the church at worked indefatigably. "Emma could have told how most of fact, I doubt whether I possess such a Barony as formerly. Rev. Mr. Ross was the credit was due to her; probably she member as a heart at all, for I never can assisted by Rev. Mr. McLean, of Harvey, informed her companions, for I once over- care for anyone. I sometimes wish I who preached an eloquent and apprecia-

admirably. She had the heavy part of could never have imagined anything more

heard her designate me as 'lazy.' But I could - people in love look so foolishly tive sermon to a crowded house. To the do not care so long as Mr. Seville heard happy. However, I must not tell Mr. good accounts of my industry. I got to Seville just yet of my imperfectionssee more and more of him-that little he'll find them out soon enough by-and- of seven more. The increase in member hint about 'loving him' had told, as I by, when he has taken the fatal leap ship for this year is higly encouraging to knew it would. So, when I was in a lit- which will put an end to all this wretched

tle sitting-room, draping the model, which suspense I had bought on which to make the July 30.- The denouncement has come dresses, and Mrs. Seville was toiling in -Seville has told me how madly he the schoolroom, he often dropped in an loves me. Ah ! - well I would not listen. hour or two before he was expected home, He will have to choose between us. He to see, he said, if I was getting fairer treat- was very angry with me; but through it ment. Once I got him in my toils, I all I saw how completely he was in my

knew what the end would be-it was toils. merely a case of a moth and the candle. A sister of Mrs. Seville's, a shade plainer I had come to Seville Towers, merely than herself, came over this morning and Tracey Station, who, with baby, has been with the object of winning him. I knew | took Alec back with her. She is wealthy my attractions were invulnerable, and and his godmother, but this is his first that, pitted against me, few women had a visit away. He is out of my clutches, chance: how much less she, in as appearthough I don't know that, latterly, I ance went. But unvarying devotion and either dared or cared to attempt another deep affection, cemented with the growth attack on him; my mind is too engrossed of years, had given her an influence over with other manœuvres. Muriel's woe has him, a hold on his attentions, which begun. Her eyes are always red and none but a person of skilful tact and- swollen, and she goes about looking the shall I say it?-unblushing want of prinpicture of misery. She has never uttered ciple, had a chance of counteracting. How- a word in my hearing as to the cause of ever, I flatter myself that I have nearly her misery, but, little as she thinks it, I pleasure of hearing the Rev. Mr. Swim come off conqueror, and one of these fine know why she is unhappy.

nornings, Mrs. Seville will awake to find | Things are fast coming to a climax, and herself deserted, her recreant husband I am glad. Three different occasions gone with another, and she left forlorn. within this last week Mrs. Seville and I A divorce will follow. I shall then be have each appealed against the other to Mr. Seville, and each time he has backed Mrs. Seville. One afternoon he had been calling me me. I cannot say how many times she darling,' and kissing me, praising my bade me leave because I defied her. I beauty, and saying what a pretty girl I mildly declined to go at first, and after-

really was, when I heard Mrs. Seville wards flatly refused. Tonight, she says, coming along towards me. I had only she is going to get her husband to send just time to raise my fingers to my lips me away, for she will not keep me here. and stop a very impassioned speech, when | Have I thrown off the mask too soon?

she entered. We shall see. "You home, Len dear !" she exclaimed No, I came off conqueror, but not as I should have liked. He is a pitiful cowwith glad surprise. "What an unex-

pected pleasure ard, and dared not openly thwart her, as She did not seem to notice that he I wished him to do. He stammered and could not meet her gaze, but stooped and murmured about gratitude and prejudice, kissed him fondly. I was glad to note etc., till she, in very shame at his weakthat the devotion came from her; he ness, gave up trying to gain her ends. merely accepted it. But she felt her position keenly, I was "Oh, Miss Curtis," she said, to me, pleased to see; a few more battles, and

stiffly, "did you set this copy-Amster- she will be entirely vanquished - moredam the capital of Belgium? Gwen-" over, she will know that she is. "Never mind lessons, Lottie; let us There is one step that I must not Seville, whom I now rarely see, I might have a cup of tea. We might have it in her take - the initiative. It might be your remedy. For sale by W. Carten fatal to my purpose did she do so. Len-

Mrs. Seville did not choose to hear, nox - yes, I call him that now - would on a Tuesday to lunch. I will invite him though she closed the copybook in her have his eyes opened to his loss too soon. to afternoon tea. The two girls will be hand, and passed on to another grievance. He thinks I am going to fill her place down by the side of the bed. "And, Miss Curtis, sorry as I am to completely, and he won't be long in my that when I sent. I must write a note have to complain, I am compelled to do society before he discovers his most erronthat will do for all the world to see, lest so. Morris declares that you held your eous mistake. Sooner than let her leave until I've seen my lawyer. | foot out purposely just before luncheon, | Seville Towers, I would go, because I fee can say Gwen and Nora want him. I and tripped Alec, merely because he had that Lennox is so vacillating, that he will inevitably follow the one he loses. "I am more than surprised that you July 31st.- A horrible idea has come given up all hope of getting it to him, listen to all Morris' spiteful tales, Mrs. to me — when or how I know not. Did when Alec, astride a stick, dashed in Seville," I burst in tearfully. "I - I - " Satan breathe it into my breast? They "Yes, 'pon my word, Lottie, I must say say he puts all bad thoughts within us. I "Come here darling," I said coaxingly. it is absurd of you. Alec can be a little shrank from the notion at first, but gradually the horror of it faded into insignifi-Never shall I forget the sorrowful pathos cance, till by degrees it was swallowed up in Mrs. Seville's eyes as she turned to her into possibility. For it is possible. And husband. If I had any pity that look of why, after all, should it be a greater crime bill of fare at the restaurant. Yes, sir, hers would have melted me. "I resent Alec's troubles, Lennox, if in both cases is the same. I once read in you don't," was her proud retort. "Through the papers of a nurse-girl who killed Miss Curtis, he has a most painful bruise several of her charges, merely because she on his forehead," and with her face white possessed what they termed a murderous and drawn, she slowly left the room. "You would not harm my child, would am like that wretch - am also actuated pleasure in recommending the remedy, as you?" he said, laughing uneasily, and of by this same, fiendish spirit? It is too it acts with mysterious promptness in the course, I told him fervently I would not, awful to think so, and yet how I longed removal from horses of hard, soft or calminutes. My heart is bursting for one But when I saw him follow his wife al- to put away that hateful Alec! And loused lumps, blood spavin, splints, curbs, most immediately after, I could have every feeling by which I was actuated killed the wretched infant who so often then is intensified tenfold when I think GEORGE ROB of thus wrecking out vengeance on that brought me into hot water. July 5th .- I did two things last even- woman. Somehow I can't crush her. Alive, ng. For some days I have been copying she would always trouble me. He might tire of the siren and return to the wife -Muriel's writing ; every spare moment has been devoted to this pursuit, and with moreover, so long as she lives, I can never, tolerable success. Just before the Seville never be the rightful Mrs. Seville. Bah ! went in to late dinner, I sat and penned the idea grows on me : she must die, and you got no sense, robbin' your own father? an indignant note to Mr. Rayner, telling he will be free-free. Stop! stay, I If you needs apples, ain't there plenty o' ask no more, and then you will find me a valuable adjunct to your house." He did not represented of my engagement, and begging to be released. I signed it with Muriel's signature, and, of course, if dole out the death portion. I ---- What the writing is a little different, he will is that noise? Someone calling me. I suppose it to be the result of agitated must put you by, my diary, and go and hurry. He will be sure it is from her. How strange it is that I do not even nothing frightens me. How will it all and effective, and its application pleasant tempts at friendship; his refusal even to cided that I dare not face poverty." So, end, I wonder? I think in the way I and agreeable. Only 25 cents, sold by all accept a picture book, bacause I had Miss Muriel, there's an end to your sweet wish. dream of bliss. CHAPTER VI. "The second thing I did was to hove The dinner table at Seville Towers was about Alec's cot, waiting a chance that glittering with silver and glass. A manpowder of such strength that would preservant and a maid waited upon Mr. Seville, his wife, and Muriel, but almost vent his waking in this world again. But unbroken silence reigned as the meal pro-Morris haunts that child's side. Times ceeded. After the servants had left the upon times I crept and peeped in, but she room, however, and Muriel had soon folwas invariably there. My patience lowed them out, Mr. Seville turned on his and I have a good deal when the subject wife and said, angrily : "You have ignored my wishes again. I requested that Miss Curtis might, for the thought I caught sight of her back as she "So you say now," I sobbed; "but sat near Mrs. Seville's dressing-room fire. future, make one of our number at din-I could not be mistaken, because she had "I say it for altogether. Your father's on a small, red check shawl, that she "Lennox, I cannot agree to it. Her

SEPT. 5.- The semi-annual communion tractions could ever really love him. In Lower Southampton, instead of at The already large enrollment of members in full communion, were added the names the faithful pastor.

THE BARONY

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The greater number of farmers in this vicinity have finished harvesting their grain, and the noisy whirr of the thrashing machine is heard in the full to-bursting barns. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McKeen paid

short visit to friends here. They were the guests of John Anderson, ex-M. P. P. Mrs. Reud, wife of Rev. Wm. Reud. of spending the summer months in her former home here, has returned home. Mrs. W. A. Anderson and little daughter, have also spent the summer month with relatives here. They return to their home in St. John today.

Coun. John Scott intends carrying his lumber operations during the coming winter, and will take a part of his crew in this month. We were greatly pleased to have the preach in the Baptist church of this place

on the evening of Tuesday Sept. 4th. "I'm going to move." " I thought you were pleased with your

present house." "I am : but I had a little controvers

with my landlord, and have decided to change. "What was the difference of opinion

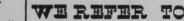
about? Is there any way of compromin ing it? "I fear not. You see he has an idea

that I ought to pay rent."

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wrote the note and then did not know offended you. Really, I ----- " how to send it. In fact, I had nearly amongst us.

He studied my face cautiously, to see if tyrant when he chooses." he might trust me, decided in my favor, and approached slowly.

"Will you take this to papa?" I said. Without giving an answer, he dashed off, note in hand. Was it to be a propitious errand?

Yes; exactly at five, Mr. Seville came. "Where are the girls?" he asked, in a disappointed tone.

"Alas! gone out sir," I replied courteously; "but, oh, do let me give you a cup of tea and have a quiet chat for five kind word in this large and well-filled house."

He stood in hesitation, with his hand on the door, till I said "one kind word," and then entered.

"My wife would be a better sympathizer than I," he remarked awkwardly. "No, no," I cried, "she has a prejudice against me. I am very unhappy. Do

let me have justice, dear Mr. Seville. I He did not reprove me, but stood, cap

in hand, listening. I began descanting on my woes, real and imaginary, very warily at first, but I warmed as I proceeded, and made out a creditable list of If it does not finally cause a rupture, it charges; of Mrs. Seville's unfairness, the will bring about temporary unhappiness; difficulty of teaching girls who had been it would not displease me if, through it accustomed to a mother's leniency, Alec's they never met again. I must not forget persistent hatred of me, despite all my at-to say that I added a P. S.—"I have debought it.

"But then, Mr. Seville," I ended, "everything is all of a piece. Your wife is against me-you cannot say she is not, should enable me to secure a sleeping and the household, from eldest to youngest, follow her example; and what will be the result? I shall be unfairly turned away, deprived of a good home. I-I-" and I burst into a violent fit of weeping.

"By jove! you shan't," he exclaimed, energetically stamping his foot, as if to in hand is dear to my heart — was nearly enforce his words. "You can trust to exhausted, when, as luck would have it, I me.'.

when-

daughter has a claim on me, and if you often wore when off duty, viz., attendance wish to stay, Miss Curtis-though 'pon on her mistress. Now was my time. How my word, I think you would be happier away—I will take care care of your in-success! I trod lightly but swiftly onterests.' wards; my trembling arm was stretched

"I do want to stay," I averred vehemout for the tumbler ; I grasped it ; I had ently. "I don't want to leave Seville it in my clasp. Though I could scarcely Towers. I love it and-and you."

see for excitement, I felt it ; the powder It was out at last. I dropped my head was ready to go in, and just at that and waited for his answer. Was it never supreme moment a hand was laid on coming? A minute perhaps passed, and mine. It will ever remain a mystery to then I felt his hand laid on mine. me how I checked the startled scream

"Poor, poor child! Poor tossed-about that rose to my llps. Of course I dropped waif! Is that your unfortunate secret?" the tumbler - but that I should have he whispered. "Then indeed, you need done purposely, because I had so mapped my sympathy. I am sorry for you, very out my designs in case of frustration. sorry. I will see that you are more fairly While Morris bent in dismay over the treated, and that you are not sent away." fragments and the scattered fluid. I dex-It was not so satisfactory a reply as I terously extracted from my pocket an-

had anticipated, but there was much as- other packet of lemon kali; the other surance of support in it. Before I had packet of three grains had gone into Alec's raised my head, he was gone. I heard upset drink. him speaking in the passage, and the next instant Muriel came in.

claimed, harshly, looking at me with "Aunt Lottie has sent me to say that angry suspicion. "What have you got in for a week I am to try and teach my that glass?" cousins. Will you give me a few hints, "Without a word, I let her take the

Miss Curtis, I am so ignorant? Just write dcwn a few particulars, and then you need not come near the schoolroom." (Good armsioned with the schoolroom in th

roof tonight." lowed by cruel words that pierced his

wife's heart and blanched the color in her poor, quivering lips. Turning to him with strange quietude, she said, wearily : "Lennox, I cannot bear this. Things have come to a last pass. You will have

to choose between us. Either Miss Curtis | if you put it on the letter. goes, or I must." "Then go," he retorted fiercely. "Your behaviour to the daughter of the man

who saved my life has been contemptibly mean and base." A few minutes later Muriel, on returning to the dining-room found her aunt | W. H. Carten and Alonzo Staples.

"What are you doing here?" she ex-

weeping in a most heartbroken, hopeless way. Alas! she guessed only too truly 1831 the cause. Times upon times she had seen her uncle making a great deal too

much of Miss Curtis. His devotion to Country her was now passing all bounds, and was

THE BEST OF THE

I'll take a little of everything, said Taddles to the waiter, after glancing over the to take her life than Alec's? The result replied the waiter, who straightway brought a plate of hash.

A BOON TO HORSEMEN .- One bottle of English Spavin Liniment completely remania. Can it be that I-I, Edna Curtis, moved a curb from my horse. I take

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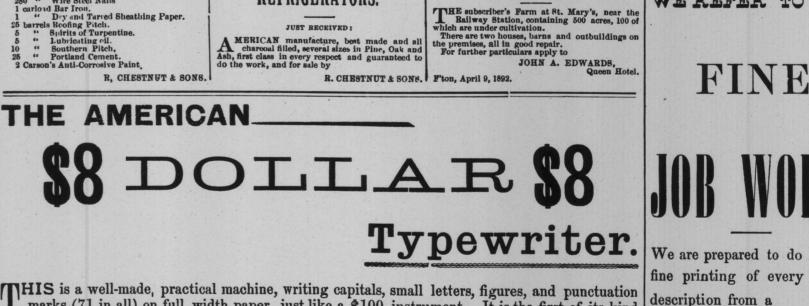
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