and maidens danced a reel to merry nusic. But the Campbell sat still, his brow clothed with thunder, and chewed more green stuff gloomily. The reason was trivial, but also agonising. His—Let us begin a little further back. That sorning Mr. Campbell had arisen with a joyful heart, although the hour was 6 a.m., to dress for an early starting picnic. Now, he was President of af Athletic Club, and careless as to his wardrobe, two circumstances which had left him this morning with but one pair of unbroken braces, and these he could not find anywhere. And it was to be a most particular pricinic, consisting of the angelic Miss Gordon with the requeste number of unimportant people necessary to convert Miss Gordon with the requeste number of unimportant people necessary to convert Miss Gordon with the requeste number of unimportant people mecessary to convert Miss Gordon with the requeste number of unimportant people mecessary to convert Miss Gordon with the requeste number of unimportant people mecessary to convert Miss Gordon with the requeste number of unimportant people mecessary to convert Miss Gordon with the requeste number of unimportant people mecessary to convert Miss Gordon with the requeste number of unimportant people mecessary to convert Miss Gordon with the requeste number of unimportant people mecessary to convert Miss Gordon with the requeste number of unimportant people mecessary to convert Miss Gordon with the requeste number of unimportant people mecessary to convert Miss Gordon with the requeste number of unimportant people mecessary to convert Miss Gordon with the requeste number of unimportant people mecessary to convert Miss Gordon with the requeste number of unimportant people mecessary to convert Miss Gordon with the requeste number of unimportant people mecessary to convert Miss Gordon with the requeste number of unimportant people mecessary to convert Miss Gordon with the requeste number of unimportant people mecessary to convert Miss Gordon with the requeste number of unimportant people mece

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of the belt into his pocket, but what next
was to be done he knew not. To make
things worse, Mrs. Nasmyth presently sat
down beside him and began to talk.
George had met this young lady often
enough before, but had never taken much
notice of her. A quiet, pale gril in black,
she had stood no chance beside the retulgent Miss Gordon, but looking now more
closely at the little widow, all pink with
exercise, George thought her rather pretty.
She had beautiful, sympathetic grey eyes,
which, as George recollected pleasantly,
had been turned with modest interest upon
his manly form pretty often that morning.
He expanded his muscular chest with harmless vanity; and, as his ungirt garments
"gave" too readily, shrunk miserably again
to half his size.

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te to Miss Gordon. "He's fishing with a
beto this and eddy below."

In fact, the honest Tom appeared hereupon with his dripping catch, but Miss
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handkerchief. Arabella, unnoticed by
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said nothing, but her lips trembled a little, and Miss Gordon saw it. Her lips closed. "It lis gloom was not lessened, on reaching the place of meeting, to find that Tom Kennedy, who was to drive, had given Miss Gordon the vacant seat beside him. A most detestable person, thought George, was this Tom Kennedy, who talked evermore of horses, horsily, and still more detestable in that Miss Gordon smiled her sweetest upon him.

Filled with such thoughts, George sat in his corner of the waggonette oblivious of the timid attempts of his neighbour through the corner of the waggonette oblivious of the timid attempts of his neighbour wasMrs. Nasmyth, the "dragon" of the party, whose widowhood was assuredly her only claim to chaperonage, she being a gentle girl of twenty-lour, lett alone two years previously by the death of an elderly husband.

For the most of the drive the conversation was principally sustained by the concertina, with tin whistle obligato from a journalist.

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The music and the dancing had ceased, and the revellers reclined among the heather in as graceful attitude as the gentlehnen's collars and the ladies' corsets permitted. A stage whisper from Mattie and a wave of the rawn brought all to their teet except George.

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About a hundred yards up the river rose a high terraced crag, and on its peak stood en silhouette a noble red deer, with wide branching antlers. He was looking in another direction, motionless against the clear sky, with the sun gilding his russet coat. A murmur of admiration came from the girls.

"What a chance for a pot-shot behind the shoulder," whispered Kennedy.

"Monster!" hissed Mattie, with a look of reproach at the bloodthirsty speaker.

"What is he doing so far from the brase?" asked Mrs. Nasmyth sottly.

"Looking for adventures?"

"For old Burniefoot's vegetables rather," said the prosaic Kennedy, laughing.

A sough of wind came up the river, and the stag vanished abruptly.

"Winded us," said Kennedy. "Smelt us, you know."

"Perhaps he didn't like opopanax," said Arabella timidly. "That young lady's friends were in no doubt that she did. She moved in a cloud of it.

"The deer likes whisky still less," said Kennedy. "They can nose old Macnaughton, the keeper, a mile away, up or down wind. "He'll get never another stag till he turns teetotal."

"Has any one seen' my belt?" asked Mrs. Nasmyth. "It has slipped off somehow." There was a general hunt among the grass and stones for the missing cincture, in which Mr. Campbell anxiously ojoned; but the search was truitless, as well it might, the belt aforesaid being on the person of the inly joyful George, let ut to its last hole. It had slipped from the widow's waist as she rose to see the deer,"

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The steam engine was made perfectly automatic by a lazy boy, who was employed to open and close the valves. Desiring to play instead of work, he tied a string from one part of the machine to another, thus making the engine itself-attend to its own business. He was never heard of again, and even his name is unknown, but a perfect engine was the outcome of his laziness.

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Stewart to Edith O,Brien.

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Woodstock, April 13, by Rev. T. Ms
C. Moir to Lida M. Bubar. Pictou, April 18, by Rev. S. Carson, Rev., A. Falconer to Mrs. Copeland. Truro, March 20, by Rev. A. L. Geggle, Solomon R. Crowe to Bertha Irving.

t. John, April 18, by Rev. E. W. Sibbald, Robert
A. Cropley to Eva M. Orchard. unenburg, April 10, by Rev. J. L. Batty, Hegry L. Rhuland to Edna Heckman. Brilgew tor, April 10° by Rev. R. S. Stevens, Howard Crouse to Ida Wambolt. Halifax, April 12, by Rev. H. H. McPherson, James E. Carmichael to Barbara Renner.

Parrington, April 18, by Rev. S. K. West, Chas. D. Sargent to Annie E. Kendrick. D. Sargent to Annie E. Kendrick.
Halifax, April 16, bv Rev. Mr. Pittman, Serg
Samuel Ford to Georgina Hudson.
Picton, April 16, bv Rev. Wm. Grant,
McDenald to Christy A. McLean.

Charlottetowe, April 3, by Rev. C. W. Corey, William H. Fraser to Maria V. Garrett.
Acadia Mines, N. S., April 10, by Rev. T. B. Layton,
James D. Teed to Minnie E. Mattail. Pokemouche, April 2, by Rev T. J. Fitzgerald, Michael Nowlan to Justine St. Pierre. arrington, N. S., April 13, by Rev. Cranswick Jost, J. A. Orechla to Bertha Crowell.

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Billtown, N. S., April 7. by Rev. E. C. Barker,
Edwin E. Weet B. Laleah Woodworth.
Parraboro, April 17, by Bev. S. Gibbons, Edward
Trueman Clarke to Mary Edna Brown.

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Pugwash, April 10, Horace Kennedy, son of B
F, and Lucy A. Black, 17 months.
Bidewards, April 18, Henry Fairweather, se
Edward and Margaret Davison, 2.
St. John, April 17, Janie A., daughter of Will
D. and Teresis A. Roddy, 2 months.

Elizabeth and Wm. Hensman, 6 months. Halifax, April 18, Welsford Hugh, son c Amos A. and Eunice Hiseler, 17 months. St. Martins, April 20, Dagmar Ethelwynn, daughte of Horace L. and Alma Day, 5 months. James D. Perkins, 76 years and 6 months

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