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arms and Jeanne, no less agitated flies to her. Vane alone seems cool and self-possessed; with guiet composure he places himself between the count and the rest, and holds out his hand. The count, grinning and grimacing refuses to take his eyes off the group, and is about to speak, when Vane stops him.

"I expected you, count," he says. "Will you step outside with me?" and, putting his hand on the count's arm, he leads him out. But the count, having succeeded in

tracking his prey, refuses to be led too far, and pulls up, as straight and upright as a soldier, outside the door. Vane smiles in spite of himself. "Do not be alarmed, count," he says; "I will answer that our young friends will not attempt to escape."

"Soh!" says the count, livid with passion, but making a last attempt to keep up his old carelessness. "You will answer for them, my lord! It is well; I am only too delighted; but permit me to remind you that her highness the Princess Verona, is possessed of a legal guardian, and that, if she were not, I"-and he touches his breast with a pointed finger-"I am her future husband."

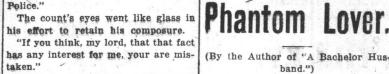
to draw the pictures to re-present the riddles, but he guessed the right answers —and put them in tool So we barred him from the contest and told him "Count," says Vane, gravely, and with a certain kindliness, "I doubt that! These young people have made to keep it a secret. Luck-ily, he got the answers all jumbled up, so you won't up their minds to fall in love with each other, and the princess is so much in earnest that she elects to run all sorts be any the wiser. of danger-conventional and other

vise-rather than go to St. Petersburg. Let us settle this matter now You can shoot me afterwards, if you -don't you remember? Look! a You can shoot me afterwards, if you seratch. There, bind that around it so, like; and as you are a much better and so; and now it is all right. And, shot than I am, I have no doubt you will. I know how excellent a shot you death too cheap a price to pay for this are, for I remember you when, as capnight's proof of your dear love! There, tain in the Czar's Guard, you used to no more tears. Come to me, Jeanne, practice in the St. Petersburg shooting gallery."

The count suddenly winched, but the next moment he looked as cool and

dress in the upper right-hand cornerof thepage. Handwriting, "You have the advantage of me in the matter of your memory, my lord." "Yes," says Vane, "I was not sur-Lucelle, and a few words on Jeanne's prised that you did not remember me, part explained her flight from the for I was at that time only Lord Eldscastle. It was good to see Vane start worth, and wore a plentiful beard and when Jeanne, pointing to the inner mustache. But I remember you, count,

when all Venice was convulsed by the 11HD assassination of the Minister of The count's eyes went like glass in



"I think not," says Vane. Then sud-CHAPTER I. "New Year's Eye!" she echoed. She

Micky had an uncomfortable sort of said duplouse; "Just something cheap, with each other. You wish to secure

feeling that she was looking back on as it's New Year's Eve." Nugent, who desires him to explain have been betrothed to her since- the year that was dying and could He would like to have given her the numerous disappearances of the well, too many years ago for her conthe twelve months. Presently she op- He was quite sure that if she knew he

you won't have it in the future"

"I don't believe in luck," she said

"Don't you? I do." Micky declared

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He nated the despondency in her face;



Solve These Riddles



Dozens of boys and girls have won them and are

"Thank you!" said Micky, "And new we're going to drink to good resolutions for the New Year. . . have you made one yet?" She shook her head. "What's the use? Besides. . . . don't want to make any." "Very well, then, I'll make one for

Shepstone,"

rou." He refilled her glass and handed it to her. "Now say after me: "! esolve that during the coming year will be good friends with Micky Mellowes-" Oh, I say, don'tplease don't. . . . "

like that to every woman you

She broke off, struck by the chagrin in

Micky's face. "No-I oughtn't to

have said that," she went on hurried-

ought not to have said it, and I will

tell you my name if you really want

to know. My name is Esther-Esther

ly. "I beg your pardon. . .

She had dropped her face in her hands again, and Micky had a miserable conviction that she was crying. But he was wrong, for presently she looked up again, and her eyes were dry, though a little hard and bright.

(to be continued.)

Her Fare to Heaven.

There has just come into the posession of the Berlin Museum a group ancient Roman objects which were discovered in the tomb of a little girl of the period of the Emperor Tiberius that is to say, some 1,900 years ago. The objects, which must have been placed there by the child's parents, are in nearly as good a state as they were when the child lay dying with them in her arms. There was a coin of Tiberius in the

lead child's hand-the fee to give to the ferryman for the crossing to the other side. There was a box containing her little dolls. There was a little doll's table, too, and a doll's silver candlestick. The little girl had dressed her dolls, and had "made them up," for there was a box of osmetics with a picture on the cover. The child was fend of playing with the best joke he had ever heard, Mr. pricks; her box contained some little G. B. Burgin, the popular novelist,

was a gold brooch, probably one she the harbor in Montreal when a herd ing and happy. He rattled on, talking any nonsense that came into his head. there by a mother who knew how to their hurried approach. The waiter came down the room and find the way to a child's heart. set the dishes on the table. He gave a sort of supercilious sniff when Micky

Scotch Logic.

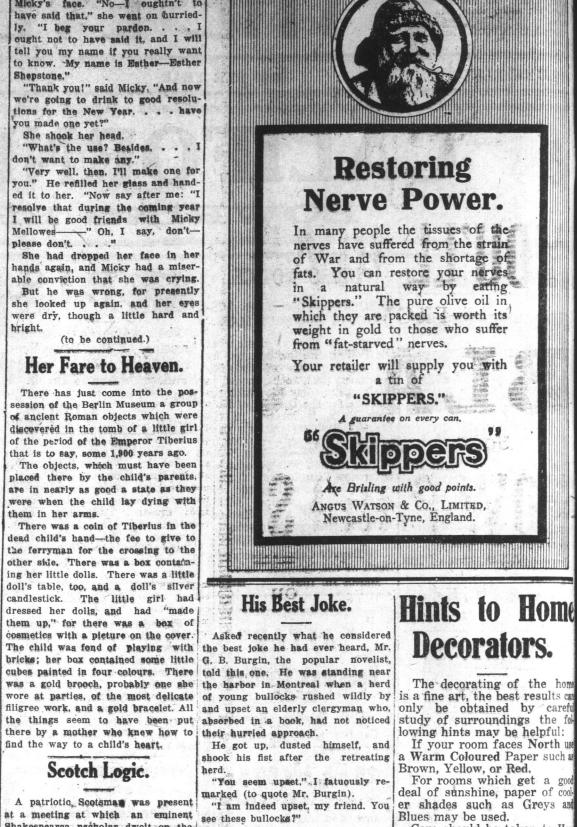
He looked at Charlie with score-Charlie, curled up on the girls lap A patriotic Scotsman was present at a meeting at which an eminent "Of course, you know, we really Shakespearea nscholar dwelt on the closed her eyes for a moment, and ought to have a bottle of wine," Micky virtues of his favourite author. At the close the Scot approached the lecturer. and said :---

free translation of which is "Hence "Ye think a fine lot o' Shakespeare, these steers."

"I do, sir," was the emphatic reply,

herd.

"I see them."



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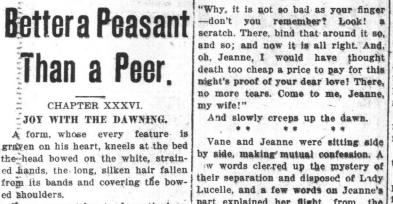
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then he opens the window and enters the room. The sound of his light step arouses

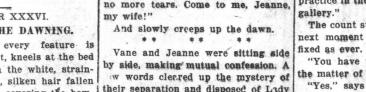
her, and Jeanne turns her head, staring-wildly. Then, without uttering a word, she

reads in his face that the past is swept away; with a low crv. she holds out her arms and the next moment Vane is kneeling beside her, and has

her pressed to his heart. "Jeanne-Jeanne!" he murmurs: "my darling! my wife! Oh, Heaven forgive me! forgive me!"

Shaken by sobs, she clings to him, her arms around his neck, and all he can say is:

"Jeanne, my wife-my wife!" At last she lifts her head and looks him-one long, hungering look that



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For a moment he stands motionless,

room, whispered that the Princess and can fix the date. It was the year Verona was there; it was also good to see his look of astonishment and dismay when Jeanne. blushing and

Police." confused, told him that Hal had run away with the princess. "And where is Hal now, darling?"

Vane asked. "Gone to fetch you," said Jcaune, taken." bending her face against his,

While these two were drinking denly he alters his tone, and laying great draughts from the fountain of his hand on the count's arm, he says, love, Hal was riding as fast as his with a smile: 'Count, let us be candid

horse could bear him to Forbach. When he arrives he is met by Lord the Princess Verona for a wife; you

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cleaves through to his soul, then with a little half-sob, half-smile, she lays her head against his, and seems to sleep. Three-five minutes pass. Suddenly

she-shrinks from him and puts her hand to her cheek, and, with a low cry-of horor, stares at her fingers. "Hush-hush, darling!" he im-

plores. "Jeanne, Jeanne, it is nothing -nothing! My darling, it is nothing! But she will not be satisfied.

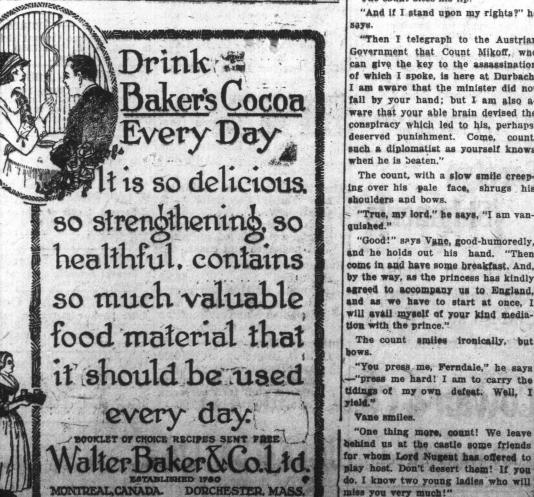
"No-no!" she sobs, panting. "Show me!" And with eager hands she helps him take off his coat. "Oh-oh, Vane!

-oh-oh, look!" And she covers her eyes Soothing her as a mother might child, Vane tears the sleeve from his shirt and goes to the washing-stand

Then springs up the woman, the Vane, when the door opens and the wife, within her. With a low cry she stops him; with her own hand pours count appears.

out the water, and, shuddering, Hal springs to his feet, but Vane, I will remove that disability. The day washes the slight cut. with a gesture of command, forces him he marries the princess I will settle "There, see! Look, darling!" he imdown again, and goes forward. White three thousand a year on her high-

plores, laughing to reassure her. as death, Verona falls back onto Hal's ness."



ed by him. While the two talking in Vane's studio and Hal is child, but a woman, and a very charmthe last one." she said. learning that Lady Lucelle has been ing young lady, too. Notwithstanding summoned urgently to England, Willis her engagement to you, she has given appears, and says that Count Mikoff her heart elsewhere-to my brother-in-

wishes to speak with the marguis. law." Hal has just time to hide behind a "A boy!" says the count, shrugging

curtain, when the count enters. He is his shoulders. concerned about the disappearance of "It is a fault which every year wil his intended bride, and appeals to mend, and all too soon, count," retorts

says.

Lord Nugent to enlighten him. Vane. "Boy as he is, he is old enough Charlie regrets that he cannot, but to know his own mind, and both h the interview does result in the and her highness appear to have made count's enlightenment, however, for up their minds with tolerable firm

he notices a spurred boot projecting ness." from beneath the curtain. He gives no "Excuse me, my lord," says th sign, but when Hal mounted on a fresh ount, "but this alliance, which yo horse, sets out once again for Dur- appear to encourage, is scarcely an adbach, the count follows on another. antageous one for her highness; Mr Hal arrives at the inn, and is at

COMPLEX Bertram is not only young, but un breakfast with Verona, Jeanne and titled and poor." "The Bertrams came over with the Conqueror, count. As to his poverty

The count bites his lip. "And if I stand upon my rights?" he "Then I telegraph to the Austrian

Government that Count Mikoff, who can give the key to the assassination of which I spoke, is here at Durbach am aware that the minister did not fall by your hand; but I am also aware that your able brain devised the conspiracy which led to his, perhaps, deserved punishment. Come, count. such a diplomatist as yourself knows when he is beaten."

The count, with a slow smile creeping over his pale face, shrugs his shoulders and bows.

(To be continued.)

"True, my lord," he says, "I am van-"Good!" says Vane, good-humoredly, and he holds out his hand. "Then come in and have some breakfast. And, by the way, as the princess has kindly agreed to accompany us to England

and as we have to start at once, I This fragrant super-creamy will avail myself of your kind mediamollient for cleansing, puriying and beautifying the skin The count smiles ironically, but and complexion tends to pronoteand maintain skin purity "You press me, Ferndale," he says skin comfort and skin her "press me hard! I am to carry the if used for every-day toilet dings of my own defeat. Well, I purposes. Largest selling

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was a rich man she would fly off at a "Well, I don't want another year like tangent. He ordered an inexpensive Rabbie Burns?" bottle of red wine and filled her glass.

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"You won't have," he told he "Well, here's luck to the New Year." promptly. "I've got a sort of feeling he said sententiously. "And to our dethat there are lots of good things comlightfully unexpected meeting," he

ing along for you. The luck has to added change some time or other, and if She flushed up to the eves you've had a rotten time in the past "Are you always so kind to people as you have been to me?" she asked

asked for a saucer of milk for the cat.

now and purring lustily.

tensely. Micky blushed. "Oh, I say!" he protested. "You chair."

don't call this being kind, do you? I assure you it's just pure selfishness should have spent my evening alone if we hadn't met-and I hate being alone; I bere myself stiff in five minutes. I'm just-honoured that you should have allowed me to eat my supper with you If you knew how beastly fed-up I was feeling . . . the world seemed a positively loathsome place." She laughed; she leaned her elbows on the table and her chin in her hands, looking at him with thoughtful eyes.

"Are you poor?" she asked with disarming frankness. "Poor as a church mouse," said Micky promptly, "At least"-he hast-

ened to amend his words-"I'm one of those unfortunate beggars who spend money as fast as they get it. I've never saved a halfpenny in, my

This at least was the truth. She nodded. "Neither have I-I've never had one to save. . .

The despondency was back again in her voice; Micky broke in hastily-"Before we go any further I think we ought to know one another's names." He fumbled in a pocket for a card, but changed his mind quickly, emembering that his cards bore the ddress of the expensive flat which he honoured with his presence. "My name is Mellowes," he said. "I've got several Christian names as well, but people call me Micky. . . ." He waited, looking at her expectantly. "Won't

you tell me yours?" he asked. She was staring down at her plate. He could see the dark fringe of lashes against her cheeks. Suddenly she looked up.

"Why do you want to know m name? We shall never meet again,

Micky leaned a little forward. "If we don't," he said quietly, "I rill be the greatest disappointment I have ever had."

She looked at him with a sort "You don't mean that," she sa

with a catch in her voice. "You don't eally mean that you're ist one of those men who say this

"An' ye think he was mair clever than been suspended for periods ranging ground, and Green Papers of th from one week to six months, as a softer shades usually contrast "Why, there is no comparison result of the wholesale issuance of tween them." "Maybe no, but ye tell us the nicht

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