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The young lady thus addressed was sitting before a wide window opening out upon a lawn made beautiful by the lights and shadows from the afternoon sunshine and the masses of clouds sailing across the sky. She was absorbed in these exquisite effects of light and shade, and she did not hear the light step of her sister beside her. Now at the heightened tone of her voice she half turned around.

"Mrs. Gamble's? Oh, yes, I suppose "You don't speak as though you cared much for going. I saw Eva Gamble this morning on Commonwealth avenue and she said only lovers of music will be there, and then a few young people who are to have a lovely little dance after the musicale is over. But it's no use talking to you. You're not listen-

"My dear Lillian, I am. But why cannot I catch a glimpse of beauty at the same time? I don't believe you have noticed what a glorious day it is, but are thinking more of the costume you and Elsie have been concocting for tonight. Confess now," and Dora turned a smiling face around to her sister. "Well, I really think you ought to tell Elsie what gown you intend to wear. The poor thing will probably find something awry at the last moment," answered Lillian, with a trace of petulance. "If you showed a little more interest in these commonplace details you would often be a more agreeable companion. People wouldn't think you so cold and unenthusiastic as they often

"Do they think that?" asked Dora, with almost an accent of pain in her voice. "It is a cause of regret, surely, ople are not satisfied with me, notably my gay, pleasure-loving little sister. Well, dear, we'll have to hunt for some conventional mold to fashion me all over."

'I'm sure you didn't use to be so indifferent to these lovely little parties that Mrs. Gamble gives. Why can't you forget that disagreeable affair and let us both be happy as we once were?" This time Dora's dark eyes left the clouds to themselves, and were fastened on her sister's face with an expression of unmistakable reproof. "Do you know, Lil, I often regret that

I ever yielded to your entreaties and told you about that unfortunate letter. You keep it in memory constantly. I am ever moody, you speak of it as a direct outcome of that letter. If I bury myself in a book, you infer that I am eating my heart out with grief. I wish to assure you that despised letter has been forgotten—and I wish you also to understand, dear, that you are never again to allude to the subject."

The rich voice began to tremble, and Dora's eyes went back to a book she had been holding. The next moment, however, she threw it impatiently on a chair and abruptly left the room.

Mrs. Gamble's rooms were well filled by the time the Winfords entered. "What a striking-looking girl Miss Winford is," remarked Miss Curtis to Mrs. Mortimer Brown, as Dora passed on her father's arm. 'Yes; she has a fine face. Beautiful in my opinion, except for its sad ex-

pression when she is not talking." "What do you suppose is the cause?"
"An unfortunate love affair, people say. She bore it well, but— I'll tell you all about it after a while. We're so near the piano we shall have to stop talking now. We are to hear Prof. De Lizst, you know." Mrs. Gamble had called this a musicale; but some of her guests were hopelessly insensitive to the finer, more subtle creations of musical genius. order that they might not be bored be-yond the limits of their endurance, Mrs. Gamble had lit up her extensive grounds and opened a long suite of rooms behind the drawing-room leading to the conservatory, so that all who chose to talk instead of listen might indulge their propensities without disturbing the true lovers of music who remained behind in the drawing-room. It was not long before Lillian and Dora, the latter in spite of her own wishes, found themselves in the midst of a group of merry young people. It was from no indifference to music that Dora responded to a gentleman's offer of his arm for a stroll among the trees. He was an intelligent, agreeable fellow, with a few well-thought-out ideas and

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Snaps in Wall Paper an original way of giving them expression. But even while attentive to him, Dora's ears were half for the beautiful sounds which floated out through the open windows. And soon she stopped her companion's voice by an abrupt open windows. And soon sne stopped her companion's voice by an abrupt command: "Oh, please, listen!"

He did listen for a few minutes.
"Very pretty, is it not? But we are

too far away. Shall we go nearer the When intensely interested in a book, a landscape or anything which ministered to her love of beauty, Dora had the bad habit of not interrupting her Measure your rooms carefully. Call and secure a bargain before they are picked up.

the bad habit of not interrupting ner enjoyment by answering trivial questions. This was one of Lillian's greatest trials with her sister.

"Suppose I take you back to the drawing-room," continued Mr. Brooke.

"You can hear there."

"Thank you."
But at that moment the music ceased
The musiamid a storm of applause. The musician, a diffident, nervous-looking little man, had left the piano, evidently with no intention of responding the the cries of encore from different parts of the room, when he heard a quick step behind him; then a voice said in a low

tone:

"Will you not give us "The Last Hope' once more, Prof. De Lizst? Please, for my sake." "For your sake, Mees Winford, I vould play it many more times zan responded the little professor, with a delighted glance up at the tall figure before him. The next moment he was seated at the piano, with Dora

near him. Even in the midst of playing he sometimes glanced at her absorbed and thoughtful face. She was one of those rare women who can cross a room or stand in view of a crowd without being conscious either of herself or of the scrutiny of others. Now, as she listened to the music which was speaking to her inmost soul, the scene around her, the gayly-dressed people, the brilliant lights, all became to her the dream and the shadow, while thronging memories of a scene in the past, of a face and a voice, even her own words in answer, became to her the tanglible reality.

This was the vision Dora saw: She herself sitting in the very window where she had been this afternoon, but her companion was not her sister, but a tall, full-bearded man, who stood on the veranda, just outside. They had been talking busily, but a silence had fallen between them as they both watched the sun set in a mass of glowing crimson cloud.

"By some strange association, a sunset such as this always makes me think of Gottschalk," Dr. Van Auley said, as he half turned his eyes from

the western sky. "Why?" "Do you see that bank of vapor to the left, its brilliant hues of crimson and gold fading away? Of course it is a well-worn figure to compare hopes and aspirations to such cloud-lands. We build such grand, colossal castles, only to see them fade into nothing, I am no pessimist, and yet I think the older we grow we build fewer of these phantom castles. But you a few hours later. near his 'Last Hope'? I know that many people who cannot appreciate anything but classical kinds of despise people who like lighter kinds of music as well, would be very patronizing towards me for even mentioning it. Of course it is light, but some way I never tire of it as I tire of other things of the kind. It possible that the history of its composition has something to do with the effect it has upon me. I have read somewhere in a French paper that Gotts-chalk himself loved to play it every night. On being asked the reason, he said it was a heart memory of his, and he called it his evening prayer. It seems that once, when staying at a certain place in Spain, he formed a close friendship with a lady afflicted with an incurable disease. Mourning the absence of a beloved son, the only thing which seemed to comfort her and quiet the restless wish for his return was Gotschalk's playing. One evening. when she was suffering more than usual and very unhappy, she went up to Gottschalk and exclaimed: 'In pity, dear friend, give me a little melody, La Derniere Esperance. Tell me, shall I see him once again?" And in response to her passionate wish, Gottschalk then and there composed what the signora called this plaintive and caressing song. one of those aspirations of the soul which seem afraid to ascend to heaven and almost demand an answer accord-

ing to one's wish. The next day Gottschalk went into a neighboring town to give a concert, and on returning, two days later, he heard the bells of the old church tolling. His heart sank with a feeling of foreboding, and putting spurs to his horse, he reached the doors of the church in time to look once more on the calm and peaceful face of the signora as she was being carried to her last resting place. And so, in memory of her, he ever loved to play with peculiar feeling, the melody with which he had tried to comfort her, and give the longing of her heart expression. You know Wordsworth in his great ode says



******* A horse in the lead pulls in vain when the wheel horse lays back in the breeching. A man's body is a good deal like a team of horses, and must work harmoniously. The head may want to work, and strive ever so hard to work, but if the body is balky and sick the head will make no progress.

The man who is out of condition physically may as well give up trying to work mentally. He will not be able to do good work, tally. He will not be able to do good work, or satisfactory work, and in the endeavor to do so will only do himself further harm. The reason that men have nervous exhaustion and prostration is that they try to work the brain when the body is balky. The right thing for a man to do when he finds he is out of sorts physically is to give the mind a little rest, and promptly resort to the right remedy for his physical ailments. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is the best of all medicines for a balky body. When the head aches, the appetite is poor. When the head aches, the appetite is poor When the head aches, the appetite is poor, the sleep is restless, the nerves are shaky and both body and brain suffer from dullness and lassitude, it is time to resort to this great remedy. It restores the appetite, corrects all disorders of the digestion, makes assimilation perfect, invigorates the liver and purifies and nourishes the blood. It is the great blood-maker and flesh-builder. It is the best of nerve tonics and restoratives. It makes both body and brain alert and active. Medicine dealers have nothing "just as good."

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[To be Continued.]

Of Drownings.

Fatal Boating Accident to a Boy at Chesley.

Schooner's Crew of Six Men Prob ably Drowned-Found Dead in a Pool.

TRAGEDY AT CHESLEY. Chesley, Ont., March 29.-Yesterday afternoon a young boy named Ralph McNeil, aged 15 years, son of Rev. Mr. McNeil, of this place, was drowned by the upsetting of a small sail boat. He and his companion, a son of James McNeil, manager of Elliott & Co.'s bank, were out having a sail on Fen-som's mill pond. There was a strong wind blowing at the time, and losing control of their sails, the boat was turned over, and both were thrown into the water. James succeeded in reaching the shore, but Ralph sank to his death. His body was recovered. FOUND DROWNED.

Lyn, Ont., March 29.-The body of Fred White (colored), aged 24 years, was found Sunday in a pool of water in a field between his father's place and the village. He had been missing since the 19th inst. Coroner Vaux, of Brockville, considered an inquest unnecessary.

CREW PROBABLY PERISHED. Digby, N. S., March 29.-The schooner Gladys, which passed out of Digby on Wednesday, March 16, loaded with piling, was picked up, bottom up, ten miles off Digby light. It is supposed the crew of six were drowned. Gladys was a vessel of 148 tons, in command of Capt. Slocum and was bound for New York.

FATALLY BURNED. Montreal, March 29. - Mrs. Robert Kerr, of 85 St. Matthew street, about sixty years of age, was lighting a gas stove, when her dress caught fire, and before the names were extinguished she was terribly burned. She died

******* WESTERN ONTARIO *********

Tilbury talks of having a hook and A branch of the society of the Lady

Maccabees of the World has been organized in St. Thomas. Mr. Henry Timewell, Fingal, has purchased his old homestead back again from the Messrs. MacPherson. Alf. Decoteau and Robert McDonald,

of Sarnia township, left on Saturday for Crow's Nest Pass, British Columbia. E. W. Lewis, late of Galt, now proprietor of the Burlington box and basket factory, has 40 employes. The establishment is working overtime. A canvass was made of the town of Brussels, and 33 subscribers of \$10 each obtained as a loan to the proposed carpet factory going there from Elora.

Thomas Ferriss shipped a carload of horses, weighing from 1,000 to 1,400 pounds, to Toronto from Windsor, on Saturday afternoon. The price paid varied from \$45 to \$60. Strong efforts are being made to have S. V. Willson remove his large woolen

mills at Union to St. Thomas. Mr. Willson employs from fifteen to twenty hands all the year round. Owing to the small attendance and insufficient financial support, the bishop has seen fit to close the churches of the Atwood Anglican mission, detaching Roe's Church and uniting it with

the Milverton parish. Henry Parent, of Sandwich East, will not be sent to jail, although he cannot pay the \$40.55 for the sheep killed on Walker & Sons' farm last January by his dog. His horses and wagon will be sold, and the township of Sandwich East must make up the balance of the

damage. The Avonbank Presbyterians will hold a jubilee celebration about July 1. There will be an outdoor meeting in the afternoon, and also one in the church in the evening. All the pastors who have been in connection with the congregation are invited to be present, as also all who have ever been members.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. William Duncan, College avenue, Sarnia, was the scene of a pretty wedding on Thursday afternoon. The bride was their eldest daughter, Alida, and the groom Mr. R. D. Harmer. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. W. Henderson. Miss Gilroy, of Petrola, attended the bride and Mr. Dan W. Harmer supported his brother.

The creditors of the Walkerton Chair Manufacturing Company (Limited) have decided to appoint Sheriff O'Connor as assignee to wind up the estate. The statement submitted showed an apparent surplus of \$3,600, but this will doubtless be subject to a shrinkage when the property is sold and expenses paid. Mr. Wiles was not prepared to make an offer, consequently the factory and furniture will be offered for sale. There is great fear that the cherry crop in Western Ontario will be destroyed this season. A new sort of

scale has been discovered on many of the trees of the varous districts. It is not the San Jose scale, but something similar, say those who have examined the trees that have been attacked. Every effort will be made by the department of agriculture to prevent the spreading of the scale, and do away with it entirely. So far it has only been noticed on cherry trees.

About 1 o'clock on Sunday morning the American Hotel at Delhi was discovered to be on fire. The proprietor, J. B. Walsh, locked up the building, and acompanied by his wife left the hotel about 9:30 to visit friends out of town. Building and contents were consumed. The brigade did good work in saving the surrounding buildings. The hotel was built of brick, valued at about \$3,000, and owned by D. C. Gibson, of Brantford, insured for \$2,000; the contents ford; insured for \$2,000; the contents were insured for \$1,000.

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