iah's cheeks.

lowed to see each other?"

she-" pause? abruptly.

deprecatingly.

prove of me, but that's no excuse for

her holding over you the way she

"Oh, Cynthia has so much more

Simeon looked at her quizzically. "I

suppose she has told you that so of-

ten that you have got so you believe

There was an awkward pause.

Keziah looked at the clock and half

lenged for, half-dreaded, the arrival of

the first scholar. Simesn frowned at

the stove and wished he knew how to

say what he wanted to say. At last

"Keziah, let us have one good long talk together. We may never have another chance and there are some

things I'd like to know about. Win

you tell me the reason why we didn't

get married that time-fifteen years

ago, wasn't it? Was one reason Cyn-

"Well, I thought so, What were the

others? I know you told me at the

time, but somehowy didn't seem like reasons you would give."

"There weren't any others-besides

"She must have told you things

about me. I wonder what they were?"

Keziah turned away her head. "She

said that you were shiftless," she fal-

tered, "and never would get on in the

He made a wry face. "And I sup-

posed she has kept I or eye on me, and

has had the satisf ction of saying, I told you so,' every little while, and

congratulating you on her good sense

and your escape. Well, I guess she was right. I wonder if you cared?"

vehemently. "I wanted you to succeed

and justify my opinion of you, and

when you didn't she would exult and

sometimes I wanted to go away and

trown," was all Simeon had said.

"I wish I had knows-I wish I had

She looked at him pityingly: then

she laid her hand timidly on his arm,

"you know it now," she said, gently,

ose to his feet suddenly.

he said, in a voice that startled her,

She listened to his retreating foot-

steps, then turned in her chair so that

she could lay her arm on its back and

bury her face in the crook of her elbow.

In a moment she heard some one com-

ing, and stood up hastily, giving quick

dabs to her eyes with her handker

a little longer. Something more im-

portant comes first," said Simeon, com-

ing into the room. "Why, Keziah' you

are not-Why, what is it, dear?" for

Keziah was crying softly in his arms.

A little later, when they were more

calm, Simeon said: "What I came

back to say was this: I am going to

get away from the pernicious influence

Keziah's eyes sparkled. "I will do it,"

she said, and there was that in her

freed herself from the domination of

There were other things that had to

be said, and by that time the fire had

gone out and the room grown cold.

at home on account of the snow."

dreading her interview with Cynthia,

while Simeon, with his shovel over

his shoulder, went briskly in the other direction.—Chicago News.

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ta, that your husband is unkind to you.

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the old gentleman, as he picked the

"Well,' replied the boy, resignedly,

boy up and laid Mm across his knee.

"This really pains me, Willie," said

creases a tidy.-Boston Transcript.

"That snow will have to wait just

never come back."

out of the room.

chief.

Thatcher."

her sister.

"Yes, I did care," she said, almost

it. But I don't believe it!"

he cleared his throat.

Cynthic.

sense than I have," Kexiah murmured,

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A BELATED REVOLT.

Simeon Walker sat on the top rail of the fence. He had stopped there in the act of getting over. His rubber booted legs were tired, so he rested and roosted there.

The snow was a foot deep on the level, and in places it was over the stone walls. Simeon's tracks trailed off across the field behind. He had come that way because it was nearer, but when he had gone half the distance he regretted it, and was tempted to retrace his steps and go by the road. After standing still and reflecting for some little time he had decided to continue.

When he reached the fence he was glad he had taken the field, otherwise there would have been no excuse for resting on the top of the rail fence. He had a shovel with him and was going a mile up the road to help dig out a drifted place.

Simeon sat on the fence till he began to be a little chilly; whereupon he concluded that he was rested enough, and jumped down n the other side into the road.

He had covered nearly half the distance to the place where he was to work, when he stopped suddenly in front of the school house. "Time-nation!" he ejaculated under

man who was making strenuous efforts do dig a path up to the school It isn't too late." As she paused a moment for breath she caught sight of Simeon. If he had

his breath. He was staring at a wo-

caught her stealing his chickens she could hardly have looked more fright. ened and guilty. "Oh," she panted, "I thought 1

could get it done before any one saw

"Keziah Thatcher," he said, solemn. ly, "I thought you had more sense." He took the shovel from her. It was a small fire shovel. He looked at it scornfully, tossed it into a convenient bank, and set to work with his own.

"Don't some of the big boys dig the paths for you;" he asked, sternly. "Yes," she remarked, "but they are always so late, and then the fire doesn't get to going and the little

children suffer and take cold." Simeon smiled grimly as he thought that at the rate she was going she would not have got the schoolroom much warmer than if she had left the work to the boys.

"And besides," Keziah continued, apologetically, "I didn't know it was so drifted."

Something in her voice made Simeon turn and look at her.

"You are cold," he said, gently. "What have you got on your feet? Whew! Nothing but rubbers." looked dubiously across the drifted yard to the school house door. Then his face cleared. "Where is the key?" he asked.

Keziah felt in her pocket and drew it out. He took it and without a word turned and began ploughing slowly through the snow. When he reached the door, he unlocked it and opened it wide, then returned to Keziah, who was watching him wonderingly.

"Now," he said, as he reached her "I am going to carry you to that door "Oh, no, please don't! I can wait till the path is made perfectly well. I'M not very cold, truly I'm not."

"I am going to carry you," said Simeon, and there was a strange note of command in his voice. "Put your arm around my neck—so. There, now can carry you easily." "Oh. Mr. Walker! I wish-" she

protested feebly. Slowly and carefully he walked through the snow, reached the steps and deposited his burden inside the

"There!" he said. "Now you can start the fire while I finish the path." It took but a short time to finish that path, for Simeon worked as he "at least I've never been fool enough had never worked before. He smiled to deliberately hurt myself."-Chicaas he looked up and saw the smoke go Post.

ascending from the chimaes. When he went into the schoolroom, after stamping the snow off his boots, he

found that Keziah's fire was a roaring success. But perhaps neither the heat of the fire nor the previous cold quite accounted for the bright color in Kes affect many other organs and all the evidences of diseased liver or kidneys, or dissome other organ.

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small. I don't believe I've been here since I went to school, but you've spent a good part of your time here. since then. My! that fire feels good." He drew two chairs up to the stove

and after Keziah had taken one he seated himself in the other. "Isn't this cozy?" he said, in a tone of satisfaction. "I was on my way to Benson's Corner to shovel snow, but I guess the snow will keep and it isn't often I get a chance to speak to you. Why, how long is it since we were al-"I don't know." Keziah's eyes were east down. "It is some years. I don't know what Cynthia would say if Simeon smiled good humoredly. "I know that sister of yours doesn't ap-

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little Mrs. Smith, "and it was beautiful to hear some of the women talk about the sanctity of the home, and all

"But what about the play?" inquired or husband "Oh, everybody said it was awful." 'But how did everybody know?"

"ht isn't too late and I'll justify your opinion of me yet. I will go now and sisted the inquisitive Mr. Smith. shovel that snow. Good-bye, I'm "Why, Mrs. Van Sand told us." glad I saw you." He grasped her hand "How did she know? Did Van Sand so hard that she winced, then strods

> "No; the synopsis, of course. Mrs. Sand is such a smart woman.' "You bet she is," assented the man

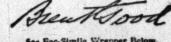
> said the Broadwalk gossip.
> "But," remonstrated the Chicago lady who had not caught the drift of the conversation, "perhaps she did not marry until late in life."

of that lazy, good-for-nothing Sim Walker, and I thought it would be a grand good idea if at the same time you would break away from the pernicious influence of Miss Cynthia look which told that she had at last

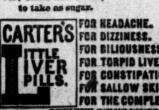
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