To My Hasband.

Ah, dear me! if you only knew, How anxiously we wait for you, How all the day

While you'r away, Our hearts with tender love are thrilled. How oft' we draw the picture bright-The circle round the fire at night. When you, your vacant place have filled.

Ah, dear one! if you only knew, How anxiously we wait for you, The babes and I. And how we try

To make our home the brightest place. That when to us at night you come In from the city's busy hum, A happy smile may wreath your face.

Ah, dear one! if you only knew. Our threads of life are held by you. How all the day Alone we stay.

While you gain impulse from afar. Open to you, the world's great fight, Ready to climb Parnassus' height -Burdened by homely cares we are; Then, dear one, when you come to-night,

Bring home a loving face and bright; Bring hope and praise, Our courage raise, Ah, let the babies find in you A loving friend, their joys to share; A helpful friend, to lift each care,

A OUESTION OF TEM-PERAMENT.

And let me find a helpmate true.

(Continued.)

Miss Garrison bowed and the turnkey escorted her to the door. She stepped into the warden's office on her way out and sasked him if the prisoners were allowed to receive anything from friends or relatives, Whereupon the good man gave her a small printed slip, telling her that it set forth all that was allowed.

Having folded it and put it in her pocket-book, Mis Garrison regained the free outer air with great sense of satisfaction. How good it seemed to be once more where the wind of heaven could freely play around her!

When she was alone in her room that evening she took the printed slip from her pocket and read it. It was as follows ;

SING SING PRISON, Nov .- , 18-BULES FOR THE GUIDANCE OF THE FRIENDS

OF PRISONERS IN THIS INSTITUTION. " Each prisoner is allowed certain prive ilieges, by the Prison Authorities, only on condition of his good behavior. Dis-obedience to the Prison rules forficits for him all privileges for such a length of time as the Agent and the Warden may

" First. He may receive a visit from his friends (one or more at the same time) once in two months. When an extra visit is desired an application must be made to e Warden, giving the reasons therefor, Mich should be important. On Sundays and Nolidays visiting is not permitted, the Prison being closed.

" Second. He may receive a box of delicacies to cat once in two months. Coffee, tea, chocolate, and other articles which require cooking here not allowed.

"Third. He may receive chewing tobacco, underclothes, socks, handkerobacco, underclothes, socks, handker-chiefs, towels, bedding, carpet for cell, looking-glass, hair-brush and comb, toothbrush, shoes, slippers, gloves, and mittens. These articles may be sent at any time.

important business. " Fifth. He may receive all papers.

magazines, and books of a proper character that come for him. Daily and weekly political papers, criminal and sensational papers, immoral and sensational novels,

" Sixth. All boxes and packages by express (which must be prepaid), and all mail matter, should be plainly marked with the prisoner's name in full, and the date of his sentence. Compliance with this rule will prevent mistakes in the Prison delivery. "ALBERT E. BURROUGHS,

"Agent and Warden Sing Sing Prison. "Approved: "WILLIAM SANDFORD;

Sup't N. Y. State Prisons."

Miss Garrison made a running commen tary on some of the rules. " I could send him a box of things to eat. They don't say anything about the size of the box. I wonder if he smokes? 'Carpet for cell.' letters that come if they be of a 'proper I need some help very badly. I cannot character.' If I write it will certainly be a speak to my wife or daughter about it." letter of a 'proper character.' Papers and be a relief after making button-hole

places in trousers all day long." She sat thinking, with the printed slip on her lap. "I wonder if he thought it was Addie waiting for him when he came and there was a little look of disappointment on his face when he saw it was I. Oh! why is that man there?" she exclaimed impatiently. Then as if she did not like to think of it any more, she made her preparation for the night and went to bed.

Miss Garrison spent a fortnight with her friend, Miss Forsythe, at Sing Sing. Then she went back to town. A week later a large box came to Sing Sing prison for Paul Arkenburgh containing delicacies. There was no note or eard with the box. A Turkish rug, narrow and long, also

came for him. "The poor man is suffering unjustly and it is only decency to try and make his lot as endurable as possible," the young womon had said to herself when getting these articles ready for Sing Sing. But it must be confessed that she found satisfaction in the thought that no one knew anything about the strong interest she had conceived for a State prisoner.

V. if it was anything serious; but he must Tarrytown at the time, too ill to move with in black and white Mr. Archer's statement have injured himself internally, for he rheumatism.

fancies that the trouble about that dreadtrying, made me remiss in my duties as a have suffered more on his account. hostess. Nothing will satisfy him but afraid it may not be very pleasant for you. with papa so sick and mamma dreadfully upset. But I can assure you it will be a his innocence. great relief to papa, and I shall be ever so

grateful if you will come." evening.

" There was a positive, visible relief in papa when he heard you were coming. morning. "He said: 'Now, try and to say earnestly: make it pleasant for her, won't you?' and of course I said I would, and I will. Isn't they are sick?"

Miss Garrison allowed that the vagaries of invalids were very unaccountable. She had felt the moment she got Addie's letter | she asked Mr. Archer gently. that Mr. Archer's desire might have more method in it than could be a limitted. He was not a man to be carried away by a gush of hospitable feeling.

Naturally she expressed a desire to see the sick man. But for a day or two after her if he could." her arrival he did not feel equal to it. The third day she was ushered into his room, Mr. Archer was confined to his bed, and Miss Garrison saw at once from the ravages illness had made that his condition was rather a perilous one. She talked to him cheerfully, and he tried to assume some interest, but his mind would wander off in an abstracted way. Once, on furning to look at him, she found his eyes fixed on her with a strange expression in them of

doubt and anxiety. He withdrew them as soon as he saw her attention was attracted, and turned his head restlessly on one side, while an expression of pain shot over his features. When she rose to go he said to her: " I am not very good company, but I hope you will find time to drop in on me sometimes, Miss Garrison. It is a relief to me to have a visitor to talk to."

Three days later the doctor found his patient so much worse that he ventured to inquire of him whether he had arranged his affairs, or if there was anything he would like to attend to in case of a relapse. · Not that there is much immediate danger, you know," the doctor said comfortingly, but you are not strong, and it is always the safe thing to look out for everything In time, my dear sir."

The next day Miss Garrison dropped in to see him. He was evidently worse. He shook hands with her feverishly. " Can **Foorth. He may write one letter cach month, and receive all letters, of a proper character, that come for him. His she would with pleasure. "Then, I think friends may write as often as they please. I will send the nurse out for an hour to get im only in special cases of sickness or a little rest and air," and he insisted on the man's taking this recreation.

After he had gone Mr. Archer asked Miss Garrison to take a chair and seat herself near him. She did so. For some moments he said nothing. Once or twice he turned his eyes in a pained way upon her. At last, by a great effort, he brought himself to speak.

" Miss Garrison, I wish you to promise me solemnly that you will regard what I am about to say to you as a sacred confidence. Tell me that - whether you will do what I want you to or not - you will keep the information I have to impart a

Miss Garrison leaned toward the sick nan and assured him that she would not betray any confidence he might repose in her. "I have done something wrong," he went on, his forehead contracting and his lips trembling at the revelation they were I do not believe he has one, and I about to make, "And then I have done should think it would be a comfort. That another thing that has troubled me more bare stone floor! He can receive all the than the first. I want you to help me, for

"I will help you all I can, Mr. Archer," books! Why, that is nice. They ought to said the young woman earnestly. She had a clear conviction now of what was coming and half shrank from it.

in. He certainly did not expect to see me, of which I was president. He didn't take believe this thing of him. But she need

the money. I took it!"

one proud thrill of satisfaction. She had beeen right! Archer, if you find it too painful. I know that she had engaged herself to Mr. Calda now and you have gotten over the worst well. The engagement was to be kept

defer the rest until later." not rest in my grave if I did not repair this | must be admitted that her judgment and feelinjustice. You do not know what a noble | ing about the Archer family were largely fellow that young Arkenburgh is. He is affected by the thought of a tall, resolute

went on, with his dips twitching nervously, was too full of her own happiness, howwhile his face flushed. "I needed the ever, to note the slight lack of arder in her money only for a little while just at that confidente. The lovers had agreed that time. I thought I could replace it before papa was not to be disturbed about love or its absence would be noted. But Arken-marriage until his health was better. A fortnight after she had returned to burgh's sudden trip to Albany just at the In the afternoon Mr. Archer's nurse the city she received a note from Addie time the money was taken drew suspicion came and asked Miss Garrison if she All Orders by Mail Promptly and Carefully Attended to. Lowest Prices Archer; "Papa has had a severe acci- on him. There was no way out of it for could pay another visit to that gentleman's dent. He was coming down stairs a week him except convicting me, for I was the sick-room. Miss Garrison had been imago when he was seized with a dizzy only other person who had the key. I was patiently awaiting the summons and obeyed attack and fell. At first it did not seem as supposed to be confined at my house in it with alacrity. She was eager to have

suffers a great real and cannot leave his "He basew this and when I saw him he eyes met hers the moment she enter d the prison telling him that Paul Arkenburgh bed now. The doctor says it is a very said: 'It is much better for me than for room, and after the nurse had again been serious thing, but hopes that papa will you to suffer this imputation. And I was sentant for analying, Mr. Archer hurriedly come out all right. You know how fanci- weak enough to let him do it, Miss Gar- broached the subject. ful sick people are, my dear Kate. Well, rison. It seemed a worse crime to break "There is ink and paper in that writing papa has got the idea in his mind that you my wife's heart and rain my daughter's table. Will you not take down what must come down here. He thinks you career than to let him suffer for me. But say about Paul Arkenburgh now?" would have stayed longer when you were I have paid for this by my suffering. It The Young woman was soon in readiness here if you had enjoyed yourself, and he was terrible to see Addie turning against and the old man began: "I, George ful man in prison, which was so fresh and have loved him very much or she would is wholly innocent of the crime for which

that I shall write and ask you to come repair as much of it as I can," he went on. dollars and he deliberately allowed himdown for a while now. Will you? Pray, "I am going to get you to write out a self to be convicted of it in order to screen don't fancy that because I am doing this to statement of the whole thing at my dicta- me and spare my family the disgrace of satisfy an invalid's caprice that I should tion, and I will sign it and we will get such criminality. He did this through a not be delighted to have you come myself. other witnesses to sign it. With that sense of gratitude to me for having helped I wish you would come, although I am paper you ought to be able to secure his him in his career. I feel that I shall not

Miss Garrison brought her lips closely it. But, if it can be possibly done - not | will be witnessed as mine by her and the together on reading this letter and her for my sake, because I won't be here to undersigned, my nurse. This should secure brows contracted with thought. It did not feel it, but for my daughter's and her Arkenburgh's release and acquittal from take her five minutes to decide, and have mother's - I would like not to be known the charge. ing sent a telegram to announce her as the -the guilty man. When I am dead arrival, she took the Newport boat that will you try an lalo this, Miss Garrison? heing published I pray that it may. But if If you promise me I know you will."

He bent his sunken eyes on her with mournful intensity. Miss Garrison was since it is more just that my own should dear," said Miss Archer to her the next greatly overcome, but she roused herself suffer ar my evil-loing than a stranger

of course I said I would, and I will. Isn't can be done. But it will suffer this injust sus-it old what funny ideas people get when Arkenburgh should suffer this injust sus-like I will screen your . "Not said Mr. Archer, breathing picion all his life. I will screen your Arkenburgh to do such a noble thing?"

"He was indebted to me for his rise in the world, and gratitude entered into his sigh at clief escaped from him. Miss motive for such generosity. And then," Mr. Archer said sadly, " he was very much in love with Addie and he wished to spare excitement of the confession. Then she

The poor man sighed deeply. Then he said in tones of the bitterest feeling: And she has turned against him because ne is a thief! Oh! how cruelly she has stabled me by her hardness and the con- will. I stall like you to remain here tempt with which she has spoken of that fine fellow by this name, which belonged to her father and not to him!"

" Do not dwell on the thought any more now, Mr. Archer," sand Miss Garrison. It is sad enough. I would not talk about ! it any more for the present. I will write the statement any time you wish, and then you will feel that you have made some restitution, for it must release Mr. Arkenourgh from his unmerited imprisonment."

"Then you will help me? I can count eagerly. " You may, assuredly," she said, taking

She was glad to get away to give herself time to think over the situation. The satisfaction of being borne out in her instinctive belief about Arkenburgh was almost lost sight of in the mixed feelings which held possession of her now. There was a good deal of repulsion toward Mr. Archer. By his own admission he was a house of a man who had stolen money. Miss Garrison felt a most disagrecable sense of disgrace from such association.

But the poor man was suffering, and he had asked her to help him. She would funeral. Then she returned to New York, not be like Addie Archer. He wished to make such amends as he could. Miss Garrison appreciated that if the true facts in the case were to come out when justice could not be done to the criminal, and only innocent people would suffer, the good of such disclosure was hardly apparent Arkenburgh must be released and his reputation restored, if possible, without bringing disgrace on Mrs. Archer and

But if Mr. Archer should not die! What could be done then? She would have a comfortable feeling, surely, in knowing that an innocent man was bearing the punishment of another's sin to spare two other innocent persons misery and disgrace. 'I hope he does die!" she exclaimed to herself as this thought arose. "It is the only way of getting things cleared up at

Then she thought of Arkenburgh, quietly and resolutely accepting five years of ignominious imprisonment through generous teeling for the man who had befriended and helped him, and, doubtless, he loved a dark and blasting grief. And then Miss Garrison experienced another lively emotion as she recalled Addic Archer's treatment of her lover. She got fiercely indignant at the thought. "It was all right to feel repelled at his being a "You know my clerk, Paul Arkenburgh, thief. I feel that way myself towards the was accused and convicted of stealing poor man upstairs there. It was right fifteen thousand dollars from the company enough to renounce him, toc, if she could The effort of making the disclosure left ness and contempt toward him. She need him panting and pallid. Miss Garrison was not have poured all her pity out upon her-

alarmed a little, though there was time for self. Oh! what a hateful tangle it is." The next morning she was the recipient of another confidence. Miss Archer told "Do not try to tell the rest now, Mr. her, under pledge of the greatest secrecy, part. If you feel the strain too much, strictly private for some time. Miss Garrison was not quite as effusive in her "No. I must say it all now. I could congratulations as she might have been. It onesty itself ' and the soul of generosity." | man in a dingy prison-suit of striped cloth Mr. Archer gave a sigh that was very and with an invisible aureola around his "It is the old story, Miss Garrison," he | that the aureola was there. Her friend

about the robbery. The invalid's gaunt

him as she did. I do not think she could Archer, do declare that Paul Arkenburgh he is now undergoing punishment in Sing "I have done this evil and I want to Sing. I stole the money, fifteen thousand release from prison. The governor would live long, and I cannot pass into future set him free on such evidence as this of life without some effort to rescue this generous man from the burden he is "I am not going to recover from this so heroically bearing for my sake. This attack. It is my punishment, and I deserve paper, written by Miss Katherine Garrison.

securing this result, then let it be known, who has shown such magnanamity. I who has shown such magnanamity. I make the declaration with my sound mind can be done. But it would be hard if Mr.

name as much as can be. What led Mr. heavily, "give me the pen." He grasped it and vrote his name to the declaration with a trembling hand, . As soon as he had done this he fell back in his bed and a Garrison said nothing for a few moments. until he hal somewhat recovered from the said quietly; "You would like this to be witnessed by some one; would you not? I will we my name to it now.

"Yes and when the nurse comes in h will sign it," said Mr. Archer. "If you until his return."

Miss Garrison readily consented. The sick man lay perfectly motionless, but with his eres half-upen. After a short wes half-open. After a short time the passe returned, and Miss Garrison explaned to him briefly that the paper contained directions, which Mr. Archer had committed to her in writing, about complished after his death. The nurse then signed it, and the young woman left the room with the findication of Paul on you, can't 1?" the sick man said Arkenburth's honor folded away within the bosomof her gown.

She would have liked to hid farewell to the hand which Mr. Archer stretched the Arches at quee. But Mr. Arches pain a dying man. So she remained. He grew weaker daily. One morning, about ten days later, when Miss Garrison came down to breakfast, Addie Arches advanced

"He di dight Miss Garrison let thief! She was the guest, then, in the thought a not many who had staten money. Arkenburg prison door. She could not feel any reget at this death.

on the plea that she had much to do. That week, without letting any one know where she was going she took the taain to Albany. ner's Emulsion for simple and obstinate cough and general debility. In every case it has given the utmost satisfaction. I was sent to the warden of the Sing Sing recommend it as a family medicine."

vas to be released, as his innocence had been clearly established.

Two days later Miss Garrison was sitting olone in her room, buried in thought, when the servant said that a gentleman, who declined to give his name, wished to

"Tell him I will be down directly," she said, rising from her chair at once. She had not seen or heard from Paul Arkenburgh since her visit to the prison, but she knew that two days before he had walked forth from Sing Sing free and innocent. She knew that it was he. She gave a few hasty touches to her hair, and then glided rapidly down stairs and entered the draw-

Paul Arkenburgh had heard her step, nd was watching the door as he stood drawn up to his full height. There was an air of distinction, about his fine figure and handsome face which were much more keeping with his dark clothes and gloved hands than they were with the lingy stripes of Sing Sing prison-suit. She advanced toward him, her hand stretched out, a smile of warm welcome lighting up her face. He clasped her

still more closely cropoed. "I am very glad to see you, Mr. Akrenourgh," she said. "Thanks," he said simply. "I am free, and one of the first things I wished to do with my freedom was to come to you. I wish you to tell me if I do not owe this in some way to you. I received a communication from the governor telling me that my innocence was proven by the confession of the guilty person, and also saying that the same generosity which had made me suffer to screen him would probably lead me to conceal the culprit's name now that I was free and declared innocent of all stain. Do you know who the person was, Miss Garrison?

"Yes," she replied softly. "He is dead, and although he has done only the least that could be expected in this effort to save you from your generous sacrifice, I am sure that you will be careful to keep his guilt from becoming public."

" I am not surprised that you, who felt that I was innocent when everything pointed to my guilt, should feel that I could not have any other wish than this. So far my release has escaped notice in the papers, Otherwise I should fear that there might be conjectures based on Mr. Archer's recent death and my release which would be dangerous for the peace of nind of the survivors. But will you not tell me what part you played in my re-

"I did nothing expent convey to the gavernor a written statement which I wrote at the dictation of the real culprit. seemed to few her departure with shrink- and which he signed and I and his nurse ing, and se could not bring herself to witnessed. It was very little. Do not let us speak of that, please. But I am sincerely giad that you are free."

"And I have not thanked you for the box you sent to the prison for me," said to meet her rith eres swollen from weep- Arkenburgh. "You must not think me conceited in believing it was you who did this, for I know there was no other who could have thought of me. Miss Garrison, I can never repay you for those kindness, death had tipped the halfs from Paul but I feel thom to the bottom of my

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