I KNEW thee in better days, old friend, And will not scorn thee now; Though darkened are fortune's rays, old friend,

When once shone o'er thy brow; Of my kith and kin the deeds, old friend,

In friendships harvest field. So come; as in days of yore, Stands open my humble door, Though I have not scarcely store Thou art welcome as heretofore, old

friend. Yes, now thy boughs are shred, old friend,

They spurn thee, while they flee, As the leaves on which they tread, old friend, When fallen from the tree.

If angels lost thrones in heaven, old friend, Their brows with brands they'd

crown; If thrones to fiends were given, old friend. They'd kneel in worship down.

Map out a brighter chart, No cord of my love shall start; Though leafless thy branches part, There's sap in thine honest heart, old friend.

Though oft with want thou hast fought old friend, And sorrow still is thing, Thou hast garnered sheaves of thought, old friend,

And wisdom's fruits divine. old friend,

Are truths like stars that glow; And what of material mould, old friend, Can vie with feelings flow? For thee I have no rebnke; Though my home's not by a brook, In the woodland's sheltered nook, 'Tis free as an oped book, old friend.

And many thou hast saved; She struck on a rock, unseen, old D'OYLEY' friend,

As stormy seas she braved; But fortune's full tide shall flow, old friend. And float her o'er the steep,

friend. Beyond the billow's sweep. So come; as in days of yore; Stands open my humble door; Though I have but scanty store, Thou art welcome as heretofore, old

friend.

Pride and Jealousey. Or a Wronged Husband.

Con inued.

This was the first time during her married life that the wife's haugty pride had been humbled. No tears came to her relief. She paced the partment with rapid, eager stripes and striving to quell her anger and unjust Hugh, his coldness, his reserve, and moodly restiessness, until a feeling akin to loathing reared its deformed head in her throbbing heart. She contrasted his passionate devotion in the early years of their marriage with his ness, so unjustly misinterpret my eswhence could it emanate, she thought, culpable? Am I wrong in prising a he not boasted of it to her face! She needlessly neglects? There are no fell into a deep reverie; a train of bounds to my homage, no limits to my thoughts passed through her brain, respectful adoration- If you but res HAKKIK WILLIE leaving nothing but suspicion behind. quire a proof of my sincerity, you An hour of more elapsed, and she ne- have but to speak, and I obey you.' ver moved-scarce seemed to breathe The wife paused, her bearing changbut the expression of agony on her ed. The lynx-eyed libertine watche fair face increased with every minute. ed the shifting expression of her face, At length a deep sigh rose from her and with a dexterous hand scattered (Opposite the Mercantile Premises of anguished heart, and broke the spell of the evil seed, her mind already harher moody meditation. She raised rowed by jealousy, was too well preher head and suddenly her eye lighted pared to receive. He gave insidious on the unconscious casket. She rose hints of her husband's treachery, points from her chair, her hands closed round ed at his manner, and finally spoke Begs to intimate that he has recently it in an angry fierceness and she was in covert terms of his passion for ans about to dash it to the ground, when, other until Grace saw the man, who, est improved and very best quality of at that inst, the door was opened, and despite her many foibles, her woman's she rapidly replaced it unharmed upon heart still loved purely and strong y, Franklin and Fittings of all sizes Eng. the table and sank back into her seat. stand before her mind's eye a very lish and American GOTHIC GRAT Her maid entered, and presented her demon of inconstancy. Her thoughts ES. with a choice bouquet of flowers.

sumed indifference.

Sherwood. 'I hav not ordered any thought flashed over the lurid darkflowers to-day.' Suddenly a new ness of her jealousy; she put it away sed Milk, Coffee, Soaps and a general thought seemed to strike her, and she from her at first, but it returned again assortment of Groceries, Hardware

the house an hour since.'

Go, said Mrs. Sherwood, giving an of light into her clouded soul. She angry gesture, of dismissal to the ser- returned the temper's service fawn Job Printing of every descrpis

From him!' she murmered, while with scorn. hot tears blinded her eyes, and a

choking sob rose in her throat. 'What is this weakness?' she added, anddens ly subduing her emotion. Tears for him? No he shall find I am not so easily conquered. I will show him that his outraged wife can repay him

roorn for scorn.' She rose from her chair, and her gaze fell upon the casket, when a convulsive spasm passed over her pale Vessels repaired on the Marine Rail features. Trying to be firm, she gathered her whole strength with a painful effort and walked with a scorn. ful air from the room.

When she reached the drawingroom the bitter feeling of her heart again gushed forth. An intence and burning jealously devoured her bettter thoughts. Her vacant gaze fell upon the innocent bouquet of flowers which she still unconsciously retained in her hands. She ruthlessly picked them one by one to pieces, scattering their fragile leaves around her, until nothing remained except the mare thorny

'He sends his petted plaything flow. ers to release her,'she murmered fiercely; 'and my hand tears and spurns them. He has so stripped my heart of its bloom, and can I hot retaliate?" What is this?' she asked with sudden eagerness, as she fixed her eyes intently on the plucked bouquet; 'a note—a pray of penitence, no doubt. A confession of his guilt, perhaps, and ing the leg, of a single piece of specia a plea for pardon.' She hastily broke pattern, with the seam in front. the seal. No, the handwriting is strange to me,' she said, and an expression, blending incredulity, shame and THIR More precious than pearls and gold, anger, mantled her pale beauty as she read the following:

consuming secret I have so long concealed in burning silence? No, you must have divined its existence a thousand times. A passion so enthralls OPPOSITE STAR OF THE SEA HALL ing and a love so ardent as mine can. not have escaped your susceptible The lifeboat hath gallant been, old heart. Permit me then, in secresy, to steal to your side, and vow eternal fidelity to my soul's idol. EverARD Mon ments, Tombs, Gave

'Insulent!' she exclaimed, crushing the note in her trembling fingers; the letter must be a forgery, or is it that I am under the influence of some horrid spell? What have I done? How And heaven shall point her prow, old have I compromised myself that he dare write to me-the honourable wife designs of an honourable man-words of such unrighteous meaning?'

She continued to breathe forth her gnorant contempt in language of uns measured bitterness, when suddenly the French window overlooking the terraced garden was pushed noiselessy open, and the author of the note stepped into the room, Grace looked up as his figure came between her and the light. A withering frown overshadowed her angry beauty as her eyes rested on him, She rose erect and confronted him with a flashing

'You bere, Sir Everard!' she ex claimed. What is your business?' 'You cannot be ignorant,' he begar with a polished smile; 'that better-'And you have the boldness to speak

of this insult?' she asked, pointing to the crushed note in her hand. 'Do not,' he said with servile blands late neglect and disregard. From teem and devotion. In what am I paper sent to my address. but from his love for another! Had gem that another sees no lustre in, and Bay Roberts.

reverted to his cold, stinginging words! 'Who sent this?' she asked, with as of contempt when he parted from her, to the casket which she now believed 'I do not know, ma'am replied the contained the proofs of his fidelity. girl. 'They came from your flourist's, Yet how to confirm her suspicions unknowh to Hugh? The aflection There is some mistake,' said Mrs. baffled her awhile. Suddenly a

asked quickly,' is your master at in strong force; and by degrees was Glassware Tinware etc. manly curiosity, got the upper hand 'No, ma'am,' replied the girl, he left and she yielded to its power. It seem-'There don't stand looking at me. ed to sweeten the hyssop and gall of her roused anger, and came like a ray with frigid politiness, but no longer

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