

## POET'S ROMANCE NEWLY REVEALED

Keats' Love for a Beautiful Italian Girl Made Known for First Time.

Rome, April 17.—The English cemetery in Rome is full of wild beauty and classical interest. From the outside it appears to be covered by immovable cypresses and pine trees. Close to it rises the famous pyramid of Calixtus, 116 feet high.

From time to time, owing to the winds and rain which have swept over this spot, pieces of the marble which coated the sides of the pyramid are detached and now tufts of weeds have taken root in the cracks and crannies and as they wave to and fro in the wind they seem to mock the vanity of the Epulo who wished this huge pile for his tomb.

In striking contrast, in a secluded spot, overshadowed by two soft-flying pines and surrounded by many flowers, is the resting place of John Keats. Fresh interest is awakened in this romance in the poet's life.

**Last Days Happy.**  
In 1819, two years before his death, Keats fell desperately in love with Fanny Brawne, who drove him to distraction with her caprices.

After this unfortunate love affair he left England with his faithful friends Severn and took up his residence in Rome, where he chanced to meet the woman who filled his last days with happiness. It was only quite recently and as the result of researches by an Italian student that this heretofore ignored episode of Keats' life in Rome has been discovered.

As the poet was ascending the steps of the Trinita del Monti one day he was struck by the marvelous beauty of a young Italian girl who was going in the same direction. The attraction was so strong that without a moment's reflection he offered her his arm, which she unhesitatingly accepted.

From this chance meeting a friendship grew up which soon ripened into love. Keats' love was so strong that he succeeded in hiding until the very last moment the illness which eventually carried him away, lest his Italian sweetheart, Maria Landi, should suffer pain.

**Letter to Her Found.**  
After his death she disappeared and no trace of this short but happy episode of Keats' life was found until the discovery of the following letter from Keats to Maria Landi, which is in the possession of one of her great grand nephews living in Rome.

My Dear—  
I have just said I would write to you, still with a little more to say, my dear, my hope, my smile and my one and only joy. You do not know how much I love you, you do not know it and I cannot tell you how much.

But you are everything to me, as for you alone I smile, my tears and I put one sweet thought among many bitter ones, and I have many of them, love, many, a whole sorrowful crown, a most sorrowful crown of them. But when I am near you I forget them all because I love you with great, immense and infinite love, with a love that no words can express.

Oh, if you were here, if your dear face with its look which promises wonderful sweetness, would greet and comfort me! Oh, if you were only with me, my adored! If you knew how I long for your presence in certain moments, I wish for you suddenly at times in the peace of dawn, at others in the calmness of the night, and it seems as if your voice reached me in the silence, your silvery voice as musical as a waterfall.

Why is everyone using Carling's Easter Bock Beer?

Money used to make the mare go, but lately she has received a check and refuses to go.

Over 1,000,000 fox skins are sent every year to the great fur markets of Leipzig and Nijni-Novgorod.

The output of cast iron shaft weights in the United States has reached \$5,000 tons a year in recent years.

## Came Near Dying

Abscess on the Hip—Dreadful Suffering—Hospital Treatment Failed.

## Another Great Cure by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Charles L. Hutchins is well known and popular in S. Royalton, Vt., being driver of the stage to and from Chelsea. He says of his boy Arthur, now 15, whose portrait appears below:

"He fell on the mill dam and injured his hip. An abscess developed and dreadful sickness followed. The doctors lanced the abscess and later performed an operation in the Mary Fletcher Hospital in Burlington. Arthur came near dying after the operation, but we got him home and neighbors said he would certainly die. In the spring I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, as usual, and gave Arthur a little each day. After a week or two there was a great change in the boy. He seemed hungry, and one day surprised us by exclaiming, 'How good my food tastes!' We could soon see the color coming into his face, as day by day he got better, seemed more lively and took more interest in things."

"The sore is now entirely healed, there is no pain in hip or limb. Arthur goes to school every day and his health could not be better. To our friends his cure by Hood's Sarsaparilla seems miraculous."



Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies the blood, eliminates scrofulous tendencies, cures dyspepsia and kidney troubles, gives Sound Health, Restful Sleep.

It creates good appetite, relieves all symptoms of dyspepsia, makes one feel better, look better, eat and sleep better.

"My brother became completely run-down, his blood was poor, in fact, his whole system was out of order. He took Hood's Sarsaparilla which produced wonderful results, in a surprisingly short time." LENA BAZNER, 126 Becker St., Toronto.

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