Boetry. DARK DAYS.

JARK DAYS, Ab, mej ah, me i the dark, dark dats, When ille seemed far too hard to bear; When dismal were its weary ways, And doubt was very near despair; When **seems** my best-laid plans, Impressioning hopeless, vain, And I say in grang to let slip The work that since has brought me gain!

The sole, dam days, when weeping skies Ana solbing winds seemed but to be The , the of this human wee Whose decay meaning was in me; The days when he's had proved untrue, And Friendship but a broken reed— A broken real that pearced my heart, And made it inly, dumbly bleed !

The dark and dreary days in which The body would not serve the mind And painful languors had the power My will in impotence to bind; When Duty called me with strong volce, And, heedless both of blame and praise 1 answered her with fainting heart— Oh, the long, aching, weary days !

But then, O soul, theu wert but one, But one in a great company, And each had had home days agidark As any that had come to thee; For into every life must fall The solemn rain of human tears, And over every life is hung The somber clouds of drifting fears.

But not in laughter and in song Was 1 the notices lenson imagit: Twas in the struggle of dark hours My soul to highest aims was wrought. Then Finth, Indurance, Patience, Hope; Game heat, and made me itrong for skille And thus the storm of life's dark hours Brought me the harvest-time of life.

Literature.

**TEMPTATION:** 

The Lady of Ashurst.

OFFIN AT WERK. their own wing of the building. After a went on as if dreaming aloud : few moments of pleasant reverie, the lat ter said :

something more about her." "Touched, eh? but you had better look out, old fellow. You are treading on dangerous ground, I can tell you. That young lady is destined to marry her ousing whether abe will or no, or locse the whole of her inheritance. I warn you off fairly, and it will be your own fault if you perify your heart to play the traitor. "Rehaw "stuff1 The day for such com-plications as that have passed away. The law will right her, seem if she won't marry the man you spoke of. I would swarr that "she has never lored anyone; and such an impulsite creature as that will her heart. But what do you mean by warring me."" "Constituent of a lift, and is it will be your own fault if never consent to give her hand when the sudden changes in the sudden such as the sudden changes in the sudden such as the sudden changes in the sudden such as the sudden changes in the sudden such as the sudden change in the sudden such as This was lightly said, to conceal the

Bessie allowed Refus to escort her on of his nature. Do not permit yourself to these occasions, but they quarrelled and made up every day of their lives, and she only forgave his teazing when he left her quietly seated on the grass near the spot money with his wife, or drudge out his life in the lower walks of his profession, to had now become enchanted ground to win bread." had now become enchanted ground to her, and the conversations on art daily held by herself and Delancey were the most delighter intellectual recreations she had ever known. Besile was duite uncoascious that the personale of the artist lent enchantment to his eloquent words. She believed her mind and imagination alone to be revel-ling in the scenes he brought up before his vivid fancy, when in reality her heart was dumbly crying out : "Rufus, we have been children together was dumbly crying out :

"At dumbly crying out: "This man is your fate. Flee from him, while you yee posseds the power to do so, or it will soon be too late to make the at tempt." She heeded not the silent warning, but from day to day drank in the sweet in. Frank and mwalf. But the struggle is

from day to day drank in the sweet in toxucation of his presence of his dream ing eyes—of the silvery stream of words that issued from his hips with no appar-ent effort on his part. But no look of delicious dream of security in which she revealed. Had he incentious is but is a long to the incention of the ince revelled. Had he incentiously burrayed interest with which she inspired him, Bessie would as duce have been upon her guard, and at last have made an effort to keep her parting promise to Mrs. Ashley. But Delancey was an honorable man, After a little preliminary hesitation, In spite of her deep excitement, Bessie laughed at this ridiculous action; and alia Herbert Ellery had asked her to be his and aware of the position she held, he

forbore to betray the passion which in forbore to betray the passion which in creased with every hour they spent to gether. He mentally decided: Welby soon overtook her, and they gether. He mentally decided : "I will leave things to take their own went on more amicably till they reached

course. But if Bessie betrays the slight est preference for me before she leaves this place, I will trample impossibilities under foot. The man to whom they would torce her to give her hand shall then never possess it while I live to dispute his

IMPORTANT LETTERS. Thus trembling on the very verge of the fiery gulf of passion, these two met day after day, and with each meeting De-Bessie ran up to Mrs. Welby's room, and found her with a table in front of her and found her with a table in front of her lancey looked into the crystal depths of those franks dark eves, to see if they as yet had any message for his innersoit But Bessie, in happy unconsciousness of her danger, betrayed no sign that her her danger, betrayed no sign that her her danger, betrayed no sign that her her those from her our h heart had wandered from her own keep-

The glow faded suddenly from the young girl's face, and she quietly said: "Perhaps so, ma'am; I will go to my room and see what Minny says." Kate was still abroad, and she had the on that, or any other subject in which ng. Delancey had spent several years in Europe, and Bessie never wearied of listening to his descriptions of art and manners in the countries he had visited. One day, when Ellery and Kate had wandered to some distance, and Rufus had not come out with them, he came very near betraying the new feelings that swayed his heart He had heer speaking of Italy, and he

their own wing of the building. After a went on as it dreaming aloud: "One can live on very little there, yet little there and : "One can live on very little there, yet little there, yet little there, yet little there, yet little there and : "That Miss Ashley is a most enchanting" who would sympathize with me in all my states who would sympathize with me in all my states is a most enchanting the work who would sympathize with me in all my states is a most enchanting the most method. The remonstrances she was preparing to the the method. The remonstrances she was preparing to the the method. The remonstrances she was preparing to the the method. The remonstrances she was preparing to the the method. The remonstrances she was preparing to the the method. The remonstrances she was preparing to the the method. The remonstrances she was preparing to the the there is the there is the she was the method. The remonstrances she was preparing to the there is the method. The remonstrances she was preparing to the there is the she was the the there is the there is the there is the she was the the there is th "That Miss Ashley is a most enceanting companion suited to my tastes; with one who would sympathize with me in all my been so deeply interested in any one on so brief an acquaintance. Do tell me willing to abjure my cold father land for will by her tenderness, I think I should be willing to abjure my cold father land for the lines address ever, and be contented to dwell upon the sed to her by her Minny.

CHAPTER XXXVII.

the family.

"Such light diet, would, doubtless, re- thus :

She turned her flashing eyes upon him,

ancies itself safe from observation. Pooh !

"If I am, I can see myself so darkly

Welby saw that she was really excited.

"I should never have followed you, but

shall look out, and interpret them for my

own satisfaction. Is there anything dis-honorable in that, Mademoiselle Wasp,

the notable discovery that you are getting

on thin ice-ready to break through into

Bessie had recovered control of her

temper, and felt ashamed of her late words

"Please hush your nonsense, Rufus, and

shining hour, as we are assured the busy

bees do. All the darkies are well, and

matters are getting along swimmingly

generally. I hope that satisfies your anx-

She laughed in spite of her vexation.

"Yes-quite; 1 am satisfied, Of course

you could tell me nothing about what has

through it that I cannot understand what

Bessie, vou are as transparent as glass.'

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crime of which I was innocent.

I am yours respectfully,

read the following lines :-

to the very end.

Bessie read this letter over several "Squildig," said Podspap, this morn-

"Yes, but what I want to know i

"Rufus, we have been children together best thing she could do for her own couple of months ago, and they were

same pig?

"Yes, ma'am.' "Then I'll take three of them."

Pleurisy and Lung Fever. Inflammation of the Lungs, or the "That is easily done," said Welby, who was in one of his most bizarre moods; and sam relieves the sore chest, loosens and After a little preliminary hesitation, cures the cough and difficult breathing,

wife, and she had referred him to her

"Then I may consider the affair as settled," said Bessie, " for Mr. Ellery is

that time, I expect you will be married

apartment to herself, for woich she was very thankful. Tearing off the envelope, three letters fell out, two bearing a for-eign postmark; one of which was doffer sed to firs. Achiev-this one had been opened-the other was from Frank to her back to her winter in the metro. hey for a brilliant winter in the metro-

utter by innumerable kisses, and then few moments, she laid it down with a light whirled her around in a mad waltz till both were out of breath.

Kate, so just leave me to fight my own battle in my own way. I have had

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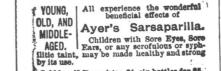
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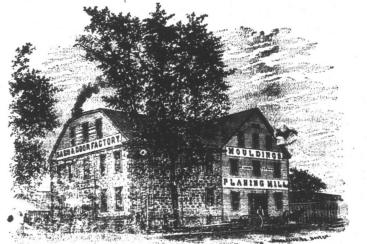


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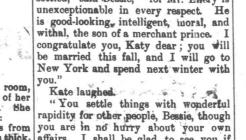


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something of the kind. I meant merely to tell you that making love to an engaged young lady is sometimes, a dangerous

pastime. "But it as you hinted just now. Miss Ashley is engaged without her own con-ward expression of her dismay at the dis-sent there will be something piquant and covery, and she arose with a feeling of relief as she saw young Welby approach-ing them, fanning himself with his hat. romantic in winning her from the fate from which she shrinks."

Delancey lowered his voice, and re-"But you can't afford to do such a thing, "But you can't allord to do sadd a tank," Ernest. You have no fortune, and she will have could like unless the markes Wentworth. You see, I am perfectly Wentworth. You see, I am perfectly bread and batter are but vulgar accession of the second secon

sories to life. My Peri and her slave could live on fruit, nectar, and love." With the last word he flashed a glance "Thank you, Welby," said Delancey with a slight touch of hauteur. "I know you mean well, but you only pique me to into her shrinking eyes that made her tremble, but she gayly replied : the trial : for I believe I have been guilty of the absurdity of falling in love at first fine and elevate your conceptions of sight. By Heaven ! this is no bread-and- beauty; and if you only succeed in finding butter Miss | with the sweet insipidity of the Peri who may be willing to enjoy it with you, I hope you may realize your brightest anticipations in her society." Welby here joined them, and bowing to most of her kind, but a creature with heart, brain, sensibility ! Ab! such a beheart, brain, sensionity i Antistea a be ing as this may well make a man dream how divine a thing pure and perfect love may be!"

"Whew! ages gone already ! I say friend. This was returned by a defiant Ernest, you have fallen in love with the wave of Delancey's brush ; and when they wrong sister. The other one-the Arden had passed on till a curve in the path shut them from the view of the artist, Rufus heiress-is coming to this country, and demurely said: "I sincarely beg you pardon for appear-ing so inoprortunely, Bessie. If I had dreamed that Delancey was making love she should be your quarry. I had settled the whole thing in my own mind, and I meant to invite you to the Oaks after to you, I should have kept at a discreet the family returned from Europe, that you might have a chance to make the ac quaintance of his second daughter."

"What her value and by such an asser-tion as that? You mean by such an asser-nothing that savored of a declaration of Delancey looked puzzled. He said : "I do not exactly understand to what family you refer, and how is this young lady a sister of the heiress of the Arden

love. Mr. Delancey and I were merely discussing possibilities." "Yes-I see-I understand," he replied, estates ?" with a most provokingly knowing look. "But there was a great deal of personality "Ob, I forgot. That is a secret yet, but it will be safe in your keeping. Leon Ashley is coming back to Maryland to re-sume his own name and live at Arden Place. The young lady whose acquaint-ance you made to night, is the daughter of his first wife, and the joint heiress to it will be safe in your keeping. Leon covery worth speaking of." "Didn't I, though! How blind some gives her hand to the other heir; if not, she gets only a small annuity. Have you people are! They remind me of the ostrich that hides its head in the sand, and never suspected that Leon Ashley and

Leon Larne are one ?" Delancey listened to this explanation

with vivid interest. He replied : "My father always said so, but I have

you mean by such idle talk. I desire hever thought much about it. He insisted that you will speak to me in this way no that . woman so fanatically attached to a more-1 find it annoying, not to say imman as Grace Arden was to her first lover pertinent." would never have consented to elope with and after walking on a few paces with an air of mock humility, he said : his cousin within two months of his death.

And Ashley is really coming back ?" The conversation which ensued we will not repeat, as it treated of things already to bring back our stray sunbeam to shine on letters which have just arrived from written to you once before from Vienna, but known to the reader; but it was nearly dawn before the two friends separated and place yourselves upon my path, with conretired to their own apartments.

The acquaintance thus commenced way successfully cultivated by the young artist, in spite of the feeble efforts made by Mr. and will you swear that I did not make Welby and wife to discourage his visits. In fact, Bessie had plucked up courage

a sea of troubles ?" to speak freely with them on the subject of the tie that bound her to Frank, and the kind and sympathetic couple conclud- she hurriedly said : ed that it would be sinning against this

helpless young creature if they aided in "The Oaks, is it, that you want to hear thrusting her into a union which they clearly saw was so repulsive to her. They believed that little harm could

come from her acquaintance with Delancey. The two seemed to take much nterest in conversing with each other. and they soon discovered that there was marvelicus sympathy in their tastes ; but, iety about my paternal home." unconsciously, the manner of both was guarder and Mrs. Welby never suspected that by each that seeming raticence glowed to first embers of a flame which

might yet defy the conversational forms which binds the victim to the car of deswhich that the victure to the car of des-tiny that rolls relentlessly upon its course, crushing out the life of the suffering and bleeding hearts over which it passes.

bleeding hearts over which it passes. Day after day what Delancey called his movable studio became the centre of at traction to at least four of the visitors at Nagara, for Fred. Ellery, a distinguished your tell tale face. Oh, Bessie, I am your

"Only that I think you are in need of vivid interest she was conscious of having have been introduced, have you not already Kate, I think I have been very good vivid interest she was conscious of having taken in his words; and the suddled pang that struck to her heart give her the first intimation that she had already passed from the neutral ground of friendship, into the fiery vortex of an overwhelming passion. The Paris menesced to control the out individual of the subscience of the subscience of the subscience of the subscience of the promise on which I so im-plastic menesced to control the out. Not Paris menesced to control the out.

But Bessie managed to control the out-blight bessie managed to control the out-plight rely. Frank did not write to me, and much as a cond-looking artist. My dear Bessie Frank did not write to me, and much as I was tempted to open his letter, I thought it best to send it to you intact, so I do not know what new arguments he has to offer to not be able to support you as you have win over your wayward heart. Thank Mrs. Weby for her maternal kindbeen used to live, for years to come, if ever." ness to you, and remember me to the rest of

"Always the same story, even from Ever your own young lips," exclaimed Bessie, indignant-MINNY "Suppose I prefer giving up some of my luxuries for the privilege of choos-Bessie read these lines with a chilled feeling, and then took up Ashley's letter. ing my own future, what then ?" When she had finished reading it she "How savagely you speak, my dear. was not surprised that Mrs. Ashley had make no allusion to its contents. It ran be a quiet wedding such as we read of in sentimental stories, succeeded by perfect BADEN, August 10, 18-. MRS. ASHLEY — Madam: Since the advent of bliss in a humble cottage," my nephew, and my removal to this place, I "However humble the home may be,

have improved so much that I can now add I promise that it shall be the abode of dress a few lines to you myself. It is quite true that I shall return to Mary- peace and contentment," said Bessie,

It is quite true that I shall return to Mary-land and resume my own name; it was laid aside contrary to my better judgment, but so long as my father lived I maintained the de-my light words-they were not meant ception he compelled me to practise, from a to wound. But there is the first dinner fanatical notion that his family honor would bell, so we must hasten to the important fanatical action that his mainly actus "or a bell, so we must have a bell, so we must have a duties of the toilette."

I will cast no reproach on Judge Ashley's. Radiant in lovliness, with a new and memory which can wound you, for Frank softer charm beaming from her lovely assures me that you have made him a most eyes, Bessie made her appearance in the

assures me that you have made him a most eyes, Bessie made her appearance in the devoted and exemplary wife. "Every one to his taste," as the homely proverb has it, but I must give to a young and attractive woman, such as I am informed powhere near them. For some time you are, credit for great self-control in keep-ing up the farce of affection for a sexagenarian to the very end

But the old man has paid you well for your devotion, for I find that he has left you nearly side of the table, from which he could

all his personal property, besides the third of his getate which the law will allow you. At first I thought I would contest the will, but on becoming better aconginet with but on becoming better acquainted with Frank's views, I have concluded that it will be best for my interests to permit it to stand, per : "Did Frank tell you that you are and the wishes of Judge Ashley with reference at liberty to go to the deuce for all he

Arden Place to have the house prepared for tion till I perish of a slow decay " my reception there. I hope we shall be able to leave Europe in " Perhaps you might have done some I hope we shall be able to leave Europe in time to avoid the September gales—and I am improving so rapidly that I think we shall do so. With love to my daughter, He leaves to night so you may wear the willow for which-LEON L. ASHLEY.

ever one you lament most." Bessie curled her lip at the suggestion There was not much comfort in this, and with a curl of her lips that was almost contemptuous, Bessie threw aside this but she turned her head away that her tormentor might not read its expression, and the lively blow of words with which CARRIAGE and SLEIGH characteristic missive, and broke the seal of Franks. Her face brightened as she she had amused those around her continued with unabated brilliancy till they BADEN, August 10, 18arosc from the table.

(To be continued)

Little Johnny, on being asked by his school teacher if he knew what was Ashurst. If you and your cavalier will have not yet received any letters from dear old Ashurst. In my first letter I said nothing scious looks upon your faces, of course 1 of my own peculiar feelings as to the past, but hell look out out interfeelings as to the past, but meant by "at par," replied that "Ma was always at pa when he came home late."

perative did it seem to me to give you up, for pay attention to dress and fashion withfelt assured that you could never be happy with me for your husband. But since then, Bessie, a new revelation has dawned on me, out being proud. "Madam," replied the minister, whenever you see the tail and I now know that you were right. We did of a fox out of a hole you may be sure the fox is there also.'

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the opinion held by many prominent physicians in this country that beef tea is a mere stimulant, and not at all nourishing. "The popular belief," it says, happened in my own home. I must read dear Minny's letter to find out about that.

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sion give solace to your apprehensive heart-neither Minny's persuasions nor the will of my grandfather can make me do so fatal a The British Medical Journal confirms thing for both of us as to insist on the fulfil-ment of the contract in the forming of which we were not consulted. We will reached from it, and yet find means "No-I am not gifted with clairvoyance right time for action arrives, for we have a food value."

We are coming home, Bessie, as fast as was despatched by my honored mamma steam can bring us, so soon as my uncle is ----now I will write frankly toyou. I reflected deeply on all that happened at Ashurst before I left, and the more I thought, the more im-A lady asked a minister if she might

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