

LITERARY.

The days of Grant.

Within the White House room
Where gentle Hayes lies snoring,
Food memory starts a boom,

Boss Shepard rules the town
With profit and with pleasure;
Badoek trots up and down,

Once more the gifts pour in
To his Imperial Highness;
Lobbies again begin

While railroads have their way,
Each grasping corporation
Big dividends can pay,

Thus in the White House room
Where gentle Hayes lies snoring,
Sad memory starts a boom,

The Lady of Lyons.

I saw her first at Mount Desert;
We had a desperate flirtation;
In fact, I did but little else

We met at Wallack's quite by chance;
On one side sat the dragon mother,
And, by the greatest luck in life,

The play was Bulwer's Love and Pride;
And when the final act was over,
I whispered, "Dear, be my Pauline,

A rosy blush o'erspread her cheeks,
Her eyes were hidden by their lashes,
As with a murmured "No," she turned

But with a loving little glance,
She whispered when I'd called her carriage,
"Pauline and Claude would never do,

SNOWDRIFT

OR THE ELOPEMENT.

(Continued.)

Day after day I had listened more
and more intently for the sound of a
fairly footstep, or the echo of a silvery
laugh.

There is only one thing for me to do,
get well as fast as I can and start
for Castle Roydon.

The evening was closing when the
door of my sitting-room opened, and
the justice came in; he was earlier
than usual, and the child had not
come.

When the justice saw the child he
turned ashy white, and covered his
face with his hands; and she, after
standing irresolute for a second, went
and laid her little cheek upon his

knee, saying, "Don't ki; Turk won't
eat you. Kiss baby!" and the little
rosy mouth was held up very persua-
sively.

We saw him no more that evening.
Towards night we heard the child's
chatter on her way to bed.

So it was; the gulf which had ex-
isted for years, was bridged by a lit-
tle child.

"Sir Archibald, I am so thankful
papa has gone to Pat Doolan's to
fetch Lena."

It was getting late when May came
to me, and she sat down on a stool
by the sofa as she spoke.

"When are you going to say
'Archie'?" I asked. You do not
know how much prettier it is than

"Oh, I could not," she laughed. "It
does not seem right for me to call
you that. You are so much older

I had been so long an unwilling pris-
oner in the house that I seemed not
to be able to breathe enough of the fresh
pure air.

The shade came soon. A few days
afterwards I was smoking on the ter-
race, and playing a game of romps with

"Hollo, May!" exclaimed the string-
er, springing to the ground and fasten-
ing his horse, and then running lightly
up the steps.

"And, Harold, you have grown fool-
ish. Of course I am glad to see you.
Let me introduce you to Sir Archi-
bald."

The conversation was general, Har-
old and I talked about foreign coun-
tries, and May joined now and then;
but I could not help noticing that

The justice welcomed the young
man warmly, the horse was sent
round to the stables, and the sunshine
at Mainowen was clouded over.

From that day, upon some pretext or
other, Harold Maurice was always
coming. Sometimes it was some new
music, a rare flower, or a book of poems,

One day the justice came and laid
his hand upon my shoulder, as I was
standing at the window watching
Harold and May amongst the crocus-
beds.

"Archie," he said, "those two are
going to make a match Maurice came
to me this morning and asked me
for my child, and I told him that if

"I think she is," I answered, in a
dreamy sort of way, looking over the
two young heads in the garden be-
low into the cold gray sky;

"Nonsense, boy! I do not speak of it."
"But I must speak of it, for I want
to do so without telling you how
grateful I—"

"Boy, boy, hush! what a deal of
nonsense you can talk! And why
do you speak of leaving us? I think
as we had all the trouble of nursing

"But Castle Roydon wants me, sir.
Indeed, I expect I shall have plenty
to occupy my time now to prepare
my house for your summer visit.

"No! all the tittens," interrupted
the little one.

"But, Pet, who would take care of
them?" asked the justice, laughing.

"Arche," she replied, throwing her
little arms round my neck and hid-
ing her laughing face upon my should-
er.

"Lena," said he, as Mrs. Laurence
entered the room, "you will have to
watch the wee one, she is already her
infantile powers upon Archie. What

"An old woman," replied report
the Sunbeam, peeping at her grand-
papa.

I had given her the pet name of
Sunbeam at the first, and the rest of
the household had taken it up until
it had become pretty general.

My last evening at Mainowen had
arrived, and I was not sorry for it.
May had seemed to avoid me lately.

The refused to take one of our old
quite walks unless Mrs. Laurence or
or the justice would join us, and in
every other possible way I had seen

I was thinking that in twenty-
four hours I should be far away, when
the justice came in.

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