AFTER YEARS.

'It—seems—to—me, Est-lle,' said Fer-dirand Ess-x after a moment or two of grave observation. 'that you're about old encugh to leave off playing with dolls.' 'Flying with dolls, iodeed!' echoed Este'le, drawing herself up with infinite scorn expressed in the graceful curves of her lissome shape. 'I playing with dolls!' 'Well, what are you doing then?' 'Why. I am dressing fifteen of them for

Why, I am dressing fifteen of them for the church fair! and Estele held up one completed fairy, gorgeous in pink crepe and spangles, with a floating sash and ends of gauze ribbon.

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The church fair! said Msjor Eisex, curling his lips, 'o' all absurd nonsense, devised to stir up quarrels among the womankind and rob the men by wholesale, that is the most riviculous!'

But you are going, Major Eisex?'

Going! No, I should rather think not.'

'Why?'

Haven't I just told you? Because I disapprove of the who'e thing?

'Major Eisex.' said Eistelle, her voice quivering with indignation and two vivid scarlet spots starting out upon her cheeks, 'I do believe it is just as Aunt Marion says!'

And what does Aunt Marion say?' demanded Eisex, rather smused.

'She says that you are getting to be a selfi h, narrow minded old bachelor!'

'I can't be so very old. I am not thriy until the new year,' pleaded Eisex.

'I call that very old indeed,' said Eistelle haughtily. 'And she says you are re'tling down into a set groove of thought and teeling, and unless—'

'Stop, stop,' said the major, whimsically arching his eyebrows. Don't give too beavy doss of bitter medicine, Estelle. I've heard quite enough for the present.'

'I don't suppose Aunt Marion meant that it should be repeated to you,' said Estelle, sewing vigorously away at a doh's skirt and pricking her tapering fingers merciless. ly. but I believe it's every word of it trus.'

'Yes, I do,' nodded Estelle emphatica'ly.

'That's hard on me,' said Major Eisex, with an attempt at pathos which was contradicted by the sparkle of his mischievous brown eyes. 'Do you suppose I could retrieve my character if I were to go to the church fair and buy the biggest doll you have been dressing?'

Estelle was eilent, but the compressed lips and crimsoning cheeks betokened her inward indignation.

'Come,' persisted M jor Essex, hall lifting himself from the so'a to get a batter view of the young face in the corner. 'You know I'm going away next week and I shall want some kind of a souvenic to remind me of you when I'm away on the other side of the habitable globe. Shall

lars for that doll?"

'I woul n't sell it to you for five hundred dollars' broke out Estelle, with fishing eyes and coloring temples. 'It's just as Aunt Marion says—you are a disagreeable. cross, tormenting old bachelor!"

'Why, Stella, I thought we used to be such good friends!"

"So we used, 'said Estelle, 'but not since you have begun to tease and torment me.'
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'I am not crying!' fleshed Estelle, and to hide the bright, gathering drops she caught up all the pile of dolls, satin, tarlatan and glittering ribbon into her frock and dar ed out of the room like an arrow.

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For a moment Essex gave way to natural emotions. He sat down on the ing and suggestive. An entirely

By Jove, I wish I had staid in Calcutta' he said to bimselt. 'Home is not home with all there changes around it.'

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Mrs. Colonel Changeley had returned from Indis in the same vessel with him—a plump, handrome widow, who had lost her lamented colonel in a Sepoy mutiny among the jingles and was on the qui vive for a successor to him—and Mrs. Colonel Changhley gave Major Essex no peace in his life. He must ride with her. He must escort her hither and yon. He must go with her to select her new pony phaeton. In fact she found herselt unable to transact the commonest item in business

ton. In fact she found herself unable to transact the commonest item in business without Major Essex

So it happened that when she went to buy a set of ermire furs Major Essex was her unwilling companion.

It't the last time,' thought the major to himsell; 'it must be the last time or she will marry me before I krow it.'

Mrs. Changhley was very hard to suit in the matter of furs, and when at last they found a set which she liked it proved to be too mall around the neck.

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'We can have it altered in a minute,
ma'am,' said the pelite salesman. One of

young women can fix it while you wait.

Miss Carson—here—send Estelle to me!

And a light pretty little figure glided in dressed in somewhat shabby morning. Major Essex sat by the window, looking absently out into the street, but as the work gil attempted to remove the fur wrapping from Mrs. Colonel Changhley's neck a pin at her wrist caught in the widow's lace collar.

'You awkward, clumsy thing!' almost screamed Mrs. Colonel Changhley, and then she checked herself abruptly, remembering the presence of Major Essex.

'I am vary sorry, ma'am—indeed—indeed I did not intend it,' faltered a sweet, low voice, which made Essex start as it a finger of fire had smitten his ear.

'Estelle Dayton!'

Oh, Maj r Essex, is it you?'

Estelle colored and then grew pale—the prowy little circlet of tur dropped from her fingers to the floor.

'Miss Dayton—if you please!' began Mr. Much of the firm of Mink & Fartail. And Estelle, catching up the ermine collar, murmured a word or two of apology and escaped from the room.

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lar, murmured a word or two of apology and escaped from the room.

'So you're acquainted with the young woman!' said Mrs. Calonel Changhley a little superciliously.

'The young lady's father,' said Essex coldly, was one of my oldest friends and one of the weal hiest civizens of Florida before this unhappy war desolated all ranks of lite. Mr. Miok, will you oblige me with Miss Dayton's address?'

And Mrs. Changhley wished she had not insisted on Major Essex's company during the fur seeking expedition.

the fur seeking expedition.

He went, as soon as he had reason to suppose business hours were over, to the place n med by Mr Mins, and his expedition was in vain. Miss Dayton was not at

cool veranda and wide balls of Dayton's place. Essex's beart sank within him as he looked round at the carpetless floors and rickety stairs of the third rate board. ing house. Half an hour later he was sitting in his

rivets parlor at the De L'Orme hotel privets parlor at the De L'Orme hotel amoking a meditative cigar when the waiter knocked at the door and ushered in a slender figure in black. Essex flung his cigar into the fire and sprang up with a

cigar into the are and sprang up with a glad countenance.

Et lie! I have been to your house to find you but without success.

'We worked late to night,' she said quietly, 'and the la'e hours and constant confinement are killing me. Major Essex, I have a favor to ask of you for the sake of old times.' old times.' He had drawn forward a chair for her,

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'It is already granted, Estelle.'

'I wish to beg of you to use your influence to obtain me the situation of companion or seamstress—to—to your wife.'

'To my wite, Estelle? But I am not married.'

The room seamlet enflued. Estelle December 1.

The rosy scarlet suffused Estelle Day-ton's chek.
'That lady in the black silk dress—was

'That lady in the black silk dress—was she not your wife?'
'No, nor likely to be, I hope,' E sex answead with a slight grimance. 'But, Estelle. though I do not happen to be married, that's no reason why I should not want a campanion and a seamstress. Dear Estelle, will you come to me and be my wife?'
'But Major France.'

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'But, Major Essex—'
'I know I am twenty years older than
you, but I am not an old man yet, and I
believe I have loved you longer than I can

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And Major Essex dragged the chin'z cushions into a heap directly underneath his head and composed himself for a comfortable nap before dinner.

When the next week came he packed his valise as nonchalantly as it he were going to Bal imore or Philadelphia and started for Calcutts, and when he returned the south had passed through the terrible pangs of war. He went to the old Dayton place. The velvet lawn was ploughed up and planted with rice. The orange grove, where the mocking birds used to sing their merry roundelays, lay leveled to the ground, and only a ruinous chimney halt overgrown with rank poisson vine remained of the hospitable old mansion.

For a moment Essex gave way to head of Domestic Subjects is very interestdoorstep and wept. And then he went back to Baltimore, where his home was to be for the future, all efforts to discover any trace of the Dayton tamily having proved futile and vain. been added and cannot fail to be of special value to everybody interested in the art of dressmaking, as it embodies all the latest ideas in the trimming and finishing of a garment. Social Observances is an attractive and useful department. There will also be found much bright miscellaneous reading. Order from the local agent for Butterick Patterns, or address The Delineator Publishing Co. of Toronto, Limited, 33 Richmond St. West, Toronto, Ont. Subscription price of the Delineator, \$1.00 per year, single copies, 15 Cents.

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caro, Aug. 16, to Mr. and Mrs. William Chetwynd, a son. West New Glasgow, Aug. 12, to Dr. and Mrs. F. H. Parker, a daughter.

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MARRIED.

Boston, July 3, Hugh McDonald to Mary Bryden, Mu quodoboit, March 27, Edward Logan to Jane Avonport, Aug. 10, Mr. Geo. Pye to Miss Marthe Fuller.

Everett, Wash., Aug. 20, Norris B. Allen, to Ros C. Mathey. Florenceville, Car. Co., N. B., Mr. Wm Turner to Miss Emma Jenson.

Boularderie, Aug. 18. by Rev. D. D. ummond, Jas. Cann to Maegie Grieg. St. John, Aug. 27, by Rev. S. A. Baker, Wm. Fos-ter to Louisa Cameron. Halifax, Aug. 18, by Rev. A. E. I. Willis, P. Hub-ley to Manu B. Hubley. ston, Aug. 17, by Rev. Fr. Clarke, Elia

Millville, Aug. 17, by Rev. J. W. Fraser, George Carson to Christy McKsy. Smith to Mr. C. D. Roper. Halirax, Aug. 18, by Rev. Dr. Heartz, Richard Conroy to Lucy Withrow.

Stewiacke, March 4, by Rev. Hugh Graham, R. J. Smith to Cathe ine Dualsp. Everett, Mass., by Rev. Chas. M. Hall. Harry S. Jacobs to Carrie M. Burris. Macdonald to Emma Smith. Middleton, N. S. Aug. 11, by Rev. H. S. Baker, Jas. Lynch to Littan Burney.

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constable who had made the arrest test-if id to catching the prisoner with the fish in his possession.

'Where are the fish,' asked the lawyer for the defendant.

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Why, they wouldn't keep,' answered the offi ser.

'What did you do with them?'

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'Well I knew they wouldn't keep, so I.—I.—disposed of them.

'But what did you do with them?'

'My wite cooked them.'

'And you ate them?'

'Yes.'

'Your Honor, I ask that this case be dismissed.'

dismissed.'

'Charge dismissed and defendant discharged,' raled the justice of the peace, 'on the ground that arresing officer ate the evidence.'

Doubly Fatal.

The extravagance of expression common to certain young ladies of anemphatic habit leads them into queer statements. For instance, here is the record of a conversation petween two girls:

'I was just dying to see it.'
'Yes.'

'Yes. and when I saw it it was perfectly



BORN.

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Hailfar, Aug. 22, 60c. R. Smith, 68.
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Springhill, Aug. 22, Ivin G. LorrimerBoston, Aug. 23, Charlis McDowell, 27.
St. John, April 29, James M. Nisbet, 64.

Springhill, Aug. 23, to wise of James Dunn, a sor.
Windsor, Aug. 18, to wise of Fav. Henry Dickte, a
son.
Halitax, Aug. 25 to wise of Michael J. Sullivau, a
son.
Port Greville, Aug. 17 to wise of Erastus Parsons, a
con.
Cumberland, Aug. 18 to wise of John Greeno, a
son.
Woltvile, Aug. 15, to wise of W. S. Wallace, a
Steam Mill. Aug. 13 to wise of Wm. B. Gould, a
son.
Richibutto, Aug. 18, to wise of Nichalas Chivari, a
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son.
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Ball's Creek, Aug. 14, to wife of Duncan Gouthro, New Glasgow, Aug. 17, John youngest son of Alex McLeod, 15.

windermer, Aug. 9, to wife of Robert Palmer, a daughter. Springhill dug 22 to wife of A. Michelson, a daughter.

Port Hood, Aug. 21. Cyril Wilfred, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. McLean, 8. Pubnico Head, Aug. 21, to wife of Fred Murphy, a St. John, Aug. 27, Margaret Ann widow of the late William Dunn, 87.

'arradore, Aug. 5, to wife of Capt W. W. Graham, Bear River, Aug. 25, to wife of Mr. J. Harold

South Waterville, Aug 20, to Mr. and Mrs. George Foster twin daughters. Three Mile Pains. Aug. 4, to wife of Walter Dill, twins—son and daughter.

Sydney, Aug. 21. George infant son of Capt. and Mrs. Peters. Springhill, Aug. 20, Hugh C. son of Wm. Mathe-

Annapo'is, Aug. 16, Edgar W. son of Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Goldsmith

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